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## SEASON'S RELIEF



Pharmacy intern Tom Bobrowski of Kurt's Pharmacy in Twin Falls displays some common products used to treat flu symptoms.

## No confirmed flu cases in Magic Valley

### Influenza-like illnesses striking area, however

By Pat Marcantonio  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — From his view behind the counter, pharmacist Kurt Heifer can see the way the cold and flu season has wrought.

"And it's not pretty. A lot of flu is going around. People are getting cough and cold symptoms, which can be mistaken for the flu," said the Twin Falls pharmacist.

There are no confirmed cases of influenza in the Magic Valley, but doctors and schools are reporting influenza-like illnesses, said Cheryl Becker of the South Central District Health Department in Twin Falls.

Elsewhere, 11 confirmed cases have shown up in Boise, Pocatello, Lewiston, Lapwai and Nampa.

"Flu is circulating in the community. Right now, it's sporadic cases. We're seeing more and more evidence of an

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increase in number," Becker said. A new flu strain called the Wahan was one of three types included, in non-infectious forms, in vaccines. In the spring, health officials collect information about what types of flu are circulating in the world. They attempt to predict what types may show up later in the year and

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## Debts mounting on Auger Falls hydro project

### Developer says his firm 'isn't on ropes'

By William Brock  
The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A local engineering firm has won a \$272,612 judgment against a troubled hydroelectric developer — allowing it to foreclose on the developer's land near the Snake River at Auger Falls.

In a judgment signed last week, 5th District Judge Donald Meachl ruled that J-U-B Engineers is entitled to foreclose on its mechanic's and materialman's lien for services rendered to Cogeneration Inc.

"It's been a long fight," said J-U-B's attorney William Hollifield, of Twin Falls. "We can go ahead with the foreclosure, or wait and see what happens." Roughly two-thirds of J-U-B's judgment — \$182,440 — is principal and the rest is interest. Overall, the company is entitled to collect the full amount along with "interest at the highest legal rate ... until fully paid."

Salt Lake City businessman Steve Harmsen, Cogeneration's president, described the stipulated judgment as "self-explanatory."

"We breached an agreement with J-U-B," Harmsen said Tuesday. "If and when Cogeneration builds the plant, then we'll take care of them."

"Cogeneration is still in business and still meeting all of its obligations," he added. "Cogeneration isn't on the ropes."

In addition to his financial challenges, Harmsen is battling with the state for permission to build a low dam across the Snake River less than three miles downstream of the Perrine Bridge. The dam belongs to the state of Idaho, but the state Land Board unanimously voted in February to deny a submerged lands easement.

Under the provisions of federal law, Harmsen can condemn the land — but he needs to break ground on the project by July 25, or his federal hydropower license will expire. If built, the Auger Falls project would generate 43.6 million watts of electricity.

J-U-B has worked on the Auger Falls proposal since 1981, but the lien only covers debts dating to July 15, 1991, according to court documents. Its lien notwithstanding, J-U-B isn't Cogeneration's mightiest creditor; that distinction goes to a group of investors that sold the Auger Falls-area land to Cogeneration.

The group, Rock Creek Joint Ventures, defeated J-U-B in a court fight

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Sheriff's Sgt. Gary Grove leans into the high wind of a blizzard which closed down the Grand Forks, N.D., area Tuesday.

## Blizzard halts movement across Wyoming, Dakotas

The Associated Press

STEELE, N.D. — Stranded travelers packed the Lone Steer motel as many as five to a room Tuesday to wait out a blizzard that cut visibility nearly to zero, bringing much of the northern Plains to a standstill.

"It there's a shining star to this whole deal, it's that hot tub and sauna in there," said Harvey Lambright of Peru, Ill., who was sharing a room with four other passengers from a Greyhound bus.

Greyhound shut down all service between Great Falls, Mont., and Minneapolis, said bus driver Harry

Edwards. Hundreds of miles of highway were closed across North Dakota, Wyoming, South Dakota and Nebraska, and schools were closed across the region because of dangerous road conditions.

"We really mean it — absolutely no travel," said South Dakota Highway Patrol Lt. Don Bender.

Wind up to 60 mph blew snow in blinding clouds. In eastern Wyoming, the gales pushed wind chills to nearly 50 below zero.

The wind pounded the snow into drifts "as hard as cement," said Richard Burns, highway foreman in South Dakota's

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## Barnacle-covered hunks of Challenger turn up

### Florida seas yield wing flap sections

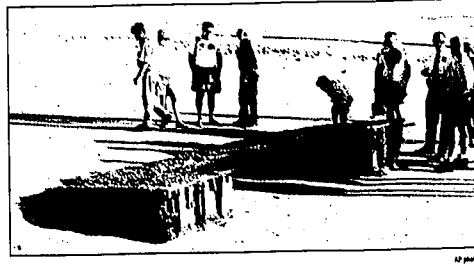
The Washington Post

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Two barnacle-covered chunks of the space shuttle Challenger washed ashore Tuesday near the Kennedy Space Center, a poignant reminder that half the ill-fated orbiter remains at the bottom of the sea.

The debris was discovered by a passer-by early Tuesday on the shores of Cocoa Beach, a few miles south of the Kennedy Space Center where Challenger took off on its final voyage 11 years ago next month.

One piece, measuring about 8-by-14 feet, was identified by NASA engineers as Challenger's left inboard wing flap, or elevator, a segment from the base of the shuttle's left wing that helped steer the orbiter during entry and landing.

The second piece, about five feet long and less than one foot wide, came ashore several blocks to the south. Engineers



The larger of the two pieces of wreckage from the space shuttle Challenger which washed ashore near a beach attraction Tuesday near Cocoa Beach, Fla.

believe it broke away from the larger piece.

Ron Phelps, a NASA project manager at the Florida Spaceport, said he was surprised such a large piece of wreckage

managed to find its way ashore from more than a dozen miles out to sea where it originally landed.

"This piece, structurally, is the complete inboard elevator of the left wing, and

that's like 8 feet on one end by 6 feet on the other by 14 feet long," Phelps said. "So it's a big piece, it weighed several hundred pounds," he added. "We had to use a front-end loader to actually pick it up and move it off the beach."

Both chunks of debris, were carted back to the Kennedy Space Center, where they will remain until early next year. The wreckage eventually will be lowered into an abandoned Minuteman missile site at the nearby Cape Canaveral Air Station where the rest of Challenger's wreckage is buried.

Challenger was destroyed by the failure of its right-side solid-fuel booster on Jan. 28, 1986. One minute and 13 seconds after launch at 11:38 a.m., the spacecraft was engulfed in a cloud of burning fuel when its external tank suffered structural failure at an altitude of 46,000 feet.

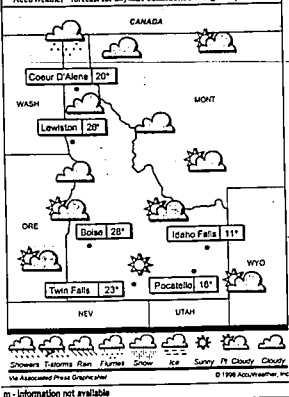
The search for wreckage returned into the largest underwater salvage operation since mines were cleared from European harbors after World War II.

NASA spent about \$22 million on the shuttle salvage operation.

# WEATHER

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Wednesday, Dec. 18  
AccuWeather® Forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures



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Fairfield	2 16	Last year	35 22
Gooding	21 4	Normal	40 22
Hagerman	38 10	Month to date:	1.91
Idaho Falls	16 1	Normal mo. to date:	.70
Jerome	19 7	Water year to date:	4.25
Lewiston	32 19	Normal year to date:	2.65
Malad	24 5	<b>Precipitation</b>	
Matta	11 5	Month to date:	1.91
McCall	17 1	Normal mo. to date:	.70
Pocatello	20 3	Water year to date:	4.25
Salt Lake	28 9	Normal year to date:	2.65
Stanley	2 27	<b>Comfort factors</b>	
Sun Valley	m 2	Humidity at noon:	62 pct.
		Bathometer at noon:	30.56 R
		Pollen count: Reports ended	for this season.
		Courtesy Astoria and Arroyo of Idaho.	

## SKWATCH

Sunset today 5:07 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 8:03 a.m.  
Lunar phase: First quarter Dec. 17; full Dec. 24; last quarter, Jan. 1; new, Jan. 8.  
Visible planets: Morning: Mars, Venus, Evening: Jupiter, Saturn, Mercury.  
Winter solstice 7:56 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21.

## FORECAST

### Magic Valley

Mostly sunny and continued cold today. Highs 20 to 25. Light southwest wind. Tonight partly cloudy and not as cold. Lows 5 to 10 above zero. Thursday partly cloudy. Highs 25 to 30.

The ultraviolet index forecast is 1, a minimal exposure level.

### Extended regional forecast

Friday increasing clouds. Patchy of fog and low clouds. Not as cold. Lows zero east to 15 west. Highs 20 east to 30 west.

Saturday and Sunday good chance of snow. Moderating temperatures. Lows 15 east to 25 west. Highs 25 east to 35 west.

### Camas Prairie, Wood River Valley

Mostly sunny and continued cold today. Highs 5 to 20 above. Tonight partly cloudy and not as cold. A slight chance of flurries. Lows 20 below to near zero. Thursday partly cloudy. A slight chance of flurries east. Highs near 10 to 20.

### Treasure Valley

Mostly sunny today. Highs 25 to 30. Light and variable wind. Tonight partly cloudy. Lows 10 to 15. Thursday partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 30s.

### Sawtooth Mountains

Mostly sunny and continued cold today. Highs 5 to 20 above. Tonight partly cloudy and not as cold. A slight chance of flurries. Lows 20 below to near zero. Thursday partly cloudy. A slight chance of flurries east. Highs near 10 to 20.

### Eastern Idaho

Brisk and bitterly cold wind chills north part early this morning otherwise sunny. Highs near 10 above. North winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight increasing clouds with a chance of snow flurries. Lows in the lower 20s. Thursday mostly cloudy with a chance of snow flurries. Highs near 20.

### Northern Idaho

Increasing clouds today. Highs 25 to 30. Light and variable wind. Tonight variable clouds. Slight chance of flurries. Lows 15 to 20. Thursday mostly cloudy. Highs near 30.

### Northern Nevada

Mostly sunny today. Light wind. Highs near 25. Tonight partly cloudy. Lows near zero. Thursday partly cloudy and not as cold.

### Northern Utah

Mostly sunny and cold today. Highs 20-25. Tonight mostly cloudy. Lows mid teens. Thursday partly cloudy. Highs 20.

The ultraviolet index forecast is 1, a minimal exposure level.

## IDAHO WEATHER SUMMARY

Arctic air and frigid temperatures settled across Idaho. Higher elevations in the Gem State reported temperatures Tuesday 20 degree below zero and colder. Stanley at minus 27. Burges had an official low of 28 below. Winds across the Upper Snake River Highlands pushed the chill factor to 40 below zero in some places.

## ACROSS THE NATION

### Blizzard batters Plains states as winds buffet S. California

The Associated Press

An Arctic blast spread wintry weather from the Great Lakes all the way into the Mississippi Valley Tuesday, producing blizzards across the Plains and snowfall that draped into northern Texas.

Dangerously cold weather clamped down across much of Nebraska, eastern Wyoming, the Dakotas and Minnesota, as 50-mph winds made it feel as cold as 60 degrees below zero and high readings struggled to reach the 20s.

The Midwest storm created extremely hazardous driving conditions, packing snow into hard drifts and cutting visibility to near zero. In Oklahoma, the storm was blamed for at least five traffic deaths. Temperatures struggled into the 20s across the southern Plains and only reached single digits across the northern Plains. More snow was forecast.

In Texas and Oklahoma, snow fell along the Red River Valley. And a mix of snow, sleet and rain was spreading toward much of Mississippi and northeastern Louisiana.

Rain prevailed across much of the Northeast and Tuesday, producing blizzards across the Plains and snowfall that draped into northern Texas.

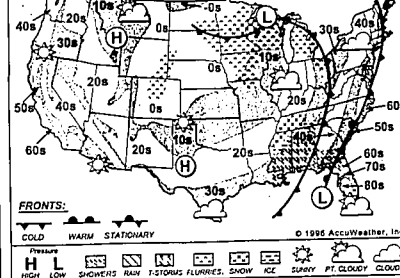
Elsewhere, Santa Ana winds made a new assault on Southern California, where blustery wind gusts to 75 mph were expected. In Ventura County, growers said winds knocked avocados off trees and whipped branches hard enough to scar lemons.

At Cheyenne, Wyo., gusts were docked at nearly 55 mph. Tuesday's lowest wind chill was minus 54 at Buffalo, S.D.

## NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Wednesday, Dec. 18.

Bands separate high temperature zones for the day.



## HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 39 degrees at Payette. Low, 27 below zero at Stanley. Nation: High, 80 at San Gabriel, Calif. Low, 27 below zero at Stanley.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz or call 423-4233. The Internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: <http://www.state.id.us/dotidump.htm>

## TEMPERATURES

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	32	32	...
Atlanta	46	45	..37
Boston	29	27	...
Chicago	29	27	...
Dallas	37	32	...
Denver	7	2	.01
Des Moines	16	13	...
Detroit	36	32	.25
Honolulu	78	58	...
Houston	58	52	...
Indianapolis	32	30	...
Kansas City	21	18	.01
Las Vegas	51	42	...
Los Angeles	77	50	...
Memphis	44	30	.32
Miami Beach	76	61	...
Minneapolis	10	7	.02
New Orleans	51	42	...
New York City	57	43	...
Oklahoma City	29	22	...
Omaha	16	10	...
Phoenix	48	39	.86
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## U.N. appoints Ghanaian Annan secretary-general

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The General Assembly appointed Kofi Annan its new chief Tuesday, and the Ghanaian pledged to work for a leaner United Nations while urging members not to allow it to perish from "indifference, inattention or financial starvation."

The 185-member General Assembly formally approved the 58-year-old U.N. veteran to succeed Boutros Boutros-Ghali, who was vetoed for a second term by the United States. Washington claimed the Egyptian diplomat was sluggish in pressing for U.N. reform.

Annan, who was chosen Friday by the 15-member Security Council, took his oath of office Tuesday, although his five-year term does not begin until Jan. 1.

During a 90-minute ceremony, the General Assembly also thanked Boutros-Ghali, who received a standing ovation after a farewell speech in which he blamed member states, including Washington, for creating a financial crisis that has slowed reform.

Mindful of Washington's demand for reform, Annan urged the United Nations to "make change our ally, not our enemy — to recognize it as a necessity not an imposition."

Annan, head of U.N. peacekeeping and a veteran U.N. insider, was chosen Friday after France pulled its opposition.

## Auger

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earlier this year to determine who had the first claim to Cogeneration's land near Auger Falls. Mechl found the group's \$1.8 million purchase money mortgage was superior to all other claims; the group received \$600,000 at the time of purchase.

When the group sold the land to Cogenation, it consisted of J-U-R's local manager, Delbert "Bill" Block, local hydro developer Jack Straubhaar, accountants Robert Norman and David Cooper, engineer Douglas Preston, and Robert Johnson; Marc Edson, Bruce Mecham, Jack Witherspoon, Margaret S. Butler, Gordon Beckstead and Camille Beckstead Stockdale, according to records filed in the Twin Falls County Recorder's office.

Block, Straubhaar and Preston — all engineers — also were among the group that founded Cogenation in 1980.

About three-and-a-half years later, the group sold the land to Harmsen and a man named Richard Kaster. Later, Kaster sold his interest to Phillip Aslett, who died in 1993.

## Flu

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The time of year doesn't help. People already are worn thin by Christmas preparations, inadequate rest and diets of too much candy and goodies, and a host of other illnesses seem to have bypassed two of the largest school districts in the region, at least for a while.

The Twin Falls and Arco County districts reported no larger-than-normal absentee rates over the past few weeks.

Whatever the bug cutting a sickly swath, Hefner says people want relief for a variety of aches and pains.

"There seems to be a lot of people with muscular joint ache with this particular flu," he said.

## ROAD CONDITIONS

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation reported some icy roads Tuesday.

Road conditions:

- U.S. 95 — Flummer Sandpoint, dry; Sandpoint-Canadian border, dry; icy spots, broken snow floor; Riggins-Whitebird Hill, dry; Whitebird Hill, wet, icy spots; Arco-Idaho Falls, wet; Winchester-Lewiston, icy spots; Lewiston-Moscow, dry; Weiser-New Meadows, dry; icy spots; Marsing-Oregon line, dry.
- Interstate 49 — Fourth of July Canyon, icy spots; Lookout Pass, icy spots, broken snow floor.
- U.S. 12 — Lewiston-Lowell, icy spots; Lowell-Lewiston Pass, icy spots, broken snow floor.
- Interstate 84 — Dry.
- Idaho 55 — Horseshoe Bend, Donnelly, dry; icy spots; Donnelly-New Meadows, icy spots.
- Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, icy spots; Idaho City-Banner Summit, icy spots, broken snow floor.
- U.S. 20 — Mountain Home-

## Green streak lights up skies

SEATTLE (AP) — Something was out there in the pre-dawn darkness Tuesday.

Astronomers say the green streak spotted by excited early risers from central Oregon to Vancouver, British Columbia, probably was a visitor from outer space: a meteor.

"It was like a green ball that was on fire," said Tim Harrington, KBKW radio talk-show host in Aberdeen in southwest Washington, who saw it when he stepped outside for a break about 6:15 a.m.

## Without engineer, lights, whistle runaway train makes 50-mile dash

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — A runaway train without lights, whistle or an engineer barreled across more than 50 miles of western Nebraska on a moonless night, coming within seconds of hitting a farmer and his pregnant wife.

Operated only by remote control, the 55 train cars plowed through dozens of crossings, three railroad stop signs and passed several other trains before a train engineer stopped them.

The Union Pacific Railroad train apparently had been sabotaged — the runaway cars in the rear had been uncoupled from the train's front section, possibly by a motorist upset because the train was blocking traffic, said

railroad spokesman John Bromley.

When locomotives at each end of the train began moving, the engineer in front rolled out ahead and more than 50 crossings without realizing the back section of the train was trailing behind by as much as 12 miles.

Another train's engineer spotted the problem and notified a dispatcher, who told the engineer aboard front section of the runaway train. Since the front and rear locomotives were programmed to work in tandem, both sections came to a halt when he made an emergency stop.

The Dec. 4 incident may be the first time a remote-controlled train operated for more than 50 miles without an engineer's knowledge, said Ray Lineweber, a spokesman for the United Transportation Union.

"There have been small industry stuff, but nothing like this," he said. "It operated over the public crossings without a whistle and without headlights."

Allen Jensen, of rural Gothenburg, said he and his wife, then nine months pregnant, were riding in their pickup truck when the runaway train came within seconds of hitting it. He called 911 at about the same time the dispatcher notified the engineer.

"After the initial shock, there was a lot of anger," Jensen said Monday. "Like I said, it almost killed us."

## Blizzard

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Brown County, which decided to not even try plowing until today, at the Lone Steer, about 40 miles east of Bismarck, about 150 people crammed into the rooms and borrowed blankets to sleep in the banquet hall after they were forced to pull off Interstate 94.

Motel workers warned people against trying to venture even to a convenience store across the street.

"In North Dakota, you have to expect something like this at least once a year," said Army National Guard Staff Sgt. Tony Goldade, who never finished his trip to Bismarck.

Tom Wright said he didn't mind sharing a room.

"The five of us all have gotten along, so we said, 'We'll take it,'" he said.

The snowbound guests passed

the time waiting a truck parked about 75 feet away as it disappeared behind a windblown snow, like it was being "beamed up" on Star Trek, then reappeared whenever gusts subsided.

Zicker Elias, a native of Syria, had been stuck since Monday, when the Greyhound bus he was on slid into a ditch near Steele.

He was bound from Allentown, Pa., to Spokane, Wash., for a citizenship ceremony and had to call and say he would miss it.

"No one can go anywhere," said Linda Cecil, a worker at the convenience store at the Flying J Truck Stop in Gillette.

In northeastern Minnesota, a semi-rear-ended a car stopped on a highway and sent several people to the hospital with injuries that could not life-threatening.

"They were elderly people. They couldn't see to drive so they had to stop. They happened to be in the traffic lane," State Patrol dispatcher Darwin Lusty said.

South Dakota closed 170 miles of Interstate 90 across the western end two-thirds of the state because of zero visibility, and other roads were closed by drifts several feet high.

Lone Steer manager Susan White said the motel had plenty of food for its unexpected guests.

"We'd have to go into about a five-day blizzard before we'd have to worry," White said.

And she insisted she was having fun.

"As long as no one dies on the interstate, I I love storms. I could take this all year."

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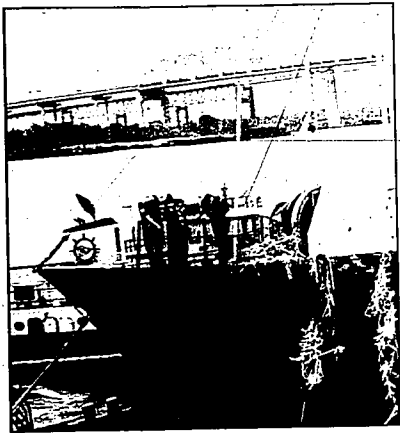
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NATION



Members of the U.S. Coast Guard survey damage the freighter Bright Field sustained when it crashed into a crowded shopping center, the Riverwalk, in New Orleans on Saturday.

## Chinese crewmen ignore instructions

Investigation examines language barrier

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—The Chinese crew of the runaway Liberian freighter did not respond to their English-speaking pilot in the critical minutes before the ship slammed into a crowded shopping mall along the Mississippi River.

Pilot Ted Davison told investigators during early interviews that the vessel's captain did not answer him when he asked why the ship's engine was losing power. John Hammerschmidt, a National Transportation Safety Board member, told reporters Tuesday.

The crew also failed to act when he issued orders to drop anchors and turn the ship — "as if I wasn't there" — the pilot told investigators.

The inquiry is focusing on whether language problems contributed to Saturday's accident, in which more than 100 people were injured.

The 763-foot freighter, loaded with 56,000 tons of corn, crashed into the Riverwalk mall and hotel. No deaths have been reported, but searches have yet to penetrate a 100-by-100-foot heap of debris by the river.

Preliminary findings show that a fish pump on the 763-foot Bright Field failed and a backup pump switched on just minutes before the crash.

An automated safety system also came on, which reduced engine power and the vessel's speed, eroding the freighter's steering control, Hammerschmidt said Monday.

The ship's pilot and crew

## Record natural gas demand for 1997

WASHINGTON (AP) — The American Gas Association said Tuesday it expects record high natural gas consumption next year.

Usage could top 23.2 quadrillion British thermal units, assuming normal weather in 1997, an end-use growth rate of 2.5 percent and average crude oil prices of \$20.50 per barrel, association chairman Tom Fisher said.

The association expects consumption to increase from 3.7 percent to 5.9 percent over 1996 levels because of advances in end-use technologies and "market opportunities created by regulatory initiatives."

## White House rejects fewer nursing home inspections

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House quickly abandoned a proposal to reduce inspections of many nursing homes Tuesday, saying the idea was never actively considered by President Clinton.

A number of consumer groups

and state officials had panned the proposal, which had been outlined in policy documents distributed by the Department of Health and Human Services.

Officials said the administration is seeking better ways to crack down on nursing homes that violate federal standards and the proposed changes were meant to result in targeting the worst cases. Following the outcry, they began saying fewer inspections didn't seem to be the answer.

"I'm probably not going anywhere anytime fast," said presidential spokesman Mike McCurry. The idea, he said, never made it to the White House or the desk of Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala for review.

"We're always looking for new,

innovative ways to do business, but we would never do anything that would compromise the quality of care or oversight," said Peter Garrett, spokesman for the Health Care Financing Administration, which runs Medicare and Medicaid.

The New York Times and the Los Angeles Times reported the proposed policy change Tuesday, saying federal officials felt that narrowing the scope of reviews would make it easier

to target the worst offenders. They noted government data that more than two-thirds of nursing homes do not fully comply with federal standards.

Nursing homes must meet federal standards to obtain payment from Medicaid and Medicare. "If the facility has a good history, then let's not expend dwindling resources spending our time (there) with our inspectors," said David Kylo, director of community relations for the American Health Care Association. "We should be in facilities where we know there are problems far more frequently."

## Clinton preparing to name final 4 Cabinet positions

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is close to naming a new transportation secretary, but leading candidates for the departments of labor and housing have fallen away.

Several administration officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, summed up the personnel landscape Tuesday. They said:

- Federal Highway Administrator Rodney Slater, an Arkansan with close ties to Clinton, is the president's choice to replace Transportation Secretary Federico Peña, barring any last-minute hitches.

- Seattle Mayor Norm Rice, long a front-runner to replace Housing and Urban Development Secretary Terry Cisneros, is practically out of the running. His role in a HUD application is under investigation. Rep. Esteban Torres, D-Calif., has emerged as a candidate.

- White House official Alexis Herman is no longer considered a leading candidate for labor secretary. Her problem: opposition from union groups. Former Missouri Rep. Alan Wheat, D-Mo., has emerged as a possible compromise candidate to replace Robert Reich.

- Energy secretary, the fourth and final Cabinet-level position currently vacant, is still a tossup. Candidates to replace Hazel O'Leary include Chang-Lin Tien,

chancellor of the University of California at Berkeley, and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission member Elizabeth Moller.

Clinton already has nominees for State and Defense, in addition to the non-Cabinet Central Intelligence Agency. The rest of the 14-member Cabinet is expected to stay put.

U.S. aid for North Korea under discussion

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Warren Christopher said Tuesday the United States is considering aid for North Korea if it makes amends for sending a spy submarine into South Korean waters.

Christopher refused to discuss a published report that U.S.-North Korea talks in New York are nearing a breakthrough. But other officials dismissed the account as inaccurate.

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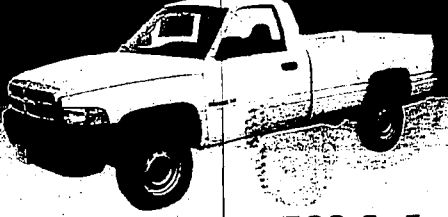
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WASHINGTON — Some high-risk patients — particularly those with chronic heart or lung diseases — may have received a flu vaccine that was not quite strong enough and should consider a second shot, the government said Tuesday.

Nobody knows if the 1.5 million to 2 million high-risk patients thought to have received the less potent vaccine really are at greater risk from influenza than some 70 million other Americans vaccinated against the disease this year.

But the Food and Drug Administration decided to err on the side of caution and write doctors that their most vulnerable patients — not healthy people — might need another dose.

"It's not that there's no protection. It's a moderately lowered level," FDA Commissioner David Kessler said. "We don't believe it's a major risk."

Couple plead innocent in baby-death case

WILMINGTON, Del. — A teenage couple accused of dumping their newborn son in a motel trash bin pleaded innocent Tuesday to murder.

One of their lawyers contended the baby was born brain-damaged and wasn't harmed by his parents.

Amy Grossberg and Brian Peterson Jr., looking scared and nervous, sat one seat apart in the courtroom and spoke quietly for a few minutes before Superior Court Judge Henry duPont Ridgely entered.

It was the first time the two high school sweethearts have seen each other since Nov. 12, when Ms. Grossberg gave birth to the 6-pound, 2-ounce baby in a Newark motel. Police later found the baby in the trash, wrapped in plastic.

