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# GREEN ISSUE



Chad Reeder, Bill Anderson and John Ellis move cattle from one field to the next near Hollister.

## Grazing debate involves economic concerns, not just environmental ones

By N.S. Nokketter  
Times-News writer

### Grazing costs

The current grazing fee is \$1.35 per animal unit month - the amount of forage eaten by one cow and her calf in one month. The Jarbidge Resource Area includes about 150,000 animal unit months on 1.5 million acres. The number of acres it takes to make up an animal unit month varies. On some of the best range it takes two to six acres, while on the worst land it takes up to 40 acres per animal unit. In 1996, the Jarbidge Resource Area took in \$272,228 in grazing fees. The Resource Area spent \$232,292 on grazing management. In addition, a portion of \$34,908 spent on administration and other efforts is attributable to grazing. The area also spent more than \$2.4 million on fighting fires and rehabilitating burned areas.

TWIN FALLS - West of Balanced Rock the grass grows thick and green - more of it than the cows that graze there can eat.

Reseeded burns and livestock management coupled with good soil and adequate moisture have created an abundance of grass in the Bureau of Land Management's 1.5 million-acre Jarbidge Resource Area.

Underlying the argument over what should happen with that grass - usually an environmental issue - is an economic issue. Grazing permits form the economic hinge upon which public land grazing swings. They are worth money. Banks accept them as collateral for loans.

Expanding ranchers' grazing permits with grass that taxpayers have helped grow amounts to a giveaway of a valuable public resource, some critics say. "It's a free lunch," said Nick Johnson of the Committee for Idaho's High Desert.

Ranchers have invested in range developments and improved livestock management. And many have come to depend on the extra grass.

"It's vital to our operation," Hammett

rancher Chris Black said. But taxpayers have invested even more in the vast seedlings of burned areas in the Jarbidge Resource Area - more than \$12.5 million from 1992 through 1996 - that has helped increase the amount of forage.

"The BLM has granted temporary non-renewable grazing permits for the extra forage every year over the past 10 years." But because of changes in regulations, ranchers want the BLM to convert the

temporary permits to regular permits. This conversion, however, creates instant wealth for the ranchers, critics say.

Banks are reluctant to use the temporary permits as collateral on long-term loans. Some banks loan money against the cattle those temporary permits support. If the grass isn't there, the cows can be sold and the bank recover its money, said Jack Ramsey, loan officer with Farmers National Bank.

But most agricultural lenders will accept regular grazing permits as part of the collateral for mortgages on ranch property.

### Temporary permits

The BLM and the Forest Service manage grazing on public lands by a unit based on the amount of forage eaten by one cow and her calf in one month, known as an "animal unit month" - or AUM for short.

The Jarbidge Resource Area has been granting temporary permits for an average of about 50,000 AUMs annually. That's enough grass to feed about 4,000 cows for a year, or about 8,000 cows for six months.

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### Grazing industry at a glance

#### Comparative segments of the agricultural industry in the eight counties of the Magic Valley

Commodity	gross sales	jobs
Beef cattle	\$125 million	2,265
Pastures	\$195 million	1,573
Sugar	\$88 million	1,125
Dairy	\$207 million	1,097

The numbers are from 1993, the most recent data available, said C. Wilson Gray, University of Idaho extension economist. By comparison, local retail sales for 1993 totaled \$208 million, according to State Tax Commission figures.

#### Property tax

Ranchers who graze their livestock on public land do not pay property tax directly on grazing leases, but grazing leases may increase the valuation of the ranch property. Ranchers pay property tax according to the levy rate for their area on ranch buildings and equipment, Twin Falls County Assessor Genid Bowdon said. Ranch property used for dry grazing in Twin Falls County is valued at \$24 per acre. The levy varies from .013 to .017, resulting in a tax of 31 cents to 41 cents per acre per year. In eastern Owyhee County the valuation of dry grazing land is \$15 per acre, said Owyhee County Assessor C.L. Leslie. The levy in the eastern section of the county is .010 to .011, for a tax of 15 cents to 16.5 cents per acre.

## Flows expected to remain high

By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

### Building code - C1

TWIN FALLS - A dozen flooded residents around the Magic Valley may see slight or no rises in the Snake River in the next several days, but they will have little relief from the flows for a while, say the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and National Weather Service.

No changes were predicted Saturday morning in the rate of water spilling out of Minidoka Dam, which affects residents in Burley and Heyburn.

The rate of water releases at Minidoka Dam was holding steady at about 42,422 cubic feet per second since Saturday morning, said the bureau's recorded daily updates.

Slight increases were expected through Milner Dam, which affects Twin Falls County riverside homeowners. The dam was releasing 34,265 cfs Saturday morning and was expected to release

more later in the day, said bureau information.

However, the National Weather Service reported a much lower rate of 25,500 cfs at 3 p.m. Saturday flowing down the Snake River below Milner Dam - which could mean that irrigators are taking water from the river for farming.

"The flood situation is pretty much holding the same as it has been the past two days," said Dan St. Jean, meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Boise. "There probably will still be flood problems that have been occurring in Burley, Heyburn and Hagerman."

Milner Dam's level was posted at 23,000 cfs a week ago, St. Jean said. The National Weather Service predicted Saturday that the Snake River will continue to flow at about the same level for the next several days. Minidoka Dam's

reservoir level was rising three 100ths of a foot, while Milner Dam's was rising 22 100ths of a foot, said bureau information.

In the Mini-Cassia area Saturday morning, sandbag walls were reinforced and about 30 Youth Ranch volunteers helped clear out furniture from a home at 659 S. 125 W., said Jim Fletcher of Minidoka County Disaster Services.

The homeowner is a retired doctor from California who used the house for a summer home, but after days of fighting he gave it up to the river and is staying with his neighbor, Mike Schlund, at 625 S. 125 W.

Recorded messages with daily updates of river flows are available through the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation at 1-800-658-5771 and 678-0461.

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## National Guard troops start leaving flooded areas

### Threats appear to be diminishing in Eastern Idaho

The Associated Press

BLANKFOOT - Some of the more than 300 Idaho National Guard troops have started pulling out of flood-stricken eastern Idaho as the threat of new flooding diminished.

Guard spokesmen said the troops will turn over continuing flood relief efforts to local authorities.

Lt. Col. Jim Ball said, "Right now the situation has stabilized to the point where local authorities feel they can control it."

Some members of the Guard have been on duty for the last nine days.

The heavy machinery and manpower they brought were welcomed by local officials. "I'm going to miss having them here," said Jefferson County Sheriff Blair Olsen.

Jefferson and Bingham Counties also have begun scaling back their operations. Jefferson County's emergency command center will shut its doors Sunday and Bingham County closed its 24-hour com-

mand center Friday. Residents in both counties with flood problems should contact the sheriff's departments directly.

But the fight against the waters continues. Jefferson County sheriff's Capt. LaVar Summers said the water level will remain very high for several days, although it is not expected to increase much unless more water is released into the river or there is a storm.

The Bureau of Reclamation released 40,000 cubic feet per second from

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## John Glenn may shoot for another voyage in space

The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. - NASA may be warming up to Sen. John Glenn's dream of returning to space 35 years after becoming the first American to orbit Earth.

The 75-year-old Ohio Democrat and the space agency are seriously talking about it. The Orlando Sentinel reported in its online edition Friday night.

"NASA has discussed the idea with the senator, and we are giving it further consideration," NASA spokesman Michael Braukus told the newspaper.

Glenn flew on Mercury 6 and circled the Earth three times in 1962. He has repeatedly said he would like to make a second flight as part of a study on how space flight affects aging.

If Glenn ends up in outer space, he would be the oldest human ever in orbit. Story Musgrave, 61, set the record last year.

For Glenn to fly again, NASA would have to change its policy against civilians in space. The policy was established after the 1986 Challenger explosion killed teacher Christa McAuliffe.

"If he do it, it looks somewhat hypocritical considering their earlier policy," said Dwayne Day, an analyst at the Space Policy Institute at George Washington University. "At the same time, the idea is so neat it's hard to resist it."



John Glenn

WEATHER

IDAHO Weather: Sunday, June 22. AccuWeather forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures. Includes maps of Idaho with temperature callouts for locations like Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston, Boise, Twin Falls, and Pocatello.

FORECAST Source: National Weather Service

Magie Valley Mostly sunny and breezy today. Highs in the mid-70s. The ultraviolet index forecast is 7, a high exposure level. Extended regional forecast Tuesday mostly sunny and warmer. Lows in the 40s to lower 50s. Highs in the 70s and east to lower 80s.

ACROSS THE NATION Stormy weather batters upper Midwest with wind, rain, tornadoes

Thunderstorms pounded the upper Midwest on Saturday with tornadoes and 90-mph wind in Iowa and flooding in Wisconsin caused by 5 inches of rain. Showers and thunderstorms were scattered from the Dakotas and Iowa to Michigan from early morning into the afternoon.

ALMANAC

Table with columns for Max, Min, Precip, and Yesterday's weather for Twin Falls and Boise. Includes sections for Precipitation, Water year to date, Normal year to date, and Comfort factors like Humidity and Barometer.

Northern Nevada Partly cloudy today. Breezy and cooler. Highs in the upper 70s. A slight chance of showers in the afternoon. Southwest wind 15-25 mph. Tonight mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s.

NATIONAL Weather The AccuWeather forecast for noon Sunday, June 22

National weather map showing high and low pressure systems across the United States. Includes a table of temperatures for various cities like Albuquerque, Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Las Vegas, Little Rock, Memphis, Miami Beach, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New York, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, Portland, Me., Portland, Ore., Reno, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, San Jose, Spokane, and Washington.

Northern Utah Mostly sunny today. Highs 80-85. Tonight partly cloudy. Lows near 50. Monday partly sunny. Highs near 80. The ultraviolet index forecast is 9, a high exposure level. Skies were mostly sunny across the central mountains and southern Idaho on Saturday.

HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 89 degrees at Burley. Low, 29 degrees at Stanley. Nation: High, 110 at Bullhead City, Ariz. Low, 29 at Stanley.

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 9:19 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 6:01 a.m. 27th new, July 4: first quarter, July 12. Visible planets: Mars, Saturn, Jupiter. Evening: Jupiter, Mars, Summer solstice: June 21, 6:20 a.m. MDT.

FOR MORE INFORMATION Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz or call 334-9860. The Internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is http://www.state.idaho.gov/dot/dtmap.htm

U.S., Russia reach accord on tougher Iraq sanctions

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United States and Russia struck a deal Saturday to toughen sanctions against Iraq unless U.N. weapons inspectors certify that Baghdad is fully cooperating with them, a senior U.S. official said. The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press that the accord was reached in Denver between President Clinton and Russian President Boris Yeltsin, who are attending the summit of industrial leaders.



Saddam Hussein

Last week, Iraqi Republican Guard soldiers barred them from two compounds during a search for banned weapons. In October, the inspectors must report to the council about Iraq's compliance and the results of their inspections to date. That would be the trigger for increasing sanctions if the Iraqis continue to refuse to cooperate with the inspectors, the official said. The Security Council says that without that certification, it will not lift a crippling trade embargo that was imposed after Baghdad invaded Kuwait in 1990. Following last week's confrontation, the United States and Britain submitted a resolution to ban Iraqi soldiers, police and intelligence officers from traveling abroad without permission and to suspend reviews of the sanctions until October. But Russia, China and France opposed the punitive measures, and the Russians threatened to veto the resolution. The Russians submitted their own resolution which would condemn Iraq but contained no sanctions. During a meeting Saturday morning in Denver, Clinton urged Yeltsin to join in seeking to force Iraq to accept resolutions to develop weapons of mass destruction. Yeltsin agreed, and conciliatory language was crafted by the Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov, the official said. "They struck an agreement enabling the Russians to vote 'yes' and would ensure that the Russians were on board for the principle of additional sanctions" if necessary, the official said. The official said Washington hoped China would not veto the resolution since that Russia supported it. He said France might abstain too. The five permanent council members — the United States, Russia, China, France and Britain — can veto resolutions. Iraq says it has the right to restrict access to sensitive sites that affect national security and the safety of its president. It has accused the United States of using the U.N. inspectors as a cover for gathering intelligence.

U.N. may send force to Republic of Congo

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan asked the Security Council on Saturday to authorize a multinational force for the Republic of Congo to prevent a resurgence of fighting. The 15-member council planned to consider the request

later Saturday. It was made after the president of Gabon, Omar Bongo, warned that the current ceasefire was "particularly fragile" and that fighting could erupt when it expires at the end of next week. In a letter to the council, Annan

recommended that at least 1,600 troops, plus military observers, be sent to secure the Brazzaville airport. He said the force could either be sent by African states with Security Council approval or by the United Nations using primarily African units.

Anatomy of a negotiation: How, why bitter enemies forged a deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — After weeks of hard negotiations, as the 70-page tobacco settlement peeled page-by-page from the copier in a posh Washington hotel room, it was hard to tell friend from foe. Philip Morris' attorney Marc Firestone and Washington state attorney general Christine Gregoire, teary-eyed, hugged each other. It was a far cry from the first meeting a year ago when the two sides met for the first time. For an industry fearful that costly new lawsuits could jeopardize 40 years of legal victories, and for health advocates desperate to curb a rising epidemic of teen-age smoking, the April gathering was a calculated risk. "I've got a little boy. His name is Kyle, and he's 10 years old. And every day when I've been in the room, that's who I've been thinking about," said Mississippi Attorney General Michael Moore, a colleague of Gregoire who led the bargaining team of anti-tobacco lawyers. The road to the settlement really began on Christmas Eve, when North Carolina's governor introduced President Clinton to an old pal, a retired judge named J. Phil Carlton. The tobacco industry had hired Carlton a month earlier to track down rumors that Clinton was working with Mississippi's Moore on some new tobacco law. Moore had gambled on a novel strategy by filing the nation's first lawsuit arguing that tobacco companies, not taxpayers, should pay when poor smokers get sick from products they were hooked on. That strategy, ultimately copied by 39 other states, terrified the industry. If it lost even two of those lawsuits, the financial verdicts "are

mind-boggling," said a key player in the tobacco camp. "The companies would have a financial problem even appealing those cases." One other thing was driving Big Tobacco. The hard-core chief executives who swore before Congress in 1994 that cigarettes were no more dangerous or addictive than caffeine were gone, replaced by profit-driven bottom-liners like Philip Morris' Geoffrey Bible and R.J. Reynolds' Steven Goldstone. Punctilious consistency was slowly — but slowly — looking more attractive than tobacco's traditional policy of quashing any challenge. So Carlton came to Washington with the message that tobacco might want a truce. And Clinton aide Bruce Lindsey was receptive. After all, his boss' prized Food and Drug Administration crackdown on tobacco just might be overturned in court. But everyone knew public health groups would have to agree. Enter anti-tobacco crusader Matthew Myers. He couldn't imagine trusting tobacco companies not to rig a deal. But reluctant, Myers did an old political pal a favor, met Carlton and told him if the CEOs convinced him they really wanted to deal, he'd at least talk. And so on April 3, Bible and Goldstone sat eyeball-to-eyeball with their worst foes, and Moore called in other attorneys general to start the hard bargaining. Myers remained highly skeptical. The deal was full of "poopies" like curbs on advertising that he believed ruined many teenagers, but what if there were loopholes? So he and other health advocates pressed penalties — millions of dollars the industry would pay if teen smoking didn't really drop. "In an ideal world, you'd wave a magic wand and tobacco would disappear tomorrow," Myers said. "This is the real world. We are trying to drive down the number of people who smoke and who die from it. For weeks, and then months, a deal was on the air secretly and then dogged by TV cameras. Gregoire, from 'way out West, took red-eye special after red-eye special to make meetings. Other times, the deal was done at conference call. Two weeks ago, Gregoire thought she had forced the industry to accept strict FDA control of nicotine. But Brown & Williamson balked. The White House said it deal unless every company was on board. It took a week for B&W to back down, and even then it demanded conditions. For weeks, and now they were meeting at a posh Washington hotel — the attorneys general were almost giddy at the thought they had a deal. Friday, they did. Moore called the White House to say the deal was done and announced a news conference. But minutes later, Carlton called the White House to report a snag: B&W again, this time talking on protecting a white-bottle whopper gave Moore much of the ammunition in his lawsuit. At the White House, Lindsey put on the pressure: If B&W wanted to walk, let them — they'd pay the price in facing all future legal battles alone. Inside their third-floor conference room, Philip Morris and RJR were furious at their smaller competitor. After those tense hours, Carlton finally reached the chief of B&W's parent company as he rode a train through England and persuaded him to back down. Carlton took the stairs down a floor to where the attorneys general waited anxiously, and they cheered.

Carolinnians' fears - E1

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# NATION IN BRIEF

## Chicago mayor seeks 'respect' for city

**SAN FRANCISCO** — In tones embodying the rough and tumble, plain-talking style of the city he governs, Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley demanded Saturday that federal and state governments give urban centers seriously needed aid and a measure of respect.

Daley, outgoing president of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, also told more than 300 city leaders at the group's annual convention that Washington should do more leading than following when it comes to helping constituents.

As an example, Daley said local government — not Washington lawmakers — can take credit for the national drive to overhaul the nation's welfare system.

"That's how national welfare reform became a national priority. States became laboratories for welfare reform, and after several years of success, the federal government followed their lead," Daley said.

Daley said the war against drugs is another example of how the federal government has failed local authorities.

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## Baby sitter's family doesn't want inquiry

**BOSTON** — Michael Kennedy's conduct was "outrageous," but if a young woman cooperated in a high-profile statutory rape case against him it would harm her physical and mental health, the young woman's family says.

Robert Poppe, the family's attorney, said the family wants Norfolk County District Attorney Jeffrey Locke to drop the probe because it is not in the young woman's best interests. Psychotherapists advised the young woman, now 19, that pursuing the case would be bad for her, Poppe said.

"There has been an outrageous breach of trust by Michael Kennedy that has caused considerable trauma to the entire (baby sitter's) family and, notwithstanding that, because of the interests of their daughter, they will not proceed," Poppe said. "They've asked (Locke) to terminate the investigation so they can return to the privacy of their lives and the normalcy that they are entitled to enjoy."

Poppe also warned Kennedy, the son of the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, to stay away from the baby sitter, who is now a student at Boston University. "If Michael Kennedy in any way sought to interfere with (the baby sitter) in an unacceptable way, that would be met with stern legal consequences," Poppe said.

A spokesman for Locke's office said Locke had no comment on the case. The secretary for Michael Kennedy's lawyer, Thomas Dwyer, said Dwyer had no comment. Kennedy has not been charged with any crime.

Poppe said he would not comment on Kennedy's guilt or innocence and he wouldn't comment on alleged facts in the case. But he acknowledged that the lack of cooperation from the former baby sitter would deal a major blow to the DA's prosecution of the case.

## Judge axes New York's anti-sex Internet law

**NEW YORK** — A New York law that threatened cyber-space pedophiles with prison terms was well-intentioned but unconstitutional, a federal judge ruled in blocking the fledgling Internet indecency statute.

U.S. District Judge Loretta Preska blocked enforcement of the law in a temporary injunction issued Friday. She said the Internet cannot become cluttered by conflicting and confusing state-by-state legislation.

"The protection of children from pedophilia is an entirely valid and laudable goal of state legislation," Preska wrote. "The New York act's attempts to effluenate that goal, however, fall afoul of the federal Commerce Clause."

The U.S. Supreme Court is expected to rule this month on federal Internet legislation.

The New York legislation, signed into law by Gov. George Pataki nine months ago, made it a crime to send sexually explicit materials to children via computer. Adults soliciting children for sex via the Internet faced felony prosecution under the law. Those convicted of such crimes faced up to seven years in prison. The state has not prosecuted anyone for violating the statute.

Also Friday, a federal judge ruled that a Georgia law barring people from using false identities on the Internet can be challenged in court.

## Knight-Ridder plans to sell newspapers

**MIAMI** — Five of the smaller newspapers in the Knight-Ridder Inc. chain are for sale.

The company said Friday that the newspapers were not meeting its profit standards.

Knight-Ridder officials said the newspapers for sale were the Press-Telegram in Long Beach, Calif., the Post-Tribune in Gary, Ind., and three newspapers offered as a package: the Boca Raton News in Boca Raton, Fla., the Union-Recorder in Milledgeville, Ga., and the Newberry Observer in Newberry, S.C.

Officially hope to see the sale close by this fall, but offered no price estimates.

Chairman and CEO Tony Ridder said the decision was related to Knight-Ridder's recent acquisition of four newspapers from The Walt Disney Co. and a reevaluation of every property in its portfolio.

"As much as we would like to keep everything," he said, "the wiser course is to be selective."

Compiled from wire reports

# Leaders discuss lurking problems



Bill Clinton

**DENVER (AP)** — With no crisis searing their attention, world summit leaders focused Saturday on problems lurking ahead in the 21st century — from the health and pension needs of aging populations to infectious diseases that can race around the globe.

"None of our nations can meet these challenges alone," President Clinton said as he opened the 23rd annual meeting of industrialized nations.

The presidents and prime ministers gathered at the Denver Public Library, where they walked on fossil-embedded limestone floors and looked out at the foothills of the snowcapped Rockies.

Concerned about the brittle peace in Bosnia, the leaders issued a statement demanding fulfillment of the promises of the 1995 Dayton accords. "There must be justice in Bosnia and Herzegovina if peace is to endure," they declared.

Declaring they would not retreat, the leaders said "the international community will maintain a long-term engagement" in the divided country and the Balkans as a whole.

While much of the language in the final communique was pre-cooked weeks ago, a fight did break out over the language in the environmental section.

The Europeans were pushing for protection of forest land and the establishment of firm targets for the reduction of carbon dioxide emissions to fight global warming. The United States, which has the highest per capita level of emissions of carbon dioxide in the world, wanted to avoid being locked in to a firm target.

The leaders downgraded the traditional economic communique to a simple statement expressing their usual platitudes about the need to pursue a coordinated strategy to promote global prosperity.

"There are so many issues that there's a risk of an outcome which really doesn't focus on any one of them," said Robert Hormatz, an investment banking executive who was the principal U.S. planner for the first eight summits.

As host, Clinton was allowed to set the summit agenda, and he arranged Saturday's luncheon discussion around the budgetary and social needs of retiring baby boomers in the coming century. The day involved free-wheeling talks over seven hours.

The summit agenda included a Clinton-sponsored plan to stimulate trade and investment in Africa. French President Jacques Chirac has been miffed at what the French see as a U.S. attempt to grab influence in former French colonies. Chirac was pushing for sustained aid to Africa while Clinton was moving away from that approach.

While he was welcomed as a summit partner Friday, Russian President Boris Yeltsin was excluded from an hour-long discussion on currency exchange values, interest rates and budget deficits. He used the time to meet with American defense contractors.

In the evening, the leaders were promised an Old West experience over dinner at a restaurant, patterned after a 19th century trading post. The menu offered buffalo, trout and fried squash blossoms filled with wild mushrooms and rattlesnake, and the entertainment featured a trio of fiddlers.

In opening remarks, Clinton told the summit that "powerful

forces are drawing our nations closer together, delivering the promise of prosperity and security to more people than ever.

"And as barriers fall," he said, "problems that start in one country can spread quickly to another, whether they are currency crises, organized crime or outbreaks of deadly diseases."

Clinton said he would press for development of a global disease surveillance network to give early warnings of outbreaks and coordinate medical responses.

Picking up subjects from earlier summits, the leaders also discussed efforts to combat terror-

ism, drugs and international crime.

Clinton used his weekly radio address to pitch the summit's work as a something that will bring American families "greater prosperity, greater peace and greater security for our children."

The summit "is part of the larger effort we're making to organize the world to deal with the global challenges in the century ahead," the president said. "We know that if we pool our strength, our experience and our ideas, we stand a far better chance of success."

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**DENVER (AP)** — The United States needs to guard against inflation, Japan must avoid a ballooning of its trade surpluses and France, Germany and Italy must subdue stubbornly high unemployment, the world's richest industrial countries said Saturday in a draft economic statement.

The nine-page statement, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press, was to be released at the close of a one-hour discussion of economic issues Saturday afternoon at the 23rd summit of industrial powers.

The policy prescriptions for each country were vague but the document marked the first time since 1993 that the summit leaders agreed to spell out separate economic goals for each nation.

The economic session was the only meeting where Russian President Boris Yeltsin was excluded from the newly renamed Summit of the Eight.

He was having an economic session all his own, meeting with U.S. military contractors.

All eight countries were to release a joint statement on geopolitical issues at the conclusion of three days of meetings today.

In addition to the separate policy prescriptions for each nation, the economic statement also pledged an additional \$200 million to help Ukraine build a new concrete shell to cover the remains of the destroyed Chernobyl reactor in the Ukraine. The effort had already cost \$1 billion.

The statement also endorsed an effort to make bribery of public officials by foreign companies illegal. Currently, only the United States has laws against such bribery and the Clinton administration has been pushing other countries to outlaw the practice so that U.S. firms will not be at a disadvantage in the competition for global business.



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Priscilla Presley, ex-wife of Elvis Presley, tries on construction hard hats recently at the site of a new Elvis nightclub in Memphis, Tenn.

## New nightclub to serve up atmosphere to Elvis' liking

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The King has a table.  
Located in a Beale Street building where Elvis Presley used to buy the high-collared shirts and baggy pants he fancied in the late 1950s, a new nightclub celebrates the singer's life and times.  
Called Elvis Presley's Memphis, it's the first restaurant in a chain planned by Presley's estate. Lisa Marie Presley and her mother, Priscilla, came to town last week to promote the eatery-bar opening July 25.  
"This is the kind of place where he would have entertained

his friends between road tours and filming movies," Priscilla Presley said last week.  
The restaurant will focus on Southern cooking and the nightclub will feature a variety of music that influenced Elvis.  
The two-story club seating 330 customers will have five dining areas and two kitchens. Presley photos and other Elvis memorabilia will decorate the walls, and 20-foot velvet curtains will surround the first-floor stage.  
An upholstered bar will overlook the main dining room and stage. Upstairs, a game room will sport a pool table Presley

and the Beatles used in the 1960s.  
The club will be open for the 20th anniversary of Presley's death, which is expected to bring thousands of fans to Memphis. The beloved singer died of a drug overdose at age 42 on Aug. 16, 1977.  
To ensure authenticity, designers visited nightspots Elvis liked and venues where he performed, blending his dual tastes for kitsch and class.  
"You certainly want to avoid anything that would be perceived as being tacky," said architect Keith Youngquist.

## Gingrich drums up Americans' support for GOP tax cut proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Calling tax relief a "moral imperative," House Speaker Newt Gingrich urged Americans to support the Republican version of a tax cut bill that Congress is to vote on next week.  
Gingrich, R-Ga., in Saturday's Republican response to President Clinton's weekly radio address, also promised that next week's vote would not end the GOP's "tax-cutting mission."  
He said no American should pay more than 25 percent of income to federal, state and local taxes — currently many Americans pay closer to 50 percent. "We will come back next year and the year after that, and continue our fight for lower taxes," Gingrich said.  
Both the House and Senate

vote next week on bills that would cut taxes by a net \$85 billion over the next five years as part of the White House-Republican agreement on balancing the budget by 2002.  
The Republican includes a \$500-per-child credit, education tax incentives and reductions in capital-gains and estate taxes.  
While agreeing on broad outlines of the package, Democrats say the GOP bill benefits the rich more than the middle class and poor. Unlike the House GOP bill,

a Democratic version provides benefits to people who don't earn enough to pay taxes.  
House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri said Democrats will oppose the Republican bill "because well over half of the benefits go to the richest 5 percent of taxpayers."  
The Democratic bill, he said last week, "targets tax relief to the people who are raising children and agonizing over how they will be able to send them to college when they are ready."

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Clothes carry them. So do automobiles, children's toys, computers and most other products sold in America.  
But in the produce departments of most American grocery stores, there are no labels on fruit and vegetables to tell consumers which countries they came from.  
From artichokes to zucchini, fresh produce has largely been exempted from country-of-origin labeling laws since they were

first passed in the 1930s.  
Sponsors of legislation in Congress that would require grocery stores to use signs telling shoppers where the produce originated say it's a consumer's right to know — particularly in light of incidents such as the recent outbreak of hepatitis from Mexican strawberries.  
"This is a common-sense way of providing the American consumer with basic information about the produce they may want to purchase," said Rep.





Sonny Bono, R-Calif., the main sponsor.  
Right now, only the shipping container of fruit and vegetables carries the country-of-origin label.  
Bono's bill would require retailers to place a "clear and visible sign" where the produce is sold or face fines of \$1,000 initially and \$250 a day.  
The measure is strongly supported by groups representing U.S. fruit and vegetable producers.

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## EDITORIAL

### Idaho regions must cooperate to compete

The former mayor of Indianapolis offered some sound advice to development-hungry Idaho elected officials: Cooperate with each other.

Bill Hudnut, now a senior research fellow with the Urban Land Institute, told a group of public officials from the Treasure Valley that individual cities and counties are at a competitive disadvantage because of the rising costs of transportation, sewer, water and public education.

"Regions are the competitive engines in today's global economy," Hudnut said. "The successful community of the future will be more competitive by being more collaborative."

That's because businesses interested in expanding or moving to places like Idaho do so for reasons more complicated than low property taxes and labor costs and cheap electricity.

They're looking for the whole package, and drawing to locations where they can attract and keep good employees.

In that respect, Idaho is at a huge advantage. The state has grown by 15 percent since 1990, and many of those newcomers are well-educated, highly skilled lifestyle refugees from places where living now exacts too high a cost.

But the cities and towns where those newcomers are living struggle to meet the costs of growth, and that puts Idaho at a disadvantage against larger states with bigger tax bases and bet-

ter-developed infrastructure.

As Micron's search for a new plant site three years ago demonstrated, the only way Idaho can compete is collectively. In order for Twin Falls to attract more high-tech jobs, it's going to require the cooperation of legislators from the Treasure Valley and taxpayers from eastern Idaho.

It's all a symbiotic process, but one from which everyone can benefit. Southeast Asia's recent development experience provides a model.

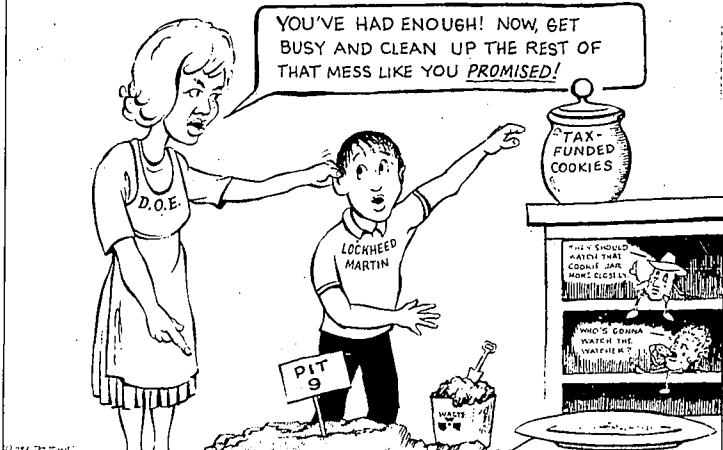
Thirty years ago, a half dozen developing countries in the region agreed to cooperate in order to attract jobs and investment. Although Singapore may have ended up more prosperous than, say, Indonesia, the fact is that the entire region is booming.

