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Stivers still going strong

Longtime public servant, fiscal watchdog continues to champion budgetary prudence

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — After two decades in the public eye, people still listen to T.W. "Tom" Stivers.

With a mathematical mind and a quick tongue, the 78-year-old former speaker of the House continues to enliven public debates with wry, often contentious arguments for fiscal prudence.

Stivers is the Magic Valley's original budget watchdog. He served as Twin Falls County's clerk for 12 years and eventually made his way to the Legislature, where he went down in history as one of Idaho's most flamboyant speakers of the House.

He said he plans to visit state officials later this month over a "litany of things I

About T.W. 'Tom' Stivers

- Age: 78
- Residence: Twin Falls.
- History: Born in Maroa, Ill. Moved to Twin Falls in 1926, where his family began farming. Graduated from Twin Falls High School, U.S. Navy, 1942-45. Twin Falls County clerk, 1951-63. Bought a land title business in 1963, now called Title First Inc. Idaho Legislature, 1974-86. Speaker of the House, 1982-86. Also served on President Reagan's Advisory Committee on Federalism.
- Family: Wife, Winifred; twin children, Richard Stivers and Susan Waters.

think could be cut back."
"I don't want to retire from life and Please see STIVERS, Page A8



Former Speaker of the House Tom Stivers keeps a fiscal hawk's eye on local and state politics and shows few signs of slowing down at age 78.

Stivers in his own words — and others'

IN HIS OWN WORDS:

- "Dear Mary: Goodbye! Sincerely, T.W. Stivers." A 1995 letter he sent to a teacher who complained inadequate funding for education forced her to leave Idaho.
- "Because someone stacked the committee — guess who?" A 1985 comment, after

he and his fellow lawmakers didn't raise taxes that session.

- "It always keeps score." Said after a Republican colleague complained she didn't get a key committee appointment. Stivers contended the colleague didn't

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Digging it: Archaeologists delve into contributions of 19th-century Chinese to Magic Valley

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

ROCK CREEK — Archaeologists have been turning earth at the old Stricker Ranch site in hopes of getting a firm grasp on an elusive piece of local history.

Late in the 19th century, Chinese were a significant portion of the population throughout the land that would become the Western states, and the Magic Valley was no exception.

Twin Falls geography teacher Ron James has long studied the part Chinese played in the area's history. It's a daunting task because the large groups of Chinese who lived and worked here in the gold rush days left no living descendants, few written records and only small artifacts.

Conflicting stories about a "Chin house" at the Stricker Ranch and Rock Creek townsite were enough to draw James and a team of archaeologists from the Idaho State Historical Society in Boise to the ranch site in search of answers last week.

On Saturday, the dig's last day, they weren't much closer to finding those answers.

"At least we have some evidence that there were Chinese living in this vicinity," archaeologist Robert Yohe said.

He was referring to two small pieces of a rice bowl and a chunk of what may have been a teacup that were dug out of what was a compost pile.

"These are domestic items. If (Chinese) were just passing through for the night, they wouldn't have gotten these things out," he said.

Instead, the fragments probably came from broken household items thrown into a common trash pile by Chinese who had been in the area for some time, Yohe said.

Still, questions over whether Chinese merchants set up shop there remained unanswered, as no evidence of a permanent structure was found.

The team also found items left by other people who had used the area, including some prehistoric stone chips left by American Indians making stone tools.

On Wednesday, historical society member Mary Anne Davis came across a few sheep vertebrae. By the next day, she had uncovered the complete skeletons of a ewe and lamb that died during a breach birth about 40 years ago.

The three skeletons were leftovers from the site's years as a working ranch.

But in even earlier times, The Rock Creek Store and townsite was a popular resting place for people of all races making their way along the Oregon Trail between Boise and Utah.

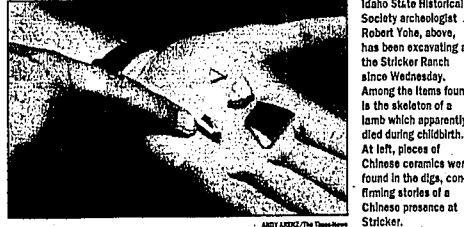
Some — drawn to the area to mine for gold in and around the Snake River Canyon — also decided to stay a while.

But unlike some of their white counterparts, the Chinese never stayed on to farm or raise families after the gold was gone, James said.

He said nearly all the Chinese who came to the American West were from around Canton or Hong Kong in southern China. Hong Kong, which had just come under British rule, was a perfect jumping-off point for Chinese willing to seek a fortune in the West.

Almost all who did make the journey to America were men who left China with the intention of coming back home someday, James said. Strict immigration laws passed in the 1880s also kept many Chinese who were in America from bringing their families over to settle down with them, he said.

While here, the Chinese kept mostly to themselves and probably would not have slept under the same roof with



whites, Yohe said.

That leads to the conclusion that they built, bought or leased some sort of structure near Rock Creek, but just what or exactly where the building was may never be known, he said.

There may have been a Chinese house, mercantile or even a small Taoist or Confucianist temple near Rock Creek at one time, James said.

But the hoofs of livestock and the blades of farm machinery have churned the ground around the site for years, mixing

A real-life 'Speed' tale

Hijacker doesn't leave the driving to Greyhound

The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — On a bus barreling down a South Carolina highway in the middle of the night, a passenger lumbered up the aisle, put a knife to the driver's throat and shouted, "I'm not playing!"

He took the wheel for an hour after Saturday, driving about the movie "Speed" and threatening to drive off a bridge, police said.

But the calm bus driver forced the vehicle to a stop, and he and some of his 24 other passengers jumped the hijacker. The knife-wielding man wound up dead, though police wouldn't say how he died; he was not shot or stabbed.

When firefighters pried open the door of the bus on a concrete median on Interstate 77 in south Charlotte, "the bad guy fell out and he was DOA," said Capt. J.C. Felder of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg police.

None of the passengers was injured, although five were taken to hospitals complaining of chest pains.

The hijacker's name was not immediately released. He was described as a bearded man in his 20s or 30s.

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Mir's woes show nations' different space approaches

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — First the Mir space station nearly went up in flames. Then a collision knocked a hole in the wall. And this past week, it lost power for several hours — a darkened station spinning out of control 250 miles above Earth.

At best, the Russian craft appears old and accident-prone. At worst, it seems dangerous and uncontrollable, causing many to question the wisdom of joint American space programs with the Russians — especially the international space station now under construction.

To the amazement of some and the exasperation of others, Russian space officials have appeared to take the accidents and breakdowns in stride. In fact, about the only crisis the Russians don't seem to have with the Mir is a crisis of confidence.

In contrast to Americans, who execrable the space shuttle Challenger blew up one ignited by the smallest of glitches in space ventures, Russians have greeted the events on the Mir with comparative serenity.

They're coolheaded, say some Western space experts — who believe that very quality demonstrates the strength of Russia's manned space program and its likely longevity.

"The problems we've seen on Mir are a preview of the problems we're going to have with the international space station," said John Pike, a space specialist at the Federation of American Scientists

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WEATHER

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Sunday, July 20
AccuWeather's forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

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FORECAST

Magic Valley

Sunny and warmer today. High in the upper 80s. West wind 5 to 10 mph. Tonight clear. Low 55 to 60. Monday sunny and hot. Highs in the middle 90s.

The ultraviolet index forecast is 6, a high exposure level.

Extended regional forecast

Tuesday a slight change of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Otherwise mostly sunny. Lows in the 40s to lower 50s. Highs in the upper 70s and 80s.

Wednesday and Thursday partly cloudy. A chance of evening and evening thunderstorms. Lows in the 40s to lower 50s. Monday mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in the middle 80s to lower 90s.

Carnas Prairie

Partly cloudy today. Isolated afternoon mountain thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s to middle 80s. Tonight partly cloudy. Isolated evening thunderstorms. Lows in the 40s to lower 50s. Monday mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in the middle 80s to lower 90s.

Treasure Valley

Sunny and warmer today. High in the lower 90s. Light winds. Tonight clear. Low in the lower 60s. Monday sunny and hot. High 95 to 100.

Sawtooth Mountains, Wood River Valley

Partly cloudy today. Isolated afternoon mountain thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s to middle 80s. Tonight partly cloudy. Isolated evening thunderstorms. Lows in the 40s to lower 50s. Monday mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in the middle 80s to lower 90s.

Eastern Idaho

Mostly sunny and warm today. Highs in the middle 80s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph. Tonight mostly clear. Lows 45 to 55. Monday mostly sunny and a little warmer. Highs around 90.

Northern Idaho

Partly sunny and warm today. Isolated afternoon showers and thunderstorms. Highs near 90. Light east wind. Tonight partly cloudy. Lows in the mid-50s. Monday partly sunny and hot. Isolated afternoon showers and thunderstorms near the mountains. Highs in the lower 90s.

Northern Nevada

Mostly sunny and warmer today. High in the upper 80s. Southwest wind 5-15 mph. Tonight mostly clear. Low in the lower 50s. Monday mostly sunny in the morning. Partly cloudy in the afternoon. High around 90.

Northern Utah

Mostly sunny and a little warmer today. Highs 90-95. Tonight fair. Lows from the upper 50s to mid-60s. Monday mostly sunny. Highs 90-95.

The ultraviolet index forecast is 9, a high exposure level.

ACROSS THE NATION

Danny inundates Gulf Coast; thunderstorms flood Oklahoma

The Associated Press

Hurricane Danny poured torrential, wind-driven rain on the Gulf Coast on Saturday, and thunderstorms on the Plains flooded parts of Oklahoma.

Danny sat nearly motionless along the Alabama coast for much of Saturday, blasting the Mobile area with wind blowing at a sustained 80 mph.

Nearly 30 inches of rain had fallen since Friday morning on parts of Mobile County and coastal Dauphin Island.

The threat of tornadoes sent thousands to emergency shelters or motels farther inland, and the storm had knocked out power to some 20,000 customers.

The hurricane also spread heavy rain across southern Mississippi, southern Georgia and much of Florida.

On the Plains, heavy thunderstorms rolled across southern and central Oklahoma with 2 to 4 inches of rain possible in places. The same weather system had been soaking the state since Thursday, and Enid had collected 4.27 inches of rain in the 24 hours up to 7 a.m.

There were widespread reports of street and highway flooding in Oklahoma, and the Salt Fork River was expected to crest at least 3 feet above flood stage early Sunday in mostly rural areas of Grant and Kay counties, the National Weather Service said.

Farther north, a broad area of strong thunderstorms spread light to moderate rain across eastern Minnesota and western Wisconsin. That area of rain also pushed southward into northeastern Iowa and northwestern Illinois during the afternoon.

Showers and a few thunderstorms developed over North Dakota and expanded into northern Minnesota. Severe thunderstorm watches were posted for eastern North Dakota, central and northeastern South Dakota and northwestern and north-central Minnesota.

NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Sunday, July 20.

FRONTS: H L

PRECIP: H L

WIND: H L

TEMPERATURES: H L

TEMPERATURES

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	90	64	.02
Atlanta	89	72	....
Boston	78	68	....
Chicago	82	66	.01
Dallas	95	76	....
Denver	87	74	.57
Des Moines	93	74	....
Detroit	79	64	....
Honolulu	89	76	.01
Phoenix	94	68	....
Indianapolis	89	69	....
Kansas City	90	72	....
Las Vegas	104	79	....
Los Angeles	78	65	....
Memphis	95	75	....
Miami Beach	90	70	2.27
New York	82	71	.05
Minneapolis	74	73	.42
New Orleans	81	75	....
Oakland	88	70	....
Oklahoma City	88	72	.21
Omaha	90	76	....
Portland, Me.	88	51	....
Pittsburgh	83	64	.01
Portland, Me.	70	58	.01
Portland, Ore.	88	51	....
Reno	88	51	....
S. Louis	95	79	1.34
Salt Lake City	88	66
San Francisco	71	59
Seattle	79	56
Spokane	87	54
Washington	96	73	.02

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City	Max	Min	Pcp
Boise	72	54
Burley	74	52
Fairfield	m	m
Gooding	m	m
Hagerman	m	m
Idaho Falls	77	50	....
Jerome	72	50	....
Lewiston	85	63	....
Molad	m	m	....
Malta	73	46	....
McCall	m	m	....
Pocatello	77	54	....
Salmon	72	54	....
Stanley	m	m	....
Sun Valley	m	m	....

SKWATCH

Sunset today 9:10 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:19 a.m.
Lunar phase: Full, July 19; last quarter, July 26; new, Aug. 3; first quarter, Aug. 11.
Visible planets: Morning: Saturn, Jupiter.
Evening: Venus, Jupiter, Mars, Mercury.

Glitches block most data from Mars

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Earth-based glitches blocked most data from the Mars Pathfinder on Saturday, delaying images of the martian moon Phobos, observations of the morning fog and more rock measurements.

The stream of computerized photos and measurements were expected to be present by early Sunday, mission controllers said.

The problems, unrelated to computer resets on the Mars lander that delayed communications earlier, were caused in part by the incorrect setting of a radio antenna in Madrid, said project manager Brian Muirhead at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

"We haven't worked with this (Madrid) team since landing day. It took a while for

"This isn't super precise stuff. You're working from 120 million miles away, and the precision ... from the images we have is not great."

— Brian Muirhead, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

everybody to get configured properly," Muirhead said.

The antenna receives information from the Pathfinder probe, exploring the red planet's surface since its July 4 landing.

HIGHS & LOWS

Idaho: High, 85 degrees at Lewiston. Low, 46 degree at Malta.

Nation: High, 112 at Lake Havasu City, Ariz. Low, 37 at Truckee, Calif.

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2 planes collide over Lake Michigan; 3 bodies recovered

CHICAGO (AP) — Two private planes collided over Lake Michigan and one fell into the water about 300 yards off shore on Saturday, authorities reported.

Three bodies were recovered about an hour later, a spokesman

Hijacker

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It all started about 11:30 p.m. EDT after the bus pulled out of Columbia, S.C.

The hijacker had been drinking and had two bottles of wine in his backpack.

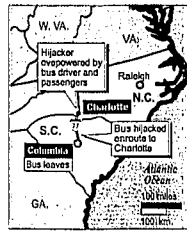
"He was talking out of his head the entire time. He said he was going to stab them before they stab me," said passenger Sherry Knight of Charleston, S.C. Knight said she and the hijacker had boarded one bus in North Charleston and transferred to the Charlotte-bound bus in Columbia.

The hijacker ordered the passengers to the back as he sped north, swerving.

"He meant to kill us. He said he was going to take us to the mountains and maybe let the kids off before he drove off" by the other passengers, said Kay Lane of Jonesborough, Tenn., who sat next to the hijacker before he took over the bus.

Bus driver H. Gene Sparks, keeping a seat near the front of the bus kept everyone calm.

As the bus neared Charlotte, Sparks noticed that the hijacker "started to talk more erratic than he had been and acted more erratic," said Rick Vanhook, Greyhound's area manager in Charlotte.



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Mir

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in Washington. "This is basically what long-duration space flight looks like."

The Mir's troubles — and reactions to them — highlight several differences between the Russian and American approaches to space.

For one thing, the major U.S. manned space project has been the space shuttle, which makes short, carefully planned forays into orbit.

By contrast, the Russians have had cosmonauts in space continuously for 11 years, which gives them more time and opportunity to be relaxed and take things as they come.

"The Russians have more experience improvising and more confidence that they can improvise successfully," Pike said. "That's alien to American space-flight culture, which is elaborately choreographed."

That more relaxed attitude filters down to the public as well.

The Mir's most recent episode,

the station's blackout on Thursday, didn't make the front page of most newspapers and was overshadowed on TV news shows by the deaths of 11 soldiers in the collapse of a dormitory in Siberia.

"It is certainly a secondary topic for us. Everybody is already fed up with space," said Andrei Lapik, deputy editor of Moskovsky Komsomolets, a tabloid-style Russian newspaper that didn't report Mir's latest mishap. "No one has died, have they?"

"America is different, their mentality is different," he added. "In this country, it is of little importance when something breaks on the orbital station."

But the Russian attitude doesn't mean the space program is cast aside. It is being led by Geoff Perry, head of the Kettering Space Observers Group in Cornwall, England.

"They aren't going to risk cosmonaut lives any more than

NASA is going to risk astronaut lives," he said.

Another difference between the two programs is the contrast in public disclosure.

While the Soviets touted their space successes as loudly as the Americans and made their astronauts into living icons, the program's day-to-day events weren't publicized. One reason is that there was no clear division between the Soviet Union's military and civilian space programs, and an aura of secrecy lingers over the Russian program to this day.

"They still work on a need-to-know basis," Perry said.

By contrast, NASA has always been a civilian agency and has packaged its work for public consumption. And with some members of Congress balking at the high cost of the international space station, maintaining public interest in space is more important for NASA than ever.

To that end, both sides have a mutual interest in preserving the

problem was compounded by an Earth-based computer reset and the lack of time the Pathfinder team had access to the global Deep Space Network of antennas, which was also being used to receive data from the Galileo mission to Jupiter.

A reset is a safety feature similar to hitting a reset button on a home computer.

The rover Sojourner tried to touch a rock dubbed Scooby Doo with its sensors, but overshot its goal. Earlier, it had scraped dust from the rock's surface.

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Cunanan's trail led to motel, pawn shop, adult store

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Andrew Cunanan apparently moved easily in this resort, idle for the last two months, staying at an aging, pink hotel, pawning a stolen gold coin and frequenting a sex toy store.

He was well-dressed, soft-spoken and polite as he traveled around the neighborhood, witnesses said. He wore sunglasses when he paid his hotel bill each week, in cash.

Cunanan, traveling under an alias, has eluded scores of agents trying to cast a net over south Florida, although dozens of people reported seeing him everywhere around this resort before the July 15 murder of designer Gianni Versace.

Cunanan, the prime suspect in the killings of Versace and four other men — although he was cleared as a suspect of a sixth death Saturday — was reportedly caught on camera as late as Friday in Fort Lauderdale.

Vivian Oliva, a clerk at the Cash on the Beach pawn shop, remembers a man she says was Cunanan pawning a gold coin on July 7. The coin was the same reported stolen from Lee Miglin, the Chicago real estate developer. Cunanan is accused of killing with a garden tool in May.

"He looked like a very nice guy," said Oliva, 45. "I told him I had a bottle of water and the coin to make sure it was real. When I told him it'd go \$190, he said, 'Com'on, I work so hard for this.'"

Wearing a raincoat, Cunanan bought a bottle of water and was looking for hot food last week at a Circle K convenience store, clerk Mellony Brunson told The Associated Press.

"He was in here between 7 and 8:30 Thursday night," Brunson said, Saturday. "I'm 100 percent sure."

"I didn't know he was a fugitive by the way he smiled or looked," she said.

Two travel agents say they saw Cunanan last week, indicating he was planning his next destination.

"He was very serious," said Blancaluz Pineda, an employee at Swing Travel Advisers. "I remember him with a serious expression wearing a baseball cap. It was unbelievable he was so close to us."



Mellony Brunson, an employee at the Circle K on Miami Beach, claims Saturday to be 100 percent sure that suspected serial killer Andrew Cunanan was in the store Thursday night, two days after Italian fashion designer Gianni Versace was found fatally shot.

Pineda and her sister, Astrid Pineda, said he was looking for travel advice, but they could not recall details.

Cunanan was recognized in police photos at a Sheraton hotel in Fort Lauderdale on Friday morning, The Sun-Sentinel of Fort Lauderdale reported Saturday.

He was bespectacled and preppy, posing as a foreigner and asking directions. When a clerk tried to stall him, he got suspicious and walked out, the newspaper said. A security video camera caught the man wearing a polo shirt and dark shorts.

Cunanan is suspected of shooting Versace outside his seaside villa, two ex-lovers in Minnesota, a developer in Chicago, and a cemetery caretaker in New Jersey since May.