Hoffa files Teamsters election protest

WASHINGTON — A decision by a federal official to move ballots cast in the Teamsters election to another site before finishing a review of challenges drew a protest Tuesday from candidate James P. Hoffa.

Teamsters President Ron Carey declared victory Saturday over the son of labor legend Jimmy Hoffa.

"There have already been too many delays and irregularities in this election," Hoffa's attorney, Patrick Szymanski, wrote to Barbara Zack Quindel, the federally appointed overseer.

"The announced plan to move ballots to some as yet undisclosed location... introduces additional and unacceptable risks and introduces further questions concerning the integrity of the count," Szymanski wrote.

Rule limits use of 'fresh' label on chickens

WASHINGTON — The chickens will finally come in from the cold.

Starting next December, supermarket chickens can carry the "fresh" label only if they have never been chilled below 26 degrees, the Agriculture Department said in a final rule published Tuesday.

The rule ends a long dispute that pitted California poultry producers and consumer groups against the majority of broiler makers in Arkansas and the rest of the South.

Compiled from wire reports

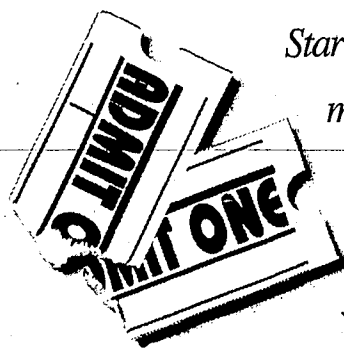
FAA tries to educate public on turbulence

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal aviation officials urged the flying public Tuesday to use seat belts and child restraints to guard against turbulence — the leading cause of injuries to passengers and flight attendants.

"Aviation continues to be the safest way to travel, but passengers need to be aware that unpredictable turbulence does happen," said Linda Hall Daschle, the Federal Aviation Administration's acting administrator.

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Pentagon to study Boeing merger

WASHINGTON (AP) — A senior Pentagon official will study the proposed merger of Boeing and McDonnell Douglas and offer recommendations to the antitrust agency that reviews the deal.

John Goodman, deputy undersecretary of defense for industrial affairs, will conduct the study, Pentagon spokesman Capt. Michael Doubleday said Tuesday.

Goodman, who has not been given a deadline for reviewing the merger, is expected to assess "what national security consequences it could have," the spokesman said.

A decision is expected within two weeks on whether the Federal Trade Commission or the Justice Department will be responsible for reviewing the deal, he said.

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# Report: High emergency help requests

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite national economic improvement, Catholic Charities USA, the nation's largest private social services network, says it had almost as many requests for emergency help last year as the year before.

Of the 10.7 million people assisted in 1995, more than 7.1 million sought emergency services, including food, shelter and clothing. The others needed assistance with social problems ranging from housing and health care to child care and counseling.

In 1994, Catholic Charities aided a total of 11.1 million people, including 7.2 million who needed emergency services.

Rev. Fred Kammer, president of the network, echoed the sentiments of some of the nation's mayors, who expressed anxiety Monday about the effect that cuts in federal welfare spending may have on the poor. Still, he said more than half of those seeking emergency help from Catholic Charities were not on welfare.

"A job doesn't necessarily get you out of

poverty," he said Tuesday.

Kammer also was doubtful about how much more assistance the nation's charities will be able to provide after the federal cuts kick in.

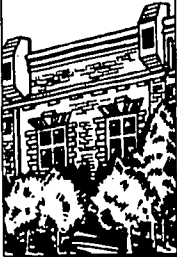
Speaking on behalf of the philanthropic community, Kammer said it was unlikely that Americans would double the size of their monetary gifts to charities in 1997 to make up for the government cutbacks.

"As you can plainly see, we can't meet all the needs," he said.

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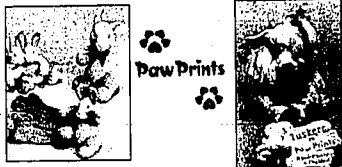
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IDAHO IN BRIEF

Twin Falls drug dealer gets shorter term

BOISE — A man convicted of drug dealing in the Twin Falls area has won a little shorter federal prison sentence after a court appeal. Richard Webster, 48, was sentenced in 1993 to 10 years in prison plus fines and supervised release, to be served after he finished a five-year Texas sentence for selling drugs.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld Webster's conviction but ordered a new sentence because the consecutive sentences were not justified.

U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnmill this week gave Webster a 135-month sentence and the same \$8,600 in fines and penalties plus five years on supervised release as he received originally. But Winnmill said the new sentence will run at the same time as the term Webster now is serving in Texas.

Inmates aren't entitled to due process

BOISE — Losing prison privileges after contraband is found in an inmate's locker is nothing unusual in a prison setting, the Idaho Supreme Court says. Inmate James Schewers filed a court petition after he was ordered to serve 55 days in disciplinary segregation after a guard found an illegal drug in the inmate's locker. His petition claimed his rights to due process were violated.

The Supreme Court ruled unanimously Tuesday that under a 1995 U.S. Supreme Court ruling, in a prison discipline setting, an inmate is not entitled to due process protections unless the potential punishment is out of the ordinary and a significant hardship.

Idaho Falls baseball couple on probation

IDAHO FALLS — The ex-president of the local youth league has been put on three years probation for helping his wife — the league treasurer — embezzle up to \$50,000 from the Western Boys Baseball Association.

Clay Bates, 40, and his wife, Maria, 41, were placed on probation under a plea bargain that required them to pay \$25,000 in restitution prior to Monday's sentencing. That was the amount of money the league could document as stolen. The Bates sold their home and other personal possessions and a relative put his home up to make the payment.

The defense attorney said financial problems prompted the couple to take the money from the league, where 1,000 players paid \$35 each in fees for equipment and insurance.

Low french fry demand blamed for cutback

CALDWELL — The J.R. Simplot Co. has laid off 90 production employees at its french fry plant, citing a downturn in demand. "It was a hard call to make," Simplot spokesman Fred Zerza said on Monday. "It's a tough time of year to lay people off, but, because of inventory problems, we had to do it."

The market for french fries has been soft recently, and the company has too much product on hand. The layoffs represent a 6.1-percent reduction in the production work force at the plant, spread across all three shifts.

Zerza would not speculate on how long the layoffs could last.

Confessed killer refuses to enter plea

SANDPOINT — The confessed killer who told authorities he would rather die than spend the rest of his life in prison refused to enter a plea during his arraignment on murder, assault and kidnapping charges.

"I plead neither guilty nor not guilty," Faron Lovelace told 1st District Judge James Judd on Monday. Lovelace, 39, admitted last fall that he killed Jeremy C. Scott, 23, during the summer of 1995. He led investigators to the Bonner County grave site in exchange for a written commitment from prosecutors to seek the death penalty.

Lovelace was arrested as a federal fugitive after being released from a prison term for robbery in Wisconsin but failing to contact his parole officer.

New union building sparks usage debate

IDAHO FALLS — While a proposed student union building at the Idaho education campus in town moves forward, many students question paying for a building they might not use.

The state Board of Education has already given permission for Idaho State and the University of Idaho to request a state architect to plan the building.

The Associated Students of Idaho State University is asking pupils at the extension campus to rate things they might want there, such as outdoor equipment rentals, a bookstore, a game room and a food court.

Students taking finals this week said they would rather have more classes, more instructors and academic advice.

Compiled from wire reports

Rankin pushes registration by political party



Ron Rankin

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Idaho's election laws used to require voters to declare themselves a Republican or Democrat before voting in the primary election.

A voter would receive a primary election ballot only for the party they registered for.

That system didn't last long but Ron Rankin, who next month will be sworn in as a Kootenai County commissioner, and other Republicans want to go back to the old system, mainly because he feels crossover voters "sabotage" some primary elections.

People had to ask for a Republican or Democratic ballot in the 1960 and 1962 elections. That was so unpopular that the 1963 Legislature repealed that law. Secretary of State Pete Cenarrusa, then speaker of the Idaho House, still remembers all the fuss voters kicked up when asked to commit to a specific party to vote in the party.

Tuesday night's Kootenai County Republican Party meeting was expected to adopt a resolution calling on the Legislature to

change the law immediately, to require people to ask for a specific party's ballot in the primary election.

It's a common practice in Idaho politics for voters in one party to vote in the other party's primary election in an effort to defeat an incumbent or pick the weakest candidate.

That's why political unknown Dr. William Levinger of Nampa got 18,054 votes in the last 1st Congressional District primary election, nearly 32 percent, against a strong favorite, Rep. Helen Chenoweth. Democrats and other Chenoweth opponents, knowing that Democratic candidate Dan Williams was a shooin, crossed over to cast ballots for Levinger.

Rankin says allowing people who are not members of a political party to vote in the primary election costs candidates a lot of

money. "Is party membership meaningless, or should it mean some thing?" Rankin asked. "We think it ought to mean something." A resolution to come before Kootenai Republicans says primary election candidates spend a lot of money trying to identify party supporters who will vote in the primary. That money could be put to better use, the resolution says.

"The people who work in the party say 30 percent of the budget of either of the parties is spent on trying to identify participants for primaries," Rankin said. "There would be considerable savings for both parties and candidates by having registrations."

The Republican state convention this year adopted a resolution calling for party registration. In recent years, the Legislature has shown little support for the idea.

House Speaker Michael Simpson of Blackfoot said both parties would like the requirement, because it makes their jobs easier. But he said it's not likely to happen.

"I don't think the people of Idaho would put up with it," he said.

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Tire charge would fund public transport projects

BOISE (AP) — The Ada Planning Association wants lawmakers to impose a \$1 tax on each tire sold in Idaho to fund public transportation projects.

The association voted Monday to recommend the tax plan to the Legislature in hopes of using up to \$195,000 a year of the money for buses and trains traveling between Ada and Canyon counties.

Officials say the tax would raise \$1 million a year statewide for mass transit. A previous \$1 tax on new tires was discontinued in June.

That five-year program helped raise money to clean up junk-tire piles.

"A lot of customers asked, 'Why are you taxing me twice on the tire?' but a lot were sympa-

Donations for vital transplant top \$76,000

ST. ANTHONY (AP) — An official called a technical on the home team at the South Fremont High School when coins donated for a woman's pancreas transplant rolled onto the basketball court.

After the game, the apologetic students explained why they had been so zealously collecting loose change. The official donated \$20. "That's about the way the community is kind of reacting, I think," said South Fremont assistant principal Neil Hirsch.

Donations to arrange a lifesaving pancreas transplant for Halli Shaw have surged to more than \$76,000, even as fund-raisers continue to spring up for the Idaho Falls woman, who grew up in St. Anthony.

Diabetes has destroyed Shaw's pancreas and her stomach cannot digest food. A \$111,000 trans-

plant would save her life, but her family is out of money. She needs \$86,000 to get on the waiting list for a pancreas.

thetic when told it was for research into waste disposal. Everybody knows that's a problem," said Bill Baker, manager of a tire service center in Garden City. "As far as mass transit, I don't know if it'd necessarily go for that."

Others also had reservations. Debbie Ruggles, general manager of Boise Urban Stages, questioned a plan that has Ada and Canyon counties "getting one-tenth of the money, and we have one-third of the population." The planning association agreed. It passed on to legislators a request to divide the money so populous areas of Idaho get more — reserving 19 percent of the revenue for discretionary use and allocating the rest by region and population.

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Batt says no to track

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Phil Batt informed leaders of the Coeur d'Alene Indian Tribe Tuesday that he won't endorse an effort by the tribe to take over the Post Falls dog track and use it for a gambling operation.

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## EDITORIAL

### Lottery offers more benefit than harm in long run

Probably not everyone is sold yet on the Idaho Lottery, but the number of its critics has probably shrunk in the past eight years.

Idaho voters approved a state lottery by a slim margin in November 1988. The count was 52 percent to 48 percent, after a campaign that pitted the allure of jackpots and the prospect of revenue against the pitfalls of state-sponsored sin.

Chances are, the margin would be bigger if the vote were held today. The Idaho Lottery has run up a record of responsible management and reasonable stewardship to the state treasury. It has avoided scandals while delivering more than \$58 million to Idaho school districts.

Even those of us who opposed it in 1988 are grudgingly agreeing that the lottery has kept its supporters' promises without visible harm to the state's moral fabric.

It helps that state leaders are resisting the temptations of the glitzy, more addictive forms of gaming that some states' lotteries have embraced. Last week, in conjunction with publication of the Idaho Lottery's 1996 annual report, Director Dennis Jackson visited Twin Falls and restated Idaho's intention of sticking with the relatively mundane forms of Lotto and scratch tickets.

As least in the foreseeable future, Idahoans won't be offered seductively high-tech games such as video keno—a game so bewitching that New York players reportedly call it "Lotto

Crack." Idaho tolerates a few mild-mannered games of chance, but anyone who wants hard-core gambling is welcome to drive to Nevada.

The Idaho Lottery's most notable negative consequence is a small one. National observers consistently conclude that linking lottery money to public schools can erode public support for school-funding proposals at the local level. We've seen a little of that in Idaho, too. People say, "The lottery money is supposed to pay for that" — when, in fact, the lottery money was never intended to be more than a supplement to local funds.

In our story on lottery money last week, one local school superintendent lamented that the lottery money was too scanty to meet his district's needs. Though Magic Valley districts have used lottery money for minor projects such as boilers and playground equipment, they still must depend on bond issues to build schools.

But that's not a bad thing. Dependence on bond issues keeps Idaho school districts accountable to local taxpayers. Even if the lottery sometimes could generate the many millions of dollars necessary to meet all of Idaho's school-construction needs, we'd still want local voters to have a say.

All in all, Idaho's modest lottery appears to be bringing more benefit than harm. It provides painless revenue without visible social damage. Prudent management and self-restraint by Idaho's leaders should keep it that way.



## 2-pronged solution to plutonium problem

JESSICA MATHEWS

Taking apart nuclear weapons, as the United States and Russia have begun to do, has a huge drawback: One must figure out what to do with the plutonium that comes out, gram for gram the most dangerous material there is.

The risk is that this stuff could be removed from a U.S. or Russian weapon to end up in someone else's. Getting access to weapons fuel is the hardest part of going nuclear: If it is poorly guarded, it is incomparably easier, quicker and cheaper to buy or steal than to make.

The U.S. plan, announced earlier this month, is to pursue two tracks. In one, called vitrification, the plutonium is mixed with highly radioactive wastes — making it extremely dangerous to handle — then encased in glass or ceramic and buried. The plutonium is treated as waste; its significant energy content thrown away. The approach sends an unequivocal signal that plutonium's security risks far outweigh its energy value, a conclusion the United States reached in the 1970s.

In the other approach, plutonium is made into reactor fuel (called mixed oxide or MOX) and burned in a civilian reactor. When the fuel comes out, a large part of plutonium remains, but it is now mixed with the highly radioactive spent fuel.

The spent fuel rods could be reprocessed to separate the plutonium and the wastes and the plutonium used again and again, but this the United States will not do.

Thus the MOX track sends a mixed message. By recognizing plutonium's energy value, it takes one step down the path of a plutonium energy economy. But by choosing to burn the fuel only once, reprocessing and reuse, the option attempts to leave security interests paramount.

If the United States had only itself, and only weapons plutonium to consider, it also certainly would pursue — only verification, the path clearly dictated by the importance it attaches to nonproliferation. But the choice is com-

pllicated by the fact that Moscow's view of plutonium is the mirror image of Washington's. Russia intends not only to make MOX fuel but to reprocess it as well.

Also, while dismantled weapons will produce a lot of plutonium in the coming years, reprocessing of civilian plutonium could produce twice as much, and this reactor-grade plutonium — French and Japanese claims to the contrary notwithstanding — is perfectly good weapons fuel.

The unpleasant reality is that while the United States struggles to devise a means of disposing of plutonium that keeps every pound safe from diversion, British, French and Russian reprocessing plants are churning out additional plutonium by the ton and Japan is building another such plant. Some in the U.S. nuclear industry and in Congress would like to do the same.

The strange paradox that countries would put enormous effort into nonproliferation while piling up huge stockpiles of plutonium is a consequence of two technical mistakes made decades ago: the belief that reactor-grade plutonium is not suitable for weapons and that uranium supplies would be inadequate for global energy needs. Plutonium recycle, a kind of perpetual energy machine and, seemingly safe, became the holy grail of the industry. Many still dream the dream, even in the face of economics that have turned overwhelmingly against it.

Given all this, the administration's track plan makes sense. There is no good way to dispose of plutonium: This one is the least bad. To make it succeed, however, it needs several accompanying policy shifts.

The United States should not draw a false distinction between military and civilian plutonium. The clear, bright line it should draw is on no further production of separated plutonium (at least until the disposal of weapons arsenals and existing stockpiles. That means no

reprocessing, military or civilian, even by nuclear weapons states. It won't happen soon, but it should be the unequivocal goal. The U.S. stance that it "does not encourage" civilian reprocessing by its allies should shift to "oppose."

Washington needs to say more loudly and forcefully that reactor-grade plutonium is a weapons fuel, pooh-poohing claims to the contrary even by valued friends: It should not be used to insert itself into the debate on this point now under way in Japan.

Testing the MOX option is a sensible bow to Russian views, but the United States must insist that not a penny of its assistance be used — even indirectly — to subsidize production of additional plutonium. The MOX plant the West will help Russia build must be allowed to handle only already existing plutonium, civilian or military.

Finally, if reactor fuel is not to be reprocessed, there must be an alternative. The best choice is one or more internationally run facilities for storing spent fuel. Efforts by nuclear opponents to shut down nuclear energy by opposing everything, trying to make the industry choke on its waste, are misguided. This approach could force a turn to reprocessing, the worst outcome. This is true in the United States as well — we need to get on with building a repository, and Nevada is the place to put it.

The United States stands nearly alone among major states in its view of reprocessing, but it has a huge ally on its side: the economics of plutonium recycle sink. Every year nuclear utilities see that more clearly. (Japan's reprocessing plant is costing a ruinous \$20 billion.)

If Washington stays firm and clear as states grapple with the dismantling of nuclear weapons, eventually even governments will as well.

Jessica Mathews is a senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations. She wrote this commentary for the Washington Post.

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## LETTERS

### Heroes treated like hypochondriacs

Did anyone watch the unbelievable testimony this week from our Gulf War veterans who are allegedly suffering from Saddam Hussein's chemical warfare? When informed of solid evidence that some battlefields had been exposed to chemical agents, the commanding officers involved ignored the reports! Additionally, the Pentagon is admitting it "lost" the documentation that could prove the charges to be true.

It is a sad day when our own government treats its national heroes like hypochondriacs! A nation that rewards a draft dodger with the presidency while giving its heroes the run-around will wake up one morning and discover that no one wants to be a hero anymore. — Fortunately, true heroes don't weigh the consequences. They just do what's right. KELLY WALTON, Idaho Citizens Alliance Chairman, Burley

### Please keep dogs off playground

To the citizens of Twin Falls: We at Sawtooth Elementary School need to ask a favor of you on behalf of our students. This year, we have had a great deal of trouble with dog feces on our playground. While we immediately call the dog catcher if a stray dog comes on the property during the day, we have no control over those people who bring their dogs to our playground after school and on weekends. We understand that we have a nice field, and we enjoy the fact that we are a community facility, but please clean up after your dog should he relieve himself.

Dog feces make a huge mess. It is not fair to our students that they cannot play out here without slipping on it and falling in it. It makes recess unpleasant for them, as well as the playground aides. It deprives them of learning when they have to leave school to go home and because the odor and mess are so foul that they are unable to stand remaining in these clothes. It is unfair to the parents when they have to

deal with coats, pants and shoes that are coated with excrement. There is room for the children and dog lovers in the community, but please respect our children's rights and either clean up after your dog or take him elsewhere.

Thank you for your assistance. RANDY RUTLEDGE, Principal; KATHYRN G. MUSCAT, Assistant Principal, Twin Falls

### Help improve traffic safety

Response to letters to the editor by Heather Pilkinton and Tina Lamp:

I've read with interest the recent letters by Heather Pilkinton and Tina Lamp regarding traffic safety and children. Both of these women were concerned enough to write letters to voice their opinions; unfortunately, there are thousands of others whose concern for their child's safety ends at the door of the car. This may seem harsh but so is the reality that, this year alone, 50 people have been killed and hundreds injured on Magic Valley roadways! Many of these deaths could have been prevented if safety restraints were used.

When it is going to become unacceptable to have our children and teens transported in vehicles without requiring them to be correctly buckled in a safety restraint? It's not the responsibility of law enforcement to make sure our children are buckled up. It's our responsibility as parents, relatives, friends and residents of the Magic Valley. If you're concerned enough to get involved and want to help change attitudes about traffic safety, I invite you to call the Magic Valley Safe Kids office at 737-2430. The choice is ours. Will we continue to accept the loss of family members and friends or will we do something about it? If you are willing to get involved, then join us in planning a safer future for our youth.

BLOSSOM MATHEWS, Twin Falls

### Jerome board made right choice

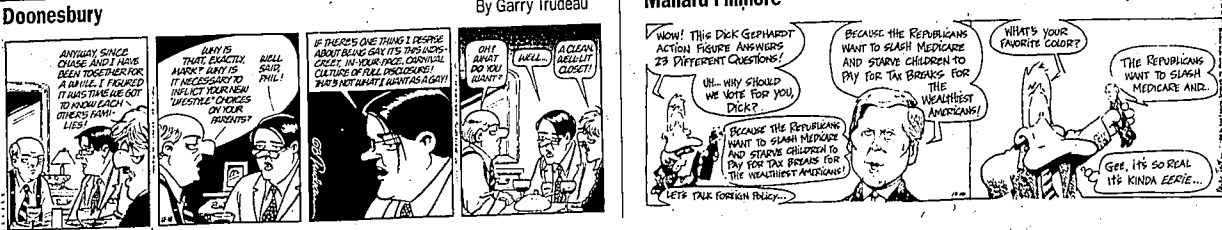
In response to the article on Wednesday, Dec. 11, over the Jerome School Board meeting regarding the suspension of athletes, I support the actions the board members took of suspending the athletes who violated a contract they signed at the beginning of football season.

That probably states that they maintain good grades or prohibit alcohol use, smoking, causing no trouble in school.

The problem is that the players violated the contract — what they got is what they deserved.

### Mallard Fillmore

By Garry Trudeau



By Bruce Tinsley

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OPINION

# Churches need to refocus on the poor

**W**hen Ebenezer Scrooge meets a group of Londoners collecting for the poor in Charles Dickens' classic "A Christmas Carol," he dismisses their personal responsibility for his fellow men by asking if there are not enough poorhouses and debtors prisons in the country.

Flash forward to 1996 and the state of Maryland where last week a group of religious leaders met with Gov. Parris Glendening and told him that the government — not the church — is primarily responsible for helping the poor. Religious leaders, they said, are overburdened with their soup kitchens and other programs and can assume no additional responsibilities.

As the federal and state governments reduce their levels of welfare funding, churches, synagogues, mosques and others like them must recall an earlier time when religious people were on the front lines of the war on poverty and the state was a last resort, not a first resource.

One problem in fighting poverty is that people see the poor as a group and institutions as the solution. If the institution



CAL THOMAS

of government attempts to transfer responsibility for the poor to religious institutions, it will fail. The response to poverty must be personal, not institutional.

According to the Maryland secretary of state's office, there are 53,253 families, or 185,083 individuals, receiving welfare payments in that state. There are more than 5,000 places of worship in Maryland. So, if every place of worship became responsible for just 10 families, or 37 individuals, the welfare roles in Maryland could be wiped clean. Bigger churches could handle more, smaller ones less.

Put this way, the end of welfare as we know it is within our grasp. In a state whose population exceeds 5 million, even those with no church affiliation might help, further reducing the "burden" on the churches.

Religious bodies are about the business of changing the

direction of people's lives. Not only should they be helping them out of material poverty, they should be helping them attain spiritual riches that will change their way of living. But if churches see the poor as a burden and the state as primarily responsible for helping, they are rejecting one of their fundamental mandates and opportunities: Ministering to the poor provides reciprocal blessings. Too many churches today appear more interested in preserving their programs and institutions than in taking on the role of servant, emulating the Leader they profess to know and follow.

Maryland officials should send a computer printout to all 5,000 places of worship in the state, informing them of those in their communities on welfare. Clergy should begin preaching messages about the privilege of helping the poor out of their poverty. The state grants certain tax breaks to religious bodies, expecting them to perform work that the state cannot or should not do. It has a right to expect a return from the tax exempt. If church leaders think government ought to be the primary provider for the poor, perhaps the state ought to be asking

the churches to help foot the bill.

One of the excuses given by the Maryland clergy for not doing more is that many of the poor have no ties to a church. Whose fault is that? It is an indictment of churches and an incentive to do more than sing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

The federal and state governments are providing an opportunity to places of worship to reclaim their mandate and to bankrupt the poverty industry, which has grown large and bureaucratic primarily because churches and their enormous membership have withdrawn from the privilege of serving God by redeeming the poor.

Prof. Marvin Olasky asks the right question in his book "The Tragedy of American Compassion": "Are we offering not coerced silver, but our lives? ... If we talk of abandoned children, are we willing to adopt a child? Most of our 20th-century schemes, based on having someone else take action, are proven failures. It's time to learn from the warm hearts and heads of earlier times."

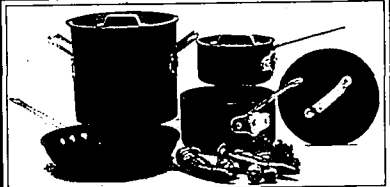
Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

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# Poverty takes enormous toll in long run

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And here's another reason to be proud of your Christmas giving: Boeing promises that "the number of displaced workers will be minimal." I like the sound of "minimal" — I'd just like to know how many thousands of people we're talking about.

When Lockheed married Martin Marietta, \$92 million in bonuses — or "triggered compensation" as they say in Corporate lingo — was handed out to executives and board members. The U.S. government (that's us, sucker) picked up \$31 million of that. A mighty minimal 30,000 workers lost their jobs in that deal, according to "Take the Rich Off Welfare" by Mark Zepfauer and Arthur Naiman.



MOLLY IVINS

this year. According to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, 93 percent of all the entitlement reductions passed by Congress in 1995 and 1996 were in cuts for programs for poor people. This is an appropriately Dickensian plot for the season, don't you think? Ninety-three percent of everything that's been done to balance the budget in this way is being taken out of the pittance of low-income families and individuals.

Of course, not all the news is bad. Michael Ovitz, for example, will receive at least \$35 million in compensation for leaving the Disney Co. after 18 months of what is widely regarded as an unsatisfactory performance. What does this have to do with cutting programs for poor people? Just part of the Zeitgeist, friends, the tenor of our times. Remember when it was not considered incredibly quaint and dated to be concerned about economic or social justice? Columbia University's study of children and poverty pro-

voled some seasonal ducking last week. Let's try a new approach. Since the reality of one in four American children growing up in poverty does not seem to bother our GOP-controlled Congress, or even our New Democrat president, let's stop trying to wring tears from those stonies. Let's hit 'em in the bottom line.

A child born in poverty is more likely to be a low-achieving child than from then on. Lots of increased health-care costs there, fellow citizens. Then, if that child doesn't get adequate nutrition, his brains won't develop properly, so he won't do well in school and is far more likely to drop out.