And it's thriving chiefly because there's a climate in the area for investment and opportunity.

Idaho could achieve the same thing, but to be successful, the state will have to curb the regional rivalries that have bedeviled its history.

Still, it's different world as the state enters its second century. And whether Canyon County attracts more high-paying jobs than Cassia County is really less important to the state's economic future than the fact that Idahoans welcome growth and know how to manage it.

It is, after all, a global economy nowadays, and the only way for Idaho to compete is to become a part of it.



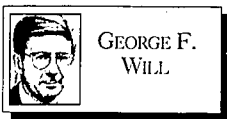
### Homogenization creeps over the world

From Pasadena's Colorado Boulevard to downtown Monticello, N.Y., and from controversies about coffee shops in various American neighborhoods to stifling resistance to a single European currency and other devices of European unification, many apparently dissimilar skirmishes are actually aspects of a single quickening argument about the proper jurisdiction of politics.

These skirmishes are facets of a revolt against economics, and a reassertion of the sovereignty of politics. The revolt pits politics against markets, to the discomfort of conservatives, but often does so in the name of values with conservative resonance.

Colorado Boulevard, which once had a distinctly Pasadena flavor — and down-at-the-heels aspect — has experienced what throngs of contented customers call a revival. The unenthralled call it the Chain Store Massacre. Blockbuster, Barnes & Noble, Banana Republic, The Cheesecake Factory have arrived. The market has spoken: Commerce is humming. But, critics say, the Boulevard could be anywhere, a randomly sliced portion of homogenized America.

In Monticello, N.Y., and in many similar small towns, local merchants have waged war against Wal-Mart. Its leverage with its sellers enables it to buy cheap, and thus to sell cheaper than Main Street merchants can. Local merchants argue, not altogether altruistically, that while this serves consumers, consumers also are citizens whose downtowns can become ghost towns because of retailing behemoths along the highway at the edge of town. This takes toll not only on the local tax base, but on community interaction at familiar local sites that combine sociability with commerce.



Euroscopists respond that in a civilized country's life, the bottom line is not the bottom line. Even if (which is not conceded) a single currency and the ceasing of much economic and social policymaking to supranational entities would maximize Europe's economic product, the price in lost community autonomy would be uncoincident.

Advocates of European unification try to assuage anxieties by saying that there can be nations without nation-states. They say national communities can retain "cultural" identity even while ceasing more and more political sovereignty. However, the logic of the subordination

of politics to economics is that the durable, worthy values are economic values, so all nations should willingly sink themselves into a common culture of commercial efficiency.

This politics should be a purely procedural enterprise, confining itself to maximizing economic efficiency for the benefit of citizens understood solely as consumers. Having defined citizenship primarily with reference to the satisfaction of common appetites, the homogenization of the nations is a natural consequence.

Many conservatives are conflicted about the current reassertion of politics against market-driven economics. (Opposition to China's MFN status, and to the general reduction of foreign policy to trade promotion, is another facet of this.) Being realists, conservatives recognize that rhetoric about "formative values superseding economic values" often cloaks economic interests (as it does with many of Main Street's converts to communitarianism in their war with Wal-Mart). However, economics is a science of individualism, and conservatism, sharing Burke's lament about the age of "sophists, economists and calculators," places some value on the organic life of the community.

Many people on both sides of the Atlantic are increasingly uncomfortable with what Michael Sandel of Harvard calls the doctrine of the "unencumbered self" — the self as a solitary bundle of appetites, a consumer whose fulfillment is a function solely of an ever larger sphere of choices.

The revolt against the untrammeled sovereignty of economics — in part, a conservative revolt — holds that life in any polity should be a formative experience, and a democratic polity can choose to form itself with political choices rather than perfect passivity in the face of market results. Something to ponder while sipping a latte at Starbucks.

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## LETTERS

### Make juvenile names public

Thank you for the courage you showed in printing the teenager's name in the June 18 paper regarding Rozann Hall's court hearing. Perhaps other minors will think twice before they commit a similar crime if, finally, names may be made public!

Also, thanks to your reporter Mark Heinz. He is a fine, low-key young man and has the respect of the Jerome County Sheriff's Department as well as ours. His compassion for our family has been obvious. We certainly didn't ask for all this publicity, but Rozann feels if she can help other people be aware of locked doors, etc., then some good may come of her horrible experience.

We wish to thank all our many relatives, friends and especially good neighbors for their thoughtfulness during the recent ordeal that we suffered. Thanks for the flowers, cards, prayers and caring from all.

To all officers involved from Jerome County Sheriff's Department, ambulance personnel, and especially Pastor Camm, Detective Dan Chatterton and Deputy Jeff Haskell: Thank you!

ROZANN HALL, LAYNE AND BEV HALL AND FAMILY  
Jerome

we have gone camping we have had to clean up piles of garbage that had been left behind by people during the winter. Now there are no garbage bins for trash, but why is it difficult to put your trash in a bag and take it home and throw it away? When the snow is 8 feet deep and you bury your trash, do you think it will go away in the spring? It doesn't — it ends up in unsightly heaps all over camping areas and parking lots. This year because of the snow depth, there were bags of garbage hung in trees 10-15 feet above the ground.

It is our responsibility, as users of this area, to do everything we can to keep it in good condition. It is our responsibility as adults to teach our children the importance of taking care of our natural resources so they will be available to enjoy for years to come.

Our family will continue to do our part to keep the South Hills clean and the trails safe. Most people we know treat the area the same way we do. To those of you who have no respect for the area and no regard for the fact there are hundreds of others using it also, either develop some consideration for the other users or stay away!

RUSS AND FRANCHIE SKREEN  
Twin Falls

### Keep the trails clean and safe

I was pleased to notice in the Community section of the June 18 paper that the Magic Valley Snowmobiler's Association has scheduled a trail clearing in the South Hills. I know the Magic Valley Trail Machine Association and the local horse riding groups have held similar trail clearing events this spring.

Our family enjoys the recreational opportunities the South Hills has to offer. We camp and trail ride in the summer, hunt in the fall, and enjoy tubing in the winter. Every spring we are anxious to go camping and make several trips south to see how things are drying out and what is available. As we snow melt, it is particularly frustrating to see all of the garbage that is uncovered.

For the past two years, the first time

### Did you have to steal my water?

Maybe people should form a neighborhood watch!

Would you believe with the excess water available this season there are water thieves?

I paid my assessment last November, read the pamphlet sent by the canal company, called the ditcher and had to call the watermaster to get water turned in, and then it gets taken before the pasture is irrigated. So the next time I see an unauthorized person lifting the metal slides in my check gates, I will call the police and have the person arrested for trespassing and water theft.

It would make a nice news item stealing water from an 87-year-old woman on crutches.

MRS. HAROLD LANCASTER  
Twin Falls

### Slanted articles misinform

An excellent example of why there is distrust of public employees and officials, by the public, is demonstrated very well on the front page of the "West" section, June 14th Times-News.

Under the heading of "Riparian areas at heart of Idaho range war," are two photographs. One is of Danzer, Bureau of Land Management fish biologist, pointing at an eroded bank claiming over-grazing caused the problem.

Mr. Danzer, it is obvious two events caused that stream erosion. One, the stream in its course, because of land elevation changes, has sharply altered its direction. This plus spring water runoff and perhaps cloudbursts caused the excess water to speed into the bank before changing the water direction into its downward unrestricted flow.

The next picture shows a stream with grassy banks that is flowing steadily on its way with no erosion. You should also note there are no severe change of direction of the stream.

I am not a livestock person but I resent

### Slanted articles like this that tries to form public opinion in untruthful ways.

GLEN CAPPS  
Jerome

### Air Force range unnecessary

The Air Force is pushing yet another proposal for a bombing range upon the people of Idaho.

It is no secret by now that what the Air Force wants is much more than a 12,000-acre dummy bombing range. What they have in mind is a full-fledged supersonic battlefield including bomb targets, a million-acre threat-emitter range, lasers, chaff litter, incendiary flares, and sonic booms. All these factors would come into play at once during composite force exercises of attack and defend, pursue and evade, in the millions of acres of military airspace over southwest Idaho, eastern Oregon, and northern Nevada.

The canyons and plateaus of this region contain wilder, wilder rivers, unique wildlife, archaeological treasures, sacred sites, the Duck Valley Indian Reservation, scattered ranches hearken-

ing back a century; silence; and wide open spaces.

Having already diminished the world-class Owyhee bighorn sheep herd to about half since 1992 when they began supersonic overflights, the Air Force now wants to sonic boom the Jack's Creek canyons, home of the last remaining bighorn herd in Owyhee County not under supersonic airspace.

The Air Force has argued, on the record, for years that they don't need a new range. They contend that the range represents "enhancement, not necessity." General Peck, wing commander, has stated, "We are the most combat-capable unit anywhere in the world right now."

The Air Force has never complied with an order to redo their previous environmental impact statement, which was declared illegal in federal court.

The bottom line is that this destructive proposal is unethical and illegal, and yet the Air Force continues to waste taxpayer money in pursuit of the unnecessary.

BRIAN GOLLER  
Boise

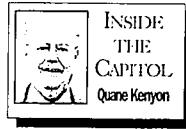
### Doonesbury

By Garry Trudeau

### Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley

# Democratic chief says candidates are out there but keeping quiet



She contends that campaigns aren't covered closely, forcing candidates to buy advertising to get out their messages. "I think it's time for the public to demand it take the money out of politics," she said. "They will demand that reporters do their jobs, and that is to keep people informed of the political process."

Quane Kenyon covers Idaho politics for The Associated Press.

Idaho's hard-pressed Democrats have been forced to take a stealth approach to next year's election. State Party Chairman A.K. Lienhart-Minnick says the party has a number of good candidates who are considering running, but she won't identify them. They have their own reasons for keeping quiet for now, she says.

"There are people out there, but they are running under deep cover," she said. "Some of them are still in the making-up-their-mind phase. Others don't want to give up too much of their private lives or their jobs."

When they are ready to announce, they will do it themselves, Lienhart-Minnick says. "We don't want to do it for them."

That tactic means there are no visible legitimate Democratic candidates for the U.S. Senate seat of Republican Sen. Dirk Kempthorne. GOP congressional incumbents Helen Chenoweth and Mike Crapo or for governor.

In modern politics, it takes a great deal of cash to mount a credible campaign. Lienhart-Minnick should know. Her husband, Walt, was the Democratic nominee against Republican Sen. Larry Craig last year.

Despite spending more than \$2 million, almost half of it out of his own pocket, Minnick got only 40 percent of the vote as Craig won his second Senate term.

The candidate complained often about how much time he had to spend raising money instead of campaigning.

There's also the personal side. Once again speaking from personal experience, Lienhart-Minnick says that if a candidate gets his or her name out early, with no time to build an organization, "the other side starts bombarding you with negatives."

She said the opposition's tactics in the last campaign were "patently absurd." She compared all the negative campaigning to "junior high name-calling."

Usually, if candidates are serious, knowing how much money it will take for a tough Senate or congressional race, they are out there early looking for support.

Idaho political tradition questions the seriousness of any campaign if the candidate isn't raising money by July of the year before an election.

There's also the name identification factor. If a candidate isn't well-known to voters, it's a long, uphill battle to gain that recognition.

That's why the lack of visible candidates isn't a good sign for the downtrodden Democrats, at an historic low ebb after disasters in the last two elections.

Kempthorne, going after his second Senate term, doesn't appear to have any GOP opposition. His staff says he just recently started raising money for the campaign and expects to have "a substantial amount" on the books by the time next month's campaign finance reports are filed.

Lienhart-Minnick, perhaps optimistically, says hard work can overcome the lack of cash.

"In Idaho... we still are a cheap seat" in contrast to what it takes to run for the Senate in other states, she said. "There's a lot of debate whether you spend a lot of time raising money or spend a lot of time campaigning."

She says at least five people have talked about running against Helen Chenoweth in the 1st Congressional District. At least one Democrat wants to run for governor.

"There's several open seats. We're looking at all of them," she said, mentioning secretary of state and treasurer.

Republicans also are vulnerable in other areas, she contends. "When Democrats and independents begin to look at a record that doesn't promote education and good jobs, they may decide they want to run against Republicans," she said.

The Democratic leader, a former Boise television news anchor, thinks the news media is to blame for the high cost of campaigning.

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# Flood assistance invites disaster

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's heavily subsidized National Flood Insurance Program is like a siren of Lorelei, luring people to abandon their common sense, damaging the environment and crapping. Congress' generosity to this year's flood victims will only confirm this mind-set.

A report in the Idaho Statesman on the spring deluge by the Boise River concluded that FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program "has backfired — bringing more people into harm's way" and has made risky development "look not only possible, but attractive." Doug Hardman, Boise-Ada County Emergency Services coordinator, observed that subsidized flood insurance "did exactly the opposite of what it was designed to do. It has encouraged people to move there and encouraged developers to develop there."

Scott Faber of American Rivers, a conservation organization, observed, "Prior to the 1960s, you didn't have much development in flood prone areas because you couldn't find any insurer crazy enough to underwrite it. But the federal government came along and said it is OK — and we are going to make it financially possible for you to live in a flood plain." Now when floods occur, far more people than might otherwise have been the case if the federal insurance had not made it possible to build.

FEMA is pretending that merely shifting the cost of flood damage from a homeowner to taxpayers in general is almost as good as preventing a flood. The agency is running a national television advertising campaign ("Cover America") urging Americans to buy into the flood insurance plan. FEMA director James Lee Witt declared last year: "The greater the coverage we can achieve, the healthier the flood insurance program will be, and there will be less of a bur-

READER COMMENT  
James Bovard

den on the disaster program." But according to one agency analyst, "The way they advertise the flood insurance is disgusting. It is a Ponzi scheme — and they have to be (constantly) replenishing that sucker because it is running dry. The (flood insurance plan) is amazingly generous: You are talking of up to \$250,000 for property damage coverage for only \$300 a year for people living in a flood zone — that is absurd." Private insurance companies in some cases would charge a \$10,000 annual premium for an insurance policy that FEMA gives away for a few hundred dollars a year.

American taxpayers currently face more than \$250 billion of exposure from government flood insurance policies. The insurance fund ran out of money last year and FEMA had to borrow \$600 million to replenish it. Witt told Congress, "If flooding incidents drop to a near-normal level, we expect that we will pay the fund back within five years." Despite the red ink, Witt hailed the insurance plan in congressional testimony last month as "another government success story." However, this year's damage of floods makes it clear that it is naive to expect the program to "get healthy" any time soon.

Since FEMA is essentially massively subsidizing most of the people who buy the policies — the more policies FEMA sells, the greater the financial crash and burn will be when Mother Nature catches up with the agency.

The flood insurance program illustrates the hyperocrisy of the Clinton administration's environmental policy. Coastal wetlands and river flood plains are among the most sensitive habitats in the nation and are home to large numbers of endangered

species. The Fish and Wildlife Service, in its expansive interpretation of the Endangered Species Act, has prevented many private landowners from building on their own lands when there is even a minuscule risk that some endangered bird or rat species a few miles away might be discomfited. Yet no private landowner has adversely impacted habitat for endangered species to the extent that governmental flood insurance has. Far more land has been paved over, built upon and bulldozed as a result of subsidized flood insurance than the amount of acreage controlled by any private real estate cartel.

Uncle Sam should get out of the flood insurance business. Individuals who choose to live in flood plains should no longer have their bad judgment subsidized by people living on mountain tops. And politicians should find some less environmentally damaging means of buying votes.

James Bovard is a fellow at the Competitive Enterprise Institute, a Washington think tank that favors free markets.

# The Road of Life

by Gary Storer



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

## The Rules of the Water

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**Meeting:** When two boats approach each other head-on, neither has the right-of-way. Both vessels should alter their course to the right (starboard) so that they pass on the left (port) of each other.

**Overtaking:** When overtaking another boat from behind, the overtaking boat is the give way vessel and the boat being passed is the stand on vessel. Always pass with care and never pass too close to any other watercraft. Under any circumstances...don't lose your life because you have the right-of-way!

In addition to the basic rules, there are universal sound signals used on the water. 1 short blast means I intend to turn left and pass you on the left. 2 short blasts means I intend to turn left and pass you on my right. 5 or more short blasts means unusual danger...stay away. These are signals used during good visibility with the other boat in

sight. The 1 and 2 short blast signals represent a return signal to the one sent, indicating that he understands the other's intentions.

Common sense is a "rule of the water" too...operate your boat responsibly. Operating a boat or personal watercraft while intoxicated is against the law. Already this year, there have been 10 fatal boating accidents in Idaho, 3 of which were alcohol-related. In an effort to prevent such accidents, many states, including Idaho are toughening "boats and booze" laws and increasing enforcement on waterways. In fact, effective July 1, the blood alcohol content or the point where a boat operator on Idaho waterways is considered legally intoxicated drops from .10% to .08%.

The rules of the water are for everyone's protection. Learn them and when you are on the water...use them. Operate your boat courteously and safely at all times. Doing so increases and assures the safety of everyone on the water. Remember...boat safe and boat smart!

**\*\*Due to the extreme high-water situation of the Snake River and other waterways in the area, we suggest you call your County Sheriff's emergency number for information on your favorite boating destination.**

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**CORRECTION**

The caption for Tom J. Teitge's cartoon was mistakenly omitted from Thursday's editorial page. The caption should have read "Christ Admonishing the Cowboys for Poor Stewardship of the Land."  
The Times-News regrets the error.

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# Peacemaker or dictator? Cherokee chief kicks out fired marshals

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. (AP) — A simmering dispute on the Cherokee Nation led to a standoff between the chief's private guards and deputies that he fired as they began investigating whether administrators misused tribal funds.

The security force of Principal Chief Joe Byrd took over the tribal courthouse early Friday, seizing about 50 weapons from the fired marshals. Seven hours later, the confrontation ended peacefully

when the guards turned over the weapons and documents to federal agents.

The dispute underlined an ongoing quarrel between Byrd and his supporters and others on the sprawling reservation in eastern Oklahoma.

Byrd hired his own guards after firing 14 marshals in February when they seized documents from his office. A tribal court reinstated the marshals, who

then set up operations in the 1890s-era courthouse.

Several arrest warrants have been issued over the past few months for Byrd. But his supporters on the tribe's legislative body impeached the three judges on the tribe's highest court who issued the warrants; it is unknown whether the impeachments are legal.

Critics pin the strife squarely on Byrd, his supporters on the Tribal Council and

the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

"In effect, what Joe Byrd has done with the help of eight council members and the BIA is established a dictatorship," tribal Justice Dwight Birdwell said. "I'm calling on the president of the United States of America to intervene ... and to reinstate the constitution of the Cherokee Nation."

The guards took over the courthouse after a federal judge dismissed a lawsuit

filed by the marshals to prevent BIA law enforcement activities on the reservation.

One of the fired marshals, Pat Ragsdale, said they called the FBI because they didn't want any injuries. There was a minor scuffle and some shouting, but the confrontation was otherwise calm.

Ragsdale said he was uncertain about the fired marshals' next move.

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### SPORTSQUOTE

I got to third base and I was looking for someone to hand the baton to.

— Doug Strange of the Montreal Expos on his inside-the-park home run last month

### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

American Legion baseball  
Shoshone at Wood River, 1 p.m. (2)

Bike racing  
HP International Women's Challenge  
• Idaho City Road Race  
Revenge of the Singletack, Magic Mtn., noon

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### IN BRIEF

#### Magic Mountain bike race scheduled today

**HANSEN** - The Revenge of the Singletack mountain bike race starts at noon today at Magic Mountain Resort in the South Hills.  
The race is part of the Nike World Rockies race series. Racers from around the region will compete for points and prize money.  
There are races for beginners, too. The experts will go two laps on the 10-mile loop, starting at noon. The sport class will leave at 12:10 p.m. for two laps and the beginners will do one lap, starting at 12:20 p.m.  
Entrants must hold a NORBA license; a one-day license can be purchased at the starting line for \$3.  
Spectators also can get in on the action, as the course offers several good viewing areas.

#### Branchflower takes race at Wendell's Dairy Days

**WENDELL** - Former Wendell High School runner Chris Branchflower won the 5-mile run at the Dairy Days fun run/walk Saturday.  
Branchflower, who now runs for Colorado State University, finished in 30:07. Elaine Helwig of Washington, and originally from Buhl, won the women's division in 33:22.  
Gooding High School's Nathaniel Castle won the 3-mile run in 17:55; Kira Stiefel, also of Gooding, was the first female (21:48).  
Ross Kirchenwitz was the first to finish the 3-mile walk (32:05), while Mary Branchflower was the first woman (40:21).  
Winners in the 5-mile run were Justin Cutler (6:04) and Toni Kohler (6:11). Complete results will appear in YourSports on Thursday.

Compiled from staff and wire reports



Carl Feldhusen tees off on No. 7 at the Pleasant Valley Golf Course south of Kimberly. A path leads down the canyon wall to the green.

## Pleasant Valley lives up to its name

New course south of Kimberly takes full advantage of southern Idaho landscape

By Brad Bowlin  
Times-News writer

### How to get there

Go five miles south of the Kimberly stoplight. The course is at the bottom of the hill on the east side of the road. For tee times or additional information, call the clubhouse at 423-5800.

**KIMBERLY** - Imagine yourself standing on a wide swath of freshly cut grass, water cascading down the Rock Creek canyon wall behind you and into a quiet fish pond.  
The creek runs by just a few feet away, gurgling behind a slice of aromatic sage and bitterbrush. Look closely and you might see a beaver working on a dam upstream, or a marmot sunning himself on a rock, or quail and grouse darning in the tall grass.  
Now if you can only make this putt ...  
That's about the only problem with the newly opened Pleasant Valley Golf Course south of Kimberly - the scenery could distract golfers from their game.  
"I asked the designer about putting in some more trees, but he said 'You've got such great views here, why ruin it with too many trees?'" said Carl Feldhusen, who had the idea - and the land - for this course several years ago.  
It's hard to argue, with Mount Harrison to the east and snow-capped peaks in almost any other direction on a

clear day. Standing at the edge of one of Pleasant Valley's larger-than-normal greens (each one is more than 6,000 square feet), one struggles to imagine that this 47-acre sward of green was just a rocky pasture three years ago.  
It has not been officially rated by the Idaho Golf Association, but Pleasant Valley plays par 33 for men (2,647 yards), 34 for women. It is the second nine-hole course to open in Twin Falls County this year, after Candleridge.  
The clientele here is decidedly more rural than at the city course. Most of the folks in this secluded vale between Kimberly and the South Hills are farmers, and the course also has members from other nearby farming communi-

ties, like Eden and Murtaugh.  
"The farmers out here have been talking about this for three or four years," said Sue Feldhusen.  
The holes are pretty straightforward - long, with large greens. They are designed to give the beginning golfer a good start while still providing challenge for more experienced players.  
"We want it to be a family-oriented place," Sue Feldhusen said.  
Sundays and other options are few here, and most people don't have time to drive into Twin Falls for a quick round.  
The longest hole is the 495-yard No. 5, a par 5, which carries a major dogleg to the right. Two holes - Nos. 2 and 4 - go over a pond that contains canal water that is filtered to a crystal blue and sent cascading over the canyon floor.  
It is there, straddling that happy catcract, that one finds Pleasant Valley's signature hole - the 120-yard No. 7, where golfers tee off from the canyon rim to a green just beyond a pond on the canyon floor.  
It looks daunting at first, but even a dull reporter quickly learns to loft the ball into the prevailing breeze, which

sets the ball gently down in front of the green.  
"That's the one everyone talks about," Feldhusen said. "They come in the clubhouse and everyone wants to know, 'How'd you do on No. 7?'"  
Feldhusen kneels on the edge of the green where tracks of a raccoon are evident. He notices the bentgrass sprouting in the few bare spots.  
He's a farmer at heart, and by trade. His family has contributed to the greening of the Magic Valley for decades and Feldhusen still raises cattle and grows beans, beets and potatoes. The proposed driving range is still a 12-acre bean field.  
"Most people don't associate farming with putting in a golf course," said Rich Yankey of Twin Falls, one of the original members of the Pleasant Valley Golf Association.  
The not-for-profit association leases the property from Feldhusen, who is selling home sites around the golf course.  
But, Yankey keels, the builders found

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## Jerome holds off Twin in pair of Legion games

By Brad Bowlin  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - The host Tigers overcame a scrappy young Cowboy A squad and a couple of key double plays to take a key 8-7 American Legion baseball victory Saturday.  
Jerome took the second game, 3-2, after Twin Falls failed to score a run despite leading off the seventh inning with four consecutive singles. Only the first game counted in the league standings.  
In the opener, Twin Falls loaded the buses with one out in the seventh, but could only push across one run. Jonas Brady opened the inning with a single. After a walk and Kelsey McLimans' sacrifice bunt moved the runners into scoring position, Jerome intentionally walked Twin Falls cleanup hitter Gabe Gerrish.  
With the count 3-1 on the next batter, Brady scored after the Tiger catcher tried to pick him off third and threw the ball into left field.  
But Jerome pitcher Chad Reddick battled back to record his ninth strikeout of the game. A fly ball to left center was tracked down by Jedd VanHouten for the final out.  
The teams, who last met in that wild title game of the Twin Falls tournament, had battled to a 4-4

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Jerome's Jon Aikin beats the throw to Twin Falls second baseman Kelsey McLimans late in the first game of a doubleheader on Saturday.

## MV riders take home state rodeo hardware

The Times-News

**POGATELLO** - Magic Valley rodeo hands won seven of 10 events at the state high school finals here Saturday.  
And a total of nine local athletes qualified for the national finals July 14-20 in Pueblo, Colo., by finishing in the top four in their events.  
Kali Jo Parker of Wendell qualified in three events, winning the pole bending, finishing second in breakaway roping and fourth in barrel racing.  
Her chief rival in the roping was Ashley Mulick of Mackay, who won that event and the goat tying, to become the only double winner.  
The Rupert duo of Troy VanTassel and Chde Kendall won the team roping event. They finished third in the final go-round, but won on total points.  
P.J. Curris of Gooding and Sam Riley of Richfield narrowly missed a trip to nationals, finishing fifth.  
Declan's Cody Laumb took home first place in the calf roping, edging Pocatello's Brady Brurter by half a point.  
Spencer Stanger of Murtaugh is tops

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## Changing of the guard comes quickly to track and field

### TRACK AND FIELD John Ruprecht

Call it the changing of the guard, the passing of the torch or in with the young and out with the old.  
Whenever you call it, it was never more evident in the world of track and field than at the recent USA Outdoor Track and Field Championships, a meet that not only served as a national championship, but as a trial for August's World Championships in Athens, Greece.  
Gentry Bradley, Karl Paranya, Kevin Dihvorh, Tyree Washington. Who are these guys? Let me give you a hint - they're on the World Championship team, and Carl Lewis, Mike Powell,

200-meter Olympic champ Mike Marsh and current 400-meter world-record holder Burch Reynolds.  
Four-time Olympian Johnny Gray didn't make the 800-meter squad, and America's top miler, Steve Holman, solidified his "choker" reputation and didn't make the top three in the 1,500 meters. Four-time national champ Todd Williams collapsed and didn't finish the 5,000 meters.  
This phenomenon wasn't limited to just the men's team. Just ask Olympic medalists Jackie Joyner-Kersey (heptathlon), Gail Devers (100-meter hurdles and 100 meters) and Gwen

Torrence (100 and 200 meters). They didn't make the team, either.  
What's going on here?  
To be completely fair, injuries kept O'Brien, Johnson, Devers and Torrence from even starting the meet, and some athletes might be feeling the post-Atlanta Olympics lull.  
But the simple fact is, the new crop of young up-and-coming athletes are replacing the veterans whose muscles and tendons might be feeling the strain of being thirty-something in such a demanding sport.

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SPORTS

Welch grabs 1st Speedway win Legion

By Lynn Baird Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Brian Welch took the winner's circle for the first time Friday night, taking the main event in the pony stock division at Magic Valley Speedway Friday night.

Welch's racing career came from his 15th starting position to pass leader Gene Goodfellow with less than five laps remaining. Goodfellow, Paul Young, Shawn Nicc and Troy Carothers rounded out the top five.

In the featured Grand American Modified division, Bruce Quale took over second place in the season points standings with his victory in the main event.

Track

Continued from B1 And for those nostalgic traditions like me, it's hard to take for awhile, just like it is for any sport.

It was painful to see Ozzie Smith last year lounging on the St. Louis Cardinals' bench chomping Big League Chew, while young back Royce Clayton was starting 6-3 double plays.

It also stung a little to see Dale Murphy, his average dipping well below the Mendoza line for the Colorado Rockies, after he ended a decade-plus with the Braves.

Who enjoyed watching Kareem Abdul-Jabbar go bald and lose a few inches in his last season, or former Celtic star Robert Parish permanently planted on the bench during the NBA Finals?

And I was hesitant to believe that kids like Kobe Bryant, Kevin Garnett and Alex Rodriguez

Quale worked his way from the No. 11 spot to pass Jon Newhouse on lap 44 and go on for the NASCAR win. He picked up \$500 for the victory.

Newhouse, who finished second, had taken the early lead and looked to be in control until Quale chased him down late in the race.

"Eddy is a real good sport. I rent me a car that is able to beat his primary car," Newhouse said. McKeen finished third, followed by Mike Murphy and 17-year-old Scott Lynch.

Kelly Chappell had a good

night in the street sprints, taking the dash for cash, the heat race and the 25-lap main event.

He had to fight his way to the front in the heat and the main event. He held off Dan Hammerbeck in the main and had to pass Troy Ward on the final lap of the heat race.

In the fox stocks ladies race, Dannie Threbeck beat Challe Giles and Dorothy Money in the heat race. Money then outran Natalie Wheeler and Giles in the main event.

The speedway returns to its normal 7 p.m. Saturday format next weekend.

In addition to the local divisions, the Utah racing trucks will make their first appearance of the season.

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Twin Falls took the lead on Kelsey McLimans' RBI single in the second, and starter Gustavo Lopez held that margin until the fourth.

Jon Atkin led off the Jerome fourth with a single, and Reddick and Andy Walgamoto stroked back-to-back doubles to give Jerome a 6-5 lead. Chris Palmer came on in relief for Twin Falls and got a sharp short-sec-

ond-to-first double play to end the rally. McLimans again came through for the Cowboys in the fifth, tripling to lead off the inning. He scored on Gerrish's sacrifice fly to right.