He was cleared Saturday as a suspect in the death of Dr. Silvio Alfonso, two days after the

Versace killing. Metro-Dade police charged Yosevani Hernandez, 28, with murder and armed robbery in the doctor's slaying.

Witnesses had said they saw a man fitting Cunanan's description running from the doctor's home the morning after Versace's death, about 15 miles from the designer's mansion.

Although police have said they believe Cunanan is still in south Florida, the FBI has made a list of wealthy, gay men it believes are "potential targets" and warned them to take precautions, the New York Daily News reported Saturday.

The agency has also contacted gay groups in Boston, Atlanta and New York, fearing he may go there next, the newspaper said.

Police have found their most solid leads along Collins Avenue in northern Miami Beach, where merchants said

Therapist says Cunanan afraid he was infected with AIDS

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Andrew Cunanan feared he might be HIV-positive and told a counselor he would "get" whoever may have transmitted the virus to him, The San Diego Union-Tribune reported today.

Two months before the start of his alleged cross-country murder spree, Cunanan approached Mike Dudley, a volunteer counselor at a nonprofit agency for people with AIDS and HIV, Dudley told the newspaper.

"He started asking me pretty basic questions about HIV transmission," Dudley said. "He was mentioning some of the things he had done sexually. I explained the things were sort of in the gray area and he should take greater precautions."

"He became agitated and he got up and kicked the wall and said, 'If I find out who did this to me, I'm gonna get them,'" Dudley said.

Cunanan, 27, left San Diego in April and became the nation's most-wanted fugitive for allegedly killing five people, including fashion designer Gianni Versace on Tuesday.

During their brief conversation at David's Place, Cunanan never told Dudley whether he had tested positive for HIV.



Andrew Cunanan

"He seemed like he was confused and upset and just needed a little consolation," Dudley said. "Either he was getting up the nerve to get tested, or he had been tested and was antsy waiting for the results. He never answered the \$64-million question."

After Cunanan's outburst, Dudley tried to comfort him.

"I said, 'Come on, honey, calm down. You can't think that way about anyone.' I gave him a hug and squeezed his hand and I said, 'Are you OK?'"

"And he said, 'Yes, I'm OK.'"

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Minister charged with embezzling

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A former preacher is accused of taking \$3,500 from a fund that was set up in memory of a 2-year-old Oklahoma City bombing victim by the child's own grandmother.

Zachary R. Finley, 46, was charged Friday with five counts of embezzlement by a trustee, said Peter Haddock, assistant district attorney.

Finley, former associate pastor at the Mount Lebanon Baptist Church, allegedly took the money from the Dominie London Memorial Fund, named for one of the 19 children killed in the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. The fund was intended to finance a playground and day care center at the church.

The account was started with \$2,500 given by Dominique's grandmother, Ernestine Looney. Money also was donated by other church members.

"The same day the fund was opened the pastor wrote himself a check for \$1,000," police officer James Hughes said in an affidavit.

A series of smaller checks withdrew the remainder of the \$3,500, Hughes alleged.

Prosecutors say Finley maintained the money was used for the day care center.

"The records contradict what he said it went for," Haddock said. "We allege it went for his own use."

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NATION

Mistrust among GOP leaders grows

WASHINGTON (AP) — At a late-night meeting in the Capitol, New York Rep. Bill Paxon, implicated in a plan to topple Speaker Newt Gingrich, offered to resign from the House GOP leadership.

Before Gingrich could reply, Majority Leader Dick Armey broke in. "I accept," Armey said — although he had not appointed the young New Yorker to his influential post and had no authority over him.

The exchange, recounted by a congressional source speaking on condition of anonymity, underscored the mistrust that has been slowly building in the top ranks of a Republican leadership that has lurched all year from one crisis to another.

Gingrich snapped up Paxon's offer to resign the next morning as the speaker worked to restore order from the chaos sown by stories of intrigue by his lieutenants.

To varying degrees, questions also were raised about the loyalty of other members of the leadership, including Armey of Texas, Rep. John Boehner of Ohio, and — particularly — the GOP Whip, Rep. Tom DeLay of Texas.

"Except for Newt, I don't think there's a member of the leadership who could win an election" among the GOP rank and file, a senior aide to another of the leaders conceded privately to a reporter. With lawmakers gone from the Capitol for a long weekend, it wasn't clear how quickly an attempt might be made to force other resignations.

At the very least, officials say, all members of the top leadership listened sympathetically to dissidents seeking Gingrich's ouster. In a series of conversations with their junior colleagues, they had shared their own frustrations with the speaker's habit of acting impulsively.

"Newt fatigue" had become an everyday expression to describe the consequences of working closely with the House's top leader. The tensions had been clearly on display last month as Paxon, Armey, DeLay and Boehner voted against disaster aid legislation that Gingrich brought to the floor to end a veto confrontation with the White House.

In DeLay's case, claimed transgressions were more serious. The Texas Republican has yet to respond publicly to reports that



House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., center, flanked by Rep. Bill Paxon, R-Vt., left, and House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, in this April 25 photo. Last week's failed plan to topple Gingrich from the house speaker position and Paxon's resignation form the House GOP leadership underscore the mistrust that has slowly been building in the top ranks of a Republican leadership that has lurched from one crisis to another.

he told a roomful of dissidents in a critical late-night meeting that he would vote with them to oust Gingrich.

The events of the week also left the dissidents furious at the GOP leaders — whom they said had encouraged the attempt to topple Gingrich, then changed their mind at the last minute. "What happened was one or more of them got cold feet and decided they had to divert blame from themselves," Rep. Van Hilleary, R-Tenn., told the Tennessee and The Knoxville News-Sentinel newspapers.

Ironically, last week's events seemed to strengthen Gingrich, at least in the short run.

Candidates he quietly pushed forward in junior leadership elec-

tions triumphed over their rivals. With that in mind, several rank-and-file lawmakers predicted an effort to force out Armey, DeLay and Boehner, either immediately or after Congress completes work on pending tax-cut and balanced-budget legislation.

DeLay issued a statement during the week insisting he would stay in his post. But two sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said his position was most precarious. They said discussions were under way to force his ouster and install the deputy whip, Rep. Dennis Hastert of Illinois.

Dunn said that rather than doing the business of Congress,

GOP delegates demand substance, not intrigue

CLEVELAND (AP) — Republican National Committee delegates are asking GOP congressional leaders and governors to meet and find a way to redirect the party's energy from self-destructive infighting to public policy.

Delegates to the RNC's summer meeting requested the meeting in response to turmoil among party leaders in Washington after news reports of a move to unseat House Speaker Newt Gingrich.



Jennifer Dunn

The activity, played down by several of the reported participants, became even more public Saturday with comments by Rep. Jennifer Dunn, R-Wash. a Gingrich loyalist, that most of the party faithful are agast over what's going on.

"I think what's been happening lately is appalling to a huge majority of us in the Republican conference," Dunn said in an interview on CNN's "Inside Politics Weekend." "We want to be able to get this sort of child's play behind us."

Dunn moved up last week to the fifth-ranking position in the GOP House leadership in a party election that heightened the melodrama among party chiefs.

New York Rep. Bill Paxon resigned as chairman of the House leadership — a position created for him last winter by Gingrich — after allegations that he had been involved in an attempt to oust the speaker.

Dunn said that rather than doing the business of Congress,

"What we're doing instead is we're allowing front-page headlines to say, 'Republicans in Disarray.' I believe we ought to get this behind us, get on with what we're about and serve the people."

Also appearing on the CNN program, Rep. Ernest Istook, R-Okla., indicated a possible motive for unrest within the party, saying GOP leaders need to defer more to their fellow Republicans.

"A lot of decisions are made at the leadership level that I think need to be kicked back to the rank-and-file so that we can operate by consensus," Istook said.

At the RNC meeting, ending Saturday, Michigan Gov. John Engler suggested the governors-lawmakers meeting, a two-day retreat outside Washington.

"I'm one of the Republicans who are a little bit frustrated right now because we seem to be spending more time reading stories than we are focusing on the national agenda," Engler said.

The RNC's 135 delegates approved the resolution Friday on a voice vote. It urged RNC chairman Jim Nicholson to organize the retreat to reassess the GOP's national policy agenda as a priority over internal power struggles.

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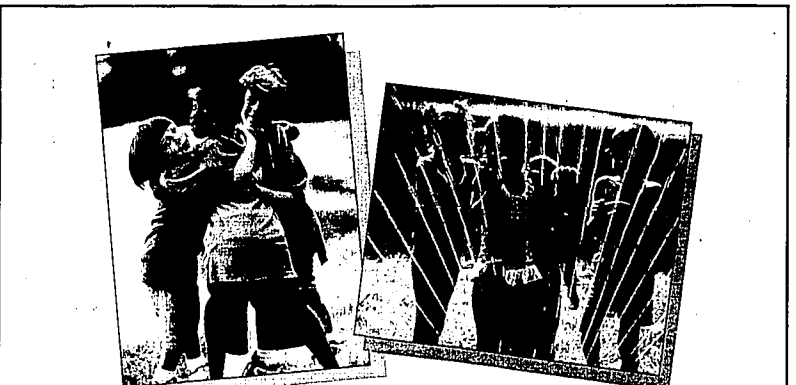
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NATION IN BRIEF

Mayor: Mexicans held 'in virtual slavery'

NEW YORK — Scores of Mexicans who are deaf and unable to speak were "held in virtual slavery" while being forced to peddle trinkets for a man who kept their earnings, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said Saturday.

Police found 62 Mexicans, 10 of them children, crammed into two apartments divided into cubicles, Giuliani told reporters. The children ranged in age from 4 months to 7 years.

"This is a very disgusting and horrible situation that is going to emerge, I think, over the next day or two," Giuliani said.

The mayor said at least one man, and possibly others, had been "holding a number of people in bondage, in virtual slavery." The adults — 30 women and 22 men — also may have been physically and sexually abused, he said.

No charges had been filed Saturday. Police were holding one man who was accused of being the boss of the operation, authorities said.

Authorities believe the Mexicans were brought into the United States and forced to sell trinket key chains on the streets, Giuliani said.

Four of the men got away before dawn Saturday and went to a police station, said police spokeswoman Carmen Melendez.

They somehow got a sergeant to understand "that they were put to work for little or no pay," and that their papers had been confiscated, she said.

UAW local ratifies contract, ends strike

PONTIAC, Mich. — Union members at a General Motors Corp. truck assembly plant have ended the union's longest strike against GM since 1970.

Members of the United Auto Workers ratified a tentative agreement Friday and are expected to return to work Monday at the Pontiac East truck assembly plant and GM Truck Product Center.

UAW Vice President Richard Shoemaker said 93.5 percent of union members who voted approved the new agreement. The union represents about 5,850 workers at the plant.

The Pontiac East plant makes full-size Chevrolet and GMC pickup trucks.

The strike began April 22 after the UAW demanded that GM hire 500 more permanent workers to relieve overtime stress and allow workers to take vacations. Negotiators reached the tentative agreement Wednesday night. Details were not released.

University regents OK settlement in suit

LOS ANGELES — University of California regents agreed to an \$8 million settlement of lawsuits that accused a campus fertility clinic of stealing women's eggs and embryos.

The latest agreement means more than 70 of the 102 claims against the now-defunct Center for Reproductive Health at University of California, Irvine have been settled, said plaintiff attorney Melanie Blum.

The total payments so far amount to \$14 million, including the \$8 million approved Friday for more than 25 couples.

Specific amounts awarded to each couple were not available. Attorneys on both sides said a court order barred them from disclosing specific amounts.

The clinic was closed in 1995 after some patients claimed their stored eggs were given to other mothers, some of whom later gave birth.

Doctors at the clinic were accused of stealing eggs and embryos from patients seeking treatment for infertility and implanting them in other women without donor consent. No criminal charges have been filed in connection with those allegations.

Planes bump on taxiway at La Guardia

NEW YORK — Travelers headed for Atlanta and Cleveland got off to a bumpy start as their jets knocked against one another on a La Guardia Airport taxiway.

The wing of a Delta Air Lines Tristar L1011 collided with the tail of a Continental Airtour jet at 7:27 p.m. Friday, police said. The weather was clear at the time.

No one was injured, but two people on the Delta plane reported difficulty breathing, said Port Authority Police spokesman Glenn Sainsbury.

It was not immediately clear how badly the planes were damaged.

The passengers were placed on other flights. The Delta flight had been headed for Atlanta, the Continental flight for Cleveland. Federal authorities were investigating.

Compiled from wire reports

Hurricane Danny parks over Mobile Bay

GULF SHORES, Ala. (AP) — Hurricane Danny parked over Mobile Bay on Saturday, aiming 80-mph winds and torrential rain at Alabama's resort coast, obliterating electrical power and flooding low-lying seashore homes.

After edging across the mouth of the bay shortly after midnight, the hurricane's movement was virtually nonexistent for much of the day, battering the same area without relief.

But by about 3:30 p.m. MDT, Danny had inched eastward so that its eye was more over land than water, said National Weather Service meteorologist Randy McKee in Mobile.

McKee said the storm was losing some of its circular shape and the winds had decreased. "We anticipate some weakening, but we're still getting rain and wind," he said.

The threat of tornadoes sent thousands to emergency shelters or the safety of inland towns. At least one death was blamed on the storm. About 20,000 homes and businesses lost power.

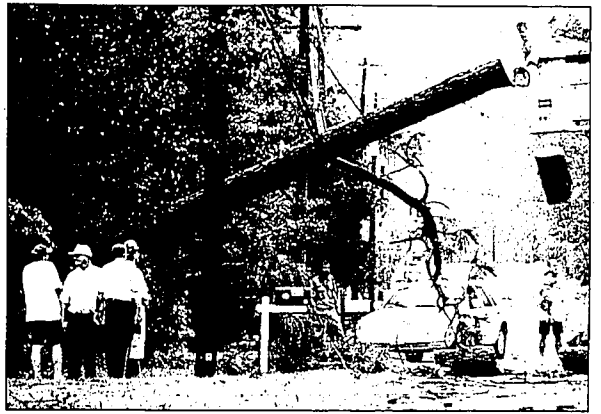
"The wind got to rocking the motor home so bad we got scared and came in here," said Carl Foster, in a shelter set up at a high school. Foster and his wife usually live in a seaside house built on pilings.

Despite the damage, with maximum sustained winds of 80 mph, Danny remained a relatively smallish hurricane, a far cry from Hurricane Frederic, which ravaged this seashore resort area in 1979.

"This is nothing compared to Frederic," said Pleasant Church, 65, who has lived in the area for nearly three decades. "This is a little bit."

Nevertheless, rainfall was extreme. In the worst hit areas of Mobile County and Dauphin Island, nearly 30 inches had fallen since early Friday.

Ground floors in some homes took water and some roads were



A worker drops a section of a tree trunk as crews clear power lines during a short break in the rains and wind of Hurricane Danny Saturday in Foley, Ala.

flooded, but major routes remained passable. There were few travelers, yet some worked hard to enjoy their vacations despite the severe weather.

At the scenic Grand Hotel in nearby Point Clear, restaurant guests ate a continental breakfast as the center of the storm moved overhead Saturday morning, watching byside pine trees whipped by high wind.

With the help of generators, Grand Hotel manager David Monroe vowed to stage a Saturday afternoon wedding in the ballroom as planned "come hell or high water."

On its crawl toward Alabama, the storm's outer bands brought

rain and stormy seas to the Louisiana and Mississippi coasts, threatening the Florida Panhandle as well.

A lull of prevailing winds kept Danny churning virtually in place, said National Weather Service meteorologist Randy McKee in Mobile.

"There's just nothing to push it or pull it, so it's just meandering over the bay," McKee said.

Tropical Storm Alberto was similar in 1994 when it stopped over southern Georgia and dumped torrential rains. Stationary storms "are not rare, but they're not common," McKee said.

Some 1,600 people sought refuge Saturday in 12 shelters in

Baldwin and Mobile counties, and hundreds more went inland to ride out the storm.

The lone death blamed on the advancing storm was an unidentified man whose body was found Friday near a swamped sailboat off Fort Morgan.

Most of the property damage was limited to torn roofs and falling tree limbs, but a four-story Gulf Shores condominium project under construction crashed in the strong wind.

"It looked like something you'd see on TV, like it was in slow motion," said Bonnie Larkin, who lives next door. "It just buckled and went down, like a domino effect."

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NATION

Clinton expands gun tracing program

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tracing a pistol's path from gun shop to crime scene is the first step to "locking the back door" on illegal trafficking, President Clinton said Saturday as he expanded a firearms tracing program to 10 additional cities.



Bill Clinton

The Brady Law that mandates such checks. "To keep guns away from crime-committing youth, we must also continue to perform background checks on gun-buying adults," Clinton said.

Since the president's Youth Crime Gun Interdiction Initiative started in 17 cities last year, law enforcement agencies have tracked 37,000 crime guns to their sources — almost twice as many as the year before, according to Treasury Department statistics.

"We have started to crack the code of the black market in illegal weapons," Clinton said. But the number of gun murders by juveniles has quadrupled since the mid-1980s and Clinton said it would take an expanded gun-tracing program, the continuation of background checks on gun buyers and the cooperation of Congress to stem that.

Clinton said he was "disappointed" that a Senate committee recently rejected his proposal to require federal firearms dealers to provide child-safety locks. The president urged law enforcement agencies to continue doing background checks on prospective gun buyers, despite the Supreme Court's decision last month to strike down the part of

the Brady Law that mandates such checks. "To keep guns away from crime-committing youth, we must also continue to perform background checks on gun-buying adults," Clinton said.

Background checks "keep criminals from getting guns through the front door of a gun shop," Clinton said. And with the expanded tracing program, "we're turning our attention to locking the back door, too."

A Treasury analysis of the program found that four out of 10 crime guns recovered by police came from juveniles and that the most commonly used weapon for people under 24 was a semiautomatic pistol.

The program was started in 17 cities: Atlanta, Baltimore, Birmingham, Ala., Boston, Bridgeport, Conn., Cleveland, Inglewood, Calif., Jersey City, N.J., Memphis, Tenn., Milwaukee, New York, Richmond, Va., St. Louis, Salinas, Calif., San Antonio, Seattle and Washington.

With \$11 million in new funding, the program will be expanded to 10 more cities: Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit, Houston, Miami, Tucson, Ariz., Minneapolis, Gary, Ind., and Cincinnati.

Privacy worries public record users

Associated Press Poll

Should government keep records open or closed?

Should the government provide access to documents like driving records, motor vehicle registration or worker's compensation claims?

A business such as a bank or insurance company wants to check for fraud.

Yes 70% No 22%

A merchant wants to find customers.

Yes 17% No 76%

A news reporter wants to expose wrongdoing.

Yes 54% No 35%

A member of the public wants to find someone for personal reasons.

Yes 23% No 61%

*Not sure answers omitted

SOURCE: AP national telephone poll of 1,000 adults taken Feb. 6-9 by ORC of Media, Pa. Results have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points. Surveys may not total 100 percent because of rounding.

NEW YORK (AP) — What if someone creepy you met could look up your home address simply by finding your driver's license records on the Internet?

Or what if you suspected a school bus driver was often drunk but nobody you knew was allowed to check his driving record?

The built-in conflict between an individual's right to privacy and the public's right to know has come to the forefront with two developments: the new ease of electronic access and a federal law closing many motor vehicle and driving records by September.

Americans overwhelmingly believe privacy is more important than unfettered access to public records, by 86 percent to 8 percent in an Associated Press poll. But advocates on both sides worry about lawmakers striking a balance that doesn't cripple those who keep a check on government.

"Both sides have compelling arguments but if either side won, we'd live in a horrible society," says Don Ray, the author of "Checking out Lawyers," a book about using public records.

"Either people would be afraid to participate or government would run amok," Ray said.

The right to see public records is not found in the Constitution, but grew out of court cases over the last half century.

"Access laws came about as a patchwork to deal with specific problems in specific areas," said W. Wat Hopkins of Virginia Tech's School of Communications Studies.