Stop thinking poor, hungry children with big, sad eyes, like those kids in Kenne paintings. Think of millions of total teenagers loose on the streets, getting into gangs, killing innocent bystanders, dealing drugs, robbing — and then think of the cost of incarcerating them for years at a time.

I give up on trying to get Republicans to feel sympathy for poor children; it just can't be done. We'll have to go with the bottom-line argument and argument that by scaring them to death. Remember, fetal teenagers! Wild in the streets! Another 1.1 million children

thrown into poverty by welfare reform! If we don't pay one way, we'll pay another.

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

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To date, the Pentagon has spent at least \$300 million subsidizing corporate mergers of defense contractors and plans to spend a billion more during the next three years, according a column by Lawrence Korb in The Christian Science Monitor. That's not counting Boeing's expected application for "restructuring costs." In theory, these subsidies "promote the rational downsizing of the defense industry." This prize idiocy, payoffs for layoffs, was rejected by the House last session, but the Senate refused to go along.

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# Defectors describe North Korean escape

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Before dawn, Choi Hyun Sil stood in darkness on the North Korean bank of the Tumen River.

Thoughts of family and laughter and death raced through her mind. Resolutely, she strode into the icy water toward China. "It was windy," she said. "It was snowing and raining. But I didn't look back... Only after crossed into China did I feel the numbness of my feet, and did I look back to see if my family were following me."

Choi, 57, described on Tuesday how she, 15 members of her family and a friend escaped from their communist homeland in a 44-day journey that led to safety in South Korea.

The 17 — the largest single group to defect from North Korea since the end of the Korean War in 1953 — appeared together at a news conference in Seoul to tell their story.

More and more people are trying to flee North Korea because of the harsh economic situation, her family said, but many are caught and never heard from again.

International aid organizations have said that malnutrition is widespread in North Korea, and that some people resort to eating wild grass to survive. Choi said she has seen many people die from illnesses simply because they were too weak.

## Saddam's wounded son says he is fine

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Saddam Hussein's son Odai appeared on Iraqi television Tuesday for the first time since surviving an assassination attempt last week and said he was recovering from his wounds. "I'm fine," Odai Hussein told the Al-Shabab Television station, which he owns. "I'm recovering." The footage apparently was shot Tuesday during a visit by a Qatari envoy.

It showed Odai Hussein in what appeared to be a hospital room, draped with a sheet from his upper chest to his feet.



North Korean defector Choi Hyun, right, is reunited with her mother Choi Chung Sook Tuesday in Seoul. Her mother lives in New York City.

Security has been tightened at the Chinese border to prevent people from escaping, said Choi Young Ho, a friend and former border guard whom Choi's family recruited to guide them across the river.

The family's escape was financed and largely arranged by Choi's mother and her father, Choe Yong-do, a retired dentist in Flushing, N.Y.

Choi and her parents were separated during the Korean War.

# Pope says forgiveness key to peace

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Calling for a "healing of memories," Pope John Paul II Wednesday urged a world scarred by ethnic, national, religious and other rivalries to learn to forgive.

In his annual World Peace Day message, the pope also recommended helping the United Nations meet its peace-keeping responsibilities.

"History carries with it a heavy burden of violence and conflict which cannot easily be shed," the pope said.

"The truth is that one cannot remain a prisoner of the past, for individuals and peoples need a sort of healing of memories, so that past evils will not come back again," the pope wrote in his message to mark the Roman Catholic Church's celebration of World Peace Day on Jan. 1. "Asking and granting forgiveness is something profoundly worthy of man, sometimes in its only way out of situations marked by age-old and violent hatred," the pope said.

John Paul said the church's appeal for forgiveness could appear to be sheer folly because people live with nothing "cannot fail to feel the temptation to hatred and revenge."

But moving toward forgiveness doesn't mean ignoring past wrongs, the pope added.

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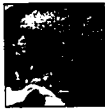
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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Open house planned for scout executive

**TWIN FALLS** - A longtime scout executive will be honored at an open house tonight. The event for Rod Leslie will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Boy Scout Center, 2988 Falls Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Leslie has been the full-time scouting executive for nine years and resigned for personal reasons, said Council President Peter Wood of Hayden. Leslie's resignation will be effective Dec. 31. As scouting executive, Leslie heads a staff of six at the council office and programs involving about 6,500 boys and 2,000 adult leaders in the Magic and Wood River areas, northern Utah and northern Nevada, Wood said. "We hate to see Rod leave and we're going to miss him," Wood said. "He's decided to look elsewhere in scouting in another area. Rod is a good scoutman." Normally, a scouting executive will work four to five years in one area before moving on to another region, Wood said. Potential replacements for Leslie, who has 29 years of scouting experience, will be interviewed Thursday. They include applicants from Salt Lake City and Tempe, Ariz., Wood said.

### Bellevue City Planning and Zoning sets meeting

**BELLEVUE** - The Bellevue City Planning and Zoning Commission will meet Thursday. Public hearings are scheduled at 7 p.m. for Rick Hazen to annex 28 acres into the city to be zoned residential, and at 7:30 p.m. for the subdivision of that property into seven residential lots. Continuation of the parking discussion with Garth McClure will be at 8 p.m.

### Filer City Council holds special meeting

**FILER** - The Filer City Council will hold a special meeting at 7 p.m. today at Filer City Hall. Beer, wine and amusement table license applications for 1997 and the Cedar Draw Park will be discussed.

### Twin Falls School Board cancels monthly meeting

**TWIN FALLS** - Twin Falls School Board members would rather celebrate Christmas Eve with their families than gather at their regular monthly meeting Dec. 24, so they have cancelled their meeting and won't meet again until Jan. 14.

### Exchange program seeks Twin Falls area host families

**TWIN FALLS** - An international exchange student program needs Twin Falls-area families to host exchange students during the spring of next year. Students aged 15 and 18 years old are sent to U.S. high schools for a semester or academic year through the nonprofit Education Resource Development Trust and SHARE High School Exchange Program. Program coordinators will help families signed by a student with similar interests and provide information about the program during an informal in-home meeting. Any family can join the program, including those with small children, teen-agers, no children, retired, couples and single-parent families. Families are eligible for \$50 monthly tax deductions for their hosting period. Students are screened and oriented before they join the program. Anyone interested should immediately call 1-800-321-3738. Many local high schools have early deadlines for exchange student enrollment. Families would meet their students in mid-January.

### Filer City Council considers zoning change

**FILER** - The Filer City Council will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 7 at City Hall 300 Main St., to consider an application for the rezoning from residential to commercial of property owned by Larry O. Nestahl at 306 Stevens. Parcel 1 is located in the Amended Mattson's Subdivision near Highway 30, and Parcel 2 is in the Mattson's Subdivision.

### Child development class offered to area parents

**TWIN FALLS** - Parents and others can sign up for a \$50, three-hour class on how to instill responsibility and good character in their children, called "Developing the Capable People." The class was developed by Sacramento, Calif.-based child psychologist, speaker and book author H. Stephen Glenn, who claims hundreds of thousands of graduates of his program. The Twin Falls School District offered Glenn's course during the spring of last year and received rave reviews, according to a news release from Mirra Lanning, student activities and substance abuse prevention coordinator for the district. The district's student assistance program is sponsoring the course. Participants will receive three books and attend any of 13 days reserved for the three-hour class from Jan. 10 to March 19. The courses are taught by people trained to teach Glenn's methods. Registration forms are available at the district office. For more information call 733-6300.

## Hailey council puts brakes on snowplow movements

By Kent McClure  
Times-News writer

**HAILEY** - The Hailey City Council wants city snowplows to observe all traffic laws, after a truck went through a stop sign and plowed into a car. Plow drivers say that might mean more snow on the streets than they'd like to leave behind. The crash occurred at about 12:30 p.m. Dec. 3, at the intersection of Fourth Street and Railroad Street, according to Elaine County Sheriff's Department reports. The plow truck was southbound on Fourth, and a car driven by Lynn Lucero, 44 of Hailey was westbound on Railroad, the report said. The plow, traveling about 20 mph, hit the left front of Lucero's white Suburban. Lucero was taken to the Wood River Medical Center after suffering head injuries. "I was shocked. I was just trying to get out of the way," said Lucero, who was making a run for pizza for her White Rabbit Dry Care. "He was

going pretty fast." The sheriff's department cited plow driver Anthony Bush, 40, Hailey, on a charge of driving too fast for conditions. Bush said it was the first accident he's ever been in. He started driving plows for the city just this year. "The city says they don't have to stop, I guess it was the person they finally hit with this attitude," Lucero said. "There is no other city in the valley here that they can just run through stop signs." The city has had an unwritten, unspoken policy that snow truck drivers could continue through intersections if it's safe, said Hailey City Administrator Dwayne James. "We've never had a wreck at a stop sign in the 22 years I've been with the city," he said. After the wreck, the City Council changed the policy, directing all truck, equipment and snowplow drivers to stop at all stop signs, James said. The problem, Bush said, is the plow must keep moving to when it's got a load of snow in front of it. The trucks have to move 10 to 20

mph for the plow to throw the snow far enough out of the street, James said, depending on how heavy the snow is. The city's older, two-wheel drive trucks are tough to get started up again. "The truck will stop, but you can't get going again," Bush said. Stopping at intersections means the roads will be more difficult to clear, he said. Drivers will have to back up, leaving a snow pile behind in the intersection. The pile would either have to be picked up and removed or plowed off bit by bit, he said. Clearing snow at night, when streets are less-traveled, allows plows to drive through intersections, or even back up into them. "During the day, it's tougher to do, because you've got to watch for the traffic," Bush said. The regular plow route takes four to six hours to complete, Bush said. The stops add at least another hour to the job. Blaine County Sheriff's Deputy Randy Tremble, who investigated the collision,

said he had to balance the law with the plow driver's needs when they're plowing, they do go through intersections, and they've got to maintain the momentum on their snow load. But given the speed he came into the intersection with, the guy had no reaction time. Bush said when city officials are trying to figure out how the plows should handle the snow when they have to stop. "In my opinion, snowplows ought to be classified as emergency vehicles," Bush said. "Traffic should make room for it. It's difficult to make a right or left turn with the plow down 250." In January 1995, an Idaho State Police trooper ticketed the driver of a Hailey dump truck hauling snow from sign at River Street and Bullion. The City Council then decided the drivers didn't need to stop. Lucero was fairly cheerful about the wreck. "I was just glad there wasn't any kids involved. It was just a weird thing. It seems to me like their attitude needed a little adjustment," she said.

## Listen up; BSU radio comes home



David Lantz, a talking coordinator from BSU Radio in Boise, monitors a live broadcast from the College of Southern Idaho Tuesday.

By Pat Marcantonio  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - All things considered, a ribbon cutting on the radio might sound a little off-key - unless the ribbon is cut to welcome a new public radio presence.

The BSU Radio Network officially launched its Twin Falls production center Tuesday afternoon with speeches and the traditional ribbon-cutting ceremonies, broadcast to public-radio audiences. The studio on the College of Southern Idaho campus was packed with CSI and Boise

State University staff, community advisors and public-radio fans. From a small but sophisticated production booth, and a larger studio shared with CSI, the center will produce local news and other programs, said Jim Paluzzi, BSU

Radio general manager. Three-fourths of the BSU Radio's programming comes from other places and includes the popular news programs "Morning Edition" and "All Things Considered."

But the local center will contribute stories and, after New Year's, produce a

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## Jerome plans removal of some 4-way stops

By Mark Haber  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - Jerome will remove the four-way stops from some intersections in town where traffic is light, but keep all the signs near Jefferson and Horizon elementary schools, the City Council decided. Several school officials attended the council meeting Tuesday to support keeping the four-way stops at Fillmore Street's intersections with Eighth and 10th avenues. Shavna Schala, a crossing guard at Fillmore and 10th, presented a petition signed by 157 people in favor of keeping the stop signs. Jeff Dillon, who lives on 10th Avenue near Horizon Elementary, said children's safety is more important than drivers' convenience. "People are just going to have to get up 15 seconds earlier so they have time to stop at that intersection," Dillon said. After some citizens complained, Jerome has two money-time-way stops, but council ordered an engineer's study of five intersections in town. Along with

the intersections near the schools, four-way stops at Second Avenue and Buchanan Street, H Avenue and Fillmore Street, and E Avenue and 4th Street were studied by Foresegen Associates of Boise for \$254. The firm reported that, according to national traffic safety standards, none of the intersections warrants four-way stops. Councilman Ralph Peters said the city should consider options at the intersections near the schools such as putting temporary stop signs in the middle of the street at the beginning and end of the school day. But Councilman Eliza Hall said taking the stop signs out along Fillmore Street might cause traffic to back up on 10th Avenue while drivers wait to cross Fillmore. The council voted unanimously to leave the signs on Fillmore near the schools, but there was disagreement on what to do on the intersection of Second Avenue and Buchanan. Councilwoman Charlotte Jacobson, Peters and Mayor Gerald Oster voted to remove the signs. Please see STOP, Page B3

## Ketchum hotel project trims space

By Marty Krouso  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** - One of Ketchum's largest building projects to date will face a preapplication design review at 5:30 p.m. today in City Hall.

The quarter-century-old Alpenrose Hotel, just off Highway 75 north of Ketchum city center, has been targeted for reconstruction by California development company Wareham LLC.

The project to be reviewed, called Thunder Spring, includes structural use of part the original hotel, but cuts the floor space by more than half - from 350,000 to 150,000 square feet.

Architecturally, the proposed development is unlike the 1972 Holiday Inn which it seeks to replace. It consists of clusters of buildings surrounded by landscaped walkways and lawns, with a style that Ketchum Planning Administrator Lisa Majdiak has called "blocky."

The development, in Ketchum's tourist zone, seeks conditional-use permits for semipublic and recreational uses such as a proposed swimming pool and tennis center.

The project would include 75 to 85 residential units, a pool, tennis center, wellness center, restaurant and cafe, as well as retail and office space. Parking would be mostly underground, with a total of 490 spaces.

Of concern for the property's neighbors in Stonehill Condominiums is a Settlement Agreement from 1990, which resident Jerome Carpenter said would restrict some construction on the Alpenrose property. Ketchum plans to investigate the agreement's conditions. "The purpose of the preapplication design review is to allow the (planning and zoning) commission to exchange ideas and give direction to the applicant on the design concept," according to a planning staff report.

## Jerome man suspected of stealing cars

By Kent McClure  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - A Jerome man is in a Reno, Nev., hospital after being involved in a wreck Tuesday morning near Lovelock, Nev. Police suspect Aaron Silvers, 28, of driving a stolen car. He is listed in serious and stable condition at Washoe Medical Center in Reno with head injuries. Silvers was injured in a car crash

about 7:35 a.m. Tuesday on Interstate 80 on the eastern edge of Lovelock, according to Pershing County, Nev., Sheriff's Office press officials. The wreck was being investigated by the Nevada State Patrol. Details on the accident were unavailable Tuesday night. Silvers was flown to the Reno hospital by helicopter, arriving at the hospital just after 11 a.m. Nevada state police tentatively identified Silvers as driving a second car

reported stolen in Jerome County, according to Jerome County Sheriff's Department investigators. State troopers stopped that car outside Wells, Nev., but the driver apparently fled and managed to evade police, Jerome County investigators say. This car was abandoned. Silvers was driving a stolen car when he was involved in the accident outside Lovelock, Pershing County Sheriff's Department officials said.

Silvers was one of four juveniles involved in a crime spree in February 1995, in which the four stole 12 cars, broke into 11 homes and caused thousands of dollars of damage to private property. Another participant in that crime spree was Charlie Loper, Jr. of Twin Falls. An inquest jury ruled last week that Loper died after being shot by a homeowner who surprised Loper while he and two other teenagers burglarized the man's home.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

## Above average accidents, suicides in Idaho

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Idaho residents are less likely to die from common medical problems than the national norm, but more apt to succumb to accidents and suicide, according to the latest state report.

Idaho's highest death rate was in Shoshone County at 13.7 per 100,000 compared with a national rate of 8.8. The statistics are from 1995.

Madison County, which has a death rate of 4.3, has consistently

held the lowest state ranking throughout the 1990s.

Idaho residents were 29.4 percent less likely than the national average to die from heart disease. They were 28 percent less apt to die from cancer.

The two areas in the nation's top 10 causes of death where Idaho is higher are the only unnatural reasons on the list: accidents and suicide.

In Idaho, 43.3 people for every 100,000 were killed in accidents.

That is 27 percent more than the 33.1 deaths in the U.S. population.

Suicides accounted for 16.2 deaths in Idaho, 37 percent higher than the national statistic of 11.8 suicides per 100,000. The overall 1995 death rate in Idaho was 7.3, compared with a national rate of 8.8.

Idaho's population increased 15.5 percent between 1990 and 1995, rising from 1.01 million to 1.16 million.

## DEATH NOTICES

**Chris Wall**  
BURLEY — Chris Wall, 86, of Burley, died Monday, Dec. 16, 1996, at the Rose Linn Care Center in West Linn, Ore. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

**George A Silva**  
GOODING — George A. Silva, 85, of Boise and formerly of Gooding, died Monday, Dec. 16, 1996, at the Hillcrest Rehabilitation and Care Center in Boise. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Demary's Gooding Chapel. Burial will be at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Family and friends may call from 9:00 a.m. until service time at the chapel. A complete obituary will appear at a later date.

**Nair de Jesus Rocha**  
ROMERO — Nair de Jesus Rocha Romero, 75, of Jerome,

died Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1996, at her daughter's home in Jerome. A Rosary will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church. Mass will follow at 10 a.m. at the church, with

Father Jesus Camacho as celebrant. Burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

## SERVICES

Marjorie Moffitt, of Burley, 11 a.m. — today, Burley First Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church, (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Harold Junior Garrison, of Twin Falls, 1 p.m. today, Twin Falls 12th Ward LDS Chapel, 824 Casswell Ave. W. Friends may call from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the church, (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Florence V. Peterson, of Rupert, 11 a.m. Thursday, Rupert West LDS Stake Center, Friends may call from 8 to 8 p.m. today, Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour before the funeral

on Thursday at the church.

Delbert C. Wright, of Twin Falls, 1 p.m. Thursday, White Mpruary, Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral chapel.

Loretta Pearl Martizita, of Ketchum, memorial service, 11 a.m. Friday, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Ketchum, (Wood River Funeral Chapel in Halley).

Alta Jean Moffitt, of Burley, graveside service, 2 p.m. Friday, Riverside Cemetery, Heyburn. Viewing 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

## OBITUARIES

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

### TWIN FALLS

**Laura L. Tonner**  
Laura L. Tonner, 87, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, died Monday, Dec. 16, 1996, in a Boise care center of natural causes.

Laura was born on Dec. 20, 1909, in Twin Falls. She married Charles Tonner on April 3, 1948, and together they made their home in Twin Falls before retiring in Boise. Laura was employed for almost 34 years as a telephone operator for Mountain States Telephone Co.

Survivors include her husband, Charles of Boise; a sister, Mary Jones of San Marco, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two sisters and two brothers.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, 1996, at the Twin Falls Cemetery. The Rev. Wayne High of the Gateway Pentecostal Church in Twin Falls will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of the Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise. Instead of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

### BURLEY



**Delora Bates Dummer**  
Delora Bates Dummer, 93, of Burley, died Saturday, Dec. 14, 1996, at the home of her daughter, Eola Luke in Murtaugh.

She was born June 20, 1903, in Marion, Cassia County, Idaho, to Arlin H. and Isabell Jenkins Bates. She lived on a farm in Marion with her parents and attended grade school in Marion until 1917, when the family moved to the Unity area of Burley. She graduated from Burley High School in 1922. After graduating from Albion Normal School, she taught school at Locust Elementary School in Locust, Murtaugh Grade School, and in later years in the Burley School District. She married William Oleon

Dummer on Nov. 25, 1925, in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple and has been an active member of the Church since then. He served in many of the organizations during the years, including a two-year mission with her husband in Hibbing, Minn. They also served together as temple architects workers in the Boise Temple for three years. She was a choir director for 15 years and trained Aeronic and Priesthood boys. Her last years were spent doing genealogy. She felt this was a special calling. Her greatest pride and joy was her family.

Survivors include her husband, Oleon of Burley; four daughters, Mavis (Richard) Hanks and Nola (Charles) Holyak of Burley; Eola (Gordon) Lake of Murtaugh; and Janet (Gil) Putnam of Shalloy; two sons, Arthur (Loretta) Dummer and Laird (Vivian) Dummer, both of Sandy, Utah; 35 grandchildren; 78 great-grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and two brothers, Marvin L. Bates of Mesa, Ariz. and Garth Bates of Prescott, Ariz.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, three sisters, one son-in-law and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, 1996, at the Burley 10th Ward LDS Church, 515 E. 16th St., with Eldon Boyd L. Baggett officiating. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St., and one hour before the funeral on Thursday at the church. Interment will be at the Oakley Cemetery.

### FILER

**M. Alice Jordan**  
M. Alice Jordan, 90, died Saturday, Dec. 14, 1996, at Bridgeway Estates in Twin Falls. She was born March 28, 1906, in Orient, Iowa, the daughter of Franklin D. and Flora Davis Brown. When she was 8 years old, she moved to Idaho with her parents. On Oct. 15, 1925, she married Leo R. Jordan in Twin Falls. In 1941, they purchased a service station and grocery store in Filer, which they operated for many years. Survivors include seven grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband on Sept. 23, 1984; her parents; and 10 brothers and sisters.

The funeral services have been planned. Cremation was under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls.

### HALLEY

**Florence Dietrich**  
Florence Dietrich, age 76, of

Halley, died Monday evening, Dec. 16, 1996, at the Wood River Medical Center in Halley, following an illness of several weeks.

She was born Sept. 10, 1920, in Burlington, Kan., the daughter of Walter and Myrtle Herr. She grew up in Kansas, during her childhood and school years. She moved to Santa Maria, Calif., where she married Vernon Murphy in 1965. They came to Halley that year and built and operated the Blue Spruce Restaurant, today known as the Heartstone Restaurant. Mr. Murphy died in 1982. Florence married Emory Dietrich on Dec. 10, 1983, in Halley.

She most enjoyed her home and cooking, and working with her flowers and garden.

She is survived by her husband, Emory Dietrich of Halley; her daughter, Darlene Sande, son-in-law, Dick, and grandson, Derrick of Payette, Idaho; her stepdaughter, Mary Garner and grandson, Eric of Portland, Ore.; her mother, Mary, low, Dick, and grandson, Derrick of Payette, Idaho; her stepdaughter, Mary Garner and grandson, Eric of Portland, Ore.; her mother, Mary, low, Dick, and grandson, Derrick of Payette, Idaho; her stepdaughter, Mary Garner and grandson, Eric of Portland, Ore.; her mother, Mary, low, Dick, and grandson, Derrick of Payette, Idaho; her stepdaughter, Mary Garner and grandson, Eric of Portland, Ore.

She was preceded in death by her first husband and her father. Friends may call from 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, 1996, at the Wood River Funeral Chapel in Halley. Cremation will follow, with a memorial service planned for the springtime, her favorite time of the year. Arrangements are under the direction of the Wood River Funeral Chapel in Halley.

### KETCHUM

**Felipe Vizcay**  
Felipe Vizcay, 71, of Ketchum, died suddenly of apparently natural causes at his home on Sunday, Dec. 15, 1996. He was born June 18, 1925, in Larengua, Navarre, Spain, the son of Antonio Vizcay of Ketchum; two brothers Benjamin and Angelo Vizcay; and one sister, Maria Pilar, all of Spain; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Rosary will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, 1996, at the Wood River Funeral Chapel in Halley, with Father Thomas Keller of St. Charles Catholic Church officiating. Cremation will precede the Rosary. The funeral Mass and interment of the ashes will take place near his family home in Spain.

## HOSPITALS

### MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

**Admitted**  
Sandra Milam and Jacob Skeem, both of Twin Falls, and Cindy Patches of Filer.

### CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

**Admitted**  
Cynthia Castaneda of Burley, Aquileo Delgado, Carleen Tolman and Chris Uhl, all of Rupert; and Barbara Montgomery and Cheri Peterson, both of Oakley.

**Released**  
Cynthia Castaneda and Mary Myers, both of

Burley; Muriel Klemish of Rupert; Brenda Worden and Angela Hawkins, both of Hansen; Betty Dazis of Oakley; and Theresa Hitt of Declo.

**Births**  
A baby was born to Cynthia Castaneda of Burley; Cheri Uhl, Nels Peterson of Oakley; and Angela and Dusty Hawkins of Hansen.

### MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

**Admitted**  
Zara Wakewood and Ryan Adamson, both of Rupert; and Andy Rippy of Burley.

**Released**  
Jerry Hansinger of Rupert.

# Jerome county gets credit on phone bill

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — US West has sent the Jerome County Sheriff's Department \$1,515 towards an unpaid \$3,000 long-distance phone bill accumulated since Jan. 1.

Sheriff's Detective Gerald Brandt said a US West representative contacted him Friday to say, "The credit is in the mail."

The problem started in October 1995 when the Jerome County Sheriff's Department took over Lincoln County's 911 calls. Jerome County not only started getting Shoshone's calls, but inherited the bills for all collect long-distance calls to the old phone line. Due to a mix-up in US West billing, collect calls to 911 through several long-distance utilities were billed to Jerome County, along with several calling card calls to a phone number in Shoshone, assigned to a private party.

Jerome County has not paid the phone bills since January, when the mix-up was discovered. "It was the fastest way to get action," Brandt said. Brandt called the error to US West's attention immediately. "US West employees had to

hand-search the records in their computer," Brandt said. "It took US West from Jan. 1 through the end of September to correct the problem in their billing computer. "The phone bills are correct now. The sheriff's department pays \$188 per month basic rate

for phone service, that's what the bills are reflecting.

"I'm satisfied the problem has been solved."

Brandt said it was just a mistake.

"Those things happen," he said.

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**IDWR Has Moved**  
The IDWR Southern Regional Office has moved to 1414 Shoshone St., Suite 200. The phone number remains the same, 730-8033.

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# Jerome ambulance service gets new director

By Dido Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Jerome County commissioners named Acting Jerome County Ambulance Service Director Clinton Wolf as the service's new director Monday.

Wolf has filled in as director since former Director Larry Wood resigned to devote his attention to Unistar, his recently formed private ambulance service, based in Jerome.

In other county business, Sheriff George "Pee Wee" Silvers recently told commissioners, "Since the (regional dispatching) E911 center opened, there is no dispatcher in the sheriff's office so the doors to the sheriff's office lobby are being locked at night."

"In the past the doors were left open for emergencies," he said. "People have gotten into the habit of going to the sheriff's office after hours when they need help. With no dispatcher in the lobby it is not wise to leave the doors unlocked. The sheriff is in the back and can't see the lobby, someone could enter the courthouse by the sheriff's department doors and would have free run of the entire courthouse."

Silvers wants to have after-hours emergency phones installed outside the courthouse

**Jerome County courthouse holiday hours**

The Jerome courthouse will close at noon Christmas Eve, will be closed Christmas Day and will reopen at 8 a.m. Thursday.

which will ring in the sheriff's office.

In other Jerome County business Monday:

The commissioners want to interview applicants for the Jerome County Fair Board vacancy and the Jerome County planning and zoning board vacancies. Art Brown, planning and zoning administrator, will set up applicant interviews for Dec. 30. Rob Lundgren, Jerome County fair manager, will set up fair board interviews before the next fair board meeting.

