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# WINGS OVER IDAHO

## Air Force base future not tied to proposed range, officials say

By N.S. Nokinvented  
Times-News writer

**MOUNTAIN HOME** - A little bit of everything the Air Force does, it does at the Mountain Home Air Force Base, the base's wing commander says. Southern Idaho has great flying weather and lots of airspace, and it's a great place to train pilots. And for the third time the U.S. Air Force is trying to expand training with a proposal that includes practice bombing and electronic combat ranges in eastern Owyhee County.

### A range of opinions:

The future of the Mountain Home base  
A two-day series

Even the Air Force has long maintained the ranges aren't a necessity. And with investments in base facilities, and the establishment of a "battle lab" at the base, the Air Force appears intent on staying in Idaho regardless of whether it gets a new range.

The future of the base is not tied to the proposed "training range," said U.S. Sen. Dirk Kempthorne, R-Idaho, who sits on the Senate Armed Services Committee. But the range would improve training and boost the base's value.

"All of us agree it would enhance training," he said. U.S. Rep. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, said there is no way to predict the outcome of future budget battles, but "nothing could be better for Mountain Home than to have this range."

And without the range, the base's 366th Wing would be "not as ready," wing commander "Big Cat" Ken Peck said in a recent interview.

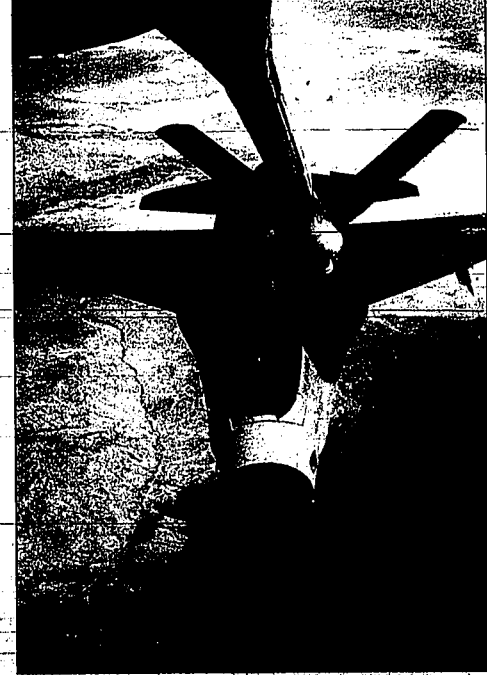
The lack of an expanded range would limit the long-term capability of the base, he said. The 366th Wing, which includes fighter jets, aerial refueling tankers and long-range bombers, was established at Mountain Home in 1992.

Peck has said the wing is "absolutely the most combat capable (air unit) in the world." The problem is, combat pilots lose proficiency while deployed. Though they fly every day with live weapons, they don't get a chance to practice, and therefore they aren't as combat ready as they should be.

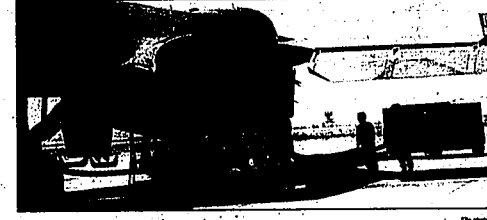
And after they return from three to six months service overseas, Peck is reluctant to send pilots out of state to train. Without good home training, people are driven out of the Air Force, he said.

Pilots at Mountain Home learn the basics at the Saylor Creek range and in the skies over southern Idaho. About 80 percent of the training is conventional and most of that can be accomplished

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An F-16 positions itself for refueling beneath the tail of a KC-135 over the desert of northern Nevada. Both planes are part of the 366th composite wing at Mountain Home Air Force Base.



Aircraft mechanics work on one of the B-1B Lancer long-range bombers that recently joined the composite wing at the Mountain Home Air Force Base.

# Air Force critics butt heads over proposal

By N.S. Nokinvented  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - A proposed bombing and electronic combat range is not needed and will affect wildlife and recreation in eastern Owyhee County, critics of the proposal. "The Air Force does not need this range," Craig Gehrke said. "The price tag is too high for something that's not needed."

That price tag, says Gehrke, The Wilderness Society's Idaho representative, is the negative effects of supersonic flight, aircraft noise and increased human activity on wildlife and recreation.

The U.S. Air Force last week released its own environmental impact statement that analyzes the effects of practice bombing and electronic combat over southern Owyhee County.

The Air Force says it has worked with a variety of interest groups to reduce the effects of the proposal on wildlife, recreation, ranching and American Indians. The Air Force says a proposed increase

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# Deal helps families, investors

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** - Early winners in the balanced budget deal's \$85 billion tax-cut package seem to be investors and families with children, including those in college.

Precisely who wins and to what extent, however, won't be known for some time. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said most of the package "will be used to fund programs that will benefit middle income people."

But Republican congressional leaders and the White House offered few specifics on taxes in the ground-breaking budget deal Friday, filling in much of the detail appears to have been left to Congress' two writing committees.

The broad outline is for \$135 billion in tax cuts, offset by \$50 billion in new revenues, for a net \$85 billion in tax cuts over five years. The package calls for tax cuts in five areas: lower capital gains and estate taxes, education tax breaks, a per-child tax credit and expanded Individual Retirement Accounts.

Reaching those tax figures appeared to be a pivotal part of the deal reached between Republicans and President Clinton on Friday, said one Republican source speaking on condition of anonymity.

The official said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and Speaker Newt Gingrich told the president in a telephone conversation he had chosen between two options: a \$250 billion tax cut over 10 years with \$35 billion set aside for education breaks, or a \$240 billion tax cut over 10 years with \$25 billion set aside for education breaks.

An hour or so later, Clinton called back to say he had opted for the higher number, the source said. The deal was struck.

Budget negotiators also got a big boost at the last minute with word that the strong state of the economy would allow them to figure in an extra \$200 billion over the five years. The included Social Security from immediate changes in its cost-of-living index, eased the president's proposed cuts in Medicaid and added billions to domestic spending programs.

Although the deal had relatively strong bipartisan support, one principal, Sen. William V. Roth Jr., R-Dele., the Finance Committee chairman, expressed reservations over the tax package. Of course, disappointed that the tax cut is very limited," said Roth, who wanted \$193 billion in tax cuts.

A big card is the scope of capital gains taxes, the levy on profits from sale of stock and other investments, which both sides said will be defined by the tax-writing committee.

Previously, the Clinton administration has offered only limited capital gains tax relief: It proposed to let married taxpayers exclude up to \$500,000 of capital gains on the sale of a principal residence.

The GOP has gone much further, seeking to halve the current 28 percent tax on sale of all investments. The modest Clinton capital gains proposal would cost \$1.4 billion over five years, while the cost of the GOP plan would run to \$33 billion in the same period, the Joint Committee on Taxation says.

To understand the enormity of the capital gains problem, consider this: In 1994, 20.3 million taxpayers reported

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# Separatist leader surrenders, 2 others - armed - flee into woods

The Dallas Morning News

**FORT DAVIS, Texas** - Heavily armed Republic of Texas separatists, who had vowed to die rather than surrender, laid down their arms without firing a shot Saturday, ending a weeklong standoff with law enforcement officers.

Republic of Texas leader Richard McLaren signed a "cease-fire document" with Texas Rangers. Then he and three followers walked out of the barricaded trailer where they had held up for seven days.

But two Republic members, wearing camouflage and carrying rifles, fled into the rugged

Davis Mountains rather than surrender. Both remained at large Saturday evening.

They (Republic members) had a military-style ceremony at which they laid down their arms. They laid them in a circle and then were taken into custody, said Texas Department of Public Safety spokesman Mike Cox.

"We have said all along that we wanted to resolve this peacefully," Cox said. "We hope DPS has shown the world how it's done right."

Cox said he counted 10 rifles, several handguns and between 500 and 700 rounds of ammunition recovered at the Republic of Texas compound. Officers

also said they found cans of gasoline, electrical wiring and batteries.

Terence O'Rourke, a Houston lawyer who represents McLaren, said late Saturday that his client views the "cease-fire" agreement as a victory for his cause.

The state of Texas agreed not to oppose McLaren's efforts to get a federal court in Washington to order a referendum on whether Texas should become an independent nation.

"If he wins in federal court, you can test out your driver's license," O'Rourke said. He said the agreement was instrumental in getting McLaren to surrender.

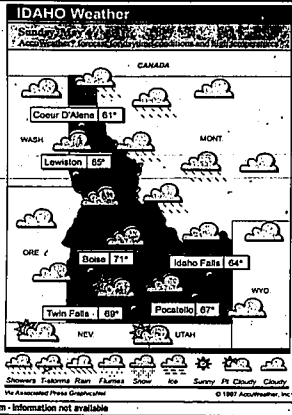


Family members of Evelyn McLaren wait for news early Saturday of her coming out of the Republic of Texas secessionist group compound in Fort Davis, Texas. From right are daughter Julie Hopkins, Lisa Rutledge, and her husband, Rob, and son Christian. McLaren came out later in the day.

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# WEATHER



## FORECAST

Source: National Weather Service

**Magic Valley**  
Sunday partly cloudy with highs in the high 60s and lower 70s. Southwest wind 10-15 mph. Sunday night mostly clear with lows 35 to 45. Monday mostly sunny and warmer with highs in the mid-70s.

**Extended regional forecast**  
Tuesday through Thursday partly cloudy. Lows 35 to 45 in the east and in the 40s in the west. Highs 65 to 75.

**Camas Prairie, Wood River Valley**  
Sunday partly cloudy with isolated showers and highs in the upper 60s. Sunday night partly cloudy with lows in the upper 20s and upper 30s. Monday mostly sunny and warmer with highs in the lower 70s.

**Treasure Valley**  
Sunday mostly sunny with highs in the lower 70s. Southwest winds at 5 to 15 mph. Sunday night clear with lows in the mid-40s. Monday mostly sunny with highs in the mid-70s.

**Sawtooth Mountains**  
Sunday partly cloudy with isolated showers and highs in the upper 60s. Sunday night partly cloudy with lows in the upper 20s and upper 30s. Monday mostly sunny and warmer with highs in the lower 70s.

**Eastern Idaho**  
Sunday mostly sunny and breeze with highs near 70. Southwest winds 15-25 mph. Sunday night clear with lows around 40. Monday sunny and continued mild. Highs 70-75.

**Northern Idaho**  
Sunday a little rain likely with highs in the mid-50s. Southwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Sunday night more cloudy with scattered showers and lows around 40. Chance of rain likely Monday with highs in the mid-60s.

**Northern Nevada**  
Sunday mostly sunny and warmer with highs in the low 70s. Southwest winds up to 15 mph. Sunday night mostly clear with lows in the upper 30s. Monday partly cloudy with highs in the lower 70s.

**Northern Utah**  
Sunday mostly sunny and warmer with highs in the low 70s. Southwest winds up to 15 mph. Sunday night mostly clear with lows in the mid to upper 40s. Monday partly cloudy with highs in the lower 70s.

**Idaho summary**  
High pressure that built over the region continued to bring fair skies and warmer temperatures to most of the state Saturday. With the exception of northern Idaho, skies were clear to partly cloudy throughout the day. Satellite and surface reports indicated a few isolated showers over northern Idaho with accumulation amounts of 0.01 of an inch at Coeur d'Alene and a trace at Mullan Pass. With the exception of a few isolated locations in southern and central Idaho, winds have remained relatively light. Amount the strongest winds are at Salmon with wind speeds of 14 gusting to 26 mph.

## ACROSS THE NATION

### Thunderstorms dampen Southeast, West warms up

The Associated Press

A line of severe thunderstorms rolled across the Southeast and mid-Atlantic states on Saturday, and another area of stormy weather spread across the Ohio Valley and lower Great Lakes.

The thunderstorms stretched through parts of Alabama, Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas, with afternoon showers extending into parts of Virginia. High winds for a possible tornado ripped the roof off a school at Wilson, N.C., during the morning and damaged nearby cars, police said. Three people suffered minor injuries.

Elsewhere in North Carolina, a tornado damaged four mobile homes near Hampstead at about noon and two people had minor injuries, Pender County officials said.

Severe storms also hit the area of Jackson, Miss., during the early morning. And about 20 families were evacuated from West Point, Miss., during the night because of flooding caused by as much as 4 inches of rain, the fire department said.

At Columbus, Miss., Columbus Air Force Base reported 3.75 inches of rain in the 24 hours up to 7 a.m. Saturday.

Hail the diameter of quarters was reported near Pataskala, Ohio, and wind gusted to 50 mph in central Pennsylvania.

Cincinnati reported just over 1.5 inches of rain in the 24 hours up to 8 a.m., and Dayton, Ohio, had 1.82 inches.

That area of wet weather was expected to move into New England during the night.

In the Pacific Northwest, showers were scattered through parts of Washington and Oregon as a low-pressure system moved across the region.

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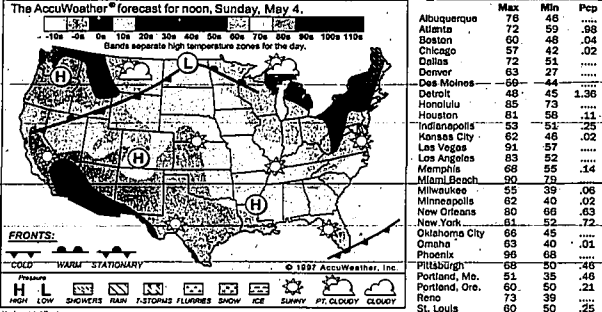
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Burley	77	30	Last year	59	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Farmington	96	27	Normal	70	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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Hagerman	87	36	Month to date	09	09	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Idaho Falls	66	28	Normal mo. to date:	11.52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Jerome	71	33	Water year to date:	12.53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Lewiston	63	01	Pollen count 7 (amb):	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Madia	68	20	Normal year to date:	7.09	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
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McCain	m	m	Humidity at noon:	23	pcp	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pocahontas	69	29	Barometer at noon:	30.03	f	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shoshone	72	30	Mold count 3 (indoor):	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Stanley	76	30	Mold: 393 (pneumoni):	low	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
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## SKYWATCH

Sunset today 8:41 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 6:28 a.m.  
Lunar phase: New, May 6; first quarter, May 14; full, May 22; last quarter, May 29.

Visible planets: Morning: Mars, Jupiter.  
Evening: Mars, Comet Hale-Bopp visible: WWV, 9:45-10:30 p.m.; look near Tauaris, above Aldebaran.

## NATIONAL Weather



## HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 87 degrees at Hagerman, Low, 26 degrees at Stanley and Malad  
Nation: High, 102 at Coolidge, Ariz. Low, 17 at Alamogosa, Colo

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# Wreck claims Burley couple

**By Liz Wright**  
**Times-News**

**BURLEY** — A prominent Burley couple, Carma and John White, said Saturday night while driving back from a family reunion in Mexico.

John White, 56, was vice president of Wilson Buses Inc., a furniture and appliance business founded 60 years ago by his father, Emilton White, in Twin Falls.

The Whites were returning home at 9:45 p.m. on Interstate 84 when their car drifted into the median, about 15 miles north of the Utah border, Idaho State Police said.

Carma White, 56, swerved the car back onto the road, but the car veered out of control and

back into the median, rolling across the median and throwing the couple from the car, state police dispatcher Gloria Hackworth said.

Officers still are investigating the accident. The couple apparently was killed instantly, she said.

The Whites are survived by two grown sons and three grandchildren.

"We're all in a bit of shock," said Rick White, John White's brother and president of Wilson Buses. "You never expect it to happen to you. Sometimes it does."

John White had managed the Burley store for 20 years. As vice president, he was commuting from Burley to the company's main office in Twin Falls and was

in charge of merchandizing for all the stores.

Eric Larson, a close friend of the couple, said Carma White was "an exceptional host and gracious person."

"She liked to entertain at her house and was a great cook and had friends over quite often," Larson said.

Eric Larson White, despite his occasionally misunderstood sense of humor, was a private, nice and considerate family man who loved his sons and grandchildren, and enjoyed the outdoors and hunting, Larson said.

The Whites were returning from a week-long family reunion in Mexico that "they had been planning out for several months," Larson said. "They were really excited about going."

# Clinton will encounter nation in a bad mood when he visits Mexico this week

**Knight-Ridder News Service**

**PLAYAS DE TIJUANA, Mexico** — Reinaldo Mendoza is sick of being blamed for the United States' problems.

If Americans didn't want marijuana, cocaine and heroin, the drugs wouldn't flow across through this border town to Mexico's northern neighbor, the U.S. drug trade has led to increased violence and wrecked lives in Mendoza's beach town as well as across the border.

So, as President Clinton prepares to visit Mexico on Monday and Tuesday, the 72-year-old coconut-milk vendor is angry, wondering why his nation is being singled out for U.S. congressional criticism over a stalled U.S. war on drugs. "They're trying to criminalize the Mexican,

and it's not that way," Mendoza said.

Clinton will encounter a nation in an angry mood; sensitive to the slings from its northern neighbor. Even Mexico's president, Ernesto Zedillo, is a target of some Mexicans for appearing to be too close to the Clinton administration. "Since we were kids, we were taught to be careful of the United States. They meddle in everybody's business. They took our land," sociologist Sergio Hernandez said.

Offering lament by 19th-century Mexican dictator Porfirio Diaz — "Poor Mexico, so far from God and so close to the United States" — Hernandez said, "Mexicans have never been fooled by U.S. policy-makers' generally polite tone.

So, when congressmen such as

Rep. E. Clay Shaw of Fort Lauderdale say they want to penalize Mexico for not cooperating with U.S. anti-drug efforts — an action that might cut loans and aid — Mexicans see it as the true demeaning, disrespectful face of the United States, Hernandez said.

This week, Clinton, making the first Latin American trip of his presidency, has the difficult task of seeking more cooperation from Mexican authorities — on fighting drugs and on stopping immigrants without jeopardizing the huge gains in U.S.-Mexican trade. The mission would be tough for any American president, and perhaps only a leader as persuasive as Clinton might be able to pull it off, said Michael Shifter, a Latin American studies professor at Georgetown University.

# Balanced budget by 2002

Some of the elements contained in the plan:

- Tax cuts**  
Totaling roughly \$135 billion include:
  - \$500-per-child reduction
  - Cuts in capital gains and estate taxes
  - Possible additional breaks in individual Retirement Accounts
  - Tax relief for higher education students
- Tax cuts partially offset by**  
Roughly \$50 billion in increases including extension of the existing airline ticket tax  
Spending cuts to domestic programs (\$20 billion below Clinton's request, \$70 billion above Republican proposals)  
Faster Medicare savings totaling \$115 billion

The proposal also includes  
An estimated \$18 billion to \$20 billion allotted for health insurance coverage of the children of the military base  
Welfare benefits partly restored for certain legal immigrants whose benefits were cut off under the welfare overhaul  
A change in the government's cost-of-living index used to calculate increases in Social Security and other programs

# Consumer groups laud AT&T deal

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Clearing the way for a cut in many consumers' long-distance phone rates after many years, said Saturday to pass on to customers any savings that result from a federal overhaul of telephone access charges.

The long-distance carrier's letter to the Federal Communications Commission was applauded by consumer groups, who were concerned that the rate-cutting costs would trickle down to callers.

"This is the biggest cut for the average consumer in long-distance rates in many years," said Gene Kimmelman, co-director of Consumer Union.

The FCC is revamping the labyrinthine subsidies that make local phone service affordable to the poor and to those living in high-cost rural areas. Changes would affect businesses and residential rates. A final plan is due May 6 and FCC officials indicated Saturday the AT&T action would enable them to go forward their plan.

More than \$1 billion in savings could come from cutting access fees paid to local phone companies which route long-distance calls on their networks, and from changes in the regulatory formula the FCC uses to calculate fees.

# Budget

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just shy of \$200 billion in capital gains, according to the most recent IRS data available.

While the scope of the capital gains cut isn't known, the Clinton administration had pushed Thursday for limiting capital gains and estate tax relief to only \$2 billion through 2002, a White House briefing paper obtained by The Associated Press showed.

A Treasury spokesman said the document was hypothetical, and the budget agreement did not address the size of the capital gains cut.

The White House and Congress also had been far apart on estate taxes.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., is backing strongly an effort to cut estate taxes by \$1.6 billion over five years. Lott's bill would gradually raise the floor of estate values subject to tax, from \$60,000 to \$1 million. Similar bills have strong bipartisan support in the House and Senate, but the Clinton administration's budget proposal included any estate tax relief.

Treasury Secretary Rubin pointed to an area of agreement — \$35 billion in education tax relief, roughly what President Clinton proposed in his 1998 budget.

The Treasury Department says education tax cuts include a \$10,000 tax deduction for college tuition and higher education and the so-called HOPPE scholarship, \$1,500 tax credit to pay for the first two years of college of students who maintain a B average.

Both sides also agree on a \$500-per-child tax credit.

Another costly area is expanding IRAs, the Individual Retirement Accounts. The Clinton and GOP proposals seek in differing degrees to let people top their IRAs for certain uses, such as for medical emergencies and paying for college.

## CORRECTION

A calendar item in Friday's edition incorrectly stated the starting time of the College of Southern Idaho Jazz Ensemble's free concert today. It begins at 3 p.m. at the CSI fine arts auditorium.

The Times-News regrets the error.

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**LOTTERY UPDATE**

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A lucky player from Lewiston won \$5,000 when he found a wild duck on the Instant Duck Bill game. His winning Duck Bills ticket was purchased at Rosauer's in Lewiston, Duck Bills still has lots of prizes left, with overall odds of 1 in 3.62.

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NATION

# Dakotans decide about future now that floodwaters are gone

GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) — Grand Forks is rebuilding downtown business burned to nothing in a matter of minutes. Now, she's milking cows 100 miles away, unsure what her future holds.

"Everything I own is gone," Korskmo said. "I'm 54-1/2 years old, so the whole thought of starting over just exhausts me at this point."

Sandra Korskmo Productions — an advertising, fund-raising and newsletter design company — was among dozens of businesses destroyed late last month as fire and floodwaters overwhelmed this city of 50,000.

Grand Forks and Red Cross officials estimate more than 1,500 businesses and 11,000 homes were flooded or burned. Regionally, cleanup costs are pegged as high as \$1.75 billion. Now, home and business owners are wondering whether to stay or go.

"I don't have long-term plans," Korskmo said.

The wayward Red River, which flows north, Dakota and Minnesota and flows into Canada, has dropped 11 feet since rushing into the city April 16. The water and sewer service are gradually coming back. So are the people. What's left are gut-wrenching decisions.

Fal Gershman is a stockholder and board member of First National Bank, which burned to the ground. He said businesses wavering over whether to rebuild or relocate want to know one thing: Can the Red be held in check?

"The future is for this never to happen again. That's the main thing. We can't go through this again," Gershman said. Some want a ring dike built around the entire city — 10-1/2 square miles. Some want water diverted elsewhere. Others want both.

Gershman suggested the city could pay farmers to restrain runoff by storing water on their land.

As the gargantuan task of rebuilding begins, many also are asking: How will the city change? Some movement westward, clear of the Red's banks, is expected, as a minor exodus. The rest is unclear.

"The face of business in Grand Forks will be different a year from now, both in terms of the mix of businesses, types of businesses



David Opp runs a hose to pump out a basement amid drying law books from a Grand Forks, N.D., law library. Many residents of this city are wondering whether to stay here or rebuild their lives elsewhere.

and locations of businesses," Gershman said. "How it will change? We don't know that yet. But there is a tremendous spirit here to rebuild bigger and better."

The University of North Dakota and nearby Grand Forks Air Force Base, anchors of the

local economy, suffered relatively little flood damage. It's the coffee shops, restaurants and other small businesses that need help.

Mayor Pat Owens said the recently revitalized downtown will change but not vanish, and refurbishing plans will take time.

# Agencies failed to warn residents

Knight-Ridder News Service

CHANHASSEN, Minn. — Residents of the Grand Forks, N.D., area might have had up to a month to prepare for the Flood of 1997 if two federal agencies had communicated better, a Grand Forks Herald investigation shows.

The National Weather Service, responsible for forecasting floods, underestimated the 54-foot crest by failing to calculate the

damming effect caused by the six bridges in Grand Forks and East Grand Forks.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, charged with building levees and dikes, measured the bridges in 1995 and had the tools to precisely estimate the flood, which caused an estimated \$200 million in damage. But the weather service didn't know about the corps' analysis, and the corps didn't know the weather service's prediction was

flawed — until it was too late. "With proper advance notice, we could have protected a majority of the city to almost any elevation," Grand Forks City Engineer Ken Vein said.

U.S. Sen. Kent Conrad of North Dakota said Friday he was "concerned" about the lack of teamwork between the two federal agencies. "It appears as though the right hand didn't know what the left hand was doing."

# HMO patients face higher co-payments

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pressure to keep premiums low has driven up co-payments for patients in health maintenance organizations — a new study reports.

Increasing co-payments for everything from drugs to hospital stays decreases premiums, partly because the higher prices discourage people from using their health care, said Jon Gabel, whose study is published in the May/June issue of Health Affairs.

The study examining HMO trends also concludes:

- More doctors are being paid a flat fee for each patient no matter how much care is given, providing a financial incentive to give less care.
- In 1989, 35 percent of HMO doctors were paid flat fees; by 1994, it was 50 percent.
- Practice guidelines which suggest treatments for various illnesses have become more prevalent. In 1989, 30 organizations had published 700 sets of guidelines.

Today, 75 organizations have issued 1,300 sets, and three out of four HMOs use formally written practice guidelines.

The study also found that between 1987 and 1993, consumer payments increased for a variety of services:

- The average payment for a doctor's visit went from \$1.18 to \$4.51.
- Co-payments for hospital stays rose from \$4.50 per day to \$24.90 per day.
- Drug costs rose from \$3.90 per prescription to \$4.50 each.
- Co-payments for inpatient mental health care services rose from \$3.39 per day to \$14.51 per day.

Patients required to make a co-payment for care are likely to use fewer services, Gabel said. For instance, researchers in Washington state found that adding a \$5 co-payment reduced visits to primary care doctors by 11 percent.

# Fetal marrow effective in transplants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Success in treating sickle cell anemia, leukemia and even AIDS could be greatly improved if bone marrow from fetuses rather than adults is used in transplants, according to researchers at Georgetown University.

"After almost 20 years dealing with all types of transplantation ... we have a good, optimistic feeling that this human fetal tissue ... in some cases ... can be usable for transplantation," said Maria Michejda, one of the researchers who discussed their work at a pediatric conference Saturday.

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# Computer fails in chess match

NEW YORK (AP) — It was Man I, Machine 0, as world chess champion Garry Kasparov won the first game of his much-anticipated rematch with IBM's Deep Blue computer Saturday.

The 34-year-old Russian captured the opener of the six-game match when the computer — which can examine an average of 200 million positions per second — resigned following Kasparov's 45th move. The match lasted just under four hours.

Kasparov defeated the computer last year and says that barring human error, man will always be better than the machine at chess. But IBM technicians said they had improved Deep Blue since the last match.

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# Clinton, GOP start selling budget deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Having shaken hands over an admittedly imperfect budget deal, President Clinton and his Republican partners began Saturday the task of selling it to the nation. "Let us now reach across party lines and give our chance to balance the budget," Clinton said.



Bill Clinton



John Kasich

and Republican leaders on Capitol Hill.

"It proves that our political system can work when we put our partisan differences aside and put the American people and

their future first," Clinton said Saturday in a weekly radio address meant to outline the deal for the public. He emphasized that negotiators agreed to about \$34 billion for his domestic priorities, including children's health care and education.

"This balanced budget plan is in balance with our values. It will help to prepare our people for a new century," Clinton said. "And I urge members of Congress in both parties to pass it."

That plea, coming at a time when polls show that voters demand bipartisan cooperation and punish parties for gridlock,

was echoed in the Republican radio address by Florida Sen. Connie Mack: "This agreement, while it is not everything we would like, is a positive step forward! ... It is so important that this agreement become more than just another good idea filled only with unrealistic potential."

Amplifying the full-blown pitch for votes to pass the budget through Congress, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, House Budget chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, and White House chief of staff Erskine Bowles lined up to praise the deal on Sunday's television talk shows.

# Balancing budget is goal that divides Democrats

WASHINGTON (AP) — The pitch from White House chief of staff Erskine Bowles to House Democrats was direct: An early deal to balance the budget would help the economy, build public confidence in government and, ultimately, help the Democratic Party.

Liberal Wisconsin Rep. David Bonior was barely swayed. Red in the face and angry at the Clinton White House, again, he jumped to his feet to predict such a deal would put House Democrats "in the minority forever."

Another liberal at the private Capitol meeting complained Clinton was about to help Republicans to a 40-seat gain in the 1998 midterm elections.

Bowles returned to the White House Tuesday evening, frustrated — and convinced there was no short-term solution to bridging the Democratic divide.

This episode, and several others like it during the past month of budget negotiations, convinced the White House it was unlikely to meet its goal of winning support from a majority of Democrats if it struck a balanced budget deal with Republicans this year.

Nonetheless, Clinton authorized aides to intensify talks with GOP leaders, and the two sides worked feverishly Thursday to put the finishing touches on an agreement by Friday. In a telling sign of the mounting party tensions, White House aides publicly brushed off much of the criticism from fellow Democrats.

"We can't govern in an environment in which the Democrats who are a minority in Congress can get everything they want," said press secretary Mike McCurry.

Beyond the budget debate, the feuding between Clinton and fellow Democrats vividly illustrates the fact that, despite two presidential victories, Clinton has been unable to unify his party

behind his agenda and personal leadership.

If anything, many Democrats see additional strains developing as Clinton seeks to build a presidential legacy by achieving compromise legislation with the Republican Congress. Even many moderate and conservative Democrats, for example, have criticized Clinton for not demanding that Republicans offer a budget of their own before beginning negotiations.

"It comes down to legacy versus liberalism and he is going for legacy," said conservative strategist Gregory Mueller.

To many congressional Democrats, Clinton's personal ambition is at odds with their desire to defy history and achieve the 10-seat gain necessary to end the GOP's House majority next year. For many Democrats, the goal is to deny the Republican majority any bipartisan accomplishments that

could be used as a 1998 platform. Also, Democrats complained bitterly when they were largely excluded as White House aides negotiated with Republicans.

Many Democratic strategists were already looking to the 1998 midterms.

"Politically we are giving away a lot," said Democratic pollster Mark Mellman. A budget deal announced by a Democratic president and congressional Republicans, he said, would "erase any reasonable possibility of defining the 1998 elections around fundamental differences between Democrats and Republicans on issues like Medicare and education."

With Clinton on the other side, however, are party centrists who believe a budget deal — and the Medicare and inflation changes embraced by the president — are critical to Democratic competitiveness in suburban and other swing districts.

"Fiscal discipline is a threshold credibility issue for Democrats," the centrist Democratic Leadership Council said. "If Democrats sabotage a balanced budget on the brink of its achievement by a Democratic president, much of the ground we have gained since 1992 achieving political parity with the Republicans will be rapidly lost."

Clinton made similar arguments in sessions with House Democrats.

At one recent meeting with House Democrats, Clinton noted that his polling numbers were far superior to those of congressional Democrats, several participants said. And he contended that he had carried many Republican House districts largely because of his support for a balanced budget. In all, Clinton carried 91 House districts that were won by Republicans.

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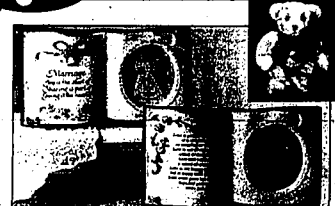
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# 'Shadow trial' of Nichols builds during McVeigh proceedings

DENVER (AP) — As prosecutors build their case against Timothy McVeigh, a shadow trial is in progress for co-defendant Terry Nichols.

Witnesses in McVeigh's trial have claimed Nichols participated in a robbery that financed the Oklahoma City bombing and that he helped acquire bomb components.

Nichols' trial date hasn't even been set, but his lawyer, Michael Tigar, already has gone on the offensive. He's attacking key witness Lori Fortier, wife of one of Nichols' former Army buddies, as a member of "the dope-smoking, methamphetamine-swilling world of Kingman, Arizona."

"We have corroborated evidence that those folks smoked pot. We have corroborated evidence of a pattern of drug use. We have corroborated evidence that they could have served federal penitentiaries for that drug use," Tigar said.

During her testimony, Mrs. Fortier admitted using drugs and initially lying to authorities about the bomb plot, but said she told authorities the truth about McVeigh and Nichols.

She claimed Nichols participated in the robbery of an Arkansas gun dealer, that authorities said helped finance the bombing, and that Nichols bought fertilizer that authorities believe was used to make the bomb.