Privacy laws emerged the same way. "Our laws are a patchwork quilt," said Mark Rothenburg of the Electronic Privacy Information Center, an interest group in Washington, D.C. "There is not a firmly established right to privacy."

Rothenburg considers the Drivers Privacy Protection Act of 1994 a step in the right direction. It closes motor vehicle records to the public in all states unless their legislatures vote for open access by September.

He worries that the boom in marketing of electronic records encourages governments to make personal information public.

"The states' interest in generating revenue is what is driving access," Rothenburg said. Many states sell their databases of drivers' records for millions of dollars to information brokers who resell access.

Open records advocates say the drivers' privacy law not only hampers legitimate document searchers but also fails to protect privacy.

Episcopalians narrowly reject same-sex marriages Saturday

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A proposal to recognize same-sex marriages in the Episcopal Church was rejected Saturday but by such a narrow margin that backers remained encouraged.

A vote is still pending this week on ordination of homosexuals by the denomination.

Saturday's vote came a day after the head of the church reminded clergy and laymen of his request a dozen years ago that they make everyone welcome.

"It was Jesus, not me, who said there would be no outcasts," Presiding Bishop Edmond Browning told more than 1,100 church leaders and nearly 10,000

visitors attending the 10-day Episcopal General Convention. Browning had not taken a formal stand on either ordination or same-sex marriages, but has supported gay rights.

The issue of formal recognition of homosexuals has threatened to break apart the 2.5 million-member church, which has suffered a 30 percent drop in membership in 30 years.

A group of bishops representing about 10 percent of Episcopalians hinted more than a year ago that approval of same-sex marriages and ordination of sexually active homosexuals would lead them to consider breaking away from the church.

Senate GOP proposes concessions on IRAs

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a bid to gauge White House flexibility in the slow-moving tax talks, the Senate's chief tax writer suggested a concession on one of his pet projects, officials said Saturday.

William V. Roth Jr., R-Del., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, released a "discussion draft" late Friday designed to jumpstart efforts to complete work on the biggest tax cut in 16 years. The Clinton administration was expected to respond to Roth's offer at a meeting early Saturday night.

Significantly, Roth proposed to reduce by \$10 billion his original plan to expand Individual Retirement Accounts by \$23.8 billion over 10 years, several committee aides said. The proposal would make IRAs more broadly available to homemakers and others.

"He made it clear he's showed flexibility on one of his pet issues," Roth spokeswoman Ginny Flynn said. "He is concerned there is not enough flexibility being shown" by the Clinton administration in the talks, she

added. Administration officials could not be reached immediately for comment, but they have contended they're negotiating in good faith.

House and Senate tax writers have been meeting over the past week to iron out differences in their bills, which aim to cut taxes \$135 billion over five years by offering breaks to college students, investors and middle-income families with children. The middle would be offset by \$50 billion in new revenues.

Mild earthquake reported in South

WASHINGTON (AP) — A light earthquake occurred Saturday in a forest on Tennessee's border with Georgia but caused no reported damage, the U.S. Geological Survey said.

Seismographs recorded the tremor with a preliminary magnitude of 3.5 at 11:07 a.m. MDT

about 40 miles east of Chattanooga, Ga. USGS spokeswoman Kathleen Gohn said.

It was too soon to determine the epicenter, she said, but it appeared to have been within a mile of the border on the Tennessee side.



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Imprisoned — and beaten — by his stepfather

INEZ, Ky. (AP) — It was a peculiar way to show pity, but Wesley was grateful, nonetheless. Normally, he was tied to the toilet, forced to sit on the cold concrete floor in a tiny bathroom with no window. But it was unusually frigid that day, and his stepfather, Steve Maynard, decided to tie him to the floor next to the bed instead. Maynard, Wesley's mother and his two sisters went to church. For once, Wesley was within reach of the grimy little kitchen area, and the aroma of the roast simmering in the crockpot was irresistible. "I was starved to death," Wesley says. "I can't remember when it was the last time I ate ... I reached over and took a fork and ate a little bit of it."

But when Maynard returned, he found out. "That's," says Wesley, "when he got real mad." "That's when he started kicking me right in the ribs, and jumped on my ribs. ... It went on, God, it seemed like forever." He knew, he just knew that his ribs were broken. But like all the other times — and he was routinely beaten, with fists, knives, golf clubs and the solid metal bar Maynard called his "encouragement stick" — Wesley never saw the inside of a hospital.

"It would always have to recover on its own," he says. For 18 months in 1994 and 1995, during his 14th and 15th years, Wesley Jordan spent much of his time bound by steel cables in the bathroom of the shabby storefront where his family lived and worked. Occasionally, he was allowed out — to work. But mostly, when he wasn't tied to the toilet, he was chained to the water heater or to a wooden structure Maynard had nailed to the wall.

If someone needed to use the toilet, they would throw a towel over Wesley's head. Although he was right next to the bowl, he was often tied so tightly he couldn't undress to relieve himself, and he would sit in his wastes for weeks.

This is the story Wesley tells. His parents divorced in 1990. Then his mom, Bonnie Jordan, moved in with Maynard, and that's when it all began. He seemed fairly intelligent, earning his insurance broker's and



Scars are evident on the arm and back of Wesley Jordan on June 27 in Roynton, Ky. For 18 months, Jordan spent much of his time bound by steel cables in a tiny bathroom of the storefront where his family lived and worked in Inez, Ky.

emergency medical technician's certificates. He dabbled in everything from vacuum cleaner sales and funeral arrangements to running a taxi service.

But he was a gadfly, and had gained a reputation as kind of a kook. He ran for Congress in 1992, 1994 and 1996, even filing from jail once. He ran for governor.

"The guy was weird," says Phillip Crum, whose father owned the building where the Maynards lived. "When he'd come around, I'd just take off."

In 1993, months before the imprisonment started, someone complained that Maynard was forcing 13-year-old Wesley to work in

the hot sun without anything to drink. A social worker interviewed Wesley and his two sisters for about 15 minutes each.

Everyone in the family denied the allegations, the report said. "Mr. Maynard stated he would not do any child like that," the worker reported. "Risk assessment guidelines were considered during this assessment. A case will not be opened at this time."

Wesley says the beatings started when he was 14. Maynard bloodied his nose in the car during an outing to the Kentucky Horse Park, and from there, it just got worse.

"Once him and Mom got married, then whenever he got mad or something, he'd hit me," Wesley says.

"The guy was weird. When he'd come around, I'd just take off."
— Phillip Crum, an acquaintance of Steve Maynard

Sometimes, Wesley says, Maynard would put a U-shaped bicycle lock around his neck and chain it to the wall. If Maynard was particularly angry on any given day, he would make it so tight that Wesley couldn't sit for fear of hanging himself.

Sometimes Maynard fed him; often, he did not. Wesley's mother and sisters — Sabrina, now 13, and Montana, 7 — sometimes slipped him some table scraps, but eventually they stopped, because they were afraid.

Once, Wesley grabbed a chocolate bar out of the trash Maynard kept from the Halloween candy the children had collected. Maynard came home and noticed it missing.

"He would make me drink bleach and ammonia to see if I could — vomit up the candy, so he could see what I ate," Wesley says. Wesley's nose and finger were broken. His foot got so cold one night that the big toenail fell off.

Maynard and his wife were both trained EMTs, but Wesley says they never treated him. Maynard was more concerned with hiding the scars.

"He would keep saying the only way he'd let me out is if I could get the scars off me," he says. "He had a little hair spritzer and he'd put Clorox in it, and he'd make me spray myself. He said that when I'd spray it and keep it on there ... eventually the scars would bleed away, they would peel off, he said."

The worst happened one night when Maynard accused Wesley of sexually assaulting one of his sisters, years before. Wesley says his mother held him down while Maynard inserted a pair of needle nose pliers in Wesley's rectum, opening and closing them.

"Steve's words were something to the effect that this was what was going to happen to Wesley when he went to prison," says Floyd



Steve Maynard was sentenced to 20 years imprisonment on various charges of abusing Wesley Jordan.

County Attorney Keith Bartley, the special prosecutor.

Wesley's father, Adam Jordan, could have rescued him. Jordan had stopped trying to visit his children years ago because his ex-wife filed charges against him every time she showed up. "I dreaded going to jail so much," he says. "I never went in their home — never."

Wesley had several opportunities to run and even bolted from the house naked in the snow one evening, only to have Maynard catch him in front of the courthouse and coax him back inside. Maynard sometimes left his 9 mm pistol and shotgun within Wesley's reach, but Wesley couldn't bring himself to shoot Maynard.

Maynard claimed publicly that he was a member of the Mafia, and Wesley says he believed him. Maynard would take him to the front door, point to the courthouse and dare him to go and tell.

"He would just tell me that he knew the sheriff; the sheriff was his cousin's husband" — this is true, though the sheriff dismisses Maynard as a "sicko" who should be hospitalized — "and he wouldn't do anything to him," he says. "And if he did go to jail, he would have somebody hunt me down and kill me."

On Nov. 11, 1995, Maynard got Wesley out of the bathroom to work on the car of the family's pastor. It was raining and snowing, so Maynard went inside. Wesley

could hear Maynard and his mother arguing about what a burden Wesley was on the family.

He ran. "The only reason I left was because he kept saying the only reason him and Mom couldn't get along was because of me," Wesley says. "It was all my fault." Wesley said, "To hell with it. I don't want to be blamed for it no more. I'll let them get along."

Wesley hitched a ride to Jed and Debbie Smith's house about eight miles out of Inez. He knew their boys and used to play basketball there — but they were shocked at his appearance.

"I didn't recognize who he was," says one son, Scott Davis, 16. "Because I had gotten a lot bigger, and he had gotten a lot smaller." They invited Wesley to sit down and have something to eat.

"The little guy, he was starving to death," Smith says. "He was eating everything he could get a hold of. I mean, he was just gobbling it down." Smith says he dropped his cigarette lighter, and when Wesley reached down to pick it up he saw the purplish stripes on Wesley's arms.

"I told him what Steve told me to tell everybody else: I had a motorcycle wreck. I wrecked, I flipped the motorcycle and it threw me into a barbed-wire fence," Wesley says.

But Smith wasn't buying it. "I said, 'Wes, you come down here to talk to me. If you want to tell me anything, you go ahead and talk. I'll listen,'" Smith says. "He said, 'There's nothing wrong.' About a half-hour later, he said could he talk to me in private."

Smith says he didn't believe what Wesley was telling him and the boy took off his shirt. What he saw brought tears to his eyes.

"It was unbelievable, bud," he says. "His ribs on his left side, the whole rib cage looked like it had been broken. They were sticking out. There wasn't a place on that little boy that wasn't burnt, bruised or had some kind of mark on it — from the top of his head to his toes."

Maynard did not take his arrest quietly. From jail, he sued judges and prosecutors, inundating court officials with rambling handwritten motions accusing everyone from his own attorney to the governor of conspiring against him.

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Indiana town rallies around man accused of killing boss

SULLIVAN, Ind. (AP) — Bill Mahan was a neighborhood guy, always eager to pitch in to help a friend in this rustic patch of farm country. No favor was too big, no job too hard.

He was the guy to call to unclog a sewer, to fix some faulty wiring, to run a backhoe to dig a ditch. He had nimble hands and a big heart and folks knew he'd get the job done. Often, he didn't even ask to be paid.

"Bill would do anything in the world for you," says one of the employees, Jim Boos. "And he could do just about anything."

But exactly how far Mahan would go to help someone is at the

heart of a murder that, strangely enough, authorities say, was committed in the name of friendship. Prosecutors claim the handyman killed his boss because he was asked to do so. They say he was paid to pump three 357-hollow-point bullets into the chest and back of Rick Whitehead, a coal mine owner who happened to be one of the richest men in town.

And they say that, shockingly, the person who orchestrated the evil deed was the victim himself, a self-made businessman deep in debt who had taken out a \$5 million life insurance policy shortly before his death and supposedly saw murder as his only way out.

Now, William Mahan sits in a jail cell awaiting trial this fall on murder charges, cracking jokes as his friends and family rally to his defense.

Some wear "Free Willie" T-shirts featuring a cartoon whale jumping over a jail wall, a takeoff on the movie. They insist Mahan is the proverbial wouldn't-hurt-a-fly guy — a prankster, for heaven's sake.

When his former mother-in-law asked if he needed anything in jail, Mahan, 43, asked if she had a Monopoly game. Then came his request:

"I need the 'Get out of Jail' card."

By most measures, Bill Mahan

and Rick Whitehead seemed to have little in common.

Mahan sweated just to earn a high school diploma. "He wasn't the brightest kid I ever taught, but he was the finest kid," says Joe Frey, a former teacher who now owns an excavating business.

Money mattered little to Mahan, material possessions even less. The two-bedroom trailer he shared with his third wife, Mary, and her two teenage sons didn't even have a phone.

He toiled around the two-lane backlots of this corner of southwestern Indiana in his rusty red flatbed truck, wearing flannel shirts and muddy work boots, his

long, curly hair flying every which way. His false teeth, depending on how he felt, were optional.

Friends say he'd do anything for a laugh — jump in a river, even drop his drawers after a Budweiser or two at the VFW hall.

His chicken and egg money, as folks call it, came from odd jobs: building a grain bin or septic system, pulling trailers, fixing a lawnmower.

"He didn't want nothing steady — 30 days, 60 days — and was ready to move on," says neighbor Jack Scarbrough, an electrician and grain bin seller helping spearhead community support for Mahan.

"Bill thought about tomorrow when he got up tomorrow," says Scarbrough's wife, Pat, Mahan's friend for 25 years.

Rick Whitehead, in contrast, was as deliberate as a chess player, always plotting his next business move. Over the years, he owned a car dealership, a coal mine, calves, a community dinner theater.

"Rick always talked about plans from tomorrow up to 10 years," Mary Mahan says.

Whitehead was affable and generous, maybe to a fault. Some say privately that he made a lot of risky loans, trying to get folks back on their feet, only to have them drag him down.

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vote with the party on several important issues.

• **"Think about it."** Stivers' ending to most of his early guest editorials in *The Times-News*.

• **"Do you want me to call the sergeant-at-arms?"** Said to Diane Joseph Peavey — wife of former state Sen. John Peavey's wife, D. Carey — one of six reporters who protested being thrown out of a leadership discussion on a sales tax increase.

• **"The word is full of corporate heads. It doesn't bother me what someone like this thinks. I have talked to bigger businessmen than Paul Condry."** Said about Ore-Idaho's president, who publicly called on the Legislature to increase education spending.

• **"What harm could be done if your office was eliminated entire-**

ly?" Said in 1994 to Twin Falls County extension agent Bob Ohlerschken, when he led a group of taxpayers angry about a 14.3 percent increase in the county budget. Stivers later maintained the county doesn't need to fund agents who teach "branded-bird" making and who handle "pesticides and herbicides and weedicides and suicides — things of that nature."

• **"For such better strawcates organized than this E911."** Said several years ago, as local governments were organizing the regional dispatch center several years ago.

IN THE WORDS OF OTHERS
• **"Tom Stivers is a jerk."** From an tongue-in-cheek editorial for the Idahoan in Moscow that attempted to goad Stivers into

seeking to close the University of Idaho. The editorial claimed he fought to close Lewiston's Clark State College because the *LeViston Morning Tribune* called Stivers a "clown."

• **"I wish him well in his retirement from political office and I hope that means Idaho education will progress and flourish. I have one other comment and that's, 'Goodbye Tom.'"** Idaho Education Association regional director Terry Gilbert in 1986, referring to Stivers' "Goodbye" letter.

• **"I think Mr. (Larry) Echols has been taking lessons from Tom Stivers, but the voters won't be fooled."** Gov. Phil Batt during the 1994 gubernatorial campaign, on EchoHawk's campaign platform on fiscal responsibility.

Latino group meets in Chicago

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Race relations across much of the United States were largely viewed as a matter of black and white when one of the nation's premier Latino organizations was founded nearly three decades ago.

But the National Council of La Raza conference that begins Sunday in Chicago will underscore just how much has changed since then: The political and demographic influence of Latinos has not only broadened the debate on race in America but also has provided a contrast to the nation's oldest civil rights organization, the NAACP.

The NAACP, which convened earlier this week in Pittsburgh, is struggling with how to address its

historic mission: integration.

But the NCLR, younger and not as well known outside the Latino community, finds itself making political strides. Whether new immigrants or fourth-generation Latino Americans, members generally are unified in defending their culture and rights.

Unity is reinforced by a range of issues buffeting the Latino community.

"Before, we didn't face an organized opposition — the very well-funded, very mean-spirited anti-immigrant organizations and very virulent English-only groups," said Raul Yzaguirre, president of NCLR. "It's a much more conservative climate than even 10 years ago at the height of the Reagan Revolution. The challenges are greater now in some ways."

NCLR's efforts come as the nation's diverse Latino population booms — both in voter participation and citizenship applications.

In his speech before the National Association of Black Journalists in Chicago this week, President Clinton stressed that America is becoming more "multicultural" and "multi-ethnic."

Underscoring the importance of groups such as NCLR, he touted its efforts to start charter schools across the country.

Each year, NCLR holds its conference in a different city, and the last time members gathered in Chicago was in 1987. President Clinton stressed that America is becoming more "multicultural" and "multi-ethnic."

That was in 1987, during the so-called "Decade of the Hispanic."

Stivers

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just go home and sit around not doing anything or just golf or go fishing," he said. "I want more positive things, that's what keeps the fire in my engine, I guess."

What would cause other people's eyelids to droop still makes his eyebrows rise with curiosity and concern: Stivers still pores over budgets and tax proposals, a gray thicket of government spending that leaves many people wondering where to start.

His interest in learning began early. At age four in Maroa, Ill., Stivers, the youngest of two brothers, began attending classes in a rural schoolhouse. He remembers he loved school so much that he would listen through the adjoining classroom's walls to older students' lessons.

He became well-acquainted with political issues at home. While his mother and father discussed politics, they were not active in any particular party and they truly respected America and its Constitution, he said.

In many ways, his parents are a reflection of Stivers and his character, said his wife of 57 years, Winifred Stivers, with whom he raised a pair of twins, Richard and Susan.

"They were just steadfast, honest people," she said.

After moving with his family to Twin Falls, Stivers earned average grades at Twin Falls High School, but his talent for arithmetic landed him a position after graduation as a U.S. Navy submarine operator and navigator during World War II.

Overcoming adversity is the "story of

my life," Stivers said, and it includes chapters such as horrors of war and a postwar hospital stay that, five decades later, he still declines to discuss, worried about attracting people's pity.

The experience hardened his resolve to accomplish all that he set his mind to.

"It made me (think), 'By God, I'm going to make it,'" Stivers said. "I can do this, I can go through this, I will make it."

Determination. And I think that's important. I think too many people give up anything, (saying) 'Oh, it gets tough, and they give up. I don't give up.'"

His desire not to back down, in state and local political arenas, has earned him a reputation of being at once tenacious and single-minded, autocratic and caring.

"It all depends on what side you're on," said Marvin Hempleman, a Twin Falls County commissioner.

Stivers was among the "Fragal 14," a group of prominent Twin Falls-area residents who opposed the commission's proposal to build juvenile jail beds to serve 18 youths.

The group rallied support to force the county commissioners to build 12 beds and save money. As a commissioner on the losing end, Hempleman was among the targets of Stivers' doggedness.

Stivers, Hempleman said, is "a gentleman you should pay attention to, whether you agree with him or not." But the heat of a political fight could make for chilly personal relationships; Hempleman remembered a time when Stivers would cross the street and not wave at him.

The chill always thawed, eventually. In politics, "I guess you don't hold grudges,"

Hempleman said.

As a speaker of the House from 1982 through 1986, Stivers found statewide limelight. He led a band of conservative rebels who fought to enact a frugal budget during tough economic times in Idaho, and made headlines for his oneliners and barbs.