The 2-3-4 hitters in Jerome's lineup were key again in the sixth, as Atkin doubled and Reddick walked. Walgamoto's grounder put the third-baseman scored Atkin, and Ben Greenwood doubled to plate Reddick.

could be pro stars and teenagers at the same time.

But that's the way sports goes, and track and field is no different. So let's not lament not seeing Lewis and Powell soar 20 feet into a sand pit, or missing Johnson obliterate another world record in the 200 meters.

Instead, look for exciting performers like hoopster/tracker Martin Jones in the 100 meters and the long jump, Kim Barren in the 400 meter hurdles and Amy Acuff in the high jump.

Keep your eye on powerful Manteo each in the 100 meters. Bryan Bronson in the 400 meter hurdles and Lawrence Johnson in the pole vault. These new kids on the block are here to stay. And don't forget 1,500-meter team member Seneca Lassiter and Karl Paranya.

If the 1997 World Championships don't work out for Lassiter

and Paranya, at least look for them in the 1999 World Championships or the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney. Or if you don't catch them there, maybe you'll see them in the 1998 NCAA Championships.

You see, Lassiter and Paranya, like several others on this year's World Championship team, are still in college.

So how will these greenhorns do in Atlanta? Pretty good, probably. Maybe they won't be as dominating as American teams have been in years past, but they'll still probably be tough enough to ensure the U.S. will walk home from the bi-annual championships winners again, as they have every year since the meet was started in 1983.

John Ruprecht is a Times-News intern and a distance runner for Idaho State University.

Another double play saved the Cowboys from further damage, however. Nate Prescott was thrown out on a slow roller to third, and Walgamoto was gunned down trying to score from third base. He reached home before the throw, but missed the plate trying to slide around Twin Falls catcher Casey Turner, who tagged him out.

In the nightcap, Twin Falls should have mustered no worse than a tie in the final frame, but a couple of baserunning mistakes cost them.

Shawn Pohlmann led off with a single, but failed to advance to second when a passed ball went to the backstop.

Brandon Miller followed with a single to right, but Pohlmann was thrown out running to third, and Miller was erased when he rounded first, hesitated, then was gunned down trying for second.

Scott Leavitt and Chase Quessnell then provided what should have been RBI singles.

Instead, they were stranded

when Jerome reliever Donovan Adfield recorded his second strikeout and the escort was

Jerome scored its runs on Walgamoto grounder that scored Adfield in the third, a Ryan Bowen solo homer in the fourth, and Walgamoto sacrifice fly in the fifth.

Twin Falls stayed close with three straight two-out singles to the fifth to score McLimans. Ch Creech's nice slide into home plate after Tyler Warburton infield grounder in the sixth inning got the Cowboys within run.

The losses drop Twin Falls to 10 overall, 1-6 in league play. Jerome improves to 12-3 and 6-1.

Game 1 Twin Falls 10-0 11-12 Jerome 8-0 201-3 4-10 1-12 P: Pat Johnson and Turner, J. Reddick and Atkin.

Game 2 Twin Falls 00-0 0-1 2-12 Jerome 11-0 11-12 P: Tommie Miller and J. Greenwood, Adfield.

Game 3 Twin Falls 00-0 0-1 2-12 Jerome 11-0 11-12 P: Tommie Miller and J. Greenwood, Adfield.

prices that have plagued area farmers, Pleasant Valley might be the best bet. It's planned 18 holes, Feldhusen said.

Nine more holes are already designed for the west side of the project. The holes are longer and more difficult than those currently in place.

But Feldhusen promises to retain the charm of the original.

"We've even got a waterfall over there," he said.

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SPORTS

Welch grabs 1st Speedway win Legion

By Lynn Bald Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Brian Welch found the winner's circle for the first time Friday night, taking the main event in the pony stock division at Magic Valley Speedway Friday night.

The racing handicapper came from his 15th starting position to pass leader Gene Goddellow with less than five laps remaining.

In the featured Grand American Modified division, Bruce Quate took over second in the season points standings with his victory in the main event.

Track

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And for some nostalgic traditionalists like me, it will be hard to take for awhile, just like it is for me in any sport.

It was painful to see Orzie Smith last year lungeing on St. Louis Cardinals' bench

Also taking a little to see Dale Murphy, his average dipping well below the Mendoza line

Who enjoyed watching Kareem Abdul-Jabbar go bald and lose a few steps in his last season

And I was hesitant to believe that kids like Kobe Bryant, Kevin Garnett and Alex Rodriguez

Quate worked his way from the No. 11 spot to pass John Newhouse on lap 44 and go on for the NASCAR win. He picked up \$600 for the victory.

Newhouse, who finished second, had taken the early lead and looked to be in control until Quate chased him down late in the race.

Newhouse's car was destroyed in an accident last weekend, so he is renting in the race.

"Eddy is a real good sport to rent me a car that is able to beat his primary car," Newhouse said.

Kelly Chappell had a good

night in the street stocks, taking the flash for cash in the heat race and the 25-lap main event.

He had to fight his way to the front in the heat and the main.

In the fox stocks ladies race, Danaie Tyree beat Challie Giles and Dorothy Momey in the heat race.

The speedway returns to its normal 7 p.m. Saturday format next weekend.

In addition to the local divisions, the Utah racing trucks will make their first appearance of the season.

could be pro stars and teenagers at the same time.

But that's the way sports goes, and track and field is no different.

So let's not lament not seeing Lewis and Powell soar 29 feet into a sand pit, or missing Johnson obliterate another world record in the 200 meters.

Instead, look for exciting performers like hoopster/tracker Marion Jones in the 100 meters

and the long jump, Kim Batten in the 400 meter hurdles and Amy Acuff in the high jump.

Keep your eye on powerful Maurice Green in the 100 meters, Bryan Bronson in the 400 meter hurdles and Lawrence Johnson

in the pole vault. These new kids on the block are here to stay.

And don't forget 1,500-meter team members Seneca Lassiter and Karl Paranya.

And I was hoping to believe that kids like Kobe Bryant, Kevin Garnett and Alex Rodriguez

and Paranya, at least look for them in the 1999 World Championships or the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney.

Or if you don't catch them there, maybe you'll see them in the 1998 NCAA Championships.

You see, Lassiter and Paranya, like several others on this year's World Championship team, are still in college.

So how will these greenhorns do in Athens?

Pretty good, probably. Maybe they won't be as dominating as American teams have been in years past, but they'll still probably be tough enough to ensure the U.S. will walk home from the biannual championships winners again, as they have every year since the meet was started in 1983.

John Ruprecht is a Times-News intern and a distance runner for Idaho State University.

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tie after one inning before settling down for a well-played ball game.

Twin Falls took the lead on Kevin McLimans' RBI single in the second, and starter Gustavo Lopez held that margin until the fourth.

But Jon Atkin led off the fourth with a single, and Reddick and Andy Walgamott stroked back-to-back doubles

to give Jerome a 6-5 lead. Chris Palmer came in on relief for Twin Falls and got a sharp shortstop-to-first double play to end the rally.

McLimans again came through for the Cowboys in the fifth, tripling to lead off the inning.

The 2-3-4 hitters in Jerome's lineup were the key again in the sixth, as Atkin doubled and Reddick walked.

In the saddle bronc competition, Jesse Jensen of Heyburn posted a 64 in his final ride, which was fourth in the round but good enough for the overall win.

Troy Wetstgen of Buhl tied for first in the second round of the bareback competition, but finished seventh in the finals.

Another double play saved the Cowboys from further damage, however. Nate Prescott was thrown out on a slow roller to first, and Walgamott was gunned down trying to score from third base.

In the nightcap, Twin Falls should have mustered no worse than a tie in the final frame, but a couple of baserunning mistakes cost them.

Shawn Pohlman led off with a single, but failed to advance to second when a passed ball went to the backstop.

Scott Leavitt followed with a single to right, but Pohlman was thrown out running to third, and Miller was erased when he rounded first, hesitated, then was gunned down trying for second.

Quessell then provided what should have been RBI singles.

Instead, they were stranded

when Jerome reliever Donovan Adfield recorded his second

strikeout to end the game.

Jerome scored its runs on a Walgamott grand slam, scored Adfield in the third, a Ryan Bowden solo homer in the fourth, and a Walgamott sacrifice fly in the fifth.

The losses drop Twin Falls to 5-10 overall, 1-6 in league play. Jerome improves to 12-3 and 6-1.

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in bullriding, tipping Crystal Kelly of Rigby to two points. Buhl's Ben Kimball was fifth and Brock Peterson of Rupert was sixth, while Chester Standlee of Futility finished ninth.

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Golf

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farming and constructing a golf course to be very similar pursuits — irrigating, fertilizing, leveling the land, controlling weeds, getting grass to grow in the alkali soil.

"A lot of local people helped build this course," Feldhusen said. "Probably the most expensive things was the irrigation system."

The red fence mixed with bluegrass that covers the fairways may turn into a better cash crop for Feldhusen than the spuds he grows across the way.

If not for the hot potato

prices that have plagued area farmers, Pleasant Valley might be even closer to its planned 18 holes, Feldhusen said.

Nine more holes already are designed for the west side of the road. They will be longer and more difficult than those currently in place.

But Feldhusen promises to retain the charm of the original.

"We've even got a waterfall over there," he said.

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SPORTS

# Sunday's California 500 a hot ticket

FONTANA, Calif. (AP) — The beach always has its allure. So does Disneyland. And the Angels are playing baseball in Anaheim. The new WTA event opened Saturday at Inglewood, just 40 miles to the west of the California Speedway, a gleaming new \$110 million auto racing palace built in an industrial park by entrepreneur Roger Penske.

Despite all that competition for the Southern California time and dollar, the hottest ticket this weekend was for Sunday's inaugural California 500, a \$2 million NASCAR Winston Cup event. All the seats have been sold for some time and a capacity crowd of about 85,000 was expected.

"Back in the '80s, when we were here before, auto racing hardly caused a ripple," three-time Winston Cup champion Darrell Waltrip said. "There's just too much to do out here, and we weren't a priority item."

The last time the Winston Cup cars ran on an oval in this part of the country, it was at Ontario Motor Speedway, a racing palace that was built before its time and without sufficient funding.

The beautiful race track, with its 2 1/2-mile copy of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway's flat-ended oval, was less than four miles from the site of Penske's new track.

The track finally closed in to its creditors. It was closed and was quickly torn down just months after Benny Parsons — now a TV commentator — won the last race there in 1980.

Riverside International Raceway, a historic road course only 15 miles to the east of the new Fontana track, was the victim of encroaching civilization and the escalating value of Southern California land.

After being virtually surrounded by new housing subdivisions, the desert track — once far outside the city limits — was closed shortly after Rusty Wallace won the last race there in 1988.

"It didn't matter to most people that we were gone," Waltrip said. "Winston Cup racing — racing of any kind — just wasn't that important then."

Now, though, Winston Cup racing is about the hottest ticket in any town it appears. That's why there are more new race tracks opening and even more in the planning stages, all of them hoping to jump on the money train that NASCAR's top series has become.

"Everybody that doesn't have a Winston Cup race wants one. Everybody who has one wants two," said a bemused Bill France Jr., son of the founder of NASCAR and the current president of the stock car racing sanctioning body.

"If we let on that we'd consider



NASCAR driver Joe Nemecek shows some happiness after posting the top qualifying time for the California 500 at California Speedway Friday in Fontana, Calif. Nemecek took the pole position with a lap time of 39.341 seconds and 183.025 mph. Below, Emile Ivan waves to the crowd after he posted the second-fastest qualifying time of 182.927 mph for a lap time of 39.360 seconds.



a third race, everybody in the world would be after us," France added with a chuckle.

As for the track France has built, the accolades keep rolling in.

"It's fan friendly, it's team friendly, it's driver friendly, it's amazing," said Parsons, who will be part of the ABC broadcast.

"And the best thing about this that the track is going to be great for racing."

Penske also owns Michigan Speedway, where the Winston Cup cars raced a week ago. That track was used as the basic design for the California, but the differences, particularly in the track, are considerable.

Where Michigan's 2-mile oval is banked 18 degrees in the turns and 14 degrees on the front straightaway, Fontana's is 14 degrees in the turns and 11 on the straight.

The lower banking is intended to keep the speeds down and the wider track is expected to promote even more side-by-side racing than at Michigan, which has seen some of the most competitive Winston Cup races ever.

"I like the banking here," Waltrip said. "It makes the track so it doesn't scare you to death. We don't need a lot of banking any more. We used to need banked race tracks to go fast. Now we've got tires and aerodynamics and everything else to make us go fast. It's a lot more fun to race on a track like this."

"One thing I've noticed about it is at Michigan, the bottom part of the banking is flat,"

series points leader Jeff Gordon said. "Here, the banking goes all the way from top to bottom. It just gives you more room to work."

If qualifying is any indication, it's certainly going to be a competitive first race. From pole-winner Joe Nemecek to the final qualifier for Sunday's race, the difference was less than one second. And, with more rubber on the track and slightly cooler temperatures, Saturday's qualifiers were considerably faster than they were Friday.

"From the racers' standpoint, and the fans' standpoint, this place is great," Nemecek said.

# Bruins pick Thornton 1st

PITTSBURGH (AP) — No player for the junior-league 500 Greyhounds had scored like Wayne Gretzky until Joe Thornton came along. No wonder Thornton now will be expected to emulate Gretzky's success in the NHL.

The Boston Bruins, who said weeks ago they would choose the 17-year-old center with the first pick in the NHL draft, needed only seconds to do exactly that today.

Thornton, who at 6-foot-4 possesses Jaromir Jagr's wingspan, Wayne Gretzky's manners and Eric Lindros' edginess, was rated the best player available since the Quebec Nordiques drafted Lindros in 1991 and subsequently traded him to the Philadelphia Flyers.

Thornton won't be 18 until July 2 and joins Pierre Turgeon as the only 17-year-old ever chosen with the No. 1 overall pick in the draft, which began in 1969.

Thornton, keeping with tradition, immediately went to the stage and put on a Bruins sweater to pose with general manager Harry Sinden and other team officials.

Fans from his 40,000-resident hometown of St. Thomas, Ontario, held up a huge banner reading, "Joe Thornton and St. Thomas No. 1."

The Bruins may have come away with the two most explosive scorers available, adding 18-year-old left wing Sergei Samsonov of the IHL champion Detroit Vipers with the sixth pick.

Sometimes called the Russian Gretzky, Samsonov began playing against Russia's top players when he was 15 and only his size — he is 5-8 — is considered a



Joe Thornton

major detriment. He had 29 goals and 38 assists in 73 games for the Vipers last season.

There was a bit of history made in the first round. For the first time, a

goal tender — 18-year-old Roberto Luongo of Val d'Or (Quebec Major Junior League) — was chosen with a No. 4 pick, by the New York Islanders.

Only three goaltenders had ever gone as high as fifth: Ray Martiniuk, who never played in the league; John Davidson and Tom Barrasso, and no other goalie in the draft went higher than 21st.

The Bruins were approached by other teams about dealing the pick, but just like the Nordiques in 1991 and the Penguins in 1984 before they chose Mario Lemieux, felt Thornton was simply too good to consider trading.

There were three trades, two by the Tampa Bay Lightning.

They sent left wing Shawn Burr, their sixth-leading scorer with 35 points, to the San Jose Sharks for a fifth-round pick, and goaltender Rick Tabaracci, who played in 62 games with Calgary and Tampa Bay, back to the Flames for a conditional 1998 draft pick. Tampa Bay had traded center Aaron Gavey to Calgary to get Tabaracci on Nov. 19.



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Southern University's track coach sued for alleged harassment

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Southern University's track coach was sued for sexual harassment in a lawsuit claiming he patted, pinched or kissed at least 30 women on the track team.

The suit, filed Friday in the 19th Judicial District, also accused coach Johnny Thomas of soliciting sexual favors and of other unspecified sexual acts.

The lawyer filing the suit wants a judge to make it a class action suit, claiming the sexual harassment involved at least 30 women who ran track at Southern.

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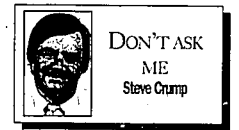
## What to do 'til the dry runs out

As you may know, the water pipe over the Snake River that carries three-quarters of the city of Twin Falls' drinking water may be carried downstream at any moment by raging floodwaters.

This, of course, would compel Mayor Gooding and City Manager Courtney to swim back and forth continuously with gallon jugs of fresh water tethered to their necks until the damage could be repaired.

That is, unless you and your neighbors volunteer to help out by following these handy water-saving suggestions if the pipe is swept away:

1. Immediately exhaust the city's other reserves by filling every container you can find around the house, including both bathtubs and the dog's spare water dish.



2. Go to the freezer, empty all of the ice-cube trays into a bowl, and fix yourself a very large martini.

3. Two words: Beer pancakes.

4. Avoid the necessity of wasteful bathing by using about one 36-ounce can of Arrid Extra Dry spray deodorant per morning.

5. Choose one rose bush in your front yard and lavish large quantities of city water upon it frequently. Water the rest of the rose bushes in the front yard with recycled sawdust or ashes from the Webber Kettle.

If the first plant flourishes, the others will feel duty-bound to follow suit. This is called the placebo effect.

6. Put off applying for fire insurance just now.

7. Ponder the essential wisdom of dry cleaning.

8. Remind yourself that you don't sweat; you glisten. And it isn't July or so for another week.

9. Dig it: You don't have to mow what no longer grows.

10. Ignore rumors that drinking filtered canal water will leave a ring around your colon.

11. Remember that a ring of your forebears didn't brush their teeth either. Didn't have teeth, for that matter.

12. Consider shaving with a dry safety razor to be a test of manhood, ladies.

13. As a treat, hook up the box fan to the patio outlet and let the kids run through the sandstorm.

14. Don't let that dirty laundry just pile up. Here's a washboard and there's Perrine Coulee.

15. Remember that long before there were flush toilets in Twin Falls County, there were privies on the canyon rim.

16. Be especially kind to folks from Burley: They're directly downwind.

17. Don't miss the chance to visit Diekes Lake the last time before it becomes Diekes Dune.

18. No, the county won't let you shower in Shoshone Falls, even if you do bring your own soap-on-a-rope.

19. Be careful what you wish for: Local voters have repeatedly chosen to keep Twin Falls County dry on Sundays. God just jumped in the other six days.

20. Have friends in Jerome County? Ask them to mail you a gallon of our water.

21. Consider that all of this may be just divine redistribution for I.B. Perrine naming 6,000 acres of treeless sagebrush "Blue Lakes."

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Speaking of dry humor, here's the current front-runner for the Stupidest Thing Ever Said:

"You mean to tell me that the people of San Francisco are drinking water after all the electricity has been taken out of it?"

—Former San Francisco Supervisor James McSheehy, on being shown a new hydroelectric plant (from Page A Day Calendar, Banta Company)

Steve Crump, the Times-News features editor who reminds you that Twin Falls has gone as long as 94 days without measurable precipitation, advises keeping your priorities intact: Pickup trucks can, in a pinch, be washed with Perrier.

## BEER CONNOISSEUR'S DELIGHT



Greg Montreal pours a mug of Three Finger Jack beer for Janet Burdick during the Twin Falls Brew Fest in City Park Saturday.

## Gourmet suds, high hopes

### Brew Fest touted as classy way to kick off summer

By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Holding a chicken-oriental sandwich in one hand and a plastic cup of "peaches and cream" ale in the other, Julie Atkins soaked up the atmosphere at City Park.

In all, she decided, the first Twin Falls Brew Fest made for a classy first day of summer.

"It's kind of culture for Twin," Atkins said Saturday, nodding appreciatively at the booths of microbeer and the band playing jazzy blues.

"I think it's great," added her friend, Kathy Browning, whose 4-year-old daughter, Allie, sipped gourmet root beer. "I think it's needed, everything in the park is usually kid-oriented."

"It's not cotton candy, it's nice," Browning said. "We need something special for us."

Some people smoked cigars and poured soups, while others sat in front of a sleek Porsche 911 S being raffled off for

the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

Beneath the shade of the tall trees, visitors strolled to booths, sampling beer with names including the popular, such as "Budweiser," and the more nonconformist, "Total Disorder Porter."

Some booth volunteers pitched their beers with descriptions like "light or dark, good or bad." Others described beer as having "chocolate tones" and varying degrees of robust flavor and assertiveness.

"I have a soft spot for Bock," said Mike Duppong of Filer, a home-brewer who grows his own hops among "15 acres of weeds" at home, and is a member of the "Magic Valley Bruic Crue" that encouraged membership at the park Saturday.

Duppong described Bock ale as "typically dark and rather strong."

Rotarians, the event's sponsors, have high hopes riding on the festival, which is raising money for a picnic shelter at Centennial Park honoring

the Raymonds, a well-known Twin Falls couple who were killed in a plane crash in January near the East Coast.

"They were very, very community-oriented," Ruth Stevens, the festival's co-chairman, said of Roy and Verna Raymond. "So I think they're probably very thrilled right now."

Stevens said she wants the event to remain a low-key affair. Other people were raising funds for a municipal pool cover.

"This is connoisseurs of beer vs. big drunken brawl," she said. Her expectations proved pretty realistic by late morning.

"Low-key would be an understatement," said Gary McGeoch, a law enforcement cadet from the College of Southern Idaho standing around, watching for rowdiness.

Well-organized was the main description people had for the event.

"I kind of expected it to be OK," he said. "And I hope it will stay that way."

## Community program rids Hunt of ne'er-do-wells

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

HUNT — Most of the ne'er-do-wells are gone now, so Barbara Hepworth of Hunt said members of her community-watch program picked up a lot of trash on Johnny Horton Day this week.

"We took just about enough old car parts to build a car down to the waste transfer station near here," Hepworth said Friday as she and her friend, Karlyn Ritchie, relaxed in Hepworth's living room.

The community-watch program has played a big part in getting another, less-desirable type of trash out of Jerome County's east end, Hepworth said.

About nine years ago, she and her husband thought they had found the perfect sanctuary when they bought the old Mormon Church building in Hunt and started converting it into a house.

"When I first moved out, I was comfortable in the area, I felt free enough to never lock my doors," Hepworth said.

She soon discovered that people with other ideas also liked living in the county's isolated east end.

"We had five or six known felons out here, which is quite a scary situation," she said.

Ritchie, a rancher and lifelong resident of the Hunt area, said the chain of events that transformed the east end.

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## Sawtooth National Forest user fees begin July 1

By Karen E. Nalaztnik  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — After months of public debate, Sawtooth National Forest officials are ready to see how a new user fee program will affect visitor use in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area and the Ketchum Ranger District.

The Sawtooth Forest is one of six federal test sites for user fees in Idaho, and forest officials are paying close attention to what's happening at the Milner Recreation Area — where user fees have been collected since June 1.

So far, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management has collected about \$500 at Milner, said Tom Dyer, manager of agency's Snake River Resource Area. Fees at Milner are \$3 per vehicle per day, \$5 for an overnight pass, \$15 for a seasonal pass good from September through March, or \$25 annually.

It's still too early to compare this year's attendance to last year's, but

BLM Outdoor Recreation Planner Blaine Newman said he feels fewer visitors have come to Milner because of the fees.

"Attendance is probably down a little bit from last year," Newman said. "My gut feeling was that the user fees would probably reduce the number of people because they feel they're not going to see anything for their money."

That isn't true, said Newman and Dyer. They want to reassure people that all the money collected at the Milner Recreation Area will stay put. As proof, Dyer said, they've already begun regrading many of the recreation area's roads.

"A big concern was the route by Muskrat Bend that was just a dirt road," Dyer said. "A lot of people got stuck there when it rained, so hopefully that new gravel will alleviate the problem."

Similar concerns have been voiced by people who use the northern areas of the Sawtooth National Forest, said forest spokeswoman Barbara Todd. She said forest officials held seven open houses for people to speak their mind and allow Sawtooth employees to craft a fee program that would satisfy most people.

They finally decided to offer day passes for \$2 per person, or annual passes for \$5 per person. Children under seven are free.

"We heard from a lot of folks and originally our proposal was to do a family pass, but they were kind of expensive and people said they wanted a day pass that wasn't as much money," Todd said.

"We also heard concerns from people with lots of children, so we have a low-income waiver for people in need." The Sawtooth Forest passes originally

## Homeowner says riverside is still best

### Flood might trigger building code debate

By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Rick Bollar isn't sorry he fought and won the right to build his house 30 feet closer to the Snake River than Minidoka County once allowed.

The river has crawled up his lawn to the sandbags around his house, but he still claims a special attachment to the place, like many waterfront homeowners.

"I guess you have to work up here one morning to understand what it is," said Bollar. Minidoka County's prosecutor, who serves, among other things, as attorney for the county's planning and zoning commission. "And it makes all other inconveniences less significant.

"It's a placid, beautiful place to live. Aesthetically, it's very pleasing and therapeutic to have the river as part of your yard," he said.

And even as the Snake River rushes past homes such as Bollar's at flows not seen since 1918, it might be tough for local governments to place restrictions on some of the Magic Valley's hottest real estate property. If history is any indication, riverbank restrictions could make for a sticky debate.

In 1984, when Salmon Falls Dam broke and flooded homes downstream, Twin Falls County commissioners tried to qualify homeowners for federal flood insurance protection.

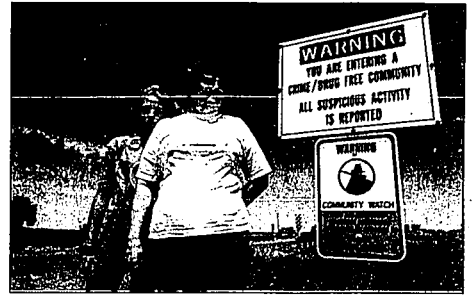
Instead they encountered a flood of opposition. Some builders and real estate agents protested federal regulations to restrict their ability to build homes in certain areas along the river.

Some mortgage companies said that with the added insurance, residents might not be able to afford homes on the river.

As a result, no one anywhere on the river can qualify for flood insurance if they need it.

"Frankly it's a little embarrassing when you're trying to explain (the lack of insurance) to one of your residents,"

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Barbara Hepworth, right, and her granddaughter Brandy Mullins watch for suspicious activity near their home on Hunt Road north of Eden and are quick to report potential criminals to the Jerome County Sheriff.

## Passes won't go on sale until June 30

were scheduled to go on sale Monday, but now they won't be available until June 30 — one day before they will be required. Users must buy them in advance at forest offices and businesses; in Ketchum, Hailey, Bellevue, Fairfield, Burley, Twin Falls, Boise and Challis.

The Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area, in Wyoming and Utah, is another test site for user fees. Prices: there are \$2 a day per vehicle, \$5 for the 16-day stay limit, and \$20 for an annual permit.

Despite stormy weather, nearly \$50,000 has been collected since Flaming Gorge's fee program began on March 31.

"People have accepted it," said Gene Zachary, outdoor recreation planner. "Now they want to see improvements to know that it's not just another tax or fee that doesn't benefit them locally."

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# Area officers compete for 'top cop' title Watch

## Twin Falls places among top 3 teams

By Karen E. Naleczek  
Times-News writer

**DECLO** - Twin Falls and Heyburn placed in the top three in team competition locally, but all three top individual winners came from Cassia County's second annual "Top Cop Challenge" Saturday.

Top-cop honors went to Brian Bottoms of the Oakridge Police Department about 35 miles outside of Eugene, Ore. With his winning score of 924 points from a possible 1,000, Bottoms took home a 1991 Cal-45 gun donated by the Rupert Trading Post.

"I feel good but I never expected it," said Bottoms, who drove 10 hours with two co-workers to compete. "After the shooting I knew I was in first, second or third, but I figured Bill (Coombs) would beat me."



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Law enforcement officials - from front to back - Dan Woods, Glenn Taylor, Mark Ballard, Curtis Anderson, Brian Law and Bill Coombs target shoot in the first of three events at Cassia County's second annual 'Top Cop Challenge' Saturday.

And his co-worker Coombs nearly did, coming in just one point behind Bottoms with 923. Curtis Anderson from Utah's Davis County placed third with 912.

"I'm pretty excited because we were hoping to get first, second and third," said Coombs, whose department led three of its six department officers compete. "We didn't expect it, of course, but it was our goal and I'm pretty surprised that we actually came that close."

The competition is only for sworn law-enforcement and correction officers and level-one officers. It's set up with three timed divisions - a tactical firearm shoot, a 1.5-mile run and a five-mile bike ride - and can be done individually or as a team.

There's a possible 500 points in shooting and another 500 for running and biking combined.

Anderson placed third overall, but finished first in the running and biking with a time of 24:28, more than a minute faster than co-worker Brian Law, who finished second with 25:56.

"I'm a runner and a biker but obviously not a shooter," said Anderson, laughing. "I just lost all my time missing some shots because we were under the gun timer, so I had to throw them out fast."

Deputy Jeff Sklar, who orchestrated the event both this year and last, said there were twice as many participants this year, including 10 individuals and five teams.

"We had a really good turnout, and the local support was phenomenal," said Sklar, whose 24

participants nearly doubled last year's 13 who competed in snow, rain and winds blowing at 35 to 40 mph. "I moved the date to June and I think it paid off."

Local competitors, however, were few in numbers.

"I expected at least 50 people with all the phone calls we get but some of them just didn't come," Sklar said. "Two from Cassia County were going to do it but they got sick last night. I was a little disappointed we didn't have more guys from our department but I can't twist their arms, plus with the size of our department it's hard to get the time off."

Winning the team competition definitely took a team effort, said Twin Falls' Steve Ryan who shot, Ken Rivers who ran and Dennis

Pullin who biked. For placing first, each received a three-night stay at Jackpot valued at \$100.

"We're the oldest and the fastest but we won," said Ryan, who scored the highest of anyone in the shooting competition with 450. "Our goal today was just to improve on our training, and we ended up winning."

The Idaho National Guard from Boise was four points away from Twin Falls to come in second with 955, and the Heyburn Police Department team - Dan Soto, Martin Woodbury and Ryan Hutchinson - finished third with 872 points.

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into a scofflaw stronghold began about 20 years ago.

"These were all small farms - about a hundred acres or so - out here. But people couldn't make a living with farms that small," she said.

Many of the small farms were bought up by bigger operators, said Kathy Grant, who lives in and around Hunt, Ritchie said. As the years went by, the cheap, isolated houses began to attract some shady characters, she said.

The malignant migration reached its nadir about two or three years ago, she said.

Burglaries became a regular occurrence in Hunt-area homes, Ritchie said, and her family began to lose beef cattle.

"Some were shot and butchered, and some were just shot and left," she said.

"There was lots of theft," added Kathy Grant, who has lived between Eden and Hunt for about 20 years. "Mostly things were stolen out of people's shops, but irrigation pipe was also being cut up and stolen for sale."