Tigar, who is not bound by the strict gag order imposed on lawyers in McVeigh's trial, said that was information Mrs. Fortier



Michael Tigar and Ronald Woods, right, defense attorneys for Oklahoma City bombing suspect Terry Nichols, leave the federal courthouse in Denver Friday. Nichols' trial date hasn't been set, but Tigar already has gone on the offensive in defending his client.

received second-hand, from McVeigh.

"Terry Nichols was, according to Mrs. Fortier, not present for any conversation about any bombing, not present for any conversation about any illegal activity," he said.

Mrs. Fortier, who received immunity from prosecution for testifying against McVeigh, also was attacked in court by McVeigh's lawyer, Stephen Jones. He criticized her and husband Michael Fortier for declaring McVeigh innocent in the days

after the bombing, then implicating him when they feared they would be arrested.

Nichols and McVeigh are charged with murder, conspiracy and weapons-related counts in the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. The blast killed 168 people and injured more than 500.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch ordered separate trials, ruling a joint trial would subject the two to "an unacceptable risk of prejudice."

# Promising young lawyer found strangled in bathtub; police information sketchy

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — She was a young lawyer with a growing family and a promising career, and had planned to celebrate her daughter's first birthday this weekend.

Instead, loved ones and friends are mourning Stefanie Newman Rabinowitz, who was found strangled in the bathtub of her suburban home this week. She was 29.

"She was a wonderful person, good-natured, happy. She loved her job. Her daughter was a big part of her life," said Mitchell Bach, partner at the downtown office where Mrs. Rabinowitz first worked as an intern in 1991.

"I imagine her without a smile on her face," Bach said Saturday.

Mrs. Rabinowitz's husband, Craig, found her Tuesday evening in a water-filled tub in their home in Merion Station, a community in Philadelphia's well-heeled Main Line suburbs, officials said. Their young daughter was home at the time.

An autopsy showed she was strangled. Police would not comment on whether there was evidence of sexual assault and would not discuss suspects.

"It's too early to start talking about suspects. We're still trying to find out what happened, who would have an opportunity to kill her and who would have a motive," prosecutor Bruce L. Castor Jr. said Saturday.

Investigators had not determined whether Mrs. Rabinowitz was slain in the tub in her two-story brick and stone house. A man answering the phone there Saturday refused comment, saying only, "We're not interested in talking to you."

Next door neighbor Barbara Feibbein said she had exchanged neighbors greetings with the couple every day.

"These were two of the most wonderful people that I've ever known. I saw them every day. I think that this is really horrible, this intrusion into their lives," she said, refusing further comment.

Mrs. Rabinowitz had gone to work Tuesday. "It was a normal day," Bach said. "She seemed fine."

Nothing about the type of work she did — handling insurance defense and commercial litigation — should have put her in any danger, according to Bach, who said Mrs. Rabinowitz never gave any indication that anyone was threatening her.

Mrs. Rabinowitz's only child, daughter Haley Sarah, turned a year old this past week. Bach said the family had been planning a party for Sunday.

"Her life revolved around her child," he said.

Mrs. Rabinowitz, a National Merit Scholar, earned her undergraduate degree from Bryn Mawr College in 1989 and a law degree from Temple University in 1992.



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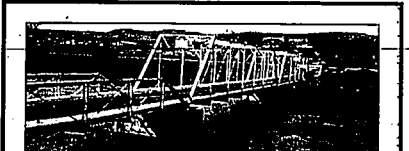
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# Attorney general against tobacco truce

WASHINGTON (AP) — Minnesota's attorney general is warning against a hasty truce in the tobacco wars, telling 24 states that "no further negotiations should be held" with cigarette makers until lawyers assure how to protect public health in a possible deal.

"The industry shouldn't be allowed to pick and choose how it is regulated," Hubert Humphrey

III wrote fellow attorneys general three days before cigarette makers were to resume talks with cigarette makers in Dallas.

That warning came as Mississippi Attorney General Michael Moore sought to reassure the nation's top health groups about the talks, inviting them to join.

Also on Friday, the Food and

Drug Administration asked a federal court to hear by August its appeal of a North Carolina judge's decision invalidating the agency's crackdown on tobacco advertising attractive to teenagers.

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# Range

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in military airspace would actually reduce noise over much of southern Owyhee County.

"A marginal increase in airspace would increase flexibility in using the airspace, said Brig. Gen. Ken Peck, wing commander at the Mountain Home Air Force Base."

"I don't quite believe that," Gehrke said. "If you give them more airspace, they'll fill it with airplanes."

Gehrke opposes any attempt to increase military training over an area that includes important wildlife habitat and recreation resources, such as the Bruneau and Jarbridge river canyons.

An increase in airspace would restrict military operations over the Jacks Creek area, a proposed wilderness area that the Idaho Department of Fish and Game has said is important to California bighorn sheep and as critical winter range for mule deer, antelope and sage grouse.

The absence of a five-million-acre range proposal included the same airspace extension. At the time, Fish and Game officials said increase because of the potential effect on bighorn sheep in the narrow canyons of Big and Little Jacks creeks.

The absence of military airspace over the small sheep herd also provided a control population to compare the effects of military overflights, Fish and Game said.

The Air Force has said it would try to avoid areas that are seasonally sensitive, such as during nesting season, but readily must come first, wing spokesman Col. Bill Richey said.

"The effect of noise on wildlife and recreation in the area of the proposed ranges has been a point of contention. Concerns over low-level and supersonic flight are false worries, Peck said.

"The absence of an internal review copy of a community report," meant to explain the just-released environmental impact statement, gives "adjusted day-night average" noise in the proposed range area as ranging from 41 decibels, "quiet urban nighttime," to 69 decibels, "vacuum cleaner at 10 feet."

"But on the ground under actual warplanes in mock battle it's a different story."

At an altitude of 500 feet — typical for low-level operations — noise from a B-1B can hit 115 decibels as the plane passes overhead. A gasoline-powered lawnmower, by contrast, generates less than 100 decibels at a distance of 3 feet.

The Air Force says its noise level analysis takes into account

### What to be heard?

Public hearings on the environmental impact statement on proposed bombing and electronic combat ranges in Owyhee County will be:

- June 3 Mountain Home High School.
  - June 4 Grandview Elementary School.
  - June 5 College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.
  - June 6 Three Creek School.
- Hearings also will be at the Duck Valley Tribal Headquarters in Owyhee, Nev., and at Boise State University. Hearing times have not been set.
- Copies of the impact statement are available in public libraries in most cities, including Butte, Burley, Elmer, Gooding, Hailley, Jerome, Kimberly and Twin Falls. It also is available in the Caines County Elementary School Library in Fairfield, the Ketchikan Community Library, Densley Memorial Library in Rupert, the Shoshone District Library, the College of Southern Idaho, and at Bureau of Land Management offices in Shoshone and Twin Falls.
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the reduced background noise at night, the startle effects of high-speed aircraft and the duration of events.

The report acknowledges bighorn sheep would be affected in certain areas. Noise levels are frequently would greatly increase over baseline levels.

"The noise increase will be substantial" near the target areas and in the armed airspace. The Air Force anticipates no significant effects from the increases, but "transients, recreationists, and biological species in those areas will face higher average noise levels and increased low-level overflights than at present."

The Air Force says proposed airspace changes would result in noise reductions in other areas. The baseline for these changes was calculated from 1995 operations and other changes since then.

"We're not going to let them get away with that," Gehrke said.

Critics say the Air Force should look at cumulative effects of operations at Mountain Home, such as the changes since 1995, when the base's current composite wing began to arrive.

"Anybody who was out there... (before and after the composite wing arrived), knows it's a hell of a lot noisier now," said Herb Meyer, president of the Federation for North American Wild Sheep

### What is a composite wing?

The 266th Wing at Mountain Home Air Force Base includes:

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- 390th Fighter Squadron - 18 F-15C air-to-air fighter jets.
- 391st Fighter Squadron - 18 F-15E fighter-bombers.
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Advantages: Regular training with various aircraft makes the wing ready to deploy to trouble spots around the world on a moment's notice.

Disadvantages: Higher maintenance costs; with fewer planes of each type, losing a few planes to maintenance problems can effect readiness.

and a long-time bombing range critic. Meyer is a retired Air Force fighter pilot and former fighter pilot instructor at the Mountain Home base.

The Air Force, however, maintains the wing and the range are separate issues.

"The Air Force contends that the range represents an enhancement, not necessity," says a 1995 Air Force memo.

Meanwhile, biologists are learning that sonic booms and aircraft noise do affect wildlife.

According to documents obtained by The Times-News, on Jan. 15, a one-field study for the Air Force in southern Owyhee County, biologists happened to spot a hairy woodpecker. While the bird was pecking away at a snag, a sonic boom appeared to knock the woodpecker off the tree.

According to the biologists' notes, the bird "regained its composure and went flying through the woods screaming loudly all the while in a distress call. The woodpecker was heard long after it had disappeared from sight."

The biologists concluded that "sonic booms do sometimes temporarily affect foraging behavior in this species."

The Times-News staff writer N.S. Nohkvented can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 237.

# Critics

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locally — except for training with live ordnance.

The remaining 20 percent of training is composite force training and about half to two-thirds of that is accomplished at ranges in Nevada and northern Utah or bases farther away.

A few years ago Mountain Home was rated one of the Air Force's top bases because of the number and variety of regional bombing ranges available to it.

But flying to those ranges is wasted time, Peck said. "In terms of combat skills, it means nothing." Pilots need to concentrate on finding the enemy and avoiding getting hit. Local training increases the value of a fixed number of training sorties.

The existing 110,000-acre Saylor Creek Bombing Range has limited access making it too predictable.

The proposal includes a 12,000-acre bombing range, five simulated target areas and 30 electronic sites to simulate enemy air defenses. Up to 40 planes at a time would train together over the ground to 50,000 ft at times.

The training range would be less than 10 miles west of Coeurd'Alene, less than 20 miles from Butte and Hagerman.

The target areas are spread over about 1 million acres from Idaho Highway 51 in Owyhee County to the Twin Falls County line — and from Three Creek to the Saylor Creek range.

Operations over Owyhee County would include supersonic flight no lower than 10,000 feet above the ground, resulting in an estimated two sonic booms per day. And it includes the use of chaff — bundles of tiny aluminumized fibers — and flares, both released by fighter jets as defensive maneuvers to elude simulated enemy air defenses.

In proposing the new range, the Air Force tried to balance its needs with other land users, wing spokesman Col. Bill Richey said.

The proposed bombing range would use no live bombs — only 24-pound cast iron practice bombs that include a non-flammable

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marker. The bombs, dropped inside a 300-acre target area, have less chance than larger practice bombs of skipping outside the fenced-off 12,000-acre buffer area.

Grazing would be allowed inside the 12,000-acre buffer, but not the 300-acre target area. The simulated targets would be metal farm buildings painted to match the desert, Richey said.

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NATION

# 'An empty space that never gets filled'

A year later, families of ValuJet crash victims grieve in different ways

MIAMI (AP) — Heartbroken and feeling profoundly alone amid dozens of mourners, Richard Kessler somehow found God's presence as he looked over the vastness of the Everglades where his wife had perished.

Nearby Marilyn Chamberlin searched for a reason that her only daughter, an accomplished pilot, had been taken from her. A religious woman, she felt robbed by the crash of ValuJet Flight 592, but the loss had also shaken her faith.

Paul and Susan Smith, who stood at the same memorial ceremony last summer, couldn't accept that their son had died so horribly. They were determined to bring good from the May 11 tragedy that took 110 lives.

A year after disaster brought scores of strangers together, all tell of fresh wounds, easily opened by small reminders that bring memories rushing back. This Mother's Day, the anniversary of the crash, promises to bring back the pain.

"It's an unrelenting, horrifying, cutting edge kind of pain. And it leaves an empty space that never gets filled," Mrs. Smith said in a telephone interview from her home in Montgomery, Ala.

Aside from grief, the families all seem to share a measure of anger

at ValuJet and at SabreTech, the contractor that handled and mislabeled oxygen canisters investigators believe either started or fueled the fire that brought the plane down. They also blame the Federal Aviation Administration, whose shortcomings in inspecting the low-fare carrier and its contractor were barred at hearings after the crash.

A final report from the National Transportation Safety Board on what caused the jetliner to plunge into the swamp west of Miami is due in July.

The report won't heal wounds, but the families know it represents another step they must take to move on with their lives.

Paul J. "Jay" Smith III, an Air Force lieutenant stationed at Guntersville Air Force Base, near his parents' home in Chickamauga for Mother's Day when he boarded Flight 592 in Miami bound for Atlanta.

His father remembers their special bond: They seemed to share everything, from military careers to a passion for baseball cards — Cal Ripken Jr. was Jay's favorite. His father, now an investment broker, had no doubt his 24-year-old son would follow him into business some day.

His mother never felt left out. He kept her up to date with



Paul and Susan Smith look over pictures of their son, Jay, in their Montgomery, Ala., home as they reminisce about their lives before his tragic loss a year ago when ValuJet Flight 592 crashed in the Florida Everglades.



Marilyn Chamberlin, mother of ValuJet flight 592 pilot Capt. Candalyne Kubecek, searches for a reason for her only daughter being taken from her.

Grateful Dead music and often started preparing dinner before she got home from work.

The Smiths have tried to ensure their son is not forgotten. They

established a foundation in his name with money he had saved. An Air Force ROTC scholarship bears his name, as do endowments at the church he attended.

## Inmate can't attend mom's funeral

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — A death row inmate was denied a chance to bid a final farewell to his mother, who died a week ago of a heart attack.

Federal Judge Janet Arterton ruled Friday that Daniel Webb has no legal right to view his mother's body before she is buried.

Webb sued for permission to view his mother's body before

her burial, at first scheduled for Thursday. Prison officials argued Webb would try to escape.

Violet Webb, 73, visited her son regularly since he was convicted in 1991 of murdering bank executive Diane Gallenbeck.

Attorney Norman Pattis said his client "seeks simply the ability to kiss his mother goodbye."

But Pattis said he would not appeal.

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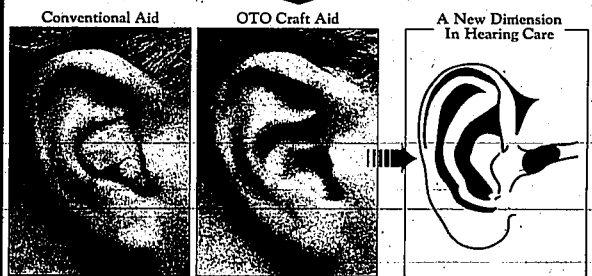
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WORLD

# British election a victory for women

## Prime Minister Blair appoints 5 females to cabinet assignments

LONDON (AP) — Ann, Margaret, Harriet, Clare, Marjorie. On and on the list went, 120 women's names in all. Britain's election was not just a victory for the opposition Labor Party but for British women, who nearly doubled their numbers in Parliament.

Prime Minister Tony Blair has already named five women to Cabinet posts, including one of the toughest slots, Northern Ireland.

"It is good news for democracy because women in the country will see women in Parliament," said Labor lawmaker Harriet Harman, who was appointed to the Cabinet on Saturday as head of social security.

"It will drive to the forefront of the political agenda a wide range of issues, like child care, like opportunities for women at work, the balance between work and home," she said.

Few doubt that the male clubbiness of the House of Commons will change. Political pundits were speculating whether the shouting gallery would be turned into a day care center. The barber shop is already being converted into a more sophisticated salon to attract women as well.

Blair is already dealing with family issues — like where his own family will live.

Blair spent his first night as prime minister Friday night in 10 Downing St. but in his spacious Victorian home in North London, with his wife, Cherie Booth, and their three young children.

He is the first prime minister to have small children since Labor's Ramsay MacDonald in the 1920s and the living quarters at 10 Downing St. — the prime minister's official residence — are small. After an inspection Friday, the Blairs said it was not really suitable for family living.

Blair is considering living next door at 11 Downing St., usually the home of the chancellor of the exchequer, which has five bedrooms and three bathrooms. But no decision has been made. Gordon Brown, the new treasury chief, is a bachelor.

Blair spent Saturday at



Newly appointed Northern Ireland Secretary Marjorie Mowlam. Mowlam is one of a growing number of women who have gained an influential voice in Britain's government with last week's elections.

Downing Street, meeting senior Labor figures and completing his 22-member Cabinet. It draws from the left and right wings of the party, although most senior positions went to people closely aligned with Blair's goal of a centrist "new" Labor Party.

His senior appointments Saturday were Harman, George Robertson as defense secretary, Marjorie Mowlam as Northern Ireland secretary, Donald Dewar as Scottish secretary, Ron Davies as Welsh secretary, and Clare Short as secretary for international development.

Although Margaret Thatcher became Europe's first woman prime minister in 1979, British politics has been a male bastion. Thatcher did not have a single woman in her Cabinet and her successor, John Major, had only two. Labor adopted an affirmative action program after the 1992

election. Early in this campaign, the party tried to bar male candidates from some races, until a tribunal ruled the lists violated sex-discrimination laws.

A record 685 women were among the 3,718 candidates in Thursday's election. Labor fielded a record 158 women candidates and its landslide victory catapulted 102 women into the House of Commons.

The youngest member of the new Parliament is Labor's Claire Ward, 24. The Commons will also have its first woman twins.

Mowlam — as minister for Northern Ireland — has one of the toughest jobs in the Cabinet and inherits a daunting set of problems, including how to continue with peace negotiations on Northern Ireland's future and defuse tensions ahead of annual marches in the province.

Margaret Beckett, who was

interim leader of the Labor Party in 1994, has the high-profile job of promoting trade and industry as president of the Board of Trade, while Ann Taylor will be in the thick of politics as leader of the House of Commons.

The Faber Society, which has campaigned for women's equality since 1866, was cautious about the difference the new female faces in Parliament would make.

"It does remain to be seen how quickly the women can make an impact," said Shelagh Diplock, the society's director.

"We hope it will be a change, a new style and in more general terms that the MPs will understand women's lives. They will be more in touch with the lives of women."

# 'Sorcerer' confesses to slaying

## 16 Indonesians to increase powers

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — A self-described sorcerer has confessed to killing 16 young women one by one near the North Sumatran capital of Medan, saying he wanted to increase his magical powers, news reports said Saturday.

The newspaper Medan Indonesia said Masbi, alias Datuk, told police he killed his victims, ages 12 to 30, over the past seven years, and had been planning to kill another 11 women.

Police arrested the 45-year-old Datuk last week after they found three bodies in two graves in a sugar cane plantation near his village, Aman Damai, some 10 miles northwest of Medan.

The newspaper Kompas said that some of the bodies showed marks of torture, and police were

able to identify only one of the victims, a 22-year-old.

Media Indonesia said all 16 women had come to Datuk asking him to weave spells to keep their husbands or boyfriends faithful.

Datuk's three wives, all sisters, were also questioned over the slayings, which have shocked Medan, a conservative Muslim city about 1,000 miles northwest of Jakarta.

"I knew my husband killed those people. I don't understand why I didn't go to the police," said one of the wives, Lumninah.


Datuk gave police a list of names of some of his victims and said he had charged each between \$200 and \$400 to cast spells for them, the newspaper Suara Pembaruan said.

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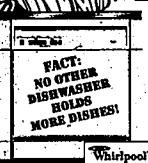
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# Zairians seek Mobutu's ouster, but wary of 'liberator' Kabila

The Washington Post

**KINSHASA, Zaire** — Zairians call rebel leader Laurent Kabila "the liberator." They are much more reluctant to call him president.

Troops belonging to Kabila's Alliance of Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Congo-Zaire have raced through two-thirds of this enormous central African country and continue to grind their way toward the capital, Kinshasa.

Saturday morning, they reportedly took the town of Kenge, about 125 miles east of Kinshasa.

As has been the case throughout the six-month rebellion, the rebels found little resistance from Zairian army troops.

But the astonishing success of the rebels has failed to convince Zairians that Kabila will be as skilled at governance as he has been at guiding his troops across this mineral-rich country of 45 million people.

Ironically, Kabila may be a victim of his own success. The military might that has rocked his forces toward Kinshasa also has made Zairians suspicious of his political skills.

Kabila has reinforced that suspicion this weekend by holding at negotiations with dictator Mobutu Sese Seko, who has been in power for nearly 32 years. Kabila, citing security concerns, refused



Zairian rebel leader Laurent Kabila answers questions during a news conference Friday in Luanda, Zaire. Kabila balked at negotiations Saturday with dictator Mobutu Sese Seko, the country's leader whom Kabila has wanted to remove from power.

to board a South African navy supply ship for talks with Mobutu on Friday. It took most of the day to persuade him to board the ship Saturday.

"Right now, people only think of Kabila as a military force," said Bruno Lokuta, a human rights activist. "He doesn't mean that they don't like Kabila. It just means that they want to see how the situation develops."

In a poll last month by Kinshasa's Public Opinion Research Institute, 40 percent of respondents said they had no opinion when asked if they thought Kabila would hold elections if he won the war. In the same poll, 50 percent of those surveyed said they had a favorable opinion of Kabila, but 27 percent had no opinion.

At the same time, 57 percent of respondents said that if an election were held, they would vote for veteran opposition politician Etienne Tshisekedi. Twenty percent said they would top Kabila.

Kabila "is very popular, but he has not been able to translate that into political popularity," said Francesca Bomboko, head of the research institute. "People aren't quite sure what to expect from him."

Most Zairians, save the intellectual and political elite, had never heard of Kabila before this conflict began six months ago, and most know him now through rumors and media reports. And the little they know has not clarified their thinking.

One issue that has caused concern among both politicians and ordinary Zairians is the deep involvement of Zaire's neighbors on the alliance's side of the conflict.

At least a half-dozen nearby countries have aided the rebels since October. Earlier in the war, Rwanda and Uganda were helpful, providing financial help, strategic advice, troops and logistical aid.

Most recently, Angola's army has been active, providing troops, tanks and logistical support to help the rebels sweep toward Kinshasa.

Zairian Tutsis make up the core of the rebel force, and that also has kindled resentment and worry here. Many Zairians maintain that their country's Tutsis, residents of what makes up today's Zaire for more than a century, are really Rwandans. Tutsis make up 14 percent of Rwanda's population, and that nation, run by a Tutsi-controlled government.

The rebellion flared last October after Zairian officials threatened to eject Tutsis if they did not leave voluntarily.

"People know he's (Kabila) very close to Rwanda and Uganda, and they don't want to be dominated by Tutsis," said Raymond Kabalu, another adviser to Tshisekedi.

# Koreas' Red Crosses search for ways to deliver emergency food aid to North

The Washington Post

**BEIJING** — With the threat of widespread famine looming in North Korea, Red Cross officials from North and South Korea Saturday held their first meeting in five years in an effort to resolve disputes blocking the delivery of emergency food aid from the South.

The two delegations held talks for two hours at a hotel here in the capital of China, which is the only place regarded as neutral ground by the Koreans, which view each other's enemies.

International Committee of the Red Cross officials said the Korean delegates discussed three key issues: what route the food

aid will take to North Korea, how South Korean aid packages and bags will be labeled, and how the delivery of the food will be monitored to make sure it actually gets to the poor and hungry instead of the military and privileged others.

There was no resolution of the issues, but the two sides are to consult with their governments and reconvene on Monday.

South Korea wants its food aid to go through a border point along the Demilitarized Zone where the truce ending the 1950-53 Korean War was signed. Currently all food aid to North Korea either travels by rail from China or arrives at the North Korean port of Nampo.

South Korean Red Cross officials also want the bags and packages of food clearly marked as coming from South Korea, a point the North Korean government is likely to resist because it would represent an embarrassing admission of failure in the Communist North, which has long preached self-reliance.

Whether the food reaches the truly needy is also a key issue for donors.

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WORLD

# 'This is my life and I have to go on'

## Sulfuric acid attacks on Egyptian women illustrate larger problem of domestic abuse

Los Angeles Times

CAIRO, Egypt — Sixteen-year-old Marwa Mohammed Kamal, a good student with a bright future, had just stepped from her apartment in a working-class neighborhood when she saw the man she barely knew with whom she recently had broken off an arranged marriage. He raced toward the tall, striking young woman, flinging a foul-smelling liquid on her face, arm and back.

She collapsed in searing agony — the victim of what is becoming an increasingly common attack here. She had been burned with sulfuric acid. Three years and 15 excruciating operations later, she still is so disfigured and disfigured that she combs her hair over half her face.

"I can't describe the feeling," Kamal says. "What happened didn't only destroy my face, my heart was destroyed even more. Now, she rarely goes out. 'No one wants to see me,' she says in a still is so distraught, awaiting a future she describes as "dark, desperate and unknown."

Sulfuric acid — or "fire water," as it has been dubbed by many here — has become a cheap, convenient and horrible weapon for an increasing number of Egyptian men furious with wives, girlfriends or women in general.

The men involved, critics say, flee all too easily after committing their crime. If caught, too often they are not prosecuted rigorously and the law itself provides for relatively light penalties.

But for scores and perhaps hundreds of women, acid attacks have brought lifetimes of shame, isolation and suffering. The increase in such assaults across Egypt also has underscored what human rights activists see as an even greater issue — an epidemic of violence against women here. It is fueled, they say, by poverty, male frustration and a rising tide of Islamic extremism that often seems directed at curtailing women's choices.

Activists, for example, note that women are subject to harassment on streets here if they are considered to be dressed improperly. They note that Egyptian society tacitly condones female circumcision, which they call genital mutilation. Officially it is illegal but the majority of prepubescent girls here still must undergo the procedure because it is thought to curb their sexual urges.

Activists express their anger at the official indifference or complicity toward brutality against Egyptian women, a third of whom report in surveys that they are beaten at home and half of whom say they fear violence from their husbands.

"Violence against women is universal," said psychiatrist Aida Saif al-Dawla. "What is different here is that, in another country, no one could come out on television or on the radio (as some religious figures here have) and say there are situations when violence is legitimate and this would occur without any public reaction."

Indeed, to Westerners who have embraced many feminist ideas, it can be startling that there has not been a greater outcry about the wave of acid attacks in Egypt. There have been 22 of them in just the last three months, police say. Doctors who have treated victims say the number is even greater.

The attacks, psychologist Mohammed Shaulan said, are carried out by men who feel powerless — in economic or political terms. This breeds an anger and frustration they transfer to women. They resent them because they think they are "getting privileges because of their beauty," he said.

"These men think of refusal as an insult to their dignity and manhood," said Ahmed Magdoub, a professor at the National Center for Sociological and Criminal Research.

Women's growing economic power — with more of them now working and pursuing higher education — is another frequent source of tension, said Suzanne Fayad, a psychologist at the El-Nadeem Center for Violence Victims.

The insufficient official response to domestic violence starts at the lowest levels — with police, say women and human rights activists. They argue that police do not get involved in domestic violence because authorities usually do not consider it a crime when a man hits his wife.

Al-Dawla says the light legal penalty for "crimes of honor" — in which relatives assault or even kill wives thought to be immoral or unchaste — supports her belief that Egyptian society all but condones attacks on women.

The legislative system of the country gives the person who kills

his sister or daughter one to three years in prison for a crime (murder) that normally carries the death penalty, only because she seems to him to have disturbed the honor of the family," she said.

A survey by the National Population Council found that 86 percent of women respondents said that husbands are justified in sometimes beating wives — if the wife, for example, refuses sex or talks back.

Al-Dawla said she believes that violence against women is increasing because of changes in values in Egypt: This society more and more is caught up in an

officially promulgated Islamic ideology, intended to blunt the appeal of violent, anti-government Islamic groups.

As for Kamal, her family bucked the common practice here and waged a long court battle to see that her assault was imprisoned for 10 years for splashing her with acid.

This came at a further personal cost, however, as she has been subjected to media reports laden with innuendoes that she was promiscuous or unfaithful or that she had no justification for breaking her betrothal, and, therefore, deserved to be punished.

Kamal has written President Clinton seeking help, hoping that a plastic surgeon will hear about her case and perform the further operations that her father, a retired teacher, cannot afford.

She still stung by the curiosity of passers-by and often breaks down in tears, her father says.

"This is my life and I have to go on," Kamal says from behind the dark dresses that shrouded her attempt at a wistful smile. "This is my fate."


## Car bombs kill 9, injure 32 in Algeria

The Associated Press


ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Two car bombs exploded in a small town in western Algeria, killing at least nine people and wounding 32, hospital officials said Saturday.

The government did not immediately confirm the attacks, and there was no immediate claim of responsibility. Suspicion fell on Islamic militants, who have waged a five-year insurgency that has killed more than 60,000 people.

The bombs exploded late Friday outside a crowded cafe in the village of Bou Hanifa, 250 miles west of the capital, hospital workers said.



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# Organizers of coup d'etat have 2nd thoughts over conservationists

DAHO FALLS (AP) — Just two weeks after their coup d'etat, conservationists who wrenched control of the South Fork Watershed Council are having second thoughts about locking out the coalition that had spent months seeking consensus solutions to water use conflicts.

In a letter to leaders of groups ousted in the conservative Putsch April 17, freshman Republican state Rep. Cameron Wheeler of Ririe asked for their involvement again and solicited their recommendations of people to serve on the council's board.

The only guidelines we would like to suggest are that the person does not serve on other watershed groups and, if possible, lives or works in the South Fork watershed," Wheeler and board chairman Brent Ferguson wrote.

In a move that appeared to

destroy months of work by diverse interests to find generally acceptable solutions to conflicts on the South Fork of the Snake River, Wheeler and staunch conservative JoAn Wood, a veteran state lawmaker from Rigby, packed the mid-April council meeting.

In a room jammed with supporters, Wood and Wheeler took control of the session and orchestrated the election of their own slate of board members, primarily landowners, even though board elections were not on that night's agenda.

Wood claimed watershed councils elsewhere in Idaho include too many environmentalists and the South Fork council that had involved irrigators, environmentalists and anglers did not need to follow suit.

"The people who have to work for a living aren't represented on

these watershed councils," Wood said. "We didn't want people already in an advisory group who had no property or businesses or irrigation or leases in the watershed."

They had to back off, however, after it became clear to them that without broader representation that includes environmentalists and others beyond the landowners adjacent to the river, the board would never be accepted by the state.

And without that acceptance, the board would never have the opportunity to play a role in mandated stream cleanup, which likely will require major changes in livestock grazing, farm irrigation and recreation use.

The state is under a court directive to clean up 962 streams, including the South Fork, so they are swimmable, fishable and drinkable within eight years.

# Paving of final link of trail may begin soon

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Work has started on a stretch of the Centennial Trail between Post Falls and Coeur d'Alene, providing the final paved link in the 23-mile pedestrian and bicycle beltway in Kootenai County.

With recent showers, mud is oozing everywhere along the 3.5-mile route near the Huettner rest stop on Interstate 90.

"It got so sloppy the scraper

couldn't scrape," said Josh Steiner, astride a huge roller he's using to smooth out the trail bed. "With this mud, it doesn't compact as well."

And that's not the worst of it. "My nose has been doing nothing but run," said Steiner, who works for Coeur d'Alene-based Contractors Northwest. "I'm getting sick of this weather, that's for sure."

The Department of Transpor-

ation said the project is right on schedule despite the weather.

The \$1.2 million project was to be done two years ago, but the money ran out. Then a federal grant—almost was lost—when the city of Post Falls couldn't come up with a matching \$70,000. But last year, retired timber executive Dick DeArmond gave \$35,000, the largest single donation to the trail project.

# Delegation split over Chinese trade

LEWISTON (AP) — U.S. Sens. Larry Craig and Dirk Kempthorne buck renewal of China's low tariff trade status, but U.S. Rep. Helen Chenoweth opposes it.

David Christensen, international business chief for the state Department of Commerce, said Idaho companies, including Jacklin Seed Co. and Simplot Corp., exported \$15 million worth of goods to China last year.

U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich has tossed his support behind a plan to renew China's Most-Favored-Nation trade status for a three- to five-year period to make sure China lives up to its promises to protect freedom, in Hong Kong.

Craig blames the Clinton administration for accepting campaign contributions linked to the Chinese government, but contends the trade issue should be handled separately.

Craig said he supports renewing China's low-tariff trade status for access to its agricultural markets.



Helen Chenoweth Dirk Kempthorne Larry Craig

He contends it would make more sense to renew China's Most-Favored-Nation trade status on a three- to five-year basis instead of annually, to create trust.

Kempthorne's press secretary, Mark Snider, said the Idaho Republican has supported low-tariff trade status for China in the past and so far there is nothing in Congress to change that status.

Kempthorne talked with Chinese President Jiang Zemin about trade in November, Snider said, and reminded him human rights are a big concern.

Chenoweth, 1st District con-

gresswoman, said she continues to oppose renewing Most-Favored-Nation trade status for China based on uncertainties, such as its human rights problems, abortion policy, saber-rattling toward Taiwan and threat of Hong Kong.