Prescott announced that a contract has been signed with the Department of Health and Welfare to deal more efficiently with mental holds - arrested people who need mental-health evaluations.

The arresting police officer now will take the person to Saint Benedict's Family Medical Center. A doctor who is designat-

ed as a mental examiner will evaluate the person to determine if he or she should be committed to a mental facility. Health and Welfare is working with Saint Benedict's to choose the three designated examiners to be based in Saint Benedict's.

In the past, the officer would take the arrested person to Canyon View Hospital. In week-end arrests, the arrested person wasn't evaluated until Monday morning. If the arrested person didn't need to be committed to a mental facility, the weekend stay at Canyon View - which could add up to several thousand dollars - was a waste of county taxpayers' money, officials say.

Probation officer Charles Cooper of Jerome County Juvenile Justice is instituting a victim/offender mediation program. The offender meets the victim face-to-face to see what his or her actions did to another person. The program has a volunteer advisory group called an accountability board.

Commissioners agreed to financially assist the Jerome County Youth Accountability Board for a trip to Boise in January. The volunteer board will help train other counties setting up their own youth accountability boards and juvenile justice programs.

# Christmas in their hearts

Minico students complete service project for needy

By Lori Bettelnski  
Times-News writer

RUPERT - All week, Minico High School students have been looking forward to their assignment Thursday: delivering Christmas to 30 families.

Student council and club members spent part of Tuesday decorating trees, wrapping presents and rifling through stacks of clothes and toys that will be donated to Minidoka County families.

"It's a good feeling to know that when I open my presents, someone else who needs them more will be too," said 10th-grader Jodie Eilers.

As a member of the Annual Club, Eilers' group was in charge of finding clothes and gifts for a 14-year-old boy and his mother. Eilers opted for baggy clothes for the boy and a sweater for mom.

High school students and faculty donated all the clothing, toys, books, canned food and other items. Over several mornings, first-period classes competed to see who could bring in the most items, with the winning class receiving donuts and juice.

Minidoka County churches provided the school with a list of needy families and their clothing sizes. Christmas will be "delivered" to the families Thursday.

Rev. Henry Carmona of St. Nicholas Church, who submitted



Rev. Henry Carmona of St. Nicholas Church in Rupert, right, talks Tuesday to a Minico High School student who is helping to bring Christmas to one of 30 families in Minidoka County this year. Carmona gave students the names of 10 families from his church who he believed could use a hand this Christmas.

10 names to the school, volunteered to help students Tuesday as they selected clothing and gifts for the families.

"This is really the time of year when people need the most help from those more fortunate than themselves, which is what these students are doing by giving Christmas to someone else," Carmona said.

The program has been a Minico High School tradition for a number of years, said Sara Johnson, student body vice president.

"It's a program that has lasted because it's one of the few ways we can bring the community and school together, which is hard to do," Johnson said. "Hopefully, this will soften the belief that the X-generation isn't doing anything."

In addition to clothing and gifts, each of the 30 families will receive a fully decorated Christmas tree and a turkey donated by local businesses. Turkeys will also be delivered to 17 other families in Minidoka County this Christmas.

# Utility increases help Burley break even

By Jennifer Bunch  
Times-News writer

BURLEY - The increase in city water, sewer and sanitation rates last May helped the city even out its utility operating costs this year, but Burley absorbed a sizable increase in electrical rates.

Accountant Ed Evans this week told the City Council that Burley's finances are in order for the 1995-96 budget year.

The city continued to operate its water, sewer and sanitation departments at a slight loss, Evans said. The rate increases only were-in effect for half the year, but should help the utilities break even in 1997.

According to the audit, in 1995 the city absorbed nearly a

\$48,000 loss in its utilities. This year the loss actually grew to about \$23,000, but the electrical fund accounted for most of it. Gains in the golf course fund for the past two years have helped to offset the losses slightly.

The water and sewer fund ended 1996 with nearly a \$9,500 loss; the 1995 loss was more than \$35,000. The sanitation fund lost \$925 this year compared to about \$7,300 last year. The electrical fund lost more than \$235,000 this year.

The electric loss resulted from a 4 percent Bonneville Power Administration rate increase the city absorbed, Evans said. A BPA rate cut this year should even things out.

In other business:

The City Council accepted a contract bid from Mr. Gas to supply the city's gasoline. It was the only bid submitted, Mayor Frank Bauman said.

The Council rejected a unique water line hookup request from developer Jay Ward of B&T Enterprises in Burley.

Ward is building a 10-unit senior citizen's housing development on two acres near the 2500 block of Burton Avenue, and he wanted only one water meter for the units.

The City Council voted that all units must have their own water meter, Bauman said. It would be extremely difficult to pinpoint water line problems with a one-meter system.

# Committee decides how to proceed with airport study

By Jennifer Bunch  
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Many questions remain about how the community will use the remainder of its money to study local airport options.

The community's Airport Technical Advisory Committee will meet today at 2 p.m. today at Burley City Hall to discuss how to proceed with the rest of the \$98,000 study.

The Burley City Council recently voted to focus on the Burley Municipal Airport, rather than map out a plan for a new airport. The city technically is the study's sponsor, and money to pay for the study is channeled through the city.

The committee today will discuss what the rest of the study should include, and how much money remains, Chairman John Remsburg said.

Like the community, committee members have many ques-

## Meeting set

The Minicassia Airport Technical Advisory Committee will meet at 2 p.m. today at Burley City Hall to discuss how to proceed with the remainder of an airport study. Airport planners from Armstrong Consultants Inc. of Grand Junction, Colo., will be at the meeting. The consulting firm has been conducting the study. The committee will accept written comment about how it should proceed.

remaining \$5,000. There is a possibility of developing a master plan for the Burley Municipal Airport, Mayor Frank Bauman said.

FAA Airport Planner Don Larson in Seattle has said most, if not all, grant money will be used even though a new airport site won't be studied.

Airport Planner Ed Armstrong with Armstrong Consultants said the grant was designed to cover either a new site development plan or to focus on improving the Burley airport.

The city decided to focus the rest of the study on the existing airport, when the committee learned that if it proceeded with plans to pick a new airport site in Minidoka County, the Burley airport could lose FAA funding.

The committee hadn't planned on developing a new airport in the near future.

# Fiesta Mexicana owner takes plea agreement

The Times-News

RUPERT - Fiesta Mexicana owner Efrain Ortega pleaded guilty Monday to a charge of disturbing the peace, according to court documents.

The action ended a 21-month court battle that included a mistrial on the case's original charges. Ortega was arrested

in March 1995 under suspicion of firing a round from a .357-caliber handgun after threatening a tow truck driver. He was charged with aggravated assault.

Ortega and his brother, Albino, pleaded guilty to reduced firearms charges in May, then were threatened with deportation.

Their attorney, Keith Roark, successfully appealed the convictions. Afterwards, prosecutors refilled the original charges against the brothers.

Efrain Ortega's trial in Twin Falls last July ended in a mistrial. A jury found his brother innocent of aggravated assault.

# Tax-evasion sentencing of former CPA put on hold

The Times-News

BOISE - Scheduled for Monday, the federal court sentencing of a Burley man convicted of tax evasion was postponed until February.

Sentencing for Paul Jackson, 39, will be Feb. 12 in U.S. District Court. Convicted on three counts of tax evasion and five counts of filing false tax returns, Jackson, a former certified public accountant,

could be sentenced to 30 years in prison and fined \$2 million.

A jury found Jackson guilty of attempting to hide \$600,000 of personal income over three years by burying it in tax fil-

ings for two companies owned by him and his father. Monday's court appearance was delayed so attorneys could have more time to prepare, said Larry Westburg, Jackson's attorney.

Christina Salinas of Twin Falls. She will help report the news.

"It gives me a lot of opportunity to grow in my career," she said. Madge Fisher of Twin Falls dropped by to show her support.

"I love BSU public radio. I think it's a good addition to Twin Falls," she said.

# KBSU

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your'll find commercial jazz and commercial classical stations," he said. "In an area like Idaho where the population is sparse ... you don't have a variety of radio stations."

Public radio can make the difference with its offerings of music from folk to alternative, as well as reviews of books and new

music, he added.

About 5 to 6 percent of people listening to the radio are tuned into the network's programs at any given time, Paluzzi said.

"You'd be impressed at the level of devotion," Brown Sinclair said.

The center acts as different kind of learning tool for CSI stu-

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against a motion to remove the stop signs from Buchanan and put yield signs on Second.

"To some people, yield signs mean if you're going faster than the other guy and you can get your nose through, so ahead," Jacobson said.

She also said she was concerned about leaving the intersection, which is near the city's swimming pool, without

any stop signs.

The council finally agreed to put stop signs along Second and leave Buchanan open.

Council members also decided to remove the signs along Fillmore at its intersection with H Avenue, but keep the signs on H Avenue.

All the stop signs will be removed from the intersection of E Avenue and Alder Street.

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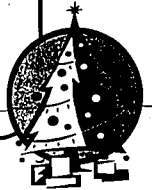
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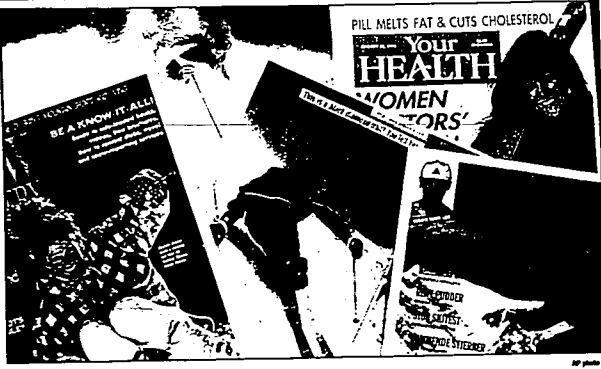
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Fewer competitive skier turned model Suzanne Sawyer, shown on magazine covers and advertisements, has a modeling career that takes her all over the world.

# Utah model/actress living skier's jet-setting dream

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Suzanne Sawyer made her first ski turns 15 years ago at Sundance.

Now, she shares many of her turns with an audience of millions.

Sawyer's career as a part-time skiing model and ski-movie star started a decade ago with magazine-cover starmaker Scott Markowitz and moved into films when ski-movie legend Warren Miller called for a model.

After four Miller features — "Black Diamond Rush," "Vertical Reality," "Endless Winter" and this year's "Snowriders" — Sawyer is being chiseled into Miller's "A" list of ski talent.

She competed from 1984-87 for Brigham Young's ski team. And the 30-year-old Orem native needs her BYU gear to ply her degree to figure out where her ski-modeling jobs take her.

In "Snowriders," she skied in the Big Sky, Mont., and Scotland segments.

"Miller Enterprises officials have already asked me where I want to ski next year," said Sawyer, before she introduced "Snowriders" recently at Steamboat Hall.

When Sawyer isn't in some corner of the globe skiing perfect powder, she works as an account manager at the Covey Leadership Center in Provo.

How does she get enough skiing time?

"I'm sick a lot. I just can't get rid of that darn flu in the winter," joked Sawyer. "I use my vacation days to ski for Warren Miller and do some ski modeling with Markowitz in Utah. I live for the weekends."

"I've skied some wonderful places — thanks to them."

Her favorites? "I would have to say (helicopter skiing with) Mike Wiegle in British Columbia. I have never jumped so many high

*"I'm really not that much of a princess. I'm embarrassed now that I look at it."*

— Suzanne Sawyer

jumps in my life. But it was just like jumping in feathers."

A less-than-perfect ski destination would have to be Scotland.

"It was like Groundhog Day with Bill Murray. Every day was the same — we woke up to rain. It was the same every day. Out of a 10-day shoot we only had four hours of sunshine."

We did a lot of sightseeing and tried (eating) baggis — it was the first and last time. It is as bad as it sounds."

Sawyer has lived in New Jersey, Texas, Korea and Hawaii,

but the lure of powder snow in Utah keeps drawing her back. Her favorite U.S. resorts include Snowbird, for its terrain and powder snow, and Sun Valley for its long "crossing" runs. She stays in shape by in-line skating, mountain bike riding and running an occasional 10K race.

Sawyer is quick to dispel the image created by the Big Sky sequence of "Snowriders."

"I'm really not that much of a princess. I'm embarrassed now that I look at it," Sawyer said of the segment, photographed by Ogden's Gary Nate, that showed her applying make-up before ascending Big Sky's Lone Peak.

Sawyer complains she only gets about 30 days on snow every year and the cherishes every one of them. The difference between Sawyer and the average skier is, many of her days on snow are the kind most can only dream about.

She skied in Miller's movies three years before she finally met him. Miller was signing books in Sun Valley, and Sawyer introduced herself. "Oh, you're in the movie," he replied.

"Snowriders" was shown 13 times in Utah, from Logan to St. George. Each year, Miller's movies are seen by more than 500,000 people.

"Snowriders" opened in Denver, it drew more than Mel Gibson's movie, "Ransom."

# Washington man pleads innocent

SIoux FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A possible suspect in the slaying of an Arkansas family says he didn't steal a gun that was owned by the victims and found in his possession.

Sean Michael Haines, 19, of Spokane, Wash., pleaded innocent Monday in Minnehaha County Circuit Court to one count of grand theft.

Authorities are trying to determine whether the gun found in Haines' vehicle is linked to the slayings of a Tilly, Ark. family.

Haines, who Spokane police say is a youth leader of the neo-Nazi group Aryan Nations, remained in the Minnehaha County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

Authorities arrested Haines Dec. 10 after they spotted his 1978 Suburban illegally parked in a handicapped parking zone of an Interstate 90 rest stop near Sioux Falls.

In a search of the vehicle, police found two pistols, including one that reportedly had been stolen from the scene of the Arkansas slayings and belonged to William Mueller.

The decomposed bodies of Mueller, his wife, Nancy, and her 8-year-old daughter, Sarah Powell, were found in a body of water called Illinois Bayou near Russellville, Ark. They had been missing since January.

Mueller, 53, was a gun dealer who had ties to anti-government, white supremacist militia groups in Arkansas, court documents state.

No one, including Haines, has been charged in the slayings.

Washington police know Haines as the youth leader of the Aryan Nations group in Spokane, documents indicate.

Minnehaha County deputies who arrested Haines said they found neo-Nazi literature in his vehicle.

The search of Haines' vehicle also yielded duct tape, fiber samples, paint samples, rifle clips, ammunition and other evidence that was shipped to an Arkansas crime lab.

Court documents indicate that paint found on the Arkansas victims was the same color as Haines' vehicle.

An examination of the bodies and tape revealed evidence of light blue automobile paint, the affidavit states. Haines' Chevrolet Suburban is light blue or light blue-green.

Haines' trial on the grand theft charge is scheduled for March.

Pope County, Ark., Sheriff Jay Winters has said he has no plans to extradite Haines.

Winters has said he wasn't sure whether Haines was linked to the Muellers' deaths.

# Ogden plastic surgeon disciplined for the 4th time

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — Ogden plastic surgeon Dr. Wesley Harline has been placed on probation and sanctioned by the state licensing board, the fourth time the flamboyant doctor has been disciplined in 19 years.

The Department of Occupational and Professional Licensing placed Harline, 75, on probation for five years and he has agreed to a seven-month suspension, which include an agreement to stop performing abortions at his clinic. He has agreed to peer review of his plastic surgery cases.

Harline is nationally known for a thriving business that includes numerous breast augmentation surgeries and other cosmetic procedures. His clients, according to news reports, included showgirls, cheerleaders and porno stars.

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# Canines kill Colorado caretaker

BLACK FOREST, Colo. (AP) — Two hybrid wolves — part wolf, part dog — turned on their caretaker and killed her while she was trying to get them back into their pen, the El Paso County Sheriff's Department said.

Debbie K. Edmonds, 39, was killed by the two hybrid wolves Monday while her two sons, age 13 and 10, watched in horror at their home in the Black Forest area north of Colorado Springs.

"She was trying to get them back into their pen," Reisman said. "That's when she was attacked."

The woman's body was taken to the El Paso County coroner's office for an autopsy.

Deputies were called to the home in response to a telephone call about the attack of the large canines. Medical teams also responded, but Ms. Edmonds was already dead when they arrived.

Deputies and state Department of Wildlife officials shot both animals, said Reisman.

The sheriff's office said Ms. Edmonds was in a business partnership involving breeding and selling the animals with a Colorado Springs-area man, Andre Bakke, and she was the wolves' caretaker.

Nationally, only a handful of deaths have been linked to wolf hybrids. From 1986 to 1994, 10 people were killed by dogs, according to the Humane Society of the United States.

As of 1994 about 300,000 of the animals lived in the United States. Breeders sell pups for \$250 to \$1,500.

Ironically, there has never been a verifiable case of a healthy, wild wolf ever attacking a human in North America, according to Rob Edward, outreach coordinator for Simpa, a Boulder-based organization attempting to have wild wolves reintroduced to Colorado.

# Leaky pipe closes Utah road

WOODS CROSS, Utah (AP) — A leaking petroleum pipeline forced transportation officials to shut down Redwood Road in southern Davis County as Chevron employees find the leak and patch it.

"It's a major inconvenience," said Walt Maguire, a spokesman for Chevron Pipeline Co. "There's no safety problem. We don't believe there's any damage to the environment."

Pools of low-sulphur diesel fuel were observed Monday afternoon in ditches on both sides of Redwood Road near Skypark Airport here.

"It could be a pinhole leak. We

are not sure what the problem is," Maguire said.

Chevron operates an 8-inch common-carrier line between Utah and Spokane, Wash., carrying a variety of petroleum products from the Salt Lake City refinery.

Redwood Road was built several years ago on top of the pipelines, which runs 6 to 8 feet under the center of the road.

Traffic will be routed onto side streets while Chevron crews clean up the spilled diesel and drill pilot holes through the road to find the leak. Once the leak is pinpointed, the road will be dug up.

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# Hansen school construction slowed by cold weather

By Margaret Jones  
Times-News correspondent

**HANSEN** - Cold weather is hampering progress on the new Hansen school building. Concrete work for the floor has been completed and the heating duct work and electrical work in the floor was done on schedule. Masons started the walls last week but didn't work Monday or Tuesday. If the weather continues to be extreme, use of heated water, antifreeze and other precautions will enable them to continue brick work.

In other Hansen School Board business Monday:

- Superintendent Dennis Coulter, elementary Principal Tom Standley and Bob Wayment inspected a modular portable classroom to be sold by the Hatley school district and reported it was in good condition and would help ease crowding at Hansen's elementary level.

- The board agreed to bid on the structure. Standley said eight new students enrolled in the past month. Three students left the area; however, they are expected to return.

- Judy and Kevin Stanger spoke to the board about adding four basketball backboards to the gym for basketball players to

get needed free-throw practice. Stanger said there are enough interested residents who would contribute to the project.

- The board approved the computer budget, presented by Mike Wilson, which will be sent to the state for qualification for a technology grant.

- Wayment spoke to trustees about students' and residents' interest in attending the presentation of "Camelot" at the Oakley Opera House in March. Wayment said he felt there would be enough interest to fill two buses, which the board agreed to permit.

- Standley reported that the elementary Christmas program will be at 7 p.m. Thursday.

- Also, he said, the school's tree at the Festival of Trees received a first-place ribbon. The tree was decorated entirely by grade-school students.

- Nearly all the students earned the privilege to attend the spirit movie last week - a reward for students who exhibit good behavior. Standley said they are working toward the goal of everyone attending the next movie.

- Representatives from the Hansen library will read to kindergarten through second grades today, and grades on the Iowa Basics testing should be

announced by Jan. 18.

- Terry Dowd, in his sixth-grade curriculum report, said he is combining subjects to accommodate increasing subjects. He said students with keyboard experience were able to type book reports on a computer.

- The drama team placed 10th among 51 teams at the state meet, and Brandi Coffman was selected for a Herff Jones leadership award, Secondary Principal Rick Abel said.

- Ben Crockett, Brandi Coffman, Bryce Stanger, Margi Hollifield and Jeanne Ratto were awarded Citizenship Citations by the Idaho High School Activities Association.

- The junior high girls' basketball team completes its season this week. Eighth-graders are still undefeated, with their last game with Murrnough Thursday.

- Renee Remaley's health class had a guest presentation by Kimberly's advanced health students on alcohol, drug and tobacco issues. The presentation was designed to encourage Hansen students to teach the course to other students.

- Abel said Linda Heiner's students are showing interest in the construction of the new school and are using this interest in the classroom - even reading blueprints.

# Ketchum's transportation plan unveiled

By Marty Krouse  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** - Mayor Guy Coles unveiled a New Year's Eve transportation plan which will include increased taxi service, supplementary bus routes and no parking on Main Street beginning at 6 p.m. Dec. 31.

The plan was developed by A-1 Taxi, Ketchum Area Rapid Transit (KART), Ketchum police, Baldy's Bistro and the chamber of commerce to avoid a repeat of last year, when "people were stranded" downtown, Councilwoman Sue Noel said.

The council approved the plan in its regular meeting Monday night.

Main Street parking will be prohibited and marked with signs and cones to allow for the flow of buses and taxis.

Streetside areas will be designated according to destination, and taxi drivers will carry signs with the same information. From 18 to 20 taxis are expected, and KART will run on a "police-activated" basis, according to the plan.

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# New juvenile detention center discussed

By Dale Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME** - Prompted by disagreements over bills to hold juvenile criminals at a Twin Falls detention center, Lincoln, Gooding and Jerome county commissioners met Monday to discuss the feasibility of building a juvenile detention center on the north side of the Snake River.

Commissioners met in a conference call with an attorney and an engineer to discuss the idea of building a northside detention center. No official action was taken.

Lincoln, Gooding, Jerome and Blaine counties have been sending juvenile offenders to the Snake River Juvenile Detention Facility in Twin Falls. But Jerome and Gooding counties have objected to the \$125 per inmate rate the center charges the county.

The \$125 rate, \$4 higher than the daily rate at a St. Anthony juvenile center, Jerome and Gooding county officials say the Snake River center's rates cannot exceed the St. Anthony rates.

The counties agreed they have few juveniles in detention, but said the numbers are steadily increasing. The commissioners said 12 to 16 beds could be enough for now, but they wanted to leave their options open.

"By the time it is finished it may be too small," Gooding County Commissioner Win Henslee said.

They also discussed potential locations, design, staffing, legal requirements, and day-to-day operations. They agreed fees should be based on a county's percentage of use of the center.

Financing options and payment arrangements were considered, including leasing or purchasing, pooling their financial resources,

or applying for grants.

The counties discussed developing an agreement to pool resources and build a juvenile center similar to the Snake River center.

"Our last grant went across the river," said Jerome County Commissioner John Toolson, referring to the five-county grant that built the Snake River center. The Snake River center opened in 1994.

Jerome County Commissioner Roy Prescott offered to talk to a state expert to meet with the

group, "and work with us about what is involved in creating a facility of this sort. The state expert could also advise about available grants to help build this sort of facility."

"We need to do our homework and get back together again to see where this goes," Henslee said.

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# Tourism industry says politicians don't know its financial importance

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Travel and tourism may be one of America's largest industries, but the fact seems lost on lawmakers across the country.

That's the opinion of industry officials on hand for the 13th annual Governor's Conference on Travel and Tourism, which wraps up today at Caesars Palace.

Jonathan Tisch, chief executive officer of Loews Hotels and incoming president

of the American Hotel and Motel Association, said the travel industry is a major contributor to America's economy.

"We know full well our contributions to the social economic fabric of this country," he said, adding: "Policymakers don't view us as an economic generator. They view us as a cash cow."

Some 11 million American workers are reliant on travel and tourism for their

jobs, Tisch said. But he argued that New York City lawmakers apparently didn't consider the importance of tourism in their economy when they imposed a 5 percent tax on hotel rooms costing more than \$100 per night in the early 1990s. The city's tourism industry was badly damaged before the tax was repealed in 1994, Tisch said.

Former U.S. Rep. James Santini of

Nevada told the conference the Las Vegas area's economy would suffer if politicians impose new rules governing flights over Arizona's Grand Canyon.

Grand Canyon tours out of Las Vegas are "a vital attraction to the international traveler," said Santini, displaying six brochures on canyon tours he picked up at Caesars. "In Las Vegas, Grand Canyon, Grand Canyon-Las Vegas is synonymous

to the Japanese visitor."

The canyon tours are a major industry in southern Nevada and the Clinton administration is considering imposing tough new guidelines on such flights.

Frank Fahrenkopf, chief executive officer of the American Gaming Association, said the gaming industry has a particularly difficult time making itself heard in Washington, D.C.



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I don't know. I've never played there.

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—Golfer Sandy Lyle on his opinion of Tiger Woods

### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**Boys' high school basketball**  
Minion at Blackfoot  
Madison at Burley  
Rockland at Raft River  
Gooding at Wood River  
Buhl at Kimberly

**Girls' high school basketball**  
Skyview at Jerome

In most cases, junior varsity games begin at 6 p.m., with varsity games following.

### SCOREBOARD

**Girls' high school basketball**  
Buhl 51 . . . . . Twin Falls 49  
TFCA 50 . . . . . MVC 18  
Gooding 42 . . . . . Wood River 39  
Wendell 32 . . . . . Valley 28  
Raft River 49 . . . . . Hansen 37  
Bliss 47 . . . . . ISDB 35  
Hageman 55 . . . . . Oakley 42  
Filer 39 . . . . . Kimberly 36  
Dienrich 55 . . . . . Carey 41  
Richfield . . . . . at Camas County

**Boys' high school basketball**  
Twin Falls 69 . . . . . Hillcrest 67  
Jerome 84 . . . . . Buhl 27  
Shoshone 59 . . . . . Richfield 36

### College basketball

**Men**  
7. Cincinnati 90 . . . . . Howard 46  
8. Clemson 58 . . . . . S. Carolina 39

**Women**  
4. Old Dominion 83 . . . . . Stanford 66  
10. W. Kentucky 104 . . . . . Wakeford 33

### Pro basketball

New York 99 . . . . . Utah 94  
Toronto 97 . . . . . New Jersey 88  
Charlotte 95 . . . . . Philadelphia 84  
Indiana 103 . . . . . Miami 89  
Atlanta 109 . . . . . Dallas 73  
Chicago 129 . . . . . Lakers 123, OT  
Seattle 125 . . . . . Golden State 83  
Vancouver 93 . . . . . Houston 92

### IN BRIEF

#### 1966 ski champ finally receives recognition

French skiing legend Marielle Goitschel has finally received official recognition for winning a world championship — after the skier who defeated her turned out to be a man.

In the 1966 World Alpine Championships in Chile, Goitschel was runner-up to Austrian Erika Schinegger in the downhill. But Schinegger later discovered during medical tests that she was, in fact, a man, according to her autobiography published in 1988. Schinegger gave his gold medal to Goitschel in 1988, but the sport's governing body never got around to changing the result until recently.

Schinegger learned during the 1968 Olympics that she — he? — had male chromosomes. He later married and became a father. He is now Eric Schinegger.

#### 660 pounds not enough to handle sumo wrestler

Emanuel Yarbrough had a 360-pound weight advantage, but it wasn't enough for the 660-pound truck driver turned sumo wrestler. After flicking off smaller opponents, the American was knocked off balance and out of the International Sumo Federation championship match in Tokyo by South Africa's Mark Robinson, a 300-pound world champion power lifter.