John Herrmann, a 50-year Hunt resident, said he thinks most of the trouble came from drug dealers who set up shop in isolated houses - and their customers.

But things have really turned around during the last few months, Herrmann said.

"These people are all gone," he said Thursday, during a visit with Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver.

Weaver, who was strongly supported by east-enders in the 1996 sheriff's election, was credited by Herrmann and the other Hunt residents as a big part of the solution.

"We didn't have much police coverage in the past," Ritchie said.

Under previous sheriffs, deputies would respond to calls about suspicious activity, "but it would take them sometimes two to three days to get out here," Herrmann said.

"We have regular patrolling out here now through the sheriff's department," he said.

Weaver said he's just trying to deliver on campaign promises for

more coverage in the east end. The real credit for the east end cleanup should go to the community-watch program, the sheriff said.

It all boils down to residents keeping their eyes open, added Hepworth, who has been the community-watch coordinator since the program was launched 1 1/2 years ago. A network of local volunteers keeps watch over local roads and takes down license numbers of unfamiliar vehicles, she said.

Every week or so, the plate numbers are given to Hepworth, who phones them into the sheriff's office. During Weaver's administration, the reports have gotten a quick response, she said.

"He phones us right back, tells us who owns the cars and lets us know which ones we needed to look out for," Hepworth said.

Knowing who to keep an eye on should be instinctive to a good deputy, Weaver added.

"Any officer who is worth anything knows who the bad guys are in his town," Weaver said.

The community-watch program makes it easier to track, and ultimately arrest local law breakers, Weaver said. One large drug bust occurred in the east end shortly after he took office, but most of the arrests made there now are for smaller crimes, such as theft.

Hepworth agreed that the battle appears to be won - for now, anyway - because there have been few reports to phone into the sheriff's office lately.

With the tide turned, the community-watch program has begun to change its mission.

"Now we pick up trash and plan community events," she said.

Still, the success of Hunt's community-watch could spawn similar programs around the Magic Valley, Hepworth said.

"I've already gotten calls from someone in Jerome and someone in Shoshone interested and starting their own programs," she said.

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*'Any officer who is worth anything knows who the bad guys are in his town.'*

- Jim Weaver, Jerome County sheriff

# Utah inmates may soon build their own cells

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** - State officials are developing a plan to cut the costs of prison construction by using inmate labor.

In a draft report released this week, a committee set up by the Utah Legislature recommends that inmate crews be established, training programs be developed and more research be conducted into building prefabrication plants at Utah State Prison in Draper.

Plans now call for using limited inmate labor on several projects, including a soon-to-be-started 400-bed women's prison.

"It's too early to say it's a done deal, but it certainly looks promising," Utah Correctional Industries Director Richard Clabish said.

The Committee to Evaluate Use of Inmates in Prison Construction estimates savings of 2.4 percent to 4 percent on the \$27 million women's prison - or between

\$648,000 and \$1.1 million.

Similar savings of about \$1 million are anticipated for each of three future construction projects planned at the Central Utah Correctional Facility in Gunnison.

Pay rates for construction-employed prisoners in other states range from 40 cents per hour in California to 85 cents per day in Oregon.

Utah's prison population currently is growing at 12 percent annually, or about 450 new inmates a year. That requires

more than \$50 million in additional construction and operation funds annually.

Inmates could be enlisted in construction projects in several ways, Clabish said.

One prospect is building a facility at the Draper prison compound that would manufacture precast concrete panels. Inmates could build furniture and fixtures at a metal-fabrication plant, or work crews could be used on-site for specific portions of construction.

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said Commissioner Dennis Maughan.

Still, people these days must obey building code laws, which require them to build at least a foot above the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' recommended flood plain. Dozens of river homes built before the county's 1978 building codes are exempt, however.

In Minidoka County, the county planning and zoning commission rewrote its law to allow building within 60 feet of the river, instead of 100 feet, because so many residents wanted to build closer. Bollor is within the allowable setback limit.

"It seemed like every time someone wanted to build a house on the river they wanted to be closer than 100 feet," said Pam Dine of Minidoka County's zoning administration department.

"I guess it's supposed to be

quiet and serene and I don't know, it's not my choice," Day said. "I live in Heyburn and I walk out my door and I have mosquitoes globbing onto me and... I say, 'I don't want to be that close.'"

The issue of whether it is fair for riverside homeowners to build perilously close to the water - then get rescued on the public dime - is a moot one at this point. So far, little public money has been used during the recent flooding.

Most of the cost has been sand and burlap bags, which probably amounts to about \$4,000 to \$5,000 valleywide, said Mike Sweeney of the Idaho Bureau of Disaster Services in Twin Falls.

Several counties have declared their areas as states of emergencies, but that is merely "a warning shot over the bow" rather than an automatic generation of additional public dollars into the

area, Sweeney said.

In Minidoka and Cassia counties, American Red Cross officials have counted 110 homes with water encroaching on their lawns, from Ore-Ida Foods Inc. to Minidoka Dam, said Janet Tilley, the area's Red Cross coordinator.

Flooding has actually damaged six or seven homes, and other homes could be damaged by sub-water seeping up out of the ground, Tilley said.

But flooding hasn't stopped anyone from wanting to build next to the river in Cassia County. Three people so far are interested in building their homes closer than the county's zoning law allows, and Cassia County is thinking of tinkering with its zoning law to allow such development.

Some homes in Cassia County could be built closer to the river at no additional peril to their

property, if they are erected high on a natural butte or stilts or something else, county administrator Tim Hurst said.

"We're getting more and more people wanting to build closer to the river so we're looking at making some modifications - but there still needs to be a buffer to allow for the flooding," Hurst said.

Bollor, from his point of view, has an up-close feel for the issues that will probably arise from the 1997 floods. He suggested that in Minidoka County, perhaps it is time to re-examine the high water mark predicted for the so-called "100-year flood."

"The 100-year high is now about 6 feet under water and 70 feet in front of me," Bollor said.

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Homeowner refuses ransom note for birds

COEUR D'ALENE — Put this in the category of stupid crimes. Police said two pink flamingo lawn ornaments were stolen from a residence during the week. But after reading the ransom notes left behind, the owner says the flamingo-nappers can keep them. "They want \$10 apiece to get them back," Alena Rhoades said. "I only paid \$7.99 for the two of them."

Rhoades said she and her husband were watching a movie late Monday night when somebody knocked on their door, then ran off, leaving two notes behind. One said if they wanted to see the pink flamingos again, they should show up at the city golf course at 9 the next night. The other said to bring \$10 per bird.

Although it was tempting to see what might happen, Rhoades said she decided not to go. "We thought about it. But we figured it would probably just be a bunch of kids sitting in the bushes and laughing at us."

Although it sounds like someone was playing a joke on her, Rhoades does not think of anyone who could have done such a thing — outside of her own family. "Besides me, I think everyone in my house hated them," she said. "But I'm going to replace them anyway."

Gambling proponents appeal to commission

COEUR D'ALENE — If sentiment expressed at meeting last week is any gauge, people in northern Idaho want to keep gambling. A commission appointed by Gov. Phil Batt held hearings in northern Idaho during the week. Another session is scheduled at Lewiston July 1.

More than 100 people crammed into a conference room at Coeur d'Alene, many to support gambling. While all forms of gaming were discussed, most of the comments centered on the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Bingo Casino.

Some people addressed the ills of gambling addiction and others questioned the hazards of growth in the industry. But most people speaking supported gambling.

Father Ted Fortier of the Coeur d'Alene Mission at DeSmet said he has seen changes on the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation since the bingo casino was opened four years ago. "They see it as a way to lift the spirit of the reservation," Fortier said. "I have seen an incredible upsurge of spirit."

Anthropologist Rodney Frey agreed. He has studied the tribe for 10 years and has noticed a trend toward success on the reservation. "They have succeeded when they are allowed to do it their way."

In the first two hours of testimony, only two people spoke out against gambling.

Washington man jailed on murder charge

BOISE — A Washington man was in jail Friday, charged with the 1986 murder of an elderly Meridian resident who never was reported missing. Eric Thomas, 27, of Vancouver, Wash., was arrested Thursday on a charge of first-degree murder in the death of Lou Dvells, his mother's boyfriend.

The Ada County Sheriff's Department was following a lead Friday on the location of the body. "We just received information concerning the gravestone," said Lt. Ted Bowers of the Sheriff's Department.

Deputies learned of Dvells' slaying last month from a woman who heard about it from her younger sister, Bowers said. He declined to elaborate on why the woman is stepping forward 11 years after the slaying.

Even though Thomas was a juvenile, 16 or 17 years old when the slaying occurred, he is being charged as an adult, Bowers said. Deputies are tracking down at least one, and maybe two, more suspects in the slaying, Bowers said.

1 dies, 1 injured in Cascade boating mishap

CASCADE — A boating accident on Cascade Reservoir claimed the life of one person, Valley County deputies said. One other person was injured in the accident, which occurred Friday morning. Identities of the victims are being withheld until relatives are notified, and police are investigating the accident.

Compiled from wire reports

Men await bombing, bank robbery trial

SPOKANE (AP) — Armed men in military fatigues and masks set off pipe bombs and robbed a Spokane Valley bank twice last year, leaving behind notes condemning banks and abortion, signed with a symbol used by a white-supremacist group.

More than a year and one trial later, the government is still trying to convict the North Idaho men it says used the Bible to justify acts of domestic terrorism.

Verne Jay Merrell, Charles H. Barbee and Robert S. Berry were convicted of conspiracy, auto theft and possession of hand grenades in April, after a month-long federal trial.

But jurors could not reach a verdict on the bank robbery and bombing counts, which carry a mandatory life sentence, and a mistrial was declared on those charges.

Opening arguments are scheduled Monday for their second trial on those counts. Jury selection got under way Thursday and was completed Friday.

With the retrial scheduled to begin less than two weeks after Timothy McVeigh was convicted in the deadly Oklahoma City bombing, defense attorneys will have to ensure the jury tries this case on its own merits, said Roger Texen, a federal public defender representing Barbee.

"We have to ask if there may be something of a connection" in the minds of prospective jurors, Texen said. "They are different cases, but there are similarities in some of (the defendants') beliefs."

Testimony in the first Spokane bombing trial characterized the defendants as members of last anti-government militia cell and followers of the white-supremacist Christian Identity sect.

"They believe banks and money are evil, consider themselves 'ambassadors of the Kingdom of Yahweh' deserving of diplomatic immunity, and don't accept the authority of the federal court system."

Berry's attorney, John T. Rodgers, agreed the timing poses a dilemma for defense attorneys. "It sure as hell can't help," he said.

The defense will try to convince jurors that a conviction does not necessarily shore up the American system of justice, Rodgers said.

"It seems like there is a lot of public commentary to the effect that whether the system worked or not depended on whether McVeigh was convicted," Rodgers said.

"It troubles me if someone is convicted, the system works. If not, the system has failed. I'm just trying to get at the truth."

Evidence in the first trial was voluminous but largely circumstantial. Key government witnesses included a former Post Falls, Idaho, military surplus

Jury verdicts

Here are the April 2 jury verdicts in the 1996 Spokane Valley pipe bombings and bank robberies, with maximum penalties. The verdicts were the same for all three defendants.

At the second trial, beginning Monday, the defendants face retrial on the charges for which jurors could not reach verdicts — that is, counts 2-6 and counts 8 and 9.

Count 1 — Conspiracy, 39 years in prison, \$250,000 fine. GUILTY. Count 2 — Destruction of a building (Spokane Review pipe bombings) April 11, 20 years, \$250,000. DEADLOADED. Count 3 — Use of a pipe bomb in crime of violence, 30 years, \$250,000. DEADLOADED.

Count 4 — Armed bank robbery (U.S. Bank) April 12, 25 years, \$250,000. DEADLOADED. Count 5 — Use of a pipe bomb in crime of violence (April 12 U.S. Bank), mandatory life sentence, \$250,000. DEADLOADED. Count 6 — Destruction of a building (Planned Parenthood, July 12), 20 years, \$250,000. DEADLOADED.

Count 7 — Use of a pipe bomb in crime of violence (Planned Parenthood, July 12), mandatory life sentence, \$250,000. DEADLOADED. Count 8 — Armed bank robbery (U.S. Bank, July 12), 25 years, \$250,000. DEADLOADED. Count 9 — Use of a firearm in robbery of a vehicle (Oct. 8 trip from Spangord, Idaho, to Portland, Ore., in stolen vehicle), 10 years, \$250,000. GUILTY. Count 10 — Possession of grenades (Oct. 8), 10 years, \$250,000. GUILTY.

dealer who collected \$130,000 in rewards for implicating the men

and Berry's brother, Loren Berry, who recounted a series of conversations overheard at the defendant's Sandpoint, Idaho, truck repair shop.

At the retrial, "I don't think there will be anything much different from the first trial," Texen said. "We expect it to be pretty much the same."

The government contends Berry was the taller "teller robber" who took more than \$100,000 from the U.S. Bank branch in the two robberies on April 1 and July 12, 1996. Barbee was the shorter robber, who held rifles on bank employees and

tellers, while Merrell waited outside in getaway vans, prosecutors contend.

In addition to the pipe bombs that exploded at the offices of Spokesman-Review newspaper and Planned Parenthood before the robberies — apparently to create diversions — a pipe bomb was detonated in the bank after the April 1 attack.

A fourth man, Brian Ratigan, is charged with participating in the July 12 bombing and robbery. He had been scheduled to stand trial with the three original defendants, but on Wednesday was granted a separate trial.

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Noisy rock concert violates law, police say

BOISE (AP) — It may have been a good concert, but sheriff's deputies say it was too loud, too late.

After Friday night's concert by the rock group Santana, the Ada County sheriff's office issued a citation to Bravo Entertainment, the promoters, for violating a noise ordinance.

The concert at Memorial Stadium ran about half an hour past the noise ordinance's requirement that loud outdoor noise stop by 10 p.m.

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# Arizona still buzzing over reports of lights in sky

PHOENIX (AP) — One night in March, Sue Krzyston heard her husband call from outside: strange lights again in the sky. They had occasionally seen odd lights before from their hilltop home in north Phoenix, but these looked different.

"They were very bright, very large — amber or orange-colored," she said. "They almost looked flamelike, although it wasn't the shape of a flame."

And this night there was another difference: Mike Krzyston had his video camera and captured three minutes of what appeared to be lights hovering above the city.

They weren't the only people who saw strange things the night of March 13. People from Tucson in the south to Kingman in northwestern Arizona called authorities and groups that track UFO sightings to report lights, many saying they were in a boomerang formation.

Radar screens showed nothing and officials dismissed the reports.

But the issue won't go away quickly.

"You can't ignore that something happened. Something was out there," said Frances Emma Barwood, a Phoenix city councilwoman.

She didn't see the lights, but enough people have contacted her about them that she's convinced something happened, and she wants someone to investigate.

And then the Arizona sightings hit the big time. USA Today ran a story on the phenomenon last week and other major media outlets followed. The Krzystons' videotape was played on national television.

Gov. Fife Symington even got into the fray, getting headlines during a break in his federal fraud trial on Thursday when he said he'd ordered a state investigation of the sightings. He called a news conference later to say it was all a joke, and dressed his chief of staff as an alien for comic effect.

Even with the snickers, Barwood and others see the recent attention as vindication and proof that the phenomenon is worthy of investigation.

Even if the phenomenon turns out to be manmade, Charles Painter would like an answer. "Somebody knows what it was,"



Phoenix City Councilwoman Frances Barwood didn't see the bright lights that many people who called her told her about, but she asked the city staff to investigate because of the numerous calls.

he said.

He thinks it was Stealth bombers that he saw that night while driving from Tucson to Phoenix.

"They have to test those periodically to make sure they don't have any radar track," he said.

Painter saw lights in a triangle formation. While Sue Krzyston saw several lights, Painter said he saw just three, which appeared much larger than the landing lights he saw on planes heading into Phoenix. He pulled off the highway to listen for jet engines but heard none.

Sue Krzyston is quick to say she isn't claiming to have seen a spacecraft. But she said she and her husband had always attrib-

uted previous sightings of odd lights to Luke Air Force Base, which sits west of Phoenix.

# Too many wheels prompt park officials to complain of damage by wagon train

CASPER, Wyo. (AP) — The Mormon Trail Wagon Train appears to be running more smoothly and carefully following a meeting prompted by claims of damage to land at a state park earlier this week, a federal official said.

Jude Carino, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management's historic trails coordinator for Wyoming, said officials used the meeting to review with wagon train officials the agreements between them and the BLM.

"I think we have worked well

with the wagon train officials and had a positive impact on them," he said. "And I think we're going to have a positive impact on the land."

But on Tuesday, the wagon train's impacts on land at Independence Rock State Park were anything but positive, park supervisor Pat Thompson said.

"My first impression was, and it still is, that there was just no one in charge there," he said. "And it continued that way for the rest of the time

they were there."

Thompson said about 500 more people than expected were at the site on Tuesday and they paid little attention to the rules agreed upon by Thompson, the BLM and wagon train officials.

He said all vehicles associated with the wagon train were supposed to park at a gravel pit about a mile from the camp site, but wagon train members and others drove vehicles over grass and sagebrush at the park despite repeated attempts to get them to stop.

# Squad removes harmless package from judge's home

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — A package labeled "matter of life or death" was left this week at the home of the judge who presided over the Oklahoma City bombing trial. The bomb squad found only a letter and video inside.

The wife of U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch called authorities on Monday when she found the 8-inch-by-11-inch parcel with no return address. A sticker read: "Do not scan, recorded materials."

U.S. Marshal Tina Rowe said the tape was a copy of one that has been widely circulated since the 1995 bombing for which Timothy McVeigh was convicted and sentenced to death this month.

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# Woman convicted in 1995 murder to remain in prison

HOUSTON (AP) — A 75-year-old woman convicted child-killer who was arrested in Idaho this spring after walking off parole 16 years ago will not be released any time soon.

A Texas parole panel has revoked Annie Laurie Williams' parole, which means she will be imprisoned indefinitely.

Ms. Williams was convicted in 1955 of murdering her sons — Calvin, 9, and Conrad, 7 — dismembering their bodies and dumping a friend into burying them in Galveston County.

After serving 25 years in

prison, she was released on parole in 1980, only to disappear from a Houston halfway house and flee to California and eventually to Riggs, Idaho, where she was arrested in April.

After her return to Texas, parole authorities had the discretion to grant Ms. Williams parole again, but decided against it.

The woman's age and delicate health could not be considered as factors in the decision, said Terri Schmorrenberg, a parole board panel member who voted to revoke parole.



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Palestinians clash with Israeli troops, protest Jewish settlement plans

NABLUS, West Bank (AP) — Palestinian rioters sprang to a second West Bank city Saturday when thousands of people joined a rally protesting Jewish settlement construction and speakers called for suicide attacks against Israel.



Yasser Arafat

The American Congress that the crowds here are ready to die for Jerusalem," said Jamal Salim, a Hamas leader in Nablus.

Pictures of Arafat and Yehiya Ayyash, a Hamas leader in Nablus.

bomb maker assassinated last year — reportedly by Israel — draped the stage. Amin Makbul, a Fatah leader in Nablus, urged the crowd to "go toward struggle and go towards martyrdom."

"With blood and souls we will sacrifice our life," he said. Protesters shouted back: "We sacrifice our blood and souls for Al Aqsa," the mosque in Jerusalem that is Islam's third-holiest shrine.

After the rally, about 200 Hamas and Fatah supporters headed toward an Israeli-controlled enclave in Nablus, but Palestinian police prevented the marchers from reaching the area.

Israel positioned three tanks outside Nablus, fearing the marches would lead to clashes. The Israeli army barred Israeli civilians from entering the Palestinian-controlled city.

In Hebron, Palestinians clashed with Israeli troops for an

eight straight day, pelting soldiers with stones, fire bombs and empty bottles. No soldiers were hurt.

Rioters set 11 tires on fire and rolled them towards the soldiers. The soldiers extinguished the flames one at a time and shot rubber bullets and stun grenades back at the rioters.

Palestinians have clashed daily with Israeli troops along the main shopping street in Hebron's downtown, where Israel still has control.

The clashes started a couple hours later than usual Saturday — not beginning until about 12:30 p.m. — so that shoppers would have time to make their purchases before the fighting began.

Last week, Arafat's Cabinet predicted the congressional resolution would lead to violence in the West Bank. Its statement Saturday was even tougher, hailing "the Palestinian masses defending their land and confronting the settlement assault by the government of Israel."

The Cabinet also warned the United States that it would lose credibility as a mediator in the Israeli-Palestinian peace talks.

The congressional resolution contradicts the policy of successive U.S. governments, including the Clinton administration, which have said that the future of Jerusalem must be determined in peace talks.

Several injured in Belfast bomb blast

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — An explosion, apparently from a car bomb, rocked south Belfast Saturday, injuring three people.

Police said none of the injuries was serious. Authorities sealed off Clarendon Street, midway between City Hospital and Queen's University, in a religiously mixed part of south Belfast.

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Turkish official seeks majority government

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Turkey's premier-designate warned Saturday that the country was under threat of a military takeover and urged pro-secular parties to join forces to preserve democracy.

"We have to save the country from the embarrassment of being under the threat of a coup," said Mesut Yilmaz, the conservative, pro-Western leader of the Motherland Party.

The religious-oriented policies of Turkey's first Islamic government, led by Prime Minister Necmettin Erbakan, angered the secular establishment, led by the generals. That triggered rumors of a military takeover.

Erbakan bowed to the army's pressure and resigned Wednesday.

He wanted his pro-Western coalition partner, Deputy Premier Tansu Ciller, to become prime minister while his Welfare Party ministers retained key Cabinet positions.

His aim was to make a cosmetic change in government and keep his party in power until early elections in October.

President Suleyman Demirel rejected that strategy Friday and gave the mandate to Yilmaz to try to form a governing majority. The parliamentary vote that will determine whether Yilmaz actually governs isn't expected until

after June 30.

Yilmaz now faces the difficult task of finding enough support in Parliament. He has said he would never approach Welfare but did appeal to Ciller, his rival, for support.

Anti-McDonald's activists unfazed

LONDON (AP) — Anti-McDonald's activists, including two who lost a marathon defamation case against the hamburger giant, handed out leaflets Saturday in a mass distribution of the same allegations that prompted the libel suit.

"We will keep handing out this document and any other documents that tell the truth about McDonald's," said De Morris, giving stacks of leaflets to passers-by in a busy north London shopping street.

"Morris and co-defendant Helen Steel had lots of takers, after their 'McLibor' fight generated enormous publicity. Many said they supported the two — even those who were buying McDonald's food."

"The libel trial was ludicrous," said Richard Martin, who had just bought fries for his child and opposed the McDonald's suit. "They've been made to look like fools."

The protesters had hoped to distribute pamphlets outside all 760 McDonald's in Britain, but said they found volunteers for just 500 locations.

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Cambodian co-Premiers Norodom Ranariddh, left, and Hun Sen wait for Thai Prime Minister Chavalit Yongchaiyudh to arrive in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on Saturday with news that Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot has been captured by his former comrades, bringing the guerrilla movement to an end.

## Vietnam names 'Hanoi Hilton' historical site

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — Vietnam's "Hanoi Hilton," the squalid prison where American airmen languished during the Vietnam War, has been declared a national historical monument, a government newspaper said Saturday.

The Ministry of Culture and Information approved a recommendation to preserve the remains of the compound, officially known as the Hoa Lo prison, the official labor newspaper said.

For Vietnamese, the 85-year-old building is significant chiefly because it held many revolutionary heroes during French colonial rule in the 1940s and 1950s.

"Some of our greatest leaders and heroes were held by the French at Hoa Lo," historian Phom Tu told The Associated Press.

The prison roster reads like a

who's who of recent Vietnamese leaders, including Communist Party General Secretary Do Muoi, revolutionary leader Le Duan, and independence activist Phan Boi Chau.

The building, with its yellow walls and rusting barbed wire, was converted into a prisoner-of-war camp in the 1960s. American airmen shot down over North Vietnam usually spent some, if not all, of their incarceration inside the prison they dubbed the "Hanoi Hilton."

Pete Peterson, the U.S. ambassador to Vietnam, spent much of his 6 1/2 years as a POW inside a dingy cell at Hoa Lo.

"Hoa Lo was a very stark and very repulsive place," he said. "Some of the streets were incredibly close quarters, very tiny cells with no light, almost dungeonlike."

## Leader warns hungry North Koreans against outside aid

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korean leader Kim Jong Il is warning his people to be wary of foreign assistance for hunger-stricken North Korea, saying other countries may try to use the aid for domination.

In a treatise carried Saturday by the North's official Korean Central News Agency, Kim urged North Koreans to unite against imperialism.

"The imperialists' aid to other countries is a noose with which to further plunder and subjugate them," Kim said.

The declaration, which the agency said was issued Thursday, appears to be an attempt to maintain the communist government's tight hold on the population while tons of foreign aid flow in to save North Koreans from famine.

Recent floods and decades of agricultural mismanagement have left the North struggling to provide food for its people.

## Cambodian co-premiers say Pol Pot is captured

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — After a week of conflicting reports, Cambodia's rival co-premiers said Saturday that Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot had been captured by former comrades and his 30-year guerrilla movement was finally over.

The announcement by Prince Norodom Ranariddh and Hun Sen — who rarely agree publicly on anything — ended days of arguing between them over the fate of the Khmer Rouge leader, whose brutal rule turned Cambodia into a vast and bloody agrarian experiment.

The co-premiers offered no evidence of Pol Pot's capture, though their agreement lent a measure of credibility to reports that he was being held in Cambodia's northern jungles.

There have been no independent sightings of the 69-year-old Khmer Rouge chief since 1979.

"Hun Sen and I agree that with

the capture and arrest of Pol Pot we can consider this the end of the Khmer Rouge," the prince said.

"We agree this is a gift to Cambodia," a smiling Hun Sen added.

Ranariddh said Cambodia will ask for a U.N. tribunal to judge Pol Pot.

"Pol Pot is a criminal against humanity," Ranariddh said. "But I have to say we have to provide a fair trial."

But to many Cambodians who suffered through the 1975-79 Khmer Rouge regime, a trial would not be enough.

"For me, he must be executed," said motorcycle taxi driver Lo Lan, 48, whose father and grandparents died under the Khmer Rouge. "They would have to slice up his flesh so that he suffers the way he made others suffer."

Neither Cambodia's constitu-

tion nor previous U.N. tribunals established to judge crimes against humanity in Bosnia or Rwanda allow the death penalty.

Pol Pot's Khmer Rouge caused the deaths of up to 2 million Cambodians through starvation, overwork and systematic torture and execution in a frenzied bid to turn the country into an immense agrarian communist labor camp.

The regime was overthrown by an invasion from neighboring Vietnam in 1979, but the group waged a civil war against the pro-Hanoi government led by Hun Sen and later against the shaky coalition established after U.N.-supervised elections in 1993.

Pol Pot has been reported on the run near the Thai border since last week, when hard-liners within the disintegrating Khmer Rouge split into pro- and anti-Pol Pot factions, reportedly after he executed his one-time defense minister, Son Sen, and his family.

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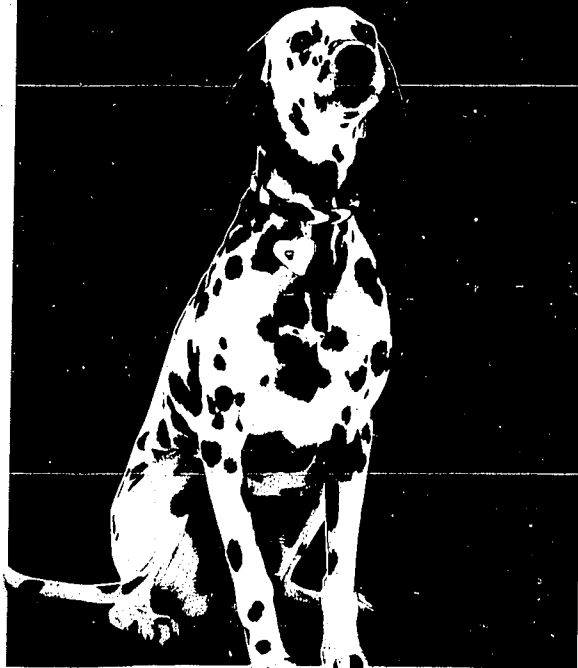
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WORLD

# Experts ponder Hong Kong's economic future as takeover nears

HONG KONG (AP) — As Hong Kong nears the end of its long march back to China, the last British governor is packing and the Chinese army has made its first forays onto what is still British soil.

But the Big Question still looms as large as the skyscrapers that line Hong Kong's shore: Can a thriving, argumentative, capitalist society — a place that takes democracy and civil rights for granted — survive under a communist autocracy?

The only possible answer at this stage is a qualified yes, provided everyone follows the script. That is, China keeps its promise to let Hong Kong rule itself, and Hong Kong remains its prosperous, orderly — and unthreatening — self.

With the whole world watching the grand event of June 30/July 1, a smooth transition will also be of paramount importance to China's place in the world. If things go sour, so most likely will the fragile U.S.-China relationship.

At one level, Hong Kong's return to China seems to defy the flow of history. Less than a decade after the 400 million people of the Soviet bloc broke out of one communist embrace, a free and affluent society is about to enter another — not because the 6.3 million people of Hong Kong asked for it, but because a lease signed 99 years ago by Victorian Britain and imperial China had to be honored.

But at another level, it closes a vast historical cycle.

The lease of 1898 simply set in stone what had already become a fact in 1841, when those vigorous, thrusting Victorians brushed aside a weak and backward China and helped themselves to a small mountainous island called Hong Kong.

The China that is taking Hong Kong back is becoming an economic and military superpower. The historic insult of colonialism is about to be erased in a blaze of red flags and fireworks as Hong Kong goes from British colony to "Special Administrative Region" of China.

But the merger was always going to be as tricky as docking in space, and the Chinese scriptwriters knew any attempt to impose communist authoritarianism on Hong Kong would kill the goose that lays golden eggs for China's own economic renaissance.

So what emerges was a relatively generous tradeoff.

Hong Kong is to run its own domestic affairs under a home-grown leader, remain capitalist and free, keep its legal system, go on electing its legislature.

In return, it will have to learn to bite its tongue. As Tung Chee-hwa, its future, China-approved leader, has made clear, the script requires not touching China where it hurts — on matters concerning dissidents, Taiwanese independence, Tibetan autonomy.

"One country, two systems" — the overarching formula for the return of Hong Kong — means insulating Hong Kong from China. It means stopping China's rampant corruption at the border (which will remain in place), and keeping meddling Chinese bureaucrats at bay.

But it also means preventing the virus of Hong Kong's freedom from infecting the provinces of China.

"If Hong Kong does not want

China to interfere in its internal affairs, Hong Kong itself must not interfere with China's," Chang Kuo-sin of Baptist University wrote in the Hong Kong Standard.