# Officials can't do anything about rude bumper stickers

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Rudeness can't be regulated, local legal officials have discovered.

City and county attorneys researched whether laws could be enforced to ban what they consider obscene bumper stickers. They found no such laws in effect, and determined that the First Amendment protections for free speech cover what goes on bumper stickers.

"There's nothing we can do to keep these degenerates from flaunting their condition in public," said County Commissioner Ron Rankin. "Unfortunately,

decency isn't politically correct."

City and county lawyers began investigating laws covering obscene bumper stickers after Coeur d'Alene resident Tim Ball complained to both bodies about what he considered obscene decals on a neighbor's truck.

Two stickers that phonetically spell the dirty words, and two illustrations with cartoon characters making an obscene gesture are prominently displayed in the truck's rear window.

Local officials said they think the displays are inappropriate, but there is nothing they can do.

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# Candidate already involved in school issues

By Marty Krouse  
TheTimes-News

**HAILEY** - When Blaine County School Board Chairman Lynn Flickinger told a group of Hemingway Elementary School parents in March that she was planning to step down this summer, she hoped one of them might step up.

One did.

Kate Parnes, mother of three children in the district - two of them at Hemingway - and a substitute teacher there, decided to run for the zone 4 seat.

The Hemingway parents group "has always been very active," Flickinger said last week.

"I really believe we should par-

ticipate in the community that we live in," Parnes, who is running unopposed, said in a telephone interview.

Parnes first moved to the area in 1977, and now lives midvalley with her husband, Andy, and children.

With a degree and background in early-childhood education, Parnes will come to the position with a solid understanding of some of what the board has been doing.

"This, happily, is a noncontingent time in the school district," Parnes said Thursday. She talked about a couple of district programs that interest her - integrated curriculum and Reading Recovery.

District Curriculum Director

Jim Lewis explained those programs.

Reading Recovery, he said, is a program aimed primarily at first-graders. It seeks to diagnose students' reading skills at an early stage in order to bring students to the same level of reading early on.

"Many students come (to kindergarten) with different skills," he said.

This program breaks down reading into components such as phonetics, spelling and grammar, Lewis said, "so a teacher can see what it is that's causing a student problem."

"Fundamental to everything, is reading," he said.

The program began with a \$6,000 grant from the state,

which the district used to train teachers in Reading Recovery instruction.

The integrated curriculum, Lewis said, is based on the idea that the things one learns at school should be related to what one can expect after graduation.

The program is an "approach to academics much like you approach life," Lewis said, with several disciplines combined in one lesson.

Lewis gave the example of a student working on a computer to write a report about science - computer skills, English and science applied in a single lesson.

The integrated curriculum still

is being developed, Lewis said, and the Reading Recovery Program is well under way.

Lewis said he was glad to have more support for the programs.

"We're excited to have Mrs. Parnes on board," he said.

If elected this month, Parnes will move into the seat in July when Flickinger steps down after nine years on the board and five years as chairwoman.

Times-News correspondent Marty Krouse can be reached in Ketchum at 725-0211.

**County to open new DMV building**

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The county's new motor vehicle department building will officially open Monday with a dedication and open house at 9 a.m.

The new building is at 260 4th Ave. N. It houses driver's license, auto license, the coroner's and veterans' services offices. The public is invited to tour the new offices.

An open house will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. in the commissioner's office in the Twin Falls County Courthouse for Commissioner Brent Reinke, who was recently appointed to head the state Department of Juvenile Corrections.

## EXPANDING THEIR HORIZONS



Kerri Jo Weber, left, Juteik Weber and Kellie Whittaker, all of Dietrich, put away rubbish during the Lincoln County 4-H Club's spring cleanup Saturday. In honor of Johnny Horizon Day, about 25 4-H'ers cleared a site north of the county fairgrounds for parking during the fair.

## Ketchum City Council to meet Monday

The Times-News

**KETCHUM** - The Ketchum City Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Ketchum City Hall.

These public hearings are scheduled:

- Application of DMW Inc. for a conditional-use permit for Frenchman's Townhomes' planned unit development subdivision on the corner of Fourth Avenue and Williams Street.
- Proposed amendments to a zoning ordinance regarding the community core district.
- Application of Ketchum city to vacate portions of Ninth Street right of way between Second and Third avenues, and Second Avenue right of way between Eighth and Ninth streets.
- Adoption of an ordinance establishing an emergency stream bank stabilization permit.
- Proposed amendments to a zoning ordinance on the Floodplain Management Overlay Zoning District.
- Proposed amendments to a zoning ordinance related to day-care businesses within the city.

In old business, Chip Fisher will present a proposal for the construction and financing of an underground parking garage and public mall in the vicinity of Fourth Street between East and Leadville avenues adjacent to

Giacobi Square and the Wells Fargo parking lot.

The council will consider the application of LGS Associates for a phased development plan for the proposed Autumnwoods Townhomes at 475 Wood River Drive.

In new business, the council will consider ECD Inc.'s application to subdivide the Ketchum Townsite at 320 Leadville Ave. N.

in the community core zone into three condominium units.

The council will consider ordinances and resolutions on: a non-exclusive master franchise for Sumps 4 Inc., dba Bald Mountain Taxi; the community core district; an emergency stream bank stabilization permit; the floodplain management overlay district; and day-care businesses.

## Blaine County Commission to meet

**HAILEY** - Blaine County commissioners will meet at 8:45 a.m. Monday.

A public comment session is first on the agenda, followed by the Blaine Soil Conservation District, a department-head meeting, John Lamma with the PEHF plan, findings regarding Parker Gulch Road - the public is invited but no comment will be taken - and a commissioner discussion.

The afternoon agenda includes a general planning and zoning discussion, which will be followed by open time from 2:30 to 4 p.m., when the commissioners will have a discussion.

The meetings are open to the public.

Compiled from staff reports

## VALLEY IN BRIEF

### South Lincoln Road in Jerome to close

**JEROME** - The South Lincoln Road will be closed to through traffic for about 40 days beginning Monday for road construction from 400-South to 500 South.

Following completion of work for this section, the 300 South to 400 South section will be closed for about 40 days. Call 734-4888 with questions.

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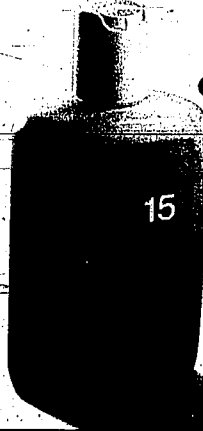
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2. When you're outside at work or play, apply a sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15.
3. Dress sensibly. That means a hat, long-sleeves, and long pants, especially when you expect to be in the sun for long periods. Most skin cancers develop on uncovered parts of the body.

4. Finally, teach your children to have a healthy respect for the sun. One severe sunburn in childhood or adolescence may double the risk of skin cancer.

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# Ski resort's mood dark after fatality

Knight-Ridder News Service

DENVER — Until recently, this spring has been a skier's dream, here — fresh snow meringuing the peaks right into May, ski resorts extending their seasons week by week, and lift tickets slashed to the cost of a drive-thru special at a fast-food joint.

But a collision at Vail — which left one skier dead and another facing a manslaughter investigation — has darkened the mood.

Authorities contend that Nathan Hall, 18, an off-duty lift operator at Vail, was racing down an intermediate-level run when he slammed into Alan Cobb, 33, a beginning skier from Denver, killing Cobb almost instantly.

Experienced skiers often use the easier runs for faster skiing. "We have several witnesses who say (Hall) was skiing too fast and in a reckless manner," said Detective Mike McWilliams of the Eagle County Sheriff's Department, "and that's the reason the gentleman was killed."

The Eagle County District Attorney's Office is considering charging Hall with manslaughter. The accident happened April 20.

If District Attorney F. Ete Michelson pursues the case at a hearing next month, it would be only the second time in Colorado's history that a fatal-ski collision has resulted in criminal charges.

In 1989, a Texas man pleaded no contest to criminally negligent homicide in connection with the ski-slope death of an 11-year-old girl, Kari Meylor of Sioux City, Iowa, at the Winter Park resort.

While Michelson would not comment on the Hall case, he wrote an article in a Colorado newspaper in 1994 on the dangers of careless skiers.

"Each year, my office prosecutes an increasing number of skiers, usually young, often local, who are charged with, and usually convicted of, assault through reckless skiing, or violations of the (Ski Safety) act," he wrote.

The state's Ski Safety Act of 1979, which was revised in 1991, requires ski resorts to clearly mark the difficulty of their runs, and demands that skiers stick to runs within their capabilities.

"Each skier has the duty to maintain control of his speed and course at all times when skiing and to maintain a proper lookout so as to be able to avoid other skiers and objects," according to the law.

People convicted of third-degree assault under the act face up to two years in jail, and a \$5,000 fine.

The manslaughter charge that Hall could face carries a maximum 16-year prison term and a \$500,000 fine.

"I'm very upset, as is his family," said his attorney, Brett Heckman of Vail, "as is understandable. Their hearts go out to the Cobb family."

The collision between Hall and Cobb occurred near the bottom of the run, where several runs of all skill levels come together.

"The inherent problem we're dealing with here is that you had beginning or slow skiers in very heavily trafficked areas with expert skiers, who were skiing as expert skiers do," Heckman said.

# Ramsey media interviews leave questions unanswered

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — The password:

Reporters who met with the parents of JonBenet Ramsey not only had to know a secret password to get in the door. They had to wear small white stickers and agree to restrictions on what they could ask.

"They were extremely peculiar, extraordinary circumstances," said Christopher Lopez, an editor at The Denver Post.

It was the long-awaited direct questioning of John and Patricia Ramsey in their daughter's death, but it only raised more questions.

Six-year-old JonBenet was found strangled in her family's basement Dec. 26. Ramsey discovered the body about eight

hours after Mrs. Ramsey discovered a 2-1/2

page ransom note demanding \$118,000. On Saturday, the Rocky Mountain News reported that the note was an angry missive at Ramsey, warning him his daughter would be headed if the ransom were not paid.

The newspaper said it obtained the contents of the note from sources who have seen it.

"We respect your business but not the country it serves," the note said, purporting to come from a "small foreign nation." It concludes with the signoff "Victory, SBTC."

Ramsey served at the defunct Subic Bay Training Center at the U.S. naval base in

the Philippines in the late 1960s. He is president of Access Graphics, a computer software distributor that grossed more than \$1 billion last year, and the \$118,000 in the note is reportedly equal to his 1995 bonus.

The note, which misspells the words "possession" and "business," tells Ramsey not to talk to authorities and not to wear any monitoring devices, the newspaper said.

Ramsey has been ruled out as author of the note, but Mrs. Ramsey has been asked for a fifth handwriting sample.

District Attorney Alex Hunter would not comment on the newspaper's report. University of Denver Law professor

Robert Hardaway, a former prosecutor and public defender, called the timing of the report interesting.

"It comes right after their interview, maybe they're trying to do everything at once to counter the negativity," he said, adding such information leaked to the public "plays out in terms of venue, in terms of getting a jury pool."

Hal Haddon, an attorney for the Ramseys, said the family had nothing to do with the release of the note.

No arrests have been made, but Hunter recently acknowledged the Ramseys are the focus of the investigation. That has prompted the Ramseys to speak out, some observers say.

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## EDITORIAL

### Sawtooth Forest user fee 'experiment' only 1st step

A couple of months back, under the headline, "Protecting the public's forest from the public," we warned you about the Forest Service's plan for user fees in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area and the Ketchum Ranger District.

"This elitist plan will surely go forward unless southern Idaho residents speak up," we said.

The boys in the green suits were hurt by these words — and said so. The fee proposal wasn't a done deal, they protested. It was just an idea, subject to public input. Our criticism was unfairly premature, they told us.

Yeah, right. After listening to public comments (muted by the soothing influence of an "open house" environment rather than a free-wheeling public hearing), the Forest Service last week trotted out a cosmetically doctored version of the first plan.

Changes in the plan will probably appease various user groups, such as senior citizens, who will be eligible for discounts. The most draconian aspect of the original — which required at least a \$15-fee before you could take your family on a picnic — has been removed. Now there's a \$2-per-person day pass and an exemption for kids under 7.

All very nice, but the basic concept remains. Starting in June, if taxpayers want to visit their publicly owned woodlands in the SNRA or the Ketchum district, they'll have to pay. People probably won't squawk

much, because the fees are relatively low, and because they apply only to the SNRA and the Ketchum district. Well-heeled and environmentally oriented Wood River Valley residents won't mind. Besides, the three-year plan is being called an experiment.

But the camel's nose is inside the tent. Already, forest personnel in the Burley area say the route to Fossilville may become a toll road if the SNRA experiment works out. Today's Magic Valley residents may well live to see the whole Sawtooth National Forest regulated on a fee-for-use basis.

Last week, a General Accounting Office report predicted a basic shift in the agency's national outlook and goals over the past several years. Once oriented toward productive uses that created jobs in timber and range industries, the Forest Service is increasingly dedicated to wildlife and fish preservation.

This shift is no surprise to Westerners. We've seen Forest Service priorities change as old-time resource managers have been replaced by environmentalist bureaucrats oriented toward wildlife and elite recreation. Locally, under the leadership of Forest Supervisor William LeVere and his Clinton administration bosses, the Sawtooth National Forest, is increasingly unfriendly to resource users.

Cattlemen were first to feel the chill. For the rest of us living in this area, it starts next month. So much for your public input.



LET'S SEE... AFTER GOING TO WORK, CAR POOLING LITTLE LEAGUE, SWIM PRACTICE, AND PIANO, THEN GOING TO PTA, NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH, AND CHURCH COMMITTEE MEETINGS, I HAVE A SPARE BLOCK OF TIME FROM 9:30 TIL 11:00 TUESDAY NIGHTS...

## LETTERS

### Real campaign finance reform

Campaign and political reform: "Any lobbyist, foreign government or foreign company giving or trying to give money to any elected official or anyone running for office would be fined \$5 million; any assets they might have in the United States would go to Social Security Trust Fund."

Each lobbyist will pay each political party a fee of \$1 million a year for every firm or organization it represents. That is, solely a United States firm or organization. Any United States company or organization doing business outside of the United States would pay \$1.5 million to each political party. All nonprofit firms, organizations or groups would pay \$500,000 for each lobbyist.

The presidential race would receive 5 percent of the above, the Senate races 15 percent, and the House races 25 percent. The remaining 55 percent would go to the Medicaid Trust Fund. Congressmen, senators or candidates for office could raise money only in their home state. Gifts from individuals are not to exceed \$1,000 per year. Gifts from companies or organizations that operate solely within the state, no limits, and to be divided equally between the state and the party.

A presidential candidate could receive \$1,000 from any U.S. citizen every year he or she is seeking office. Monies from all companies or organizations are not to be divided between each candidate who wins the election of his or her party. Candidates that receive less than 15 percent of the vote in the final election do not qualify for funds.

The presidential candidates could accept \$1,000 from any individual. Any investigation of any public official would be at the expense of his or her political party. The political party candidate or public official, elected or appointed, would reimburse any agency that is asked to investigate the alleged candidate.

A cap of \$25 million on national conventions. A cap of \$200 million on presidential races. House and Senate candidates could spend no more than three times what they raised from individuals in their home state for the primary, with a cap of \$5 million for House races and \$8 million for Senate races in the general election.

All monies over what is raised on a statewide or national basis, 60 percent would go to Social Security, Medicare and education divided equally. The remaining 40 percent would be divided between major political parties for the next general election or expenses for investigating their members.

WALTER RUTHERFORD  
Buhl

### United Way funded by donors

Let me say at the beginning, I have no bone to pick with the Twin Falls Crime Prevention Association, however, I must take issue with the fifth paragraph of its recent advertisement.

The United Way is a national organization but is not funded by the federal government. Individual agencies and individual programs may receive fund-

ing money, however, such funds are specific and designated in how they will be used by the participating agency.

In the case of The Salvation Army, we received \$5,400 of Federal Emergency Management Administration funds to assist with emergency rent and lodging. Other than these funds, we receive no federal money locally.

What funds United Way is the thousands of generous donors and hundreds of volunteers who give of their time, effort and enthusiasm to make the Magic Valley a better place to live. I understand the necessity of raising funds because even the best intentions without money don't produce needed help. I am sure a phone call to our local United Way office could have helped clear up this unfortunate bit of information.

The United Way of Magic Valley works because it is local people concerned about local needs and seeking to meet those needs — you guessed it — locally.

CAFFT, ROGER G. DAVIS  
The Salvation Army  
Twin Falls

### Governor chose best man for Job

It is refreshing to see the governor's office select the best candidate for the job of director of the Department of Juvenile Corrections.

Three years ago, Brent Reinke took the Twin Falls County juvenile justice system on his shoulders and said come ride with me and we will have the best program in the state. Since then, we have built one of the finest programs in the state.

A few of the programs we now have are volunteer mentors for kids at risk who are not yet in the system and a volunteer accountability board which holds juveniles accountable for their crimes. He also recently established a very successful safe house for kids at risk. His vision is clear. Every child counts and, it is our duty as citizens and taxpayers to make sure not one falls through the cracks of the system.

I cannot see how people who do not even know him and what he has accomplished can condemn him. Sure, he doesn't have a college degree, but honestly, how many people do you know who have a college degree and are just plain stupid? Brent Reinke has old-fashioned values. He is not afraid to roll up his sleeves and give whatever it takes to see the tasks before him completed.

Brent will take the Department of Juvenile Corrections, put it on his shoulders and say follow me into a bright future. I for one have seen what he has done here in Twin Falls County. His vision and leadership are second to none. The state of Idaho has gained an inspirational leader we all can learn from. I am only sorry to see the citizens of Twin Falls County lose theirs.

JODY GALAN  
Twin Falls

### Reinke knows juvenile justice

This letter is in response to the controversy over Brent Reinke's appointment as director of Juvenile Justice.

I have had the pleasure of working with Brent since he took office as a Twin Falls County commissioner in 1994. I have seen the many changes that have taken place since he was sworn into office, and I can honestly say all have been for the better.

It really disturbs me that so much emphasis has been placed on formal education; it is quite apparent that Gov. Batt has the insight to know it takes a lot more than spending years in a classroom and doing research to make a good leader. Brent Reinke has something far better than a bachelor's, master's or doctorate degree — common sense, desire to do what is right, willingness to listen to those that he serves, drive to get the job done, and objectivity to listen to the issues and make a decision based upon the facts! I do not think Gov. Batt could have chosen a better person for the position.

Brent is responsible for the great strides Twin Falls County juvenile justice has made. He has been very involved with juvenile justice since he took office. One of the first tasks Brent undertook as a commissioner was to work with Paul Frick and Doug Rublatus on establishing early intervention programs to try to curb the growth of juvenile crime in the county. Not only has Brent been involved in juvenile justice on the local level, but also working with other counties in the state sharing ideas on crime prevention and early intervention.

Brent has also been very active in influencing legislation on the state level regarding juvenile justice. In my opinion, this practical knowledge of how the juvenile justice system functions is much more beneficial to the state of Idaho than a degree he can hang on the wall.

The only regret I have is losing Brent Reinke as a very valuable commissioner!

RENEE ROBBINS  
Jerome

### Beer sales will be at tournament

After what I have read and heard recently about the Twin Falls American Legion Baseball Association and Booster Club and the controversy over beer sales at the upcoming Western Days men's softball tournament, I feel I should comment.

Actually, it was my idea to raise money for the baseball program from the beer sales at the tournament. (Also, T-shirt sales at the state tournament as well as a \$1,000 donation from the Men's Softball Association.) People should not have a hard time with this concept. In reality, the Men's Softball Association are the ones selling the beer with proceeds being donated to the American Legion baseball program.

We have asked a few parents to volunteer to work the booth. Instead of distancing themselves from these kids, these organizations and others in the community should be looking for ways to support them.

COBY OCHENBER  
Men's Softball Association  
Twin Falls

## The Times-News

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## LETTERS

### LeVere trying to help landusers

I have been following the Bill LeVere vs. the agrarian segment of Idaho's population dealing with the livestock industry "tug of war." There, you had the segment who takes its living from the land who resents any type of regulation that prohibits them from doing what they can well please, right or wrong. I know the attitude because I was born and raised on a farm when we had much more freedom. I know the feeling of resentment toward civil authority when I felt it interfere with what I deemed to be my inalienable rights.

However, times change and we must change with them. The days of the Old West are gone forever. With it should go "this range is mine to use as I please" attitude because, like it or not, it belongs to all of the people. The regulations which apply to the public's use of the land should apply to all of the people, not a chosen few.

Those of you who are engaged in farm/livestock operations and have range permits have a gift, a bonanza, a piece of all people should want to protect and conserve because that is public land. You should get behind Bill LeVere and help him protect those resources for your own benefit as well as for the benefit of the vast majority who also has a vested privilege in the use of public lands. A minor segment of the farm/livestock industry does abuse the land.

There are many cattle producers in Idaho who do not have a range permit who would give their eyeteeth if they could raise and feed their stock as cheaply as you who are doing this squawking. You are not only getting a heck of a deal, but you are abusing the privilege.

The motives involved in giving Bill LeVere a hard time are greed, resentment of the laws of the land and total disrespect for the rights of the public which equates to poor citizenship. As for the laws governing usage of public lands, if they are so unfair, why persecute a man who is trying to do an honest job? This is like saying we don't like the law, so destroy the officer if he

tries to enforce it. Why not apply the pressure to the congress persons who serve to do your bidding, right or wrong, to rewrite the law.

J.A. "JIM" MARTIN  
Rupert

### Leaders need to repair dairy rift

An open letter to Gwen Rost, mayor of Wendell.

I have grown tired of your latest rantings about the local dairies, so I thought that a few suggestions might help you with your problem.

1. If files, odors and dust are a problem in town, then you should outlaw all animals within the city limits. You know, clean your own house first.

2. If the town of Wendell is growing so fast, why don't you fill every vacant lot in town before you push for urban sprawl.

The dairymen in Gooding County could also help solve your problem.

1. Boycott all businesses in Wendell that don't support our industry. Dairy employees and farmers could join in too.
2. Move the Dairy Days celebration to a community that appreciates and supports our industry.

County and city leaders in Gooding County have created a hostile environment between the dairy industry and themselves. I hope that they will come to their senses before their words and deeds create a rift that cannot be repaired.

BLAINE MILLER  
Wendell

**Jerome election**

Want to state your opinion about the new \$1.5 million school bond election?

Deadline for election letters is 2 p.m. today.

To be considered in the Times-News, please send your letter to:

- ☐ Fax it to 734-6533.
- ☐ E-mail it to [editor@timesnews.com](mailto:editor@timesnews.com).
- ☐ Hand deliver it to our office, 132 Third St., W. Twin Falls.

We look forward to hearing from you!

### Doonesbury



### By Garry Trudeau



### Mallard Fillmore



### By Bruce Tinsley



OPINION

LETTERS

**Vote yes to invest in youth**

Vote yes May 8 for a new Jerome Middle School. Your vote will also include upgrades and renovations at Central, Jefferson and Jerome High School. This bond issue will eliminate the present overcrowded situation in existing facilities. This bond issue will provide the growing Jerome community a positive, productive, educational environment for years to come, a visible source of pride for all residents. Bond monies must be used for the purpose of constructing school buildings, renovation, landscaping, site work, equipment and furnishings.

As Jerome County taxpayers, we urge you to take this opportunity to invest in our youth, a valuable resource in the future of Jerome County. Vote yes May 8.

JACK AND BETTY HYDER, Jerome

**School bond issue is answer**

To the patrons of the Jerome School District:  
On May 8, we will have an opportunity to invest in the future of our community. A yes vote on the proposed school bond issue will greatly help update the current facilities to enhance the education of our young people.

The Jerome school staff is doing a great job of preparing our students for the future; however, the district is out of classroom space again. The district personnel has worked with the community to obtain additional funding for computers, books, playground equipment, etc., through grants, chocolate sales, spaghetti feeds, etc. These efforts have greatly helped the school district purchase these items which would not have been funded any other way. However, the only way to raise enough money for school building improvements is with a school bond issue.

As a result of these collaborative fund drives, the district has experienced an increase in parent involvement and community participation.

Utilizing private donations of time and money, the school district personnel and students have successfully connected the public library to the Internet through the district's server. The district is currently working to speed up the Jerome County court house's Internet capabilities by connecting them to the district server. This will help fully utilize the district's computer network. Schools contribute to their communities in the most fundamental ways by providing partnerships for young people to share their expertise in actively contributing to their community.

Our community continues to grow with 75 to 100 new students every year. We need to provide adequate facilities for this growth and for future growth. The facilities built and improved by this bond issue will do this.

Some will have reasons to vote no, but the young people

need everyone's help now. The Jerome School District desperately needs these new facilities and modifications. Please remember the future leaders of our community and vote yes on May 8.

STEVE AND MARY MARSHALL, Jerome

**Support Jerome students**

To Jerome School District patrons:  
On May 8, you have the chance to show your support for students and their families. By voting in favor of the school bond issue, you are ensuring the best possible education for the same students who will be driving forces in our community. These are the students who are our future leaders. Jerome has become a rapidly growing and progressive community. Our children deserve the opportunity to secure the educational skills which will

ready them to be contributing members of society.

Our schools are vastly overcrowded, due to the unexpected growth of Jerome. A new middle school would allow room for 950 students. Statistics show that this will decrease dropout rates, strengthen safety and security of students and increase the use and understanding of technology. We have no place in the current schools for expansion. Without a new middle school and remodeling of the high school, Jerome will not be able to provide the quality of education that you and your children and grandchildren are entitled to.

Please visit our schools and determine for yourself the need for the bond. Talk to the students, the staff and administration. Most of all, please come out and vote yes on May 8.  
ED AND NANCY CHURCHMAN, Jerome



**The Westland Family of Dealerships**

Dear Reader: The intent of this column is to provide you with common sense answers and information relating to cars, trucks, sport utilities, boats and RVs.

**Speaking of Service...**

Remember when it was relatively simple to perform routine maintenance on your own car? It was like cleaning the house...you regularly changed the oil, the filter and even the spark plugs. Now, it's difficult to even locate the spark plugs on your new car or truck!

Marvin Ray of Red Lodge, Montana, author of *The Future Repair Shop and Understanding Today's Automotive Technician*, has these tips for choosing a repair facility:

- 1) Drive by a repair facility, look for newer cars. Older cars are not bad...however, you are looking for a facility that is equipped and experienced in working on newer cars.
- 2) Check inside...Is the shop clean? Are technicians certified? Is the shop equipped with the necessary diagnostic equipment and tools to fix your car?
- 3) Talk to their people... Can you communicate easily with their personnel? What kind of service records do they keep?
- 4) If a warranty is offered, what is the length of the warranty and what does it cover?
- 5) How long have they been in business?

Shop as carefully for the people to maintain and repair your car as you shopped to buy it. In fact, the dealership where you purchased your car is one of the best places to go first. Why?

Dealerships have the most up-to-date service training. When the new models appear in showrooms, manufacturers have already provided the latest training programs for dealership service technicians. Dealership service departments are the manufacturers' top priority for updated repair techniques. Put to work, the knowledge and expertise of the dealership's certified technicians.

Manufacturers require dealers to have the tools and latest diag-

nostic equipment so warranty work and repairs can be performed properly. They are constantly updating dealership service manuals and special toolkits allow dealer technicians to consult with factory experts on hard-to-find problems.

Dealerships have the latest original equipment parts. They fit and perform best because it is the same part that was used when your vehicle was built. Computer networks often link dealerships; you can get a part quickly from another dealer.

Dealerships employ trained service advisors. They keep a service/maintenance history for your car, helping you avoid unnecessary diagnostic tests, and you benefit from quieter, less costly repairs. Communicate with these service advisors...if it clunks, they need to know everything about your "clunk."

In general, when proper equipment and parts are used by trained technicians on a repair, the dealership stands behind that repair. In addition to any warranty offered by the car maker on replacement parts. For example, at Gary's Westland Motors, we offer a one-year, 12,000-mile warranty on our work.

Do your part. Read your owner's manual and warranty. Know what to expect from your vehicle and what your responsibilities are. Set priorities for regular maintenance and suggested repairs.

Communicate clearly concerns and needs to your service advisor. As the old saying goes, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." So it is with new cars and trucks. Careful attention, proper maintenance and repair by a reputable shop will provide you and your family countless hours of enjoyment on the road!

NEXT WEEK: When it goes Clunk!

We welcome your comments and suggestions. Please contact us at:

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## Passing trains that have no names

Editor's note: Passenger rail service will end across southern Idaho Saturday after more than 120 years.

Bobby Coppinger was the skinniest, homeliest, most scatterbrained kid in the fourth grade, with a wild mane of hair and a thatch of red hair that jutted out in all directions.

But he never lacked for friends. That's because his dad was a railroad conductor and if you were tight with Bobby, sometimes you got to ride the City of Portland.

The Portland was a 300-ton bolt of lightning in Union Pacific yellow and scarlet and mirror-bright silver — and it struck out of the Portneuf Gap a little after sundown each day.



**DON'T ASK ME**  
Steve Crump

The train sliced through the grimy Pocatello rail yards like a gazelle through a herd of oxen, sending freights and milk trains scurrying for the sidings.

There was a Chicago-style frontier sense of urgency about the Portland, a train with promises to keep. The club car was filled with stylish and important-looking people, bound for someplace better than Pocatello, a churchly, blue-collar outpost that was long on clapboard and short on pretense.

Grandest of all, though, was Ray Coppinger himself, with his gold watch box, brimmed box hat, and an impeccable three-piece suit the color of blue- that's about to be swallowed up by black.

An imposing man despite his paunch, he'd pat the quarter-mile and back again, chanting the litany: Tickets were to be ready. Luggage was to be kept out of the aisles. Passengers were to please refrain.

Faraway places were telescoped by the familiar, for Portland was only a matter of time from American Falls, Minidoka, Shoshone, Gooding, Glenns Ferry, Boise, Nampa, Baker City, Fendleton and WALLA WALLA.

Ray was the senior conductor in the Pocatello Division, which meant that two or three times a year, Bobby and his pals would get to tag along as he walked his rounds.

On winter nights, you could stand on the platform between two passenger cars and watch an eastbound freight fly past at 70 mph, making your breath and mist clouds of snow that swirled like a ballroom singer's dreams of heaven.

Sometimes the Pullman porter would show you his collection of neatly folded and lovingly pressed and matchbook covers autographed by Ernest Hemingway, Claudette Colbert or somebody else in the smart set that rode the train to Shoshone in order to get to Bonanza.

Or you could sit next to the portbelled stove in the caboose and listen to the brakeman's tales of how Burt Cassidy was still alive and lying in wait for the mail train that would be between Georgetown and Kenner.

Still, there were strict protocols to be observed. No one but the conductor ever pushed a ticket. No one save the porter ever carried a bag.

And nobody, but nobody, except the engineer got to blow the whistle.

Well, almost nobody. In the early '60s, the UP began cutting back its passenger train crews, and Ray Coppinger's job was eliminated. Given the choice of retiring early or bumping some brakeman from his job, he picked the former.

But he took Bobby, Lee Atkins and myself along on his last run.

It was a Saturday night in February, and there were no more than a dozen passengers between Soda Springs and Pocatello. As the Portland descended the Portneuf River Valley, Ray solemnly walked his beat for the last time, silently shaking hands with the crew, tears in his eyes.

We followed along until he reached the engine. There, Ray handed the engineer, who had hired on with the UP at the same time that I did, a 30-year-old train case.

His railroad-issue pocket watch.

"You'll need more than I will, Sam," Coppinger said, looking at his spit-shined shoes.

The engineer swallowed audibly, took the watch in one leather-gloved hand and wiped a tear off his cheek with the other.

"What the hell, Ray," he said after a full minute of silence. "It's your turn to blow the whistle."

Coppinger turned on his heels.

"You boys do it."

Anyone riding a railroad crossing south of Pocatello that night must have wondered if the Portland had been possessed by a banshee.

"This train sounds like it might become a ghost," the engineer said as the Portland sped to a stop before the depot.

Ray Coppinger managed a slight smile.

"Already is."

Steve Crump is the Times-News features editor.

## Simplot plant workers ponder future after layoff announcement

### Words of comfort become hard to find

By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — When her friends finally telephone her, Vinn Esquivel knows she won't be able to find the words of comfort they need.

"It's been two days and I haven't heard from them," said Esquivel, 63. "And I'm afraid to call them. What do I say?"

Esquivel's husband, Jesse, 59, and her friends work at J.R. Simplot Co., which announced Friday that it will lay off half of its work force at the end of July.