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The Times-News

## BYU fires coach in midst of turbulent season

### Fans stay away after controversial comments a month ago

The Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — Roger Reid, who won at least 20 games in six of his seven seasons at Brigham Young, was abruptly fired Tuesday after a turbulent 1-6 start to this season.

In a hastily called news conference, BYU athletics officials said Reid would "step down" as coach and remain at the university in another, unspecified capacity. Assistant coach Tony Ingle was named interim head coach.

Reid, 49, led the Cougars to five NCAA tournament appearances and his 152-77 record is the best winning percentage in school history. He became embroiled in controversy last month over remarks to a prized prep recruit — and a Mormon — who chose Duke over BYU. And BYU fans, unhappy with Reid and a mediocre team, stayed away in droves.

"You have to have a program people want to support," athletic director Rondo Fehlberg said. "You have to have a program

people want to contribute to. Otherwise, you might as well turn out the lights and go home."

The announcement came hours after The Daily Herald quoted unidentified sources as saying Reid would not remain as coach when Western Athletic Conference play begins in January. Though dismayed by the story, BYU officials did not deny the report.

Earlier Tuesday, Reid had denied the report of his imminent resignation.

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BYU coach Roger Reid drew criticism from comments he made to a prize recruit last month.



Valley's Jami Ruby tries to find a way around Wendell's LeeAnn Popp in the first half of the Trojans' victory over the Vikings Tuesday night.

## Wendell girls slip past Valley, 32-28

By Gary Leavitt  
Times-News writer

HAZELTON — The host Valley Vikings couldn't overcome a 0-12 first quarter shooting drought in a close 32-28 loss to Canyon Conference rival Wendell Tuesday night.

The Trojans built an early eight-point lead, connecting on five of 10 first-quarter shots spread between six players.

Wendell used an effective motion offense, using short passes to find open shots. The Trojans' strong sagging defense limited Valley's inside scoring attack.

Tanya Romer, Valley's leading scorer, was held to just two first-half points. The Vikings didn't make their first field goal until Crystal Reeves connected on a layin one minute into the second period.

Trojan coach Brett Wright,

whose team is 3-2 in conference play and 7-3 overall, said he has stressed defense all year. Wendell effectively clogged the middle for most of the game and placed senior center Erin Rietkerk in charge of guarding Romer.

The strategy worked until Valley coach Brian Hardy changed his game plan in the third quarter.

With her team trailing 23-14, Viking Crystal Reeves converted a short jumper and Valley began to extend its defense to attack the Wendell guards coming across the half-court line.

The Valley pressure resulted in several Wendell turnovers and opened up the Viking middle. Romer worked the inside for eight points in the final 10 minutes.

Valley was narrowed the score to 26-24 just one minute into the fourth period but couldn't seem to find the bottom of the net for the next

five minutes as both teams traded turnovers and missed shots.

Just as the Vikings appeared to be ready to tie the score, a series of misfortunes hit the home team. At 3:39 in the fourth period, Johnson picked up her fifth foul with the Trojans leading 30-26.

Following two free throws by Reeves, Romer picked off a loose ball and drove down the left side of court. Romer was called for an offensive foul, her fifth, in a collision with a Wendell player and had to sit out the last 59 seconds.

The Trojans hit a late jump shot for the final score.

Wendell 32-28  
Valley 28-32  
Wendell Roberts 4, King 2, Lancaster 2, Chandler 2, Trask 2, Rietkerk 6, Popp 2, Johnson 2, Trask 13, 18 in 12  
Valley-Johnson 6, Erickson 4, Reeves 8, Romer 10, Trask 10, 14 in 12  
Junior varsity score: Wendell 44, Valley 46

## Heartbreak beat goes on for Twin Falls girls

By Karen Baumert  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Bruin locker room should be renamed heartbreak hotel. Buhl sent the Twin Falls High School girls' basketball team to its fourth straight narrow defeat Tuesday night, winning 51-49.

Buhl's Jennifer Bartosovsky hit a short jumper with seven seconds left in the game, moving the Indians to 7-2 on the season.

The controversy began some time before that, though.

For the night, Buhl stood at

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the free-throw line 33 times compared with six for Twin Falls.

After falling behind 38-31, the Bruins forged a come-back behind junior Amber Bixler. Bixler hit a 3-pointer, pulled down a defensive rebound on the other end and added another two points.

After Leah Moore countered with a 3-point goal for Buhl, Bixler hit another three to pull the Bruins within two points.

The two teams swapped baskets until Kelsey Kleinkopf and Brooke Clarke scored on offensive rebounds to give Twin Falls its first lead of the fourth quarter at 49-48.

With less than a minute remaining the Bruins began to toss the ball around the perimeter, trying to run out the clock.

That's where it got a little sticky.

Moore attempted to steal the ball from Bruin Alysia Geer. Both players fell down going for the loose ball and the refs whistled Geer for the foul.

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## Eagles lineman tackles eyesight problems in kids

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Inside a 36-foot bus-turned-optometrist's office parked outside Penn Treaty Middle School, Philadelphia Eagles offensive lineman Jermame Mayberry turned away delicate situations as if they were charging defensive ends.

"I don't want ... thick glasses," he heard 11-year-old Solibette Revereon say as she crossed her arms in defiance Tuesday. "If they're thick, I'm not wearing 'em. There's a girl in my class with thick glasses. She looked real ugly. Her eyes were real small."

The 325-pound Mayberry came prepared for this.

The Eagles' first-round draft pick in 1996 didn't have an eye exam until he was 16 — when he discovered he was legally blind in his left eye. That's why, after signing a \$4.75 million contract, he spent the first \$100,000 to fund a mobile eye exam program run from a bus.

And since pneumonia delayed the start of his season, he has spent more time this fall lecturing children about wearing glasses than learning the basics of offensive line play in the NFL.

So he knew just what to tell the determined North Philadelphia fifth grader.

"Don't say that," the soft-spoken Mayberry told Solibette, giving her an understanding smile. "They won't be that thick."

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Jermame Mayberry, an offensive lineman with the Philadelphia Eagles who is blind in one eye, didn't have a checkup until he was 16 years old.

SPORTS

Knicks nick Jazz down the stretch, 99-94

NEW YORK (AP) — Chris Childs and Patrick Ewing each had four of New York's fourth-quarter points and the Knicks won their seventh straight game Tuesday night with a 99-94 victory over the Utah Jazz.

Despite what New York's 166 record would suggest, it was a rare win for the Knicks against a quality opponent. It was just their seventh game — and third victory — against a team with a record above .500.

Childs finished with a season-high 24 points, including a tie-breaking 3-pointer with 31 seconds left and a pair of free throws that tied the victory with 7.6 seconds to go.

Ewing had 25 points and all five New York starters reached double figures.

Karl Malone led Utah with 29 points, but he missed a two-point attempt with 10 seconds left in the game that needed a 3-pointer to tie.

It was just the fourth loss of the season and second on the road for Utah, which began a string of five straight road games.

New York, starting a run of four games in five nights, is having its longest winning streak in two years.

The Knicks had a nine-point lead when the fourth quarter began, but Malone and Karl Malone had a three-point play to tie the game at 79.

Ewing then hit his third straight baseline jumper, and Childs had a twisting layup and 3-pointer for an 89-90 lead.

Fast break layup by Allan Houston gave New York an eight-



New York forward Larry Johnson dishes off while pressured by Utah guard John Stockton during Tuesday's game in New York.

point lead, with 4:03 left, but the Knicks went scoreless over the next three minutes and Utah took the game on a 3-pointer by Stockton.

Childs put New York ahead 97-94 on a 3-pointer with 31 seconds left, and Stockton immediately

drilled downtown and missed a 3-pointer.

But the ball went out of bounds off New York, giving Utah another chance. Malone, however, tried a baseline jumper rather than pass out for a 3-pointer, and Childs got the rebound.

Bulls outlast Lakers in OT

CHICAGO (AP) — Scottie Pippen made a driving layup with 42.7 seconds left in overtime over Toni Kukoc rallied Chicago from a 19-point fourth-quarter deficit as the Bulls beat the Los Angeles Lakers 129-123 Tuesday night.

Kukoc scored 23 of his season-high 31 points in the fourth quarter and overtime to offset a poor performance by Michael Jordan, who made just 10-of-32 from the floor and scored 30 points.

Pippen had 35 points and Dennis Rodman added 18 rebounds for Chicago, which trailed by 22 points in the first half.

Nick Van Exel scored a season-high 35 points, Shaquille O'Neal 27 and Eddie Jones 21 for the Lakers, whose five-game winning streak was snapped. O'Neal got time and missed two free throws in overtime.

Van Exel hit a 17-foot jumper with 56.3 seconds left in overtime to make it 123-123. Pippen then drove to the hoop and was credited for the basket when O'Neal blocked the shot on his way down.

Van Exel and Jones then missed 3-pointers. Rodman missed a two-point shot, and he was called for a timeout, but he was freed by Jerome Kersey. The two exchanged shots and O'Neal joined the fracas with a hard push on Rodman. Just as Rodman appeared ready to go back at O'Neal, he was tackled by Jordan and Pippen.

Eyesight

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Simple advice? Sure. But it's exactly the kind of clout the Eagles hope their players can bring to solving social ills. His bus travels to Philadelphia schools five days a week, and Mayberry comes out every Tuesday to sign autographs and offer encouragement.

The result: 1,500 children examined at 60 schools. Hundreds have received free glasses and more than half of them have been referred to Willis Eye Hospital with more serious problems. "It's the kind of where I was raised, to always share the blessings," said the 23-year-old, who grew up poor with five siblings and his mother in rural Floreville, Texas, near San Antonio.

It's also noted in what went through — losing sight with a condition that could have been treated if a doctor had caught sooner. "I was just wondering how could it be missed like that," he said.

The eye program, a three-month pilot that began in September, is part of the Eagles Youth Partnership — the clubs'

philanthropic arm. The team hired a program director, rented the bus and stocked up on frames and lenses.

Donations from local and national firms fill the bins. Willis offered doctors and the Greater Philadelphia Urban Affairs Coalition gave a free technician.

A California business donated the bus' shrink wrap — Eagles green with Mayberry's mug; the school district pinpointed schools with children needing care; Scoreboard Graphics printed football cards.

What Mayberry is learning is that the problem is not health coverage; most students can get free eye exams and glasses. The problem is that parents can't always take time off or arrange transportation to get their children seen, and often children don't wear their glasses or break them.

That's where a professional football team can help — drawing students to something they'd ordinarily flee.

"The Eagles are in such a powerful position," said Sarah Helfman, EYP director. "Whether you love 'em or hate 'em, kids look up to them."

BYU

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ment firing. "That's not true, I'm not being fired," he told KSL Radio. "I just feel bad that false rumors like that are started, and it's really not fair."

Reid made headlines Nov. 17 when highly recruited prep star Chris Burgess, a Mormon, opted for Duke.

Burgess complained that when

he told Reid of his decision, the BYU coach told him he had let down "9 million Mormons and the prophet and apostles" of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which owns BYU.

Under fire, Reid accepted BYU's resignation. He said he was misinformed in a private telephone conversation and subsequently mis-

ried and we didn't have to foul people. I couldn't see it, but the ref had a good angle."

To Bull's credit, the Indians created quite a few fouls driving toward the basket and Moore and Janna Wynn hit free throws down to combine. The duo scored 31 of Bull's 51 points and hit 15-of-20 free throws.

Kleinopff pulled down a game-high 16 rebounds from the foul position for the Bruins, and Clarke led all players with four steals.

"This one was hard," said Twin Falls coach Lawrence Pfefferle. "We had the ball and the lead and the ball was taken out of our hands."

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Heat suffers double loss

MIAMI (AP) — Miami lost guard Tim Hardaway with a strained lower back, then to Indiana.

Antonio Davis scored 21 points for Indiana, which withstood a fourth-quarter rally by the Heat to end their four-game winning streak.

Hardaway, who began the game as the Heat's leading scorer this season, departed late in the first quarter with the score 16-16.

Raptors 97, Nets 88  
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Walt Williams scored 24 points and Damon Stoudamire scored 14 of his 17 in the fourth quarter as Toronto snapped a four-game losing streak and won its first road game this season.

Kerry Kittles led New Jersey with 27 points.

Hornets 93, 76ers 84  
PHILADELPHIA — Muggsy Bogues tied his career high with four points as Charlotte Hornets won for the fifth time in six games.

It was Charlotte's second win in five nights over the Wizards, who lost

Pro basketball

their eighth straight.

Hawks 109, Mavericks 73  
DALLAS — Atlanta Hawks made an NBA record 19-pointers.

Mookie Blaylock made five 3-pointers and scored 23 points — 19 in the first half — for the Hawks, who won for the ninth time in the last 11 games.

Sonics 123, Warriors 83  
SEATTLE — Hershey Hawkins scored a season-high 30 points and Gary Payton added 24 as Seattle ended a three-game losing streak.

The Warriors, who trailed by 33 points at halftime, lost Joe Smith 2:04 into the second half with a sprained left ankle when Seattle's Jim McIlvaine landed awkwardly on him near the Sonics' basket.

Grizzlies 93, Rockets 92  
VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Bryant Reeves made a 14-foot jumper with 5.8 seconds left as Vancouver outscored Houston 17-6 in the final 4:21.

Patterson leads Cincinnati

CINCINNATI (AP) — Ruben Patterson emerged from a troubled two weeks by scoring a season-high 25 points in Tuesday night's 90-82 victory over winless Howard.

Cincinnati (3-2) ended a 13-day layoff that began with a loss to Kansas and was marred by Patterson's arrest on an aggravated burglary charge. A grand jury could not decide to indict, and the charge was dropped.

No. 8 Clemson 58, South Carolina 39  
COLUMBIA, S.C. — Greg Buckner and Merl Code combined for 15 points and led South Carolina to a 39-58 victory over old-fooling South Carolina on Tuesday night.

No. 16 Minnesota 82, Rhode Island 72  
PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Sam Jacobson scored 20 points and keyed a late spurt that gave No. 16 Minnesota an 82-72 victory over Rhode Island on Tuesday night.

College basketball

No. 23 Texas Tech 99, Texas-San Antonio 51  
LUBBOCK, Texas — Tony Battie had 23 points and 15 rebounds Tuesday night and No. 23 Texas Tech followed its first loss of the season with a 99-51 victory over Texas-San Antonio.

Women  
No. 4 Old Dominion 83, No. 1 Stanford 66  
NORFOLK, Va. — Nyree Roberts led four Old Dominion players in Tuesday night's 83-66 victory over the No. 4 Lady Monarchs stunted top-ranked Stanford 83-66.

No. 10 W Kentucky 104, Wofford 33  
BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — Shea Lunford scored a career-high 22 points and No. 10 Western Kentucky forced 41 turnovers in a 104-33 victory over Wofford on Tuesday night.

Girls

Continued from D1  
foul.

With Bull in the bonus situation it put Moore at the line for two at the 31-second mark. She knocked down the first to tie, but on the second attempt, the officials whistled Bull for a lane violation.

Instead of calling the ball dead and letting the Bruins take it out under the basket, the referee whistled Moore for a violation on the other end that the mistake was rectified.

Twelve seconds were added to the clock and Twin Falls went back down to the other end and fouls turned the ball over to Bull and set up the game-winner with seven seconds on the clock.

Twin Falls had a chance to win on a half-court buzzer beat but it banked just over the rim.

"It was very big," Bull coach Joe Shepard said of the foul on Geer. "If put it to where it was

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# STANDINGS

## Boys' High School Basketball

(Through Dec. 16)

### Class A-1, Region III

Overall			Conference			
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Highland	3	0	1.000	1	0	1.000
Twin Falls	2	1	0.667	1	1	0.500
Minico	2	1	0.400	0	1	0.000
Burley	2	3	0.400	0	1	0.000
Pocatello	1	2	0.333	0	1	0.000

### Class A-2, District 4

Overall			Conference			
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Jerome	2	2	0.500	0	0	0.000
Wood River	1	1	0.500	0	0	0.000
Buhl	0	5	0.000	0	0	0.000

### Class A-3, Canyon Conference

Overall			Conference			
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Wendell	5	0	1.000	1	0	1.000
Declo	4	0	1.000	1	0	1.000
Gooding	2	1	0.667	0	0	0.000
Kimberly	2	1	0.667	0	0	0.000
Valley	1	3	0.250	0	1	0.000
Glenns Ferry	1	2	0.333	0	1	0.000
Filer	3	2	0.600	0	2	0.000

### Class A-4, Northside

Overall			Conference			
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Carey	3	1	0.750	0	0	0.000
Dietrich	3	0	1.000	0	0	0.000
Shoshone	2	1	0.667	0	0	0.000
Richfield	1	3	0.250	0	0	0.000
Camas Co.	0	1	0.000	0	0	0.000
ISDB	0	1	0.000	0	0	0.000
Bliss	1	3	0.250	0	0	0.000
Ketchum*	1	0	1.000	0	0	0.000

### Class A-4, Southside

Overall			Conference			
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Murraugh	4	2	0.667	0	0	0.000
Oakley	3	3	0.500	0	0	0.000
Castelford	2	2	0.500	0	0	0.000
Hansen	2	1	0.667	0	0	0.000
Hagerman	2	1	0.667	0	0	0.000
Raft River	0	5	0.000	0	0	0.000
TF Christian*	2	4	0.333	0	0	0.000
MV Christian*	0	0	0.000	0	0	0.000

\*Plays JV only; ineligible for post-season.

## GRAPPLING



Wrestling at 189 pounds, Minico's Austin Arthur, top, is a contender for a state title after finishing second at 171 last year.

BY KEVIN MILLER/The Times-News

# Minico wrestling hopes to grapple back to the top

By Kevin Miller  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** — By the numbers, Minico wrestling slipped a notch last season.

After consecutive third-place finishes at state as a team, the Spartans finished fourth last season and failed to boast an individual state champion for the first time in years.

But Minico returns eight wrestlers who made the trip to the state finals last year. And classes with his youngest, but most experienced corps ever.

"I say we're kind of unproven. But I'm pretty confident these kids will do all right," Cooper said.

The Minico coach's time as a mat mentor has been limited by a knee injury this year, making him rely more on assistant coaches John Hull, Steve Barnes and Kelly Peterson. His inability to grapple with his young team hasn't slowed their development, Cooper said.

"Some of these freshmen have more experience than some of our seniors," he said.

Sophomores are slotted for

### Minico Spartans

**1993-94 result:** Fourth in state  
**Coach:** Brad Cooper  
**Returning state qualifiers:** 103-Nick Thueson (soph), 112-Jeremy Reeves (sr.), 119-Bill Bauscher (soph), 130-Vance Anderson (sr.), 152-Jesse Perezale, 4th (jr.), 150-Pat Adams, 5th (sr), 171-Austin Arthur, 2nd (jr), 164-Chris Haun (jr).

Spartans are more proven in the heavier weights.

Dropping down to 171-pounds after wrestling most of last season at 189, Austin Arthur upset defending state champion and teammate Scott Serr before finishing second overall in the class.

Now a junior, Arthur will stay at 189 to make room at 171 for senior Pat Adams, a fifth-place finisher last year at 160.

Adams stepped up from the junior varsity last year for an upset finish, as did Jesse Perezale at 152. Perezale finished fourth in that class last season, and will wrestle at 152 again.

Arthur, Adams and Perezale each are considered contenders for state titles.

Minico hasn't brought home the big trophy since 1970, the last of the school's three state wrestling titles. With the youth movement beginning to mature, the Spartans are ready to grow back into title contention.

"We put a lot of emphasis on team, and I think it makes the kids' better individual wrestlers," Cooper said. "The bottom line is the state tournament."

## Spartans, Bobcats face off on mat tomorrow

The Times-News

**BURLEY** — When cross-river rivals Burley and Minico meet on the mat tomorrow, it will be a clash between an emerging wrestling team and an established local power.

Burley claims two seniors who went to the state meet last year, but the Bobcats are dominated by underclassmen.

They are led by first-year coach Steve Wiebeck, and the newcomers will get an early lesson in the level of competition when they welcome Minico at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Declo is the other Mini-Cassia school that can boast long-standing wrestling success.

The Hornets are hoping to improve on last year's fifth-place performance, while teams from Raft River and Oakley will be angling to send individuals to state.

### Burley Bobcats

**Coach:** Steve Wiebeck  
**Returning state qualifiers:** 125-Clyton Handy (soph), 145-Mary Zimmerman (sr.), 171-Cody Bowers, sixth (sr).

A pair of senior state qualifiers lead Burley, but half of first-year coach Steve Wiebeck's team consists of freshmen and sophomores.

### Jerome 84, Buhl 27

Williams and Thompson both hit long range bombs to bring the advantage to 21 at the half.

**Coach quote:** "We scored a lot of points but the second unit did a good job. They rose to the occasion," — Jerome coach Brent Clark.

**Player quote:** "It's a rivalry. We worked hard in practice and stayed focused and played good defensive." — Jerome point guard Brad Thompson.

**Game notes:** The Indians ended the game shooting just 19 percent from the field. ... The starters for Jerome played

the first four minutes of the second half then watched the rest of the game from the bench. ... 12 players played major minutes for the Tigers and all made it into the scoring column.

**Box score:**

Jerome	17	22	22	54
Buhl	2	14	7	23

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 Points in 1st quarter: Jerome 10, Buhl 2. Points in 2nd quarter: Jerome 10, Buhl 2. Points in 3rd quarter: Jerome 14, Buhl 2. Points in 4th quarter: Jerome 18, Buhl 13.  
 Fouled out: Jerome 1, Buhl 0.  
 Free throws made: Jerome 10/14, Buhl 4/7.  
 Free throws missed: Jerome 4/14, Buhl 3/7.  
 Total fouls: Jerome 14, Buhl 14.  
 Total time on court: Jerome 40, Buhl 40.  
 Game started: 7:00 p.m.  
 Game ended: 8:30 p.m.  
 Game location: Jerome High School.  
 Game referee: John Derr.  
 Game scorer: John Derr.  
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SPORTS

TV tiff could sack Super Bowl coverage

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — About 15 million television viewers could miss a little thing called the Super Bowl as the network and Time Warner Inc. play a big game of chicken. The companies are busy pointing fingers at each other and warring football fans and cable viewers in Austin, Tampa, Fla.; Kansas City, Mo.; Milwaukee; and Detroit to dig out their "rabbit-ear" antennae. Time Warner owns cable systems in those cities.

Fox, in full-page newspaper ads run Monday and Tuesday, says Time Warner is forcing it to turn off local stations in those markets on Jan. 1 because the cable operator won't renegotiate contracts for access to the local stations. Time Warner says Fox is threatening to cut off the signals because Time Warner isn't carrying the network's all-news station in New York.

Prospective Seahawks buyer gets what he wants

SEATTLE — When it came down to the prospect of losing Paul Allen as a potential owner of the Seattle Seahawks, the Metropolitan King County Council did not waver. The council voted 9-4 Monday to accept a short-term Kingdom lease agreement between Allen's Football Northwest and County Executive Gary Locke, giving Allen the amount of money he needs to lobby the state Legislature for a new stadium. Council members insisted that the 20-year-old Dome should be saved, though their vote effectively lays the groundwork for its demolition.

"Tearing down the Kingdom is complete fulfillment," said County Councilman Kent Paulsen, who voted for the new Seahawks lease. "I hope that we look at other alternatives." Votes were scattered during closed-door meetings at the County Courthouse before the 13-member council held public testimony on the issue. Council Chairman Jane Hogue said the deal came close to falling apart in the morning, but a consensus campaign gained the necessary support. Hogue said she and Councilman Ron Sims, announced to become the new county executive, emphasized to colleagues that dealing with Allen, a Mercer Island, Wash., millionaire who co-founded Microsoft, would be better than renouncing the team to Ken Behring, a California developer who tried to move the Seahawks to Southern California last February.

Allen was prepared not to exercise his 15-month option to buy the team if the council turned down the lease agreement. He has until July 1 to exercise the option. With a renegotiated lease in hand, Allen's Football Northwest will begin working on a legislative financing package to take to Olympia. Locke, the incoming governor, plans to select a blue-ribbon panel to devise an acceptable tax package to take to the Legislature. Football Northwest and the County Council are expected to suggest ways to fund an open-air stadium to replace the Kingdom. That alternative was recommended last week by Mayor-appointed Kingdom Renovation Task Force, which spent almost a year studying options on what to do with the Dome and professional football.

Backing into playoffs won't shame Chiefs

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — If Kansas City loses its third game in a row Sunday but still make the playoffs, don't ask Marty Schottenheimer for an apology. "The guidelines are to win," he says. You have to finish in the top six," the Chiefs coach said Tuesday. "It doesn't matter how or when you win them. We want to get in by winning." "But I don't think you need to apologize for your successful getting there based upon what some would regard as backing in. The rules are there in the beginning. The value of a game doesn't change based on whether it's the first or final game." The injury-riddled Chiefs (9-6) could reach the playoffs for the seventh straight year under a number of scenarios, even if they lose their regular season finale at Buffalo.

If they beat the Bills, Indianapolis beats Cincinnati and Jacksonville loses to Atlanta, the Chiefs would play host to Jacksonville in the first round. If the Chiefs beat Buffalo and the Colts and Jacksonville both win, the Chiefs would play in the first round at Indianapolis. Losses by both the Chiefs and Jacksonville would put the Chiefs into the playoffs as the No. 6 seed and send them to Pittsburgh for the first round. If the Chiefs win this week while Indianapolis and Jacksonville both lose, Kansas City would play host to

Indy. If the Chiefs lose, New England loses, Pittsburgh loses and Jacksonville wins, then the Chiefs would play at New England. If the Chiefs lose and Jacksonville wins, the Chiefs will miss the postseason party for only the second time since Schottenheimer became coach in 1992.

A loss to the Bills on Sunday would also mark just the second three-game losing skid for the Chiefs in Schottenheimer's eight-year tenure. Rich Stadium has been one of the most inhospitable places for Kansas City to play. Twice in playoffs in the 1990s, the Bills have routed the Chiefs, by scores of 37-14 and 30-13. In a regular-season game in 1994 at Rich Stadium, they won Buffalo 44-10. "I don't think there's anything magical about the place," Schottenheimer said. "It's the players in those blue uniforms that have been the problem." He also said defensive tackle Dan Saleaumia might be ready Sunday. But cornerback Dale Carter, defensive end Vaughn Booker and quarterback Rich Gannon are still doubtful. The defensive injuries last week contributed to what's been a season-long problem, a weak pass rush. "I've been studying it in detail," Schottenheimer said. "Early on, we weren't using our hands the way we needed to. Now I have a sense we're running around blockers instead of going through them. You have to go through them to get to the quarterback. We're not doing that. And we've had some breakdown in coverage." "This is the most disappointing part in what's happened in 1996. We're not playing as well as we're capable of on defense."



Kansas City coach Marty Schottenheimer says his goal is to make the playoffs, regardless of how many games his team wins to get there.

NFL IN BRIEF

**Bucs sign trio, place pair on injured reserve** TAMPA, Fla. — The Tampa Bay Buccaneers placed guard Jim Payne and linebacker Jeff Gooch on injured reserve Tuesday and signed two players to fill their roster spots. Quarterback Kevin Diggins, who has been the Bucs' practice squad, was signed to replace Payne, a starter who broke his left leg during last Sunday's 21-10 loss at Minnesota. Linebacker Mark Williams, who played in two November games after joining the St. Louis Rams on Oct. 30, was signed to fill in for Gooch, who tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee. The Bucs filled Diggins' spot on the practice squad by signing cornerback Rashid Gayle.