A staunch Republican conservative, he once likened death by lethal injection for criminals to a "slap on the wrist," a comment that prompted astonishment and laughter from his peers. To this day the anecdote remains ingrained in the minds of many colleagues, many of whom still respectfully call Stivers "Mr. Speaker."

Stivers was "very determined, a bit autocratic, didn't give in easily, expected to win every battle he fought and was obviously disappointed when he lost one, and he didn't lose many," said John Evans Sr., who as a Democratic governor tangled with Stivers over budget matters.

Dean Haagenson, former state representative from Coeur d'Alene and an occasional adversary on issues within Republican ranks, said Stivers was "relatively successful" at promoting his agenda.

"I think Tom had a tendency to run out in front of the crowd and take the full more than he needed to," he said.

Stivers fought "very, very strenuously" against a temporary increase in the sales tax one year. The tax increase passed and later became permanent.

"Tom is a fighter," Combative," Haagenson said. "I respect that, you know where he stood. On the other hand, politics is the art of the possible

and really effective political types find some way to get enough votes to get the job done and sometimes that means compromise and Tom was not good at compromising. For him, politics is a matter of principle."

"He didn't ever worry about keeping that job forever," said his protégé, Rep. Celia Gould, R-Buhl. "He was the epitome of being politically incorrect and I loved it. He just said what was on his mind and what needed to be said. And he dealt with the fallout later."

Gould's now sits in Stivers' old seat in the Legislature, but got an introduction to Stivers — and his politics — while she was a high school student. She was sitting at a meeting where Stivers was pushing Ronald Reagan's presidential bid.

"He's such a quick wit and such a good salesman, I thought, 'I have to be a Reagan person because this guy is good,'" Gould said. After the meeting, Stivers signed her on.

"Stivers likes to get people involved in things, that's probably one of the greatest things about him."

The next year, Stivers, then-chairman of the House's Judiciary and Rules Committee, gave Gould an internship. Gould now chairs the committee herself.

Gould was flabbergasted and humbled when Stivers suggested she try for his seat. He helped her raise money, gave her advice and introduced her to political contacts.

have to take the time to get a high school kid involved and he did that with a lot of people."

Gould said Stivers got a "bad rap" on education issues, since he has long had an interest in young people and promoting them. His community involvement is less widely known than his political involvement.

"He is not afraid to be the devil's advocate but he is also very supportive of things he believes in," she said. "I remember he was always the one who made sure there was good funding for the arts. The trail that (College of Southern Idaho) put in, he is always at the Twin Falls County fair stock sale and buys the animals for the 4-H kids. He always buys two or three animals there at least."

Physically, Stivers said he has slowed down, cutting down on his golfing and hiking. Instead he reads about the U.S. Constitution, just finished a good book on the history of federal budget deal-making and tends to his art collection. He serves on a committee looking into alternative forms of county government, walks 1 1/2 to 2 miles every morning and does not want to retire from his business, Title Fact Inc. of Twin Falls.

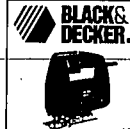
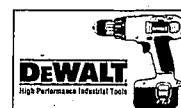
Determination endures in his character to this day.

"You can do these things if you don't think you can do if you put your mind to this and say 'I will do it, I will get something done.' And we don't have that (drive) much more, that I can see, in young people."

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Sinn Fein President Gerry Adams joins a young boy from Andersonstown during a rally in west Belfast Saturday. Adams praised the IRA for restoration of the 1994 cease-fire.

IRA declares cease-fire, paves way for peace talks

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — The Irish Republican Army announced a new cease-fire Saturday, opening the way for its political ally to enter talks aimed at securing peace in Northern Ireland.

"We have ordered the unequivocal restoration of the cease-fire of August 1994. All IRA units have been instructed accordingly," the outlawed group said in a statement.

The new truce is to take effect at noon today (5 a.m. MDT).

The announcement was widely expected after the Sinn Fein party, the IRA's political ally, said Friday that it had urged the IRA to declare a new cease-fire.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair had promised that Sinn Fein could join peace talks with pro-British Protestant political parties in September in exchange for a new IRA truce. He welcomed the move today as "good for the people of Northern Ireland and for the people of Britain."

"Whether Sinn Fein will be there depends on whether the cease-fire is genuine in word and deed," Blair said in a statement.

In Dublin, Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern, who like Blair is recently elected, said he looked forward to Sinn Fein's admission to the negotiations.

The talks, sponsored by Britain and Ireland, began in June 1996 among nine parties but without Sinn Fein, because of the IRA's resumed hostilities against British rule. Their goal is to forge a compromise for governing Northern Ireland, the Protestant-majority state created in the 1920s when the rest of Ireland, which is mostly Catholic, won independence from Britain.

President Clinton welcomed the prospect of a new truce, as did many Irish-American lawmakers.

But hard-line Protestant leaders in Northern Ireland rallied against the prospect of another "phony" IRA truce, which they maintained would be used only to extract concessions from the British under the threat of resuming violence. They vowed never to sit down with Sinn Fein.

The IRA abandoned a 1994 truce in February 1996 after negotiations involving Sinn Fein and the pro-British parties failed to materialize. Sinn Fein was barred when talks among nine other Northern Ireland parties began in June 1996 under the direction of former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell.

Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams' statement Friday, far from a risky appeal, seemed geared to build international expectation in advance of the IRA move.

"Without an IRA cease-fire, there is no way that Sinn Fein will be admitted to the peace talks. Without Sinn Fein at the table, there is no way that peace will occur in Northern Ireland," said Rep. Mary Meenan, D-Mass.

The use of the word "unequivocal" in today's cease-fire statement was critical — although it was unlikely to allay the suspicions of pro-British Protestants.

Blair's government, which reopened and maintained 10 weeks of contacts with Sinn Fein despite continuing IRA violence, had emphasized that any new truce must be "unequivocal" — leaving no wiggle room for the IRA to maintain operations.

Critical, too, would be the response of Northern Ireland's main pro-British Protestant party, the Ulster Unionists, led by David Trimble. He emphasized Friday that any new IRA truce would have to be "complete, universal and permanent," not open-ended as the abandoned 1994

Jordanian soldier sentenced to life in prison for killing 7 schoolgirls

NAOUR, Jordan (AP) — A military court convicted a Jordanian soldier Saturday of shooting and killing seven Israeli schoolgirls, pronouncing a sentence of life in prison while the gunman stood silently reading the Koran.

Outside the heavily guarded courtroom, weeping relatives of Cpl. Ahmed Daqamseh denounced the five judges who presided over the case, which fueled anti-Israeli feeling across Jordan.

"They are tyrants, they are cowards, they are Jews," cried Fatima Hawamneh, the convicted man's wife.

Daqamseh, 26, was charged with premeditated murder for killing seven Israeli schoolgirls and wounding seven others during their March 13 field trip to Jordan's "Island of Peace" in the Jordan River. Daqamseh claimed the girls mocked him when he interrupted his duties to pray, enraging him.

The charge normally carries the death penalty. But the court ordered life at hard labor because it found the soldier mentally unstable, said Brig. Meamoun Khassawneh, who presided over the tribunal.

"The court found that the act was instant and there was no premeditation," he told a public hearing in an army base in Naour, 20 miles west of the



Jordanian soldier Cpl. Ahmed Daqamseh, 26, sits behind bars Saturday as a military tribunal pronounced his verdict of life in prison for gunning down seven Israeli schoolgirls in March.

Jordanian capital, Amman. Daqamseh, who had pleaded innocent, read the Islamic holy book while the court announced its ruling.

Cleanshaven and dressed in a dark green prison uniform, he appeared nervous as a judge read the verdict, which was greeted with a sigh in the packed courtroom.

The court also convicted Daqamseh of plotting to kill Israelis since 1993, threatening to shoot his fellow soldiers the day of the attack, and disobeying army orders.

As part of the sentence, he was demoted to private and dismissed from the army, Khassawneh said.

Under Jordanian law, a life sentence is equivalent to 25 years in prison. The verdict cannot be appealed, but King Hussein has the power to reduce the sentence or cancel it.

Earlier, Hussein called the killing a heinous crime and said Daqamseh should have been shot on the spot.

A death sentence might have enraged Jordan's predominantly Palestinian population, which has been sympathetic to Daqamseh.

Some political parties have hailed Daqamseh as a hero and used his case to escalate their campaign against normalization with Israel.

"He should have been acquitted," said Mohammed al-Adib, a Palestinian shopkeeper. "Israelis have killed scores of Palestinians, and they received reduced prison terms" from Israeli courts.

In a sign of the public support for Daqamseh, 92 lawyers joined his defense team, many of them opponents to Jordanian-Israeli peacemaking.

Taiwan affirms separate identity from China

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — Raising the fury of China, Taiwan approved a major government overhaul that will boost the island's de facto independent status.

The National Assembly approved constitutional changes late Friday that will expand presidential power and virtually eliminate the provincial government, an extra layer of government retained since 1949 to show Taiwan is a province of China.

The constitutional change has

set "in stone a Taiwanese identity which has fermented over the past decade of democratization," the China Times newspaper said in an editorial Saturday.

China, which views Taiwan as a breakaway province, had warned against scrapping the provincial government — a move it sees as another step toward abandoning the doctrine of reunification.

After Taiwan gave preliminary approval to the changes Wednesday, Beijing warned the move would not lessen China's

claim to Taiwan.

The Nationalists, who fled here after losing a civil war to the Communists on mainland China, originally retained the provincial government to back its claim to be the legitimate government of all of China.

President Lee Teng-hui pushed for the constitutional changes after winning a landslide victory March 1996 in Taiwan's first popularly elected president.

The constitutional amendment was approved 261-8.

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WORLD

NATO flexes muscle in Bosnia

PALE, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Eleven armored carriers from the NATO peace force, backed by a helicopter, massed near the home of ousted Serb leader Radovan Karadzic on Saturday in a show of force against Bosnia's No. 1 war crimes suspect.

The deployment of French and Italian troops came amid intensified anti-NATO sentiment in Bosnia after a July 10 raid on two Bosnian Serb war crimes suspects. An American soldier was slightly injured in one of four overnight explosions — the latest in a series targeting foreigners in Serb territory.

The brief NATO movement in Pale, Karadzic's mountain stronghold southeast of Sarajevo, provoked several nervous residents to leave their homes, looking curiously at the armored vehicles.

"Go back to Sarajevo!" one woman shouted at the troops. Soldiers responded to comment on their activity, and it was not known if Karadzic was home at the time.

Karadzic, who led the Bosnian Serbs during their 3-year war, is wanted on two charges of genocide by a U.N. war crimes tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands. Though NATO forces have said they would arrest war crimes suspects only if they came across them, they arrested one Serb suspect and killed another in the raid in the northwest town of Prijedor.

The Italian and U.S. troops grouped on a main road out of Pale, near the local headquarters of U.N. police and about 600 yards from Karadzic's house.

Five of the armored personnel carriers drove up a narrow road that took them within 50 yards of the house, which is well guarded

and reportedly surrounded by a minefield. A helicopter hovered overhead while they drove past without incident.

It was the first such show of NATO force since the raid by British troops. Pale residents say that NATO helicopters and vehicles do sometimes stage reconnaissance missions near Karadzic's home, usually prompting the Bosnian Serb leader to swap houses and his security guards to order women and children out of nearby homes.

There was no sign of further activity by foreign troops Saturday. Maj. John Blakeley, a spokesman for the NATO-led force, said the increased activity might have resulted from the coincidence of regular Italian patrols and regular French reconnaissance. He refused to give further details, and stressed the force can deploy wherever, whenever and how it wants.

On Friday, Karadzic and his allies weakened NATO by putting up thousands of posters of Karadzic across the Serb part of Bosnia warning, "Don't touch him!"

The poster campaign appeared intended to show both foreigners and Karadzic's rival, Bosnian Serb President Biljana Plavsic, just who is in charge in the Serb suburbs that share Bosnia with a Muslim-Croat federation.

A German news magazine on Saturday quoted Plavsic as saying that she may use police or troops to arrest Karadzic and his allies if necessary.

"Karadzic murders his people," Plavsic told Der Spiegel.

Serbs apparently supporting Plavsic burned 1,000 copies of the pro-Karadzic daily Glas Srpski outside her Banja Luka offices Saturday.

Liberians hope for end of chaos, killings

MONROVIA, Liberia (AP) — Barely 14 months after civil war nearly destroyed their capital, Liberians voted peacefully Saturday in presidential elections that brought hopes for an end to a dozen years of dictatorship and bloodshed.

As polls opened throughout the West African nation, long lines of people that snaked and twisted around polling stations started moving slowly toward the heavily guarded voting booths.

"I'm very pleased about the turnout. It's a clear indication that the people have been able to overcome their fears and intimidation and that they intend to vote their conscience," said Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, a former top U.N. official considered a favorite in the race, along with warlord Charles Taylor.

The two are among 13 candidates vying to become Liberia's first elected president since Taylor launched a Christmas Eve 1989 rebellion to drive out the Krahn ethnic dictatorship of Samuel Doe. Doe, accused of stealing votes to win the last election in 1985, was toppled and executed in 1990 by one of several rival factions that emerged during the war.

Fighting that had been largely confined to the countryside erupted in the capital in April 1996 and raged for two months, killing hundreds, until faction leaders bowed to international pressure and signed their 14th peace accord in August. That cleared the way for nationwide disarmament and elections.

About 500 international monitors were deployed across Liberia to prevent a repeat of the 1985



Voters wait to cast their ballots during presidential elections in Monrovia, Liberia, Saturday. Barely 14 months after civil war nearly destroyed their capital, Liberians voted peacefully Saturday in presidential elections that brought hopes for an end to a dozen years of dictatorship and bloodshed.

vote-stealing debacle. Soldiers from a Nigerian-led African peace-keeping force stood guard at voting stations to ensure security and occasionally offer guidance to Liberians confused by the process.

Despite logistic difficulties and crowds at many polling stations, there were no reports of problems. Final results were expected within five days.

If no candidate wins a majority Saturday, the top two finishers will face each other in an Aug. 2 runoff.

Both Taylor and Johnson-Sirleaf said they hoped to avoid that.

"We just want a clean sweep so we can get started with the process of healing the wounds," said the Harvard-educated Johnson-Sirleaf, who resigned as the New York-based Africa Director of the United Nations Development Program to run.

"God willing, we expect to be elected by a landslide," said Taylor, flashing a peace sign as he dropped his ballot into one of

the transparent plastic tubs set up to receive them.

But Taylor, who has apologized for the damage the war caused and tried to change his image from that of warlord to religious family man, insisted there would be no losers if the election was peaceful.

"I feel we are all winners at this point," he said. "I think the Liberian people are saying to the world that we are ready for democracy ... that we must put violence behind us."

Cambodia's Hun Sen refuses peace plan

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — A peace mission to Cambodia failed Saturday when coup leader Hun Sen flatly rejected outside mediation, and his exiled rival warned that a new civil war could break out.

Hun Sen met for almost two hours with foreign ministers from the region who had hoped to convince him to relinquish total control in favor of a caretaker government until elections could be held.

Hun Sen's refusal to accept the plan by the seven-nation Association of Southeast Asian Nations, or ASEAN, brought the initiative to a halt.

"We think that at present the royal government does not need ASEAN to take part in helping solve the issue," said Hun Sen spokesman Svay Sitha.

Hun Sen's exiled rival, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, reacted by warning that a new civil war could engulf the violence-ravaged country, but he stopped short of a call to arms.

"I am really afraid that we are stepping into a new civil war that will be terrible in terms of loss of human life and in terms of destruction," Ranariddh told reporters in Bangkok, Thailand.

The weight of the warning was uncertain. After meeting with ASEAN ministers Friday, Ranariddh agreed to call off his armed resistance.

The prince's troops so far have

been routed on the battlefield by Hun Sen's larger, stronger army. He said 20,000 soldiers remained in Cambodia ready to fight Hun Sen, but indicated they lacked ammunition.

Hun Sen deposed co-premier Ranariddh in a July 5 military coup that left dozens in the capital dead. His Cambodian People's Party had shared power with Ranariddh's royalist party in an uneasy coalition government since 1993.

Washington, which has not accepted Hun Sen's takeover, launched its own diplomatic effort, sending envoy Stephen Solara to meet Hun Sen.

Solara, a former Democratic congressman from New York, was flying to Asia this weekend to rally support for the U.S. position. He will report to Secretary of State Madeleine Albright at ASEAN's meeting in Malaysia next Saturday.

Cambodia, which has been left desperately poor after decades of civil war, was to join the powerful trade bloc Wednesday, but ASEAN postponed its entry last week in response to Hun Sen's coup.


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Japanese nuclear reactor leaks radiation

TOKYO (AP) — A Japanese nuclear reactor plagued by malfunctions over the past few months leaked a small amount of radiation, but none of it was released into the air, the plant operator said Saturday.

No one was exposed to radiation in the accident at the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa plant, on the Sea of Japan coast, said Nobuyuki Abe, spokesman for Tokyo Electric Power Co., or TEPCO.

Steam containing a small amount of radioactive material leaked Friday morning from a gauge inside the unit that houses the turbine of the new No. 7 reactor at the plant, the largest in the world.

The amount of radioactivity was infinitesimal — equal to the natural radiation found in a 22-pound sack of rice, said Abe. He said the leak was confined entirely to the plant.

The reactor, which started full operations this month, has suffered a series of mishaps. Trial runs were held up for about 10 days in May when a tube to measure turbine pressure burst. Just last Tuesday, smoke was found coming from plant machinery.

The operator informed local

government officials of the accident Friday night, Kyodo News agency reported. The plant, 135 miles northwest of Tokyo, continued operating through the accident, TEPCO said.

The No. 7 reactor has an output capacity of 1,355 million kilowatts. The plant is capable of producing 8.21 million kilowatts, making it the world's largest in terms of overall power generation, the company says.

Japan's 51 nuclear power plants supply 34 percent of the nation's electricity. To further reduce dependence on imported oil, Japan also has been developing reactors fueled by plutonium, a highly toxic element that can be used to make nuclear weapons.

But accidents, slow reports and cover-ups dog the industry. On Friday, news reports said that protesters demanded fines against a government-backed agency and two of its former officials for covering up a 1995 nuclear accident.

The reactor involved in Friday's accident was developed by General Electric of the United States and two major Japanese electrical machinery makers, Toshiba and Hitachi.

Judge sets murder trial date for couple

Americans accused of killing Caribbean man win day in court

KINGSTOWN, St. Vincent (AP) — There were smiles inside the courthouse and debate outside it when a Caribbean judge ruled that an American couple charged with killing a popular local boatman will get a speedy trial.

"This is what we wanted. This is what we wanted," said a grateful Wendy Fletcher after her father, James, and his wife, Penella, received a July 28 trial date for the murder of Jerome "Jolly" Joseph.

Judge Dunbar Cenac on Friday denied a prosecutor's request to hold the trial in October, a year after Joseph's body was found floating in a bay off the Grenadine island of Bequia.

The Fletchers of Huntington, W.Va., are accused of killing Joseph after he ferried them from their yacht to Bequia, where they were vacationing. If convicted, they could face death by hanging.

That prospect didn't dampen the enthusiasm of Fletcher family members inside the Kingstown courthouse Friday. After months of lobbying lawmakers and even getting President Clinton involved, they had won their day in court.



Murder defendant James Fletcher is escorted by a police guard back to court after a recess from court proceedings Friday in Kingstown, St. Vincent. A motion by the prosecution to postpone the trial until the next court hearing in October and to restrict press coverage were denied. James and Penny Fletcher are accused of the murder of a Caribbean boat taxi driver.

"I am ecstatic that they are going to get their trial," said Fletcher's sister, Sally Duncan. "Now we have to let the criminal justice system work."

As the accused were led back to prison, a couple dozen Vincentians gathered outside the

courthouse and engaged in a brief but animated discussion. The topics included race; the accused are white, the victim was black.