Vinn Esquivel, a retired Simplot employee, lives in a neatly kept home within sight of the sprawling factory, which is suddenly shrouded by the community's worry about the future.

"We've been living at this corner for 30 years and this is the first time something like this has ever happened," she said.

Businesses and municipalities are bracing for a shock to the economy that is expected to ripple across both sides of the Snake River into Minidoka and Cassia counties.

Competition from Canadian and Midwestern processors has cut production, company officials say, which will cost the area 384 jobs.

"I was shocked, I guess I'm still in shock. It would have had a colossal impact on our area," Heyburn Mayor Glen Loveland said.

Loveland said he doesn't know how Heyburn will change, but the city of 3,000 residents has been planning for growth, not recession.

At Joe's River Bar across the street from the French-fry factory, some patrons cradled pints of beer Saturday and bitterly pondered their next step.

Some workers will be laid-off temporarily, then learn later which ones will get the permanent boot.

"It looks like unemployment and welfare rolls if I get the permanent layoff," bemoaned bar patron Mack Ostergar, 47, who works in shipping.

Sandra Tafuya spent Saturday afternoon relaxing with her three young children in a park next to the Simplot industry. But her mind is not relaxed. Soon she will have to get a job to help her husband, who expects to be laid off from his Simplot job.

Tafuya and her family have lived here for five years. Her 7-year-old daughter, Luisa, translated her mother's concerns to English from Spanish. Shrugging her shoulders, Sandra Tafuya said she doesn't know yet where she will find work.

Her daughter added: "Because she doesn't know English."

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Vinn Esquivel retired from the J.R. Simplot Co. after 30 years of service but still has many friends who work there. She said she hasn't had the heart to call any of them but has lit candles for them. Her husband, who still works at the plant, received a letter from the company Friday informing him of the impending cuts.

## Jerome patrons prepare for \$13.6 million bond vote

By Mark Helz  
Times-News writer

JEROME — Jerome's schools need improvements so badly that the district has no clear contingency plan if this week's \$13.6 million bond issue fails, Superintendent Jim Cobble says.

But some property owners say the bond issue could fail for the same reason a similar proposal was rejected last fall: School funding is too dependent on property taxes.

Still, everyone agrees there is a clear need for the improvements the district has proposed.

"I have no argument with what the school district wants to do — they need it," said Paul Lieberg of Jerome.

Mike Miller, a history and government teacher at Jerome High School, said he thinks overcrowding at his school has gotten bad enough to be a safety concern.

"Just come here and stand in the hall while the bells ring," he said. "With everybody moving around in here with backpacks, we can barely get around. I'd hate to see what would happen in an emergency."

Cobble said there are also bad at Jerome Middle School.

"We have 80 eighth-grade students going to classes in a substandard building with three classrooms and three teachers," he said.

Conditions like that can discourage students from even showing up for class, Cobble said. The annual average attendance rate at grade 8 in Jerome is about 92 percent, compared with a better than 95 percent state average, he said.

In addition to clearing up crowding at



Jerome High School seniors, from left, Kimberly Fitzpatrick, Wintham, Kelko Thon and Katy Leedom, sat in line at the hallway Friday. The four friends say they are faced to find alternative places to eat due to overcrowding of the lunchroom. "We're seniors and we can't even sit in our own lunchroom," Thon said.

the middle and high school, the district hopes to use the bond issue to get all its schools to an ideal size — neither too big or too small, Cobble said.

That is in line with statewide goals, said Idaho Department of Education spokeswoman Rhonda Edmiston.

There has been a long-term trend toward building bigger schools to save on overhead costs, Edmiston said.

That can put students and teachers in an impersonal setting where students' needs can easily get lost in the shuffle, she said.

But if a school is too small, it may also have a limited faculty and curriculum, she said.

## Tax protester recounts IRS struggle

By Gregory Hahn  
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — Lester Perry's home really isn't that great, he says.

The paint is flecking and peeling on the little green antique house a few miles north of Heyburn, and wild grasses cover most of the two-acre lot.

But the inside is cozy, warmed by an ironwood stove, and filled with memories of children and grandchildren.

And Perry is willing to go to battle to keep it.

For the past few years, Perry has been fighting with the Internal Revenue Service.

"We've been fighting a paper war, shooting paper bullets back and forth," he told *The Times-News* in April after he and about 25 taxpayers met IRS agents at the Minidoka County Courthouse and thwarted their attempt to auction the property.

Last Monday, the war intensified during a confrontation between Perry and an IRS agent at the Perrys' home. The agent, Donald F. Jensen of Boise, was serving notice to the Perrys that the IRS was going to make a second attempt to sell the property, this time in Boise.

Perry later told police Jensen had been trespassing. Jensen told police he was assaulted, which Perry denies. In any event, the skirmish ended when Jensen used a chemical spray on Perry. It forced him into the hospital in pain and later to Minidoka Memorial Hospital for treatment.

Neither man filed charges, but Perry said he plans to sue the agency and the agent for what he said is just the last in a long line of injustices at the hands of the IRS.

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Bond Issue details	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Cost to homeowners:	\$57 a year for a \$50,000 home; \$79 a year for a \$75,000 home.
<input type="checkbox"/> Payoff period:	20 years
<input type="checkbox"/> Voting:	The election is set for 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday at all Jerome schools and the Jerome Recreation Center, Gooding County residents with children in Jerome schools can vote at the Billy Emery residence.
Source: Jerome School District	

a four-year high school capable of handling the number of students Jerome expects over the next few years, he said.

There are also educational benefits to limiting the number of grades in a school, Edmiston said.

Children don't have the issue of feeling afraid, because they're with their own peer group," she said. "You don't have things like sixth-graders picking on first-graders."

Cobble said the district has no clear plan laid out in case the bond issue fails, even though a similar bond issue was turned down in September.

A two-thirds majority is needed to pass a bond issue. The \$12.9 million September proposal fell short by about 40 votes, Cobble said.

Inflation accounts for the bigger request this time, he said.

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MAGIC VALLEY

Camas County's quiet court is out of public eye

By Julie Casey Lynn  
Times-News correspondent

FAIRFIELD — Camas County Clerk Rollie Bennett checked his schedule Thursday morning then decided to go fishing, said Korri Blodgett, the head deputy who says that is his management style, and laughs.

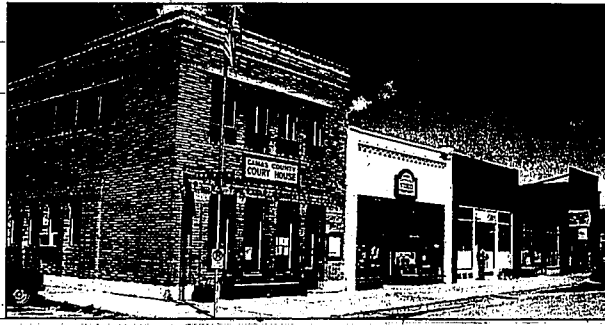
"He'll check in tomorrow and if everything's fine, he'll go fishing again," Blodgett said. Things are pretty quiet in the Camas County court where Judge John F. Varin presides. So quiet that court is only in session once a week on Monday mornings.

And it's so quiet that it has been an attractive place for embattled couples to break their ties without much public notice.

"We get a range of cases, traffic violations, divorces and Fish and Game violations, mostly from folks outside the county," Varin said. "People come up here thinking that because we're a small rural community (population is about 800) that it's going to be watching them when they commit a crime, which is just the opposite."

The Camas County case load may be small but "we operate just like any other court in Idaho," Varin said.

As magistrate judge, Varin handles misdemeanors and civil cases. District Judge James J. May



The Camas County Courthouse, built in 1911, is where Magistrate Judge John F. Varin holds court Monday mornings in Fairfield. That's all the court time required in this small mountain town on the northern edge of Camas Prairie. Varin's other judicial responsibilities involve a six-county juvenile court circuit.

presides over felony district court cases.

One recent week, the docket included two cases involving speeding violations.

Last year, the total case load was 700 cases — 63 criminal, 19 civil and 16 special (estate and juvenile) cases. Most of the cases

were about traffic violations, a few out-of-county divorces and Fish-and-Game infractions, said Gayle Bachtell, secretary for Varin. The annual budget is \$45,000 to \$46,000.

Blodgett, born and raised in Fairfield, remembers only one district court jury trial just year.

"I had to borrow a dress and shoes from the treasurer for one jury trial. I was so nervous because you have to do every just so and in the right order," Blodgett said.

Blodgett and Bachtell handle the day-to-day functions: keeping track of the county record and



John F. Varin

court calendar, payroll and accounting.

"It stays busy enough to keep it interesting," Bachtell said. The county record is open on the front counter where all matters of the county office — such as deeds and court cases — are recorded, all neatly entered in ink.

"We still do everything by hand here," Bachtell said. Microfiche hasn't arrived in Camas County.

Until just recently the whole of county business was performed in this old building. Last year the assessor's and treasurer's offices moved down to the old Forest Service building.

"I didn't realize it until after they moved, but it used to get pretty loud in here with everything going on under one roof, especially when the assessor's office sent out property tax notices," Bachtell said.

At the back of the building, a steep, narrow staircase leads to the courtroom on the second floor, known as the place to get a quiet divorce, where court records for long weren't published in any newspaper.

Since the advent of no-fault divorce in most states, the number of high-profile divorces was reduced in Camas County, Varin said.

Most now of the out-of-county divorces are from Blaine and Ada counties. Varin remembers times when the courtroom was filled with lawyers.

Times-News correspondent Julie Casey Lynn can be reached in Ketchum at 726-7894.

OBITUARIES

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

BURLEY



Norma Jane Witt Denney

Norma Jane Witt Denney, 78, of Burley, passed away Friday, May 2, 1997, at a Pocatello medical center, following a stroke.

She was born Oct. 10, 1918, in Byers, Kan. As a young girl, she traveled frequently with her parents, and graduated from high school in Gallup, N.M. She attended beauty college in Albuquerque, N.M., in the late 1930s. During World War II, Norma worked in the shipyards in Bremerton, Wash., before coming to Idaho Falls. In 1954, she moved to Burley and purchased the Artistic Beauty Salon. In 1961, she opened the Mini-Casita Beauty College and later opened Mem's Beauty Salon, which she operated until her retirement in 1994.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jack and Memi McLaune; one brother; and one sister.

Norma will be greatly missed by her two sons, Larry Denney of Burley and Ted Denney of Pocatello; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

At her request, cremation was held and a graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 10, 1997, at the Mountain View Memorial Chapel, 51 E. New Edition, Pocatello.

The family suggests that instead of flowers, donations be made to the American Diabetes Association, Idaho Affiliate, 1111 S. Orchard, Boise, ID 83705.

RUPERT

Jay P. Craven

Jay P. Craven, 78, of Rupert, died Friday, May 2, 1997, of complications following open heart surgery.

He was born Sept. 1, 1918, in Rupert, the third son of Emmett Wesley Craven and Ola Cleveland Craven. He began elementary school in Rupert and graduated from Rupert High School, where he was affectionately called "Tote," the hometown football and basketball star. He then attended Idaho State College, where he was elected student body president, and after three years graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering.

He married Sarah Rose Wilcox on June 29, 1941. As World War II loomed on the horizon, he had to report for active duty in Salt Lake City six months after their marriage. He served 33 months in the South Pacific with the 4th Central Postal Directory, where he was elected student body president, and after three years graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering.

He worked for the federal government all of his career life, starting as storekeeper at the Minidoka Dam and ending as finance officer

of the Bureau of Reclamation in Burley. Because he could count his service years, he was privileged to retire early at the age of 52.

Shortly after retiring, he learned from his physician that he had cancer of the kidneys and was given six months to live. Because of his great faith and the prayers of family and friends, Jay received his miracle and lived 25 more years.

Jay was active in his church, Grace Christian Center, where he was always eager to lend anyone a hand or give his testimony. He was also active, and served as president of the Idaho-Utah Chapter of the Gladiators International, a Christian organization that distributes Bibles to hotels, hospitals, etc. For many years, Rose and Jay offered their services to fledgling churches with a "Door Knocking Ministry." They contacted people in the local community and shared their testimony of love and healing while inviting them to attend church.

Jay loved to travel; besides, the many trips within the United States, he was also privileged to visit Canada, Mexico, Israel, Rome, England, Korea, Fiji, New Zealand, and Australia. He had the great joy of returning to some of the places he had visited during his travels. Jay loved to garden. He enjoyed planting and cultivating flowers and shrubs of all kinds. He enjoyed the art of canning fresh fruit and vegetables. He took a lot of pride in his raspberries and there was great demand for his raspberry jam.

Having been made a widower, Jay began to think of his high school sweetheart, Claire Mander. After numerous hours of telephone tracking, he located her in Phoenix, Ariz., where he learned she was a widow herself. They wasted no time in tying the knot and enjoyed "snow birding" in Rupert in the summer and Phoenix in the winter. They spent 1 1/2 wonderful years together. Wish it could have been longer.

Jay is survived by his wife, Claire; two daughters and their spouses, Rich and Kathleen Mincer of Boise, and David and Nancy Graves of Shelton, Wash.; six grandchildren, Allisa Ott, Anthony and Andrew, David and Claire Howell; and two great-grandchildren, Ashlynn and Amberlynn Howell; and one sister, Mary Rosecrans. He was preceded in death by his wife, Rose, and three brothers: Leon, Paul and Roy.

His passing leaves such a huge hole in our lives, but we will take heart and endeavor to let the joy of the Lord be our strength and not waver in our walk of faith, just as he has so admirably shown us the way.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, 1997, at the Grace Christian Center in Rupert.

Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday evening at Hansen Mortuary Ruppert Chapel and one hour before the funeral on Wednesday at the church. Burial will be at the Rupert Cemetery with military graveside rites.

The family has requested memorials be given to Grace Christian Center in Jay Craven's name.

SERVICES

Helen Estelle Johnson, of Burley, 82, died Monday, May 2, 1997, at 2200 Oakley Ave. Friends may call from 8 to 8 p.m. today, Payne Mortuary, Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. on Monday at the church.

Deb Lance, of Twin Falls, 1 p.m. Monday, Hazelton LDS Church. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today, White Mortuary, Twin Falls, and from noon to 12:45 p.m. Monday at the church.

Virginia L. Carlton, of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. Monday, Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls. Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. to noon on Monday at the funeral chapel.

Wilma Ann Long, of Twin Falls, graveside service, 4 p.m. Monday, Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls; (White Mortuary & Crematory, Twin Falls).

Allen O. Moore, of Twin Falls,

graveside service, 10 a.m. Tuesday, West End Cemetery, Buhl. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, White Mortuary, Twin Falls, with the family greeting friends from 5 to 6 p.m.

Mabel Myrtle Murphy, of Twin Falls, 10 a.m. Tuesday, White Mortuary Chapel, Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral chapel.

DEATH NOTICES

Taimie E. Erickson Prestan

JEROME — Taimie Esther Erickson Prestan, 83, of Jerome, died Saturday, May 3, 1997, at her home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Frank Hartl

BUHL — Frank Hartl, 80, of Buhl, died Friday, May 2, 1997, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Melvin E. Hubard

BURLEY — Melvin Edward Hubard, 74, of Burley, died Saturday, May 3, 1997, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Boise. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Funeral Chapel.

Spencer H. Peterson

WENDELL — Spencer H. Peterson, 89, of Wendell, died Saturday, May 3, 1997, at the Gooding Rehabilitation & Living Center. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Robert Jacobs of Burley.

Barbara Urley of Twin Falls; and Patricia Hensley of Hazelton.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

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Dominga Obermiller and Kimberly Razez, both of Burley; Angeline King of Twin Falls; Nelda Spevak of Rupert; and Amy Vaneveroy of Heyburn.

Ronae Osterhout, Janna Thompson; Jennifer

Souza and Sara Magueregui, all of Burley; Cricket Shepherd of Rupert; Leslie Oslen of Oakley; and Leslie Marxines of Paul.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

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Admitted

Karla Johnson and Jesus Sias, both of Rupert; Paula Thuston of Burley; Evelyn Pool of Heyburn; and Zacharias Acevedo of Paul.

Dora Bellegante, Candio Arreaga and Elvers Doctor, all of Rupert; Monica Lopez and baby boy of Burley; and Arliana Gil of Paul.

Senators put on show

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — U.S. Sen. Dirk Kempthorne and Sen. Larry Craig will host an electronic "town hall" from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday on cable television.

The program, called "Capital Watch," will air on channel 8 in Burley, channel 10 in Twin Falls, channel 8 in Mountain Home, channel 40 in Boise, channel 37 in Pocatello, channel 7 in Idaho Falls, channel 13 in Coeur d'Alene and channel 11 in Moscow. Viewers may question Kempthorne and Craig from a toll-free telephone number that will be listed on the television screen during the show.

We extend our appreciation to family and friends for their many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy following Lloyd's death.

The Family of Lloyd Thaele

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The family of Tom Svancara would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to our family, friends, and community for their overwhelming generosity at the time of Tom's death and in the following weeks. A special thank you to the First Christian Church Ladies, Buhl Volunteer Firefighters, Buhl ORU, Lucerne community, Pastor Leman Mestley, Joy Younce and Holly Lee for your beautiful music; and the friends who came to share and console our family. The prayers, food, flowers, cards, calls, memorials and the continued outpouring of concern has deeply touched our lives. To his snowmobile buds, words alone can not tell you how much it means to know he was on the mountain he loved and, with all of you.

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# IRS

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Perry started researching the tax system and became convinced, like others who call themselves constitutionalists or tax litigators, that the processes and operating procedures of the IRS are unconstitutional.

"What Perry said he found is that some people had successfully defended their views about the IRS, but many more had not. It was simply a matter of going about things the correct way."

"You shouldn't be afraid of the IRS," Perry said. "But you've got to get in and dig around and find out for yourself."

But once the Perrys started rallying their papers and legal interpretations and prepared themselves for what they expected would quickly go to court, very little happened.

"They'd send me a letter now and then," he said. "But it had never been anything big."

About six years ago, though,

the Perrys cashed some rather large checks earned through network marketing.

The bank required to report to the IRS all checks cashed for more than \$5,000, informed the agency.

So, Perry said, the IRS went back in time, assessing past income taxes on the Perrys based on these checks.

"They say we owe about a quarter of a million dollars for the years between 1988 and 1994," Perry said.

### Agency policy

The Perrys' experience with the IRS, at least until Monday's encounter, has been typical.

Grechen Mitterer, an IRS spokeswoman in Denver, could not discuss the Perrys' case, but outlined how the IRS handles delinquent taxes.

"The process gives several opportunities to allow taxpayers to voluntarily pay," she said.

She said the agency sends at least four notices in the mail before the case is transferred to its automated collection site, which telephones the individual. If there is still no response, field revenue officers are notified to directly contact the individual.

"The seizure and sale of property are a last resort when all others are tried and have failed," she said.

Mitterer said agents can request help from either the agency's criminal investigations division or local authorities when they deal with a "hostile" citizen.

Jensen, a special agent for the agency's criminal investigations division, is authorized to carry weapons. But Mitterer said violence in any of these steps is "very rare."

But the written notices and the phone calls are anything but rare.

According to the agency's 1994 annual report, more than 1.5 mil-

lion people failed to file their taxes in 1993.

### Perry's politics

Perry said he knows he is not alone in his thinking, but said it would be wrong to assume he has joined the ranks of a constitutionalists' movement.

"We're just red-blooded Americans each trying to make a living," he said.

"He bristles at the label 'tax protester.'"

"We pay property tax. I drive on these roads," he said. "I feel like I own these roads. I don't begrudge that. I just want and paid \$500 on just the other day."

He said he is not opposed to the idea of a federal tax, but thinks the system is illegal and out of control.

"When it started, people were paying 2 percent of their income on taxes," he said. "Now it's around 52 percent."

"Too much money leaves the country and ends up in the hands

of "internationalists," he said, and he compares the tactics of the IRS with Hitler's Gestapo.

Perry said he only wants the chance to defend his rights in court, and is confident he will win. "It's a totally failed system,"

Perry said. "If they want to revamp it and come up with something better, then I'll talk business."

Times-News staff writer Gregory Hahn can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

# Bond

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"It takes \$13.61 million to do today what would have taken \$12.5 million to do last year."

Even so, Cobble said he is confident the bond issue will pass this time because the district has made a bigger effort to get "yes" votes — even appointing a citizen's committee to help sell the bond issue to the public.

But there is still some opposition, probably because, the proposal is tied to a property tax increase, said Carla Strunk of Jerome, who owns her home as well as a rental property.

"As a property owner, I don't mind paying my taxes and supporting the school, but I think it should be done fairly so people who rent and send their kids to school can pay their fair share," she said.

Strunk said she is still not sure how she will vote.

"Most likely, I will vote for it simply because my kids go to school and it's needed, but I don't like it because it's not fair."

Eberberg said he doesn't think the school district and trustees have done enough to pressure the Legislature into changing the way schools are funded. So, even if the current bond issue passes, school funding is ultimately doomed to failure if things don't change, he said.

"I've always thought that they

system of funding schools through property taxes has outlived its usefulness."

An alternative source such as a beverage tax would probably prove to be more dependable in the long run, Lieberg said.

Times-News staff writer Mark Heinz can be reached in Jerome at 324-5962.

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Agriculture feels heat from court ruling on waterways

The following is a summary of this week's edition of Ag Weekly. Idaho's conservation groups are to what it's supposed to do to comply with a federal court ruling to clean up Idaho's waterways...

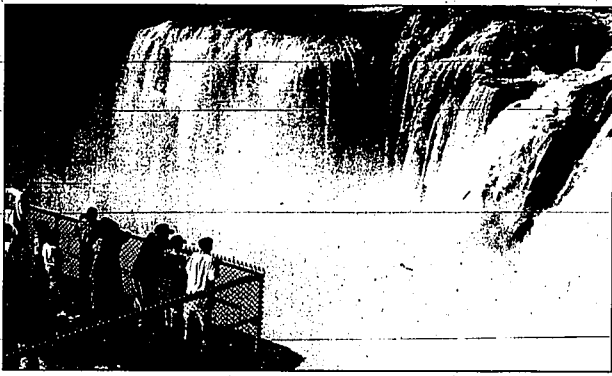
That was the sentiment at a meeting in Boise on Monday to get agriculture groups to coordinate their undertaking of formulating and implementing Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) for pollutants in 962 streams within eight years.

Farmbeat "The world would have arrived in the doorstep, and we're going to have to pull together," said Pat Takasugi, director of Idaho Department of Agriculture. "We're going to be on a fast track. We're kind of out there in the lead. We're not the only ones out there facing this, but we're the ag component."

What is at hand is a speedy schedule of formulating TMDLs, followed by an 18-month period to plan implementation and an ultimate eight-year deadline to implement the cleanup.

The shake-up is the result of a lawsuit filed against the Environmental Protection Agency by the Idaho Conservation League and the Idaho Sportsmen's Coalition. The suit contended that EPA was moving too slowly in cleaning up Idaho's waterways in accordance with the Clean Water Act of 1972. The trial went to a federal District Court, where Judge William Dwyer lowered the boom, decreeing that 962 stream segments would be cleaned up in five years. In April, the conservation groups and the state agreed upon an eight-year schedule and Dwyer OK'd the plan.

Now that the agreement is in place, there's no time to lose, said Jim Yost, special assistant to Gov. Phil Batt. "We need to move along fairly quickly in the process. There are quite a few stream segments that have to be done in the next 12 months," he said. "It isn't going to work very well if we bunch everything up at the end. Yost added, "But we want to make sure it happens in the way that agriculture



Agriculture is the first to feel the pinch of a federal court decision to establish limits on pollutants, such as sediment and nutrients, into Idaho streams.

needs to be represented." The huge "to do" list and the continued references to being on the "fast track" is raising anxiety in the ag community, but Larry Koehn, assistant administrator for water quality and remediation for the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, said although the feat seems monumental, it is doable, and there are worse alternatives.

"It's a massive task, yes; an impossible task, no," he said. "There are ways of doing it. They're not always going to be pretty, but we have to make that first cut. I think we have the folks to do it. I know the groups are concerned. I know they're a little bit uncertain. But I think the attitude is good. I think they just want to know what they should do."

It's been a roller coaster year in the cheese industry, with angry farmer protests, milk dumping, legislative intervention and the ultimate closing of the 44-year-old National Cheese Exchange in Green Bay, Wis. The landmark institution closed

its doors last Friday amongst allegations of manipulation and facing a Wisconsin legislative bill that would greatly inhibit trading, according to two dairy economists. Trading was resumed at the Chicago Mercantile on Thursday, where the first day's trading saw 40-pound blocks drop 3 cents from last week's closing, and 500-pound barrels drop 2 cents.

Jim Miller, a dairy analyst with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C., said the move was "simply to get it (the exchange) out of Wisconsin and out of the reach of the state legislature. ... Clearly there was a large core of Wisconsin legislators, farmers and others that were very antagonistic toward the exchange, he said. "That goes back to the state investigations that was started a couple of years ago."

Ed Jesse, a dairy economist with the University of Wisconsin, said the investigation, under the auspices of a study by the University of Wisconsin, concluded that the exchange was subject to manipulation and had been manipulated

from 1988 to 1992, the years the study investigated. Jesse, who was not involved in the study, said the study concluded that in particular, the Kraft company, which both buys and sells on the exchange, had shaped the trading cycle "for the explicit purpose of lowering prices on the exchange to lower procurement prices the following week."

Class action suits were brought against the cheese company, but were dropped "due to insufficient evidence to suggest collusion. Jesse said. Jesse said the bill proposed "fairly onerous reporting requirements in which a seller would have to demonstrate that he could not have sold at a higher price off the exchange. Analysts deduced that "if the bill passed, there would be no trading on the exchange because no firm would want to subject itself to that," he said.

The bill died in the senate when the exchange announced it was shutting down, Jesse said. Miller said, "Given that meddling by the state of Wisconsin and

periodic criticism leveled on the exchange, it (closing) was the simplest thing to do."

The Idaho Grain Producers Association thought its Conservation Reserve Program worries were over for a while, after it help stave off changes in program rules that would have favored producers in eastern states over those in the West.

But a flurry of bills in the House of Representatives has CRP back on the Grain Producers radar. "Our biggest concern (about CRP) was that Idaho and the West would maintain suitable CRP acreage," said the association's executive director, Steve Johnson.

"We got that taken care of. But we weren't expecting someone to go cap CRP and use the excess funds for flood relief."

The House supplemental appropriations bill, passed out of the House Appropriations Committee last week, contains a 14 million acre cap on CRP enrollment.

"My understanding is that they are looking for offset money to pay for flood relief and disasters," Johnson said. But the association sees the move as an "attack on a good, positive agriculture program."

"We're certainly supporting funding for disaster relief, but it seems like agriculture programs are the first place some look for extra funding," he added.

Nationally, 21 conservation organizations and 9 farm organizations are fighting to have the provision struck when the full House takes up the supplemental funding bill, which is expected to happen next week.

The Senate's supplemental funding bill, which passed this week, does not include a CRP cap. If the enrollment cap opponents are unsuccessful in their bid to have the provision struck on the House floor, it will be one issue that must be resolved in conference committee.

Mother Nature has not provided ideal growing conditions for the Magic Valley's emerging sugar beet crop. But ironically, the recent absence of warm weather may have protected the crop from Thursday

and Friday mornings' cold snap. Although most of the area's sugar beet crop had been planted ahead of schedule, only 10 percent of the crop had emerged as of Sunday.

Well below the average emergence rate of 25 percent, according to Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service's latest crop weather report.

"It's still been like winter here," Annamargaret Sugar Co. agriculture manager Len Kerbs said Thursday. "With the cold weather, germination hasn't been as fast in good years. Much of the local sugar beet crop was barely - if at all - visible this week when the temperatures dropped below freezing in some areas of the valley, Kerbs said.

The slow emergence may have been a blessing in disguise. In the absence of warm, growth-promoting weather, the young plants probably contained enough "natural antifreeze" to stay alive, Kerbs said. The plants would have been more vulnerable had they been actively growing before the cold snap hit late this week.

"We can get a 29-degree freeze, and we have nothing hurt," he said. "We won't know for a couple days yet if any beets will have to be replanted."

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ous like "stocks" and see the thousands of sites that show up. So where to start? Try the new Web site of the Investor Protection Trust, a non-profit consumer protection organization in Washington. The site has lots of information on investing, avoiding scams and resolving disputes with brokers. And it tells

where to go to check out a broker or other financial professional. It also has links to dozens of other organizations' Web sites. Unlike many of the sites that will pop up when you use a browser, these are outfits that do not use their sites to peddle products.

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# TRADEWINDS

## The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - Blaine Ream, of Twin Falls, has been promoted to the position of regional director of D & B Supply Stores in the Magic Valley.

Ream also is manager of the Twin Falls D & B Supply Store where he has worked with the company for four and one-half years.

There are nine D & B stores, including one in Jerome, owned and operated by Dick Schrandt of Caldwell. The company said appointing a regional director was a "good business move" for both the business and the Magic Valley.

**JEROME** - Bill Arrington, of Twin Falls, has been appointed manager of the Jerome D & B Supply Store that recently held its grand opening.

Arrington transferred from the Twin Falls D & B Supply Store where he had worked for the company for three years. The Jerome store employs 16 people.

Also transferring from the Twin Falls store to the Jerome D & B Supply business were Jeremy Wells, Wendy Stoddard and Terry Daniels.

Wells of Jerome, had worked at the Twin Falls store for five and one-half years. In Jerome, he assumes the position of floor supervisor for farm and pet supplies, hardware, tools, tack, lawn and garden products and rentals.

Stoddard of Dietrich was appointed floor supervisor for clothing sales in Jerome after working at Twin Falls for seven years. Daniels, also from Jerome, is cashier supervisor. She had been working for D & B Supply in Twin Falls for one year.

**TWIN FALLS** - Brian D. Smith, P.E., has recently been promoted to the position of senior transportation engineer with J-U-B Engineers Inc. in Twin Falls.

Smith will be responsible for all transportation projects in the Twin Falls J-U-B office. Smith and his family relocated from the Boise area, where he had been employed with J-U-B for the past two years.

He will be working closely with the Idaho Transportation Department, local highway districts and municipalities. Smith, registered as a professional engineer in the states of Idaho and Oregon, received his bachelor-of-science degree in civil engineering at the University of Idaho.

**TWIN FALLS** - Darci Kinney has joined Idaho Credit Union as a member service officer at the Twin Falls branch.

Kinney will assist new members in opening a variety of savings and checking accounts and with credit cards, certificates of deposit and individual retirement accounts. She has more than two years of financial experience.

**JEROME** - Chris H. Hosman has been named the 42-member National Advisory Board for Chevrolet Service Consultants. Only three seats per region are



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Hosman has been worked at Con Paulos Chevrolet-Pontiac-GMC Trucks in Jerome for more than 16 years. He and his wife, Terry, will travel to Laguna Niguel, Calif., in June to accept his award from A.J. Brock, Assistant General Sales/Service Manager Customer Support and Field Service for General Motors.

**TWIN FALLS** - Debbie Daniels has completed an advanced course in marketing new homes conducted by the Residential Sales Council of the Realtors National Marketing Institute.

The course, was conducted in Boise and is one of a series of eight courses offered to a select few real estate professionals who are working toward the Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) Designation.

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**TWIN FALLS** - Wally Kaster has joined the Strolberg Leavitt Insurance Agency staff and will be working with area farmers and their farm and hail insurance needs.

Kaster sold agriculture real estate for several years before taking over the family farm. He has recently turned the farming operation over to his son. He and Strolberg Leavitt Agency represent leading farm insurance companies, the company said.

You can call Kaster at 734-6644.

**TWIN FALLS** - Twin Falls Public Schools announces the fol-

lowing achievements:

- Willey Dobb, O'Leary Junior High Principal, has been named Outstanding Middle Level Principal of the Year by Idaho's Region IV Middle Level Association.

- Judy Watson, O'Leary Junior High Assistant Principal, has been named Idaho's Outstanding Secondary Assistant Principal by the Idaho Association of Secondary School Principals.

- Ted Popplewell, Oregon Trail Elementary School Principal, has been elected as Vice-President of the Idaho Association of Elementary School Principals.

- Joanie Parrish, Perrine Elementary School First Grade Teacher, has been named Outstanding Teacher of the Year by the Masons of Idaho.

**TWIN FALLS** - Samantha D. Lopez, personnel director at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center,

recently earned certification as a Senior Professional in Human Resources.