What makes Hong Kong skeptical is that promises on paper may prove a weak bulwark against a country where Communist Party edicts override the law where corruption and abuse of power are rampant, and freedoms guaranteed by the constitution are severely curtailed in practice.

Nerves are already on edge over Beijing's determination to disband the elected legislature and roll back some of Hong Kong's civil liberties, thus unraveling the democratic reforms belatedly enacted by Britain.

To democracy campaigners like Martin Lee, China's moves augur an age of shrunken freedoms, of "repressive laws to enable the future government to suppress human rights."

Tung portrays the changes as inconsequential. Fresh elections will be held by mid-1998, he says, in which everyone, even Lee and his turbulent Democratic Party can take part.

Demonstrations will require police permission, and foreign donations to political parties will be banned, leaving Hong Kong no different than many Western societies, he says.

For all the aches and pains since Britain and China sealed

the deal with champagne and handshakes on Dec. 19, 1984, opinion polls reflect a calm, sober confidence among Hong Kong's people, and the gloomiest predictions have been confounded.

There has been no collapse of the currency, no mass emigration. The big pieces of the rosy picture promised by the two sides are falling neatly into place.

Even the insertion of the Chinese army, an important symbol of sovereignty for China but

perhaps the most awkward issue on the agenda, is being handled with the utmost care.

The stock market is booming and economic growth is projected at 5.5 percent for the year. Hong Kong has just opened its third road tunnel under the harbor and the world's longest rail-and-road suspension bridge. The shriek of jackhammers never ceases. The racetracks and restaurants are always packed.

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The Rock Creek Restaurant specializes in prime rib and also creates new beef menu items such as the Southwest Marinated Pepper Steak, which features an Idaho strip steak enhanced by spicy flavors, the council said.

"On our menu, we feature information on how we cut, cook, age and buy beef. We feel this increases customer confidence in our ability to serve a superior product," Thomas said.

The Beef Backer Awards are conducted annually by state beef councils across the country to honor restaurants for creative beef menuing and support of the industry. As Idaho's winner, the Rock Creek Restaurant will compete for the national Beef Backer Award, sponsored by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

**Struggling Spokane firm boots chief of 2 years**

**SPOKANE, Wash.** — Fred Wenninger has been replaced as president of Key Tronic Corp. less than two years after he took charge of the surprise decision by the board of directors.

Wenninger, 58, was succeeded as chief executive officer by Jack W. Oehle, who has been with the company since 1993.

"I think basically, the time just ran out," Wenninger said Wednesday, 24 hours after the surprise decision by the board of directors.

"While I disagree with their decision, I understand why they took the action they did," Wenninger said. "I have no animosity towards them, as a board or individually."

Kathleen Nemeth, speaking for the company, said financial results under Wenninger were not what the board expected.

Wenninger succeeded corporate turnaround wizard Stanley Hillier, who saved the company from going under in the early 1990s.

Key Tronic lost \$1.9 million in 1996, and posted profits of \$200,000 in the first quarter of fiscal 1997 and \$100,000 for the second quarter.

**Study: Caregiving costs businesses up to \$29 billion**

**NEW YORK** — The 144 million Americans who juggle jobs and care for an elderly relative cost businesses as much as \$29 billion annually in absenteeism, tardiness and other lost productivity, a study shows.

Nearly 60 percent of caregivers regularly are late to work or take long lunches, said the study based on the first national survey of family caregivers in a decade. It also said 10 percent of caregivers leave their jobs, while 11 percent take a leave of absence.

The study of costs to American businesses by Metropolitan Life Insurance was based on a national survey of caregivers carried out by the National Alliance for Caregiving and the American Association of Retired Persons.

Compiled from staff and wire reports



Jeff Brown is responsible for maintaining several of Idaho Power's electrical generating plants, including the one at Twin Falls.

## Flows are not liquid gold to power firms

**By Pat Marcantonio Times-News writer**

**TWIN FALLS** — The Snake River hasn't necessarily turned into liquid money for hydroelectric generators tapping the abundant water.

Power plants along the swollen river can only run so much water and generate so much power, said Dennis Lopez, Idaho Power Co. spokesman in Boise.

But next year, power customers will probably see a decrease in their bills thanks to the voluminous flows, said David Scott, spokesman for the Idaho Public Utilities Commission in Boise.

Shoshone Falls is drawing crowds for its spectacle of crashing water as flows in the 40,000 cubic feet per second range have been released from dams upstream. The Idaho Power plant at the bottom of the falls can handle a maximum of 950 cfs of water and generate a maximum of 12,500 kilowatts, Lopez said.

A cfs equals about 449 gallons per minute.

**Water and power**

The following is the maximum water and power-generating capacities at some of Idaho Power Co.'s Magic Valley plants:

	water	power
Shoshone Falls:	950	12,500
Twin Falls:	4,950	52,737
Upper Salmon Falls:	12,500	34,500
Lower Salmon Falls:	17,200	60,000
Upper Malad:	600	8,270
Lower Malad:	1,200	13,500
Billa:	15,000	75,000
Millner:	5,489	59,448

Note: Water is in cubic feet per second; power listed in kilowatts. Source: Idaho Power Co.

Because of the heavy flows, the Snake River power plants aren't running full tilt 24 hours around the clock, Lopez added. Instead, their output depends on

the demand for electricity, usually peaking in the summer.

If the demand decreases or the company can't sell the surplus, the electricity can't be stored.

"We have to remember it's a highly perishable commodity," Lopez said.

Lopez declined to give specific information about the amount of electricity generated at the company plants, saying it's "proprietary" because of competition from other utilities.

But Scott says hydroelectric companies aren't getting fair from the water situation.

"They are strictly regulated," Scott said.

With the PUC's approval, utilities use a power-cost adjustment.

When water flows are inadequate for hydroelectric purposes, utilities' costs can go up because they might have to buy power from elsewhere to meet customer demands. As a result, customer rates may go up.

"When there is a lot of water, utilities' costs decrease, and so do rates.

In other words, Idaho Power customers share the benefit and loss of the water years, Lopez said.

Idaho Power customers received a .56 percent rate decrease in May because of the good water year. It was the second year rates were reduced because of water supply.

That same month, north Idaho customers of the Washington Water Power Co. had rates lowered because their water flows were 23 percent higher than normal.

Because of the cost adjustments, utility companies don't feast or famine with the water level, Scott said.

Bursting water years are a double-edged sword, because other hydroelectric operations also benefit, Lopez said.

"We're required to buy power from other small generators and our costs for that go up," he said.

One of those sellers is the Big Wood Canal Company and Magic-Hydro, which own a power plant at the bottom

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## Junk bonds look good again for brave investor

High yields draw money looking for higher returns

**Chicago Tribune**

**NEW YORK** — Not since the heyday of Michael Milken in the 1980s has the junk-bond market drawn so much attention from investors.

Mutual funds specializing in high-yield bonds — the label that the bonds' purveyors prefer — are experiencing record inflows as investors seek out the attractive double-digit yields that the stock market is incapable of providing at its current record-high level.

But junk bonds are not for the faint of heart. And investors who are just beginning to put money into these funds might find that they jumped on board just in time to sink beneath the waves.

That's what happened to those who tried to emulate junk-bond king Milken in

1990-91, when the more outrageous bond-financed leveraged buyouts of the 1980s crashed and burned.

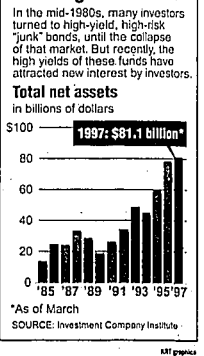
A starting point for any discussion of junk bonds, which are corporate bonds rated below investment grade (BB or lower), is James Grant, editor and publisher of Grant's Interest Rate Observer.

He's the intellectual companion of that man in the cartoon who sports a long, white beard and a sign proclaiming, "The end is near." Surely if anyone is raising caution flags about investing in junk, it would be Grant.

"There's no disputing that the junk of this era is much better quality than the junk of the late 1980s," Grant said, his voice tinged with caution.

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**Junk bonds making a strong comeback**



## Estate planning: It's not just for wealthy anymore

**Knight-Ridder News Service**

Millions of Americans are pouring billions into the stock market every month, routinely wrestling with — or ignoring — a critical question: Should husband and wife hold their assets jointly or separately?

It's not just an issue of personal preference, or a matter determined by who makes the investment decisions. It is a question of estate planning, and the wrong call could cost your heirs a fortune.

Many people wrongly assume that estate planning is for the rich. Not so: Many middle-income people can be socked with federal estate taxes, which start around 37 percent. The state may take another chunk — up to 15 percent in Pennsylvania, for example.

Federal rules exempt the first \$250,000 of an individual's estate.

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## Vigilantes take to cyberspace to clean up Internet

**By Matthew Ebnat Knight-Ridder/News Service**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** — The range of Randall Sluder's emotions narrowed — anger, disgust, anger, disgust, anger, anger.

He stared at his computer almost in a trance, until it came to him: He could catch the man who had just entered an on-line chat room looking for sex with young girls.

It was fairly simple. Sluder logged off his computer and created a false profile of a 13-year-old girl, Maggie284. When

he logged back on, he was bombarded with prurient messages; some sent him kiddie porn.

For days, Sluder swooned and flirted and played, until he started a relationship with a man on the Internet who was interested in fooling around.

It didn't take long: The man asked Maggie284 to meet him and suggested they would "play together." Sluder called the police.

"It felt so good," he said.

Officers in Kissimmee, Fla., arrested a Johnson County, Kan., businessman on a charge of using a computer to solicit sex from a minor. Billy Charles Burgess of Stilwell, Kan., is awaiting trial in August.

Sluder, who lives in St. Cloud, Fla., and works at Walt Disney World, is an example of a trend experts say is the latest step in the evolution of the Internet: Civilians are taking it upon themselves to impose law and order on a largely unregulated Internet. Cyber crime has galloped computer users into forming vir-

tual "special forces" to show bad guys there is a sheriff in town.

From a woman in Federal Way, Wash., who used an on-line service to catch a man who allegedly molested her son to the computer enthusiast who "mail bombs" an especially fiendish "spammer," computer users are justifying their actions by asking the same question Sluder did when he appointed himself a quasi-cop: "Who else is going to do it?"

"The Internet especially depends on

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\$600,000 of the deceased's assets from estate tax, allowing that wealth to pass on to heirs tax-free ( heirs pay taxes on assets on the inheritance.) Assets above \$600,000 are taxed on a graduated scale that rises to 55 percent for estates of \$3 million and over. (Keep an eye on the news, Washington may raise the threshold to \$1 million.)

The big jump in stock prices is leaving more and more people with taxable estates. And even if you don't have \$600,000 today, it might not take many years to get there as your 401(k) plan grows and you pay down your mortgage and keep your life insurance.

That's right, unless you set up an irrevocable trust to hold your life insurance policy, the benefit you leave behind is counted in your estate, even though the beneficiaries don't have to pay income tax on the money.

Couples who don't have \$600,000 in assets, and don't expect to, should in many cases own their stocks, bonds, funds and other assets jointly, says David Zilles, Pa. accountant at Lafayette Hill. Pa. accountant David Zilles. These couples don't have to pay federal estate tax, and joint ownership can help them avoid or minimize state estate or inheritance taxes, depending on their state's rules.

Things get much more complicated for couples with assets of more than \$600,000. Federal law allows one spouse to inherit an unlimited amount of the other spouse without incurring estate tax. But those assets then become part of the surviving

spouse's estate, and anything beyond \$600,000 is taxable when the second spouse dies.

However, the couple can shelter up to \$1.2 million by dividing the assets and holding them individually, allowing each spouse to get the \$600,000 exemption.

If a shelter of \$1.2 million, the first spouse to die must leave his or her estate to someone other than the other spouse — to the children, for instance. And to do that, the assets have to be held through a trust, since assets held jointly become part of the surviving spouse's estate automatically.

A "bypass" trust can be set up to allow the surviving spouse to use income, and in some cases principal, from those assets left to the children or other heirs. The contents of the trust don't go to the heirs until the second spouse dies.

The stakes are high. Consider a couple with combined assets of \$700,000. If the assets are owned jointly and all pass to the wife when the husband dies, then go to the children when she dies, there would be a \$37,000 estate tax. That's 37 percent on the \$100,000 that exceeds the \$600,000 exemption.

But the couple could hold the assets separately and use a bypass trust to pass the children \$350,000 from the first spouse to die. Husband and wife could each pass on their \$350,000 tax-free, saving the \$37,000 estate tax.

The bigger the estate, of course, the bigger the savings. A couple with an \$850,000 estate

could save \$94,500 in estate taxes this way; one with \$1.25 million estate could save \$237,000.

How you handle your assets depends on your age and priorities. A young couple with a taxable estate might not care to set up a trust, since the surviving spouse with a long life expectancy might prefer unrestricted access to all the couple's assets. A surviving spouse with children might expect to spend those assets over the years and not have any estate tax liability, anyway. And a relatively young survivor would have plenty of time to use other strategies for giving estate taxes, such as giving money to children over the years.

But an older couple might find the tax shelter of the bypass trust is worth the sacrifice in free access, especially if the survivor has enough to live on in his or her own estate.

Fortunately, it's easy to convert assets from joint to individual ownership. Ask your broker or fund company for a form called Transfer of Shares to New Ownership. (Use the same form to go from separate to joint ownership. In a joint account, each spouse has authority to buy and sell orders.)

While this column is usually aimed at taxpayers, estate planning is devilishly complex. To be done right, it should consider not just the assets and tax status of the parents, but of the children and other heirs as well. You may well need an accountant, financial adviser or estate lawyer, especially if you need to establish trusts.

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of Magic dam north of Shoshone. Thanks to a healthy Big Wood River, the plant has been paying off after years of drought, said canal manager Lynn Harmon. About 1,400 cubic feet per second of water is rushing through the plant, which generated about 19 million kilowatts between January and June.

Last year was the first year they had seen any profit on that particular plant," he said. And this year may be a repeat performance.

The Snake River's swift flows have not damaged Idaho Power plants, although about three feet of water cover the door to its Millner powerhouse.

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So what's the problem? "The returns are too low," he said. "The yields are tightly compressed by historical standards" to yields on U.S. Treasury securities.

Usually the spreads are wide, because Treasury issues are considered the most creditworthy and junk bonds the least.

How does Grant explain the risk to junk? "People are on their hands and knees with flashlight looking for the extra basis points," he said. (A basis point is a hundredth of a percentage point.) "It suggests people are very confident about the future and credit risk. It's a poor time to join the herd and go for the extra few basis points because you're not being paid for the risk," he said.

Ever the doomsday scenario writer, Grant offered one last word of caution: "Never forget that the portfolio managers are in the business of buying this stuff and they have to justify their investment. It's an end-of-history argument."

Before turning to sample the opinions of those highly paid portfolio managers, it makes sense to sketch how the changing shape of the junk-bond market, now estimated at \$375 billion and rising. A decade ago, the largest share of issues used to finance takeovers or to refinance previous takeovers used to refinance.

During the 1989-90 junk-bond debate, when financiers such as Robert Campeau of Federated Department Stores infamy were in vogue, junk-bond funds lost 25 percent of their value, junk-bond refinancings soared to 65 percent of the category.

Over the last year, acquisition financing and refinancing accounted for less than 16 percent of all junk bonds issued. Taking its place and accounting for nearly half of the junk-bond issues last year were those used to refinance bank debt or retire other corporate bonds that had been issued for general corporate purposes. Another fifth of the financings went into corporate coffers.

Indeed, telecommunication, satellite firms, media organizations and small telephone companies have become major users of the junk-bond market. They're turning to the bond market as an

Ban of cool summer clothing has Florida workers steamed

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Just in time for the sweltering Florida summer, a county tax collector has announced a dress code that bans cotton clothing below the waist and anything that shows a woman's thigh or "excessive" cleavage.

Lee County Tax Collector Bill Fussell said his 175 employees — about three-quarters of them women — must look professional.

"I'm not going to change my mind. We set the dress code and that's the way it's going to be," Fussell said.

"Who is this guy?" asked Toni Van Pelt, Florida resident of the National Organization for Women. "It reminds me of junior high school. I can remember that control-freak dean wanting young girls to kneel down and making

sure the skirt hem touched the floor."

Women must wear pantyhose, and skirts and dresses cannot go above the knee. Men must wear completely buttoned shirts with ties. Cotton pants are also banned, although cotton shirts and blouses are permitted. The rules take effect July 1.

"They have now eliminated half of our wardrobe," said a woman employee who spoke on condition of anonymity. "There is major turmoil. We live in a tropical climate."

In summer, the temperature hovers in the 90s with high humidity. "He's really treating women as if they are young children. I would consider this entire policy to be sexual discrimination," Ms. Van Pelt said.

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people who are willing to do the right thing," said Colin Gabriel Hatcher, the head of Cybernetics, an offshoot of the New York City Guardian Angels.

"You need to have some people out there who are willing to go out of their way to do the right thing. There are two issues: one is law, and one is moral conscience. One is hard to enforce; one is absolutely necessary."

In the last year, several web pages — such as <http://whoa.fmail.com> (Women Halting Online Abuse) or <http://web.police.org> (the Web Police) — were created to spy on chicanery on the Net. The Web Police has hundreds of members. There are roughly more than a hundred other groups, but they are more informal. A few outlets fade on- and off-line to keep their vigilante creations anonymous.

Some are trying to turn a profit, but most self-styled Internet police say they're doing it for the greater good and don't want money.

"It's personal," said Katherine Griffiths-Greenberg, a lawyer who teaches a course about Internet harassment. But "this is the mentality that enables people to go out and fight back with the same energy. Their knee-jerk reaction is to fight back. It's personal."

Donna Parker, who lives in Alabama, represents perhaps the largest contingent of Internet police: those who will prosecute women and children. Parker says that after she puts the kids to bed, she gets on-line to look for pedophiles. She adds them to her America Online Buddy List, which informs her when another user is signed on.

"I always make sure I know where they are... If I see a connection, I'll call the D.A.," she said. "Nothing can replace good, old-fashioned detective work."

Sluder is no fusspot. The Internet probably will always traffic in dirty pictures, he says, and that won't send him crawling for the cops. But then again, he said, what he saw wasn't just dirty pictures.

Msquering as a 13-year-old, Sluder found men didn't bother with niceties like romance and woo. They demanded what they wanted in no graceful terms. Several sent him pictures of nude children or themselves. Sluder wasn't afraid.

But it wasn't his disapproval that led him to try to catch a man

looking for unlawful sex with kids. Earlier, a customer service representative for his on-line service refused to help, and Sluder also knew from his neighbor, a law officer, that police departments often don't have the time to catch Internet villains.

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What's more, self-styled Internet police are notorious in the cyber community for being too aggressive and often self-righteous. Experts wonder whether, in the end, they will ever accomplish anything.

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named out of fear of being harassed.

To be sure, many who are frustrated by impotent international laws and emboldened by a sense of anonymity are willing to do whatever they can to accomplish the greater good. Sometimes, says Hampton, two wrongs do make a right.

"I can't remember the only recourse you're left with," said Dennis McClain, a psychology student in Virginia who is a member of a watchdog group called SPUTTUM. McClain advocates that "Netizens" create their own police departments, carrying out punishments for crimes. But "if you've made the effort and been rebuffed, then what choice do you have?"

Indeed, people such as Patricia Cartwright, of Federal Way, Wash., are being held up as heroes in parts of cyberspace. Cartwright was frustrated with the system. A man repeatedly molested her son hadn't gone to trial, he was out of jail on bail, and it seemed nobody would listen to her. So she signed on an on-line service that "I had figured she'd catch him herself."

"I was going to get him somehow," she said.

She got the man's attention by telling him she was a 15-year-old boy.

"I said, 'I'm cute,'" Cartwright said. "He said, 'I bet you are.' I kept trying to get him to admit things. I tried to get him to talk about the details of sex. He asked, 'Do you have lubricating gel?' and added a little smiley face."

Cartwright flirted with him and set up a meeting. She called police, who sent an undercover officer to a grocery parking lot. The man was arrested for trying to solicit sex from a minor.

"He kept asking if I was going to be there. I said 'I'd be there. I can't wait.' The very last message he e-mailed said: 'I hope this isn't a setup. God help me if it is.'"

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# Female financial advisers offer women an understanding ear

TACOMA (AP) — It seemed to Kelley Caldwell a year ago that the stock market had been invented by men for men only.

It was a foreign field to her, strange and almost forbidding. But the 37-year-old Tacoma advertising account manager was aware, too, that intelligent stock investing is essential for meaningful long-term financial gains. She had socked away money over the years, including earnings from a stint working in Alaska, and wanted to invest it in the best possible way for the future, particularly for her retirement.

How then could she understand this alien field — and benefit from it? Many women face a similar situation, and often don't know where to turn for advice, Pugel Sound financial advisers say.

Some try to educate themselves, as Caldwell did. "I read self-help columns of all kinds," Caldwell says. "I had always invested, but most of it was in a savings account or under the pillow. To make that money grow more effectively, I needed education; that's what you need to do anything well."

But more than that they also increasingly are doing what Caldwell did next — they seek out advice from female financial advisers. Caldwell attended a seminar by Carol Simpson and Julie Schmiel, who, about a year ago, started a new program called WomenInvest at the Seattle



Kelley Caldwell, right, an account manager with Stone McLaren Strategic Design Inc. in Tacoma, Wash., is one businesswoman who is taking advantage of a Seattle brokerage firm's investment program geared specifically by and for women. The program is directed at helping women understand investing and provides a setting in which women can talk directly to women, who they often feel understand their need for information better than do men.

The Dan Bosworth initiative is one of the first by a Pugel Sound brokerage to set up a special investment arm to provide advice specifically to female investors.

It's part of a growing trend. Other financial advisers in the region also provide seminars and special counseling opportunities specifically for women. For example, Ann Copeland of KMS Financial Services in Tacoma offers regular workshops for women, as does Beverly McConaghy of Financial Investment Network Corporation in University Place.

Women also are starting their own stock investment clubs. Two Tacoma clubs run by women — Women of Independent Means and Trans Generational Investment Club — both have about 20 members. "We introduced these with the idea that we wanted to educate ourselves," says Barbara Bullinger, president of Trans Generational and former president of the other club. "And we have done that."

Nationally, more and more mutual fund companies are directing their advertising at women because they see them as a huge new untapped marketplace.

Local financial advisers say the number of women seeking financial advice is growing sharply. Compared with just five years ago, the knowledge and interest has increased dramatically.

McConaghy says she has noticed the increased interest, particularly in the last three years. She keeps adding workshops, as she likes to keep them small and the number who want to attend keeps growing.

Claire Bailey, a financial adviser with Waddell & Reed in Federal Way, adds that she has noticed not only that more women are seeking financial advice but that they, rather than the men, are more often the ones doing the talking for couples.

Driving the demand are women's increasing independence and growing incomes. Not only do women have more money of their own to invest, but more and more women are starting their own businesses, Schmiel said.

Recent studies show that female-owned firms now number nearly 8 million in the United States, generating nearly \$23 trillion in sales, a 236 percent increase over the past nine years. Advisers add that, in spite of the strong demand already shown, the need among women generally for financial savvy remains high. "Studies show that women work fewer years (and) at lower pay scales than men, but live longer," says Michelle Smith, managing director of the Mutual Fund Education Alliance. "They simply are not adequately prepared for retirement and need to make investing a major personal goal."

# Oil and gas stocks may be slick investments as fuel demand grows

By James K. Glassman  
The Washington Post

When Richard Rainwater talks, smart people listen. The normally reserved self-made millionaire, who rarely grants interviews, made an unusual appearance April 25 on "Wall Street Week With Louis Rukeyser" and told investors that the two most attractive areas for investment right now are real estate, and oil and gas.

That's no surprise to Rainwater's clients. A few years ago, he launched Crescent Real Estate Equities Co., which owns a portfolio of hotel, office and residential properties, mainly in Colorado and Texas. Since going public in 1994, the company's stock has returned 161 percent. Then, in 1996, Rainwater took control of Slick Mesa Inc., Boone Pickens's petroleum company, whose stock had plummeted from \$68.75 to \$2.63. The return for investors in Mesa over the past 12 months: 93 percent.

I'm a longtime Rainwater fan. His style is to concentrate in only a few areas that are ripe for "systemic change." As an adviser, he made the rich Bass family of Texas even richer, performing such virtuoso tricks as turning \$1 million in Walt Disney Co. stock into \$5 billion.

So, over the past few weeks, I've been pondering what he said on the Rukeyser show about oil. He may be right.

The theory goes like this: Demand for oil and natural gas will increase as the world gets richer and needs more and more fuel for transportation and heating. In another 30 years, alternatives like hydrogen fuel cells may become widespread, but, in the meantime, there are no reasonable options beyond what's taken from the ground.

Rainwater believes that shortages could lead to export controls. Governments, even our own, will require that their oil and gas stay at home. For that reason, he's enamored of domestic producers like Mesa, which will become Pioneer Natural

## Calm but powerful

In a wild market like this one, calm but powerful stocks are great to find, especially in industries that normally have extreme cycles. Eugene Peroni Jr., director of research for Janney Montgomery Scott in Philadelphia (1-800-526-6397) and an ace stock picker, has just come up with a list of "five stocks that offer intriguing upside potential without excessive volatility." Fibertek Inc., maker of fiber products; Guidant Corp., medical devices; Home Depot Inc., retailer; Merrill Lynch & Co., financial services; and NCR Corp., computers.

Resources after its buyout of Parker & Farsley Petroleum Co. is complete.

Lately, there has been little evidence that demand is pushing up against supply. The price of crude oil has been remarkably stable over the past decade. Except for a brief spike to \$40 a barrel when Iraq invaded Kuwait, the range has been roughly between \$15 and \$25. It's now about \$19. Adjusted for inflation, oil is half as expensive as it was in 1985.

One reason for this decline in real oil prices is that conservation has dampened demand; another is more supply. Will these trends continue? Economist John Mueller of Lehman Bull Mueller Cannon Inc., a consulting firm, is among those with doubts. He sees crude rising to \$38 a barrel in the next three years.

Even at current prices, oil companies have learned to make good money. During the long stretch of tough years, they've become far more efficient at extracting crude, using such techniques as horizontal drilling. And, as many firms have suffered, others have bought them up, so, in certain niches, there's less competition and more freedom to raise prices.

Oil, gas and related businesses may comprise an anomaly in today's high-flying market: an industry that's undervalued.

Unfortunately, the sector hasn't been overlooked completely. In the past 12 months, for example, the Standard & Poor's index of oil well equipment and service stocks has returned 41.8 percent, or five points more than the market as a whole. The S&P index of integrated domestic oil producers has returned less, 24.1 percent, which is still a respectable number.

But despite these increases, oil stocks have done poorly over the past five years. Service stocks have returned an average of 8.2 percent annually; domestic firms, just 6.0 percent. Now, times may be changing.

But don't expect big gains immediately. Rainwater followers know the importance of patience. Here's a tour of some stocks worth considering.

With a recent acquisition, Tidewater Inc. now dominates the business of servicing the offshore drillers in the Gulf of Mexico and has international operations as well. James H. Stone, an analyst for Schroder Werthem & Co., figures that Tidewater can cut its overhead and probably increase its rates this summer. Sales rose 25 percent last year, and profit nearly doubled. The stock trades at a price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio of 12, based on profit estimates for the fiscal year ahead.

The blue-chip oil service company, however, is Schlumberger Ltd., with a market capitalization (stock price times shares outstanding) of \$29 billion, one-third more than Chrysler Corp. The good news about Schlumberger is that first-quarter earnings rose 52 percent. The bad news is that the stock reflects it — up 44 percent in the past 12 months. Still, Eugene Peroni, top analyst for Janney Montgomery Scott Inc. in Philadelphia and an excellent stock picker, is high on the company, estimating that shares could rise by one-third in the next nine to 12 months.

Bob Gabele, editor of *Insiders'*

Chronicle newsletter, tracks the buying and selling activity of insiders — directors and top managers — in their own stocks. Insider purchases are often a good sign, and Gabele said last month that "the strongest buying we see is in the energy sector." He cites recent activity in Apache Corp. and in Santa Fe Energy Resources, both producers with strong domestic holdings.

Charles Biderman, who publishes *Individual Investor Trim Tabs* in Santa Rosa, Calif., is enthusiastic about Stone Energy, a smaller domestic oil and gas company based in Lafayette, La., with a reputation for skilled management. He writes, "Stone Energy is a table-pounding buy at under \$30." Its closing price on Friday was \$26.63.

Smith Barney Inc. includes among the 14 stocks in its capital appreciation portfolio with

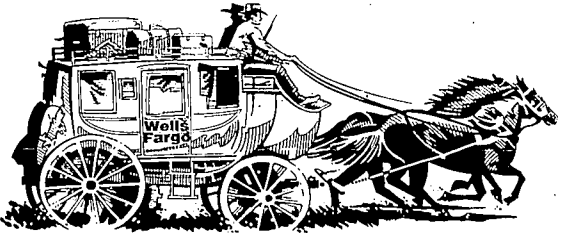
"above-average risk" a drilling services company called Transocean Offshore Inc., which specializes in deep-water, techni-

cally demanding work. Profit rose 32 percent, and the stock trades at a reasonable P/E of 20, based on estimates for this year.



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## Music fills the air in Hansen

**HANSEN** - Hansen High School's music department held their annual spring concert May 22 at the school. The concert featured the sixth-grade band, junior high band, high school chorus and the high school band. The performance began outside, but had to be moved inside near the end of the concert due to windy and rainy weather. The HHS band was one of three in the district to receive a superior rating this year.



Janice I. Hamby directs the junior high band in the Hansen High School Music Department's annual spring concert.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Valley House committee meets

**TWIN FALLS** - The Valley House Board of Officers and Advisory Committee will meet at noon Tuesday at Valley House, 507 W. Addison.

All Valley House meetings are open to the public, and volunteers are always welcome. For more information, call Ed Hudson at 423-5045.

### Reading program begins in Filer

**FILER** - The Filer Public Library will kick off its summer reading program from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the library.

Greg McDonald, paleontologist from the Eggerman Fossil Beds National Monument, will be the guest speaker. He will talk about "Fun with Fossils" and will discuss how they were made. Crafts and refreshments will be offered. The evening is a family event to register for the reading program, "Timeless Treks," that will focus on various points in history from dinosaurs to the space age.

The Filer Library has planned two programs - "Phi Beta Readers" for youth in third through sixth grades that will meet from 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesdays, July 1-29, and "Time Travelers" for children ages 5 through the second grade that will meet from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Wednesdays, July 2-30. Enrollment is limited. A library card is required; cost for a card is \$10.50 for rural families and free to city residents.

For more information, call 326-4143 from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. daily.

### Support group helps smokers quit

**TWIN FALLS** - The Help to Quit Smoking Support Group will meet 8 p.m. Tuesday in Room 109 of the Shields Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

For more information, call Barbara Stevenson at 734-7467.