"No more of Hudson-Phillips!" one woman said, referring to the Trinidadian prosecutor, Karl

Hudson-Phillips. "The white people have to be set free. It is they we live by."

St. Vincent depends on tourist income, and hotels and yacht chartering firms have reported fewer bookings since the case became widely publicized.

Burma's democracy leader pays tribute to slain father

RANGOON, Burma (AP) — Embattled pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi paid solemn tribute to her father — Burma's independence leader and great-est hero — on the 50th anniversary of his assassination Saturday.

Although her movements have been sharply restricted by the country's military rulers, Suu Kyi was allowed to take part in ceremonies at the white marble museum where Aung San is buried.

Suu Kyi, the 1992 Nobel Peace Prize winner, has endured house arrest, harassment and jailings of many followers, but observers say her father's prestige protects her from imprisonment, or worse, by the military junta.

Gen. Aung San, then 36, and six of his ministers were shot and killed less than six months before Burma gained independence from Britain in January 1948. A former prime minister, U Saw, was charged with the assassinations and executed.

The charismatic, handsome Aung San led Burma's largely peaceful independence struggle and is widely revered. His death is annually marked as Martyrs Day.

Dressed in a white jacket and black sash and shawl, Suu Kyi laid three baskets of orchids at the gravesides, touched the ground three times with her forehead and clasped her hands in a sign of Buddhist reverence.

Representatives of Burma's

ruling military council attended the ceremony.

At her lakeside home, Suu Kyi held a private religious observance for about 500 supporters and diplomats. Offerings of food and robes were presented to 50 Buddhist monks.

The ceremonies came three days after a rare meeting between the military and Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy. Although the reason remains unclear, Lt. Gen. Khin Nyunt met with three members of the party, including chairman Aung Shwe. Suu Kyi was not included.

"We all welcome the meeting. There is a ray of hope," said Tin Oo, vice chairman of the party, at the mausoleum. "It's a good start but a dialogue is not complete without Aung San Suu Kyi."

Suu Kyi refused to comment on the meeting and asked whether others might follow she said: "I don't believe in speculation in politics."

Suu Kyi, who had lived abroad with her British husband, returned to Burma in 1988 and was propelled to the forefront of a pro-democracy uprising against military rule. Her initial popularity stemmed from being Aung San's daughter.

The junta crushed the uprising and annulled results of a 1990 general election, which Suu Kyi's party won. Suu Kyi herself was placed under six years of house arrest.

Prince's love gets bash for birthday

LONDON (AP) — Strains of pop numbers from the '50s to the '80s, including "I Will Survive," thudded across the royal estate until the early hours Saturday, rounding off Prince Charles' most public private party.

The face of his longtime love, Camilla Parker Bowles, wearing a fabulous diamond necklace and radiant smile as she arrived for her 50th birthday party, beamed from tabloid front pages for the

third straight day.

Charles' bash for Camilla on Friday night raised expectations that the 48-year-old prince is gearing up to marry Mrs. Parker Bowles, even though they have yet to appear together in public.

"A beautiful full moon was out and we all had a smashing time," said author Jilly Cooper, one of some 80 guests at the party at Charles' country residence, Highgrove.

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Mexico's president paints pessimistic picture of party

Chicago Tribune

MEXICO CITY — Bowing to the prevailing conventional wisdom in the wake of a shocking political setback, Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo concedes that for the first time in more than 70 years, his ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party may well lose the presidency in the year 2000.

Reflecting on the losses his party suffered in recent national elections, Zedillo in part blames public revulsion over institutional corruption that he said has been deeply ingrained in Mexican politics and culture for years.

The president of the United States' important neighbor to the south also warned that senior officials of his own party, known as the PRI, must not stray from the path of real democratic reform, acknowledging that the Mexican people no longer are willing to tolerate blatant official corruption.

"I can't tell you that automatically whoever is the PRI candidate is going to be the next presi-

dent of Mexico, because now we have arrived at a true democratic system," Zedillo said in an interview with the Tribune in his presidential office in Mexico City.

"And the other chips," he said, referring to the candidates of Mexico's two major opposition parties, "will be there to compete very intensely with a good probability to be successful."

Sitting in his black leather chair in his office in Los Pinos, the presidential palace, Zedillo's blunt remarks Friday represented a sea change in the public outlook of the ruling party.

As recently as three years ago, no Mexican president would have dared say publicly that the party could lose its grip on power without urgent reforms and an assault on corruption. Historically, Mexico's president, always a member of the PRI, selected his successor, who always won — legally or not. But times are changing in Mexico.

In the wide-ranging 90-minute interview, an animated but thoughtful Zedillo spoke at length

about those changes as he prepared for a trip to Chicago this week, where he plans to address the national convention of the National Council of La Raza, a Texas-based Hispanic advocacy organization, on Wednesday.

Zedillo acknowledged difficulties in waging Mexico's war against drug traffickers, reaffirmed his commitment to improving often strained relations with the United States and spoke of the urgent need to implement in Mexico a true "rule of law."

Time and again, Zedillo returned to the national elections July 6 and what their result means for his country. For the

first time since it was founded in 1929, the PRI lost its majority in the lower house of Congress and a member of the opposition won the mayor's office in Mexico City, the nation's second most powerful post.

The PRI also lost two governorships. Nonetheless, Zedillo disputed the popular perception that the PRI took a beating in the vote. Instead, he asserted that the PRI's garnering of 42 percent of the popular vote in a multiparty democracy was a respectable showing.

And, he added, the PRI continues to be the major party in Mexico.

Most important, Zedillo said, Mexico had fully free and fair elections. He repeatedly credit-

ed political reforms instituted during his presidency, often against the fierce resistance of old-guard elements of his own party, for much of the gains registered by opposition leaders.

For the first time in Mexican history, Zedillo allowed the mayor of Mexico City to be elected. In the past, the president had selected the mayor, a post often considered a steppingstone to the presidency.

Zedillo also gave greater freedom to the government elections agency and instituted changes so that campaign finance laws no longer favored the ruling party.

Since the elections, which have been characterized as among the cleanest in Mexican history, Zedillo has received worldwide praise for helping lead his nation toward a genuine multiparty democracy. But that democracy, he admitted, continues to be plagued by corruption.

Although voters insist the PRI has become synonymous with corruption, Zedillo tried to make a distinction between corrupt individuals and the party.

"The party itself has never promoted, as an institution, corruption," Zedillo said. "But what I told them," he added, referring to an address to party leaders last week, "is that they have been lazy to denounce that."

In order to stay in power, Zedillo said, what the PRI has to do is learn how to compete — and compete fairly. That process was begun on July 6, he said, when the ruling party arrived at "democratic legitimacy."

But now the PRI must work to expand democratic reforms and attack corruption, he said. "You have to continue pushing to reaffirm that democratic legitimacy."

Asked why the PRI had been slow to denounce corruption, Zedillo was pensive.

"I don't really have a single explanation. We have to go back toward history," he said. "Corruption is not a phenomenon that can be dated back a few years. Unfortunately, our cultural traditions, certain practices, even from colonial times, have lent themselves to corruption."

Overflowing Czech rivers force repeat evacuation

PRAGUE, Czech Republic (AP) — Overflowing rivers across the Czech Republic forced hundreds of people to flee their homes Saturday, many for the second time in 10 days.

Rough weather also hit traditionally sun-soaked resorts on the eastern Adriatic, drowning at least one person and injuring dozens caught in choppy seas or hit by debris in storms.

Poland and the Czech Republic — and, to a lesser extent, neighboring Austria and Germany — are contending with floods that have claimed at least 97 lives and caused billions of dollars in damage.

Officials are referring to the floods as the worst in centuries, saying there is no record of any on this scale.

On Saturday, high water flooded villages along the Novohradka and Krounska rivers in the Chrudim region, 60 miles east of Prague.

At the Labska dam on the Labe



A child plays in the floodwaters near Lebus, Germany, Saturday, caused when the Oder River spilled over its banks.

River near the mountain resort of Spindleruv Mlyn, 100 miles northeast of Prague, the rate of the flow of water could no longer

be measured, having twice exceeded a 100-year mark.

The only road connecting Spindleruv Mlyn with other settlements in the region has been closed, Czech radio said.

"It's been raining here for two days," Michal Bares in Spindleruv Mlyn said. "It's apocalyptic."

In Northern Moravia, the Czech region hit-hardest by flooding, rivers were rising once again. Dozens of people were evacuated in the town of Vsetin on the Beuva River, 180 miles east of Prague.

In northern Austria, hundreds of firefighters worked through the night evacuating residents and sandbagging in Grieskirchen, just west of Linz. Flood warnings were issued in the historic town of Steyr, on the Enns tributary, and the Danube was also rising. There was heavy flooding along the Danube last week, and rain fell steadily Saturday.

In southwestern Poland, residents were strengthening dams to get ready for a second round of flooding, with more rains were predicted over the weekend.

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EDITORIAL

Don't jump the gun on pay raises for state employees

Since public employees are the last guaranteed constituency of Democratic politicians, it wasn't surprising to hear the Idaho Statehouse's lone surviving Democrat beating the drum for a pay raise last week.

With the state posting an \$11 million cash surplus, Controller J.D. Williams called on the Legislature (five months in advance) to grant a pay raise in 1998. "It appears there is enough money in the general fund to grant salary increases for our state employees," Williams said.

Well, maybe. Gov. Phil Batt, who argued unsuccessfully for a 2 percent pay raise this year, was more cautious about spending the surplus. Between flood damage and prison expansion, the state may find itself in another bind next January, Batt said.

There's no denying that state workers made a sacrifice this year, or that they deserve the Legislature's attention next year. But 1998 isn't here yet. Batt is right to avoid making promises that Idaho may not be able to keep.

Auger Falls hydro project doesn't warrant another break

The Auger Falls hydroelectric proposal is unloved and unwanted. Why does the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission keep propping it up?

The project's would-be developer, Cogeneration Inc., has no visible friends in Idaho. Environmentalists, whitewater enthusiasts and others who love the river have mustered overwhelming public opposition. The state Land Board (populated by business-friendly Republicans) has read the popular mood and joined the resistance.

Continuing federal indulgence is

Cogeneration's only hope card. FERC recently granted yet another deadline extension on the project, over the state's objection. The extension gives Cogeneration time to pursue its court fight to seize state property.

Can Cogeneration eventually overcome Idaho's opposition, and further harness our already overburdened Snake River? If so, it will be a rare and ironic event: a federal agency enforcing exploitation of a natural resource that a Western state earnestly wants to preserve.

Fish & Game officials' business supplying elk feed smells funny

The qualifications for membership on the Idaho Fish and Game Commission do not, evidently, include a sense of shame.

Before he became a Fish and Game commissioner in 1995, Jeff Siddoway's company sold hay pellets to the state for elk feeding. But as a commissioner, he was ineligible for the \$300,000 contract.

So he found a neat evasion. According to a news story last week, a Blackfoot homemaker named Allyson Pear-

son (a friend of the manager of Siddoway's company) bid on the contract and subcontracted with Siddoway's company.

Nice, huh? Siddoway gets to sit on the commission that sets elk-feeding policies. And he gets to sell the pellets that feed the elk. And it's all legal.

Legal, but odious. The question is, now that the arrangement is out in the open, will Gov. Phil Batt tolerate such an obvious conflict of interest inside his administration?

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LETTERS

Small farmers lose rights of land

In response to N.S. Nokkenved's Sunday, June 13, article on "Zoning: A question of property rights," I want to respond to David Mead and the few others like him that if the farmers were selling their commodities for what commodities should be worth, adjusting for inflation and the CPI factors, there would probably by no farmland available to buy at any price. That would be the easiest way to save the farmland, now wouldn't it?

Today, in reality, farmers are being penalized for being productive and efficient. Fifty years ago, a family could make a good living if they owned and farmed 80 acres. Now it takes 500 to 600 acres to do the same thing. The commodity giants of today dictate a false market (obviously not supply and demand). You don't have to look far from home to see what the potato industry is doing.

Most counties subsidize their farmers, dairymen and ranchers directly. There is very little subsidy for agriculture left for the U.S. producer. The unofficial "cheap food policy" of our government is a slick way of receiving votes from its welfare recipients. Farmers, dairymen and ranchers have enough problems trying to make a liv-

ing in a controlled economy without having to fight a few people and public officials who want to take their property rights away.

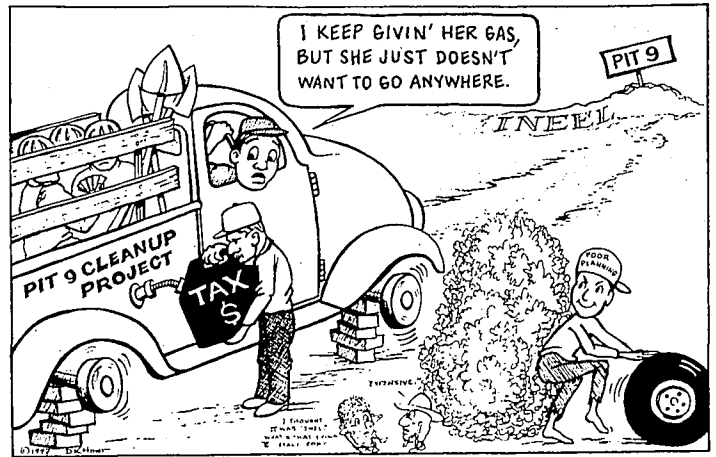
The rural property owners of Twin Falls County do not condone public dictators taking property rights away from them. To pay Justin Seamons, the Twin Falls County attorney, for civil cases with property owners' taxes to defend Twin Falls County against lawsuits from its property owners because the county has violated the property owners' rights would be ludicrous. If the county is not careful, this very well could happen!

"I've got mine but you can't have yours" syndrome must be put to rest so that the citizens of the county can prosper into the 21st century.

The bottom line is that property owners have the ultimate right to determine the highest and best use for their property in all situations.

"Under all is the land." The fundamental freedom of this country was founded by those who had fled oppression of tyranny. Anyone who suppresses the "highest and best use of the land" is a tyrant.

Freedom - the inner core of America - let's keep it!
JOHN J. TOLK
Twin Falls



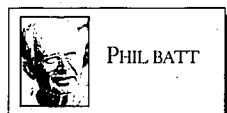
Grizzlies will do just fine without Idaho home

Grizzly bear reintroduction in Idaho is getting full-court press from environmental groups and federal agencies. The Interior Department has proposed planting these great creatures in the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness of Idaho.

Secretary Bruce Babbitt and, no doubt, Vice President Al Gore have put some steam behind this proposal. I have opposed the move, as have our Fish and Game commissioners and our congressional delegation. While the federal government can and will move without our blessing, they would prefer acquiescence.

I believe that their purported motive lacks merit. That is that this colony is needed to ensure a sustainable population in the lower 48 states. Grizzlies are thriving in Montana, Wyoming and Yellowstone Park. The talk there is how to manage the bears after they are "de-listed" by the federal government.

It seems to me that we are borrowing trouble if we welcome these fearsome creatures to Idaho. Outfitters and guides are opposed because, in order to guaran-



PHIL BATT

tee their clients' safety, they would have to abandon areas frequented by grizzly bears. Nine people have been killed by bears in Montana's Glacier Park since 1913. Eight more visitors met their demise in the Yellowstone area. These are not cuddly creatures.

Hunters and other backcountry adventurers fear that road closures would increase. This has already occurred in the Idaho Panhandle, where several roads have been closed to enhance grizzly bear recovery.

Cattle and sheep grazers suspect that their activities would also be affected. Although the proposed area does not allow commercial grazing, regulations could expand to more federally owned land. About 103,000 Idahoans live in the grizzly bear "primary analysis" area.

Most see a negative impact on their jobs.

Much favorable comment has been made about the proposal to control the bears with a citizens committee. Let us remember that federal rules set up and appoint such a committee. The secretary of the interior retains the power to veto any action of the committee and the rules can be changed at any time. This is as much about retaining control over natural resource issues in Idaho by Idahoans as it is about grizzly bears.

We are diligently trying to adapt to life under the Endangered Species Act. Spotted owls, salmon, bull trout and endangered snails have radically changed the way we use our resources. Many of those changes are sensible and probably overdue.

Yet it doesn't seem wise that we should ask for another serious complication limiting our ability to enjoy our magnificent wilderness. We are doing just fine without grizzly bears. They are not in danger of extinction. So why should we ask to move them further into Idaho?

Phillip E. Batt is governor of Idaho.

LETTERS

Keep Jerome commission at 3

After reading Tuesday's (July 15) front-page article regarding the study commission's recommendation for the reorganization of the county government structure, I feel I must make a comment.

While I respect each and every member of the commission, I totally disagree with their concept.

I agree that Jerome County needs a full-time professional administrator. I do not like the idea of five county commissioners. There is already enough overhead payroll at the courthouse. They mention that term limits are bound to come soon, and the county government will be thrown into chaos. What about when the five elected county commissioners are thrown out of office due to term limits or not re-elected? Will there not be chaos then? Who do you think will get the jobs now held by officials that we the people elect?

I can tell you right now that it will go right back to the "Good Old Boy Syndrome." The appointments will come from a list of political supporters, friends and relatives, not from a larger selection of the citizens.

They say they will be able to get rid of an official much easier when the citizens bring too many complaints against an appointed official. The most complaining would be done by "the vocal minority." We all know that certain large and influential families have more "complaining power" than the ordinary citizen; again, "the Good Old Boys."

I, for one, want to elect my sheriff, coroner, treasurer and county clerk. I want to at least feel that I still have some say in the government of my county. They want experts; what better

way to become an expert than to campaign and be elected to office and be answerable to all the people, not just five.

As it is now, the county commissioners do not have control over our elected officials except for the budget. Our Constitution calls for such a system of checks and balances.

ROBERT GOMES
Jerome

Land ownership isn't blank check

In discussing land use issues and zoning, we should be as concerned about land and resource responsibility as we are private property rights. It is, in fact, the irresponsible acts of land and resource use that justifies land-use laws and zoning. We as individuals are here on this good earth but for a short time, but our actions can affect generations yet to come.

What is going to be the source of food for an ever-increasing population? You can't eat asphalt or money, and your money can't buy what is not being produced.

I recently came across an old Chinese proverb that I believe speaks directly to the heart of the matter: "Unless we change directions, we are likely to end up where we are headed." Let's get real, folks, before it's too late.

Regarding Pit 9 red ink and INEL public image campaign: It's hard to put a good spin on an industry that is economically, environmentally and spiritually bankrupt.

BILL CHISHOLM
Buhl

Private events center won't work

The Twin Falls County Fair projects that the proposed Events Center with 100 scheduled events per year could in-

roduce more than \$18 million into the local economy annually.

These figures were calculated using formulas supplied by the U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis.

These figures were drawn from conservative estimates about the number of events, participants and the amount of money visitors would spend while in the Twin Falls area. Using these numbers, an estimated \$6 million would enter the economy directly from the expenditures of visitors drawn into the area by the Events Center. An additional \$12 million can be expected to be added through the events themselves and other channels as calculated through the Bureau of Economic Analysis equations.

The main objective of constructing the Events Center with public funds is to maintain a building that is readily available to public organizations at a reasonable cost. Should the center be constructed with private money, the building would be required to return enough profit to pay for its construction. The Twin Falls County Fair has stated before and continues to stress that local, youth and public organizations would be able to utilize the proposed Events Center for an at-cost fee. A privately funded center would be unable to offer competitive rates to these organizations.

By seeking public funding for the proposed Events Center, the Twin Falls County Fair Board is attempting to build a facility that is readily available to the public for its use.

A privately financed center would not adopt this policy and generate a sufficient return on investment.

BILL LEVINS
Twin Falls

Doonesbury



Mallard Fillmore



Everyone knows the umbrella man helped murder Vincent Foster

What this country needs is another investigation into the alleged suicide of Vincent Foster.

Independent counsel Kenneth Starr has just come out with another whitewash saying that Foster offed himself.