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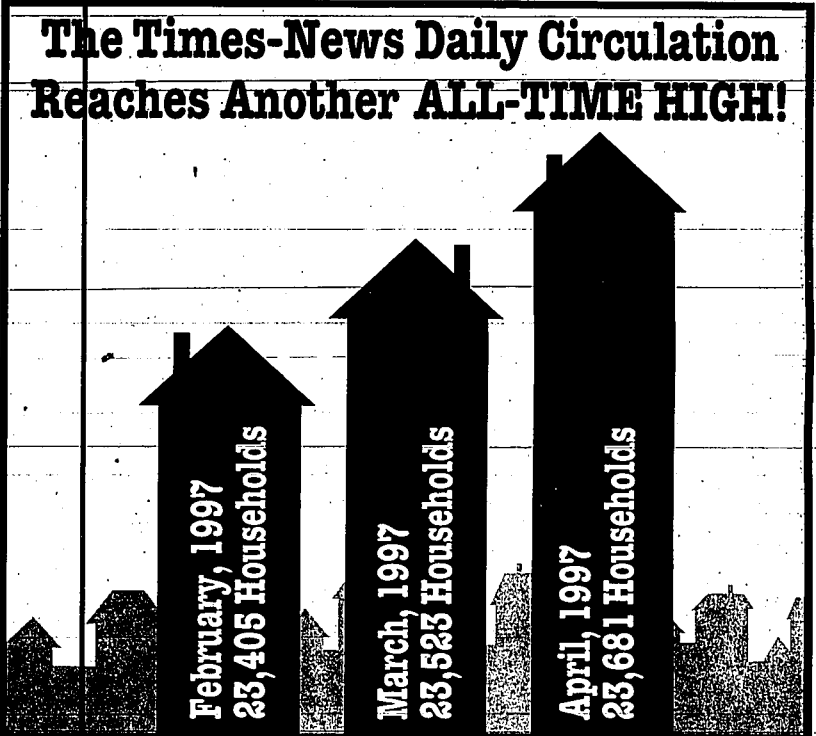
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The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS**—The Eye Institute at Boise Park Center has expanded its services in Idaho by opening a satellite office in Twin Falls.

Through a partnership with select doctors of optometry in the community, The Eye Institute has arranged

for patients in the Twin Falls area to receive the most advanced treatment and specialized vision correction surgeries while continuing to see their regular doctor of optometry, the company says.

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and pre-operation work will be done by doctors in the local communities, the institute says.

Patients requiring corrective surgery will receive that treatment at the institute's Boise Center, the company says.

"The expansion is in response to a significant increase in new patients

we have begun seeing in those areas during the past 12 months," said Dr. Mark Hollingshead, medical director.

The Eye Institute also provides glaucoma treatment, dry eye treatment, laser corrective surgery, and

corneal transplants at its facility located at 333 E. Mallard Drive, Boise. For more information, call 336-8700.

## Economy

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year when compared with the same months last year. Still, the number of people working in non-agricultural jobs was almost 4 percent higher than last year.

"I looked over non-ag wage and salary numbers for those months for several years and they looked very similar," said Lon McDonald, labor analyst with the Idaho Department of Labor in Twin Falls. "It was a normal spring."

However, construction planning conducted in the first quarter will start showing up in the second quarter, he said.

"In talking with building inspectors and so forth, they are quite confident about our future because there's a lot of diversity in the types of things going on," McDonald said.

In January, Idaho was ranked sixth in the nation in overall job growth, a report by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco said.

### The ups and downs of agriculture

The downs of agriculture mostly occurred in the potato fields.

During the first three months of the year, the average spud price was \$7.84 per hundred-weight compared with \$13.09 during the same period last year.

Wheat prices also dropped slightly this quarter.

Prices for cattle, sugar, beans and butter were up this quarter over the same time last year.

Employment in the potato-processing sector ebbed in March partly because of record-low potato prices, the Labor Department said. And Friday, the J.R. Simplot Co. announced plans to cut 384 jobs at its Hayden processing plant — about one-half the work force.

A bright spot is the adequate water supply expected this farming season, reported Northwest Economic Indicators. The overall economic effect will be positive.

### Other economic signs

Statewide sales-tax collections in January were off \$4.7 million from projections. Weak Christmas sales and soft construction were blamed, but economic gains over the past year may have less of a concern, Idaho Outlook said.

The collections rebounded in February.

Construction of new homes in the state slowed in the beginning-of-the-year, First Security Bank's Idaho Construction Report said. In February, the number of new single-family building permits dropped 10 percent below last year's figure and

8.4 percent during the first two months of the year.

But the construction industry remained healthy thanks to commercial building. In fact, the value of nonresidential construction was six times greater than one year ago.

Despite mild weather, the Idaho Power Co. reported a gain in first-quarter revenues by \$8.8 million thanks to electricity sales and good conditions for generating hydroelectricity.

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A flying start? Red-hot Philadelphia began its second-round series with Buffalo Saturday in the NHL playoffs.  
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### MORNING LINE

#### SPORTSQUOTE

“You hear people talking about someone becoming an overnight success? Yeah, it took me about 25 years to become an overnight success.”

— Baltimore Orioles' Brady Anderson, 33, on hitting 50 home runs last year, 29 more than his previous high

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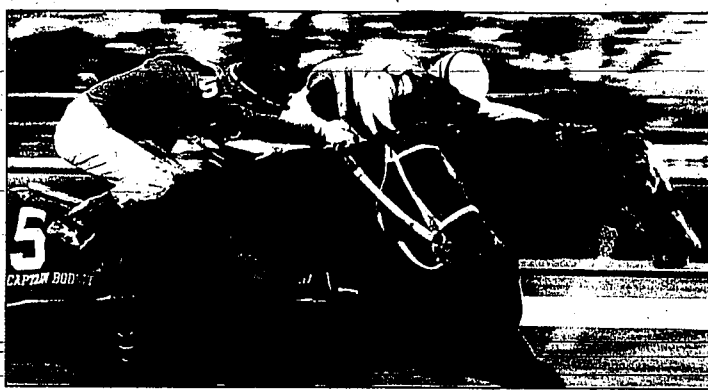
**Legion baseball meets tonight at high school**  
—TWIN FALLS— There will be an American Legion baseball meeting today at 5:30 p.m. at Twin Falls High School, Room 01, and a board meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the CSI clubhouse. For more information, call Gary Quenell at 470-7460.

**Bike stunt team headed for Burley with 80-foot half-pipe**  
BURLEY One of the most exciting interactive live shows is coming to the Magic Valley.  
The Trek/Bicycle Stunt Team, a group of professional bicycle stunt riders, will appear with its 80-foot half-pipe at Pioneer Sports, 4165 Overland Ave. in Burley May 10.  
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Show times are at noon and 3 p.m., and no food or drinks will be provided by Fells Brand and Mountain Dew.  
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# Charming: Silver Charm wins derby

**The Associated Press**  
LOUISVILLE, Ky. — For trainer Bob Baffert, the second time was the charm in the Kentucky Derby.  
Silver Charm put the white-haired Baffert into the Derby winner's circle one year after a disheartening half-length loss by Covanter to Grindstone. Silver Charm withstood Captain Bodgit in a furious stretch drive to win the Derby before the fourth-largest crowd in its 123-year history, and on a 50-degree day, the second coldest since 1940.  
"When they came down the stretch, I thought 'Here it comes again. It can't happen again.' I thought I'd have to do the low crawl out of here," Baffert said.  
In letting Silver Charm, Captain Bodgit become the 18th consecutive beaten favorite. The last betting choice to win was Spectacular Bid, also a gray, in 1979.  
Captain Bodgit finished ahead of Free House, who had beaten Silver Charm in their two previous meetings, including the Santa Anita Derby.  
For Baffert, it was a day of redemption. Last year, he thought Covanter had won but the photo showed Grindstone a nose in front. Baffert had called it "the toughest loss I'll ever have in my life. It was like losing a national title at the buzzer!"  
The 44-year-old trainer will never have a bigger win than he had on this windy, cloudy day in front of 141,581 roaring fans.



Captain Bodgit (8) ridden by Alex Solis, battles Silver Charm, ridden by Gary Stevens of Boise, for the finish of the Kentucky Derby on Saturday. Silver Charm won the race.

Pulpit was bidding to become only the second Derby winner to not have raced as a 2-year-old. The only one who did it was Apollo in 1862.  
Silver Charm, the Lewises' third starter in their second Derby, paid \$10, \$4.80 and \$4.20. Captain Bodgit, ridden by Alex Solis, paid \$4.80 and \$3.80, while Free House, ridden by David Flores was \$5.80 to show.  
Completing the order of finish after Pulpit were Crypto Star, Phantom on

JOWL, JACK FLASH, Helio, Concerto, Celtic Warrior, Crimson Classic, Shammy Davis and Deeds Not Words.  
Deeds Not Words was the highest-rated horse in the field with only four stars, and trainer D. Wayne Lukas was severely criticized for entering him. The colt was Lukas' 32nd starter in his 17th consecutive Derby.  
Pulpit, ridden by Shane Sellers, took the lead away from Free House entering the clubhouse term and led the field

onto the backstretch and down it to the half-mile pole. He completed the first quarter-mile in 23 2/5 seconds, the half in 47 2/5 and three-quarter in 1:12 1/5. Free House followed Pulpit down the backstretch.  
Stevens, winning his third Derby three days after he was inducted into the Racing Hall of Fame, had Silver Charm fourth behind Concerto into the clubhouse turn, then moved him into third place entering the backstretch.

## Filer ascends in Canyon bracket

**By Cecilia Jarome**  
**Times-News writer**  
FILER— It came down to a seventh inning, to two pitchers keeping control of their pitches, outfielders hanging on to fly balls, and infielders making their throws count. It came down to one run.  
It was the usual match-up between Filer and Wendell. An ended with a 7-6 Wildcat victory.  
Filer climbed to a quick 7-2 lead by the second inning and held the Trojans off until the fifth, when Wendell scored three runs in a rally that began with a dropped fly ball by centerfielder Lindsey Hudson.  
But then the mental aspect of sports, which reminds us that it's not just about hitting a ball and running around the bases that can win or lose a game, knocked on the door and said, "Think again."  
"That's been our biggest challenge this year," Filer coach Bruce Lenington said, "to put our successes into perspective and put our failures behind us, and not get down on ourselves."  
Not many errors were tallied but an important game, one error can be all that it takes to send a team down. The challenge is will they get back up?  
After Wendell's runs cut the deficit to 7-6, it became a Man vs. Himself situation for the Wildcats: So bad to work for them? Their bats weren't hot, never scoring again in the game, so their defense had to get to work.  
In the top of the sixth, the Filer defense stopped two hard-hit balls to



Filer shortstop Jamie Harvey flips the ball to second, forcing out Wendell's Angela Nelson on a fielder's choice.  
second base and one to left field.  
With Wendell's Erin Rietkerk throwing her far ball and a sweet change-up, the Trojans sat three Filer batters down quickly.  
Wildcat Jennifer Cowger's seventh

## Regular season ends with Capital punishment

**By Damen Clow**  
**Times-News writer**  
TWIN FALLS— With the seedings for this week's regional baseball tournament already set after a 14-4 loss to Minico Friday, the Bruins had nothing at stake going into Saturday's season finale with Capital.  
Not to mince words, they played like it.  
Capital crushed Twin Falls, 17-1 in five innings, after getting seven walks in three innings from Bruin starter Dane DeBoer and holding the potent Twin Falls offense to just three hits— one of them a bunt single.  
"We told them it was 'new day, new game,' and I thought that's what it was," said Twin Falls coach Mike Federico, referring to the Bruins' tough defeat the day before, which puts them against No. 4 Burley in their regional tournament opener this week instead of in the No. 2 spot awaiting the winner of the first-round game.  
"I thought the kids were ready. We just didn't. I don't know what it was," Federico said.  
DeBoer was far removed from his last appearance at Twin Falls, when he pitched three innings of scoreless, two-hit relief in the Bruins' April 12 sweep over Mountain Home.  
The sophomore right-hander walked  
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## Legion wise to close tap on beer sale

**TWIN FALLS**— The beer-for-baseball idea dried up Friday, and not a moment too soon.  
The local "American Legion Baseball program" — which is only tenuously linked to its namesake veterans organization — had planned to sell beer at Harmon Park during — the annual Western Days softball tournament and pocket a tidy sum to help pay for a sorely needed team bus.  
The notion of selling alcohol to support youth baseball struck many folks as wrong.  
"As a fundraiser, it was a great idea,  
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## Sonics survive Suns to win series

**The Associated Press**  
SEATTLE — The Seattle SuperSonics' dream of getting back to the NBA Finals is still alive.  
The Sonics survived a torrid three-quarter rally from the Phoenix Suns for a 116-92 victory on Saturday to win their first-round playoff series 3-2.  
The Sonics, who trailed 2-1 in the series after losing in Phoenix on Tuesday night, won't have long to celebrate. They'll play Monday and Wednesday nights in Houston against a Rockets team that handed them a 40-point loss in their final regular-season meeting last month.  
Detlef Schrempf led the Sonics with 24 points, while Shawn Kemp had 21 points and 11 rebounds. Gary Payton had 19 and reserve guard David Wingate added 19 off the bench.  
Wesley Person led the Suns with 25 points, while Kevin Johnson had 20 and Jason Kidd 17.  
Phoenix, which overcame an 0-13 start to make the playoffs, threw a major scare into the Sonics, who led by 22 points at halftime.  
The Suns fought back to trail by six points twice in the third quarter and

Person's 3-pointer to open the fourth quarter cut Seattle's seemingly secure lead to five points at 81-76.  
But the Sonics got consecutive 3-pointers from Wingate and Schrempf and a 5-footer by Wingate for an 89-75 lead with 1:56 gone in the final period. They outscored Phoenix 19-7 in the first 6:13 of the fourth quarter for a 100-80 lead.  
The smaller Suns finally ran out of steam.  
The Suns outscored the Sonics 17-2 in the first 3:41 of the third quarter with Person, Johnson and Rex Chapman hitting 3 pointers. Phoenix cut Seattle's lead to six points twice — 73-67 and 79-73 — before Kemp sank a pair of free throws with 34 seconds left in the period.  
The Suns, who shot 40 percent in the first half, hit 12-of-23 shots in the third quarter, including 6-of-10 3-point shots. Johnson had 12 points and Kidd 10 in the period.  
A 20-5 run in the final 5:03 of the first quarter gave Seattle a 63-41 lead at the half, its biggest advantage of the opening half. The Sonics did most of their damage on the inside during the run, converting nine of 10 free-throw opportunities and getting two layups.



Seattle SuperSonics' Shawn Kemp takes a shot over Phoenix Suns' John Williams in the first quarter playoff game Saturday.

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Softball

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Leadoff batter Alfred got caught stealing second, and Bethany Muffley followed behind her, but made it to second on a wild pitch.

Baseball

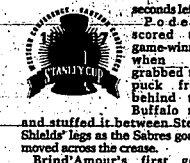
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the bases loaded on 14 pitches to start the game, then walked in the first run on four more.

down the left-field line and scored on Dillon Mayers' single to right.
"We couldn't get the barrel around on their guy," Federico said.

preemptily hit the first two batters he faced and surrendered doubles to the next two, for six runs.
The Bruin defense garnered a short reprieve from the onslaught with Bobby Fenn's infield pop-up for the first out, but Alex Kocwicz hit a two-RBI homer over barely three feet.

Philadelphia Flyers edge Sabres

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Shjon Poddin scored with 48 seconds left in the third period as Philadelphia overcame a two-goal deficit to beat Buffalo on Saturday night in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference semifinals.



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Bowling

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The whole idea was floated by the city Men's Softball Association, which claims many former Legion players among its members. The Association chipped in \$1,000 to help the youngsters, and then suggested that parents and their accompanying fans here for a weekend, beer sales could bring a pretty penny.

shortfall, bickering between parents and the resignation of the manager and director.
Over the winter, the local American Legion Post 7 decided it was getting out of the baseball business, threatening to scotch the program altogether.

Quessell and other baseball supporters have breathed new life into the program. Donors have been generous. A fundraising auction brought in more money than expected, and a golf tournament set for later this month looks to do the same.

SCORES AND STATS

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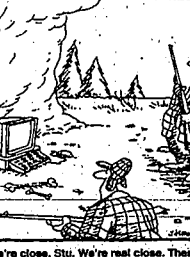
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ON THE AIR TELEVISION

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SPORTS

# Wright leads way for Rockies

DENVER (AP) — Jamey Wright pitched seven effective innings for his fourth win and Colorado took advantage of nine walks Saturday to beat the Philadelphia Phillies 7-3.

Wright (4-1) allowed four hits in seven innings, struck out four and walked four. The right-hander has won all four starts in which he has given up seven innings.

Kevin Stocker had two RBI singles for Philadelphia, and Eric Young and Ellis Burks drove in two runs apiece for Colorado.

Scott Ruffcorn's double and Philadelphia starter Mark Portugal (0-2) to begin the fourth inning, Portugal, who had a 10.29 ERA in two career starts at Coors Field, kept the game in Philadelphia in his right elbow.

Ruffcorn walked the first two batters he faced — Jeff Reed and Walt Weiss. Young's double to right scored Reed and Weiss came home on Burks' groundout. The Rockies added two more runs in the fifth inning without the aid of a hit, as Philadelphia made it 6-2 in the seventh on Stocker's run-scoring single.



New York Mets catcher Todd Hundley tags out St. Louis Cardinals runner John Mabry as he was trying to score from second base on a single by Tom Lampkin during the fifth inning Saturday.

## Mets 5, Cardinals 1

NEW YORK — Rick Reed pitched seven strong innings and Carlos Baerga went 4-for-4 Saturday, leading New York to a 5-1 win over the St. Louis Cardinals, the Mets sixth win in seven games.

John Olerud and Todd Hundley improved to 14-15 as the Mets' major leaguers.

Reed (3-1) gave up one run and six hits before leaving for a pinch-hitter in the seventh. The right-hander struck out six, walked none and actually had his ERA rise from 1.03 to 1.07.

Olerud hit his fourth homer with one out in the fourth, giving New York a 1-0 lead.

The Cardinals tied it in the fifth on Ron Gant's triple and a single by John Mabry. Dimitri Young and Tom Lampkin followed with singles, but the Mets were able to hold the score by left fielder Bernard Gilkey.

New York took a 2-1 lead in the fifth when Baerga doubled, moved to second on a grounder and scored on Carl Everett's infield single.

Hundley's seventh homer gave the Mets a 3-1 lead in the sixth.

The Mets added two runs in the seventh on Everett's second RBI single and a bases-loaded walk to Hundley.

## Reds 3, Giants 1

SAN FRANCISCO — Cincinnati scored three unearned runs, the first on Lenny Harris' suicide squeeze in the eighth.

John Smiley (2-5) struck out a season-high eight in seven innings to snap a personal five-game losing streak. He gave up seven hits and didn't walk a batter as the Reds won their second straight after dropping nine of 10.

Deion Sanders doubled and tripled for Cincinnati, just 9:19 this season. San Francisco has lost five of six and is 4-7 since a 13-3 start.

Rich Rodriguez (2-2) started the eighth for the Giants after starter William VanLandingham pitched seven shutout innings.

## Pirates 3, Braves 0

ATLANTA — Esteban Loaiza out-dueled Tom Glavine in a battle of

unbeaten pitchers and Pittsburgh won a season-high third straight game.

Loaiza (3-0) shut out the Braves on four hits over eight innings. Ricardo Rincon pitched the ninth for his second save.

It was the first shutout loss this season for the Braves, the National League's top hitting team.

Glavine pitched the fifth with a single, Kevin Elster followed with another single and both runners advanced on a sacrifice by Jason Kendall. Johnson then scored on Jose Guillen's groundout, ending a string of 18 consecutive scoreless innings by Glavine.

The Pirates made it 3-0 in the ninth on Joe Randa's RBI single and a run-scoring double by Midre Cummings, both off reliever Brad Clontz.

## Padres 1, Expos 0

SAN DIEGO — Tim Worrell allowed three hits in 7 2/3 innings and Tony Gwynn knocked in the game's only run with a first-inning home run in the San Diego Padres' 1-0 victory over the Montreal Expos.

Worrell, 0-3 with a 6.6 ERA in his last four outings, retired 11 straight batters before running into trouble in the eighth inning.

Worrell (2-3) who walked a career-high seven batters in his last start at Florida, walked one and hit two batters. The right-hander struck out eight.

Trevor Hoffman pitched 1-1 2/3 innings for his fourth save, striking out the side in the ninth.

## Cubs 2, Dodgers 1

LOS ANGELES — Terry Mulholland pitched 9 2/3 strong innings and the Chicago Cubs parlayed three errors into a pair of unearned runs to beat the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Mulholland (2-3) was replaced by Mel Rojas after giving up his sixth hit in the seventh to Eric Karros in the ninth. Rojas then gave up consecutive singles to Raul Mondesi and Todd Zeile that cut the Cubs' lead to 1-0.

Terry Adams relieved Rojas and retired Wayne Kirby on a groundout to earn his second save of the season. Ismael Valdes (1-4) took the loss despite allowing only five hits in 7 2/3 innings.

# Indians down Tigers; A's edge Orioles, 4-3

CLEVELAND (AP) — Sandy Alomar's RBI single with two outs in the ninth lifted Cleveland to its 13th straight win over Detroit.

The Tigers have lost 15 straight games at Jacobs Field, and are 1-19 at the ballpark.

Detroit looked like it might end the slide in the ninth when the Tigers took a 6-5 lead on Brian Hunter's RBI single.

Bur added a wild pitch from Doug Brocail (0-3) and a passed ball, the Indians tied it on David Justice's sacrifice fly before Alomar singled just over night fielder Melvin Nieves' glove.

Eric Plunk (1-2), who allowed the Tigers to take the lead in the ninth, picked up the win.

The game was played in a steady downpour, which left puddles all over the infield.

Tony Clark hit a three-run homer for Detroit.

## Blue Jays 6, Twins 5

TORONTO — Gregg Olson walked Carlos Delgado on four pitches with the bases loaded and two outs in the ninth.

After the Twins had rallied to tie it with two runs in the ninth off veteran Pat Quesada (4-2), the Blue Jays took advantage of four walks — one intentional — off three Minnesota relievers in their half.

The Jays have lost nine of 10. Todd Ritchie (2-3) was the loser. Orlando Merced went 3-for-5 with an RBI for Toronto.

## Angels 3, White Sox 2, 1st game

CHICAGO — Doug Drabek

combined with two relievers on a three-hitter and Ray Durham drove in three runs to give Chicago a split.

In the first game, Allen Watson pitched seven shutout innings to lead the Angels.

Durham, who hit a two-run single in the ninth inning of the first game, singled, homered and doubled in his first three at-bats in Game 2. He was 5-for-9 for the day with five RBIs.

Drabek (2-3) gave up Anaheim's seventh hit before giving away to Tony Castillo, who pitched a perfect eighth. Roberto Hernandez got three outs for his fourth save.

Knuickdobbler Dennis Springer (0-1) took the second game loss, giving up eight hits in 3 1/3 innings.

James Baldwin (4-0) lost the opener, giving up six hits over seven-plus innings. He walked one and struck out six.

## Royals 2, Yankees 1

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Tim Lincecum pitched an eight-inning game for his second straight complete game as Kansas City handed Andy Pettitte his first loss this season.

Kansas City scored the tie-breaking run in the sixth, set up by shortstop Rick Jeter's throwing error, on Joe Vitiello's RBI double.

Belcher (3-3) walked two and struck out three in his 38th inning. The 38-year-old retired 16 hitters on groundball outs.

Pettitte (5-1) allowed six hits and one earned run.

The left-hander had won six straight regular-season decisions, last losing to Toronto on Sept. 8 last season. With the score tied 1-1 in the sixth, Jeff King reached when Jeter couldn't handle his grounder. After Chili Davis singled, Vitiello followed with a double to right-center to score King.

## Rangers 7, Red Sox 6

ARLINGTON, Texas — Dean Palmer hit a two-run single with one out in the ninth inning, giving the Rangers a 7-6 victory over the Boston Red Sox on Saturday night.

The Rangers loaded the bases with one out in the ninth on a walk to Rusty Greer and a double by Juan Gonzalez and an intentional walk to Will Clark.

Palmer then singled up the middle off Heathcliff Slocum (0-1) to score Greer and Gonzalez. Center fielder Darren Bragg's throw hit the mound and never got to the plate.

Tim Lincecum (1-1) got the final out in the top of the ninth for the victory.

# Bird says Pacers have made him a great offer

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Larry Bird is considering a "great offer" to be the next coach of the Indiana Pacers but is not expected to decide whether to accept it until early next week, published reports said Saturday.

The Indianapolis Star and News and Boston newspapers reported Bird also was mulling an offer from the Boston Celtics to become either their coach or to take another position with the franchise for which he starred for 13 years as a player.

Bird, now a consultant for the Celtics, was quoted Saturday as saying if he left Boston, it would be to join the Pacers.

"I'm not making me a good offer — no, a great offer," Bird said.

told The Boston Globe. "I've known the owners since college, through mutual friends, and I've been great respect for Donnie Walsh. We are definitely talking, and if I decide to do something (other than remain with the Celtics in some capacity), it would be definite, by then."

Bird, from French Lick, Ind., led Indiana State to the 1979 NCAA championship game.

Walsh, the Pacers president, added that manager Jim O'Brien and to discuss the job offer. He said he was staying in regular contact with Bird.

"We're having ongoing discussions," Walsh said. "That's as far as I'll go."

# Can the Mailman deliver now that Shaq's back?

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Can the Mailman continue to deliver his best, now that Shaq is back? How stale will the Utah Jazz be from waiting a week for the Los Angeles Lakers? And just how sick is John Stockton, and just how healthy is Shaq?

Sunday, some 40 hours after Los Angeles claimed a 3-1 first-round playoff victory over Portland, the Lakers and Jazz began a best-of-7 series to answer those questions.

"It's going to be a war. We realize that, and they're going to come in here ready," said Karl Malone, who averaged 30.2 points and 11.3 rebounds in Utah's first-round sweep of the Los Angeles Clippers.

O'Neal is the Lakers' biggest gun. He's back, all 7-foot-1, 300 pounds of him, recovered from a knee injury that sidelined him for 48 games last season.

"We're not going to stop him," said Malone, who will share defensive duties on LA's main man. "We're just going to try to get in his face and make him take some tougher shots."

O'Neal's 33 points per game in the possession is second only to Michael Jordan's 37.3 (Malone is third). The Lakers center punctuated his return April 28 with 39 points against Utah, including a game-winning baseline jumper.

The 100-98 win was LA's only one in four tries this season against the Jazz, but that perhaps is misleading: O'Neal didn't play in Utah's 101-89 home win April 9.

"He's probably playing as well right now as he ever has," Jazz coach Jerry Sloan said. "With O'Neal they are bigger than we are at every position."

Well, not technically. Utah center Greg Oestergaard at 7-2 is taller than O'Neal. But Sloan said you can't compare O'Neal with Oestergaard, struggling at 2 points and 4.7 rebounds per game in the playoffs.

"We just hope he'll give us everything he has," Sloan said.

The Lakers' star is cautiously optimistic. "If we can just get one of these two at Utah, we'll be in great shape," O'Neal said.

"But they'll be ready for us, especially at home."

Indeed, the Jazz could call their arena "Fortress Delta Center." Utah has won a club-record 40 of 43 games at home this season, including its 15.

Elden Campbell, who had 27 points in a 95-91 win over Portland Friday, was more upbeat about LA's chances. "They're a very good team, and we'll have our work cut out for us, but it's nothing we can't handle," he said.

Jeanne Kersey agreed, hoping that Utah's long rally since eliminating the Clippers' 104-92 Monday could work in the Lakers' favor.

"Maybe these few days in between will make them fall off a little, but you can't count on that," he said.

LA coach Del Harris was hoping he could. "They've been ready, waiting



The Los Angeles Lakers bench celebrates their 95-91 first-round playoff victory against the Portland Trail Blazers in Portland Ore., Friday to win the best-of-five series 3-1. The Lakers head into second round NBA playoff action against the Utah Jazz.

...and sometimes being off that long can work against you," he said. "I'd like to just keep playing every couple days."

However, the rest undoubtedly helped Stockton. Flu kept him out of practice Wednesday and Thursday, but the Jazz' point guard insisted after Saturday's practice he would be fine for Game 1.

Still, a bit pale, Stockton, renowned for his avoidance of the media, darted from Westminster College's gym while most reporters weren't looking. But as he strode to his car, Stockton was more concerned with the Lakers' Nick Van Exel than a queasy stomach.

Though Van Exel struggled against Portland (8.5 ppg on only 30 percent shooting), Stockton expected Van Exel to shake off those woes in the second round.

"He's obviously a great player," Stockton said. "He can score and he can pass, but the biggest thing is he gets them (the Lakers) excited."

Trade matchups are important, Malone said, but the real battles will be waged in areas not so easily reflected in the statistics.

"These guys get a lot of hustle plays," he said. "The little things — that's what's going to win this series."

Pitino carefully avoided even hinting at which option he might favor.

"I don't think there's any intention either way," he said. "I don't want to be danced around. None of that is going to happen. All I want to do is think a little and (A), put it to rest all of this or (B), move on."

Pitino suggested that Kentucky would have the first chance at keeping him. "There will be a dialogue with my NBA team before meeting with Newton," he said. "There's a decision to be made, whether I stop all the pro rumors or I move to the profes-

sional ranks."

At a later book-signing stop, Pitino added that manager Jim O'Brien and to discuss the job offer. He said he was staying in regular contact with Bird.

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# Coach Pitino intends to make decision within a few days

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Kentucky coach Rick Pitino plans to decide shortly whether he will stay with the Wildcats or make a coaching job in the NBA.

"Nothing will happen this weekend," he said. "Tuesday or Wednesday, something will happen."

Pitino made his comments during a book signing Friday that drew a large gathering of Wildcats fans who implored him to stay at Kentucky. Pitino repeatedly glanced up at the fans, smiled and said "Thank you."



Pitino plans to meet with Kentucky athletic director C.M. Newton on Tuesday.

Newton said Kentucky was eager to extend Pitino's contract for however long the coach wanted. Newton said Pitino was standing at a career crossroads with either option greatly appealing.

"I think he does not want to leave the University of Kentucky, I think that first and foremost," Newton said. "He genuinely likes the place. He likes the job. He likes the winning that goes with it. He likes the players."

"He's being presented a career change with a job that's always fascinated him. That makes it very difficult for him to automatically say, 'No, I won't go.' That's the dilemma he's in."

# Maddux looks like a Cy Young winner again

ATLANTA (AP) — Cy Young award don't matter much to Greg Maddux. He's got plenty of them.

He prefers to focus on the minute of pitching the next team, the next batter, the next pitch.

On this day, relaxing in the Atlanta Braves clubhouse between starts in a season that already has shown Cy Young-like brilliance again, Maddux refused to let the conversation shift to large, sweeping goals.



Greg Maddux

ERA in '95. How do those seasons compare with this season?

"I don't even try to do that," he said. "What good does it do me? I'm worrying about the Pirates (his next opponent). They got a lot of new faces. You try to remember what you did against them, what they did against you. That's not worried about."

... 1993 or '94. I don't think it's going to help me."

That's the heart of Maddux's brilliance. He keeps looking forward, yet he has the computerlike ability to retain all those nibbils that help him keep the suspense.

"Greg's the most intelligent pitcher — no, make that one of the most intelligent guys — I've ever seen."

Mazzoni said. "He's always looking to upgrade his game."

Maddux is a work that's constantly in progress.

You change every year," he said. "I see a lot of guys who are totally different pitchers today than they were two years ago when they had their career year, their best year. They're not even close to pitching that way now, yet they try to."

Hardly anyone realizes that Maddux's weight has fluctuated between 175 pounds and 195 pounds during his career. Some days, he arrives at the park feeling good, other days he doesn't. His feet might hurt, his hamstring might be sore, his foot could be aching — all subtle factors that slightly alter the way the ball leaves his hand.

"People talk. So I don't worry about it," Maddux said. "I might look back at my last start. What can I do to improve off that? What did I do wrong? Remember what you did three or four years ago, even last year? How are you going to remember how you felt and what you did? It's hard enough to remember what you did last week."

Oh, Greg, they'll remember.



Florida Marlins' catcher Charlie Johnson, left, tags New York Mets' Rico Brogna at the plate on a fielder's choice during fourth inning game in Miami May 8, 1996. Overshadowed in a lineup that includes Gary Sheffield, Bobby Bonilla and Moises Alou, Johnson gets little attention. But National League baserunners know him well, and they've just about given up trying to steal a base against him.

"I enjoy watching the game. I just think about what I have to do to make good pitches. That's it," said Maddux, whose unprecedented streak of four straight Cy Youngs was broken last season by teammate John Smoltz. "I don't try to collect numbers or win games. I just try to make good pitches."