### Vintage Car Show offers awards

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is sponsoring a Vintage Car Show Friday and Saturday.

Prizes will be awarded in three divisions - 1900-1920, 1930-1940 and 1940-1950. First-place winners will receive \$500 cash and an award plaque; second-place winners get \$200 cash and a plaque, and third place is \$100 and a plaque.

All entrants will receive \$50 room accommodations at the Horseshoe Hotel, a cocktail show featuring Danny Marona on Saturday in the Gala Showroom and a complimentary awards luncheon at 2 p.m. Saturday in front of the Horseshoe Casino.

For more information and reservations, call 1-800-821-1103.

## EVENTS ELSEWHERE

### GHS Class of '42 schedules reunion

**GOODING** - The Gooding High School Class of 1942 has planned its 55th class reunion for Thursday at the Lincoln Inn.

Social hour begins at 6 p.m., with dinner following at 7 p.m. Friends of the class are invited. Reservations should be made by Tuesday.

For more information or to make a reservation, call Verna Jean Carrio at 733-5030.

### Jackpot available for winning livestock

**RUFERT** - A steer, dairy, sheep and goat jackpot will be held Saturday at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds.

The event is open to any market steer, dairy, sheep or goat project. Cost is \$5 for quality and \$1 for fitting and showing. Quality awards (from part of fees) are 50 percent for first, 30 percent for second and 20 percent for third. Fitting and showing awards for first, second and third place also will be presented.

Weigh-in is at 8 a.m., with fitting and showing at 10:30 a.m. and quality to follow.

### Museum requests photo identification

**BURLEY** - The Cassia County Historical Museum has acquired a collection of photographs and negatives from Klunk's Photography approximately covering the years from 1920 to 1940.

Museum staff would like people to drop by the museum and help identify the scenes and businesses in the photos. The staff also has numerous negatives of individuals that will be given to people who recognize family members in the pictures.

The museum is located on the corner of East Main and Hilland Avenue and is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Alvey wins after visiting school

Velma Alvey of Buhl is the winner of a drawing sponsored by Rocky Mountain Home Services during the Chamber of Commerce Small Business Trade and Technology Show held May 16 at Costco.

Alvey won a \$20 gift certificate to Jaker's Restaurant. The announcement was made by Patient Care Coordinator Cheryl Van Houten. Houten extends thanks to the many visitors who stopped to have their

blood pressure checked and learn of the quality and personalized services available from Rocky Mountain Home Services, a non-profit home health nursing agency.

### Hansen students enter honor society

Six Hansen High School students were inducted into the National Honor Society at the awards assembly held June 3. Members were selected by a faculty council for meeting high standards of scholarship, service, leadership and character.

The new members are Emily Crockett, Megan Freestone, Curtis Loveless, Barri A Morris, Melissa Puckham and Morgan Jokansen.

Six other Hansen High School students and one teacher have been selected as participants of Idaho Business Week to be held in July at Boise State University.

Larry Barnes, Brinley Davis, Margi Hofffield, Danielle Larson, Dayna Lynn Medley, Jeanne Ratto and Lucy Hall will be among the 500 students and 30 teachers to receive \$275 scholarships that cover all program costs except transportation and a registration fee.

### Local students receive degrees

Creighton University in Omaha, Neb., held its spring commencement ceremonies May 17.

Jon D. Mehr and Mark W. Wright, both of Twin Falls, received doctor of dental surgery degrees.

### McKay receives various awards

Jodi McKay of Filer High School is a participant in the Presidential Classroom Scholars Program. The high school students will take part in seminars presented by leaders in each branch of government, the military, media, lobbying organizations and businesses. They will take a private tour of the White House, meet in small-group workshops regarding today's issues, visit monuments and museums, and spend an evening at the theater and a commencement celebration.

McKay has been named as a recipient of the Jaycee War Memorial Fund Scholarship. Applicants from all states were eligible for \$1,000 awards. Each national recipient was first named a state winner, then a panel of three judges selected the top 25 nationwide.

McKay also has been honored with the Idaho Top Scholar Award and the Filer District Academic and Service awards. She was a member of the concert and honor choir and the National Honor Society. She volunteers as an English peer tutor and in a reading program for elementary school children and has been involved in JUMP Co.

### Hollister appointed regional judge

The National Council of Teachers in English has appointed Lesley Hollister of Kimberly High School as a regional judge for the 1997 NCTE Achievement Awards in Writing. The nationally recognized competition, now in its 40th year, cites approximately 800 high

## MUMMIFIED



Sixth-grade students at Hansen Elementary School finished their Egyptian unit with a mummification. Jessica Hill volunteered to be the mummy. The entire class participated as they covered the body with plaster of paris wrap. The guest speaker, Susan Hamby, explained to the students about the mummification process and the Egyptian way of life.

school seniors for excellence in writing and recommends them to colleges and universities for admission and financial aid if needed.

### Castleford places 5th in Envirothon

At the 1997 Idaho Envirothon competition, the Castleford High School Envirothon team placed fifth overall, with 25 teams participating. Going into the final round of presentations, the team was in second place; it fell to fifth place after the final presentations.

The competition was held at Dierkes Lake and the College of Southern Idaho in April. Tests were given on wildlife, forestry, aquatics, soils and pest management. Teams had to make 10-minute oral presentations about problems regarding a current issue.

Castleford team members were Troy Kimball, Dana Hulse, Kris Gundgaard, Andrea Brubaker and James Garrison. Beanna Reeves was the alternate, and Linda Nolevanko was the advisor.

### Friends help Bear celebrate birthday

Forty-one Lazy J Ranch friends and neighbors gathered on May 28 to honor Frank Bear for his 95th birthday. Cake, coffee and punch were served, and Bear received many beautiful cards and good wishes.

### Local students make dean's list

Twyla Owens of Filer and Marcus McDonald of Twin Falls were listed on the spring dean's list at the Idaho State University College of Business.

The ISU College of Arts and Sciences named Leslie Mufar and Filer and Alison Arndt, Valerie Reneau, Joime Arambula, John Rupprecht and M. Russell Leavitt to the spring dean's list.

### Poster contest winners announced

The Twin Falls and Snake River Soil and Water Conservation districts held its annual poster contest, where nearly 200 fifth- and sixth-grade students participated. The theme was "Backyard Stewardship."

Twin Falls district winners were Ashley Ferreira, first, Jonathan Jarvis, second, and Nicole Pearson, third, all fifth-graders at Clover Lutheran School; Shelly Reinke, first, J.J. Hiatt, second, and Monica Routt, third, all Clover Lutheran School sixth-graders; Melissa Fisher, first, Ryan Jones, second, and

## OVERALL WINNER



Dalla LeRoy Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Williamson of Filer, receives the Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award from MMA Commandant of Cadets, Col Tom Hobbs, USMC (Ret), during the school's Academic Awards Assembly, May 30. Williamson, 16, is a first-year cadet at the Marine Military Academy. The academy is the only private boys school in the world based on the customs and traditions of the United States Marine Corps. This year it enrolled 566 young men in Grades eight through 12 from 34 states and 20 foreign countries.

Dusty Kepner, third, all sixth-graders from Filer Middle School; and the top three winners in the Twin Falls district were Melissa Fisher, first, Ryan Jones, second, and Ashley Ferreira, third.

Winners for the Snake River district were Candace Wright, first, Courtney King, second, and Morgan Stanger, third, all Hansen Elementary School fifth-graders; Chase Funk, first, Lunden Teeter, second, and Teala Olson, third, all sixth-graders at Hansen Elementary School; Amanda Brown, first, sixth-grader at Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls; Kayla Lundy, first, Erin Conley, second, and Lashel Meyers, third, all from the sixth grade at Kimberly Middle School; and the

top three Snake River district winners are Kayla Lundy, first, Erin Conley, second, and Lashel Meyers, third.

### Sisson selected for exemplifying spirit

Shannon Sisson of Buhl has received the John D. and Margaret L. Priest Scholarship through Saint Alphonsus Hospital in Boise. Recipients are chosen for exemplifying the spirit and meaning of Saint Alphonsus Hospital.

Sisson recently graduated from the registered nursing program at the College of Southern Idaho. She will work at Saint Alphonsus Hospital as a registered nurse while furthering her studies at Boise State University.

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Section E

## Settlement throws cloud over Carolina tobacco interests

The Dallas Morning News

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — At the Mayberry Restaurant and Ice Cream Parlor, deep in tobacco country, the smoke was heavy and the mood cloudy as the cigarette business took a hard blow last week.

"You can't find someone who isn't affected by the tobacco industry here," said local resident Matt Stimpson. "It's huge around here."

When anti-smoking forces and tobacco companies agreed Friday to a \$360 billion settlement — one that will put sharp restrictions on cigarette makers — locals wondered about their livelihoods.

"It's almost impossible to think what this may do to the economy around here," said Stimpson.

North Carolina grows \$571 million worth of tobacco a year, more than any other state.



George Abbott sits on a pile of tobacco at his Bright Leaf Warehouse in Darlington, S.C. The tobacco industry in the Carolinas is wondering how it will be impacted by a settlement with anti-smoking forces.

What's more, the tobacco business permeates the state's ethos not unlike the way in which oil

production helped define the image of Texas. The major crop in North Carolina since the colo-

rial era, tobacco is part of local lore and the community fabric.

"Tobacco is to North Carolina what oil is to Texas," said tobacco farmer Larry Willett. "It's a matter of individual responsibility. Bowman's two brothers died of lung cancer. 'If I want to die from smoking, that's my problem,'" he said.

Harvey Stimpson, 70, a lifelong resident of Winston-Salem, agreed. "People should be responsible for their own actions," he said.

"For years we've known it's bad for our health, and in a few years we'll suffer the consequences."

"I wouldn't have a problem with all the tobacco regulations if they would do the same thing with alcohol," said Howard Stimpson, of nearby Clemmons. "Let's not hold a double standard. Alcohol

is much more dangerous. Everyone's on the wrong bandwagon."

The Stimpsons, brothers Howard and Matt and uncle Harvey, were enjoying their Friday morning ritual: breakfast together at the Mayberry. Bacon and eggs were accompanied by coffee and cigarettes.

Tobacco has supported families here for generations. Land not good for other crops produced a reliable cash crop in tobacco. Cigarette manufacturers paid some of the highest wages around.

Now, attacks on smoking have left growers, producers and merchants feeling besieged, said Billy Yeargin, a Raleigh tobacco warehouse owner and historian.

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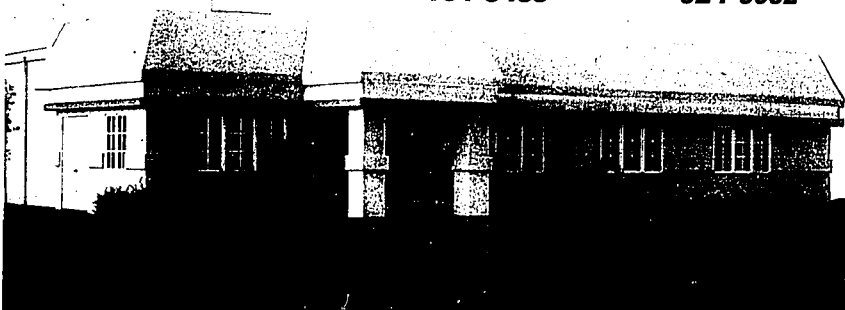




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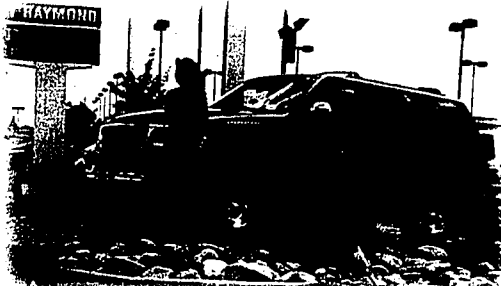
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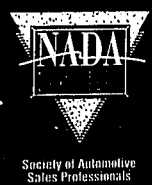
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Lacy Welch, 5, of Buhl gets a thumbs up from Laura Drake during a therapy session. Two years ago cerebral palsy made it impossible for Lacy to sit up without assistance. Now she rides and has gained some control over her hands.

## Horseback therapy seeks to put disabled back in life's saddle

**F**ILER — When you're 6 years old and have never taken a step in your life, Laura Drake's 23-year-old mare must look like a mythological giant.

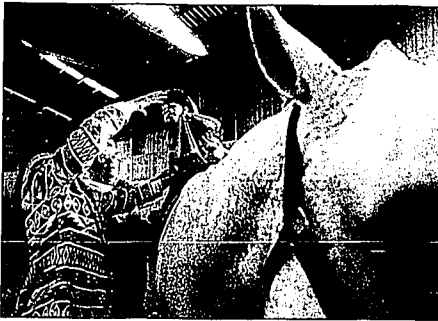
But a quarter hour in the saddle astride Amron's Beauty can change your perspective on the world, Drake says, even if you have muscular dystrophy or cerebral palsy.

"Riding a horse is hard work," said Drake, a 34-year-old legal secretary who has renewed her second career as a horseback riding therapist. "Remember the last time you rode? Chances are you were sore the next day. It forces you to use muscles you didn't know you had."

Drake runs the Rafter D Ranch, a family farm turned commercial therapeutic riding facility. Inside a cavernous barn, she and a cadre of specialized therapists direct clients — most of whom have never before been on a horse — through a series of exercises designed to condition and challenge.

Of the two, the latter may be the greater benefit, Drake says. "Riding therapy also helps people with autism, emotional disabilities and speech impairments because it forces them to concentrate," she said. "If you talk with a therapist who's tried to hold a client's attention in a clinical setting and compare it to what happens out here, they'll tell you it makes all the difference in the world."

Although most able-bodied equestrians take it for granted, horseback riding is really a complex physical balancing act, Drake says. Staying in the saddle requires not only controlling the horse, but reacting to each movement and learning to anticipate the next one.



Lifting miniature safety cones helps Lacy Welch strengthen her hands.

"A lot of our clients have never had that experience before," she said. "It teaches them to use muscles and develop coordination. And it gives them self-confidence."

Although the Boise-based Elks Rehabilitation Hospital uses riding therapy — Drake was an instructor there — the practice is not without its critics. The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare committee that approves Medicaid eligibility turned down Drake's application to participate in the program, although it's agreed to hear her appeal in August. Meanwhile, Drake is hoping for a temporary waiver from Health and Welfare so she can resume seeing Medicaid clients.

"Medicaid pays for riding therapy in other states, and it's a well-established and reputable therapeutic practice," she said. "It's important that we're able to work with Medicaid clients, because the reality is that most people with severe, long-term disabilities are on Medicaid these days."

Riding therapy, which always

includes at least one specialized therapist, costs from \$20 to \$80 per visit, depending upon

the length of the session. Clients typically ride one or more times a week for several weeks, depending on the nature of the therapy.

In addition to neuro-muscular disabilities, autism and speech and learning impairments, riding therapy can be used for people with Down's syndrome, multiple sclerosis, brain and spinal cord injuries and stroke.

Many of Drake's referrals come from physicians. She said she's worked with clients ranging in age from 24 months to 76 years.

"The encouraging thing from my perspective is that you can see people make progress," Drake said.

"And you hear from them, when they stop riding, how much they miss it."



Riding backward exercises a different set of muscles and insures a rigorous workout.



It takes a dedicated group to complete each session. The team consists of physical therapist Davee Musuman and three helpers, including Laura Drake, the owner of the ranch, and volunteers Gwen Kreplik and Pam Adams.

Story by Steve Crump  
Photos by Bruce Shields

FAMILY LIFE

# You can count on it: Predictions mostly fall flat

My, how we've changed. Or not. Depends on your perspective, I guess. Some years ago, I started compiling a file of predictions from my sources for the year 2000. Since we're almost there, I decided to pull out the file and see if we are getting close.

• In 1986, Eileen Ford of Ford Models in New York City predicted that Christine Brinkley would be the mother of a 15-year-old and less concerned with her career than with her child's SAT scores. Didn't Christine Brinkley just have a baby?

Ford also said American girls would be taller than anyone could possibly imagine. But my daughter can't reach the top shelf of the kitchen cabinet any better than I can.

• Faith Popcorn (honest!), a New York City marketing consultant, predicted that food buying would be based on customized diets. Well...

The women who work at my mother's



LIFE AND TIMES  
Denise Turner

office in the Midwest sort of have customized diets. They are all trying to lose weight, so they start the day with low-fat granola and take a mid-morning break for aerobics. But they are so hungry by noon that they order in carry-out throughout the rest of the day.

Popcorn also said we would have refrigerators that would keep track of what we're getting low on.

Mine hasn't spoken to me all year.

Woman's Day magazine, in 1987, predicted that the year 2000 would bring us robots trained to load our food into the microwave, and other robots trained to babysit our children.

I've yet to see a robot who could stop a

toddler from climbing a power line. And I don't think I want a robot in my house fooling with the microwave, anyway. He would probably just insist on playing his rock music too loud, like the rest of the dependents.

We don't have four-day work weeks either, or Big Brother.

But we do have child care centers on-site at the workplace, and computers fully capable of dominating our lives.

And I can remember when there were no jogging shoes or color TV or cellular telephones. (Note to my kids: No, I do not remember when there were no telephones at all.)

We may not be living in an ultra-modern, high-tech, Star Trek world. Yet. But we are definitely living in a different world than our grandparents did.

For better or worse.

Not long ago, I heard a national ad on the radio. In honor of National Condom (safe sex) Week, one Florist was offering 12 roses with a dozen condoms included. Incredible.

And I read that, in at least one city,

there is a business that charges you \$7.50 an hour to sit with you while you are dying.

According to Good Housekeeping magazine, the favorite snack in 1900 was homemade cookies. Today, it's microwave popcorn.

I suppose that's because nobody has time to make cookies anymore.

I know I'm not very good about baking. I admit it. I'm more like the new-fashioned American woman who would absolutely refuse to try any bread pudding recipe that begins with the words, "First, make the bread." Another gem from Good Housekeeping's research: The favorite gadget today is the remote control. In 1900, it was the potato peeler.

I'm beginning to think we have more fun.

And it seems that we don't even think the same way our forefathers did.

The sample questions in a 1920s eighth-grade examination, recently published in the Washington Post, offer up one more example of how much we've changed.

One of the questions, about civil gov-

ernment, was, "How are the expenses of our government met?"

Today, the answer would be, "They aren't."

"We've come a long way.

Or not.

With all of this scientific progress running our lives inside out, I have yet to see a lipstick that actually stays on or pantyhose that don't run or no-fat fudge that tastes like a food item.

And what about those experts who said, by the year 2000, we would have creams that are face-lifts in a jar? And no-care synthetic fabrics developed by people who have been to the moon.

In some ways, I'm not that impressed.

And yet, maybe I don't want to live in a world where everything is made perfect by science. At least not the way the brave new world is generally depicted on the Hollywood big screen.

I don't think a tinfoil dress would do a thing for me.

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

# Most disapprove of infidelity, but many have practiced it

Knightrider News Service

Color it red. Americans today, even in a society in which more than one-third of weddings lead ultimately to divorce, cling, devoutly to at least one of marriage's institutions.

Faithfulness.

Adultery, more now than in the recent past, wears the same luster as a cardinal sin. Marital trust. "What were they thinking," becomes a national mantra, as case after case of cheating, from Air Force Gen. Joseph Ralston to sportscaster Frank Giarratano, hits the news.

"It's devastating to people," says Vivian Martinez, a South Florida marriage and family therapist. "It's not just about sex. It's an intimate betrayal of the marriage contract."

So universal is our condemnation of adultery that almost nobody will defend it, even in an anonymous public opinion poll.

In a University of Chicago survey just released, more than 78 percent of Americans said infidelity is always wrong. Another 20 percent called it almost always or sometimes wrong, leaving only 1.6 percent seeing nothing wrong with it.

Given all that, it might seem surprising at first that another poll, this one by Gallup for USA Today and CNN, found last month that 61 percent of Americans do not think adultery should be a crime; 35 percent thought it should be. And 58 percent don't think it should be a crime in the military, while 36 percent do.

So while Americans might strongly disapprove of the behavior, they seem willing for the most part not to impose their views on other people.

"People don't want anybody — especially the government —

reaching into their private lives," says Pepper Schwartz, a sociology professor at University of Washington in Seattle. "They're protective about that, even if they object to the activity."

And there's another reason: Nearly a fifth of Americans admit they've cheated themselves. "If you find yourself not living up to your own standards," Schwartz says, "you can certainly understand why others would do the same. It makes you more tolerant."

This seeming unwillingness to condemn others — outside their own relationships — is even more

pronounced if the couple involved seems to be trying to save the marriage.

A pointed example was the dramatic 1992 interview on CBS' 60 Minutes of Bill and Hillary Clinton. He came close to a confession when he denied Genieifer Flowers' accusations of a decade-long affair, but admitted to actions "causing pain in my marriage."

In the same interview, Hillary Clinton strongly and publicly stood by her man.

"I'm sitting here because I love him and respect him," she told the national audience.

And the next morning, 66 percent of Americans told pollsters they felt they could vote for a presidential candidate who had had an extramarital affair.

Does that seem odd, given our national distaste for adultery?

Patricia Holt, a licensed mental health counselor and a member of the Apogee counseling group in Kendall, Fla., suburb of Miami, explains.

"If someone says they're sorry, they deserve another chance. But my wife is only as good as what I do. If it turns out to be a pattern, just to get out of things, that's different."

# Americans' obsession with sex scandals has experts pondering

Los Angeles Times

Paula Jones. President Clinton. Marv Albert. Frank Girard. Michael Kennedy. And, it seems, every officer in the U.S. military.

Sex, sex, sex.

Is anybody thinking about anything else? Has anyone given two moments of thought to the economy, the Congo, tax cuts or Little League baseball? Does anyone remember when "adultery" was a word uttered in confession, not plastered across the front page of respectable newspapers?

The scandals play off one another in ways that are most illuminating, if anyone cares to get serious about all this. The fundamental question: Is there a particular reason why the summer of 1997 has become the season of sex, sin and sleaze?

"Maybe it's that kind of school's out, let's get married," said Christopher Lydon, who on Tuesday hosted an adultery hour on his Boston-based syndicated public radio show, "The Connection."

Lydon opened his program by recalling the story of Moses returning to Mt. Sinai for the tablets bearing God's commandments. "The good news is, I got him down to 10," Lydon told the mortal masses. "The bad news is, adultery's still on the list." Judging from the responses of his "normally laid-back and tolerant" listeners, Lydon said, the list has not changed.

"What was interesting to me was that so many people were of the stoning cast of mind. People were very unforgiving. You could feel among our listeners a real yearning for old-fashioned rules, specifically about sex," Lydon said. On the subject of adultery and loosened sexual mores, "People feel that the world really changed in the late '60s, and it's time to change it back."

No kidding, agreed Greg Lowrie, pastor of interdenominational, evangelical Harvest Christian Fellowship in Riverside, Calif. "As the Bible would say," said Lowrie, referring to "the great social and sexual experimentation" of the 1960s "you saw the wind and you reap the whirlwind."

On the other hand, Lowrie said, obsessing over such weighty national issues as whether the president has a man on his anatomy is not entirely without social benefit. "The unhealthy interest is that people are always interested in the personal lives of public figures and celebrities. They like to realize that these people that they look up to and admire face

a lot of the same problems that they face," Lowrie said.

In focusing on high-level infidelity, the pastor continued, "it's not just the sexual sin we're talking about, but also the deception that always accompanies adultery — the covering of your tracks."

If they lie about that, why wouldn't they lie about something else? These are public figures we're talking about. Can they be trusted?

Except that public figures

have been messing around for as long as there have been public figures. Since when was trust an issue for randy fellows like Alexander or Napoleon? Now those were military leaders whose escapades only heightened their credibility. (Of course, they had real battles to wage.)

Or, more recently, there was the example of French President Francois Mitterrand, whose mistress stood alongside his wife at his state funeral.

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Bernard and Louise Hoffman

THE HOFFMANS

**TWIN FALLS** — Bernard and Louise Hoffman of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house June 29 in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 4 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2055 Fliler Ave. E., Twin Falls. The couple requests no gifts. They were married June 1, 1947, at Immanuel Lutheran



Church. They farmed in the Twin Falls area for 27 years. Upon retirement, he went to work for Twin Falls Canal Co. until his total retirement, and she worked at King's for many years. The event is being given by their children, Nancy Bruene, Ron Hoffman, Elaine Wida, and Susan Hoffman. The couple has seven grandchildren.



Cliff and Regina Lowe

THE LOWES

**TWIN FALLS** — Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Lowe of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house Saturday in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 6 p.m. at their residence, 175 Carney St. The couple requests no gifts. Lowe and Regina Johnson were married June 30, 1947, in Elko, Nev. They have lived in Twin Falls for 40 years in the same house. Before that they lived in Pocatello and Jerome.



They worked at Independent Meat for 20 years and the College of Southern Idaho for six years. He retired in 1985. She worked at Independent Meat for 14 years and is currently working at Weston Inn, where she has been for 18 years. They have enjoyed camping, fishing, and traveling. The event is being given by their son and daughter-in-law, Dale and Kathy Perme of Jerome. The couple has four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



Gerry and Charles Lattin

THE LATTINS

for the Kimberly School Lunch Program for nine years. The event is being given by their children, Ivan (Sierril) Lattin of Hamilton, Mont., and Vern (Debbie) Lattin and Don (Renée) Lattin of Twin Falls. The couple has seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

CLARK-ADAMS

**TWIN FALLS** — Scott and Debra Clark of Malad announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Ann Clark, to Troy Lee Adams, son of Dean and Linda Adams of Twin Falls. Clark is a 1996 graduate of Malad High School and is currently attending the College of Southern Idaho. Adams is a 1994 graduate of Twin Falls High School and is also attending CSI. He is employed by Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. in Twin Falls. The wedding is planned for Saturday in Malad. A reception will be held after the wedding from 7 to 9 p.m. at 340 N. 300 W., Malad. A reception will also be held from 7 to 9 p.m. July 9 at The White House in Twin Falls.

BARSON-MCCURDY

**TWIN FALLS** — Duane and Sherry Barson of Sandy, Utah, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Ann Barson, to Michael Dee McCurdy, son of Terry and Judy McCurdy of Twin Falls. Barson is a graduate of Slaying High School in Sandy, and is currently attending Utah State University in Logan, Utah. She is employed at USU. McCurdy is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and is also attending USU. He is employed by Aspen Consulting Group Inc. in Twin Falls. The wedding is planned for Tuesday in the Salt Lake City



Troy Adams and Jennifer Clark



Michael McCurdy and Kathleen Barson

FLUCKIGER - SIMONSON

**BURLEY** — Elna and Karen Fluckiger of Bedford, Wyo., announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Rae Fluckiger, to Travis K. Simonson, son of Karl and Becky Simonson of Burley. Fluckiger is attending Utah State University in Logan, Utah, and is employed at University Inn in Logan. Simonson is also attending USU and is employed by Dalus Toyota in Logan. The wedding is planned for Wednesday in the Logan LDS Temple. Receptions in their honor will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m.



Travis Simonson and Donna Fluckiger

HADLOCK-ASHBY

**JEROME** — Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hadlock of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Hadlock, to Justin Jerome Ashby, son of Alan and Brooke Ashby of Selah, Wash. Hadlock is a 1995 graduate of Jerome High School and a 1997 graduate of Ricks College. She is employed by Anderson Lumber in Twin Falls. Ashby is a 1995 graduate of Jerome High School. He is employed by Arco in Rexburg. The wedding is planned for Friday in the Bountiful, Utah, LDS Temple. A reception will be



Justin Ashby and Teresa Hadlock

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**MERRIL-NICKERSON**  
**IDAHO FALLS** — Peggyanne Merrill and Darren Nickerson were married May 31 in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. The bride is the daughter of Clendon and Roseann Merrill of Blackfoot, and parents of the bridegroom are Tom Nickerson of Salt Lake City and Iva Nickerson of Filer. A reception will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Merrill residence, 1127 W. Highway 39, Blackfoot.

Worried about that class reunion? Just be yourself, reunion vets say

Knight-Ridder News Service

**COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.** — To impress the ir old classmates, the title characters of the movie "Romany and Michele's High School Reunion" make up a sticky little lie. They claim to be the inventors of Post-it Notes. Since Romany is a cashier and Michele is unemployed, it simply won't go as themselves. At real reunions, the urge is just as strong to make a good impression — and produce a padded resume. "Keep in mind the purpose of a high school reunion, which is to give those who would least have suspected it the impression that you turned out to be a success in life, after all," writes Judith Martin in "Miss Manners' Guide to Excruciatingly Correct Behavior." It's easy, after all, to see why we might be tempted to embellish the truth. In high school, everyone from the student voted Most Likely to Succeed to the student voted Most Likely to Deliver

Pizzas is a mass of insecurities. At class reunions, we want to show former friends and foes (especially foes) we've conquered our demons and emerged as a well-adjusted (and preferably well-hooped) adult. And with reunion season well under way, alumni are struggling with how to make the best impression — not an easy task in an era when success too often is defined as being as svelte as Julia Roberts and as rich as Bill Gates. It's no wonder so many graduates turn into milk-carton kids who can't be reached by even the most dogged reunion organizers. "They're not into nostalgia until they get a little older," Hutte says. "As they get older, they realize that time is shorter and they'd like to see their old classmates." But for those attending their first reunion, anxiety tends to

override the warm-fuzzies, and everyone wants to make a good impression. But how? Obviously, say reunion veterans, it pays to be yourself, be a good listener, and be honest about your life — up to a point. If you're a recovering alcoholic who's been married five times and has served 10 years in prison for mail fraud, full disclosure isn't necessary. But there are other ways to ensure you'll be remembered in a favorable light, according to those in the business of making people their most presentable. The trick is starting early, especially if it would take two old prom dresses or tuxedos to cover the expensive new you. It may be unflin, but one of the first things reunion-goers notice is what's gotten fat and who's gotten babe- or buff-alicious. While crash diets can take off the pounds, they can make you look hungry. Fitness experts say the best way to lose weight is to get fit.

Survey: Dads do good job of sharing tasks

The Washington Post

Make room for daddy. According to Catalyst Inc., a nonprofit organization in New York that focuses on workplace issues concerning women, fathers are doing a good job balancing work and family. A survey of 2,000 men found that 31 percent say that work is their top priority; 33 percent said that family came first; and 36 percent said the two were equally important. Seventy percent said they spend more time with their children than their dads spent with them.

A separate survey of 950 dads found that 27 percent would sacrifice career advancement for more flexible work arrangements. Other figures reported by Catalyst: Slightly more than 90 percent of fathers with children under 18 work, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Single fathers head 1.5 million households, compared with 570,000 in 1975. Twenty-three of the companies on Working Mother magazine's Top 100 list of family-friendly employers give paid

leave to new fathers, including NationsBank Corp. (eight weeks) and Fannie Mae (four weeks). What do the moms think of all this? Eighty-six percent of mothers said that their mates do a very good (52 percent) or good (34 percent) job at balancing careers and home lives.