We know this can't be true because that's the same conclusion the last independent counsel, Robert Fiske, came to, and the same conclusion the congressional investigating committee reached, and the same conclusion the National Park Service police, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Virginia state police all reached. So, obviously, we need to spend even more of the taxpayers' money until someone official reaches a different conclusion — the one supported by all the conspiracy buffs of America.

Now, these conspiracy buffs are a truly well-trained and well-informed group. They get their information from the Internet — no one knows who puts it there, but it's clearly more reliable than the physical evidence in the case. And if it weren't for these same well-trained, well-informed conspiracy buffs, we



MOLLY IVINS

wouldn't even know that space aliens had landed at Roswell, N.M. — so there.

And another thing this country needs to do is keep Susan McDougal in prison longer. If that woman were serving time for the only thing she's been convicted of, she'd be out by now, so it's a good thing we're keeping her in the clink with a lot of child-killers and mother-stabbers for the crime of refusing to help Starr — who, after all, couldn't even prove that Vince Foster was really murdered by Hillary Rodham Clinton in their love nest at the Watergate building, which everyone knows. With the assistance, of course, of the Umbrella Man, who was also on the grassy knoll in Dallas.

Besides which, as the previous known record for serving hard time for the offense of contempt is a mere six months, and McDougal will shortly have served

one year for same, we're talking a new record here — we're talking She's No. 1, and this is like Hank Aaron's home-run record, so she should be grateful and proud.

As long as the lunatics are running the asylum here, let me alert the independent counsel: to the alarming fact that there are other citizens besides stabbers, because contempt for Kenneth Starr is one serious crime. The only problem is that there are just so many, so very many, who hold that man in contempt.

Far be it from me to put a damper on the Hate Clinton industry. After all, it has provided full employment for so many for so long. Starr alone has spent three years and \$30 million trying to prove that the Clintons did something wrong in a 1978 land deal, on which all the statutes have long since run. A land deal previously investigated by the Resolution Trust Corp., the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., Sen. Alfonse

D'Amato and half the journalists in America.

This is not to mention the employment provided by Filagate (still no charges), Travelgate (still no charges), and Troopergate (still no charges), plus all of Paula Jones' lawyers (Starr volunteered to be one until he got a paying job, which is the Republicans' idea of proof of objectivity). When President Clinton tells you he has created jobs in America, you had better believe it.

In this, the summer of our paranoia, the best movie on screen is "Men in Black," starring Tommy Lee Jones, who was Vice President Al Gore's college roommate at Harvard, and if you can't get a conspiracy theory out of that, you are clearly out of touch with the cultural zeitgeist. In this film, a documentary about a secret government agency, we learn that the only media to be trusted are the supermarket checkout-line tabloids. Well, obviously.

But I warn you that even the tabs are not entirely reliable; I happen to know that Elvis is dead. My greatest claim to fame: I saw him in the box. (Unless that was Col. Parker's body with Elvis' face on it — a real possibility, according to

another hit movie, "Face/Off.")

As one who stands foursquare for fact, evidence, reason, logic and the premise that astrology is a crock, let me say that these are hard times for rationalists. Truth is a slippery creature at the best of times, and I have never believed that Established Authority is a particularly good source of same. If I were part of Established Authority, however, I would spend some time meditating on the fact that American paranoia, a proud part of our cultural heritage, would be at a considerably lower ebb if our own government had not lied to us so much. As they say in another small town not far from Roswell, Truth Or Consequences.

Crow Eaten Here: In a recent column, I gave the entire credit for an excellent report on the inequities of Congress' tax proposals to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. Half the credit should have gone to Citizens for Tax Justice, which collaborated with the CBPP, good for both groups for proving just how disproportionately the congressional proposals benefit the wealthy.

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Tread lightly when using real news footage in Hollywood films

Jodie Foster does a whiz-bang job playing a purposeful, passionate radio astronomer who talks to stars in the space flick "Contact." For all I know, she'll win an Academy Award.

But Foster should share billing with the Big Guy at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.

Say one thing for Bill Clinton: He knows how to play a card, inspiring president in a space crisis.

But in a world when fakery often blurs reality, I found Clinton's scenes in "Contact" embarrassing, queasy and

disorienting. I'd heard the White House was unhappy with this ripoff.

Movie buff Clinton hasn't seen the film, but lawyer Charles Buff told me of a House of Representatives videotape — no permission asked — "fundamentally unfair."

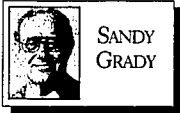
So I ducked into a Washington cineplex to see what the fuss was about. There were riveting, high-tech swooshes over the cosmos. And an overlong, soft-soap tale meshing science and religion based on Carl Sagan's 1985 novel.

Foster, who supplies the emotional juice, plays astronomer Ellie Arroway, obsessed with extraterrestrial signals. "Listening for E.T.," as her boss gushes. Bingo, she picks up code from Vega (no, not Las Vegas).

The super-smart Vegans send blimp-like probes that will bounce 25 light years through a "worm hole."

Enter Clinton, obviously thrilled by Jodie's success. "If this discovery is confirmed, it will surely be one of the most stunning insights that science has uncovered," says Clinton.

Public appearances are as far-reaching and awe-inspiring as



SANDY GRADY

can be imagined."

But the audience where I watched trilled at Clinton's bubbly, trite blather. His words seemed familiar. Later with a Lexis search I found them: Aug. 7, 1995, he'd been congratulating NASA scientists on finding potentially ancient life in a Mars meteorite.

He said that on the White House South Lawn. No problem, "Contact" producer Zemeckis switched the scene to the briefing room.

Later he shows Clinton at a Cabinet table, actor Jim Woods morphing beside him. When the Vegas space gizmo first explodes — blow your own six bucks to unravel the plot — Clinton perks up agog.

"I would want everybody not to be influenced by suggestion rather than the known facts," Clinton says grimly. "We are not happening what has actually happened."

The real Clinton hadn't been talking about some goofy space trampoline. The moment was April 9, 1995: Clinton, in his presidency's gravest act as national therapist, was encouraging the Oklahoma City explosion.

That's stealing authenticity from the dead, using 168 Oklahoma City victims to peddle movie tickets.

Sure, director Robert Zemeckis did this technique in "Forrest Gump" when he had Forrest morphed with John Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon. But I'd say the danger — and plain lousy taste — in distorting a current president's words to zip up a

movie.

"It's fantasy, entertainment," Zemeckis has alibied. "It adds verisimilitude. I supposed you have to be cautious. We didn't ask the White House. He (Clinton) works for us."

What next? Will another Hollywood hotshot switch a real president's videotaped scenes to fake him bombing Russia, dealing heroin, seducing a prime minister, or knocking off his vice president?

It's not Clinton alone who's shamelessly used in "Contact." The movie's a 150-minute promo for CNN. I lost count of CNN anchors, reporters and pundits in bit parts, but noted Larry King, Bruce Shaver, Natalie Allen, Bob Novak, Phil Blitzer and John Hollman.

A cynic might suggest a connection between Time Warner's ownership of Warner Brothers, which made "Contact," and CNN's talent make-believe.

Talk about make-believe: Alluring the real world: White Hollman's doing "Contact" standups, he's reporting the Mars Pathfinder mission live on CNN. What's plastic, what's true?

OK, CNN President Tom Johnson has ended his journalists' celluloid self-promotion. What about a president? It's custom to bar using his image to advertise used cars, golf balls or pizza. I say it's worse to switch his words to sell Hollywood space schlock — cheap theft of reality.

Maybe Clinton deserves Best Supporting Actor for "Contact." Don't expect director Zemeckis to thank him. You don't have to fake shame.

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LETTERS

Boycotting Disney's poison will make a difference

This letter is in response to the Times-News editorial of July 10 that opposes the Southern Baptist Convention's boycott of Disney.

Many Americans are choosing to boycott Disney simply because it is the morally right thing to do. They are exercising their freedom to spend their money as they choose to.

Yes, it will require some sacrifice, since Disney characters are very attractive to children. Yet contrary to *The Times-News'* opinion in the July 10 editorial, just because children were attracted to the Rupert parade's Mickey Mouse character, it does not follow that their parents will or won't buy Disney products.

The Times-News intimated that because 98 percent of Disney's products (if question the source for this figure) have been family oriented, therefore Americans will overlook its 2 percent offensive products.

What if you were handed a drink and told it was 98 percent poison and 2 percent poison, would you drink it? No, you'd throw out the drink or extract the poison.

Southern Baptists and other Americans object to the poison being peddled by Disney, a dangerous mixture which includes promotion of the homosexual lifestyle, pornographic movies, glorification of violence and teen-age sex and the denigra-

Appointed officeholders are held accountable

I am trying to understand the situation that is occurring in Jerome County. Maybe response from the readers could help.

The county commissioners are going to take a change in the voters on the form of county government they desire. Now this is where it gets involved.

We currently vote for a person for an office of leadership for a term of four years. Yes, the public may know the candidates but most likely do not.

PHILIP G. COWELL
Wendell

Sort of like the lottery, isn't it? You vote between the candidates, or as is usually the case, the only candidate that lives inside the county limits and are "stuck" with them for four years. If they can't or won't do a credible service to the public, you are still stuck with them till the next election. Oh, the public can scream "resign" but you rarely see an carry, even if it comes to a vote.

Cities have been appointing department heads forever. Usually efficient, correctable, more responsive to the community. Have they been wrong? Should they change to the traditional system of county government?

There is good and bad in both systems, but as a citizen, who do you go to for complaints about a situation with an elected official? Start a lottery recall? The checks and balances of a democratic society fall with an autonomous official secure in their position for four years.

As an appointed department head, I have to contend with reappointment each year, the fear of being removed during the year, but I knew this going in. I still do my job, I still have my job, I still answer for my performance. I competed with others, not residents of the city, not restricted to only locals and sometimes, a choice of one.

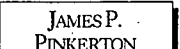
PHILIP G. COWELL
Wendell

After shaky start, fund-raising hearings have chance to catch on

The first week was terrible. On ABC's "Nightline," Forrest Sawyer called the Senate hearings "a bust." And *The New York Times* editorialized a bit in its "headline," "Democrats Win First Bit of Fund-Raising Inquiry." And *U.S. News & World Report*, ripping into Tennessee Sen. Fred Thompson's opening statement, in which he spoke of a "Chinese plan to subvert our election process," seemed ready to dismiss the whole inquiry under the header, "Is the latest Reid Ferril actually a real hearing?"

What a difference a week makes. Tuesday, Thompson committee member Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., broke with his party. "I conclude," he said, "there was in fact a Chinese government plan to move money into congressional elections last year." CNN's Brooks Jackson jumped in to observe that "Reid actually got us off to a slow start last week, are drawing blood today."

Then came revelations that Indonesia's Lippo Group had



funneled money into the Democratic National Committee as far back as 1992. Wednesday's papers bore a harvest of headlines, such as *The Washington Post's* "Democrats Agree Chinese Had Plan to Buy U.S. Seats" and *The New York Times'* "China's Plan to Buy U.S. Seats." Maybe now the major TV networks, which have virtually boycotted the hearings, will take a second look. And if they do, Thompson will get another chance to open. He'll need it, because he blew his debut. But how could this be?

Thompson, who mostly played dog heavies in film, may never prove warm enough for TV. And he has yet to come up with a summarizing soundbite, such as "What did the president know, and when did he know it?" made famous by former Sen. Howard Baker, R-Tenn., during Watergate.

But Thompson the trouper knows that the show must go on. And if he can keep it going long

enough, the China Syndrome will melt down the Clinton White House.

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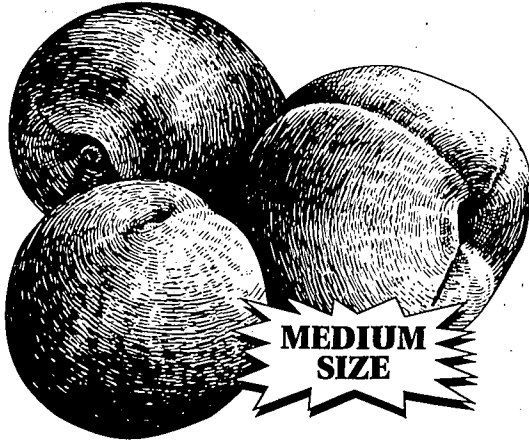
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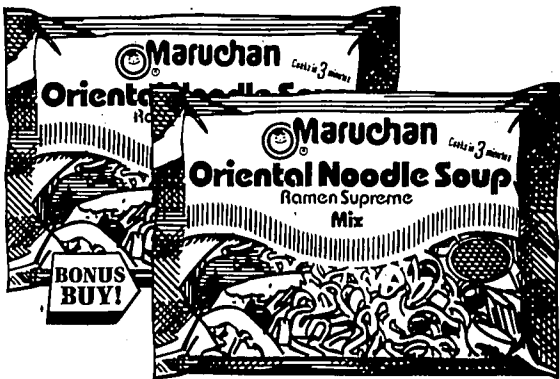
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Fraction Falls, home of silly streets

I live on Heaving Bodice Street. You could look it up.

It says right here in my kid's French-English dictionary that 7630n Street is named for the Gallic term for what was on the voyagers' minds when they encountered certain evocatively shaped mountains in western Wyoming, after wandering the wilderness with a bunch of other guys for 18 months.

Oh, I'm sure that the developers who drew up my neighborhood a half century ago tried to keep abreast of their work, but let's face it: They didn't know a *tonon* from a D-cup.

Maybe that's why our town has so many surprisingly goofy street names.



DON'T ASK ME
Steve Crump

Still, what can you expect here in Fraction Falls - a city with no fewer than eight Second streets and avenues; eight Thirds; eight Fourths; eight Fifties; eight Sixths; seven Sevens; six Eighths; two Nines; two Tens and two Elevents - all of which are turned at a 45-degree angle to the rest of the world?

It's as if I.B. Perrine stood on the back of his buckboard in 1904, and proclaimed, "Everyone can find his way around this flat and featureless townsite; we'll fix that."

Clearly, that drove succeeding generations of local city planners to touch liquor. How else to explain Fillmore and Harrison streets?

These are two of the three major north-south corridors in western Twin Falls, and they're named for world-class nincompoops.

Millard Fillmore, the 13th president of the United States, was once described as "an incompetent masquerading as a medic." His own political party, the Whigs - an organization without many prospects at the time - declined to nominate him for a second term.

Four years later, Fillmore ended up being the standard-bearer of the Know Nothing Party.

William Henry Harrison, who was briefly our ninth president, was too dumb to come in out of the rain at his Inauguration, caught cold and was gathered to the fathers just 31 days later.

Two weeks after that, the country noticed he was dead.

But that's just the beginning:

- Paintbrush Circle. Either an artist's colony or the developer ran out of rollers.
- Madrona Street. Evidently named after the star of "Evinriva."
- Dorn Drive. There aren't any.
- Plain View Drive. Absolutely true. On a clear day, you can see Kimberly.
- Russett Drive. Wonderful Idaho title marred only by the fact that it's spelled wrong.
- Carousel Circle. You were expecting, what? Carousel Square?
- Sophomore Boulevard. Not a good neighborhood to raise Junior.
- San Larue Avenue. "San" is Spanish for "saint"; there's nobody on the Catholics' all-star list named Larue. (There's a Laverne, though, and two Lucindas.)
- Duboise Avenue. Just this side of Dupocello Road.
- Green Tree Way. Started out as Blue Tree Boulevard, but it didn't catch on.
- Victory Street. Intersects Finished Second Avenue.
- Seven Springs Avenue. Let's see: Seven springs and twin falls equals - what? Nine Summers Lane? Five Winters Way?
- Mae Drive. Or, mae take a cab.
- Freightways Street. Charming, tree-lined and with ample parking for 18-wheelers.
- All Street. All the time.
- Knottingham Drive. Runs into Ksherwood Forest.
- University Avenue. No, I can't find the sorority houses either.
- Wall Avenue. Lined with brokerage houses catering to investors too timid for the real thing.
- Del Mar Drive. "Del Mar" is Spanish for "of the sea." For a high-desert development coaxed from the bitterbrush and skunkweed, it's arguably the silliest name ever devised - with the possible exception of "Blue Lakes."

Steve Crump, the Times-News features editor, reminds you "Idaho" is derived from the Shoshoni term for "The Realtor promised us the new neighbors wouldn't skin hogs in the backyard."

GETTING CRAZY



Above, J.T. Jones guides his teammates through a water hazard sprayed over the course in Gooding during the annual Summerfest bed race. The bed, made from aircraft aluminum, is the creation of High Range Aviation and Thomas Helicopter. This is the second year in a row the team has won the race. Below, Gooding Magistrate Judge Kevin Cassidy cools off by volunteering time in a dunk tank.

East end rebuffs Jerome reform plan

Fears government getting out of hands of voters

By Mark Halnz
Times-News writer

EDEN - A proposal to reform the Jerome County government got a chilly reception Saturday from some residents of the county's east end who worry the proposed changes could take government out of voters' hands.

Voters in eastern Jerome County swung last year's sheriff election in favor of challenger Jim Weaver because many in the east end felt they had been ignored by the sheriff's department, Curtis McEwen of Hazelton said.

Under a proposed form of government - in which the sheriff and other officials would be hired by a county manager - it might not be so easy to get rid of a bad official, McEwen said.

But supporters of the proposal argued optional forms of government would make it easier for five elected county commissioners to fire officeholders who were doing a lousy job.

McEwen and several other east end residents gathered at the Eden senior citizen center for the first of two Saturday hearings on the conclusions of the Jerome Commission for Optional Forms of County Government.

Members Neil Cross, John Horgan, Con Paulos, Carl Montgomery and Maxine Bell also came to the hearing to pitch their proposal and answer questions.

They are part of a nine-member study commission appointed last year by the Jerome County Commission and charged with doing an in-depth study of the county's government to see if any changes were needed.

Cross said that during a series of regular meetings, the commission studied several forms of county government, including a seven-member county commission and an independent county charter form.

Jerome County, like all Idaho's counties, now has a traditional three-member county commission that has limited administrative power over elected county department heads.

The study commission recently concluded the county should change to a five-member commission-manager form of government.

Under that system, voters would choose a quintet of county commissioners, who would hire a professional county manager and department heads, including the coroner, sheriff, assessor, prosecuting attorney, treasurer and clerk/recorder. The manager would have administrative power over department heads. But a majority vote of the county commission would be needed to fire any of the hired officials including the county manager.

McEwen and other critics at the hearing said that form takes away voters' power to get rid of bad officials and

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A bed time

Unique and unusual a part of Gooding's annual Summerfest



By N.S. Nokkvented
Times-News writer

GOODING - Most towns have a parade - not Gooding.

Here folks leave their dignity at home, don costumes and push decorated beds on wheels in a mad dash down Main Street - with bags over their heads.

Halfway along the course a fire truck sprays the contestants with a fire hose.

And the winners get a big prize, right?

Wrong.

They do it for fun. It's all part of the 5th annual Summerfest, held each year the day before the Basque picnic.

So what makes a good racing bed?

"The lighter the better," said Rachelle Novinger, one of the Bed Bugs, racing for Land Title and Escrow Inc. of Gooding.

But the Bed Bugs' gurney, donated by the Gooding hospital, turned out to be too heavy. After three heats, the team of five was exhausted and beaten by the defending champions - High Range Aviation Inc.

The race begins with one team member on the bed and the other four - with brown-paper grocery bags over their heads - pushing. When the gun goes off they push the bed down the street, directed by the person on the bed - the only one who can see.

Along the way the beds career into barricades and the orange traffic cones that mark the center of the street as the rider tries to give direction to the pushers.

The crowd gathered on the grass along the street cheers the racers on.

At the other end of the course, the team must switch riders on the bed. But the bags come off, so the return trip goes a little faster and a lot straighter.

The first team back at the starting line wins.