**Cardinals' coach eyes free-agent market** TEMPE, Ariz. — With one game remaining, Arizona Cardinals coach Vince Tobin is thinking about the off-season and the free-agent market. The Cardinals could finish with a 8-8 record if they beat the Philadelphia Eagles in the season finale Sunday. It also would give Arizona two consecutive wins and a 53 record in the NFC. "Tobin is hoping that would change the way the Cardinals are viewed by players around the league." The perception of this football team and how you view yourself is very important and going 8-8 will not help only in re-signing some of our own free agents, but attracting other free agents," Tobin said Tuesday.

**Falcons suspend player following comments** SUWANEE, Ga. — Chuck Smith was suspended by Atlanta Falcons coach James Jones on Tuesday after the defensive end complained about the team's leadership. Smith was suspended for "conduct detrimental to the team" one day after defiantly calling for change on the team, especially at the top. "We've got to come here and focus on defense," he said. "We need a head man that's going to be a defensive-minded man. Right now that's not the case. Until that happens we'll be a scrub defense. You've got to have defense that's the focus point of everything. That's the bottom line."

**Oilers find few fans willing to fill stadium** HOUSTON — Kelly Lipinski doesn't care what people might say. She's one of the chosen few still willing to call themselves a Houston Oilers fan. "They're still our home team," she insists. "I'm still an Oilers fan, always have been. That's just me, even though I know they're leaving." From sports call-in radio shows to the Internet, there are jokes being made about people like Lipinski. Obviously she got a free ticket, she might sneaker. Others may speculate on the state of her sanity. Without reservation, she admits that she had a (gasp!) good time at the Oilers last home game on Sunday, despite the disappointing 21-13 loss to Cincinnati Bengals. Not only did she enjoy herself, but she would even go again. "If the tickets were a lot less, I'd go a lot more."

Cowboys' Novacek could be back for post-season action

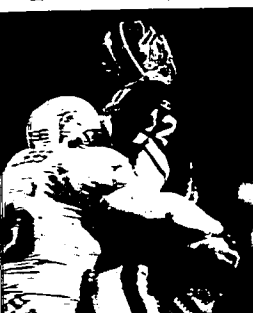
IRVING, Texas (AP) — There's a chance tight end Jay Novacek will be available to the Dallas Cowboys for the playoffs. Novacek, who hasn't played in the regular season because of a bad back, is the missing link in a sputtering Dallas Cowboys offense that ranks 24th in the NFL and 18th in passing. Coach Barry Switzer and owner Jerry Jones said Tuesday that quarterback Troy Aikman's second most favorite receiver is feeling better. "He told some of our assistant coaches that his back has felt the best it has felt in a long time and is optimistic that he may play in the playoffs," Switzer said. "That would be a tremendous lift for our team. I'll just wait for Jay to come to me and tell me when he's ready." Since Novacek came to Dallas six years ago, on eight and has caught more passes (335) and only two had more receiving yards (357.6). "It's no secret that one of the reasons we haven't been productive on offense this year is because Jay isn't here," Aikman said recently. Eric Bjornson, groomed as Novacek's successor, has been hobbled with injuries since training camp. While Novacek caught 62 passes for 705 yards last year, Bjornson has caught only 48 for 388.

Switzer had assumed Novacek had no chance of playing this year. "All I talk with him about is dogs and killing birds," Switzer said. "I know Jay has been running uphill because his back hurts when he runs on a level surface. I don't know what it would do right now to get his back to sea level." Jones said he doesn't want to make more of the situation than it is but "Novacek is feeling better about his situation. We've got that little light out there. His goal is to play in the playoffs." Novacek has played with pain most of his career in Dallas but fought through it. "Jay has been playing with significant pain and on a scale of 1 to 10 he has it down to a 7," Jones said. "His pain has been 9 to 10. Most of the time he can play but there's no way I'd give odds on it. It won't be this week but in the next couple of weeks it might." The Cowboys have carried Novacek on their 53-man roster instead of placing him on the injured reserve list in hopes he could be ready for the playoffs. For the first time since 1991, the Cowboys don't get a first-round bye this year and will play either Minnesota or Philadelphia on either Dec. 28 or 29.

Dallas star tight end Jay Novacek has watched this season from the sidelines, nursing a sore back.

Johnson sees Dolphins of future against Bills

MIAMI (AP) — Miami coach Jimmy Johnson saw the future Dolphins this week and that's what he saw. Miami, behind a big defensive effort and a half-hearted offense, ended a three-game skid with a 35-24 victory over the Buffalo Bills on Monday night. Johnson praised rookies like linebacker Zach Thomas and halfback Stanley Prichett. "These guys are only going to get better," Johnson said Tuesday during his weekly news conference. "Some of the guys playing right now are going to be stars." The victory gave the Dolphins (7-8) some self-respect after missing the playoffs. Miami can finish 8-8 with a victory over the hapless New York Jets on Sunday. "Our guys know we're playing for the future," Johnson said. "They know they're looking at next year. We didn't want to finish the year on a down note, regardless of the situation." During unprecedented disaster against the Jets, the Dolphins will finish the season with a plus-minus record (plus 110) for the first time since 1984. Miami has limited opponents to an average of 17.5 points in the last six games. "The defense played pretty well the last few weeks. We started four rookies on defense and they've played pretty solid all along," Johnson said.



Miami's Daniel Stubbs sacks Buffalo's Jim Kelly for a sack in Monday's game in Miami.

Johnson also had the league's youngest team while in Dallas and won two Super Bowls. Expect the Dolphins to get even younger next season. "We are still in the phase of building through the draft. ... I like young football teams," Johnson said. "A young football team keeps you healthy, a young football team keeps you physical." Thomas is among the top rookies, leading the team in tackles (170). On offense, first-year running back Karim Abud-Jalbar is 36 rushing for Miami since 1978, when Delvin Williams ran for 1,258 yards. Prichett was key to beating the Bills, coming off the backfield on key downs to catch four passes for 47 yards. "Now our learning is done," Thomas said. "We have no excuses next year." The Dolphins kept the rival Bills from clinching a playoff spot on Monday night. It was the first time since 1986 that the Dolphins beat the Bills two consecutive times. Miami defeated Buffalo 21-7 on Oct. 13 in Orchard Park. "That rivalry — the Dolfs and Bills — you always want to play hard and show them we are a good team," said receiver Randall Hill, whose acrobatic catch in the fourth quarter helped Miami run out the clock.

# Wells, Yankees ink \$13 million pact; Greenwell off to Japan

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Yankees finally filled the hole left by Jimmy Key's departure, agreeing Tuesday to a \$13.5 million, three-year contract with David Wells.

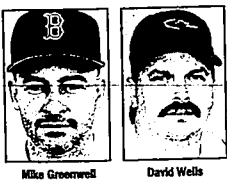
The Boston Red Sox, hunting for pitchers following the departure of Roger Clemens, agreed to a \$700,000, one-year deal with Chris Hammond. A baseball lawyer, speaking on the condition he not be identified, said the Red Sox also were in discussions with the agent for Steve Avery, in a three-year slump since going 18-6 for Atlanta in 1993.

Baltimore, looking to add a bat, was said to be in talks with the agent for Greg Vaughn. Another free agent hitter, Mike Greenwell, said he planned to spend next season with the Hanshin Tigers, who are coming off a last-place finish in Japan's Central League.

Leo Gomez was placed on unconditional release waivers by the Chicago Cubs, who said the infielder is arranging a contract with the Chunichi Dragons of Japan's Central League.

On the trade front, Detroit dealt left-hander Joey Eischen and right-hander Cam Smith to San Diego for catcher Brian Johnson and right-hander Willie Blair.

Boston sent left-hander Brian Looney to the Minnesota Twins to complete the Aug. 26 trade for right-hander Pat



Mike Greenwell David Wells

Mahomes.

In another move, the Twins agreed to a minor-league contract with 38-year-old left-hander Juan Agosto, who hasn't pitched in the major leagues since 1993.

Among players eligible for salary arbitration, left-hander Larry Casian and the Chicago Cubs agreed to a \$750,000, one-year contract, a raise of \$15,000.

Wells, a 33-year-old left-hander, became the Yankees' primary pitching target last Friday after Clemens spurned New York and agreed to a \$24.75 million, three-year contract with the Toronto Blue Jays.

Wells was 11-14 with a 5.14 ERA for the Orioles last season. His career high for victories came in 1991, when he was 15-10 for the Toronto Blue Jays.

"David has fulfilled a lifelong dream of becoming a New York Yankee, and he now hopes to have another world championship for New York in 1997," said the pitcher's agent, Gregg Clifton.

Wells gets a \$500,000 signing bonus, \$3 million in 1997, \$4 million in 1998 and \$4.5 million in 1999. The Yankees have a \$4.5 million option for 2000 but must pay a \$1.5 million buyout if they don't exercise it.

He can earn up to \$18.5 million over four years if the Yankees exercise the option and he makes 30 starts and pitches 190 innings per season. His bonus opportunities break down to \$600,000 in 1997, \$400,000 in 1998, \$150,000 in 1999 and \$900,000 in 2000.

"Hopefully David Wells will pitch against everybody else the way he pitched against us," Yankees manager Joe Torre said Monday.

Hamorre, who will be 31 when the season starts, was 5-8 with a 6.56 ERA last season with the Marlins and made \$1.6 million. Florida gave up its rights after the season, saying it would be interested in re-signing him at a lower price.

His contract with Boston has \$375,000

in performance bonuses, and he would get the full amount if he makes 30 starts.

In Pischen, San Diego hopes to bolster its lack of left-handed relief pitching. Eischen, 26, has been with five organizations in his major league career, including four in the past 19 months.

Johnson's biggest drawback was his defense. A former quarterback at Stanford who spent 2 1/2 seasons with the Padres after being drafted from the New York Yankees organization in 1991, Johnson threw out only 17 percent of runners attempting to steal last season.

"I've always been proud to be part of the (Padres) organization, but I haven't been really happy," said Johnson, who hit .272 with eight homers and 35 RBIs in 243 at-bats last season. "Last year was kind of bittersweet for me because I enjoyed winning, but I felt a little left out."

It was the third trade in nine months between San Diego and Detroit.

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### Liverpool edges Nottingham in soccer

LONDON — Stan Collymore scored twice as Liverpool beat Nottingham Forest 4-2 Tuesday night to move into first place in England's Premier League.

Collymore scored in the sixth and the 63rd minutes, and Robbie Fowler scored in the 27th. Liverpool (11-3-4), which took a two-point lead over idle Arsenal (10-2-5), also got a goal when Nottingham Forest's Des Lyne put the ball into his own net in the 51st minute.

Kevin Campbell and Stuart Pearce scored for Nottingham Forest (1-9-7).

In the day's other game, struggling Coventry (2-8-7) upset Newcastle 2-1 on first-half goals from Darren Huckerby and Gary McAllister. Alan Shearer scored in the 61st minute for Newcastle (9-5-3).

### NCAA rejects Missouri appeal of fine

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The University of Missouri has lost its appeal and must return almost \$97,000 earned from the 1994 NCAA basketball tournament.

The NCAA decision to penalize the school came because former basketball player Jevon Cuddeback accepted extra benefits from an agent.

The university's appeal to the NCAA executive committee at a Dec. 6 meeting in Kansas City was rejected, said Tricia Bork, spokeswoman for the executive committee.

The deal nullifies Missouri's three victories in the 1994 tournament.

### Judge gives ex-NBA player jail time

SAN ANTONIO — A judge has revoked the probation of former NBA star Alvin Robertson in two assault cases.

Bexar County Court-at-Law Judge Tim Johnson revoked Robertson's one-year probation, meaning he will have to serve that time in jail. Robertson pleaded no contest in April to misdemeanor assault involving two women.

Prosecutor Trey Spoor said he is unlikely Robertson will have to go to jail right away because he plans to appeal the ruling.

Last month, Robertson was ordered to serve six months in jail for burglary after a rampage at an ex-girlfriend's apartment. Although jurors decided on 10 years' probation, a judge added the six-month jail term plus 500 hours of community service.

Robertson spent five seasons with the San Antonio Spurs. He played last season with the Toronto Raptors.

### LT's lawyer charged with embezzlement

NEWARK, N.J. — A lawyer and business partner of former NFL star Lawrence Taylor were arrested Tuesday and charged with embezzlement, money laundering, bank fraud and tax evasion.

Several of the charges against Alfred Porro Jr. and his wife, Joan Atkins Porro, also a lawyer, involve businesses that used the name of the ex-New York Giants linebacker.

But authorities would not comment on what involvement, if any, Taylor's agent, Bobby Cupo, said his client was out of town and had not yet learned of the charges against the Porros.

### Michigan griddler faces assault charge

DETROIT — A University of Michigan football player, accused of beating his mother's ex-husband with a baseball bat, was ordered to stand trial on charges of assault with intent to murder.

Charles Winters originally was charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm, punishable by up to 10 years in prison. But District Judge Deborah Lewis charged that Winters stand trial on the more serious charge, which carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

Winters, 22, a senior defensive back, is accused of attacking Horace Davis, 42, on Nov. 12.

According to testimony during Winters' preliminary hearing, he allegedly knocked Davis down with the bat and then struck him another five or six times.

### Minnesota assistant heads for Texas school

SAN MARCOS, Texas — Bob DeBesse, offensive coordinator at the University of Minnesota, will lead five seasons, has been named the new head coach at Southwest Texas State.

Athletic director Mike Alden on Tuesday announced the hiring of DeBesse, who played at Southwest Texas in 1978-80.

He also served as a student assistant coach at the school in 1981 and 1982, when the Bobcats won back-to-back NCAA Division II titles.

DeBesse replaces Jim Bob Helduser, who was fired in November after a 5-6 season.

"I've always thought Southwest Texas should have an advantage because of the recruiting base," DeBesse said. "The number of high-quality players in this area makes it possible to win."

DeBesse inherits a team that will return 19 starters next season, including 10 on offense.

While at Minnesota under Jim Wacker, DeBesse coached a passing offense ranked in the top 30 nationally in each of his five seasons.

DeBesse served as Wacker's offensive coordinator at Texas Christian for two years, including the Horned Frogs' 7-4 season of 1991.

### Heat's Hardaway strains back Tuesday

MIAMI — Miami Heat guard Tim Hardaway strained his lower back in the first quarter Tuesday against Indiana and missed the rest of the game.

Hardaway was dribbling the ball near midcourt when he pulled up, called timeout and collapsed on his back. Moments later he rose unsteadily to his feet and was helped to the locker room by two trainers.

Hardaway's status for Thursday's game against Utah was uncertain.

The 30-year-old point guard is off to a fast start this season, averaging 18.2 points and 7.3 assists per game for the first-place Heat.

# Tomba returns with flourish; Sykora wins

MADONNA DI CAMPIGLIO, Italy (AP) — Skiing with one hand bandaged and serenaded by his horn-blowing fans, Alberto Tomba returned to the World Cup circuit Tuesday and finished second in the slalom to Austria's Thomas Sykora.



Austria's Thomas Sykora carves a turn on his way to winning the men's World Cup slalom Tuesday in Madonna di Campiglio, Italy.

Tomba, the world and Olympic champion, had bruised his knee and right wrist in a bad split Oct. 22. He had been practicing for only three weeks before this race, his first since March.

"I'm overjoyed," he said. "I could hardly expect it. I'm not yet in top form following the recent problems, and I could not push the ski pole properly because my wrist was hurting."

Thousands of fans waved horns and trumpets and waved Italian flags as Tomba climbed from eighth place in the first run to finish the overall runner-up. He clocked the fastest time in the second run.

Sykora, winner of the slalom at Park City, Utah, earlier this season, had a combined time of 1 minute, 37.90 seconds. It was the fourth victory of his career and the fifth in eight races this season for the Austrian team's team.

"I'm glad for Tomba's return," Sykora said. "There is more enthusiasm, more thrill, more fans when he's competing. And my victory also was more so."

Tomba was timed in 1:38.48 and defending World Cup slalom champion Sebastian Amiez of France finished third in 1:38.52.

This was Tomba's fourth runner-up showing in this resort, one of his favorite courses where he has won three times.

Tomba ended the race with a swollen right eye, the result of a gate snapping his face during the first run. He said his rivals have good reason to worry over his strong showing in just his first race. "They did not expect me in second place, and I didn't, too," he said. "I could have been satisfac-

ed with a top-five finish. It's a great success for me."

He said he was cautious in the first heat and took great risks in the second down the steep Canalone Miramonte course.

Tomba said he might skip the giant slalom race at Alta Badia on Sunday because he's not ready

yet for tougher and longer races.

"I don't like the idea to make an appearance there without chances to achieve a good result," he said.

Tomba's return overshadowed Sykora's win and the good show of Amiez and Austria's Siegfried Vogtleiter.

# LPGA has come a long way from early days

By Ron Sirak  
The Associated Press

### Commentary

An ad campaign for the LPGA shows a child standing about waist high next to a woman holding a golf club, a look of rapt curiosity on the youngster's face.

Above the photo are the words: "Little Girl. Big Dreams." Below is the slogan: "Playing the Game of Our Lives."

While greets like Patty Berg, Babe Zaharias, Louise Suggs and other pioneers of women's golf may be barely preserved in the dim memory of those lucky enough to have seen them play and on bits of grainy film, the future is much brighter for the current crop of players.

Women's golf has taken a great leap forward and there is every indication greater things are to come. As the high-energy new commissioner Jim Ritts loves to point out, women are playing more tournaments for more money in front of more people than ever.

Women's professional golf is truly a survivor. Born out of post-World War II influenza, the LPGA hung on as a marginal sport for 30 years until the Nancy Lopez boost in the late 1970's. It is marginal no longer.

"I turned pro in 1980, which isn't so long ago but really long ago when you see how far we've come," Patty Sheehan said this week at the LPGA awards luncheon in New York. "I took me 16 years to win \$5 million," said Sheehan, who this year joined Betsy King, Pat Bradley and Beth Daniel in reaching that milestone. "I will take Karrie Webb, what five years?"

When Sheehan joined the tour full time in 1981, Beth Daniel was the leading money that year with \$206,998. Webb, the Australian who turns 22 next week, won \$1,002,000 this year — the first woman golfer to win \$1 million and the first rookie, male or female.

Webb's achievement says as much about the growth of the game as it does about her golfing ability.

The total purse for the entire LPGA Tour wasn't \$1 million in 1972. Prize money hit \$18 million in 1986 but that is only one-third of the record amount up for grabs in 1997.

"When I first played there were five of us playing for a total purse of \$500," Patty Berg, 78,

said earlier this year about the pro group that preceded the formation of the LPGA in 1950. "The rest were amateurs."

The total purse this year of the LPGA was \$50,000 for nine events and the leading money winner was Zaharias who won six of the nine events and \$14,800.

When Lopez came on the tour with nine victories in 1978 she won a total of \$18,814.

But with 40 percent of all new golfers being women, combined with the emergence of new stars like Webb, and with Ritts' energetic leadership, the LPGA has tapped into a thirst for more golf.

Four new tournaments were added for 1997 and 17 existing events raised their purses, pushing total prize money to \$30.1 million next year — a 19 percent increase over 1996 and a doubling of prize money in the '90s.

The new attention and the increased prize money will also have a positive impact down the road. "The standard gets better and better and better every year," said Laura Davies, the LPGA player of the year. "The young players see us on TV and they want to come out and beat us."

And those players have been coming from every corner of

world. Webb, the rookie of the year and leading money winner, is from Australia. Davies is from England and Annika Sorenstam, who had the lowest scoring average, is one of many excellent golfers from Sweden.

"It just shows what a big family this is," Davies said.

And "family" is a key concept in the mind-set of the LPGA. Much more than among PGA Tour players there is a sense among the LPGA members that they are in this together.

Maybe it is because of their second-class status behind the men for so long, or maybe it is a sense of solidarity that comes from being women fighting for athletic equality, but the togetherness is there strong and proud.

No one has appreciated what Ritts accomplished for the LPGA in his first year as commissioner more than the players.

Webb, as she accepted her rookie of the year award, acknowledged that she might have been the second most successful rookie in the LPGA in 1996. "I think his top mine," Webb said about Ritts' first year. "Good luck next year, Jim."

Next year could be the best year ever for the LPGA.

# Indy Speedway, CART settle suits against each other

The Indianapolis Star and News

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Motor Speedway and Championship Auto Racing Teams have called a truce, settling major lawsuits against each other.

The out-of-court agreement, announced Tuesday, only ends legal hostility. It doesn't mean the two sides will reconcile. Until this year, CART had supplied the bulk of competitors for the Speedway's Indianapolis 500, including drivers like Al Unser Jr. and Michael Andretti. That changed after the Speedway began the Indy Racing League

and made the 500 the primary event of the new series.

"This is a cease-fire," said William Dyer Jr., chairman of Barnes Dyer Marketing Inc., a sports marketing firm with ties on both sides. "It makes no attempt to bring the two parties closer together."

"This acknowledges the reality of the situation — each series has gone its own way," said Steve Potter, manager of North America sports marketing for the Mercedes-Benz unit of Germany's Daimler-Benz AG, which supplies engines to CART teams. "The war is over."

But Indianapolis city officials,

who would prefer the two sides reunite, said they hope the settlement could be a starting point toward that end. "Our hope is by '98 or '99 the sides will be back together," said Larry Gigerich, economic development assistant to Mayor Stephen Goldsmith.

In this year's race, many major CART sponsors — who annually spend millions of dollars for hotels, catering and other activities — largely bypassed Indianapolis because of the dispute.

That may not change much in 1997. However, Gigerich said, "It will not be as rough or as heated as this past race or month of

May." CART and the IRL will again race on Memorial Day weekend. However, in 1997, the CART event will be held on Saturday, and the IRL's Indianapolis 500 will be on Sunday.

Few details of the settlement were released Tuesday. However, both sides said the Speedway and its Indy Racing League have use of the brand name "IndyCar." CART had been calling itself IndyCar for marketing purposes under a 1992 licensing agreement with the Speedway. That has now ended, and CART unveiled a new logo Tuesday using that acronym.

SPORTS

# Rough play mays ABL early on

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) - Agonizing over a concussion suffered in their first all-star game, executives of the women's American Basketball League are telling referees, coaches and players to rein in rough play.

Their crackdown underscores the transformation of the women's game since turn-of-the-century girls got called for stealing the ball. Some wonder if the game has evolved too far in this new league.

"It is far too physical," Ernie Yarbrough, the league's head of officiating, said Tuesday. "We don't want to have the bad-boy reputation that some of the players in the NBA have."

The searching centers on a concussion suffered by Seattle's Cindy Brown, who was playing for the West in Sunday's all-star game in Hartford, Conn.

Wrightstill without pay for two games and fined her \$1,500. She later apologized publicly.

Brown did not respond to a message seeking comment Tuesday. But Cindy Fester, a spokeswoman for her team, said she was still feeling the effects of her pounding.

"She just has a huge headache," Fester said.

It was not clear when she would next play. Gary Cavalli, the league's chief executive and co-founder, said Brown is contrite.

"She felt she was partly responsible because she had been pushing and shoving all night," he said. "But we can't have players punching each other on the side of the head."

On Monday, Yarbrough put out a directive to all 54 game officials, telling them to keep rough play in stronger check. The same day, coaches and general managers of the league's eight teams held the same message at a general meeting in Hartford.

Yarbrough said the responsibility falls on the players.

"The players have got to make a conscious effort to back off of one another," he said.

Some of the pushing, scrapping, shoving and holding flows with emphasis on tough defense. League executives also point to the migration of players schooled as professionals in the physical European leagues.

Sounding like NBA promoters, some American Basketball League boosters have been promising physical play and "attitude" for fans. While denying any effort to salt the league with rough play, league executives acknowledge that the players have been trying to prove something.

"I think the athletes in this league want to prove that women's basketball is a great game, that it is athletic, it's fast, it's physical," Cavalli said. "They do want to show that they're strong and physical."

Yarbrough said league officials met with league officials before the all-star game and told them they feared that play is becoming too violent.

"It really seems to be definitely a general consensus that the game is extremely physical — which is fine — but it's getting extremely aggressive as well," said Pam Batalis, the general manager for the Blizzard.



Matt Pethybridge, the lawyer representing Virginia Tech football players Brian Edmonds and James Crawford, fields questions Tuesday in Blacksburg, Va.

# Virginia Tech players charged with rape

### Defense attorneys claim witch hunt by local police

BLACKSBURG, Va. (AP) - Two Virginia Tech football players were arrested and charged with raping a woman in an investigation that attorneys for the players said was a witch hunt by local police.

Starting fullback Brian Edmonds and reserve wide receiver James Crawford were charged with one count each of rape and attempted sodomy, Blacksburg police chief Bill Brown said Monday.

Brown said the charges stemmed from a woman's claim that she was raped early Saturday in a Blacksburg apartment, then treated for minor injuries at the Montgomery County hospital.

Edmonds and Crawford Tuesday filed a civil lawsuit in Montgomery County Circuit Court seeking \$32 million in damages against their accuser. The suit accuses the woman of trespassing, slander, attempted extortion and assault and battery. The players also planned to ask police to file criminal charges against the woman, their lawyer said.

Edmonds and Crawford were released on \$45,000 bond each Monday, said. They were scheduled to be arraigned in General District Court on Jan. 16.

Virginia Tech officials could not comment on whether Edmonds, 22, or Crawford, 20, would be suspended from the team. The 10th-ranked Hokies play No. 6 Nebraska on Dec. 31 in the Orange Bowl.

"We want to review the facts and certainly want to consider any possible actions," Virginia Tech spokesman Larry Hincker said. "The police have not completed their investigation. It would be certain to be a rush to judgment if we were to say anything and do anything now."

Edmonds, 5-foot-10 and 250 pounds, rushed 67 times for 293 yards and four touchdowns this season. Crawford caught 15 passes for 223 yards and two TDs. Crawford, 6-2 and 205 pounds, caught four passes for 65 yards.

A man who answered the phone at an apartment Edmonds and Crawford share hung up when a reporter called Monday seeking comment about the charges.

Late Monday, the law firm representing the players issued a four-page statement claiming it had witnesses who would support the players' assertions they did not have sex, consensual or otherwise, with the woman.

Matt Pethybridge, an attorney for the law firm, said the firm's own investigation yielded at least one person willing to say the woman broke into the apartment, and he said several others were willing to testify that they were with the players when the rape allegedly occurred.

The law firm's statement rebuked Blacksburg police, saying they had chosen not to interview witnesses that could corroborate the players' version of events. The statement cited a "Salem Witch Trial-like atmosphere in which players are arrested first and investigated later."

"We think these guys are getting the shaft," Pethybridge said. "The prosecutors have it in for the Virginia Tech football team. I think they're gunning for these guys now. I really do."

Brown declined to comment on the firm's charges and noted the players had not filed breaking and entering or extortion complaints against the woman.

Eighteen Virginia Tech football players — about one-fifth of the team's roster — have been charged with a crime during the past year.

# Marshall's defensive line zeroes in on Montana QB

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - In winning 20 straight games over two seasons, Montana's passing attack has been nearly flawless.