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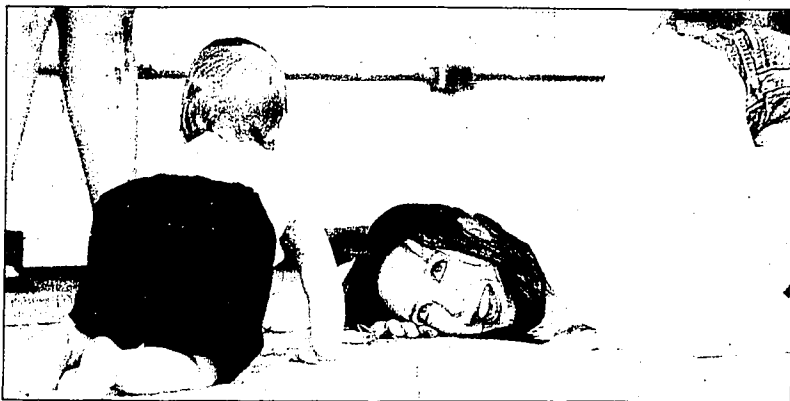
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Bridesmaids balance honor with dress cost

Knight-Ridder News Service

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Summer is here. Flowers are in full bloom and bells are ringing at wedding chapels.  
No doubt, the bride is giddy. But what about her bridesmaids, who just sank a bundle into new dresses, shoes and accessories?  
And they don't even get the guy.

Bridesmaids, an important part of any wedding, usually don't mind goose-stepping down the aisle for the bride.  
"Brides will pick people who are very dependable," said Charles Brickley of Rosebud Bridal Shop in Columbia, S.C.

But no matter how much they love their friend or relative, Midland bridesmaids say they have to ask tough questions:  
"What's the dress going to look like? Can it be used again?"  
And how much is all this going to cost?  
Many brides try to handle that by allowing bridesmaids to help in the selection of the dress.

Kim Moore, who'll be married Aug. 30, will have eight bridesmaids, a maid of honor and a matron of honor.  
Moore said she's selecting her dresses by catalogs. It has taken two to three months to find the dress.  
The bridesmaids were interested in finding something they liked, regardless of its cost, she said. However, Moore was more concerned about price.

As are many bridesmaids. If they're going to have dresses from many weddings, they have to consider cost and whether the dresses can be used again.  
Shawna Adams, who got married earlier this month, said her four bridesmaids and matron of honor went to high school and college with her.

Adams said she got her bridesmaids together to discuss the price of the dresses. "We all agreed to stay under \$200 for the dress," she said.  
Adams bought her bridesmaids' shoes and accessories. Trivia Thomas knows how much bridesmaids must spend:

She has been in five weddings and is preparing for a sixth in July.  
"I enjoy being in weddings, but they can be expensive and you're not even the bride," said Thomas, who will be a bridesmaid at her sister's wedding on July 26.

She also sang at her aunt's wedding Saturday.  
"This wedding is going to be the most expensive one I have been in. The bridesmaid dress is expensive, \$199 plus tax, but she is my sister and I will do it for her."  
"But anybody else I would have to give it some thought," Thomas said. "One good thing was that my sister has a payment plan for the bridesmaid dresses."

Some brides hope their attendants will be able to wear the dresses again but that's only possible sometimes.  
Moore's dress is full-length and may be worn again. If it is cut shorter, it will look like a simple church dress.  
Moore can relate to a brides-

maid's concern about what she'll be able to do with the dress after the wedding: She was a bridesmaid in three weddings. Only one of the dresses was expensive, she said.  
"However, only one of the dresses could be worn again. Moore took the other two to a consignment shop and they're yet to be sold."

Brickley said when brides want to get a dress that the bridesmaid can use again, they should choose a suit-styled dress, which can be altered into a dressy outfit.  
But money isn't the only issue. Watching a relative or good friend marry is an emotional and exhausting experience, too.

But Thomas is quick to point out it doesn't give her the urge to get hitched. "No, because I am in no rush," she said.  
Annette Richmond, who has been a bridesmaid in four weddings, but the marriage bug hasn't bitten her as she's stood and watched the nuptials unfold.  
"I am too busy thinking about my feet hurting in those cloth shoes," she said.

Moms girls' best career coaches  
Young women make choices early

Orlando Sentinel

When Darlene Lawrence was a child, her mother on occasion would wake her, dress her and whisk her to the Orlando office where Mom worked as a dental assistant. Dentists drilled, patients drooled, vacuums slurped.  
In the middle of it all stood her mother, elbow with the white-masked men.  
The day done, Professor Dixon and daughter Darlene would return home. Darlene would glance at Dixon's uniform, her tags as emblematic as a flag, now more creased from the day's work than crisp from the morning's misting of starch.

"I was very proud to see her in that uniform," she said.  
"because she had a professional position."  
Years later Lawrence, a contract analyst with Harvest Life Insurance, followed suit with a professional position of her own — and with daughters Carolyn, 9, and Giselle, 10, who love to hunt and peck on her PC keyboard on the days the two escort Mom to her Orlando office.  
Lawrence takes a pro-active stance in introducing her girls to the working world by discussing her duties, fielding questions and letting them explore her office.  
"I'm trying to show them that there are really no bounds if they have education behind them," Lawrence said. "I try to expose them to things. Right now, they have a pretty clean slate."

For single mothers such as Lawrence, early introduction to the working world becomes a heartfelt part of preparing their daughters to fend for themselves

in this world. Although a number of factors can conspire to guide girls into their career choices, a mother's influence on that path cannot be underestimated.

"Girls are picking up what their mothers do and what they say," said

Cathleen Gray, associate professor of social work at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. "There's a quote that says every girl looks at her mother and sees herself — that girls only exist in their mother's image. Mothers can be a fairly powerful role model."  
Girls choose careers based on their beliefs about themselves and their abilities. They also are influenced by occupational suggestions offered by parents, hints that often influence the aspirations of a girl to be similar to those held by parents.

Girls make these life choices relatively early, some studies suggest, a fact that gains greater resonance when you stop to consider that adolescent girls generally are more mature than boys and may therefore be more concerned with their futures at an earlier age. A vocational decision, in essence, implies a lifestyle choice.  
Mothers can go a long way toward raising girls who reject stereotypical notions that males are better at certain subjects — which might discourage girls from entering certain professions.  
Mothers can function as coaches helping girls sort out ideas, information and values, steering them to resources and allowing them the freedom to explore who they are.

Advice for mothers

Mothers might want to consider this advice when encouraging their daughters' interests.

- Provide daughters with as many experiences as possible so that they may find their niche.
- If she expresses interest in a particular career, such as medicine, try to arrange a tour of the local hospital.
- Avoid defining yourself and your abilities in negative terms in your daughter's presence.
- Involve males in the household in traditional female housekeeping activities and hobbies.
- Strengthen your daughter's decision-making ability by allowing her to make choices about her life.

— Orlando Sentinel

Children's fascination with fire can have deadly consequences

The Providence Journal-Bulletin

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Magdalena Pagan says she told her children never to play with fire. She would hide matches on top of the refrigerator, thinking it would keep them beyond the reach of small, mischievous hands.

But on May 31, while Pagan visited a nearby drugstore with one of her children and left the others with her oldest son, 15-year-old Felipe, her 6-year-old boy, Juan, opened a cabinet door, clambered onto a counter and snatched the matches.  
With Felipe outside, Juan lit matches and jumped up and down with a bed in the second-floor bedroom on Oxford Street in South Providence, according to a cousin. A match fell and started a fire. The other children fled. For some reason, Juan stayed behind.  
"Help me!" he screamed to a neighbor who tried to climb upstairs but was driven back by fire and smoke. Firefighters arrived minutes later and pulled Juan from the house. But the first-grader at the Mary E. Fogarty School suffered severe burns on his upper torso and face, and died.  
His mother had been gone 10 minutes.  
Last week Pagan, who moved her family from Puerto Rico 13 months ago, picked a tiny photograph of Juan from her wallet to show a visitor. But before she could hand it over, she began

kissing it and broke down. "My baby," she cried. "Why? Why?"  
Every year, about 400 people die and thousands are injured in fires started by children playing with matches or lighters, according to the National Fire

The vast majority of those who die in such fires, about three-quarters, are 5 years old or younger, according to the federal government. Typically, the victims are the fire-setters or their siblings.  
"It's an extremely serious problem, and one of the bases for the problem is insufficient supervision of children by their parents," said Inspector Vernon Dunlap, who coordinates the Providence Fire Department's program that combats juvenile fire-setting.

"Children naturally have, at some point, a curiosity about fire, and it's up to their parents to be aware of this curiosity and to try to deal with it effectively," he said.  
Unfortunately, parents often underestimate the danger. They fail to realize that a child left unattended for just a moment can start a deadly, destructive blaze.  
Juvenile fire-setting cuts across class and race, although poor children are more likely to play with fire, a 1986 University of Rochester study found, in part because of less adult supervision. Boys are the culprits more often than girls.

Fire prevention tips

Experts give this advice to address the problem of children and fire:

- Keep fires and lighters away from kids, preferably in locked cabinets or drawers. Leaving matches or a lighter on a coffee table is as foolhardy as placing a gun or knife there.
- Make sure that children are never left without adult supervision. It only takes a minute for a child to start a fire.
- Teach youngsters that matches and lighters are strictly adult tools and that the biggest fires start small. (Since 1994, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has adopted standards that make disposable lighters impossible for 65 percent of children under the age of 5 to ignite.)
- Never trivialize play with fire as childhood mischief. Such activity can reflect more serious problems and lead to greater acts of destruction if unaddressed.
- Teach children fire safety, including rolling on the ground if one's clothes catch fire, crawling on one's belly beneath the smoke if a fire breaks out, and never hiding beneath a bed or in a closet to escape a fire.
- Place a smoke detector on each level of the home and in all outside bedrooms. Check the detector monthly.

Protection Association, a non-profit group in Quincy, Mass. Children set more than 25,000 residential fires that cause over \$250 million in damage.

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It's best that children sleep in own beds

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cave. Nor does it make sense for nomadic peoples to lug two-bedroom tents from site to site...

The characteristics of the particular culture dictate how this issue will be handled. Perhaps in cultures where children usually sleep with their parents, it would have evolved other ways of "cutting the cord."

Sleeping in his or her own bed helps establish that the child is an individual with a clear identity. In addition, parents sleeping together and separate from the child strengthens the child's view of the marriage as the most important relationship within the

family. A child who sleeps with his or her parents is in danger of not achieving these understandings of coming to the inexpressible conclusion that the marriage is a threesome.

Having said all that, I would (as I said in the same book) under certain circumstances bend the general rule. For example, I find nothing wrong with having newborns sleep in their parents' bedrooms (albeit not in their beds) for a few months, or letting children come temporarily into their parents' beds during illness or periods of stress such as might follow a significant death or a house fire.

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Summer can be fun for both parent, child

It's summertime and parents are panicky. "What to do with the kids?" is the general cry.

Let's face it, most parents love the structure and routine of school. Summer is a multiweek vacation of some sort. With the variety of activities available, how do you find the one that's best for your child?

Before you figure out a program, suggests Sus Endy, figure out your child.

Endy, a social worker and parenting educator at Parents Inc. at Chestnut Hill Hospital in Philadelphia, says summer can be fun for both parent and child.

Most parents have some sense of their child's temperament just by living with the child on a daily basis. But when it comes to drawing up plans for summer, parents should take into consideration several factors:

- Activity level. Is your child very active or more laid-back?
• Regularity. Yes, we're talking bodily regularity. Is your child predictable in eating, sleeping, and toileting?
• Approach/withdrawal. Some children are eager to jump into new activities. Others are more withdrawn, preferring to observe for a time before joining in.

Your kids

child just naturally sunny and friendly? Or more serious and reflective?

• Distractibility. Can your child stay focused on a task even if there are distractions around?

• Persistence/attention span. How long can the child focus on an activity even if there are distractions around?

• According to Endy, there are no right or wrong answers to those questions. Each child's temperament is made up of a bit of each, and the wise parent will have at least a clue about a child's makeup.

For example, if you have a child who is slow to warm up to new situations and people and is easily distracted by changes in routine, it would probably be better for that child to be in a structured set of activities with the

same people each time.

"And of course, a sibling will have a different temperament," said Endy. "Parents shouldn't expect one child to be just like the other."

Which also makes it harder to figure out what summer activities will fit more than one child.

Skull, parents shouldn't let children do only that with which they are comfortable. "It is the parents' responsibility to help their child grow and adapt," said Endy. "This is not a prescription to let a quiet, reflective child stew in his own juices all summer."

The key is finding activities that suit the child's temperament, but also give her a chance to grow and adapt to new things, people and situations.

On the other hand, if you have a child who is very physical and active, don't be surprised if she's bouncing off the walls if you decide that summer is the time that she should spend reading or at computer camp.

Parents need to be creative in planning summer activities. And they need support. Endy recom-

mends teaming up with other parents who may have ideas. Carpooling or taking turns tending to the children can give parents a needed break during the summer months.

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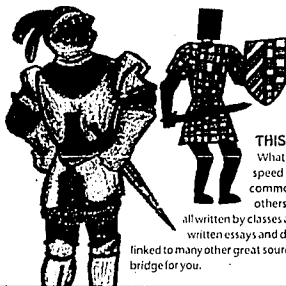
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## 'Batman' soundtrack rocks the cave

By Brian McCollum  
Knight-Ridder News Service

Like 1995's "Batman Forever" pop soundtrack, the electrotinged "Batman & Robin" is a wonder of marketing wizardry, a carefully designed grab bag of artists and styles that manages to fuse into a cohesive whole.

Prince's 1989 funk project for "Batman Returns" still stands as the most vibrant piece of Batman music, but these soundtracks have all dished up enough real artistry to rise above the standard studio-boardroom concoctions.

With music supervisor Danny Branson ("Terry Maguire") at the helm, Warner again wields its clout — and strong artist roster — to piece together a sonic smorgasbord that will keep radio reps from each of the label's departments looping.

You've got your modern rock (Smashing Pumpkins) buzzing, throbbing, chameleonic ("The End is the Beginning is the End"), a little hip-hop (Bone Thugs-N-Harmony's smooth, lithe "Look into My Eyes"), the requisite shiny-glam diva (Jewel on the stirring "Foolish Games"); hip, hypnotic electronica (Underworld's 10-minute "Monter").

The real peaks come with R.E.M.'s hot and racing "Revolution" — the sort of thick rock track that could've redeemed last year's tepid "New Adventures in Hi-Fi."

## Batman undergoes changes in 50 years of fighting crime

By Bill Radford  
Knight-Ridder News Service

"The 'Batman,' a mysterious and adventurous figure fighting for righteousness and apprehending the wrongdoer in his lone battle against the evil forces of society." —from Batman's 1939 debut in Detective Comics No. 27

Yep, Batman has been fighting the good fight for nearly 60 years. And with his latest big-screen incarnation, "Batman and Robin," about to hit movie theaters, the Dark Knight is back in the spotlight.

If any comics symbol rivals Superman's "S" for instant recognition, it's Batman's bat. Other characters are bigger sellers these days, but Superman and Batman remain comic book titans.

Batman may not have garnered the headlines Superman has in recent years (Superman died), Superman marries! Superman gets a new costume),

but the Caped Crusader has seen his share of changes.

If you haven't picked up a Batman comic in quite a while, you may be surprised to know that:

- Dick Grayson is NOT Robin — and hasn't been for quite some time. Dick dropped the Robin name and outfit and began fighting crime on his own as Nightwing way back in 1984. But it wasn't until last year that he finally got his own series.

- Tim Drake IS Robin. He's Batman's third Robin, to be exact. The first was Dick; the second was Jason Todd, who was killed by the Joker and by blood-thirsty fans who decided Jason's fate via a phone-in poll in the late '80s.

- Alicia Silverstone is Batgirl in the new movie, but in the comics world there is no Batgirl. There hasn't been since Barbara Gordon was shot by the Joker (him again) in the pages of "The Killing Joke" in 1988. A bullet to the spine left her unable to walk; these days she aids crimefighters

in the guise of the computer-savvy Oracle.

Batman's biggest changes, though, have been a result of natural comic evolution. Different writers and different generations have left their imprints.

Creators Bob Kane and Bill Finger gave birth to a dark-night avenger, a loner, in 1939.

But Batman began to mellow out with the introduction the next year of Robin. In the mid-'50s, the Bat family grew and grew, to include Batwoman, Bat-Girl, Bat-Mite, even Bat-Hound. Settings changed from dark alleys to distant planets as sci-fi adventures took over.

As the '60s began, the Bat family shrank back to Batman and Robin and stories veered back to more realism.

Then came the "Batman" TV show, sparking a brief but furious Bat-craze (fury ratings success) and searing into the national consciousness the image of Batman not as a dark avenger but a master of camp.

By the start of the '70s, though, the "Batman" show was history and Bat-fever had cooled. Writer Dennis O'Neil and artist Neal Adams helped bring Batman full circle, returning the atmosphere of mystery and angst.

That's basically the Batman of today.

O'Neil, now the group editor of the Bat books, wrote in a recent Preview about the different incarnations of Batman. "Batman is, now and forever, a work in progress," O'Neil concluded.

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Real President  
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\$200,000Janet Murphy, 43  
Cat breeder  
Hamilton, Ohio  
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Silver Spring, Md.  
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WILL THE ECONOMY GO ANY FURTHER DOWN,  
OR WILL IT PICK UP TINY AND BOING BY? YES.

## What People Earn

REPORT BY LYNN HENNER

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PARADE'S ANNUAL SURVEY FINDS AMERICANS WORKING LONGER AND HARDER—MANY AT MORE THAN ONE JOB—BUT EARNING MORE AND FEELING OPTIMISTIC.

# What People Earn

BY LYNN BRENNER



\$107 billion

**Federal Deficit**

IN LAST SUMMER'S MOVIE blockbuster *Independence Day*, Bill Pullman played a U.S. President who personally flew into battle against alien invaders and saved the world. Pullman earned \$2.5 million for his work. As the real U.S. President, Bill Clinton tackled more down-to-earth problems and earned only \$200,000. But he too scored a big victory, winning re-election, thanks to a strong resurgence of American optimism about the nation's economy—despite the persistence of downsizing, the disparity between salaries of workers and top executives, and the widening income gap between the country's richest and poorest citizens.

Like 1995, last year was a banner year for corporations, shareholders and bosses. Corporate profits were up 11%, the stock market rose almost 23%, and chief executives' median (half were higher, half lower) total compensation soared 18%, to \$2.3 million. By contrast, the average wage-and-benefits increase for all workers, including supervisors, was only 2.9%. Nonsupervisory workers' average hourly wage rose 3.7%, to \$12.04—barely edging past the 3.3% inflation rate. Still, it was the biggest increase since 1990.

The median income from wages for all Americans was \$490 a week, or \$25,480—up from \$479 a week, or \$24,980, in 1995. Women still earned only 75% of what men made—\$21,736 vs. \$28,964. "The economic realities for most Americans clearly haven't changed appreciably, but their perceptions and expectations have," says Lee Miringoff, director of the Marist College Institute for Public Opinion. "People feel more positive. Part of it is that those who survived the very rough recession of the early 1990s have a sense of relief that they're still cutting it."

A lively optimism and a more pragmatic view of the job market are both re-

flected in PARADE's interviews this year. The national mood is summed up by Sylvia Morris, 34, a Chicago violinist who earned \$37,500 last year playing in orchestras and chamber music groups. Morris also works as a contractor booking jobs for other musicians.

"The economy is doing well, and the mood is fine," she says, "but average people seem to have to work harder than ever. People are diversifying. It used to be you were fine with one job and one career. That's not good enough anymore. It's becoming the norm that people have to take on more than one job. "But there is lots of work. If you need that third job, you can find it."

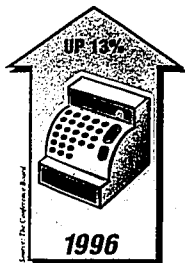
Unemployment fell to 5.4% nationwide in 1996 and to less than 3% in some parts of the country. Campus recruiting was at its best in five or six years. Although big corporations announced more than 475,000 layoffs—almost as many as in

1995—jobs created outnumbered jobs that were lost by 208,000 a month. As 1997 began, nearly a third of U.S. households said jobs were plentiful, the highest level of consumer confidence since the summer of 1989. By May 1997, unemployment was down to 4.9% and consumer confidence had shot up to its highest in 28 years.

The Northeast was still struggling out of its recession, but the economy was humming in most of the nation. In Ohio, auto-parts manufacturers scrambled to find enough tool-and-die workers, electricians and machine repairers. In California's Silicon Valley, software companies couldn't fill their technical and managerial job openings. Cities like Boise, Salt Lake City, Las Vegas, Phoenix, Minneapolis-St. Paul and Atlanta had labor shortages in the high-tech, entertainment and construction businesses.

Median U.S. household income from all sources rose for the first time in six years in 1995 (the most recent Census

Consumer Confidence Index



With jobs plentiful, the Consumer Confidence Index—a measure of people's feelings about the economy—shot up 13% in 1996.

Bureau data), to \$34,076—an \$898 increase after inflation. That's only a 2.7% rise, but it was the first since 1989. The number of Americans living below the poverty level fell by more than 1.6 million, to 13.8% of the population. Only 10.5% of people 65 or older are among the nation's poor—down from almost 30% in 1970. That's the good news. The bad news is that poverty among the nation's children has climbed. More than 20% of American children are among the poor today, up from 15% in 1970. This distressing trend won't be

solved by the new minimum hourly wage of \$4.75, which affects only 3.3% of all workers (and would have to rise to \$8.01 to lift workers to the \$16,029 poverty level for a family of four). Nor will it be helped by the

1996 welfare reform law. Indeed, welfare reform, which will push 4 million people into the workforce over the next three years, is likely to hurt the 38 million Americans who earn \$7,500 or less an hour by sharply increasing competition for low-skilled jobs.

Many welfare workers continue to get government child-care subsidies and transportation allowances. Companies often get pay them less than other workers and can take a tax credit for hiring them. One example of the result: Nine Baltimore public schools this year hired welfare workers to clean for \$1.50 an hour instead of re-negotiating contracts for \$6-an-hour workers.

The best welfare-to-work programs show that America's underclass can re-join the mainstream. A stellar example is Marriott International's Pathways to

Independence, a 7-year-old program subsidized by the federal government. Pathways has more than 650 graduates, among them Vicki Jones, 32, who made \$7.25 an hour as a Marriott housekeeper in Washington, D.C. The gap between the nation's richest citizens and all other Americans is the widest since the end of World War II. Between 1968 and 1994 (the most recent data available), average income for the top 20% of households rose from \$73,754 to \$105,945—a 44% jump after inflation. The bottom 20% of households saw their inflation-adjusted income rise from \$7,202 to \$7,762—just a 7% increase.

Increasingly, computer literacy is the



**5.4% Unemployment Rate**

In 1996, unemployment fell to 5.4% nationwide, then continued to drop.



**3.3% Inflation**

Inflation has stayed low—good for business and good for the stock market.



**\$2.3 million CEOs' Median Annual Compensation**

Corporate profits were up 11% in 1996; the median raise for CEOs was 8%.



key to higher pay. Last year, teenagers with good computer skills earned up to \$25 an hour after school as Web designers and computer programmers—and 17-year-old Justin Su pulled down \$67,000 as chief executive of a Hood River, Ore., computer company. Computer-literate college graduates received \$42,000 and up in starting salaries—10% more than in 1995, says Walter B. Jones, director of North Carolina State University's Career Center. New-media companies, which link computers to advertising, publishing and movies, are a hot job market. They hire writers, composers, animators, sound designers, computer programmers and musicians. Computer artists who create effects like the tornadoes that thrilled film audiences at *Twister* last year earn \$80,000 a year and up.

Health care also offers growing—but changing—opportunities. Emphasis on preventive care and cost containment has created more demand for generalists and less demand for specialists. Doctors in family practice average \$129,148. Specialists earn more (dermatologists make \$176,948, for example, and orthopedic surgeons make \$301,918), but their pay is rising much more slowly.

continued

## Workers' Annual Average Wages and Benefits



Americans made 2.9% more this year than last—the same small raise as in 1995 and not quite enough to keep up with inflation.

# The Annual Roundup of Salaries



Donna Dunnington, 32  
Manager, *People's Service*  
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\$30,000



Donna Higgins, 51  
Bank loan processor  
Fort Pierce, Fla.  
\$29,500



Wason Bowles, 42  
Prison guard  
Chester, Ill.  
\$30,000



Dora Hernandez, 38  
Restaurant owner  
Oklahoma City, Okla.  
\$18,500



Laura Gonzalez, 44  
School superintendent  
Dallas, Tex.  
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## UP 3.7%



\$12.04

## Workers' Average Hourly Wage

The 3.7% rise (to \$12.04 an hour) was the biggest for workers since 1990.



Vicky Jones, 32  
Hotel housekeeper  
Washington, D.C.  
\$15,000



Elaine Olsen, 46  
Insurance adjuster  
Missoula, Mont.  
\$36,500



Dan Egan, 33  
Producer/promoter  
The Plains, N.H.  
\$55,000



David A. Jones, 65  
CEO, *Kemana Inc.*  
Louisville, Ky.  
\$973,500



Deborah Carey, 37  
Owner, microbrewery  
New Glarus, Wis.  
\$25,000



Margaret Tindel, 32  
Artist  
Albuquerque, N.M.  
\$40,000



Perry Kunin, 50  
Utility worker  
Makawao, Hawaii  
\$38,000



Evelyn Gomez, 44  
Day-care worker  
Denver, Colo.  
\$36,500



Matt Gekker, 42  
Sheet-metal worker  
Monroeville, Mich.  
\$44,000



Sandra Louise Hart, 41  
Owner, PR firm  
Minnetonka, Minn.  
\$385,000



Charles Pollard II, 55  
Funeral home owner  
Oklahoma City, Okla.  
\$68,000



Jane Mohs, 35  
Saleswoman  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
\$24,000



George Best, 52  
Milk salesman  
Longmont, Colo.  
\$39,000



Melissa Higgins, 24  
Sales associate  
Winter Park, Fla.  
\$10,500



Ernest Fountain, 43  
Business consultant  
Las Vegas, Nev.  
\$150,000



Carolyn Belli, 61  
Social worker  
Worcester, Mass.  
\$25,000



Ernest Fountain, 43  
Business consultant  
Las Vegas, Nev.  
\$150,000



Michelle Schardt, 28  
Teacher  
Portland, Ore.  
\$24,500



Christopher Roberts, 37  
Beauty salon owner  
Atlanta, Ga.  
\$45,000



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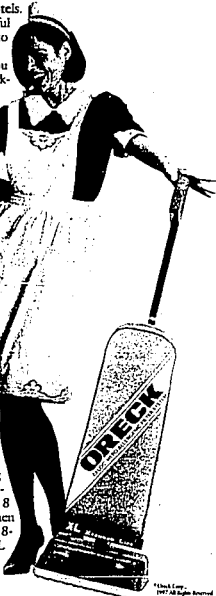
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## WHAT PEOPLE EARN/continued

There's always demand for carpenters, plumbers and electricians; in 1996, their average hourly wages, respectively, were \$13.77, \$14.15 and \$14.78. Average income for auto mechanics was \$31,900; for high school principals, \$69,300. Senior special FBI agents, the real-life counterparts of TV's X-Files agents Scully and Mulder, made \$43,800 last year—about 88% of the \$50,000 Gillian Anderson reportedly earned for each episode and 44% of David Duchovny's reported \$100,000 per episode fee.

Last year, 2.3 million Americans worked as temporary employees, twice as many as in 1992. The surge in temporary work is a mixed blessing. Some temps work for companies that laid them off a year or two ago, doing their old jobs for lower pay and fewer benefits. Others are well-paid independent contractors—accountants, engineers and lawyers. More than 200 agencies now specialize in placing technical and professional workers in assignments lasting from a few weeks to a year or more. In today's tight job market, qualified workers can almost name their price, says K. Risa Olsen, 46, vice president of a Portland, Ore., staffing company. Last year Olsen earned \$63,000; this year she got a promotion, a raise and a better bonus and stock-option deal.

The dream job of the 1990s is successful self-employment. A 1995 national poll found that 55% of Americans want to be their own boss. Elaine Olsen, 46, an insurance adjuster in Missoula, Mont., earned \$36,500 in 1996 but feels her job gives her "limited direct impact on results." She adds: "I'd give all this up and clean houses just to master my own day. I'd rather wash floors and stand back and say, 'Damn, that looks good.'"

The National Federation of Independent Businesses says 5 million Americans started 3.5 million businesses in 1995. "Today, you can be based in Peoria and do business globally," says Jim Brodie Brazzell, 30. In 1996, he earned \$40,000 in his 2-year-old Internet service agency, which is growing 40% a year and employs 35 persons. "The information revolution is creating huge opportunities for traditionally disenfranchised Americans," says Brazzell, who often works 80-hour weeks. "I'm from nowhere—a low-income, single-parent household, working since I was 11."