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Twin Falls Democrats picnic, hope for more company next year

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - They gathered on a sunny afternoon to chat, strategize and swap political rumors. They hoped to raise several hundred dollars toward funding someone who will run against the Republicans.

"More people, this is great!" exclaimed Jeanne Meyer as a couple strolled up to a pavilion at Harmon Park.

Saturday, at least 35 adults and children attended the summer Twin Falls County Democratic picnic, serving up hot dogs, macaroni fruit salad, homemade salad dressing, chocolate cake and lemonade.

The pavilion was bedecked with red, white- and blue-striped streamers. Nearby, a small sign resting against a post displayed the words "Twin Falls County Democrats" scrawled in black ink.

Most Democratic supporters who attended the picnic have endured the Republican revolution and ultra-minority jibes, but they said they seriously look toward a future when they have more company.

"We can't get any smaller," said Earl D. Olson, a Twin Falls resident.

Some listed several issues - the environment, rising health-care costs, electricity deregulation, education - they think will attract more Democrats to the party. Others say they hope voters will support them because the balance of power is so lopsided.

"I feel there are two sides of an issue," said George Juker, a Buhl farmer who ran unsuccessfully against Sen. John Sandy, R-Hagerman, last year.

Meyer, who ran unsuccessfully against Rep. Ron Black, R-Twin Falls, said she thinks people need to be reminded the

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A DAY OF SERVICE



A traffic island at the intersection of Fifth Street North and Sixth Avenue North in Twin Falls gets a lot of sprucing up by Bob Lysing and his fellow workers. The group participated in the 'Worldwide Pioneer Heritage Service Day' to commemorate the arrival of the Mormon pioneers in Utah 150 years ago. Local groups performed projects such as building boat docks at Murtaugh Lake and putting in a sprinkler at Twin Falls' Rock Creek Park.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Environmental concerns crop up in site selection for future highway

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — The Western Transportation Corridor study committee has selected a route for the Legacy Highway through northern Davis and southern Weber counties.

Construction of the highway is at least 20 years away but planners say it's important to pick a route and start setting aside land in the corridor now.

The committee chose the Bluff Road alternative for the north Davis County section, the path of least resistance. The route does not require plowing over prime Davis County farmland, and affects fewer homes and wetlands than two other proposals.

"This seems to be the least intrusive to the citizens in these areas," said state Sen. Joe Hall, D-Hooper, a steering-committee member.

Still, environmental groups say that placing the highway just west of Bluff Road would damage bird and animal habitats along the shoreline of the Great Salt Lake. How much land would be affected remains unknown, however.

"It would impact a small wetlands area but we can't make a

definite comment without seeing the specific route," said Kerry Green of the Nature Conservancy of Utah.

Gov. Mike Leavitt wants the highway built west of Interstate 15 to relieve congestion on the route.

"Our position has always been that Legacy should not be built."

—Nina Dougherty, Sierra Club

30-year-old interstate. The committee previously chose a route for the West Davis Highway section of the Legacy project, which will run east or west of Salt Lake International Airport, along the Great Salt Lake, and terminate in the Kayaville-Layton area.

The chosen route from there north would run parallel to Bluff Road from Gentle Street in Layton to 300 North in West Point. Then it would continue north to about 4900 West and 5500 South in Weber County. The highway would then turn north and eastward to connect with 1200 South at about 3500 West.

"This doesn't set things in concrete, but it does set it in clay," said committee member and state Rep. Marty Stephens.

Not all at Friday's meeting were happy with the chosen route.

Don Staker said its passes just west of his family's farmhouse in Weber County, skirting a pasture his family owns. He postulated that any protest he would make about the route would be futile.

"We're just here to have this rammed down our throats," he said, referring to his family's attendance at the meeting.

Some argued that it made little sense to tie up a swath of land through the center of the county for a highway that may never be built. Others had concerns about maintaining north Weber County's rural lifestyle.

And Nina Dougherty of the Sierra Club said the route should not be built at all.

No matter where Legacy is placed, it would destroy the homes of birds and animals, Dougherty said.

"Our position has always been that Legacy should not be built," she said.



The cast of the NBC show 'Frasier,' from left, Dan Butler, Peri Gilpin, David Hyde Pierce, Jane Leeves and Kelsey Grammer, answer questions from reporters at the annual NBC press tour in Pasadena, Calif., Saturday.

NBC president promises continued ratings resistance



PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — NBC, the lone network holdout, will continue to resist the newly expanded television ratings system because it could lead to censorship, its programming chief said Saturday.

"My message is be afraid, be very afraid," Warren Littlefield told a gathering of TV critics.

Political involvement in television began innocently enough four years ago, when U.S. Sen. Paul Simon raised concerns about excessive TV violence, Littlefield said.

But legislators' agendas have rapidly expanded to include ratings and, despite assurances to the contrary, possible legislation that would mandate a "family hour" with kid-friendly programs.

"As broadcasters, I feel we're looking at a potential avalanche now," Littlefield said. "It's no longer about should parents be informed. It's about controlling content."

The executive who programs the No. 1 broadcast network — home of "ER," "Seinfeld" and "Friends" — called the debate a "Bellevue issue" that interests Washington but not the American public.

By Oct. 1, the letters "V," "S," "L" and "D" will appear alongside age-based ratings that now flash in the upper-left corner of TV screens for 15 seconds at the beginning of programs.

The revamped ratings are intended to give parents a way to track the content of shows that they may not want their children to watch.

The letters stand for violence, sex and language that could be viewed as offensive.

President of NBC Entertainment, Warren Littlefield, told reporters Saturday that television ratings systems could lead to censorship.

Lightning kills Utah Scoutmaster

COALVILLE, Utah (AP) — A Scoutmaster who was hiking with his troop toward King's Peak died when he was struck by lightning.

Douglas A. McLachlan, 52, of Bountiful, died Friday afternoon, according to a report to the Summit County Sheriff's office.

Two others — adult leader Ryan Deakin and his son, Trevor Deakin, 12, also of Bountiful — were injured during the lightning strike. They were retrieved by AirMed helicopter and taken to University of Utah Medical Center.

The youth was treated and released on Friday and his father was released on Saturday.

Bountiful resident Nedra Lewis reported the strike to the sheriff's office Friday afternoon, said deputy Alan Siddoway.

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VALLEY IN BRIEF

Police search for theater robber

TWIN FALLS — Police are looking for a man who robbed a Twin Falls drive-in theater Friday night. A man with a handgun walked up to the ticket booth at the Motor-Vu Drive Inn Theater, 240 Eastland Drive, and demanded money from the till, said a Twin Falls police report.

The robbery happened at about 11 p.m., the report said, about the time the second movie, "Boyz n the City 2," had begun. The man walked up to the booth from the street side, the report said.

The man was wearing a dark-colored, long-sleeved shirt and a ski mask and was about 6 feet tall, the report said.

MV writers make strong showing

JACKPOT, Nev. — Magic Valley writers made a

strong showing in the Cactus Petes Resort Casino's Annual Carl Hayden Writer's Contest this year.

Patty Nance of Jerome took first place and Bonnie Dodge of Twin Falls took third. Nance, the owner and publisher of the Northside News, won the \$1,000 first prize in the creative writing contest.

It was her first entry in the annual contest and only her second entry in a creative-writing contest.

Dodge, a professional writer, won the \$500 third prize.

Richard Menzies of Salt Lake City won the \$750 second prize.

The contest drew 60 entries from 30 cities in states from Arizona to Montana.

Compiled from staff reports

SERVICES

James H. (Jim) Benham, of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, 10:30 a.m. Monday, Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel, Boise. Burial will follow at 4 p.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls.

Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. today at the Alden-Waggoner Chapel, and the family will greet friends from 3 to 5 p.m. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Harriett Mae (LaPorte) Anderson, of Shoshone, 11 a.m. Monday, Dietrich LDS Church. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m.

today at Demaray's Shoshone Chapel and one hour before the funeral on Monday at the church.

DEATH NOTICES

Gladys F. Dowd

BUHL — Gladys Faye Dowd, 84, of Buhl, died Saturday, July 19, 1997, at Applegate Assisted

Living Center in Buhl.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted
 Marla Stoker of Burley; and Pauline Alphonse of Twin Falls.

Released
 Wilma Gardner of Jerome; Sumer Shinn of Twin Falls; and C.W. Garner of Jackpot, Nev.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Admitted
 Ladawna Durfee and Nora Ruiz, both of Burley.

Released
 Jairo Garcia, Sarah Gonzalez, Jennie Egbert and Marguerite Child, all of Burley; Lara Barfuss, Rosa

Martinez and Carol Hanks, all of Rupert; Karen Critchfield and Judy Elquist, both of Oakley; and Robbie Connor of Almo.

Births

A baby was born to Jesse and Nora Ruiz, and to Bill and Ladawna Durfee, all of Burley.

MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted

Dora Pague and baby boy of Rupert.

Released

Jacob Jones, Joslyn Mata and Rolinda Mack, all of Rupert.

Births

A son was born to Dora Dameron Pague of Rupert.

OBITUARIES

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TWIN FALLS

Eva N. Carlson
 Eva Nadine Carlson, 75, of Hawthorne, Nev., died Wednesday, July 16, 1997, at Mount Grant Hospital in Hawthorne.

She was born Dec. 31, 1921, in Jerome, to John Smith and Birdie E. Acuff Smith.

She lived in Twin Falls and later moved to Hawthorne, where she had resided for 40 years. Eva was

a licensed practical nurse. She is survived by her husband, Arthur Eldred Carlson of Hawthorne; sons, William R. Carlson of Reno, Nev., and John Arthur Carlson of Vancouver, Wash.; daughter, Marilyn Weems of Reno; and sister, Lita Carlson of Wendell. She was preceded in death by her parents; son, David Rex Carlson; daughter, Tina Carlson; brothers, Lloyd, Glenn and Calvin; and sisters, Gladys Gonzales, Fay Johnson, Fern Sorenson and Iva

Smith.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, July 21, 1997, at Gunter's Funeral Home Chapel in Hawthorne. Burial will follow at the Hawthorne Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday at Gunter's Funeral Home Chapel.

Memorials may be made to Hawthorne Care and Share, P.O. Box 1058, Hawthorne, NV 89415.

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Democrats

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Democratic party stands for the average person. She said Democrats started Social Security and Medicare, which benefit senior citizens.

"Who fought for them? They've forgotten all that," Meyer said. "Young people now don't think we need (Social Security) but in the long run, it's a good thing."

Right now, "we're in the doldrums" because voters are on vacation and summer is traditionally a bad time for campaigning, said Lloyd Walker, a longtime Democratic Party supporter and official.

Nothing really begins to happen until after Labor Day, when children are back in school, the sun sets sooner and "more people are inside watching television," Walker said.

"Certainly this is a dead, dead period, politically," Walker said. Democrats said they are reassured by the idea that most people are independent, not stuck on one-party philosophy.

"If we can find good candidates, I think we have a good chance," said Carole Stennett, whose son, Clint, is a Democratic Idaho senator from the northwest end of the Magic Valley.

Olson said he thinks luck is going to turn the way of the Democrats as more people move to Idaho.

"It's going to change, the state is going to change from this good of boy system they have had for so long," Olson said.

Walker said Democrats may get an edge because Republicans are fighting with each other, pointing to the recent attempt by younger congressional Republicans to oust Newt Gingrich.

"The Republican wave, I think, is over, commencing with Newt," Walker chuckled.

Meanwhile, the campaign season is young, they say. The Democrats, if they aren't looking for candidates to run, are thinking about whether to run themselves.

"They want me to be a candidate, but I don't know," Meyer said. "It's very hard on your family."

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Blazing a path to economic prosperity

Experts say a winding road greets those wanting to get community on right track

By Kurt Friedemann
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Economic development experts say it's a tricky process, getting a community on the right economic road.

They say it's filled with gaping potholes, detour signs and sudden dips that trip up volunteers who lack the experience to guide a community along the twists and turns that lead to economic diversity.

They insist development needs a professional with the knowledge to help lead a struggling community on the path to prosperity, and it's not easy.

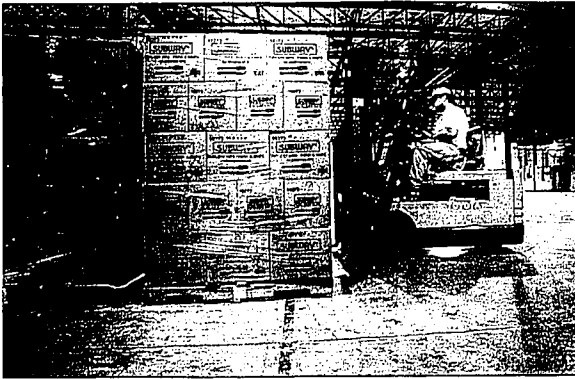
Without someone to recruit and keep businesses and encourage their growth, a small community can miss out on important economic development opportunities, said Forrest Hymas, city economic development specialist for Jerome.

"Strong economic development is a must," Hymas said. "You can't stand still, you have to keep moving forward."
Mini-Cassia city and county officials and area business people have recently wrestled with these very issues. An Economic Development Commission was created to get the ball rolling, but its volunteer members don't always have the time necessary to devote to economic development.

Some local leaders are pushing to hire an economic development specialist, seeking city and county money to pay for the position.

"We need an economic specialist to take over day-to-day operation and help bring continuity and longevity to assure economic diversity," said commission chairman Larry Roberts.

A specialist is expected to



Proponents say an economic development specialist could bring new business to the Mini-Cassia area like the Clear Shield distribution center that recently opened in Twin Falls.

assume a variety of roles, Hymas said, but it's not a one-man show.

"It's important you have a person who knows what is happening and can act," Hymas said. "This is not a quick process, it usually takes at least three years to bring new business in."

In the past, volunteers were expected to help recruit new business, but as markets have become more competitive, the job has become harder.

"A volunteer can't do it all," said Idaho Department of Commerce Economic Development Administrator Jay Engstrom.

Hymas said an economic development specialist is integral in

attracting new business, but the process needs time.

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Idaho has many agencies to encourage economic development. A specialist can get, and share, data from the state that can attract a business.

"That kind of specialist is a critical link for Mini-Cassia," said Hank Ebert, a Commerce Department economic development specialist.

"That's what's missing for economic development in Mini-Cassia," Ebert said.

If Jerome had not taken such a proactive stance, Hymas said, it would not have experienced its recent growth.

In three years, he looked at 66

businesses, and got about 10 percent to stay in the area. He gave five major presentations to large out-of-state corporations, helped create about 70 new jobs and retain another 350 jobs.

Twin Falls City Economic Development Director Dave McAlindin recently was instrumental in attracting Clear Shield National Inc.

The plastic flatware producer will build a \$13 million plant on Eastland Drive and create 140 to 150 new jobs.

McAlindin helped the city attract the business by offering a new bulkhead sewer lines, site preparation and transformers worth \$1.3 million at no cost to taxpayers.

The plant will bring an estimated \$189,000 to the city through property taxes and will carry a \$30-million-a-year economic impact.

Ultimately, the specialist uses available talent and resources to help a community, and respond to problems.

"A specialist will deal with everything from A to Z," Engstrom said. "One day they may be working with building regulations, another they may be dealing with zoning laws and another maybe something as small as a 'No parking' sign that restricts parking in front of an area business."

But the specialist need his or her own plan, Ebert said.

"You have to know where your priorities are, especially if you are working with multiple communities," Ebert said. "That way I know what is important so I can focus my time on that."

Times-News staff writer Kurt Friedemann can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

Survey shows students' complaints about foreign professors don't wash

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The complaint is a common one: Teaching classes from heavily accented foreign instructors means a better chance of getting

a poor grade. Not so, according to a new University of Utah survey that shows students taught by non-native English-speaking teaching assistants receive, on average, the same grades as students taught by native English-speaking teaching assistants.

"The accent is not where it's at," said Richard McClane, a graduate student who conducted the study. "A non-native English-speaking TA is not going to affect your grade. That's the biggest bulleried fact in the use of international TAs, and we find

that the numbers don't show that."

Teaching assistants are graduate students paid to teach part time. The study included more than 1,200 students from 12 different science and engineering classes.

"They want me to be a candidate, but I don't know," Meyer said. "It's very hard on your family."

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puts all the power in the hands of the county commission.

Faulstich said the commission-manager form would result in a county government run like a business, in which officials would be held to strict standards of performance. And through complaints to elected county commissioners, voters could get an officeholder quickly fired instead of waiting for the next election or going through the trouble of a recall vote, Faulstich said.

Cross said, under the present form of government, the county

risks losing well-trained public officials to term limits.

With term limits, county government could become a training ground for newly-elected officials every few years, he said.

Still, McEwen and other critics said that hired officials with no term limits could become entrenched in their positions and gain too much influence over local government.

Cross said the study commission will meet once more to discuss the results of the public hearing before handing its final

recommendation to the county commission.

The county commission then will decide whether to put the proposed change on November's ballot.

If voters approve the change, the new form of government would take effect in January 1998, but county officeholders would serve out their current terms before hired officials took over.

Times-News staff writer Mark Heinz can be reached in Jerome at 324-6962.

Summerfest

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When all the teams have run, the winners run again to determine the day's overall winner. The team from the Gooding Fire Department did well, almost. Just a few feet shy of the finish line, the bed frame broke.

A team member grabbed the sagging frame, and the team dragged the bed across the finish line.

Once again, the team from

High Range Aviation won the event.

Brian Utz credited his team's victory to high-tech welding, lightweight aluminum and youth teamwork helped too, he admitted.

Chamber of commerce President Jayne Shepard, manager of Land Title and Escrow, praised the weather and the generosity of local merchants who donated prizes for the days events.

One of the events later in the day was a duck race to raise money for Christmas decorations for the city. Plastic ducks were let loose on the Little Wood River, which runs through the center of town, and the winners were fished out several blocks downstream.

It was a great day, Shepard said.

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FOR THE RECORD

Twin Falls County

TWIN FALLS - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included:

Arrests

Tim Tines, 37, 147 Quincy Ave. A, Twin Falls, arrested on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance, pleaded innocent; bail set at \$5,000.
Steve John Lockwood, 46, 366 Washington, 132-122 Oxnester, Twin Falls, arrested on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance, pleaded innocent; bail set at \$5,000.
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defender appointed; bail set at \$500.
Michael Clien Hines, 41, Hinerer Trailer Court, 3212 E. Oxnester, Twin Falls, driving under the influence, resisting arrest; fictitious display of license plates, pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; bail set at \$5,000.
Steve John Lockwood, 46, 366 Washington, 132-122 Oxnester, Twin Falls, arrested on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance, pleaded innocent; bail set at \$5,000.
Stephen Michael Sims, 26, 129 Jackson, Twin Falls, petty theft; failure to appear for arraignment; bail set at \$2,500.
Gordon B. Luicks, 35, 10114, driving without proper license, pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; bail set at \$500.
Phillip Conrad Gleason, 19, 1440 S. Washington, Twin Falls, petty theft; driving without proper license, pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; bail set at \$500.