Based on the first month of the season, Maddux might want to go ahead and clear off a shelf for another Cy Young.

During five starts in April, he went 3-1 with a 1.57 ERA. He took a scoreless streak of 29 innings into May. One of his starts took all of 1 hour, 41 minutes, to complete — the latest major-league game in four years.

"Greg is throwing a lot better," said Eddie Perez, his personal catcher. "He's more velocity and even better control on the corners. I mean, he was great before, but awesome is the word now."

Indeed, Maddux the Mutt is back, though it's not like he ever left.

"For about the 913th time, there is nothing different about Greg's pitching which makes Mazzoni so impatient. He's Mazzoni as consistent is. He's simply the greatest pitcher in baseball."

In a rain-shortened, 20-in over the San Diego Padres at Adnan April 27, Maddux ended Tony Gwynn's 12-game hitting streak. "Mutt" was over his head," said Gwynn, one of the great hitters ever to play the game.

It's a tribute to Maddux's greatness that 1996 — 15-1 with a 2.72 ERA — more telling than any Cy Young — was considered a subpar year — only in the sense that it

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— Greg Maddux

# Marlins' manager wants to show off catcher

MIAMI (AP) — Charles Johnson does his best work wearing a mask, and the Florida Marlins want the nation to get a better look at him.

Manager Jim Leyland thought about giving his catcher a night off last Sunday when the Marlins played the Los Angeles Dodgers. But the game was televised on ESPN, so Johnson stayed in the lineup.

"A lot of people don't know a lot about him, and they might mention on national TV that he's the National League Gold Glove catcher the last two years," Leyland said. "That's good stuff. It's good for CJ and good for our club."

"When you've got a chance to show your team off, show them off."

Overshadowed in a lineup that includes Gary Sheffield, Bobby Bonilla and Moises Alou, Johnson gets little attention. But National League baserunners know him well, and they've just about given up trying to steal a base against him.

In the first month of the season, opponents attempted only 11 stolen bases with Johnson behind plate, and they were caught five times (45 percent).

Last year, in Johnson's second season, he led the NL by throwing out 36 of 87 baserunners (41 percent).

"That's a weapon," Leyland said. "It's a nice vehicle to have in that you shut them down for, most-of-the time, you feel like you're going to throw them out. It works out well."

Johnson's defensive skills extend beyond his strong right arm. Through Friday, he led National League catchers with a fielding percentage of 1.000 — no errors in 20 games — and he had yet to be charged with a passed ball.

Johnson is glad teams have been reluctant to run against him. But he also relishes the challenge of throwing out baseball's best base-stealers. Johnson will go against Kenny Lofton for the first time when the Atlanta Braves visit Miami for a two-game series beginning Wednesday.

"That's very exciting when you get a fast guy," Johnson said. "To throw out a fast runner, that's one of the most exciting things about catching. It stops the big inning."

Johnson is still learning to start big innings. He hit only 218 last year, but the Marlins are encouraged by his progress at the plate this season.

Through Friday, he was hitting .242 with two homers and nine RBIs. His slugging percentage (.419) and on-base percentage (.373) were both up more than 70 points from 1996.

"I feel a lot better than last year," he said. "I'm a lot more relaxed. I want to stay consistent like this the whole year. If I do that, my numbers will be a lot better at the end of the year."

"I know I'm capable of hitting at this level, and I'm going to do it."

# Sunday special: Taking baseball to foreign markets

The Associated Press

In a sport where so many players are making so many millions, it is easy to forget the fringe guy earning the major-league minimum.

Unless, of course, you happen to be the fringe guy's agent.

"Some of my closest clients were squeezed out," says Albert Nero, who represents Scott Fletcher and Steve Sax got caught in the salary squeeze. There are 310 million players and there are 910,000 players. The majority make the minimum. What happens to the ones who are forced out because their teams won't pay them? You look for an economic alternative."

The Orient is one option and it's not exactly like being exiled from meaningful baseball.

"We, as Americans, think of baseball as our game, a game that isn't played elsewhere," says Nero. "In Japan, the national pastime is baseball, too. There are more players in mainland China than there are in the United States. We've had a national expansion in major league baseball to Asia. There will be international play and a real World Series."

Baseball has created the first foothold. There are four domed stadiums, each of major league quality. The 12 Japanese teams each have a 2 million in attendance. And the rosters aren't only composed of used-up players trying to make one last buck in baseball.

Carl Eller went there and returned to become the most productive home run and RBI player in the major this decade. Pete Incaviglia went there and returned there to resurrect major league careers that had seemed over.

Japanese exports are making it difficult to get this far out of the Pacific, as well. Can you say Nomo and Iwabu?

Nero sent Mike Pagliarulo,

Terry Bross and Troy Neel, among others, to profitable says in Japan. Their paydays range up to \$1 million, much more than they could earn in the United States. Now he believes Korea may be the next big market.

Nero, who represents New York Yankees teammates Wade Boggs and Joe Girardi, is president of CSB International, a company that has established baseball contracts around the world, particularly in the Far East. Beginning in 1998, Nero and his company will funnel a minimum of 24 and perhaps as many as 32 American players to South Korea.

This is the result of a studied effort that began five years ago to establish an American beachhead for baseball in that country. Nero read two dozen books on Korean business and culture and made four trips to create contacts and a presence there.

"It was a simple. I just wanted to help our players survive," he said.

There was one episode when, after repeating in 1996, Nero finally received a letter from Korea, predictably written in Korean, a language he had not mastered. "I spent \$300 to have it translated," he said. "It said they weren't interested."

Nero would not be deterred. He kept repeating to players to Japan like Kip Gross, who is still there, and Bobby Thigpen, and he continued to mine the Korean connection.

"You've got to learn their culture, form relationships, do business their way," he said.

Slowly but surely, Nero broke down the barriers that had allowed only Korean nationals to play on Korean League teams. Eventually, Nero's company was hired to help form the National Baseball organization, the game's governing body in that country.

# Cubs, White Sox make Chicago city of losers

CHICAGO (AP) — On the North Side, routine throws end up in the stands, two-strike pitches end up in the bleachers and base-running blunders end up in punch lines.

On the South Side, millionaire sluggers are flailing, paunchy pitchers are failing and apathetic fans are bailing.

This toddlin' town has a long tradition of baseball futility — the White Sox lost won the World Series in 1917, the Cubs in 1908. But this season has produced an especially amazing display of pathetic play.

The Cubs lost their first 14 games of the worst start in National League history, set another record with 19 April losses and took a 6-20 mark into the weekend. Despite a \$54 million payroll that includes some \$18 million for Frank Thomas and Albert Belle, the White Sox were 8-17.

Each team had the worst record in its league.

A Chicago baseball team is guaranteed to win at least three more games (June 16, 17 and 18). That's when the Cubs and White Sox meet in the regular season for the first time as part of the sport's great interleague experiment.

White Sox outfielder Dave Martinez, who played for the Cubs in the late 1980s, said that series at Comiskey Park "will change the whole meaning of Chicago rivalry."

For now, the rivalry looks like a race to the 100-loss mark.

Though defeat is the norm at Wrigley Field and Comiskey Park, these Cubs and White Sox have turned futility into a bumbling, stumbling art form.

"I don't think there's a mistake you can make that we haven't made," Cubs general manager Ed Lynch said. "Bad base running. Bad hitting. Bad pitching. Bad infield play. Bad outfield play. We've done it all."

"We have to improve because we can't play much worse."

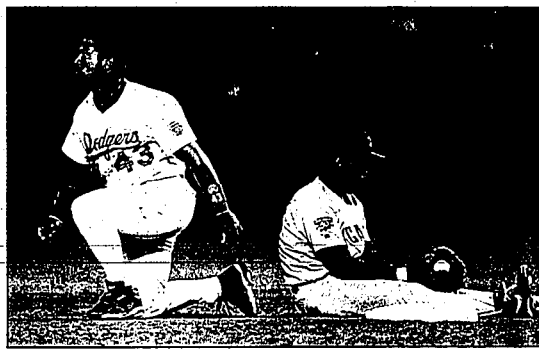
The Cubs finished April with a .228 batting average, a 4.84 ERA and 27 errors. They were outscored 133-95 and out-homered 28-15.

"There's no way to sugarcoat it," Cubs first baseman Mark Grace said. "We've played a lot of bad baseball."

During their 0-14 start, the Cubs were lampooned by Jay Leno, roasted on local radio and mocked by newspaper columnists. And why not? The Cubs have turned some funny material.

"I don't have any use for the sarcasm and the mean-spirited stuff," said Cubs manager Jim Riggleman, whose job probably isn't in jeopardy because team president, Jerry MacPhail is known for being patient. "But I've got a sense of humor, and even I laughed at some of the jokes."

Laughing hasn't come as easily on the South Side.



Chicago Cubs short stop Shawn Dunston sits on the ground in thought or despair Friday after Los Angeles Dodgers' Raul Mondesi safely steals second base during the fifth inning. The Dodgers won 8-7 in 10 innings.

Unlike the Cubs, who thought they might finish above .500 if they got some breaks, the White Sox expected to be among baseball's best teams.

"I've done a lot of evaluation and it's time to go out and get some wins," general manager Ed Lynch said. "I don't want to hear any more excuses."

In other words, manager Terry Bevington is on the hot seat, and several players are sitting right next to him.

Owner Jerry Reinsdorf spent \$55 million to sign Belle for the next five years and assumed that the combination of Belle and Thomas — two of the game's most feared hitters over the past five years — would pound opponents into submission.

It hasn't happened.

Belle had four homers, 14 RBIs and a .206 batting average in the first month. Thomas batted .319 but had only two homers and 15 RBIs. And the White Sox were outscored 138-106 in April.

The often surly Belle already has stopped talking to the Chicago media. Thomas doesn't know what more can be said about the team's offensive woes.

The White Sox surely miss a solid performer

"We have to improve because we can't play much worse."

— Ed Lynch, Cubs general manager

such as third baseman Robin Ventura, who had 34 homers and 103 RBIs last season but broke an ankle in March and might not return until 1998.

"You have to go on," Schueler said. "Other clubs have injuries and rally around it. You can't sit there and cry."

Some White Sox fans probably have cried, but few have sat in Comiskey Park.

An April 9 game against Toronto that was switched from night to day because of the cold drew only 746 fans. And lack of interest caused Reinsdorf to shelve a plan requiring fans to attend three other games if they wanted Cubs-Sox tickets come June.

The Cubs, as usual, are faring better at the box office. Even though they have had the same bad weather, average paid attendance at Wrigley Field was 22,477, and advance sales were strong.

"We have great, loyal fans, but I hate that 'love loser' stuff," Grace said. "I don't think we have losers in this clubhouse. Is Sammy Sosa a loser? Is Ryno Sandberg? Is Shannon Dunsen?"

Perhaps not, but they're not helping the Cubs win.

SPORTS

# Prosecutors defend their handling of Williams case

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) - Prosecutors said Minnesota Vikings running back Moe Williams did not get special treatment when he was issued a summons to court on a rape charge instead of arrested, despite his involvement in a previous domestic violence case.

In November 1994, ex-girlfriend Karla Dunn accused Williams - a former Kentucky star - of choking her and threatening to kill her.

Two weeks later, Fayette District Judge Julia Tackett dismissed misdemeanor counts of assault and terroristic threatening, the Lexington Herald-Leader reported Friday. Nothing in the court file indicated why it was dismissed.

But the cases were segregated - or purged - from police, jail and government records at the request of Williams' attorney. That left no record besides the court files locked in the basement at district court.

Fayette County Attorney Margaret Kannensohn said her staff knew about those charges, but that didn't sway its decision to recommend a summons in the rape case instead of a warrant for his arrest.



"There was a lag time of 36 hours before (the alleged victim) approached the police," she said. "Mr. Williams has come forward, cooperated and agreed to take a polygraph test."

"No one is going to give him the benefit of the doubt on his appearance," she said. "I believe he'll be in court on time, or else we will issue a warrant for his arrest."

*'I believe he'll be in court on time, or else we will issue a warrant for his arrest.'*

-Margaret Kannensohn, Fayette County attorney

A 1980 state law allows public agencies to segregate cases if a defendant is found innocent or the charges are dropped.

Williams, 22, refused comment on the advice of his lawyer Friday, after taking part in the first day of a weekend mini-camp with the Vikings.

In a statement Friday, the Vikings said, "We continue to monitor the situation. Moe has cooperated fully with the authorities, even agreeing to take a polygraph

test. We will withhold further comment until he is allowed the opportunity to present his side."

Williams has been charged with first-degree rape, a felony punishable by 15 to 20 years in prison.

A 21-year-old Lexington woman accused him of raping her early Sunday at the residence of Fayette County deputy sheriff Richard Head, whom Williams has listed in court records as his stepfather. Head and his wife, Brenda, were apparently out of town last weekend. They didn't return messages left at home and work.

A police report filed Monday said the woman was treated at the University of Kentucky Hospital for contusions on her back. A rape examination also was conducted.

Lexington police have been investigating the case, but did not immediately file charges. The woman filed a criminal complaint Wednesday in district court.

The summons has been served on Williams, and he is scheduled to appear in Fayette District Court on Tuesday for arraignment, an employee in the district court clerk's office said Friday.

# Paper: Cincinnati broke NCAA rules

CINCINNATI (AP) - University of Cincinnati athletics broke several NCAA rules in the past year, but most of the infractions were minor, The Cincinnati Enquirer reported today.

The paper, citing records it obtained through the Ohio Public Records Act, said the most serious infraction involved the football program.

The alleged infraction involved former assistant football coach and recruiting coordinator Kyle Lingerfelt.

According to a school compliance office report, Lingerfelt admitted to UC athletic director Gerald O'Dell Dec. 22, 1995, that he took money that was supposed to be used for prospective student-athletes, their guests and high school football coaches to buy meals on unofficial visits. Cincinnati estimated the total money taken to be \$800 to \$2,000.

Lingerfelt, who had been employed at Cincinnati since August 1994, resigned on Dec. 21, 1995, and could not be reached to comment.

The Cincinnati sports information office said Friday the last it had heard, Lingerfelt was coaching prep football in central Florida.

A telephone listing for Lingerfelt in Florida could not be found.

University spokesman Greg Hand said today he had not seen the report and could not comment. An athletics department representative could not immediately be reached. A telephone

message was left at the department. There was no telephone listing for O'Dell in the Cincinnati area.

As part of Cincinnati's investigation into Lingerfelt's activities, officials discovered that Lingerfelt had allowed quarterback Chad Plummer, then a freshman, to make \$19 worth of long-distance calls at no charge, the newspaper said.

After Cincinnati required Plummer to repay the money, the NCAA restored Plummer's eligibility. He didn't miss any games.

An alleged basketball infraction involved player Ruben Patterson, who participated in a summer league without permission. He was suspended for an exhibition game last season after the school found out.

Patterson played in one game during the Cleveland Pro-Am Summer League on June 24. When assistant coach Larry Harrison learned of Patterson's participation, he reported the infraction to a school compliance officer.

After Cincinnati suspended Patterson for the first exhibition game of the 1996-97 season, the NCAA restored his eligibility.

Other alleged violations involved baseball coach Brian Cleary, who sent a recruiting letter to a prospective player six weeks before the rules allow. As a penalty, he was ordered not to have any further contact with the player until six weeks after the Sept. 1 date.

Cincinnati is in the fourth month of an investigation into the eligibility of junior basketball player Charles Williams, who transferred to the school after playing the 1995-96 season at Chaffey College in California and briefly attending Compton College in California.

The investigation began when Cincinnati received a letter in January from the NCAA requesting a review of Williams' eligibility. The NCAA had contacted several schools that had athletes attend Compton because of concern about the quantity of credit hours earned by some NCAA athletes.

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# New cars make 1st Indy appearance

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - The Indy Racing League has reduced the horsepower, downforce and speed. Still, with the cars expected to reach close to 220 mph, who can tell the difference?

Designed for safety as well as affordability, the new IRL cars made their debut in January at Orlando. They'll get their first extensive testing at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway by rookie drivers through Monday, and by the veterans when the full Indy 500 practice begins Tuesday.

The first of four days of qualifications for the May 25 race will be next Saturday.

"Most people can't see the difference. When you see the cars on the Speedway here, the average spectator is not going to see any-

thing different," IRL executive director Leo Mehl said Saturday.

"The human eye is not going to spot the difference between 235 mph and 215 mph. What's important is the cars are close in speed at this competitive race. It's not the top speed; it's the relationship between them."

The opening session of the rookie testing was washed out by rain.

At least nine drivers were expected to participate in the program, which gives rookies extra time on the track without the normal heavy traffic in the week leading up to the start of qualifications.

Former winner Arle Luyendyk set one- and four-lap records last year of 237.499 mph and 236.596

mph, but no one will come even close to those speeds this year because of the new chassis and engines.

There were two basic theories in the changes for the cars," Mehl said. "One was to reduce the speed, which we've done approximately 20 mph. Last year, cars qualified at 237, this year perhaps 217. The other thing was to control the costs."

The familiar Reynards, which won the Indy 500 the past two years, the Penskes, which won the race in five of the seven years before that, the Lolas, Galmer's Marches, other popular chassis in recent years, all are gone. The only chassis being used at Indianapolis now are the G-Force of England and the Dallara of Italy.

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## Toastmasters teach leadership

TWIN FALLS—Anyone interested in improving their communication and leadership skills is invited to attend a first anniversary meeting of the newly formed, Magic Valley Toastmasters Club at noon Tuesday at Elmer's Pantry & Steak House, 1824 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

"Toastmasters is one of the best kept secrets for self improvement," said Peggy Rudd, club president. "Contrary to what most people think, it has a lot more to offer than just giving speeches. It is a workshop in which you develop your skills of communication and leadership among a group of friends."

This special joint meeting of the Twin Falls Toastmasters, and the new Magic Valley club, is intended to give those interested a chance to observe the conventional format of a Toastmasters meeting that includes extemporaneous speaking called Table Topics, two individual speeches, and evaluation of the speeches.

For more details about the meeting or joining Toastmasters, call the Magic Valley club president Peggy Rudd at 733-3867 or the Twin Falls Toastmasters, at Darwin Boyle at 733-4000 or Darwin Boyle at 736-5651 at work.



Joyce Moore of the Magic Valley Toastmasters club congratulates Twin Falls Toastmasters Club President Darwin Boyle on the organization of the new club.

## Leonard honored for service



Diane Ramseyer, right, president of the Filer Mutual Telephone Company Board of Directors, presents Merl E. Leonard with a retirement plaque for 42 years of service.

FILER—Merl E. Leonard was honored for 42 years as a director and secretary-treasure of the Filer Mutual Telephone Company at their April meeting. He was presented a retirement plaque by Duane Ramseyer, president of the board of directors.

Leonard, a former Twin Falls County Commissioner and member of the National Board of County Commissioners Washington D.C. representing the Idaho Association of counties, was appointed to the Independent Mutual Telephone Company in 1955. The company was the Filer, Hollister and Rogerson communities as well as 30 miles into the Elko county that includes Jackpot and ranchers beyond with over 2,200 members.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Hansen clubs plan dinner theater

HANSEN—The Hansen High School Travel and Drama clubs are co-sponsoring a dinner theater featuring two one-act plays Tuesday.

"Murder Most Fowl" and "Flowers for Algernon" will be presented by the students in the high school gymnasium. The menu includes fettuccini alfredo, chicken breast, salad, dinner roll and dessert. The dinner theater is a "fund-raising event" for a small group of students who are working their way to Great Britain for two weeks during the summer of 1998.

Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. with curtain time set for 7 p.m. Cost is \$9 per person, and advanced ticket purchase is required as seating is limited. Tickets are available at D&B Supply, Everybody's Business and Little Red Hen, all in Twin Falls; Person's IGA in Kimberly; and Dew's Market and Corner Conventione, both in Hansen.

The plays, "Murder Most Fowl" and "Flowers for Algernon," also will be performed at 7 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday in the Hansen High School gymnasium.

Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for students with a high school activity card and \$2 for senior citizens and elementary students, under age 5 is free.

### Parent Network to meet Monday

HANSEN—The Parent Network

### I want your news

If it's news to you, I want to hear about it.

The April Cronch (calendar), the community editor at The Times-News, is in my job to fill this page with news about community happenings.

• Calendar

• Social events

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• Your ideas and their reactions.

I will also include your photos in my picture stories.

Old events in the line of the community are important to our readers.

Please send your news and photos to: Community Editor April Grinch, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83403.

You can reach me by fax at 734-4535. You can also email me at [agrinch@timesnews.com](mailto:agrinch@timesnews.com).

Deadlines for the Sunday page is noon Wednesday; Deadline for the Thursday page is noon Monday; Deadline for the Tuesday page is noon Saturday; Deadline for the Saturday page is noon Tuesday; Deadline for the Wednesday page is noon Friday.

### (a Down syndrome group) will meet at 7 p.m. Monday.

Parents and relatives of individuals with Down syndrome are encouraged to attend along with anyone interested in learning more about Down syndrome.

For more information, call Roberta Belnap at 423-9553.

### Kimberly athletes earn recognition

KIMBERLY—The Kimberly Booster Club will hold an athletic awards presentation to honor student athletes and their parents at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the lunchroom at the Kimberly Elementary School.

Cake and ice cream will be provided by the booster club. The event is a dress-up affair—dresses worn by the girls and ties worn by the boys.

The booster club is sponsoring a membership drive and reminding people that dues for 1997/98 are \$5 per person or \$10 for a family. Anyone interested may sign up at the awards program.

### Eagle Scouts display projects

KIMBERLY—The 1997 Eagle Scout Banquet will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. May 15 at the Kimberly LDS Snake Center, 3837 N. 3500 E.

The event is for all Snake River Council Eagle Scouts who have earned their Eagle awards between Jan. 1, 1996, and May 15, 1997. Those who have never attended an Eagle Banquet also are invited. Eagle Scouts, members of their families, scout leaders, representatives from their charter organizations and interested individuals are encouraged to attend. Cost is \$8 per person.

Dinner includes chicken, ham, vegetables, salad, rolls, drink and dessert. People who have special dietary concerns are asked to let organizers know when they register. Please RSVP by Friday by calling 733-2067.

Eagle Scouts are reminded to bring copies of their Eagle projects for display. A receiving line starts at 6:30 p.m.

Anyone who is available to assist with meal preparation and set-up is asked to arrive at the church between 4 and 7 p.m.

For more information, call Mark Amkang at 678-1487 or the Boy Scout office at 733-2067.

### Sligar presents senior recital

TWIN FALLS—Emily Sligar will present a senior recital at 7 p.m. Monday at the J. L. Jorgenson Recital Hall.

Sligar will perform several oboe solos, an oboe and bassoon duet with her younger sister, Debbie, and two voice selections. She is a student of Janie Griff of Filer and a former student of Camille Cox. She has performed with the Magic Valley Symphony

### College of Southern Idaho band played first oboe for the United States Collegiate Wind Band European Tour last July.

Sligar recently qualified for state solo and attended all state last year. She is a member of the Twin Falls High School band directed by Ted Hadley and the daughter of Rocky and Mary Sligar of Twin Falls.

A reception will follow at Daisy's Old Time Connections.

### Harley Davidson riders to meet

TWIN FALLS—Harley Davidson Riders will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at Muggers', 516 Second St. S.

For more information, call Roger or Brenda at 733-0151.

### Ceramic designers plan annual show

TWIN FALLS—The Magic Valley Ceramic Association will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at Ceramic Arts, 618 Main Ave. N.

Discussion will focus on the ninth annual show and competition and the fall workshop. Participants should bring assorted stain brushes to do firecrackers.

Anyone interested in learning more about ceramics and new techniques is invited. For more information, call 734-3227.

### Welcome Wagon plans luncheon

TWIN FALLS—The monthly Welcome Wagon luncheon is planned for 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at Muggers' Brewpub, 516 Second St. S. (Old Town).

Susan Ash from the Twin Falls Public Library will discuss financial items on file at the library. Everyone new to the area is encouraged to come get acquainted. For reservations or more information, call 736-4815.

### U of I offers lawn and garden clinic

TWIN FALLS—The University of Idaho Twin Falls County Master Gardeners will hold lawn and garden clinics from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays, May 6 through Aug. 19, at the Twin Falls County Extension Office, 246 Third Ave. E.

Master gardeners will be available to assist with lawn and garden problems or questions. For more information or questions, call 734-9590.

### New restaurant association to meet

TWIN FALLS—The newly formed Magic Valley Restaurant Association will hold a meeting at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Room 113 of the Desert Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

Everyone involved in the ownership or operation of any type of restaurant in the Magic Valley is invited. For more information, call 731-7437.

The association's officers for the coming year are President Jon Leach (Papa Murphy's), Vice President Mike Nelson (Perkin's Restaurant) and Secretary-Treasurer Patt Morrow (Wendy's). The nonprofit organization invites all interested people to its meetings on the first Tuesday of each month.

### Ladies of the Elks plan installation

TWIN FALLS—The Ladies of the Elks will hold their installation and Silver Fox dinner and meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Elks Lodge.

For reservations, call Mary Ann Plummer at 733-3241 or Lena Smith at 734-1692.

### TF Garden Club schedules meeting

TWIN FALLS—The Twin Falls Garden Club will meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Prairie Cur Restaurant, 611 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

A program of questions and answers by the members is planned. New members are welcome. For more information, call Mae Herron at 733-4989.

### Auditions begin for JUMP Co. show

TWIN FALLS—JUMP Co. will hold auditions for the summer show, "Grease," Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the First Christian Church on the corner of Shoshone and Sixth Avenue North.

Call Cindy Lays at 736-6543 for an audition appointment and age requirements. A \$10 JUMP Co. membership fee is required of new members at the time of audition.

### Tables available at craft show

TWIN FALLS—A craft show will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 17 at the Salvation Army, 246 Third Ave. E.

Tables are available but will go fast. Call 733-8720 for reservations. Door prizes and a snack bar are featured.

## CLASSES

### Hunters education class offered

RUHL—A Hunter's education class will be offered from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Bull Moose Lodge, 1101 N. Main.

Registration will begin at 5 p.m. Monday at the lodge. Cost is \$5 per person for ages 12-18 and \$5 for those over 18. A snack counter will be available.

This will be the last hunter education class before the May 31 drawing. The course is required to enter the drawing.

For more information, call Earl Thompson at 543-6151.

### Martial arts classes teach self-defense

JEROME—Parents, don't miss out on the chance to protect your children, with the gift of self-defense.

Sanzuyuri Martial Arts Classes are held from 5 to 6 p.m. Mondays at the Jerome Recreation Center or 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the YVCA in Twin Falls.

For more information, call 324-3670.

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Neale Initiated into Beta Theta Pi

Ryan Neale, graduate of Twin Falls High School, has been initiated into Beta Theta Pi International Fraternity by the chapter at the University of Idaho. He is the son of John and Diane Neale of Twin Falls.

### Cole named

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Brandt R. Cole of Kimberly High School has been named a United States National Award Winner in Science. This award is a prestigious honor, and the academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Cole was nominated for this national award by Kimberly High School teacher, Bob McDonald. Cole will appear in the United

### U.S. award winner

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### States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

She is the daughter of Lorene Cole of Twin Falls.

### Academy honors area students

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Matt Barnes, of Twin Falls, has been named a United States National Award Winner in English. This award is a prestigious honor, and the academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Barnes, who attends Robert Stuart Junior High School, was nominated for this national award by Twin Falls teacher, Joann McFulane. His name will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally. He is the son of Jack and Robyn Barnes of Twin Falls and the grandson of Bob and Janell Barnes and Bob and Janie Logan, all of Twin Falls.

Coleen Hudson of Filer High School has been named a United States National Award Winner in History and Government.

Hudson was nominated for this national award by Filer High School teacher, John Huit. His name will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook. He is the son of Tim and Janie Hudson of Filer and the grandson of Jack and Kay Fields and Dell and Patty Hudson, all of Filer.

### Chapin places 5th in spelling bee

Chase Chapin, a sixth-grade student at Jarbridge School, recently competed in the middle school spelling bee for the state of Nevada held at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. Forty-eight sixth, seventh and eighth graders competed from all over the state. Chapin received a trophy for being among the top 10 finalists and placed fifth in the competition.

Chapin is the son of Kevin and Nancy Chapin of the Diamond A Ranch west of Rogerson and the grandson of Louis and Gwen Krepek of Twin Falls. Jarbridge School is a one-room school house for first through eighth grades and currently has only five students.

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**BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOLS**  
Self-serve bar available every day. No self-serve bar available at Bellevue School.  
Monday: Crisp beef taco.  
Tuesday: Turkey reamatin.  
Wednesday: Cornedog.  
Thursday: Haystack.  
Friday: Pepperoni pizza.

**BLISS**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Lunch: Choice of mainline or salad bar available Monday through Thursday with potato bar every other day.  
Monday: Chicken party.  
Tuesday: Salisbury steak.  
Wednesday: Hotdog on a bun.  
Thursday: Chicken salad.  
Friday: Fizza.

**BULL**  
Breakfast: Juice served everyday.  
Monday: Cereal and muffin.  
Tuesday: Waffles with maple syrup.  
Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy.  
Thursday: Ham and toast.  
Friday: Cereal and cinnamon toast.  
Lunch: Peanut butter and jelly sandwich.  
Monday: Pepperoni pizza.  
Tuesday: Cold-cut sandwich.  
Wednesday: Turkey, potatoes and gravy.  
Friday: Fizza.

**BURLEY JUNIOR HIGH**  
Breakfast: Juice and fruit served everyday.  
Lunch: Choice of salad bar with sandwich or soup or sandwich bar every day.  
Monday: Fiesta.  
Tuesday: Hamburger or burrito or cheeseburger.  
Wednesday: Nacho nachos or cornedog.  
Thursday: Malibu chicken or burrito sandwich.  
Friday: No lunch served.

**CASSIA COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**  
Breakfast: Fruit or juice served everyday.  
Monday: Churro and nut and raisin cup.  
Tuesday: Cereal and cinnamon toast.  
Wednesday: Peanut butter and honey sandwich.  
Thursday: Maple bar and cheese.  
Friday: Oatmeal and muffin.  
Lunch: Monday: Fiesta.  
Tuesday: Baked potato special.  
Wednesday: Chili and crackers.  
Thursday: Hamburger on a bun.  
Friday: Taco salad.

**CASTLEFORD**  
Monday: Scenes.  
Tuesday: Pancakes.  
Wednesday: Cook's choice.  
Thursday: Cereal.  
Friday: French toast.  
Lunch: Self-serve salad bar everyday.  
Monday: Oven fried chicken.  
Tuesday: Pizzas.  
Wednesday: French dip sandwich.  
Friday: Turkey hoagie sandwich.

**DIETRICH**  
Breakfast: Choice of juice, milk, hot chocolate, cereal, toast or muffin.  
Lunch: Salad bar and variety of fruit choices.  
Monday: Potato bar.  
Tuesday: Sloppy joes on a bun.  
Wednesday: Fizza.  
Thursday: Grilled cheese sandwich.  
Friday: Nachos with salad bar.

**FILER**  
Monday: Chicken nuggets.  
Tuesday: Cavatini.  
Wednesday: Soup and sandwich.  
Thursday: Idaho haystack.  
Friday: Hamburger on a bun.

**GLENN'S FERRY**  
Monday: Soft-shell taco.  
Tuesday: Canadian bacon pizza.  
Wednesday: Malibu chicken.  
Thursday: Arroz con que.  
Friday: Chef salad.

**GOODING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Lunch: Salad bar, potato bar or deli bar available on alternating days.  
Monday: Nachos.  
Tuesday: Chicken rice soup and grilled cheese sandwich.  
Wednesday: Cornedog.  
Thursday: Ham sandwich.  
Friday: Fizza.

**GOODING MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Monday: Nachos or hamburger on a bun.  
Tuesday: Chicken rice soup and grilled cheese sandwich or burrito.  
Wednesday: Cornedog or chicken nuggets.  
Thursday: Ham sandwich or pizza.  
Friday: Pizza or cornedog.

**GOODING LIGHT SCHOOL**  
Breakfast served everyday.

Lunch: Salad bar, potato bar or deli bar available on alternating days. Also choice of hamburger line, pizza line or ala carte items.  
Monday: Nachos or hamburger or cornedog.  
Tuesday: Chicken rice soup and grilled cheese sandwich or burrito or pizza.  
Wednesday: Cornedog or chicken nuggets or cornedog.  
Thursday: Chicken sandwich or burrito.  
Friday: Fizza or cornedog or cheeseburger.

**HAGERMAN**  
Monday: Hamburger on a bun.  
Tuesday: Turkey gravy over mashed potatoes.  
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets.  
Friday: Ham and cheese on a bun.