So many Americans are working longer and harder as a result of self-employment, staff downsizing, overtime or multiple jobs that we asked those we interviewed which they'd prefer:

## How Did You Do This Year?

Per capita personal income in 1996 and percentage gain, 1995-96:

United States	Income	% Gain
	\$24,821	4.5%
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>		
Connecticut	\$33,959	4.5%
Massachusetts	\$29,439	5.0%
New Hampshire	\$26,220	3.6%
Rhode Island	\$24,763	4.1%
Vermont	\$22,524	4.2%
Maine	\$20,826	3.4%
<b>MIDWEST</b>		
District of Columbia	\$34,932	4.5%
New Jersey	\$31,063	4.1%
New York	\$29,782	4.3%
Oklahoma	\$27,822	3.3%
Maryland	\$27,221	3.5%
Pennsylvania	\$24,868	4.6%
<b>GREAT LAKES</b>		
Illinois	\$26,956	5.1%
Michigan	\$24,370	3.5%
Ohio	\$23,837	4.4%
Wisconsin	\$23,269	4.5%
Indiana	\$22,440	4.0%
<b>PLAINS</b>		
Minnesota	\$25,580	5.6%
Kansas	\$23,221	6.3%
Nebraska	\$23,047	7.4%
Missouri	\$22,864	4.7%
Iowa	\$22,850	7.9%
South Dakota	\$22,198	10.0%
North Dakota	\$20,770	11.2%
<b>SOUTHEAST</b>		
Virginia	\$23,925	3.9%
Florida	\$24,304	4.7%
Georgia	\$22,709	4.8%
North Carolina	\$22,070	4.4%
Tennessee	\$22,754	5.2%
Alabama	\$20,685	4.4%
Louisiana	\$19,824	4.3%
South Carolina	\$19,755	3.8%
Kentucky	\$19,657	4.4%
Arkansas	\$18,928	4.5%
West Virginia	\$18,444	4.1%
Mississippi	\$17,471	4.7%
<b>SOUTHWEST</b>		
Aris	\$22,045	4.4%
Texas	\$20,969	4.0%
Oklahoma	\$19,267	4.1%
New Mexico	\$16,770	3.4%
<b>ROCKY MOUNTAIN</b>		
Colorado	\$25,094	4.7%
Wyoming	\$21,245	2.8%
Idaho	\$19,859	3.5%
Utah	\$19,855	5.4%
Montana	\$16,047	3.3%
<b>FAR WEST</b>		
Nevada	\$26,451	4.6%
Hawaii	\$26,489	1.7%
California	\$24,144	4.4%
Washington	\$24,838	4.8%
Alaska	\$24,566	2.1%
Oregon	\$22,668	5.2%

SOURCE: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce

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**Sam Nygren, 25**  
Software engineer  
Catsville, N.Y.  
\$33,000



**Lisa Roybal, 23**  
Grant writer  
Santa Fe, N.M.  
\$20,000



**Carl Michael Elliott, 23**  
Construction technician  
Chico, Pa.  
\$23,000



**Rich Fisher, 33**  
Account representative  
Shrewsbury, Mass.  
\$30,000



**Monica Brooks, 26**  
Preschool teacher  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
\$11,000



**Tom McBride, 59**  
River guide  
Helena, Mont.  
\$32,000



**Douglas Izbelki, 50**  
Tour guide  
Honolulu, Hawaii  
\$28,000



**Marshall Perola, 42**  
Junior engineer  
Plainville, N.Y.  
\$52,000



**Bruce Cooper, 40**  
Executive director  
Reading, Pa.  
\$39,000



**Sandra Kinsey, 60**  
Nurse  
Baker, Mont.  
\$33,000



**William Wilkinson, 43**  
Restaurant artist  
Wood River, Ore.  
\$34,000



**Superna Harrison, 51**  
Restaurant owner  
Minneapolis, Minn.  
\$83,000

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an extra week off or a 10% wage increase. Forty-two percent (at every income level) said they'd take the time off—including many who said they love their work.

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school custodian. For extra money, he does custodial work at his church and serves as a school crossing guard. "Last year was better than 1995," he says. "We bought a house, something we wanted ever since we got married 31 years ago." He'd pick extra vacation over a raise. "Working two part-time jobs and one full-time gets to me," he says. Liz Taylor, 40, of Biloxi, Miss., who made \$39,800 as a clinical nurse specialist last year (about the same as in 1995), also has a part-time consulting job. And she'd choose a week off too. "To have that, with uninterrupted rest—I'd kill for that," she says. **IF**

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**A**S A KID GROWING UP IN THE BRONX in New York City, Tom Stanley used to go on Sunday walks with his father, a high school dropout who worked as a subway motorman. "He would take us through Fieldston, the rich neighborhood near us, and point out the big houses," Tom recalled. The sight of such extravagant wealth awed this young boy who was being raised in a flat—and dismayed him as well. "I would look at families like the Rockefeller or the Vanderbilts and think it was predetermined that they would be rich," he recalled. "After all, they had inherited money."

Tom Stanley, now 53, never thought he could be wealthy. Neither did Bill Danko. This affluent man, prematurely gray at 45, lost his father when he was 5.

# You Can Be Rich

His mother struggled to keep their family together while she cared for Bill's quadriplegic brother. "I learned a lot about tenacity from her," Bill told me.

Today, Tom Stanley and Bill Danko are not only rich, but they also are two of the country's leading experts on how to become rich. After all, they've been studying millionaires since 1973. Both men wear good but not flashy clothing and drive sturdy but not ex-

pensive cars. I visited Stanley and Danko to find out about a startling contention they make: that many of the people reading this article can become millionaires—without winning the lottery.

There are more than 3 million households in this country with more than \$1 million in net worth, Stanley and Danko pointed out. Most millionaires are not the lavish-spending aristocrats you might expect. Instead, they are people who have started their own businesses—from garbage recycling to photocopying stores. And, surprisingly, they are far more likely to accumulate millions of dollars than doctors or lawyers. Many millionaires are immigrants; many more are first- or second-generation Americans. "Russians do extremely well in this country," Stanley noted. "So do Israelis. It's not just immigrants, though. It's people who have a tremendous amount of discipline and who understand and appreciate the United States."

Stanley and Danko believe that becoming a millionaire has more to do with thrift than with earning a high income. Most of the millionaires they've interviewed have wives or husbands who are even more frugal than they are. One man gave his wife a gift of stock worth \$8 million. She thanked him and then went back to clipping supermarket coupons. Another man declined a gift of a Rolls-Royce from his associates because he thought it was too ostentatious for his lifestyle.

People who inherit their wealth are more likely to spend it on luxuries. That may account for why they are the minority of American millionaires. "We found that 86% of millionaires are first-generation [millionaires]," Stanley said.

Stanley and Danko became experts on millionaires by accident. In 1973, Stanley was a newly minted assistant professor of marketing at the State University of New York at Albany; Danko was one of his students. They decided to do a survey on the financial needs and attitudes of people in low-, middle- and high-wealth categories. "Only 8% of the people in the bottom group responded, and only 15% in the middle," Stanley explained. "But 42% of the top group answered. I wanted to get tenure, and I knew the chances of getting published were greater if you had a big response rate, so I decided to concentrate on the affluent."

The first time the two brought a group of millionaires together to talk about their attitudes, both men were shocked. "I thought I had walked into the wrong room," Stanley told me. Instead of gold watches and jewelry, fur coats and imported silk suits, they saw a roomful of people dressed in clothing purchased off the rack. The parking lot outside was filled with Fords, GM cars and Chryslers, with not a Jaguar or Rolls-Royce to be seen. That first observation was borne out by years of research. "We found that 37% of mil-

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**Gary Witherspoon, 35**  
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lionaires buy used cars," Stanley noted. "They let somebody else swallow the depreciation of a new car, then they drive it for years." Danko admitted to owning a Mercedes but added: "It's 7 years old, but I bought it when it was 6 years old."

Very few of Stanley and Danko's millionaires are household names. Most accumulated their wealth quietly. Indeed, about one in two millionaire households has less than \$100,000 in annual income. In many, both spouses work, but they decided that they could live on less than two incomes while they planned for tomorrow. Stanley and Danko call these people (and themselves) PAWs—Prodigious Accumulators of Wealth. These people made their money the old-fashioned way: They saved for a rainy day. "Live below your means," Danko advised. By setting aside 15% of after-tax income for savings, forgoing some luxuries and investing wisely, almost anyone can become a millionaire over the course of a working life. "It's not easy, and it's not quick, but it can be done," added

Danko, a married father of three. Stanley, a married father of two, agreed.

Stanley and Danko offered a rule of thumb for PAWs: Your net worth should be 10% of your annual income, multiplied by your age and then doubled. Thus, a 30-year-old who makes \$40,000 a year should have stashed away at least \$240,000; a 50-year-old who makes \$100,000 should have \$1 million in savings and investments. If you don't meet these targets, don't worry. "You can start late and still catch up," Stanley said. "All it takes is discipline."

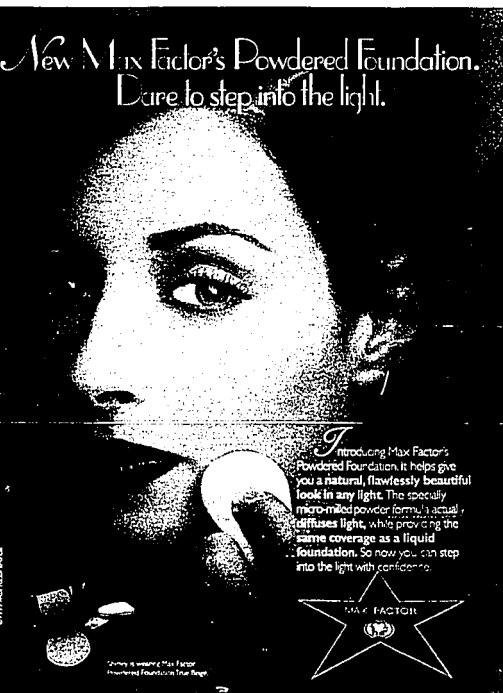
During their studies on millionaires, Stanley and Danko also found that a higher education does not always correlate to income. "Four years of college is about the break point," Danko pointed out. People who finish college, both men explained, frequently start their own businesses and, with luck and skill, succeed and accumulate wealth. But graduate school often turns people into what Stanley and Danko call

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UAWS—"Under-Accumulators of Wealth."—People get into law school or medical school, and they start hanging out with people with high consumption habits," Stanley noted. "The doctors and lawyers tend to become spenders as well."

In their book, *The Millionaire Next Door* (Longstreet Press), Stanley and Danko tell of one doctor making \$715,000 a year who treated himself to a \$65,000 Porsche, country-club memberships, expensive vacations, a house with more than \$100,000 in annual mortgage payments, and cars and private schools for his children. By the time he had paid for all these luxuries, he had only \$5700 to invest in his retirement account. Not only is he risking disaster, Stanley said, but he is bequeathing it to his children as well.

"Those kids were trained by their parents not to be frugal," added Stanley. "They're walking and talking consumption machines. That's okay while you still have a source of income, but they have lived an opulent lifestyle—and there's no way they are ever going to do that on their own. That is a shock that is happening over and over throughout the United States."

Stanley and Danko said that most millionaires they have interviewed live by one basic rule: Don't let your children know how affluent you are. Their book is replete with examples of millionaires whose children worked part-time jobs, helped pay their own way through college, established themselves in careers and only in adulthood learned that their parents would be leaving them substantial estates.

The book also relates many cautionary tales, like the one about a man whose children were told they would inherit \$3 million each at the age of 30. "He has one son who's a poet who doesn't write any poetry, another who's an inventor who hasn't invented anything, and a daughter who's 25, went to a very good school and is working as an *au pair*," Stanley told me. "It's built into their psyches that 'it's not what you do that counts.' They view their parents' wealth as their own."

After learning all of this, I asked Stanley and Danko why any of us

should want to be millionaires. After all, in an era of pension plans and Social Security, shouldn't we just spend our money enjoying life, knowing that we'll always be provided for? And isn't it unseemly to worry about making money for ourselves instead of sharing it with others?

They responded with vehemence. "No," Stanley said, "we can't assume that we will work for one loyal employer all of our careers. With all of the corporate downsizing going on, who can depend on a corporate job? We talk to corporate executives who have fear, concern and worry. People who have accumulated wealth have more confidence in themselves. They can control their destinies."

Stanley and Danko both said that they practice what they preach. Stanley left academia to start a consulting business in Atlanta. He drives American cars and lives unflamboyantly. Danko



"We below your means," says the millionaire experts Bill Danko (l) and Tom Stanley. "It's not easy, but it can be done."

too has kept a simple lifestyle while building capital. Although a successful consultant and now an author, he still teaches at the State University of New York at Albany. "I have a real commitment to public colleges like this," he said. "I know what they did for me." Danko also said that Stanley provided the inspiration for him to become a professor.

Both men insisted that accumulating wealth is not a matter of selfishness. "I tell people that they can go out and buy 10 houses and fix them up for poor families," said Stanley. "They'll still have wealth. They'll still make money. And they'll do good."

Danko, the grandson of Lithuanian and Polish immigrants, is acutely conscious of paying back society. "Family is all-important to me," he said. "I've never forgotten the family and community that got me where I am. I would feel terrible if I thought people were assuming that we're telling them to be selfish and not give to charity. But you can't give money if you don't have any." ■

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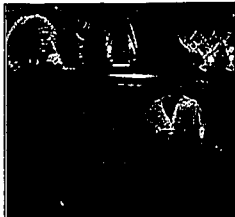
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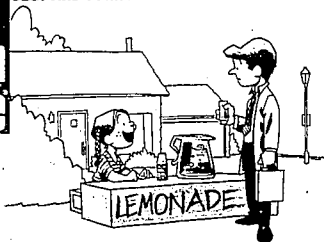
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# Ask Marijyn

Why is it that we are so idealistic at the age of 18 and so cynical by the time we are 35? And how can we change that?  
—Arnold Harris, Boynton Beach, Fla.

I think that most dissatisfaction in life results not from reality but from reality not living up to expectation. For example, if parents don't expect their grown children to support them in their old age, those parents will not be particularly disappointed if the children indeed don't. But if the parents do expect support, they may well be bitterly disappointed.

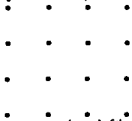
Our children might become happier adults if they were taught less idealism and more realism. For example, we routinely tell children that if they work hard enough and make wise decisions in both their professional and personal lives, any of them can "grow up to be President." This isn't true. A person cannot choose to become a President; Presidents must be elected. Also, only one person can be the President at a time, and that person may hold the position for years.

Academic life abounds with such examples. When we're told that fine character, top grades and quality outside activities will get us into the school of our dreams, it's a shock to learn that this may not be the case. No school has enough room to admit all the students qualified to attend it. Moreover, the school will wish to conform to a policy of how the student body will be composed regarding gender, race and financial backgrounds.

Daily life is even more discouraging. No wonder so many of us become disheartened, pessimistic about our futures, and even alienated from our own culture and government. It is lamentable for an individual to expect too much and appreciate too little. Our country is a bright and beautiful place—better than any country that has ever gone before it—and the average person is blessed with health and confers that we were unknown to kings. How thrilling it is just to be alive here and now. If only we knew it. In an enlightened intellectual environment, we all would.

Can you join all 16 points with only six straight lines and without lifting your pencil off the paper?

—Raymond Jones, Asheville, N.C.



One answer appears at the end of the column.

VANT



Is it  
Inevitable  
that we  
become  
more  
cynical  
as we  
grow  
older?  
It all  
depends  
on how  
we think.

Why can't all nuclear waste simply be dropped into the caverns left by underground nuclear explosions, which are already contaminated for thousands of years?

—John H. Thomas, Middletown, Va.

Many caverns collapse and refill, but regarding those that remain, this idea—and similar ones—already has been considered and discarded (so far). That's because it doesn't really solve the problem; it just moves the problem from one place to another. Radioactivity adds up: Two and a half cubic yards of high-level nuclear waste (the amount produced by a typical power plant in a year) are much more dangerous than one cubic yard. In other words, those underground test sites are already a problem. Moving additional waste there would just make a bad situation worse.

Other ideas also considered and discarded (again, so far) include sending the waste into permanent orbit and shooting it straight into the Sun. I suppose that we could even bury it in the center of the Moon, but what a sobering reminder that would be each night—especially if it began to glow in the dark!

Here's a problem for you: Three men rented a hotel room for \$30 and split the cost three ways—\$10 each. But after they left the office, the desk clerk discovered he had overcharged them by \$5. So he sent the bellman to refund it. On the way, the bellman remembered that he didn't tip him for carrying their bags. So he gave each of them \$1 and pocketed the remaining \$2 himself. This means each man was charged \$9—a total of \$27. Add the \$2 that the bellman pocketed, and the total is \$29. But the three men originally paid \$30. What happened to the missing dollar?

—Rodney Pence, Litzitz, Pa.

I originally answered this question back in 1988, and I'm reluctant to repeat an answer. But I'll make an exception this time, because the "three men in a hotel room" puzzle has once again become the most popular puzzle question in my mail.

There is no missing dollar. You added the money the three men *didn't* have (\$27) to the money the bellman *did* have (\$2), which makes no sense. The total just happens to come near the original price of the room, which misleads people into thinking the two numbers are related, but they're not. You can easily account for the \$30 by adding where it is, not where it *isn't*! The desk clerk now has \$2, the three men have \$3 (\$1 each), and the bellman has \$2. And \$25 + \$3 + \$2 = \$30.

On behalf of the National Mental Health Association and its 530 local affiliates, I am writing in response to your article on capital punishment. It is inappropriate

ate to make the blanket statement that the 51 million Americans who suffer from a mental illness each year should be locked "safely away." In fact, a causal relationship between mental illness and violent crime has never been established. NIMHA has been working for almost a century to dispel these myths about mental illnesses. I hope you will join in our efforts to end the stigma.

—Michael Faenza, President and CEO, NIMHA, Alexandria, Va.

I'll take you at your word that you are speaking for so many people, though some of my readers may believe otherwise. I hope you're not arguing against the insanity defense. Regardless, you have misunderstood. Here's what I wrote: "In an ideal world, I would be opposed to capital punishment. The mentally ill would still commit some heinous acts, and the rest of us would lock them safely away where they could do no more harm...But the world is not yet ideal."

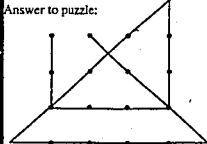
My point was that some of the people who commit heinous acts are mentally ill (and are therefore less responsible for their actions) and that these people—just the few mentally ill people who commit heinous acts, not all the innocent ones, for heaven's sake!—should be put "safely away where they could do no more harm." Perhaps I did not express myself clearly enough. I hope this helps.

Does your high IQ make you more attractive to men?

—Anonymous, Augusta, Ga.

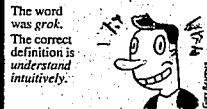
I don't know. I suppose I could put it to the test and do a survey, but I've thought of two good reasons not to: One, if the results were in my favor, I'd have to assume that my readers were biased; and, two, if the results were not in my favor, I'd be stuck with having to publish them anyway!

Answer to puzzle:



ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S  
WORDTEASER

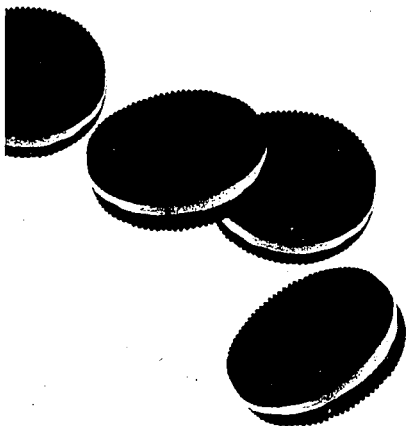
The word was *grok*.  
The correct definition is *understand intuitively*.



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Born Nov. 10, 1957, in Eufala, Okla. Married to Frankie Jones, 1977—Three daughters, Lakisha, 20, Jennifer, 12, and Julie, 7; two sons, Jerroll, 18, and Trey, 6.

**Career Highlights:**  
Attended University of Oklahoma, 1977-81; BA in Journalism; quarterback; voted MVP in Orange Bowl, 1980 and 1981. Played for Toronto and Ottawa in Canadian Football League, 1981-86; MVP of the Grey Cup tournament, 1982. Youth minister of Sunnylane Southern Baptist Church, 1986-89; associate pastor, 1995—. Oklahoma Corporation Commissioner, 1990-95. Inducted into Orange Bowl Hall of Fame, 1992. Elected to U.S. House of Representatives, 1994 and 1996; delivered speech at Republican National Convention, 1996.

**R**EP. J.C. WATTS JR., a Republican who represents Oklahoma's Fourth District, was late getting to the phone. Which, when you are in demand as he is, is understandable. First a floor vote, then a conference committee, later a meeting with New York Rep. Floyd Flake, and now he was back in his own office, and I was asking, "Have things quieted down yet?" And Watts was saying, "Jim, it has been perpetual motion. Double perpetual motion."

And it was his youngest son's sixth birthday, and Watts was trying to fly home for the party before a storm closed the airports.

But to J.C. Watts Jr., this was all routine stuff. He has a one-bedroom apartment on Capitol Hill and flies home to the family in Oklahoma every weekend. Last August in San Diego, he electrified a Republican National Convention audience with his 16-minute speech. And just after the start of his second term in Congress, he was chosen to give the GOP response to President Clinton's State of the Union address on Feb. 4—a response expensively delayed when some networks switched over to the latest O.J. verdicts. Then all that coverage of Watts ignited the usual media frenzy, some of it critical of the young Representative.

J.C. handled it all. But then, he's something special. Which is where I started my interview: When you've quarterbacked Oklahoma, twice been MVP of the Orange Bowl, starred in Canadian football's Grey Cup, been elected to Congress, gotten married and had five kids, how do you even rate the achievements?

"I've had my highs and my lows—more highs than lows," he said, "and I know that what I'm

## Brady's Bits



Watts is a Southern Baptist who was a youth minister. He's still a guest preacher and is associate pastor of a church in Del City, Okla. "They pay me \$1 a year," he said, "and the head of the deacons' committee insists I'm overpaid." His political oratory surely has benefited from time spent in the pulpit. To learn what he believes in, just listen: hard work, taking responsibility, playing by the rules. Some of his positions on issues have drawn fire from other blacks. "Sure," he said, "they think you're a sellout or an Uncle Tom. And I've been called lots worse." Just what does the J.C. stand for? "I was named for my father. His name was simply J.C. Watts—just the initials. But in school they told him he had to have a first name, and that's when he became Julius Caesar and why I'm Julius Caesar Jr."

All clear now?

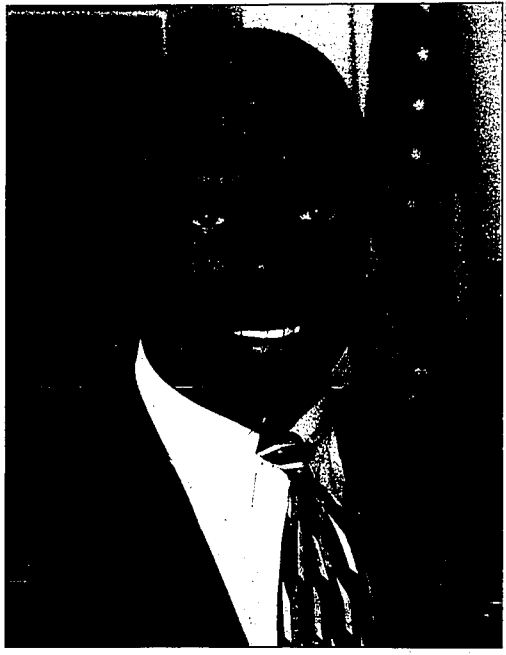
doing now is more crucial than anything other than having my children born. You enjoy the glorious times of the moment. But what is a 16-minute speech addressing the nation compared to someone wondering where he's going to sleep tonight and where his next meal is coming from?"

As a calm, good-looking fellow with the gift of gab—a conservative, but not militantly so, and the only black Republican in the current Congress—you sense that, in a racially divided America, it may be time for a Julius Caesar Watts Jr. to come along. There already is talk of Watts as our first African-American President.

**If they ever make a motion picture about this refreshing young Congressman, J.C. Watts Jr., how about this for a title: "Mr. Watts Goes To Washington"?**

Where does he go from here? "I've seen and done more in my 39 years than I ever dreamed of as a kid," Watts said. "If my life ended tomorrow, I'd have no complaints. I don't push the envelope. I don't make long-term plans. I like being an independent and not being forced to jump through hoops—which, once you lay out long-term goals, you have to do. Sure, people will have fun suggesting me for VP or a candidate for President, but I'd be just as happy being a full-time rancher back home, running cattle, with a few horses. It would be easier too."

He paused, then said with a laugh: "Though my wife, Frankie, doesn't think so." **EB**



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## WHAT MAKES A GOOD KISSER?

Recently, a girl asked this question. Here are a few replies from boys:



Andrew

Here's how I look at it: Good kissers: Brushed her teeth recently. Seems to be enjoying herself. Either says "stop" or joins in when her partner tries something different. Playfully nibbles.

**Bad kissers:** Gum disease. Repeatedly looks at her watch. Laughs hysterically when her partner tries something different. Bites really hard. Attempts a tonsillectomy with no hands.

The big thing to remember is, if you don't want to kiss a guy, don't let him make you. If he is that insistent, he is putting too much emphasis on that part of the relationship, and that might be all he wants.

—Andrew Stephenson, 19, Clinton, Ill.

The thing that makes a girl a good kisser is the meaning she puts into it.

—Greg Miller, 10, St. Louis, Mo.



David

A girl who is a good kisser is a girl who really likes to kiss.

—David Brooks, 17, Whitehall, Pa.

It doesn't matter if a girl is a good kisser. It matters that she is a good person.

—Josh Ruppel, 16, Eldon, Mo.

## HOW MY FRIEND HELPED ME

A teenager from St. Charles, Mo., writes:



Amanda

When I was little, I was very unhappy because my mother and father would argue a lot. When this happened, I'd often run outside and hold my ears and cry. Then one day this girl my age came over and asked me why I was crying, and I told her. After that, she would come to see me all the time, and she'd keep telling me, "It's gonna be better tomorrow." After a while, I started to believe it myself.

Suddenly, it started to happen. Things did get better. My mom and dad didn't argue as much, actually hardly at all anymore.

My new friend helped me through a tough time. We are still friends today.

—Amanda Eldon, 10

Lynn Minton Reports

## Fresh Voices

## HOW TO SAY "NO"—AND KEEP YOUR FRIENDS

A while back, a teenager from Baltimore wrote: "People always feel they can count on me to do stuff for them. Sometimes I feel like, to live up to this, I always have to do things for everyone. And sometimes I just feel like standing up for myself and saying, 'No,' but I can't. I'd like to know how other teenagers who have this problem handle it."

Here's how some students of Donald Simpinis at Blacksburg (Va.) Middle School responded:



Kimberly

I have personally been in a couple of situations where I now wish that I had said, "No," because I got into big trouble at home about it. I still choke when I say, "No," but

Kimberly: I have learned that sometimes it is the best choice for me.

Kindness makes the situation better on both sides—never snap at the person when you tell them, "No." If they ask why you can't do something for or with them, either say how you feel or make up an excuse. For example, if someone asks if they can copy an-

swers from your math homework, you can say that the teacher will notice or you're not sure if your answers are right, etc. This will usually make a person think about the consequences. Then leave before anything else is asked.

Try to keep in mind that your choice was not wrong, even if the person gets upset with you. Thinking about yourself in such situations doesn't make you a bad person. You seem to be very kind, so remember all the good things you've done. Good luck!

—Kimberly Jones, 14



Chris

I always think I have to do something or give something in order to be in a certain group. I also think people sort of use me for things. Like, I live near this girl who almost everyone likes, and a lot of times I get used for connections. Boys come and stay with me and want to go to her house.

I really hate this! Sometimes I just say, "No!" Truthfully, that doesn't always work. But I'm still trying, and I believe that if you stood up and tried this, it just might work for you.

—Chris McMurray, 14



Shannon

One of my friends thinks the world is hers to do her bidding. She has "emotional breakdowns" every five minutes, and I've always been there for her.

Well, one day I took a stand for myself. I said that if she wanted to get out of this jam, she was going to have to do it herself. I told her I wasn't going to take orders from her anymore. She looked at me as if I had just come in from outer space. She said that I needed to get a reality check. We got into a big fight. Then another one of my friends told me that the first friend didn't really know that she tries to control people. So I stopped being mad at her, and we talked it out.

So, talk to your friends about the problem and try to say, "No," if they ask you to do something you don't want to do. If you can't say, "No," to their face, practice saying it to your goldfish first. Always remember that only you choose your destiny. Good luck.

—Shannon M. Snider, 14

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## Dueling Dinosaurs



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Animal Kingdom, Disney World's next theme park, will include DinoLand. Visitors will "travel" back 65 million years to save the last of the dinosaurs before a giant asteroid wipes them out. This kinder, gentler dino experience opens next spring. For those who like to see real dino bones, there's a *Lost World* exhibit to Sept. 30 at New York's American Museum of Natural History. It also features items from the film.

## Killing Fields Revisited

Tuol Sleng, the Khmer Rouge secret police prison in Phnom Penh, was a stop along the way to the killing fields for 16,000 Cambodians. Only a handful survived its tortures. Today, Tuol Sleng is a "museum of genocide," and one exhibit has the old rules for prisoners. Among them:

- "Do nothing, sit still and wait for orders. If there is no order, keep quiet."
- "If you don't follow the rules, you shall get many lashes of electric wire."
- "While getting lashes or electrification, you must not cry at all."

Details of up to 2 million killings are now coming to light through *The Cambodian Genocide Program at Yale*, initially funded by Congress. The goal: to build a criminal case against Pol Pot, the Khmer Rouge leader. Its Web site ([www.yale.edu/egp](http://www.yale.edu/egp)) includes records from Pol Pot's prison camps. Any data gathered will be turned over to the Cambodians.

Pol Pot, rumored to have died last year, is now said to be alive at 69 and a guerrilla leader in north Cambodia.

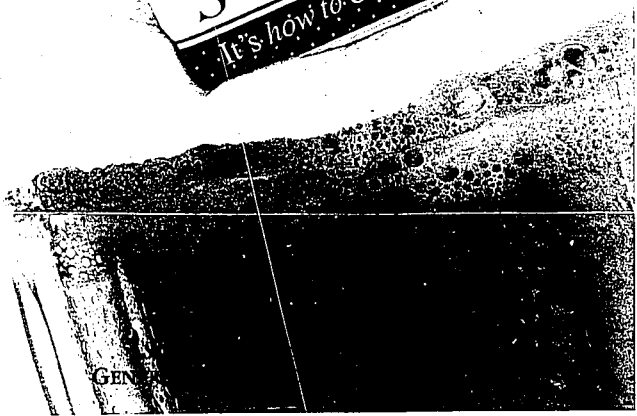
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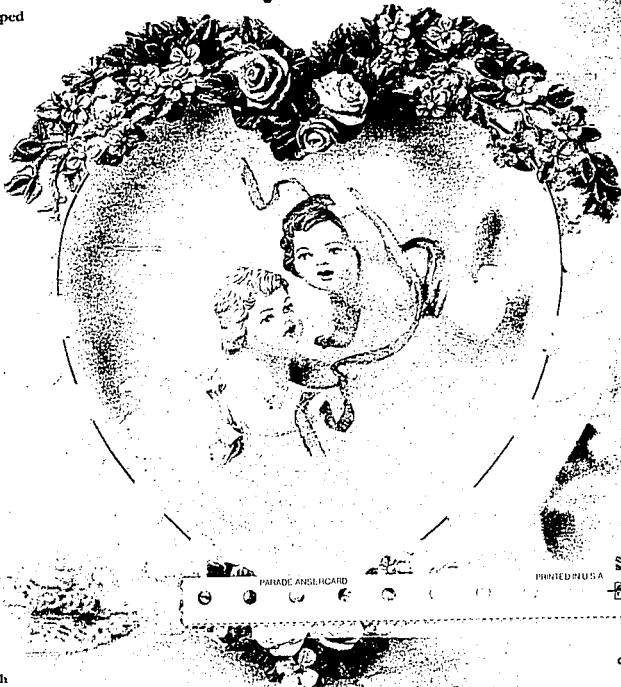
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