But one bump in the road that had the Grizzlies white-knuckling the seat cushions came in last year's Division I-AA title game against Marshall. The Herd's front four sacked then-Montana quarterback Dave Dickinson 10 times and held the Grizzlies to an uncharacteristically low 281 passing yards.

Montana is back to try to defend the title it won 22-0 over the Herd that day, and once again faces Marshall in Saturday's championship game at Huntington.

Three of Marshall's four starting defensive linemen return; the fourth, Will Edwards, is out for the season with a knee injury.

"Marshall has great D linemen, by far the best we've faced this year," said Montana offensive lineman Jeff Zellik. "They have basically everybody back, another year of experience under their

**Game time**  
Kickoff is 12:06 p.m. MST Saturday. The game will be televised by ESPN.

belt.... I don't know if we can stop them. But we can try to slow them down."

Slowing down Billy Lyon, John Duncan, B.J. Cohen and Ricky Hall might be all that's needed for Grizzlies sophomore quarterback Brian Ah Yat.

He has thrown for 4,677 yards in Montana's 14 games this season, including 1,062 yards and nine touchdowns in the playoffs. "He's a guy who does a good job in terms of pressure," said Marshall defensive coordinator Kevin Kelly. "He's a good athlete. He's also very strong in terms of if you get a grasp on him, he can wiggle his way out of it. So that's a concern of ours."

Receivers Joe Douglass, Mike Erhardt, Raul Pacheco and Josh Paffhausen work in

concert with Ah Yat for quick-hitting catches, with much of the yardage coming on their running ability after the ball arrives.

Zellik believes Montana's offensive line, which is intact from a year ago except for one player, has improved "quite a bit."

"Marshall's I've seen of them, they're probably the best offensive line we've faced this year," Duncan said. "That means we're going to have to play our best game. If Ah Yat stands in the pocket without any pressure, he's going to pick us apart."

But what if Marshall can stifle Ah Yat and his receivers?

"We're not going to live and die by the run, because that's not what we do," said offensive coordinator Brent Pease. "If they get to Brian and shut down our passing game, that's probably going to be a long day for us."

Zellik, and most other opposing linemen, for that matter, see 6-foot-5, 292-

pound tackle Lyon — an All-American last year — as the heart of Marshall's defense.

Yer Lyon had only one sack against Montana last season, while Cohen had three and Edwards and cornerback Jayson Grayson had two apiece.

In addition, Lyon is only second on the team in sacks this year, with eight to Cohen's nine. And Duncan, who has played six fewer games because of a leg injury, already has five.

Duncan calls Lyon "one of the most dominant linemen" in all of college football, and notes that most opponents double-team Lyon.

"What Billy needs to do is occupy two Montana defenders and let the rest of us get all the glory," Duncan said mirthfully.

Actually, Duncan is just as important, or almost as much: When he went out with his injury, about the same time Edwards went down, teams really started throwing junk defenses at Lyon.

"That created some problems for us," said Marshall defensive coordinator Kelly.

# Bowling again, the Wildcats face post-season seasoned



Northwestern coach Gary Barnett said Tennessee is the best team he's faced in his five years as the Wildcats' head coach.

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) - They spent two weeks in California getting ready for the Rose Bowl, were besieged by media coverage, greeted by famous alumni invited to appear on TV shows and, at times, overwhelmed by the experience.

The hysteria surrounding the Northwestern Wildcats' first bowl trip in 47 years has not been forgotten by the players who were part of it. The fun they had, however, was punctuated by disappointment — the Wildcats lost the game to Southern California.

"It was just exciting being out there, kind of scary being at the Rose Bowl, one of the top bowls in the country," receiver D'Wayne Bates said Monday. "It was new to us. This year the focus is not on Northwestern's Cinderella team, just on Northwestern."

Down there would be Orlando, Fla., where the Wildcats will face Tennessee in the Citrus Bowl on New Year's Day.

"We're a lot more comfortable in the role. Last year, I guess we were kind of giddy to be experiencing this whole thing," quarterback Steve Schauer said.

"This year we're a little more laid back, realize what we're doing."

For starters, the Wildcats won't be spending two weeks at the site of the game, a situation they got a little old last year, despite the spectacular California weather.

Northwestern has recently opened an indoor practice facility,

meaning the Wildcats can stay at home and work out while bypassing the weather conditions.

Then they'll go to Orlando on Christmas Day.

The Citrus Bowl could be star running back Marshall Autry's last game for the Wildcats.

The junior plans to sit down with his parents and coach Gary Barnett shortly after the game and decide whether to go pro.

The best team Northwestern has faced in his five years as head coach, said last year's experience should help players deal with the hoopla, if nothing else.

# Western Washington eyes 1st championship

SEATTLE (AP) - Rob Smith talks about Kurtis Riggs, the quarterback he must figure out how to stop this week, as if he's a small-college version of Dan Marino and John Elway.

Western Washington University linebacker Hanson graduated with a degree in sociology last Saturday and already has a job lined up with the Washington State Patrol in Olympia. But first things first.

Riggs, the Vikings' leading rusher, was stopped on the Bellingham campus 90 miles north of here by a couple of professors who congratulated him. Then they patted his shoulders, telling him he'd be playing for the whole school.

"The closet fan has kind of come out of the closet these days," said Smith, Western Washington's eighth-year coach. "The community is excited. This has never happened in Bellingham before."

On Saturday, Smith, Hanson and Wiggins will be in Savannah, Tenn., for the NAIA Division II national championship game between the Vikings (11-1) and University of Sioux Falls (S.D.) (13-0).

About 170 Vikings fans — alumni and boosters — will be among the crowd of 5,000 at Jim Carroll Stadium.

For Western Washington, it will be a memorable day. The Vikings will be playing for their first national title. "I passed all my tests for the state patrol," said Hanson, the Vikings' second-leading tackler who was supposed to be working in Olympia this week. "They wanted me to start on (governor's) mansion security down at the capital in the first week in December."

Said Wiggins: "This is going to be a great day. To finally get a chance to go to 'The Show.' All the hard work is really paying off."

The Vikings are getting their big chance because they beat No. 1-ranked Findlay of Ohio, defending national co-champion, 28-21 in a semifinal game on the road last week.

But that was last week. Smith is spending this week fretting over how to deal with Sioux Falls' Riggs, who has passed for eight games, recording 50 touchdowns while throwing only three interceptions in 1996.

The 6-foot-2, 205-pound senior leads a Sioux Falls offense that has scored 50 or more points in eight games. Riggs has passed for a school-record 3,562 yards this season.

Smith is trying to come up with a game plan that will take Riggs out of the game. "Obviously, he's a guy we've got to contain," Smith said. "We've got to force him into making mistakes and that's something no other team has been able to get him to do."

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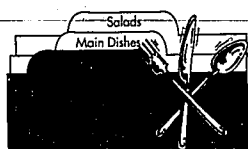
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## Pies without the sugar

By Denise Turner  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - In response to a reader request for pumpkin or pecan pie made with no sugar, Louise Lampan of Jerome sent in some suggestions.

### NO-SUGAR PUMPKIN PIE

Make recipe the same as usual. Leave out the sugar and add a small package of pudding mix that is sugar-free - should be cooked type, not instant type. It will add flavor, but not change texture.

### NO-SUGAR PECAN PIE

Instead of sugar, use pudding mix - sugar-free cooked type. Add 2 eggs and whip together. Will be more pudding-like than the usual pecan pie.

For example, use a small package of cooked-type vanilla pudding, milk according to recipe, 2 eggs beaten. Bake pudding in crust at 350 degrees for one hour, until set. (Put 1 cup pecans on top before baking.) It should be firm in the middle when done. Cooking time may vary.

In response to another reader request, Juanita Pavkov of Gooding is sharing her recipe for peanut brittle.

### PEANUT BRITTLE

- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup white Karo syrup
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups peanuts
- 1 heaping tablespoon butter
- 1 teaspoon soda

Combine sugar, syrup and water and cook until it forms a hard ball in cold water. Then add peanuts and butter and cook until it browns. Add vanilla. Remove mixture heat and add the 1 teaspoon soda. Four onto buttered aluminum foil, spreading thinly.

Here's a recipe for low-fat soup from the Washington Post. It's from a book titled "Moosewood Restaurant Low-Fat Favorites." It's a great mealless dinner for a cold night.

Serve with corbread and a green salad mixed with orange sections, thinly sliced red onions and a citrus vinaigrette. Makes 4 servings.

### SOUTHWESTERN CORN AND POTATO SOUP

- 1 cup finely chopped onions
- 2 garlic cloves, minced or pressed
- 1 small fresh chili, seeded and minced
- About 1/4 teaspoon salt
- Up to 4 cups vegetable broth
- 2 teaspoons ground cumin
- 1 medium sweet potato, diced (about 2 cups)
- 1 small red bell pepper, finely chopped
- 3 cups fresh or frozen corn kernels

Reduced-fat sour cream and finely chopped cilantro leaves (optional). In a covered soup pot, simmer the onions, garlic, chili and 1/4 teaspoon salt in 1 cup of the vegetable stock for about 10 minutes, or until the onions are soft. In a small bowl, make a paste with the cumin and 1 tablespoonful of the broth, stir it into the pot, and simmer for another 1 to 2 minutes.

Add the sweet potatoes and the remaining broth and simmer for about 10 minutes, until the sweet potatoes soften. Add the bell pepper and corn and simmer, covered, for another 10 minutes, or until all of the vegetables are tender.

Puree about half of the soup in a blender or food processor and return it to the pot. The soup will be creamy and thick. Add another cup of vegetable broth, if desired, plus additional salt to taste. Gently reheat on low heat. If desired, top with a dollop of reduced-fat sour cream and chopped cilantro.

Per serving: 239 calories, 7 gm protein, 56 gm carbohydrates, trace fat, 0 mg cholesterol, trace saturated fat, 273 mg sodium

### Requests

Phyllis Bragg of Twin Falls is looking for a recipe for peanut butter peanut brittle. Anyone have one? Send it along, and we'll print it.

Recipes to share or requests for recipes to share should be sent to Recipe Exchange, Denise Turner, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83203-0548. Please include name address and phone number.

# A STORYBOOK CHRISTMAS

*'Twas the week before Christmas  
When snow covered the ground  
Sweet smells from the kitchen  
Tempted all those around.*

*Mom, Dad and kids  
Were having a ball  
Baking holiday goodies  
For one and for all!*

This year, instead of heading to the kitchen after the kids are tucked into bed, set aside time to involve the entire family in the merriment and joy that comes from making scrumptious treats for others.

Choose from our assortment of kid-friendly delights - we've made them especially easy to read and to follow. And, we've named them after legendary Christmas characters to help get everyone in the spirit: Prancer's Popcorn, Frosty's Fudge, Sugar Plum Peanut Butter Cups and Nutcracker Cereal Snacks. Mom and Dad may need to lend a hand for some of the more challenging parts of the recipes, but we've made certain there's plenty the kids will have fun with - decorating cookies, rolling up balls of peanut butter, stirring the fudge and popping the corn.

Whatever you choose, have a merry holiday and a whole lot of fun in the kitchen.

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### PRANCER'S POPCORN

- 3 quarts popped corn
- 3 cups unsalted mixed nuts
- 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup Karo light or dark corn syrup

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Clockwise from top: Nutcracker Cereal Snacks, Ho-Ho-Ho Santa Cookies, Mrs. Kringle's Chocolate Nut Bars, Rudolph's Peppermint Sparkles, Sugar Plum Peanut Butter Cups.



Patsey Lee makes molasses cookies for the residents at Purple Sage Manor where she works as the cook.

## Purple Sage Manor cook brings basket of experience to the job

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** - The residents at Purple Sage Manor think Fatsy Lee is the greatest cook in the whole world. Lee cooks at the center for the mentally challenged - and she loves to cook.

She was born in Arizona, the daughter of a construction worker who traveled from job to job. Lee has traveled the country gathering recipes. She has a large collection.

Throughout the years, Lee has cooked at dude ranches and resorts. In Las Vegas, she cooked at Bonnie Springs, just outside the city. The performers from the strip would come in for breakfast after they got through working for the night.

Lee moved to the Magic Valley about 12 years ago. She cooked at Canyon View and Clearwater Care Center before she signed on with Purple Sage. Many people simply don't know how to cook, Lee said. When trying to explain cooking to others, Lee became frustrated with the many conflicting and

### Cook's profile

#### For a cookbook

Patsey Lee's cookbook, "Home Cooking," can be obtained by mailing a check for \$10 to Lee at Purple Sage Manor, 1827 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301. Or stop by Purple Sage and pick one up.

confusing terms - like fold, blend, whip, mix, stir, cut, dredge, zest and saute. The beginning cook just might not understand, she reasoned.

Lee decided to do something about this. She wrote a cookbook called "Home Cooking" for the very beginning cook. In her book, there are no fancy or confusing terms. The recipes are explained step by step.

Lee's neighbor designed the cover, drawing a little woman wearing glasses and opening the oven door with a little dog looking on. It's supposed to be Lee. The book was self-published.

Here are a few of Lee's favorite holiday recipes.

This divinity can be made in any kind of weather.

#### PERFECT DIVINITY

- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup light corn syrup
- 1/2 cup hot water
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs whites
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts

Beat the egg whites till they are stiff. Set aside. Put sugar, water, syrup and salt in a 2-quart saucepan and stir till the sugar dissolves. Then cook till it boils. Cook to the hard ball stage (250 degrees on a candy thermometer). Wipe the sugar crystals from the pan with a fork wrapped in a damp cloth or paper towel. Remove pan from the heat. Pour the hot syrup mixture over the egg whites and beat constantly for 5 minutes. Add the vanilla and nuts. Beat till soft peaks form and it loses the glossy look. Drop by the spoonful onto waxed paper.

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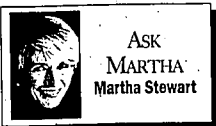
## Readers display their talents in holiday decoration contest

I've always known that you, the readers, are a creative, enterprising group of people, and the entries I received for the "Good Things" holiday contest proved it without a doubt.

We asked for simple, holiday-related "Good Things" projects, ideas or techniques that might make a big difference in your life. We received entries from all over the United States.

From looking at your ideas, it is clear that you put a lot of effort into making this time of year special in your home. You made beautiful wreaths, ornaments, candle holders, stockings and other decorations, as well as inventive, delicious holiday dishes.

You also came up with some ingenious organizing solutions. Many of you used local resources to create a decoration that celebrates your part of the



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### Oh, Martha - D4

country. I was particularly happy to see that recycling is important to you, as it is to me.

You transformed old, everyday objects - things that might otherwise be thrown away - into new, useful ones. You recycled paper and gift cards into

pretty wrapping paper, made decorative boxes out of old, plain ones and turned paper bags into festive holiday gift bags.

Thank you all for your enthusiasm, and congratulations to all of our talented local newspaper prizewinners. Choosing the top three national prizewinners certainly wasn't easy! I would like to share their ideas with you.

### Grand Prize Winner

Congratulations to Grand Prize winner Kathleen Gusta of Newark, Calif., who sent her entry to the Argus. I love her idea for making white-chocolate poinsettias to top holiday cakes, pies and tarts.

Gusta's creation really looks like a poinsettia; it is an edible decoration in the best of taste, beautiful to look at and delicious to eat. White chocolate is easy

to tint, so you can make the flowers in all the colors found in nature's poinsettias - red, yellow, pink, peach and, or course, white.

Gusta says she has been making these for years, as a way of making holiday desserts special. Here are instructions:

### White-Chocolate Poinsettia

- Various size-leaves from citrus trees or camellia plants
- 1 package of white chocolate for candy making
- Food-safe paraffin (optional)
- Paste or powdered food coloring (optional)
- 7 small green or yellow jelly beans, such as Jelly Bellies

1. Wash and dry leaves thoroughly.

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FOOD & HOME

# Make a giant Slushie for your roses

Now you can mulch. If the weather follows this week's predictions and the temperatures dip as low as expected, it's time to lay a protective blanket around roses and other tender perennials. The rule, as written by rose growers in real-winter climates, says that after three days in the 20s, the ground can be declared cold. That's why we mulch: to keep the ground cold.

Cold temperatures all by themselves don't usually kill plants. Wind, sun, lack of winter moisture and freeze-thaw cycles kill plants. Wind dries out canes; sun cracks bark; dry roots become desiccated and freeze-thaw cycles confuse plants into leaving too much moisture in the canes and branches where it can freeze



GREEN THUMBPRINTS Cathy Walworth

and expand. Good gardeners have already lopped the tops off their roses to keep them from rocking in the wind. When you do that after cold temperatures have set in, and cut the plant knows it's time to be dormant. Water drains from the branches so that it can't freeze, expand and burst tissues. Naked canes or branches don't catch the wind as well, and

roots are snug and secure in their moorings. Bright winter sun reflected off snow makes for great sunburns, on you as well as your tree bark. When that happens, bark can split. If your trees have had problems with splitting bark in past winters, you might want to wrap the trunks with some burlap.

We've already soaked plant root zones, and nature has been a big help this year in that chore. Now if the ground will freeze, roots will be safely encased in their own giant ice cubes. There is less chance of air pockets that can let roots dry out and die. Mulch will help keep the soil cold and moist until spring.

Pile six to eight inches of bark chips, straw, hay, soil (but

not the soil that's already in the garden - you don't want to scrape protection off - the roots) around the base of each rose or perennial. Bark chips and soil, however, tend to mound up for a minute, then slip down.

Hook up the garden hose and run the water slowly until the ice inside blows out the end. Then spray each mulch pile with the hose. Unhook the hose and put it away again. The water will freeze your mulch cones into big Slushies that will stay in place all winter.

What's bugging your garden? Send your garden questions to Cathy Walworth, in care of The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

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## Some inexpensive decorating ideas

By Katherine Imbric  
The Providence Journal-Bulletin

Decorating your house for the holidays doesn't have to be expensive or time-consuming. Michael and Aline Gerard, owners of the Ferns and Flowers floral gift shop in Warwick, R.I., say that their ideas for festive decorations are for people who "lack the time and the money that Martha Stewart has."

1. Decorate a small potted tree on your kitchen table with orange and lime slices (baked to dry them), cinnamon sticks, cookie cutters and small ribbons. Smells wonderful!
2. Hang your old skates, skis or sled next to your door, decorated with ribbon and pine branches.

3. Use prunings from evergreens around your home for decorations, along with rose hips, hydrangea blossoms, grasses and interestingly shaped twigs.
4. Buy wired ribbon keyed to the colors of your rooms. You can save and reuse the ribbon year after year.
5. Feature a grouping of small items that you collect on a mantel or sideboard with greens interspersed among them. For example, you might feature Grandmother's blue glass collection, or angels or Santas.
6. Accent a room's year-round features with greenery or ribbon. For instance, the mirror top could have a pine bough and bow.
7. Drape a green garland

across the arms of a chandelier. Tie ribbon bows, too, if you like.

8. Make a centerpiece in your refrigerator: Fill a basket or bowl with red apples, green pears and grapes. Tuck in some pieces of pine, pine cones and some candles.
9. Make a Santa's Sack for the front steps (or even the roof by the chimney) by taking an old piece of burlap or red blanket, weighting it with a brick and filling with leaves or crumpled plastic bags. Tie off with a pretty ribbon.
10. Use braided drapery tie-backs, strips of fancy fabric, or even napkins to tie around the necks of crystal decanters, goblets or wall sconces. Anything can be dressed up for the holidays.

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# Garden window kits aren't hard to install

Q: I cannot afford a sunspace or large bay window so I am considering installing a mini-garden window kit over my kitchen window. I want to grow some plants and get more natural light. What is available? - R. F.

A: There are many new designs of garden window kits available with nearly every option and design variation imaginable. If you are handy with tools, it is not difficult to install a kit yourself.

If your window needs to be replaced anyway, a garden window kit is an excellent choice.



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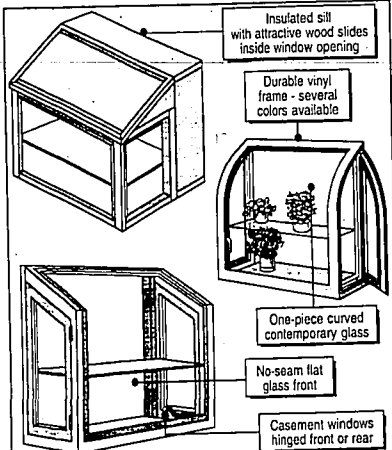
Installing one can make a room appear more spacious and open. Some models use special curved insulated glass to eliminate the center frame member for a more contemporary open appearance.

Garden windows are constructed to be energy efficient. With the bottom seat and shelf designed to hold a planter or flower pots, they must be insulated well to maintain a fairly even year-round temperature for healthy plants.

Since garden windows extend out from the exterior wall, they catch even slight breezes in the summer for effective natural cooling. In the winter, the super-efficient glass options and airtight seals minimize heat loss.

Side opening casement window configurations are often used. These can have the hinge side near the house or away. They also have double lock latches on an air-tight seal when they are closed.

Other window options are a front awning (hinges at top and



Efficient garden window kits add openness to any room.

swings out) and a top venting (hinged at the top near the house). These configurations are ideal in rainy areas so the window can be kept slightly open.

Many use vinyl frames and are available in white, tan and brown. Vinyl is maintenance-free and the channels inside the frame improve insulation. Some vinyl frames are filled with foam for extra insulation. There are also attractive natural wood beamed garden windows that can be stained or painted.

If the plants you select are very sensitive to cold, choose a garden window with a special insulated seat (also called muffler) and

sides. A layer of rigid foam insulation is sandwiched in the seat and sides.

If your budget is limited, build a do-it-yourself garden window. Since it uses single pane glass or easy-to-work-with clear acrylic plastic sheets, leave your existing window sashes in place for winter efficiency.

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## 'Tis the season for poinsettias

By Adrian Higgins  
The Washington Post

Does all this happy talk about bulbs and herbs for Christmas worry the poinsettia industry? Not according to Thom David, marketing manager for the Paul Ecke Ranch in Encinitas north of San Diego.

The Ecke family is credited with transforming the poinsettia into the holiday plant we know today, through the marketing strategies of founder Paul Ecke I in the 1920s. His practice of developing successful varieties and then shipping cuttings each spring to thousands of wholesale growers remains its core business.

"Eighty to 90 percent of the

poinsettias that are sold around the world actually start here at the ranch," David said. More than 70 million plants are sold each year in the United States.

While the business might be steady, there is a dynamic interest in bringing new poinsettia varieties to the public. In the past decade, such non-traditional colors as yellow, off-white and various variegated shades have been vigorously promoted and developed, including Lemon Drop, which is yellow, and Monet, with rose-pink marbling on cream-colored bracts.

As a result, red poinsettias have fallen from 80 percent of the market a decade ago to a little over 70 percent today, David said.

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Prodigious quantities of cardboard, gift wrap and shipping bags show up at landfills in the days following Christmas, along with enormous amounts of table scraps, packaging and last year's unwanted or expired gifts.

Too much of Christmas is being wasted, and a lot of the holiday trash is unnecessary. Stockings and turkeys can be stuffed with-out stuffing the garbage can, as well.

The easiest way to trim waste from Christmas gifts is to avoid excess packaging. Multiple boxes



**RECYCLING**  
**Michael Hofferber**

and layers of plastic are no presence.

Consider waste-free gifts, such as fresh produce or home-baked cookies that can be delivered in a reusable tin or basket.

The most wasteful gifts are disposable and unrecyclable, like cheap plastic toys and throw-away electronics. While their impact on the environment is

long-term. They consume costly landfill space, and everyone in the community helps pay the mortgage.

Since Christmas comes around again every year, much of what is wasted each holiday season — boxes, ribbons, bows — could be saved and used again.

Instead of buying disposable wrapping paper, look for baskets, decorative sacks, cloth bags or even scarves to encase your Christmas gifts.

Instead of buying disposable batteries, buy a battery charger and rechargeables. Although they cost more than double the price of regular batteries, they'll pay for themselves many times over.

Much of our Christmas waste can also be recycled. Cardboard

boxes can be broken down, flattened and taken to neighborhood recycling bins, along with aluminum and tin cans, newspapers and all those mail-order catalogs that flood our mailboxes each holiday season.

Kitchen scraps can be placed in your compost bin, if you have one. If not, let Santa know.

Christmas trees can also be recycled, as long as they are cut or live potted trees. The live trees can be planted outdoors come spring. Cut trees can be chipped or ground into a fine mulch or compost. Watch the newspaper for announcements of local tree collections or drop-off locations.

Michael Hofferber is recycling coordinator for the Southern Idaho Solid Waste District.

**Take note slackers: Martha's got it together**

By Tim Goodman  
Kootenai News Service

**Commentary**

raised and made a meal to rival the Last Supper. Ten minutes later she pummed a colorful diamond pattern on her porch vestibule just to watch. While the paint was drying, I think she built a house or something. (It's between knocking in nails, she bulled some lovely berry scones.) And then, for that perfect touch, she went out and picked her home-grown roses. She dies this stuff all the time. It's a blur.

It's not easy loving Martha. You receive a lot of derision. Women think you're lusting after the perfect woman or worse, your neighbor. A line of "Fool Time" men feel more comfortable having Bob Villa give the orders. Or watching "This Old House." Let me tell you something: Bob Villa tears Martha Stewart. She'd drill

him into a wall, bury him in the basement with a lovely mix-and-pepe concrete confecton.

Why lust after Martha? Why watch her show? Just the facts:

She's a 54-year-old babe (she did a little modeling in the early days). SHE went to Barnard College (bravo, too). She has her own magazine (named 1996 Magazine of the Year by Advertising Age). She has written 12 books, including one about fine stationery. She has four videos in her name. She has an Emmy-winning weekly TV show. Next year she will have a daily show. She writes a newspaper column called "Ask Martha." She has her own mail-order business, Martha-by-Mail. She contributes to "The Today Show." This year Time magazine named her one of the country's 25 most influential people.

Just for comparison sake: Cindy Crawford's movie bombed,

people mock her make-up book and Richard Gere has hinted (dubt) that her frisbee is on the roof, if you know what I mean (and I think you do).

This year on her show, Martha has made gardening gloves, lampshades, her own compost heap, a greenhouse, a stone wall and countless unbelievable meals from scratch. That's just the surface. This woman gets four hours of sleep a night and has built entire communities before most of us have had our coffee.

We're slackers. She's a life-sustaining conglomerate. But don't let your jealous rage get to you. I say embrace Martha. (You know she'd have a sweet, homemade scent about her.) It's time we all faced the cold, hard facts: Martha Stewart, misundereood visionary.

Tim Goodman is television critic for the Contra Costa Times.

**Cook**

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**WHIPPED LIME JELL-O SALAD**

- Small package lemon Jell-O
- Small package lime Jell-O
- 1 1/2 cups hot water
- 1 cup whipped cream
- 1 small can crushed pineapple
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 cup cottage cheese
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- Dissolve Jell-O in water, then chill until syrupy. (Do not allow to set up.) Whip cream and drain the pineapple. Mix the cream, pineapple, cottage cheese and nuts together and stir into Jell-O. Pour into a mold and chill until it is set up. Unmold onto a serving dish and garnish with mint leaves, maraschino cherries, etc.

See said this recipe originally came from the Netherlands via a corporate lawyer in San Francisco.