**HANSEN**  
Monday: Chicken nuggets.  
Tuesday: French dip sandwich.  
Wednesday: Spaghetti.  
Thursday: Hamburger on a bun.  
Friday: Fizza.

**IDAHO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND**  
Breakfast: Choice of juice, fruit, and cereal.  
Monday: Scrambled eggs and toast.  
Tuesday: Pancakes and little smokies.  
Wednesday: Cinnamon toast.

Thursday: Fizza and link sausage.  
Lunch: Salad bar everyday.  
Monday: Homemade beef and bean burrito.  
Tuesday: Grilled ham and cheese sandwich.  
Wednesday: Cornedog.  
Thursday: Sea-nugs.  
Friday: Grilled chicken sandwich.

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL**  
Monday: Tortorillo with spaghetti sauce.  
Tuesday: Macaroni salad.  
Wednesday: Baked potato bar.  
Thursday: Chili and crackers.  
Friday: Italian sausage pizza.

**JEROME SCHOOLS**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Lunch: At middle school and high school, choice of salad bar, hamburger line or pizza line served daily, main line (fried), or ala carte items. Deli sandwich served every weekday.  
Monday: Crunchy tacos.  
Tuesday: Chicken party on a whole wheat bun.  
Wednesday: Beef and bean burrito.  
Thursday: Chicken nuggets.  
Friday: Spaghetti with meat sauce.

**KIMBERLY**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Lunch: Monday: Nachos with salsa.  
Tuesday: Roast turkey and potatoes.  
Wednesday: Taco with salsa.  
Thursday: Chicken and noodles.  
Friday: Ham and cheese sandwich and tomato soup.

**MINTOONA COUNTY**  
Breakfast: Fruit served everyday.  
Monday: Cereal and toast.  
Tuesday: Breakfast burrito.  
Wednesday: Cakes and muffin.  
Thursday: Pancakes and sausage party.  
Friday: Cereal and toast.  
Lunch: Monday: Polish dog.  
Tuesday: Beef and cheese pizza.  
Wednesday: Baked potato special.  
Thursday: Beef and cheese taco.  
Friday: Chicken nuggets with meat sauce.

**MURTAUGH**  
For grades six through 12, choice of salad bar, hotdog, nachos or the main line everyday.  
Monday: Burritos.  
Tuesday: Hamburger gravy over mashed potatoes.  
Wednesday: Potato bar with hamburger or turkey gravy.  
Thursday: Ham and cheese sandwich.  
Friday: Chickenburger on a bun.

**RICHFIELD**  
Breakfast: Juice served everyday.  
Monday: Cereal and cornedog.  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy.  
Wednesday: Breakfast sausage and sausage.  
Thursday: Cereal and pie.  
Friday: French toast.  
Lunch: Monday: Chicken nuggets.  
Tuesday: Nachos with cheese and chicken noodle soup.  
Wednesday: Cheeseburger on a bun.  
Thursday: Soft-shell taco.  
Friday: Fizza.

**SHOSHONE**  
Monday: Tacos.  
Tuesday: Sloppy joes.  
Wednesday: Hot hamburger on a bun.  
Thursday: Fajitas.  
Friday: Fizza.

**ST. EDWARD'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
Monday: Beef stroganoff.  
Tuesday: Lasagna.

Wednesday: Cornedog.  
Thursday: Potato tacos.  
Friday: Baked potato bar.

**TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Monday: Beef and bean burrito.  
Tuesday: Italian spaghetti.  
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets with barbecue sauce.  
Thursday: Grilled cheese sandwich and chicken noodle soup.  
Friday: Sloppy joes on a bun.

**TWIN FALLS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Lunch: Junior highs have a choice of main line or second line menu. Salad bar, soup and sandwich bar, taco bar or potato bar available on alternate days.  
Monday: Beef and bean burrito or Italian sausage sandwich.  
Tuesday: Italian spaghetti or pizza.  
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets or rice and dip.  
Thursday: Grilled cheese sandwich or pizza.  
Friday: Sloppy joes or deli sandwich.

**TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Lunch: The high school has a choice of

main line, hamburger bar and salad bar each day, taco bar on Wednesdays and potato bar on Fridays. Main line menu varies everyday.

**VALLEY**  
Breakfast served everyday.  
Monday: Cheese pizza.  
Tuesday: Supreme nachos with salsa.  
Wednesday: Matouren beef on a bun.  
Thursday: Spaghetti noodles with meat sauce and cheese.  
Friday: Turkey gravy over mashed potatoes.

**WENDELL SCHOOLS**  
The middle school and high school also have a choice of submarine sandwich plate or chef salad plate everyday.  
Monday: Chicken nuggets with barbecue sauce.  
Tuesday: Burrito with salsa.  
Wednesday: Hamburger pizza.  
Thursday: Hotdog on a bun.  
Friday: Soft-shell taco.

School lunch menus are printed as a public service. To have the lunch menu (Spaghetti menu if desired) printed with the menu in Sunday's paper, send the menu to The Times-News, P.O. Box 543, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or fax it to 716-6336, attention: Lunch Menu. Deadline is noon Friday for registration. Sunday.

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**Crawford and Gerber** visiting to Paris



**L.L. Cool J** — "I'm lame rapper" with wife, Simone

**Q** I have a few questions concerning my favorite supermodel, Cindy Crawford: How much money does she make? Where does she live? And who's her latest boyfriend?—Mark L., Mount, Fla.

**A** A one-woman conglomerate, Cindy Crawford, 31, earns nearly \$10 million a year from modeling contracts with Pepsi, Revlon, General Motors and others—plus MTV, calendars and assorted promotional activities. A party girl at heart, Cindy divorced actor Richard Gere, 48, in 1995 and has since become romantically involved with Rande Gerber, 34, owner of several Whiskey Bars in L.A. Cindy recently bought a \$1.8 million, Spanish-style house in the Brentwood section of Los Angeles—no doubt to be near Rande and to try to rekindle their movie career, which died in 1995, along with her first film, "Fair Game," opposite Billy Baldwin.

**Q** Both parties talk big about campaign-finance reform but do nothing. Who's responsible for stymieing this needed reform?—S.G., Chicago, Ill.

**A** A strange set of political bedfellows. Opponents of the effort to curb runaway campaign spending include the leftist American Civil Liberties Union as well as the rightist National Rifle Association. Out of step with most voters, they argue that such limits would violate their First Amendment rights of free speech—an opinion upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1976. Sens. Ernest Hollings (D., S.C.) and Arlen Specter (R., Pa.) sponsored a constitutional amendment that at overturning that 1976 ruling and setting limits. Predictably, it was opposed by many career politicians and lost in a Senate roll call on March 18. For a list of the 116 Senators who voted against this reform measure, see "Intelligence Report" in this issue.



Senator John Chafee had his 80th birthday on March 20 at the AIDS Foundation bash. How much of the funds raised goes to AIDS patients? Does Chafee plan to keep working at the same pace?—Barb Meadows, Houston, Tex.

**A** Senator John Chafee, 80, turned 80 on March 20 at the AIDS Foundation bash, which added 4800 7000 to the foundation's \$900,000 fund. Chafee, who has raised \$12 million for AIDS education and health-related projects, the foundation says it operates with one of the lowest administrative costs (4% of any AIDS organization). In addition to his work for the foundation, Chafee has raised money through health fairs, fundraisers and sporting events, plus 8% of the proceeds from the profits from sales of Lialgue crystal objects called "Crystal Angels." As for his work, Chafee is now in the hospital recovering from "severe" pneumonia, and his next release is planned "followed by European travel and a trip to Paris. In addition, he and lobbyist Tim Rios are planning to appear in the movie *The Lion King*, set to open in theaters in June. Chafee also is planning to appear in the film *Back Boys and Girls*, scheduled to open next year.

**Q** In a recent column, you described actress Sophie Thompson as "not as pretty as her sister, Ethnic," but you didn't refer to Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf as "rotund." Why the double standard?—Lisa Blankenship, Hayward, Calif.

**A** Because there are different standards for different professions. A general's shape does not affect his generalship. But appearance has a great bearing on the roles an actor or actress is offered in Hollywood, rarely—unfairly or not—homely people were cast as romantic leads.

**Q** Can you tell me why rapper L.L. Cool J always has one pant leg rolled up to the knee? Is that a sign in the rap world of someone who is carrying drugs?—D.R., Charleston, W.Va.

**A** It has nothing to do with drugs. That rolled-up pant leg is simply a fashion statement favored by James Todd Smith, whose rap name comes from Ladies Love Cool James. "If anything, the 29-year-old Grammy winner is out of fashion by rap standards, because his lyrics are not violent, anti-women, drug-oriented or sexually explicit. Now starring in the UPN sitcom "In the House," Cool J is not affiliated with the gangsta rap scene that recently took the lives of Tupac Shakur and Biggie Small. Despite his distance from the violent scene, however, Cool J and his staff take precautions when he travels with his wife, Simone, their son, Najee, 7, and daughters, India, 6, and Samaria, 18 months.

**Q** I'm intrigued by Eric Schweig, who starred in "Squanto" and "The Last of the Mohicans." Can you tell me more about this fine actor and what he's now up to?—S.B., Mobile, Ala.

**A** Schweig, 28, a member of the Inuit Canadian Eskimo community, has spent the last year supporting his live-in girlfriend, Gill Gull, an acting actress, and his agent, Deirdre Sam, he cut off contact with anyone who might sabotage his clean-and-sober lifestyle. Schweig—who last appeared in the film "Tom and Huck" and on "ABC's Hued and Man's Walk"—says he turned down \$20 million in offers during his exile but is anxious to work again. Though often typecast as an Indian on screen, Schweig had to overcome a fear of horses when he became an actor.

**Q** The world knows Michael Ovitz was forced out of his job as the No. 2 man at Disney—was he? Or has he been reported to have Ovi? The agent who was once called "the most powerful man in Hollywood," has reacted to being classified as a "has-been." Can you give us a description of his state of mind?—J.L., Los Angeles, Calif.

**A** He stands to collect \$100 million or more as a result of his severance from the Walt Disney Co., but Michael Ovi, 50, knows he is viewed as a pariah by many in the film capital. Friends say Ovi has been on an emotional roller-coaster. One minute he tells people he's about to close his movie business for good. In fact, Ovi has been spending more time in New York than in L.A. of late. But even his critics concede that Ovi, the preeminent Hollywood dealmaker of his time, cannot be counted out. Movie insiders look for Ovi to attempt a comeback late this year or next.

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# Before You Go Into The Hospital

## A CHECKLIST

**O**NE OUT OF 10 Americans will become a hospital patient this year. More than ever, patients need to know what to expect and how to cope with it. The health-care industry is in a period of transition, and soaring costs have forced many hospitals to lay off nurses and other aides. Meanwhile, insurance companies are calling for fewer medical tests and shorter hospital stays.

What's a patient to do? The first step is to get over the awe in which most people hold the medical profession and become a smart consumer. Make believe you're buying a new car and approach hospitalization as a customer who knows what he or she wants and expects to get it.

"It is more and more important for patients to become their own health managers—partners with their doctors," says Dr. Jack Lord, a senior adviser to the American Hospital Association. "You must not be just a potato in a bed that people are doing things to."

The following suggestions are based on interviews with experts at university hospitals, medical associations, lawyers, government officials and patients.

### IS THIS TRIP NECESSARY?

When your doctor wants to book you into a hospital for surgery, get a second opinion—and make sure the second doctor has no connections with the first. Ask your friends for recommendations; call your nearest medical school. There may be ways to avoid surgery, and many ailments that once required hospitalization can now be done outside, such as chemotherapy or cataract surgery.

- GET a second opinion.
- MEET your surgeon ahead of time: Take notes.
- FIND OUT your hospital's success rate with the procedure.
- GIVE your anesthesiologist your medical history.
- DISCUSS allergic reactions you've had—in advance.
- KNOW WHO will be in charge of your stay at every stage.
- DON'T SIGN advanced directives until you absolutely understand your treatment options.
- PACK A LIST of phone numbers you'll want in an emergency.
- KEEP ACCURATE RECORDS, starting with your diagnosis, in case of a problem with your billing or insurance.
- PLAN for your recovery before you go in.



Don't Folly. See! Surgery. That's the best time when the doctor can assure that the patient is safe. The hospital also offers a hospital for a second opinion.

### CHOOSING THE SURGEON

Your family doctor may unknowingly send you to the wrong surgeon. Insist upon a personal meeting with the surgeon far ahead of the operation. If he or she refuses, find another surgeon: This is a decision too important to be left to chance.

Don't risk forgetting what the surgeon tells you. Take along a tape recorder, as well as a notepad in case the recorder fails. Ask how many of your kind of operation the surgeon has performed and the success rate. (The hospital's patient representative can help you confirm this.) As a rule of thumb,

10 operations is a minimum for rare surgery like an organ transplant, 200 for the much more common coronary-artery bypass. Check *The Official ABMS Directory of Board Certified Medical Specialists* at your library to make sure your surgeon has passed the examination for his or her specialty and been board-certified.

At this meeting, you'll also want a commitment that your surgeon will perform the operation, not simply get it started, turn it over to an assisting doctor and move on to another scheduled procedure. Some surgeons actually do that. And before you sign up, check out the hospital the surgeon wants to put you in:

### CHOOSING THE HOSPITAL

Your doctor and/or surgeon will want to send you to the hospitals where they are on staff. Your HMO may want to send you to the hospitals that charge the least. But some hospitals are better than others—not just in comfort or atmosphere but also in terms of their medical record.

If you have a garden-variety condition—a hernia needs repair or a child needs to be born—most community hospitals will

BY CARYL STERN

do fine. But if you need a kidney transplant or something comparable, you will want a hospital with a great track record—maybe a “teaching hospital” that is affiliated with a medical school and can tap tonight’s surgical specialists.

You can ask at the hospital how often your procedure has been performed there and what the hospital’s record has been. The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, a private, nonprofit group, can tell you if its investigators have accredited your hospital and can send you a free report on their findings, comparing your hospital’s record with the national average.

Ask any doctors and nurses you know about your hospital’s reputation. The benefits manager at your office or union most likely has had substantial experience with the area hospitals. And don’t be shy about simply visiting the hospital yourself ahead of time and asking to see the waiting rooms and patient rooms. Are they clean and welcoming?

#### PLANNING YOUR STAY

Never ever hesitate to ask questions about something you don’t understand or are uncomfortable with,” says Susan Edgman-Levitan, executive director of the Picker Institute of Boston, a nonprofit firm that works with hospitals and physicians to promote quality health care. “No question is wrong or stupid. And always remember to take

along your tape recorder.”

Here are some questions to ask your referring doctor and/or surgeon:

- How long will I be in the hospital before surgery? How long after surgery?



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**Y**ou must not be just a potato in a bed that people are doing things to,” says an adviser to the American Hospital Association. “It’s important for patients to become their own health managers—partners with their doctors.”

- What are the two or three main problems that might arise? What decisions will have to be made for each problem?
- Who will be responsible for my care when I’m in the hospital? The referring doctor? The surgeon?
- When I leave the hospital, will I be able to care for myself at home?

The answers to those questions will help you in a dozen different ways, from the practical (“Do I need to hire someone to be with me after I get home?”) to the psychological (“If I’ll still be nervous, but at least I’ll know what I don’t have to worry about!”).

The third partner in your surgery is someone often overlooked in patients’ planning—the anesthesiologist. You should meet with him or her as well and find out what your anesthesia options are to minimize your pain during and after surgery. Make sure the anesthesiologist has your medical histo-

ry, including any previous experience with anesthesia. You don’t want to have an allergic reaction on the operating table.

Even hospitals recognize that patients need assistance in dealing with the medical bureaucracy, and many have assigned staff members, called patient representatives or ombudsmen, to that task. But it helps to have a friend or relative who will stand up for you in the hospital and make sure you’re getting the treatment you need and deserve. Pick that personal representative, put your decision in writing and make sure the person reads or listens to the answers the doctor and surgeon have given to you.

When you arrive at the hospital’s admissions office, you are presented with a variety of forms to sign on the spot. The temptation is to yield to the pressure and sign away. “Resist!” says Dr. Jay Katz, professor emeritus of law, medicine and psychiatry at the Yale Law School. “These decisions are too important to be resolved in a hurry.” If possible, decide them before you get to the hospital or insist on taking the time to read them carefully.

Advanced directives forms, for example, let you say how you want to be treated if you are too sick to make decisions on your own. Consent forms give the hospital and/or surgeon permission to take certain actions because you have been informed of their plans. Figure out what you are not willing to consent to (like a radical mastectomy before you know the results of the biopsy) and write that clearly on the form. And make sure that your diagnosis, treatment options and prospects have been explained to you in language you can understand; otherwise, the courts have found, you cannot give the hospital your informed consent.

#### INSURANCE ADJUSTMENTS

If you treasure privacy, the difference between your insurer’s reimbursement for a private and semiprivate room may be less than you imagine and worth

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#### WHAT TO PACK

Here’s what you should take to the hospital.

- ✓ **A LIST** of the names and phone numbers, day and night, of people to be called in case of a change in your condition or an emergency. Also, a list of the substances and medicines to which you are allergic.
- ✓ **ALL THE MEDICATIONS** you take—prescription as well as over-the-counter. When you see your doctor, ask him or her to note them on your medical chart, together with the right frequency and dosage. Otherwise, you may be given drugs that are dangerous in combination with those you already use—or receive too little or too much of your own medications. And question any changes in medication or failure to receive your own drugs.
- ✓ **A TAPE RECORDER.** You don’t want to forget what the doctors tell you about your best results and diagnoses, and the care you will need after leaving the hospital.
- ✓ **CREATURE COMFORTS.** That includes razors, deodorant and the like, which you may need in hospital, and are not reimbursed by your insurance. To keep your spirits up, put photos of your loved ones around the room and bring a Walkman to drown out the public-address system and other hospital noises. And don’t forget the weekly TV listings!
- ✓ **WHAT NOT TO TAKE.** Lots of cash and jewelry. Other patients, as well as hospital staff and visitors, will be in and out of your room at all hours.



Don’t be a “good patient” who accepts pain and unexpected medicines or procedures without complaint. Drugs to relieve pain are your right. And surprise treatments in your right, it is your right to fire your doctor and hire a new one.



Get help when you need it.

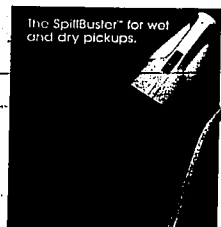
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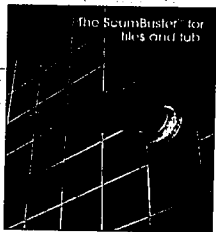
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### HOSPITAL BOUND/continued

making up out of your own pocket.

Health plans have increasingly strong views about how many days of hospitalization they will allow for specific treatments. You may be able to save a hospital day and more than a dollar by having routine tests—blood count, urinalysis—in your doctor's office.

Health plans also are getting tougher about what procedures are covered. But you can challenge them. Joseph A. Robbins, 70, a retired San Francisco teacher, was about to leave for the hospital to have a benign growth removed when his surgeon's nurse called; his insurance company had suddenly withdrawn its approval for the procedure. The doctor challenged that decision, and the company eventually reauthorized payment.

—You don't have to be a doctor to turn a health-plan decision around: Companies are required by law to establish an appeals process, which you get started by contacting the member service department. Keep good records of every step along the appeals path. Even if the company ends up turning you down, you can appeal to state authorities.

### GET SMART, GET TOUGH

Most hospitals give new arrivals a copy of the Patient's Bill of Rights. It sets forth guidelines to the relationship you should have with your doctor and the hospital. But that's the easy part.

In practice, you have to assert yourself to protect yourself.

- Find out who is in charge of your stay—family doctor, surgeon, intern, whoever—and get his or her phone numbers and pager numbers. Just in case.
- Make sure everyone understands that you want to know immediately about any changes in your condition, your treatment or your prospects.

- Find out when your doctor and surgeon plan to visit, so you're not napping when they arrive.

- Don't be a "good patient" who accepts pain and unexpected medicines or procedures without complaint. Drugs to relieve pain are your right. Refusing surprise treatments is your right. It is your right to demand that doctors and health-care workers wash their hands before touching you. (According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, infections kill 19,000 hospital patients a year.) It is your right to fire your doctor and hire a new one.

When Earl Shorris, 60, a New York writer, was scheduled for back surgery, his cardiologist sent the surgeon a letter advising that Shorris' blood pressure be kept within certain parameters:

not typical for most patients during that operation because of his heart problems. Shorris was in the operating room when he asked whether the anesthesiologist had read the letter. The anesthesiologist replied that she did not have a copy in her chart. Shorris would not allow the operation to proceed until a copy was obtained from the surgeon's office and read by the anesthesiologist. This kind of thing is hard to do," Shorris says, "but it is my life we're talking about."

### GOING HOME

The time to plan for your departure from the hospital is before you arrive. You should have made arrangements—with the guidance of your family doctor and/or surgeon—for transportation back home, for obtaining needed equipment like a walker or wheelchair, or for home-care help for hiring nurses or home-care help. And you should know how much of this your insurance will cover. The hospital is legally required to give you a discharge plan, covering some of these concerns, 24 hours or more before you go. But that will leave little time if you have not already made your plans.

If you feel too sick or there is no one to care for you at home, appeal the discharge plan. Seek help from the patient representative or talk to the hospital's discharge coordinator. If all else fails, contact your state health department. And keep a written record of the dispute.

You should have a detailed discussion with your doctor about your recuperation. A national survey in 1993 by the Picker Institute found that 14 percent of recuperating surgical patients had not been told what danger signals to look for, and 27 percent had not been told what side effects their medication might cause.

Finally, don't just sign your bill without examining it, no matter how much you want to be on the way home. Hospitals sometimes make mistakes. If

For more information: The U.S. Agency for Health Care Policy and Research offers free booklets on (1) questions to ask your doctor before surgery; (2) pain control after surgery and (3) preventing bedsores. Write AHCPR Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 8346, Dept. P, Silver Spring, Md. 20907. For your hospital's report card, compared with the national average, write: The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, 1 Renaissance Blvd., Dept. P, Oakbrook Terrace, Ill. 60181. For practical advice on better hospital care, visit the Web site of the American Hospital Association and the Picker Institute at <http://www.amaa.com/eyecpatients>.



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### Fur care

Brushing your cat or dog every day not only provides a time of togetherness, but helps air circulate near his skin and helps remove undercoat or matting. When cats groom themselves, this dead fur comes off on their tongues and causes hairballs, which can lead to a serious medical condition. And with everyday brushing, you'll notice a lot less shedding.

### The flea circus

If your pet scratches and bites itself even with a daily brushing, the problem may be fleas, which are painful, irritating and unhealthy. If your pet once had fleas and you thought you'd gotten rid of them, the problem could recur because fleas can adopt a carpet or pet's bed as their home.

Fleas can cause serious medical conditions because they carry tapeworm larvae, and your pet could be allergic to the flea bite itself. His scratching and biting the irritated area can lead to exposed, raw skin. Just a few fleas can quickly create an infestation, but it doesn't take many to make your pet miserable—just one flea, feeding four times daily, may bite your dog or cat 400 times! Fortunately, there are easy-to-use products for prevention and treatment, so check with your veterinarian to find out which is best for your pet.

### Wet times?

Of course, anytime your pet exhibits unusual behavior like listlessness or snapping, or feels warm to the touch, consult your veterinarian immediately. Chances are the problem is something minor, but why take chances?

To keep your pet healthy and happy, the basis of daily care must include exercise and a plentiful supply of fresh, cool drinking water. But there's one more thing, and it's the most important and easiest to add: love. You'll find this investment will be returned a hundredfold.



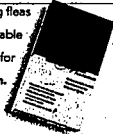
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Think this "stay fit for better sex" approach sounds too theoretical? Let's get specific. "There are some helpful things you can do for your sex life that involve exercise," says Dr. Marcia Sipksi, medical director of the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation in West Orange, N.J., who is also a psychiatrist and sex-physiology expert. For better sex, she advises:

• Men should strive to build up their chest, biceps and large trunk muscles by lifting weights, using machines and doing push-ups.

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• Do aerobic exercise and associated weight loss can improve HDL/LDL cholesterol levels, often reversing the potential for atherosclerosis and diabetes-related circulatory problems that impede blood flow to the penis and cause erectile dysfunction.

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**Mike's tips:** If you can't do any push-ups or sit-ups and/or get winded climbing a flight of stairs or walking fast, you aren't physically capable of being a good sex partner. What better motivation to begin an exercise program than the fact that, in addition to the health benefits, it will make you a better lover? As you get fitter, you will look better, feel better and increase your endurance, strength and flexibility. These benefits will enhance your sex life and, therefore, your partner's too!

For a packet of information on exercises and sex, send a self-addressed, stamped, business-sized envelope to: Dr. Marcia Sipksi, Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation, Dept. P, 1199 Passaic Valley Way, West Orange, NJ, 07052-1499.

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Have a question on exercise and health? Write to: Sports Training Institute, Box 4948, Grand Central Station, New York, NY, 10163-4948. We can't give personal replies but will try to address your concerns in future columns.

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How To Look  
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By Elizabeth Gaynor



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Metronidazole has shown evidence of mutagenic activity in several *in vitro* bacterial assay systems. In addition, a dose-response increase in the frequency of chromosomal aberrations in mice after intraperitoneal injections, and an increase in chromosomal aberrations has been reported in patients with Crohn's disease who were treated with 500-1000 mg/day of metronidazole for 1 to 24 months. However, no serious chromosomal aberrations in circulating human erythrocytes have been observed in patients treated for 6 months.

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- Eliminate base except for special occasions. Go natural and let your skin breathe.
- Women of color: Skip the blush. Substitute a dab of foundation to warm the cheeks, says the supermodel Iran.

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- Give yourself a manicure.
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- Read labels to make sure that you're getting the ingredients you're paying for.
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## Be Creative With Two-fers:

- Use a shampoo with conditioner, and a moisturizer with sunscreen, rather than single-function products.
- Let your eyeliner stick double as an eye shadow; just smudge.
- Women of color: Dust on bronzing powder instead of foundation for a warm, healthy look. Also use it to shadow your eyes, says Iran.
- Invest in a hot-air brush to dry and curl hair, all in one, says Beth Barrick-Hickey, author of

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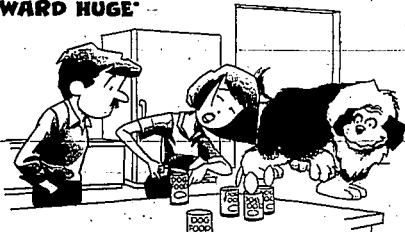


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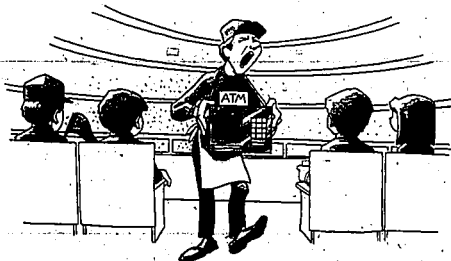
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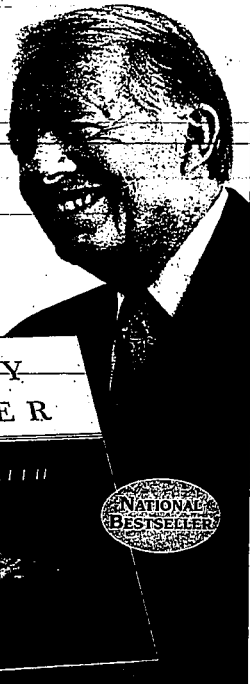
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Can you explain why the NASA space shots all leave the Earth in an easterly direction instead of a westerly one?

—Robert Voligt, Reinbeck, Iowa

It's done to take advantage of the Earth's eastward rotational velocity, which is about 1370 feet per second at Cape Canaveral. To launch westward, it would take much more energy for a satellite to reach the same altitude. Satellites also can be launched in northward or southward directions, losing the velocity advantage but gaining others, such as a polar orbit that covers the Earth (which is turning on its polar axis) in a unique manner.

I hate corn. When my parents make me eat it, I do it one kernel at a time, and it takes an incredibly long time. So tonight my dad told me that for every one minute it took me to eat my corn, I'd have to stay at home for five minutes before going to my friend's house. I put all of the corn in my mouth and started to walk out the door, but my dad stopped me and said that I had to eat it, and that meant chewed and swallowed.

My sister and I say that's not fair, because I had it in my mouth and could easily have had it eaten by the time I walked down the street to my friend's house. Anyway, because I had so much corn in my mouth, it took me six minutes to eat it, and I had to stay home for 30 minutes. Who's right? (If my sister and I are the right ones, my dad says he will take us out for ice cream.)

—Allison, West Richland, Wash. Logically, your dad's right. He intends to punish you for not eating your corn like a reasonable person, and no reasonable person leaves the house with a mouthful of corn. So you and your sister should take *him* out for ice cream.

But this isn't a logic problem; it's a power struggle. And you're going to win this struggle one of these days when you grow up. All kids eventually do. So, how can you speed up the arrival of that day? Do things like eating your corn the way everyone else does.

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## Ask Marilyn



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That's what grown-ups do. It even makes more sense logically. Eat what you don't like fast, and linger over the ice cream sundaes in life.

When you turn a ballpoint pen (or refill) upside down, why doesn't the ink run out?  
 —Melba Kheobhin, Fairfax, Va. Because ballpoint ink is different from fountain pen ink. Ballpoint ink is a thick, sticky mess—unlike regular ink, which is a thin, runny mess. If it weren't thick and sticky, ballpoint ink would easily leak out around the ballpoint. Instead, it just leaves those little blobs now and then.

I am about to complete a master's degree, which should help advance my career; I am seriously considering pursuing a doctorate afterward, but it will be expensive and take five more years on a part-time basis. I am 42 years old now, and there is little chance that a doctorate will help my career, as I will retire in 12 more years. What would you do if you were me?

—Kenneth Liles, Oklahoma City, Okla.

I wouldn't retire at the age of 54! If you do, I predict it'll be one of the worst mistakes you ever make. Maybe going after that doctorate will awaken you to your youth. So, if I were in your shoes, I'd head back to school.

Here's a good one for you: The last time I was on vacation, I paid \$24.60 for cab fare to go from the airport to the center of town, but only \$16.00 to go from the center of town back to the same airport a week later. Why? (Traffic conditions were about the same.)

—Mark Neudham, Milwaukee, Wis.

You probably vacationed in New York City, Mark. And it sounds like you learned a lot in that one short week!

### WORDTEASER

If you have a question for Marilyn von Savant, who is listed in the "Quizzes Book of World Records" Hall of Fame for "Higest IQ," send it to Ask Marilyn, PARADE, 71 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017. Because of volume of mail, personal replies are not possible.

# COUNT ME IN

## What's in a Name? More Than You and I Ever Thought Possible

I admit it. I'm a skeptic. So it goes without saying that I find it difficult to accept concepts like numerology. How could the letters and numbers associated with my name and birthdate say anything at all relevant about me?

I may be a tough sell, but I don't like to leave any stone unturned—especially one that might actually help me in my personal life and career. So when I had the chance to have a numerology profile done I took it, in part to prove that my skepticism was well-founded.

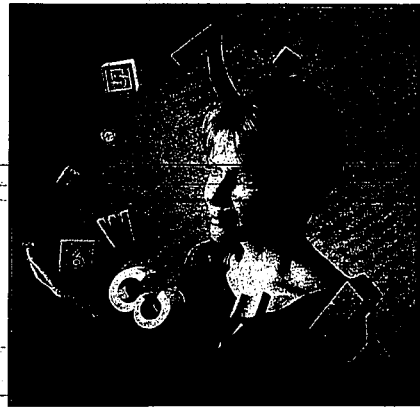
I'd almost forgotten about the profile when the envelope arrived several weeks later. I flopped on my bed and tore it open, ready to laugh out loud at the stranger they described. The first paragraph made me sit up and take notice. By the third page, the truth had hit home loud and clear. This was no stranger I was reading about. This was me!

Still, it could have been a coincidence. So I decided to find out for sure. Through we've been very close for over ten years, we're completely different. The perfect test!

We reviewed her profile together upon its arrival. It was nothing like mine. She was astounded as she recognized trait after trait.

With new respect for numerology, I decided to find out more. After numerous phone calls, I managed to track down Matthew Goodwin, a nationally recognized numerologist, and the expert responsible for my profile. I soon discovered that Goodwin rated among the top in his field. The author of the definitive *Numerology: The Complete Guide*, he had also appeared on radio and television, and written a column on numerology for a Los Angeles newspaper. In the 16 years that he worked as a professional numerologist, Goodwin helped thousands to discover their strengths, weaknesses, deep inner needs and emotions.