**CREAM ALMONDINE**

- 2 envelopes Knox gelatin
- 6 cups half and half
- 3 egg yolks
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 2 packages egg custard mix
- 1/2 cup thin sliced almonds
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/2 pint whipping cream
- Soak Knox gelatin in 1 cup half

and half, set aside. Combine custard mix with egg yolks and 5 cups half and half and cook till it boils. Remove from the heat. Add the Knox gelatin/cream mixture to the hot custard/cream mixture. Stir till gelatin is dissolved. Add

the almond extract. Pour into a lightly greased mold. Put in refrigerator until it is firm. After it is set up, unmold it onto a serving plate and frost with whipped cream. Sprinkle with almonds; drizzle honey over the top.

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Christmas

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**1/2 cup margarine or butter**  
**1/2 teaspoon salt**  
**1/2 teaspoon vanilla**  
**1/2 teaspoon baking soda**

Spray large shallow roasting pan with cooking spray. Combine popcorn and nuts in pan; place in 250-degree oven while preparing glaze.

In heavy 2-quart saucepan stir brown sugar, corn syrup, margarine and salt. Stirring constantly, bring to a boil over medium heat. Without stirring, boil 5 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in vanilla and baking soda. Pour syrup mixture over warm popcorn and nuts, stirring to coat.

Bake at 250 degrees, stirring occasionally, 1 hour. Remove from oven. Cool; break apart. Store at room temperature in tightly-covered container.

Makes about 4 quarts.

**FROSTY'S FUDGE**  
 Corn oil cooking spray  
 1/2 cup Karo light or dark brown corn syrup  
 1/3 cup evaporated milk  
 3 cups (19 ounces) semisweet chocolate chips  
 3/4 cup confectioners' sugar, sifted  
 2 teaspoons vanilla  
 1 cup coarsely chopped nuts (optional)

Spray 8-inch square baking pan with cooking spray. In 2-quart saucepan combine corn syrup and evaporated milk. Add chocolate chips. Stirring constantly, cook over medium-low heat until chocolate melts. Remove from heat. Add confectioners' sugar, vanilla and nuts. With wooden spoon beat until thick and glossy. Spread in prepared pan. Refrigerate 2 hours or until firm. Makes 25 squares.

**SUGAR PLUM PEANUT BUTTER CUPS**  
 3/4 cup sifted confectioners' sugar  
 1/4 cup Karo light or dark corn syrup  
 1/4 teaspoon salt  
 1/4 cup creamy or chunky peanut butter  
 1 package (1 1/2 ounces) milk chocolate chips, melted

Place 36 (3/4-inch) foil petit four cups on a tray; set aside. In medium bowl, beat confectioners' sugar, corn syrup and salt until smooth; stir in peanut butter, if necessary, knead until blended. Shape scant teaspoonfuls of peanut butter mixture into 36 balls; place on waxed paper. Spoon 1 rounded teaspoonful melted chocolate into each foil cup. Place a peanut butter ball in each cup; gently push down. Chill until firm. Makes 36 candies.

**NUTCRACKER CEREAL-SNACKS**  
 4 cups crispy rice cereal or combination of ready-to-eat cereals  
 1/2 cup sugar  
 1/2 cup Karo light or dark corn syrup  
 1/2 cup creamy or chunky peanut butter

Line 8- or 9-inch square baking pan with plastic wrap. Pour cereal into large bowl. In medium saucepan combine sugar and corn syrup. Stirring occasionally, bring to boil over medium heat and boil 1 minute. Remove from heat. Stir in peanut

butter until smooth. Pour over cereal; stir to coat. Press evenly into prepared pan. Cool about 15 minutes. Invert onto cutting board; remove plastic wrap.

Makes about 36 (1 1/2-inch) bars.

\*If using flake cereal, increase amount to 5 cups.

**HINT:** Slip a plastic bag over your hand before pressing mixture into pan.

**MRS. KRINGLE'S CHOCOLATE NUT BARS**  
 Corn oil cooking spray  
 2 cups flour  
 1/2 cup (1 stick) margarine or butter, cut into pieces  
 1/3 cup sugar  
 1/4 teaspoon salt

Filling:  
 2 eggs  
 1/2 cup Karo light or dark corn syrup  
 1/2 cup sugar  
 2 tablespoons margarine or butter, melted  
 1 cup (6 ounces) semisweet chocolate chips  
 3/4 cup chopped pecans or walnuts

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray 13-by-9-inch baking pan with cooking spray. For Crust: In large bowl with mixer at medium speed beat flour, margarine, sugar and salt until mixture resembles course crumbs. Press firmly into bottom and 1/4-inch up side of prepared pan. Bake 15 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven. Leave oven on. For Filling: In medium bowl with fork, beat eggs, corn syrup, sugar and margarine just until blended. Stir in chocolate chips and pecans. Pour over hot crust; spread evenly. Bake 15- to 18 minutes or until set. Cool on

wire rack. Cut into 2-inch squares; cut diagonally in half for triangles. Makes about 48 triangles.

**HO-HO-HO SANTA COOKIES**  
 1/2 cup creamy peanut butter  
 6 tablespoons margarine or butter, softened  
 1/2 cup packed brown sugar  
 1/3 cup Karo light or dark corn syrup  
 1 egg  
 2 cups flour, divided  
 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder  
 1 teaspoon cinnamon (optional)  
 1/8 teaspoon salt  
 Sugar Glaze (below)  
 Piping Icing (below)  
 Small candies for decoration

In large bowl with mixer at medium speed, beat peanut butter, margarine, brown sugar, corn syrup and egg until smooth. Reduce speed; beat in 1 cup flour, the baking powder, cinnamon and salt. With wooden spoon, stir in remaining 1 cup flour.

Divide dough in half. Roll each half between two sheets of waxed paper on large cookie sheets until 1/4-inch thick. Refrigerate until firm, about 1 hour. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Slide dough off cookie sheet onto cutting board. Remove waxed paper. With floured cookies cutters, cut dough into shapes. Place on ungreased cookie sheets.

Bake 10 minutes or until lightly browned. Let stand on cookie sheets 2 minutes. Remove from cookies' sheets; cool on wire racks. Roll dough trimmings and repeat. Decorate as desired with Sugar Glaze, Piping Icing, colored sprinkles, silver dragées and small colorful candies. Makes about 5 dozen cookies.

**Sugar Glaze:** In small bowl stir 2 cups confectioners' sugar and 2 to 1/2 tablespoons water until smooth. Tint as desired with food color; add small quantity of water to make desired spreading consistency.

**Piping Icing:** In small bowl stir 2 cups confectioners' sugar and 2 tablespoons water until smooth. Tint as desired with food color. If necessary, add additional water, a few drops at a time, until thick piping consistency.

Spoon into piping bags with piping tips or small heavy plastic food bags and cut off corner bag. Squeeze bag to pipe icing onto cookies.

**RUDOLPH'S PEPPERMINT SPARKLES**  
 1/3 cup margarine or butter  
 1/3 cup Karo light corn syrup  
 1 teaspoon peppermint flavoring or vanilla  
 1/4 teaspoon salt  
 1 package (1 pound) confectioners' sugar, sifted (about 4 cups)  
 1 cup crushed candy canes or peppermint candies (about 5 ounces)

In large bowl with mixer at medium speed or with wooden spoon, beat margarine, corn syrup, flavoring and salt until smooth. Add confectioners' sugar all at once. Mix with wooden spoon, then turn out onto board and knead until smooth. Shape mixture into 1-inch balls; roll in crushed candies. Store in cool place. Makes about 4 dozen candies or 1 1/2 pounds.

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The boxed-out bay that brightens and expands the living room makes an ideal location for a window seat. Sliders in both the dining room and master suite fill these rooms with light while providing access to a long-screened patio.

Windows in front of the kitchen sink look through the screened patio and out into the back yard.

Amenities in the kitchen include an eating bar and built-in appliances. Cooks will also appreciate having counter space on both sides of the range and oven. Utilities are nearby, but out of sight.

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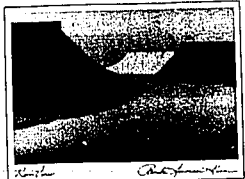
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FOOD & HOME

# Experts serve up tips on loading dishwashers

By Nick Harder  
The Orange County Register

There is an episode of the popular TV show "Home Improvement" that reflects an argument common in many homes: how to load a dishwasher.

In the "Home Improvement" episode, Tim Allen is caught by his TV wife changing the way she loaded the dishwasher. "Who died and made you the expert on loading a dishwasher?" she says.

Pretty much the reaction I get from my wife when I do the same thing.

Luckily, the folks at Maytag have some advice, just in time for all those extra loads we'll do during the holidays. Here's what they say:

Can your dishwasher handle cherished china, a deep casserole dish, an odd-shaped pie plate and a large basting pan? Most dishwashers can, but before you start loading, read the operating manual. It should contain helpful racking advice.

While dishwashers are much alike in their racks, there are some differences. The guidelines:

- Don't pre-rinse except in special cases. Most dishwashers are made — as are the cleaning agents you use in them — to get off most of the toughest, stick-on food. If your dishes have burned-on food, you may want to soak them for a while, then rinse or scrape off what you can. Another exception concerns stainless steel items. Certain condiments can mar the finish on stainless steel and should be rinsed off as soon as possible. Among these are mustard, mayonnaise, lemon juice, vinegar, salt and dressings.

- Place all items in racks so



There's a fine art to loading a dishwasher, especially during the holidays when those extra dishes pile up.

they are separated and facing center. This ensures that the water spray can reach all surfaces.

- Load items so they do not rest over the top of the wash tower or block spray arms.

Place glasses, tumblers, cups, stemware, lightweight plastics, salad plates, dessert bowls, saucers, long-handled utensils and the like in the top rack. Items can be centered behind a single tine (that's one of those vertical things) or loaded at an angle so they do not touch. Glasses loaded

between tines rinse more thoroughly than those placed over tines.

- Place large items such as dinner plates, mixing bowls, pots and pans and baking dishes in the lower rack. Tall items such as bakeware and large platters can be placed along the side or across the back. All items should be as upright as possible to ensure good cleaning. Place items in the utensil basket with some handles up and some down. This will prevent them from "nesting" together, which makes it more

difficult for them to be cleaned. Most knives or sharp pointed items should be placed in the basket with the handle up. Be sure thin, finely pointed items do not extend through the basket and block the lower washer arm.

It isn't enough just to place items in your dishwasher correctly. You have to store your detergent properly, as well. That means keeping it in a relatively cool, dry place. Here's where most people really flunk the test. Practically everyone stores their dishwasher deter-

## Candidates of conviction should vote for selves

**DEAR READERS:** I recently printed a letter from a woman who was having a heated discussion with her husband about whether a person should vote for him (or her) self. I responded in part: "I'd be interested in hearing from those who have run for public office and how they cast their ballots." Yesterday, I printed letters from candidates who did NOT vote for themselves. Today we'll hear from some who DID.



DEAR ABBY  
Abby VanBuren

tell voters I'm their best choice and then vote for someone else? It wouldn't say much for my integrity.

—ALEX MUNTER, MEMBER, OTTAWA-CARLETON REGIONAL COUNCIL, ONTARIO, CANADA

**DEAR ABBY:** I have run for public office 10 times and have been fortunate to win each time. I would have trouble voting for my opponent when I really felt I was best suited for the position.

You can sign me H.D.P., KANSAS

**DEAR ABBY:** The letter from the woman who believed candidates would not vote for themselves out of "humility and old-fashioned manners" struck me as humorous for two reasons: First, in evaluating the current political landscape, from all appearances it seems that humility and old-fashioned manners are nowhere to be found.

The second and more compelling reason comes from my experience in a November 1992 local election. Although I cur-

rently serve as vice mayor of my community, in that election I lost my initial bid for office by only one vote out of over 11,000 cast. I can only imagine how I might have felt if I had lost the election and NOT voted for myself!

Of course politicians vote for themselves, and why shouldn't they? If they are trying to convince the electorate that they are the best candidate, then they must believe it also. A vote is too precious to waste frivolously, I know.

—L. STEPHEN GIZZI, VICE MAYOR, BENICIA, CALIF.

**DEAR ABBY:** In 1949, I ran for county supervisor in Sangamon County, Ill. I campaigned vigorously, calling on hundreds of voters, as I was aware that my opponent, a socially prominent lady of wealth, had held the office for many years and would be hard to beat.

On election day, my common Midwestern horse sense overcame my chivalry, and I voted for myself.

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# Martha

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2. Melt white chocolate as directed for making candy molds. It may be helpful to add food-safe paraffin shavings (available where candy-making supplies are sold) to thin the chocolate.

3. Chocolate can remain white or be dyed with pastes or powdered food coloring (do not use liquid dyes, as they harden the chocolate). Add color sparingly at first; you can always add more. A light marbling of red gives a variegated pink flower, for example.

4. Brush the melted chocolate on the back of the leaves, being careful not to go over the edges. Use small, medium and large leaves. Place on a cookie sheet and let harden. (You can place the leaves in the refrigerator or freezer to speed this up.)

5. Gently peel the leaf from the chocolate. Do not handle too long, as the heat of your hands will melt the chocolate.

6. Use the leaves to garnish any cake or other dessert that has a flat surface. Start with the larger leaves and place them in a circle, determining the size of the flower you wish to create. Work toward the center, staggering the leaves and using leaves that decrease in size. Place the smallest in the center, leaving a small hole in the middle.

7. Cut the jelly beans in half. Place them, rounded side up, in the hole to create the center of the flower.

## First Prize Winner

Joan Lindermuth of Lingsletown, Pa., who sent her idea into the Harrisburg Patriot News, caught my attention with the first sentence of her entry letter:

"This original holiday 'Good Thing' was the creative answer to extreme homesickness for the Northwest while living in California."

I turned immediately to look at the photo, and was delighted to see a snowman made of tumbleweeds!

"This little fellow stopped a lot of traffic," Lindermuth wrote.

I'm sure he did - the snowman is an adorable twist on tradition. Here is how to create it:

Collect tumbleweeds in three sizes. Stack them (wire them together if necessary) and spray-paint them white.

Lindermuth used a rock inside the back of the bottom tumbleweed to weight it, and she ran heavy wire from the center tumbleweed to the house to anchor him.

Glue on eyes, ears, a nose and a mouth of black felt. Tie a red ribbon around his neck and wedge black boots under him. As a finishing touch, Lindermuth gave her snowman a little aluminum-foil hat.

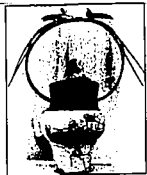
## Second Prize Winner

In a tie for second prize, two people presented a brilliant solution for a problem faced by everyone who celebrates Christmas: how to store strings of holiday lights without a tangled mess.

Both Camille Rogers of Norcross, Ga., who sent her entry to the Atlanta Journal and Constitution, and Felice Janelle of Manchester, N.H., who sent hers to the Union Leader, came up with the simple, clever idea of storing Christmas lights on a garden hose storage wheel.

Wheels for storing garden hoses, rope and other cords are available at hardware stores. Connect your lights together to form one long string. Place the end of the string on the wheel, turn the handle and wind the lights around it. Do this slowly to distribute the lights evenly and prevent crushing or losing any bulbs.

"When it's time to decorate your tree again," Rogers adds, "your lights are ready to go, with no hours wasted untangling them." And that is truly a good thing.



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The Times News

Wednesday, December 18, 1996

Teaching kids the ABCs of money, investing

Newsday

Educating adults about the need to save and invest for retirement seems to be a major goal of financial companies in dealing with their baby-boomer customers.

But it's relative; much attention is paid to educating children about money and investing so that, unlike their parents, they won't have to learn too little, too late.

Now two financial companies, for reasons both altruistic and commercial, have created programs to do just that.

The first one, which has been quietly running without fanfare since 1994 but which just opened its new interactive Web site, is Liberty Financial's Young Investor Program. That is tied to the Young Investor Fund, a no-load growth

Two-thirds of the names in the portfolio are stocks that kids can relate to.

—Bill Rice, Young Investors Program at Liberty Financial

fund set up especially for the program and managed by Stein Rice of Chicago, one of Liberty's companies.

The other is the Kids, Parents and Money program run by American Express Financial Advisors, which started in September and whose investment vehicle is the \$10 billion-plus New

Dimensions fund, the flagship fund of NDS of Minneapolis, an American Express company.

When the fund was opened in April 1994, "they kids had the first three accounts," Rice said. His fourth child, however, also has an account.

The Young Investor Fund includes as part of its investment strategy a component that kids understand, and it has provided an account an adult can appreciate. Since inception, it has gained about 32 percent on an average annualized basis. For the

12 months ended Dec. 5, the fund is up more than 36 percent, according to Lipper Analytical Services Inc. It has more than \$250 million in assets, said co-manager David Brady.

The American Express program invests in the large New Dimensions fund instead of creating a new kids' fund. New Dimensions is up about 26 percent for the past 12 months.

"The research we did showed that the baby-boom parents didn't want to be second guessing the performance of a new fund. They wanted to be sure the performance was there," said Jane Lee, director of Kids, Parents and Money. "But New Dimensions has stocks that kids respond to, like Martell and McDonald's." Lee wouldn't give any numbers for assets under management in the new program,

but added, "We met our year-end goals in the first six weeks."

Both funds drop the minimum required investment if money is invested for children under the Uniform Gifts (or Transfers) to Minors Act. American Express drops it to \$2,000 to \$5,000; Young Investors, from \$2,500 to \$1,000.

Both programs aim to be kid-friendly and offer coloring pages, games and information in colorful and easy-to-read forms. Young Investors also asked children which companies they would like the fund to invest in, with both expected and interesting results.

Most named companies such as Nike, Martell, McDonald's, Disney and Coca-Cola, all of which were already in the

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Table with columns: Name, High, Low, Close, Change. Includes NYSE, NASDAQ, and various market indices.

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STOCK LISTINGS

Large table listing various stocks with columns for Name, High, Low, Close, Change, and Volume.

AMERICAN

Table listing American stocks with columns for Name, High, Low, Close, Change, and Volume.

COMICS

**Peanuts** By Charles M. Schulz

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

**Garfield** By Jim Davis

**Hi and Lois** By Chance Brown

**The Wizard of Id** By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

**Hagar the Horrible** By Mort Walker

**Bottle Bunny** By Bob Thaves

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

**The Bom Loser** By Art Sanson & Chip

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

**Blonde** By Brian Crane

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

**Dennis the Menace** By Hank Ketchum

**The Family Circus** By Bil Keane

Butterflies used to have fur

Are there any left-handed violin players? Add to the annals of natural selection: Most butterflies once were covered with fur. They kept getting caught in spider webs. Their lik- ing waned. Prettier hairless butterflies multiplied.

Word is hard-water ice cubes have a white spot in the middle and safe water ice cubes are uniformly cloudy.

The space between the tip of your big toe and the interior end of your thumb should be equal to the width of your thumb. Or so contends an expert on foot felicity.

Laos and Paraguay use no coins, only paper money.

When a golfer makes a bad drive, then hits another shot not to be talked on the score, it's called a "mulligan." Why?

As the typical saloon's bar of long ago was a bottle containing pepper seeds and water. It was free. A shot from same in a patron's breast.

From the 15th through the 17th century in England, many a professional witness made a living by giving false testimony at trials. The practice remained common so long dictionaries still identify such a fee liar as a "Knight of the post."

WHAT'S WHAT? L.M. Boyd

supposedly calmed the nerves and settled the stomach even though it left a burning bad taste in the mouth. It was called a "mulligan."

Joan Rivers reported: "After we made love, he took a piece of chalk and made an outline of my face."

Sports historians contend football actually evolved through numerous variations from an ancient game wherein the athletes used a skull for a ball.

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

IF DECEMBER 18 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are universal in thoughts and spirit. Means you are the opposite of narrow-minded. You are better at promoting cause of others than when it comes to helping yourself. You are no angel, but you do more good than those certified as the winged creatures. Aries, Libra persons play fascinating games in your life. Current cycle of events break from past, new methods, inventiveness, restoration of excitement in love relationships. Have important news.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Talent for bringing together people whose ideas are opposite surge forth. But a diplomat by nature, you win plaudits by finding common ground for natural enemies. Confusion involved.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You gain leeway for ideas which were once regarded as preposterous. Secret meeting helps put across concept which could bring fame, fortune. You'll deal with big- leaguers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The knot tight! People rely upon you to put loose ends together. You're engaged in an saving grace. Love relationship that frizzled will stir. Scorpio in leading role.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Unlikely ally comes to rescue. Those who attempt to bamboozle you will learn mean lesson. Any individual is that usually ally. You'll land blockbuster blow - knockout winner!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Music plays, dance to your own tune! Written material of paramount importance. Scenario highlights change, travel, variety of sensations. Journey overseas distinct possibility. Gemini involved.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Last article recovered as result of mediation. You'll be accused of dabbling in the occult. covered in unresistant manner. Air travel will be involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Strong emotional bond with past life. Focus on overtone, added responsibility, marital status. Public relations program gets underway.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Long-range prospect become crystal clear - revelation by Aries is stunning. Work with material at hand, accept obstacles as healthy challenges. You could hit financial jackpot!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Way clear for fresh start, independence, creativity, romance. Young persons say, "you're my model!" Your reply, "Be yourself, you are your own model!" Leo, Aquarius figure in scenario.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The loose ends - that were not met well - now demand attention. Focus on building material, household products, decision relating to sale or purchase of property.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Encourage those who have artistic ability to try their future stars. Emphasis on headline material, public appearances, decision relating to marriage. Aries, Cancer persons play featured roles.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Missing parties located - machine now in good order. Focus on mech. project, repairing, sharpening tools, a new kind of relationship. Taurus, Scorpio persons play exciting roles.

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**Yesterday's Puzzle solved:**

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# Bankers urge law reform

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bankers told a federal panel Tuesday many of the record 1 million people who filed for bankruptcy this year abused the law because they had the money to repay some of their debts.

Purdue University professor Michael Straten, director of the school's credit research center, cited new research indicating 45 percent of people who filed Chapter 7 bankruptcy protection in his sample said they had income, after expenses, to repay some portion of their debts.

code, which wipes out all debts, is used in 70 percent of personal bankruptcies.

Based on this sample, Straten estimated that all Chapter 7 filers nationwide had the ability to repay \$5.8 billion over a three-year period.

"Billions of dollars of relief would be going to consumers each year when they don't need it," said Michael F. McEnaney, a Washington attorney representing a coalition of banks and credit card issuers calling for bankruptcy reform.

# Politicians favor giant aircraft merger

Seattle Times

SEATTLE — Boeing's proposed acquisition of McDonnell Douglas apparently has wowed political leaders in Washington, D.C., from the White House to the Pentagon.

The early rave reviews likely will smooth the way for regulatory approval of the \$13.3 billion deal that would create the world's largest aerospace company with \$48 billion in sales estimated for 1997.

But one former federal official cautioned that obstacles to approval of the so-called merger remain, including possible antitrust action.

Still, members of Washington state's congressional delegation said the proposed alliance of Boeing and McDonnell Douglas is playing to a receptive audience in the nation's capital.

"Leon Panetta (the White House chief of staff) told me the president thinks it's a good thing," Rep. Norm Dicks, D-Wash., said Monday.

"I spoke with the vice president (Al Gore), and he is behind it, too."

Dicks said the Pentagon favors the merger because it wants some strong competition for Lockheed Martin.

That company, formed through the mergers of several aerospace giants the past two years, will be the largest U.S. military contractor until the Boeing-McDonnell Douglas deal is approved.

Pentagon cost-cutters also want "more use of commercial processes on military projects," Dicks said, and they like the overhead cuts expected when two companies are merged.

That's why Boeing is a finalist for the Joint Strike Fighter, the multi-service aircraft that could be worth as much as \$750 billion in contracts in the next century, he said.

# Invest

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fund. "Two-thirds of the names in the portfolio are stocks that kids can relate to," Rice said.

One of the funds in the fund is Fila, a popular sportswear company that a couple of children suggested investing in when the stock was at 27.

"We looked at it and compared it with Nike, which had more of a track record and which we had a better handle on," Brady said. "More in hindsight, we should have bought Fila at the time, since it hit a high of \$107, but we bought more Nike."

list. The more they can match, the more money saved. The savings is then split with the children.

Parents who want to get the free Young Investor parents guide, a 50-page book, a game and other information about signing up, including a prospectus, can call (800) 403-KIDS. Those who want American Express' free college-planning guide can call (800) 986-9598.

You have to go through an American Express financial adviser to join the Kids, Parents and Money program, since these are broker-sold funds that charge a commission, or load.

This, of course, is the reality of the programs. These are mutual funds, and while the desire to educate children about money is sincere, it is also a marketing device to give you a reason to buy a fund. As Stejneger's Brady said, the fund has two goals: to educate children and to get superior total returns. "My kids are in it," Brady said, "but so are my parents."

Both the American Express Kids, Parents and Money program and Stein Roe's Young Investor program try to engage and educate children with games that start simply: five pennies equal a nickel, two nickels equal a dime, etc. Among the tips in the American Express fund, Lee said, is having parents give the children the grocery shopping list and getting them to match grocery coupons to the

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**ALEXANDRIA DAVIS**  
DOB: 10-03-1989  
DOB: Keith Davis II  
DOB: 08-11-1988

Children Under the Age of Eighteen Years:  
T.O. Michelle Miller, the natural mother, and Robert Keith Davis, the natural father, of the above-named children, you will hereby take notice:

- That a petition under the Parent-Child Relationship Termination Act was filed in the above entitled matter on the 28th day of November, 1996, in the Magistrate's Court in and for the County of Bear Lake.
- That a hearing on the petition has been set for 10:00 AM, on the 7th day of February, 1997, at the Bear Lake County Courthouse, 7 East Center, Paris, Idaho.
- That you have the right to be represented by counsel of your choosing, or upon good cause shown you may be financially unable to obtain counsel, the court may appoint counsel to act in your behalf.

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South took West's diamond queen and led a trump, losing to East's ace. Dummy's diamond holding promised no future in a diamond return, so East led up to dummy's weakness. He switched to his club queen. This lost to South's king, and all hope of beating the game disappeared. South drew trumps and captured one of West's diamond honors. After he needed a diamond to lead, dummy still had a high diamond to discard. South discarded a spade and held his losses to only a diamond, a spade and a trump.

East's switch to clubs was a futile gesture. South had to have both the ace and king of clubs to justify his opening bid. Going for his last hope, East should have switched to spades after winning his trump ace. Naturally, ace and another would accomplish nothing so East must switch to the low spade. West covers South's card to force a spade honor from dummy, and when West gets his diamond trick, a spade return nets two tricks to beat the game.

When there's no hope in two side suits, one must try the third, hoping partner can provide some help.

**NORTH** 12-18-A  
 ♠ K Q 5  
 ♥ Q 10 7  
 ♦ A 9 7  
 ♣ 6 3

**EAST** 12-18-B  
 ♠ A 10  
 ♥ A 3  
 ♦ 5  
 ♣ Q J 10 7 4

**SOUTH** 12-18-C  
 ♠ Q 9 6  
 ♥ K 4  
 ♦ Q 6  
 ♣ A K

Vulnerable: Both  
 Dealer: South

The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass  
 4♥ Pass 5♥ Pass

Opening lead: Diamond queen

**BID WITH THE ACES**

South holds:  
 ♠ A 10 3 3  
 ♥ A 3  
 ♦ 5  
 ♣ Q J 10 7 4

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 1♦ 2♦  
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