How does it work? It all starts with your name and birthdate. They are the data base, from which a numerologist is able to describe you sight unseen. "Number values are assigned to the letters in your



name," Goodwin explained to me. "By adding these—with the numbers in your birthdate—a multitude of combinations, a numerologist establishes your key numbers. He then interprets the meaning of these key numbers, which results in a complete description of your personal characteristics."

When I finally caught up with Goodwin in person, I immediately asked him how he became involved in numerology. After all, it's not your regular nine-to-five occupation. It turns out that he just stumbled into it some 20 years ago. At the time, the MIT graduate was a partner in an architectural firm, responsible for hiring new employees. He worked with an assistant who habitually voiced her evaluation of prospective applicants each time she handed over a new resume. He found that her comments—whether good or bad—pegged the individuals he'd employed. "After a while I began to listen before I hired, rather than after," he said with a grin. "Her insights made a big difference in finding the right people."

After two years, the assistant moved away. Before she left, though, Goodwin asked her to share the secret of her success. The answer (much to his surprise)

was numerology. "The only way I could have ever believed in numerology was to see it work for two years and never know what it was," said Goodwin in retrospect. "I never would have believed it otherwise."

Goodwin's discovery of this science of numbers may have been startling, but it was hardly new. Not by a long shot. Numerology dates back thousands of years. Its father was the famous Greek mathematician Pythagoras. During his time, however, numerology was reserved for rulers, who often used it when making critical decisions.

Today, anyone can profit from numerology. Take David Stone, for example. As a 30-year-old computer programmer, he never really liked his work. After receiving his numerology profile—which indicated an intense love for people and an aptitude for communication—he switched careers. Today, he's a satisfied, happy psychologist, who can't believe that he ever worked at a computer terminal.

Jim and Lisa Casey were able to improve—and perhaps even save—their bumpy marriage with the aid of numerology. "From the very beginning, I was al-

ways trying to change Lisa," admits Jim. "I always thought that my way was best." But instead of Lisa changing, fights and more fights resulted. Then they had their profiles done, and Jim gained new insight into what made his wife tick. That led to new respect. "For the first time I realized that she was not trying to be difficult, she was just being herself," he says. Not surprisingly, their fights grew less frequent, and the marriage began to flourish.

Goodwin's numerology profiles also helped Donna Thompson, a teacher who for years devoted herself to everyone but herself. Eventually that neglect began to take its toll—on her and her loved ones. When her profile revealed that she tended to allow herself to be treated like a doormat, she finally figured out that she had to take better care of her own needs. It's taken some work, but she no longer ignores herself... and no longer feels frustrated and resentful. Not surprisingly, both she and her family are a whole lot happier.

Whether you use numerology to examine your life, take advantage of unexplored opportunities, confirm talents that in your heart you know are there, or simply figure out where to go next, it can be a penetrating tool to help you better understand yourself. "Numerology gives you the whole picture," explained Goodwin. "You see all the diverse parts of your personality and how they uniquely come together to make the person you are. Through this complete view you're able to make the most of your strengths in a way that wasn't possible before."

### WHAT DO YOU ADD UP TO?

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Thanks to FOSAMAX and its power to rebuild bone, Susan Brenner is still paddling her own canoe after 50.



Andre Braugher's values as a husband, father and black man are always a part of what he does:

# He Won't Take A Role That's Demeaning

BY GAIL BUCHALTER

**A**NDRÉ BRAUGHER, who plays Detective Frank Plumbleton on NBC's *Homicide: Life on the Street*, was a bashful, overweight child who grew up thinking he'd never fit in. "I suffered from a loneliness that plagues heavy kids," he told me. "I was always afraid I'd say the wrong thing and do the wrong thing and that people would make fun of me."

I was chatting with Braugher, 34, in "the box" (also known as the Interrogation Room) on the Baltimore set of *Homicide*. Last year, Braugher was nominated for two Emmy Awards—one for his performance on the series, another for his part in HBO's *The Tuskegee Army*. He also appeared in the title role of *Henry V* in New York's Shakespeare in the Park and in Spike Lee's docudrama *Get on the Bus*, about the Million Man March.

Now I had turned the tables on *Homicide*'s tough interrogator. I was the one asking the questions. I wanted to find out what had transformed the insecure, withdrawn child into a socially adept, successful adult. We spoke about such diverse topics as his desire to adopt a child, the Million Man March, acting with his wife and his boyhood in Chicago.

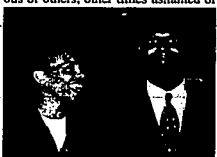
How did Braugher deal with his childhood loneliness?

"I read a lot of books," he answered. "I didn't take life in my teeth." Braugher's reading list ranged from potboilers like *Valley of the Dolls*—which he found on his mother's shelf—to serious literature by black writers. "They reflect my own experiences, but I don't remember ever saying, 'I have to read this author because he's black,'" he recalled. "I was just attracted to good novels."

Braugher was his family's "scholar baby," he said with a smile. He won a

scholarship to an exclusive private school, St. Ignatius College Prep, where he maintained straight A's. After school, he often would help his mother, Sally, who brought home piecework from an electronics plant. His father, Floyd, was a heavy-equipment operator. (Braugher has two half-brothers and a half-sister. His mother's older son lived with them, while his father's other son and daughter lived with their mothers.)

"I grew up poor," he said, "but I didn't know we were poor until I met affluent people in high school. I vividly remember living in the basement apartment of my aunt's house. Eventually my family moved upstairs. Sometimes I was envious of others, other times ashamed of



Braugher with his wife, Ami Brabson, also his TV spouse. "We have an instant rapport that we don't have to create," he says.

**A**s Detective Frank Plumbleton on NBC's *Homicide*, Braugher wanted to show the man's frailty. "I like the idea of failing, because it's a wonderful tool for growing," he says.



"I grew up poor," says Andre Braugher, "but I didn't know it until I met affluent people at school. Sometimes I was ashamed of my poverty. But what it really made me feel was a need to work hard. Education was going to afford me things."

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The summers were a more soothing time for Braugher, who spent the weeks on his grandparents' farm in Mississippi. "Summers were a chance to go fishing and try rafting, do plowing and weeding," he recalled. "My grandfather was a hard man. My grandmother was the picture of Christian patience. She and my mother are two women who rarely have an ill word to say about anything. I don't always embody patience, but from them I learned the need for it."

From his father he learned vigilance. "He provided a protectiveness that extended beyond the family's physical needs," Braugher recalled. "When I look at him, I sometimes see myself as a child

looking at an adult. Now I sometimes see my 4-year-old son, Michael, looking at me the same way. I want to take care of my family the way my father did."

Braugher said little good came from his self-imposed isolation. "It just retarded my social growth," he told me. "Nothing dramatic happened to change me. I just got older and wiser."

A taller, thinner Braugher received a scholarship from Stanford University. He enrolled thinking pre-med. Then, after a few months, he tried out for a theater group at a friend's insistence. No one was more surprised than Braugher to discover that he loved acting—and his benefits.

"When I went to the theater, it was filled with young, vivacious women," he recalled. "I had never been on a date.



# What's Up This Week

BOOKS

## Taste of the *Titanic*

People with an insatiable appetite for *Titanic* books will surely gobble up *Last Dinner on the Titanic: Menus and Recipes from the Great Liner*, by Rick Archbold and Dana McCauley (Hyperion, \$24.95). Everything from who was sitting where in the first-class saloon to the bill of fare in third class is solemnly covered and thoroughly illustrated, and



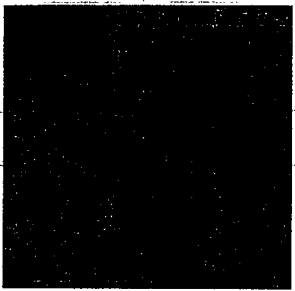
ter booze than brine. / But he that drowns must drink it." Something to think about as you fold those napkins.

a full set of *Titanic* recipes, such as "Roasted Squab on Wilted Cress" and "Chocolate Painted Eclairs With French Vanilla Cream," has been meticulously recreated. There even are instructions (including proper napkin-folding) for "Hosting a *Titanic* Dinner," just in case you want to replicate the last-night festivities in your own home. Reading this slightly sybaritic book, one is somehow reminded of a couple of lines in A.E. Housman's *Last Poems*: " 'Tis true there's better booze than brine, / But he that drowns must drink it."

## In Their Own Words

The art of the tape-recorded interview is raised to a new level by *Singular Voices: Conversations With Americans Who Make a Difference* (Abrams paperback, \$19.95). Diamonstein, a former White House assistant and the first Director of Cultural Affairs of New York City, has gathered extended conversations with 17 significant people of the day. There's an enormous range: The feminist Gloria Steinem, novelist and gay activist Larry Kramer, opera singer Beverly Sills, former President Jimmy Carter and Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel are among those who have their say. An inevitable result of this variety is that there's no central

theme or focus, except that all have led creative and fruitful lives, have interesting stories to recount, and stimulating viewpoints to present. Under Diamonstein's probing questioning, a well-rounded picture emerges of each individual.



CHILDREN

## Polar Bear on the Go

It's not only teddy bears that hold an undying appeal to children. Other ursine species do pretty well, too. *Little*

### *Polar Bear, Take Me Home!*

by Hans de Beer (North-South Books, \$15.95), is a good recent example. The story may be a bit far-fetched—all about a young polar bear who meets up with a tiger cub on a freight train apparently on the Trans-Siberian Railroad—but no matter. The illustrations are charming, and the travelers' adventures, including encounters with a helpful snow owl and a friendly camel, are fun to follow, right to the inevitable happy ending.



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**REASONS TO HOPE**

*A while ago, a San Diego teenager wrote to say that she was pessimistic about her future: "The whole world is messed up," she said. "parents beating kids, children raping other children... Technology is starting to take over. Jobs are no longer stable. As kids in Generation X see it, it's the world against us. Something has gone wrong."*

*This letter upset a great many readers. More than 1000 wrote to us. Here are excerpts:*



Lauren

Sure there are rapists and thugs walking the streets. And AIDS, hate, guns, drugs and violence terrorizing America. But that is not all there is.

Haven't you ever sat back and closed your eyes and thought, "Life is good"? Try counting all the good things in the world instead of lingering on the bad things.

Here, I'll help you: Ice cream. Christ. Love. True relationships. A mother's love. A father's love. Friendships. Pizza. Good books. Air. You can take off from there.

I admit, the world is full of perverted idiots out to do wrong. But the rest of us are normal people who try our best not to screw up.

—Lauren, 8/10/88, 14, Ocala, Fla.



Matthew

I live in the suburbs. I have both parents. I go to high school. And I have already buried an O.D., a gunshot victim and an AIDS patient.

No one is innocent anymore. But it is my job to do something with my life. My generation did not make drugs, guns or a dying country. But we have to deal with those things and take responsibility for the effects they have.

—Matthew, Taylor, W. Washington, Tex.

I see so much darkness in the world, so many problems, so much unfairness. It all seems too much to bear.

Yet, when I take a look at the kids around me, I see something else. Look at our school bulletin board: "Environmental Group meeting, Tuesday, 3:30." "Join the AIDS Awareness Club!" "Please donate to the Food Drive. Poor families need our help!" I see kids who are getting involved and striving to solve the

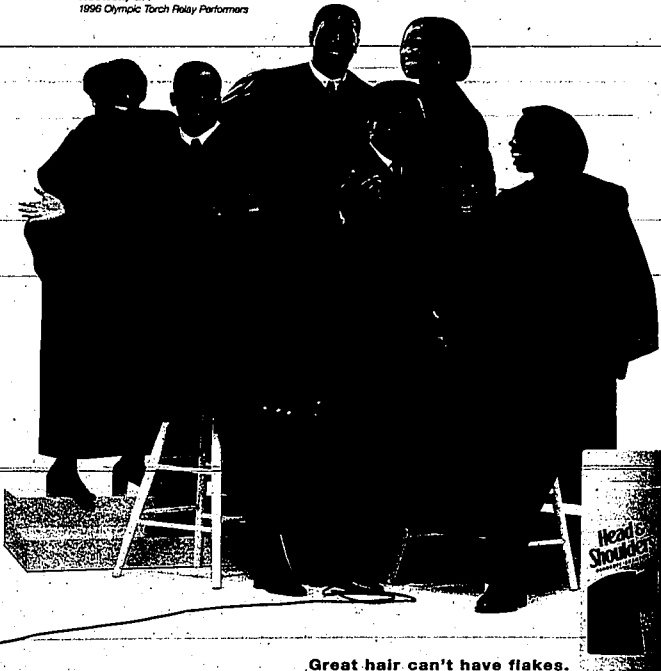
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make will decide whether or not I will succeed in the future. The choices I make will decide if tomorrow will be better for me.

—**Jared Castro, 16, Point Mugu, Calif.**

Sometimes on TV you can see kids who have gone days without food. If I'm watching and eating, I stop eating. I feel really sorry for them.

When I see kids my age having babies, I feel sorry for them. Sometimes I feel that it's not their fault—that if they had had a nice parent to talk to them, maybe that wouldn't have happened. My dad talks to me, and maybe that's what they need.

—**Jean Augustin, 14, Ruskin, Fla.**  
I have been raised by my grandparents, and from what they've told me, the future in the first half of the 20th century looked a lot bleaker than it does today. In the 1930s, the entire country was plunged into economic depression, with millions of people starving to death. Then in the 1940s the world was plunged into a war because of one man's hatred. From the 1950s to the early 1990s, the United States and Russia were trying to figure out who was going to bomb who first. I don't think the future has ever looked any brighter than it does today, for us.

We're learning more about disease. Now, for the first time in history, it is as okay for a woman to become a successful attorney or doctor or corporate president as it is for her to become a homemaker and mother, or to do both if she so desires. Instead of complaining, help! Become a Big Sister or Big Brother, work at a soup kitchen, teach people to read, get involved in a church. I do not come from an ideal background, yet I choose to become someone. I have learned from experience that in the United States, if you don't like the future, you can change the present.

—**Stephanie Clark, 17, Sildell, La.**  
My school went to a workshop where I lost an envelope with \$40 in it. I thought I'd never see it again. But then someone handed an adviser the envelope, and all \$40 was there. The person who found it had searched for me among 700 unfamiliar students.

I am sick of hearing about how Generation X will never amount to anything. There are good kids in this world. Many of us have dreams. And a lot of good things happen. Despite our many problems, there are people who care about others and enjoy helping them, by doing community service and other good deeds and by being honest.

—**Rochelle Cox, 18, Shelley, Idaho**

TEENAGERS: WHAT IN YOUR LIFE IS MOST SATISFYING?

Fresh Voices

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small community problems around them.

No, this generation will not destroy everything. This is the one that will save the world. Why, we're even smart enough to learn from our parents' mistakes: We know not to pollute. We know racism is wrong. We know not to get involved in pointless wars. We know to give to charity. The darkness before us is large. Fortunately, so is the ambition of so many teens to shine a light on it.

—**Lizzy Spencer, 18, Phoenix, Ariz.**

We can't all grow up in a loving home where we learn a sense of responsibility and obligation to reach out to our fellow man with compassion. But we can see that our own lives and others can be changed. That is why I plan to be a teacher. I know I can make a difference. Many young people come to school needing help that they have not found at home. I hope to be that person in their lives who makes a difference.

—**Dana Congleton, 20, Sheffield, Ala.**

I understand why you feel pessimistic. And I just wanted to tell you that you are not alone. One of my friends got raped when she was 10. And I'm having lots of

problems in life because of people who I think are my friends telling me to do things they wouldn't even do. I am trying to find friends who wouldn't do that. I'm working things out.

—**All Sawowski, 13, Apollo Beach, Fla.**

The San Diego teenager said, "One-third of our generation doesn't care about anything important. We feel like everything's changing and we have nothing to do with it, so we'll just sit back and let it happen." Is this why in the past Presidential election we had more registered voters from our so-called Generation X than ever before?

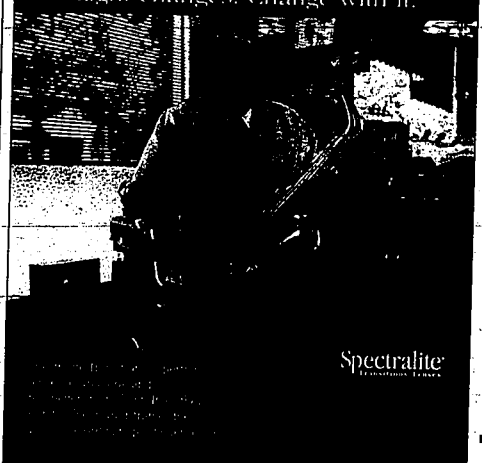
—**Grace**

Instead of throwing up my hands in defeat over all the teenage drug use and sexual activity, and all the murders splattered around the newspapers, I'm going to do as much as I can. Generation X will have to work a lot harder to keep up with this changing world. But the cool part is that the world is changing for us. So, as I type away on my computer, ready to reply to an e-mail my friend just sent across 3000 miles and getting ready to go to my organic chemistry class, I'm feeling good about the years to come.

—**Grace Lasker, 18, Lincoln, Neb.**

There is no opportunity for a Chicano kid to have a bright future where I live... I've had many friends get murdered or shot. But I find myself looking forward to the future, because only the choices I

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## Sign-On-for-Campaign-Finance-Reform

Last Dec. 22, in a report titled "How To Play Campaign Finance Reform Ping-Pong," we predicted that this issue would come up again in Congress—and, as usual, nothing would happen. Sure enough, on March 18 the Senate defeated the Hollings-Specter constitutional amendment, which would have let Congress set limits on contributions and spending in federal elections and let states set limits in local elections. Below are the 61 who voted against it:

- **Republicans (50):** Abraham (Mich.), Allard (Colo.), Ashcroft (Mo.), Bennett (Utah), Bond (Mo.), Brownback (Kan.), Campbell (Colo.), Chafee (R.I.), Coats (Ind.), Collins (Maine), Coverdell (Ga.), Craig (Idaho), D'Amato (N.Y.), DeWine (Ohio), Domenici (N.M.), Enzi (Wyo.), Faircloth (N.C.), Frist (Tenn.), Gorton (Wash.), Gramm (Tex.), Grams (Minn.), Grassley (Iowa), Gregg (N.H.), Hagel (Ieb.), Hatch (Utah), Helms (N.C.), Hutchinson (Ark.), Hutchinson (Tex.), Inhofe (Okla.), Kempthorne (Idaho), Kyl (Ariz.), Lott (Miss.), Lugar (Ind.), Mack (Fla.), McCain (Ariz.), McConnell (Ky.), Murkowski (Alaska), Nickles (Okla.), Roberts (Kan.), Santorum (Pa.), Sessions (Ala.), Shelby (Ala.), Bob Smith (N.H.), Gordon Smith (Ore.), Snowe (Maine), Stevens (Alaska), Thomas (Wyo.), Thompson (Tenn.), Thurmond (S.C.) and Warner (Va.)
- **Democrats (11):** Bumpers (Ark.), Durlin (Ill.), Feingold (Wis.), Kennedy (Mass.), Kerrey (Neb.), Kohl (Wis.), Leahy (Vt.), Moseley-Braun (Ill.), Moynihan (N.Y.), Rockefeller (W.Va.) and Torricelli (N.J.).

Among the bill's opponents were Sen. John McCain and Russell Feingold who argued that changing the Constitution was a slow, cumbersome way to achieve reform. They introduced their own bill and said it would "ban soft-money contributions, provide free and discounted TV time to candidates who limit their spending, ban foreign contributions and restrict political action committees." The bipartisan bill has the support of President Clinton and 28 co-sponsors, including nine Senators who voted "no" on March 18. But there are those who oppose any significant campaign finance reform, led by Sen. Mitch McConnell.

Congress will only act if the voters send it a message, Senator McCain says he hopes public pressure will win more backers for his bill before it's put to a vote. Common Cause and other groups are trying to get 1,776,000 signatures by July 4 on a petition to support the McCain-Feingold Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 1997. If you'd like to sign on, call 1-800-454-2634.

TRAVEL

## Parade's Special Intelligence Report

### Fly The Tasty Skies With Sheila

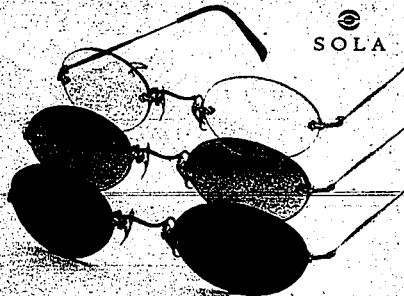
The friendly skies will become lots tastier starting tomorrow," says Larry De Shon, United Airlines' director of onboard service for North America. That's the day passengers flying in economy class on the airline's North American routes—nearly 2000 flights a day—will begin enjoying lunch and dinner entrees made from recipes by PARADE's food editor, Sheila Lukins.

Why does the airline feel it's important to beef up what it's serving to customers? "Onboard service is one of the ways United can differentiate itself from our competition," says De Shon. "We wanted to do something special for our economy customers, so we called Sheila."

The new entrees include Sunny South Beach Chicken and Penne Pasta & Sausage Pizzaz, plus three recipes from Lukins' *U.S.A. Cookbook*, just out from Workman Publishing: Shaker Cranberry Brisket, Devilishly Good Roasted Chicken, and Savory Chicken Pot Pie.

Sheila Lukins, PARADE's well-traveled food editor

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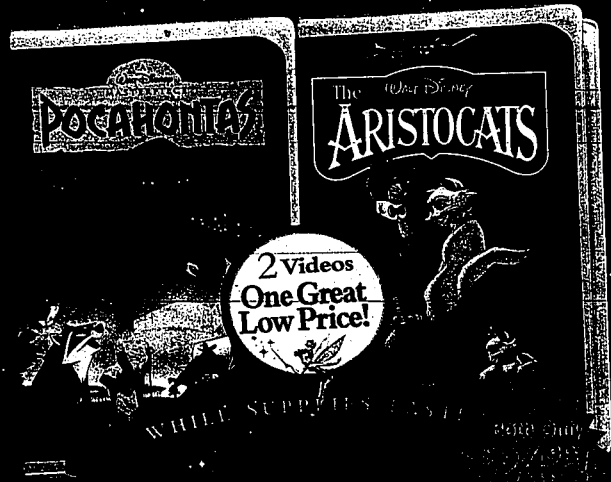


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### Where Teen Pregnancies Are Welcomed

Teen and grandma in *A Mongolian Tale*

In *A Mongolian Tale*, a new film by the Chinese director Xie Fei, a Mongolian teenager becomes pregnant out of wedlock, yet her grandmother takes it in stride. Why? In Inner Mongolia—an autonomous region of China with a nomadic population of only 22 million—any new child is welcomed. And the independent government of Outer Mongolia, a vast area with just 2.5 million people, even pays women to bear children.

Quite a contrast to China itself, with its 1.2 billion population and one-child policy. There, out-of-wedlock teen pregnancies are uncommon except in big cities and universities, and Beijing generally provides abortions in such circumstances. "In Mongolia," notes Xie Fei, "there is a hard way of life but a kinder and more tolerant attitude."



Danny Aiello (r) with Joseph Mantegna, as his nephew, in *The Last Don*

## The Last Don is a Cold Godfather

On the heels of the 25th anniversary rerelease of *The Godfather*—the classic Mafia movie based on Mario Puzo's best-seller—comes *The Last Don*, a TV miniseries based on the latest Puzo novel. A tale of mob mayhem in Hollywood, Las Vegas and the Bronx, its title character is Don Domenico Clericuzio, an aging Mafia boss much like *The Godfather's* Don Vito Corleone. Marlon Brando won an Oscar for that role and now, at 73, seemed the perfect choice for *The Last Don*.

"Brando called me and said he was interested," said Puzo, now 76. But negotiations with the producers broke down over money, and the part went to Danny Aiello, 63, who was then put in the tough spot of being compared to Brando.

"I decided to go in an entirely different direction," Aiello told us. "I didn't want to be anything like Marlon. I even had friends watching while I worked, to tell me if I was subconsciously doing Brando. This character is very Shakespearean. He could be King Lear: Not like Marlon at all, with his tree-swinging ways, but quite flowery in language." And Don Clericuzio is a colder godfather than Don Corleone. "It takes a pretty cold guy to disown his grandson and get him killed," said Puzo.

Aiello lives in Ramsey, N.J., and hates to fly. But he told us that the long drive to the film set in Toronto gave him the time to solve an acting dilemma: "I'd never aged before in a part, and in this role I'm 85 for two-thirds of the script. I don't know how to do voice tricks. During my ride, I figured out that in the early scenes with my three sons, I'd tower over them [Aiello is 6 feet 3 1/2]. But in my older scenes, I'd hunch over. For some reason, when you hunch over, your voice ages. You don't need voice tricks."

*The Last Don*—which co-stars Joe Mantegna, Kirstie Alley, Daryl Hannah, Penelope Ann Miller and Jason Gedrick—airs May 11, 13 and 14 on CBS-



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# The Cow Who Saved Herself

BY MICHAEL RYAN

**E**MILY KNEW THAT DANGER WAS near. She had never been in a place like this before—a little shed with a 5-foot gate behind her. All of her companions had gone through the swinging doors in front of her, and not one had returned. The men who had locked the gate at Frank Arena's slaughterhouse in Hopkinton, Mass., were now off having lunch. Emily saw her chance, and she took it.

When she made her move, jaws dropped and workers stared in amazement. Suddenly, Emily—1400 pounds of her—was moving, sailing over the gate. "A cow just can't do that," Meg Randa told me. As residents of this rural area west of Boston were to discover, Emily, a 3-year-old Holstein, can do many things cows aren't supposed to do.

Frank Arena and his workers took off after their runaway animal, but she disappeared into the woods and eluded them all day. It was November 1995, the beginning of an odyssey that would capture the imagination of the entire community. Slaughterhouse workers scoured the woods, leaving out bales of hay to entice Emily back into their grasp. She would have none of it.

Instead, people reported seeing her running with a herd of deer, learning from them how to forage in the wood. Soon the local paper was running headlines on Emily sightings. Meg Randa read the first one. "The wheels started turning," she told me. "I said, 'There's got to be some way we can purchase her and let her live in peace.'"

We were in the former town hall in Sherborn, Massachusetts Hopkinton. Meg and her husband, Lewis, bought the building 12 years ago. Here, they run a school for



children with special needs. Devout Quakers, they also operate the Peace Abbey where seminars and conferences on peace have attracted participants like Mother Teresa and the Dalai Lama. Surely, if they could bring the Dalai Lama to a little farm town in New England, they could do something for a desperate cow.

The Randas had hundreds of co-conspirators. Emily sightings suddenly died up—it seemed that nobody wanted to see her captured. Local farmers started leaving out bales of hay for her to eat.

Meg called Frank Arena at the slaughterhouse, and was touched by his willingness to help. His granddaughter, Angela, had given Emily her name, and even Frank (who died unexpectedly in January) seemed im-

Emily with her new family: Lewis Randa (l), his wife, Meg, and their children, Christopher, Abbey and Mikay (r-r).

pressed by her pluck. At first he offered to let the Randas have Emily for the bargain price of \$250; then, after consulting his granddaughter, he changed the price to \$1. "He liked the idea of Emily being at the school," Lewis Randa explained.

A blizzard hit, and Emily's food sources were covered by snow. The Randas and others brought grain, hay and water to places where they thought Emily might be found; the food was eaten by their left, but Emily wasn't ready to reveal herself.

Finally, one December day after they spread out some food, the Randas saw Emily. "We looked over our shoulder, and she was right there looking at us," Meg recalled. Emily had lost 500 pounds and needed veterinary treatment after her 90-day ordeal; but the loving care of the students at the school has brought her back to her full weight. And now she has company.

Last December, a neighbor approached the Randas and asked if they could take in a calf that might otherwise be sent to a slaughterhouse. The day I visited, little Gabriel stood patiently while Emily groomed and licked him as fastidiously as any loving mom. They have been joined by a pair of turkeys, a mother goat and her two kids, and three rabbits—all of them rescued from inhumane conditions and all of them now tended by students from the school.

But Emily's biggest task is yet to come. Ellen Little, producer of 1995's film *Richard III*, has started work on a film version of Emily's saga. Emily will not have to leave her happy home for the lights of Hollywood, though. She will be played by another Holstein—and that should give another cow a chance to become a star. ■

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# NASTASSJA KINSKI



**S**HE WAS ONLY ABOUT 20 when I first interviewed Nastassja Kinski, who'd just opened in the title role in Roman Polanski's film

version of Thomas Hardy's heartbreaking tale *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*. The studio had taken over a sort of roving press conference. We all got a chance to chat with Nasty, as she then cheerfully referred to herself, as she moved from table to table, charming us all. She was beautiful and young and funny and already a major actress (she won the 1981 Golden Globe for *Tess*). I remember all that, and also that the film critic Rex Reed threw a small tantrum, demanding to know if I was eavesdropping on his conversation with Miss Kinski. Nope, I said, I was too busy admiring the actress to listen to Rex! That was all a long time ago, and Nastassja Kinski never became the huge star we all expected. She was going to be "the new Garbo," except that she kept falling for the wrong guy and kept having children and raising them alone. But now she is back making movies and starring on television and, at 37, still beautiful, still a wonderful actress and maybe, at last, about to fulfill all that enormous potential.

Nasty opens this week in a new film called *Father's Day*, by the director Ivan Reitman. It also stars (get this!) Robin Williams and Billy Crystal, along with Julia Louis-Dreyfus of *Singlefield*. The film is a comedy of sorts about Robin's and Billy's search for an unknown youth who may just be the son of one of them, only they don't know which.

Ms. Kinski also has another motion picture due out in the fall, *One Night Stand*, which was supposed to be released earlier but may have needed work. And despite her lack of activity in recent years, she has a substantial résumé of major movies, including *One From the Heart*, *The Hotel New Hampshire* and the scary, brilliant *Cat People*, as well as such potboilers as the Charlie Sheen skydiving flick *Terminal Velocity*. I shall be appearing in one of the NBC miniseries *The Ring*, based on a Danielle Steel best-seller, I interviewed Nasty once

more. Again, it was anything but routine. Following a string of broken dates (some my fault, some hers), Ms. Kinski and I eventually talked. "Where are you?" I inquired.

Where she was at the time was driving a van down (or up) a California freeway with the cell phone fad in and out. Nastassja was excitedly talking about working with Robin Williams and Billy Crystal in California (she didn't mention Julia) and saying that she had another film, what she called a "little blue, blue movie"

Exploited as a child  
actress, the brilliant  
and beautiful  
Nastassja Kinski,  
now in her 30s,  
opens in a new film.

next on the work schedule.

And how did she feel about being in her mid-30s?

"I'm at peace with myself," she said. "I think I'm really learning to do that and try to achieve that [peace]. I look forward and upward."

"It's not perfect, of course," she added, though not sounding as if she were feeling sorry for herself. Then the elusive actress skittish about doing interviews, stunted-me with this: "You know, I think I might also work in journalism someday." **EE**

You think you've had a troubled childhood? Consider "Nasty" Kinski's start. Her father was a famous European actor, Klaus Kinski.

"My mother was a young actress," she said, "and I wasn't brought up in Munich, as they say, but all over the place."

At 13, she was introduced to the director Wim Wenders, who put her in a movie the following year (and some say became her lover). At 15, she met the already notorious Roman Polanski, who shot photos of her for French *Vogue* and had an affair with her. At 20, she posed nude with a live python for Richard Avdonin. In a shot suggesting Eve in the Garden of Eden, which became a hot-selling poster. When Kinski became pregnant in 1984 and would not name the father, a German magazine published the photos of eight possibilities. These days, Nasty told me, she's unmarried and living with her three kids.

Kenny—the little one, whose father is Quincy Jones—already is popular with the press. "She has two boyfriends in school and one outside," said Nasty herself. "She's not watching over her."

## Personal

Born Jan. 24, 1960, in Berlin, West Germany. Married to Ibrahim Moussa, 1984-82. Three children: One son, Alojsha, 12; two daughters, Sonja, 10, and Kenya, 4.

## Films:

Include *The Wrong Move*, 1972; *To the Devil, a Daughter*, 1976; *Tess*, 1980; *Cat People*, 1982; *For Your Love Only*, 1982; *One From the Heart*, 1982; *Exposed*, 1983; *The Hotel New Hampshire*, 1984; *Paris, Texas*, 1984; *Unfaithful Yours*, 1984; *Marie's Lovers*, 1985; *Revolution*, 1988; *Symphony of Love*, 1988; *Heaven*, 1989; *Faraway, So Close*, 1993; *Terminal Velocity*, 1996; *Somebody Is Waiting*, 1996; *Father's Day*, 1997; *One Night Stand*, 1997.

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