Gregory Allen Hlavac, 32, 309 Quincey, Twin Falls, driving under the influence, resisting arrest, possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, public defender appointed; bail set at \$500.
Peggy Sue Williams, 32, 504 Fourth Ave. W., Twin Falls, possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, possession of stolen property, four counts, public defender denied; bail set at \$5,000.
Donald R. Williams, 40, 580 Second Ave. N., Twin Falls, possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, public defender appointed; bail set for \$1,000.
Wesley Howard Vandarkator, 41, 301 Main Ave. N., Timberline, driving without proper license or operator's license, fictitious display of license plates; public defender appointed; bail set at \$1,500.
Boyle Vaughn Baidwell, Jr., 49, 469 Fifth Ave. W., Twin Falls, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled weapon, pleaded guilty to charge two, charge one dismissed; failure to appear for arraignment; public defender appointed; bail set at \$500.
Teresa Evelyn Hurtado, 29, P.O. Box 3023, Twin Falls, driving without proper license of a canceled license, pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; bail set at \$500.
Frank Vincent Lopez, 21, F Street, Wendell, driving without proper license, pleaded innocent; waived counsel; bail set at \$1,000.
Jason W. Cates, 19, 4011th Ave. S.E., Cullman, Ala., grand theft, preliminary hearing set for July 18, public defender appointed; bail set for \$1,000.
Tiffany Marie Blunt, 24, 2026 Elizabeth, Twin Falls, battery; pleaded innocent; released on own recognizance.
Tiffany Marie Blunt, 24, 2026 Elizabeth, Twin Falls, battery; failure to appear for arraignment; public defender appointed; bail set at \$300.
Juan Gilberto Rendon Lopez, 40, 1122 Washington St., 2620, Twin Falls, driving under the influence, resisting arrest, driving without proper license, pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; bail set at \$1,500.
Tiffany Marie Blunt, 24, 2026 Elizabeth, Twin Falls, battery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; bail set at \$1,500.
Alan Scott Mackay, 38, 244 E. 3700 N., Twin Falls, stealing, public defender appointed; bail set for \$1,500, no contact order.
Stephan Eric Swain, 67, N. Mineral Wells, Meridian; petty theft; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.
Allen Francis Miller, 18, 1536 Aspen, Twin Falls, grand theft by possession, public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.
Shirley Rene Johnson, also known as Lind, 39, 1215 S. 12th, Twin Falls, driving without proper license, pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.
Raymond Terry Hiley, 30, 720 Park, 428 S. 5th St., Twin Falls, battery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; bail set at \$1,000 total.
Francis Blunt, 24, 710 Park Ave., Twin Falls, fishing without a valid license; failure to appear; warrant issued; bail set at \$500; hearing reset.

influence (under 21), illegal consumption; public defender appointed; bail set at \$500.
Deann Frazier, 27, 676 Paradise Place, Twin Falls, grand theft; public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.
Richard D. Harris, 32, 122 Jefferson, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia, open container; pleaded guilty to charge two; charge one dismissed; failure to appear for sentencing; warrant issued; bail set for \$5,000; sentencing reset.
Kurtis Wayne Lierman, 33, battery, two counts; warrant issued; bail set at \$5,000.
Melanie Ann Shaw, 37, 930 Last Chance Blvd., Coeur d'Alene; invalid driver's license; failure to appear for sentencing; public defender appointed; bail set at \$5,000.
Crystal Develyn Frazier, 18, 259 Pleasant Blvd #43, Twin Falls; injury to child; public defender appointed; bail set at \$1,500.
Crystal Develyn Frazier, 18, 259 Pleasant Blvd #43, Twin Falls; reckless driving, leaving the scene, failure to purchase driver's license; pleaded innocent; bail set at \$1,500.
Janmy Eugene Sweet, 21, 2626 E. 3500 N., Twin Falls, battery; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; bail set at \$5,000, no contact order.
John T. Schofield, 26, 2255 Triver, Idaho Falls; possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.
Carmen, Shobone, possession of a controlled substance, marijuana; possession of paraphernalia; driving without proper license; bail set at \$3,000.
John T. Schofield, 26, 2255 Triver, Idaho Falls; possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.
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No conflict seen in Ketchum case AG's office rules on unit development

BOISE (AP) - A member of the Ketchum City Council does not appear to have a conflict of interest over the proposed Thunder Spring planned unit development, city officials have been advised.
The attorney general's office looked into allegations that Councilman David Hutchinson had a potential conflict of interest over the project.
Deputy William von Tagen on Friday advised the city that Hutchinson doesn't appear to have a "direct or immediate" potential financial benefit, as required by state laws on conflicts of interest.
"In this case, it does not appear that the councilman's interest in the Thunder Spring Planned Unit Development is of a nature which would result in a direct or immediate economic benefit if the project is approved," the advisory said. "He does not have any business relations with the developer."

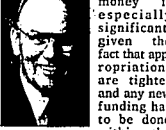
Von Tagen also was asked to determine whether a dinner meeting between Mayor Guy Coles, City Administrator Jim Jaquet and Thunder Spring's developer, Warehouse Development and its architect might be considered improper.
Von Tagen said it was not, because the session last winter came before the filing of a redevelopment application with the city.
"The dinner meeting does not violate any provisions of Idaho law and does not create a conflict of interest," he said. "Since the application had not yet been filed with the city, it was not an improper ex parte (out of official channels) contact."
The City Council is scheduled to discuss the Thunder Spring project at its Monday meeting. The development is at the old Alpenrose Hotel site.

Commander not happy about Air Force transfer

BOISE (AP) - The commander of Mountain Home Air Force Base's wing is reluctantly leaving what he considers a plum job.
Brig. Gen. William A. Peck Jr. will move to Langley Air Force Base in Hampton, Va. after two years as head of the Air Force's only air expeditionary wing, the 366th Composite Wing.
Peck will be replaced, likely in August, by an officer who served at Mountain Home early in his career.

\$66 million in airfield projects approved

BOISE (AP) - Mountain Home Air Force Base and Gowen Field are in line for \$66 million in new military construction projects.
Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, announced Friday the Senate Appropriations Committee has approved funding for housing, a hangar and other buildings.
Craig said the funding, if passed later by the full Congress, will help strengthen the role of the air base as the nation's leading composite wing installation.
The base's 366th Wing is a first-strike force of fighters, bombers, tankers and transports.



Larry Craig... a balanced budget," Craig said. "Mountain Home is crucial to our nation's defense. Gowen Field plays an important role locally."

U of I strives for excitement in teaching

NASA program aims for increased science literacy

MOSCOW (AP) - The University of Idaho is launching a special effort to make math, science and engineering exciting for students.
The school has joined NASA's Project Nova, a program designed to enhance scientific literacy in college students studying to become teachers.
The university is part of the Project Nova consortium, along with the University of Alabama and Fayetteville State University, and during the week hosted one of the program's quarterly workshops.
Project Nova's major goal is to teach potential science and math teachers how to make their subjects exciting to students.
Encouraging universities to revamp education students' courses into a more interactive, less lecture-heavy format, the program hopes the students will continue the trend when they become teachers.
"Nova provides ideas, training and some money to universities to create innovative courses, or series of courses, on their campuses," said Dennis Sunal, a professor of teacher education at the University of Alabama and a team leader for the project.
"We want to change the way courses are taught."
Workshops generally consist of about 10 interdisciplinary teams of faculty members from different universities. The teams, including faculty from two or more colleges and often someone from the university's administration, meet weekly or biweekly.
Once a university team has successfully completed a workshop, it's eligible to apply for a \$30,000 NASA grant to develop and implement improved courses. So far, 18 colleges and universities have received NASA grants, and more than 65 have participated in workshops. More than 150 faculty members and university officials have attended.

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House committee OKs Chenoweth jetboat bill

LEWISTON (AP) - The U.S. House Resources Committee has narrowly passed Republican Helen Chenoweth's bill to guarantee jetboaters access through the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area.
The committee voted 21-20 to send it to the House floor.
Chenoweth's spokesman, Chad Hyslop, said the full House probably will consider it in September.
"We have a lot of co-sponsors and we're real optimistic. We are going to wait and see," he said Friday.
The bill is aimed at heading off the U.S. Forest Service's plan to ban jetboats from 21 miles of the upper canyon for 18 or 21 days each summer.

Chenoweth said she introduced the bill to clarify that both motorized and non-motorized craft are appropriate uses under the 1975 measure that created the recreation area.
"This bill doesn't create any new rights and interests in Hells Canyon," she said in a statement. "It simply guarantees that existing uses that were recognized under the designating legislation shall continue. It keeps bureaucrats from shutting down traditional uses of the river."



Helen Chenoweth

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Beauty is in the eye of the beholder

Artist to create Stonehenge out of refrigerators

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — When Adam Horowitz saw a pile of dead refrigerators at the Santa Fe landfill, he saw art.

Not just art, but monumental art — a post-modern, post-apocalyptic temple to waste and consumption.

He saw ... Stonehenge. Or, if you prefer, Fridgehenge.

"The refrigerators looked like monoliths," Horowitz says, recalling his first glimpse of the resulting jumble of white — and, of course, harvest gold and avocado — rectangular boxes on the mesa above town.

It brought to mind Stonehenge, the ruin of a prehistoric monument in southern England.

So the documentary filmmaker and conceptual artist persuaded the city of Santa Fe to let him construct a life-sized version of Stonehenge — made of welded-together refrigerators — at the landfill.

He envisioned it as "a futuristic yet primitive architectural satire" to remind art lovers and trash-toters of just how much we throw away.

After 10 months and a circuitous tour of the city bureaucracy, Horowitz got the final go-ahead at the end of May.

By that time, he had set aside about 150 refrigerators and an assortment of smaller appliances, carefully culling them from incoming trash and lugging them to a separate pile at the landfill.

Alas, nobody told a visiting metal recycler that Horowitz got trash. A week after the artist got the OK, his cache of appliances was bulldozed into a mound of rubble.

But while you can crush Horowitz's Hotpoints, you can't crush his dreams.

"In the grand scheme, I do see the humor in it. I see myself now as Sisyphus on his back," the artist says.

He is trying to rebuild his appliance stockpile, and says he'll begin work on Stonehenge as soon as he has rounded up the first 20 or so refrigerators — he lopes by mid-July.

Horowitz also is trying to round up some money for materials, insurance and labor, since the city provided no funding for the project.

With a diameter of up to 100 feet, Stonehenge would be the same general size, style and arrangement as its megalithic precursor.



Sculptor Adam Horowitz walks away from a crushed plan consisting of 150 refrigerators he was saving at the Santa Fe, N.M., city landfill for a monumental art project. The artist's plans to build a modern replica of England's Stonehenge were put on hold after the appliances he selected over the past eight months were inadvertently crushed and bulldozed.

A circle of pillars, each comprised of two vertical refrigerators — one atop the other, the lower one sunk a couple of feet into the earth — would be

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capped by a lintel of refrigerators lying horizontally.

It would resemble the arrangement of Stonehenge as it appeared about 1550 B.C., when it was still intact.

Inside the circle would be several taller structures — each of them two pillars of refrigerators stacked three high, with a refrigerator lintel — and a scattering of other appliances, evoking the smaller stones within the monument.

About 100 refrigerators will be needed for the project, Horowitz estimates.

The city closed the 30-year-old landfill in May. Covered over and

graded, it looks like a vast, empty field.

Stonehenge would be visible to residents taking their trash to a new transfer station nearby.

Horowitz hopes they laugh when they see it.

"But I also hope they will think about their part as consumers, their role in the consumer society," he says.

The artist says refrigerators symbolize consumerism on several levels: the appliances themselves, used and discarded; the food they held, which was literally consumed; "and, finally, the freon that races through their veins that is consuming the atmosphere."

The landfill is on a plateau with expansive views of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains to the east and the Jemez Mountains to the west. Like Stonehenge — which some believe functioned as an astronomical observatory of sorts — Stonehenge would be faced eastward, toward the precise point on the horizon where the sun rises on the day of the summer solstice.

The monument's other side would face toward "the atomic sunrise" of Los Alamos, birth-

place of the atomic bomb, Horowitz says.

"I think my goal as an artist and filmmaker is to try and establish connections between this technological world and the natural world," Horowitz says.

A 1981 graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, he made "Home on the Range," a documentary about U.S. missile testing in the Marshall Islands and its effect on islanders.

He is best known locally for distributing soup-size cans of "Organic Plutonium" labeled as "purportedly from Los Alamos, 'the home of the atomic bomb.'"

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Environmentalists erect fake oil rig to protest

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Environmentalists erected a fake oil rig next to the Washington Monument to protest drilling within Utah's new national monument, but few visitors noticed.

"It's a steep education curve," conceded Tom Price of the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance.

Most tourists visiting the Washington Monument on Friday barely glanced at the fake rig, with gushing oil simulated by black plastic, according to a story in Saturday's Deseret News.

One visitor, Cindy Wilton, said she was visiting from Germany and knows nothing of Conoco's drilling of a test well within the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. "And I'm not really interested," she said.

One who did slow down to look was Lee Beltrone, Keswick, Va., who said she agrees that oil rigs don't belong in national monuments. "I traveled out West last year through many state parks, and they are awesome places that should be protected,"

Beltrone said.

Price and SUWA hope for more such reactions. "Most people don't want oil rigs in national monuments, and wouldn't stand for it if they knew it was happening," Price said.

Which is why SUWA built the fake oil rig at the Washington Monument to attract attention from tourists and the news media.

SUWA also posted pictures of the fake rig — and the real rig in southeastern Utah — on its Internet home page to drum up opposition.

Conoco wants permission for four more test drill sites on federal land within the monument. Currently, it is drilling on a state-owned land within its borders.

"President Clinton set up a three-year planning process for the monument," said Cindy Shogan, Washington representative for SUWA. "To go ahead and approve anything as ludicrous as this would make a mockery of the whole planning process."

Forest Service plans to cut trees anger boaters

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Boaters who use Flaming Gorge Reservoir along the Utah-Wyoming border are not happy with U.S. Forest Service plans to burn and bulldoze more than 2,000 acres of pinon and juniper tree stands.

The forest service wants to thin out the tree stands for fire control, and plans to make selective "holes" in the forest to create meadows that would become habitat for elk, deer and Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep.

But the boaters say the trees are a priceless commodity on a lake whose shores are dominated mainly by sagebrush.

John Holderegger, an Evanston, Wyo., businessman, keeps a 28-foot Bayliner at Cedar Springs Marina on the Utah side of the lake, and is among the protesters.

"I go (to Cedar Springs) because it has trees. The other marinas do not," he says.

David Bull, a ranger for the

Ashley National Forest, says the "Pinon-Juniper Modification" proposal is misunderstood and a victim of bad publicity after a failed effort last year.

At issue are thousands of acres of pinon and juniper, mainly on the south shore of the reservoir, that have become overgrown because of fire-suppression efforts during the past 100 years.

"The natural fire regime has not been occurring," said Bull, noting the pinon-juniper forest burned every 30 to 50 years.

"We've got more acreage in older stands of pinon juniper than what Mother Nature would have prescribed."

To do it, forest officials would use a combination of burning and knocking down trees with a front loader. Trees would be gathered up, chipped or burned, and the remaining open spaces would be seeded with a combination of non-native and native grasses, favored by wildlife.

Recommendation for brucellosis testing upsets Wyoming ranchers

POWELL, Wyo. (AP) — Park County ranchers are unhappy with a federal report recommending that they test their cattle for brucellosis before selling them.

"Although Park County has never been identified as having a brucellosis problem, the report prepared by a U.S. Department of Agriculture team recommended testing in the county, a recommendation questioned by several ranchers."

"We're a small operation," said Rocky French, who runs an 85-head cow-calf operation on Heart Mountain. "Here we are, minding our own business and paying taxes and the federal government slaps us in the back. First the wolves and now this."

Brucellosis is a disease carried by bison and elk in northwest

Wyoming and officials believe it can be transmitted to domestic cattle herds. The disease can cause cattle to abort their calves and can cause undulant fever in humans who drink unpasteurized milk from infected cows.

Wyoming agreed early this year to submit to a review of its brucellosis control efforts to keep other states from adopting sanctions against Wyoming beef.

The report recommended testing for brucellosis in Teton, Sublette, Lincoln, Fremont, Hot Springs and Park counties, even though the state has identified only Teton, Sublette and northern Lincoln counties as areas of concern for the disease.

State officials plan to ask the federal team to reconsider its rec-

ommendations for Fremont, Hot Springs and Park counties, but if those discussions do not result in a change in the study, ranchers will have to pay for the gathering and testing of their cattle.

"It puts an awful burden on us," Monticette rancher Tuff Renner told the Cody Enterprise. "Every animal that's going to be sold has got to be tested. I don't see how they can do it."

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Klondike descendants cruise south

ABOARD THE SPIRIT OF '98 Alaska (AP) — A cruise on this small luxury ship has been something of a family reunion for descendants of Klondike gold stampedeers who set out in search of riches 100 years ago this week.

Accompanying a gold shipment out of the Yukon were sons of stampedeers, grandnieces and grandnephews of a wealthy prospector, even a great-grandson of the newspaper reporter whose story captured the country's imagination and touched off the gold rush.

"The gold rush was what Woodstock was to the 1960s of our generation," said Beriah Brown, whose great-grandfather and namesake, a Seattle Post-Intelligencer reporter, covered the arrival of an early Klondike gold shipment so creatively that people quit their jobs and struck out for the Yukon. "The idea of instant wealth was like dangling a carrot, but for many, the carrot never panned out."

The week-long voyage of the Spirit of '98, which ended Saturday when the ship docked in Seattle, is part of a series of events this year and next to commemorate the gold-rush centennial and the hardships the stampedeers endured.

"This is to remember them," said Judy Gingell, commissioner of the Yukon Territory and a great-grand-niece of Skookum Jim, a Tlingit Indian who found the first gold nugget that put the Klondike River on the map.

"Sometimes you have to look back and not repeat history, but think back on it and what it means today," said Gingell, who like Brown joined the cruise for a brief jaunt between the gold-rush boomtown of Skagway, Alaska, and nearby Haines.

Others rode the whole way from Skagway to Seattle, including relatives of Clarence Berry, who went to the Klondike with three brothers and found one of the richest gold claims. Berry was among 68 miners who came south to Seattle aboard the steamer Portland, whose arrival in Seattle on July 17, 1897, sparked gold



Marlah Morris, left, a great-great grand-niece of Klondike gold stampedeer Thomas Lippy, and her friend Samantha Clay, both of Haines, Alaska, examine a bar of gold on July 13. The gold was melted and carried aboard the cruise ship Spirit of '98. The gold was brought off the ship for display during a brief stop in Haines. The ship carried descendants of gold-rush prospectors of the Klondike a stamped 100 years ago.

fever and sent 100,000 stampedeers north.

Most never found gold, and those who did generally blew it on wine, women and gambling or lost it through bad investments.

Berry, though, went on to find more gold near Fairbanks than invested in oil in California and built a fortune that supports the family today. He even set up a retreat for family members in need, relatives said.

"He had good values," said Wanlyn Bejach, a grandniece of Berry. "That's what was different about Clarence. So many people went to the Klondike and squandered what they found. He didn't do that. He thought about his family."

Descendants of another rich prospector, Thomas Lippy, also joined the cruise between Skagway and Haines. Lippy

wound up losing his fortune through a combination of bankrupt businesses and a variety of good causes, lavishing money on a hospital and participating in charities and an anti-saloon league.

"I'm just glad he was a clean-cut person," said Marilyn Morris Lippy, a grandniece. "He was very big in his heart."

The Lippys and Berrys said the cruise brought their families together for the first time in a century.

"We're all such a diverse group," said Gail Berg, a great-grand-niece of Clarence Berry. "Other than our connection to the gold rush a hundred years ago, we all sure have gone our own ways."

One descendant, Gerald Pennington, is trying to keep tabs on gold-rush families. He has

published a registry of prospectors and organized the Klondike Stampedeers Relatives Association.

Once-joined twins prepare to go home

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Formerly conjoined twins Bessy and Doris Gonzales, who have been in Utah for 17 months of separation surgeries and recovery, will return home to Honduras this week.

The girls and their mother, Doris Gonzales-Quiroz, had a farewell party with the staff at Primary Children's Medical Center here on Friday.

Now nearly 2 years old, the twins will be reunited with a father and four siblings and move into a new home provided by the Honduran government.

"They really don't know a home," said Jack Walker, the neurosurgeon who separated them in a series of operations last year. He will escort the girls and their mother home.

The twins were born joined at the top of their heads Sept. 23, 1995, in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Salt Lake County dentist Kimel Fisher heard of their plight and arranged their transportation to Utah. Primary Children's Medical Center and its staff waived all costs for their medical care and the girls earlier this year underwent their last surgeries — skull reconstruction that will allow their brains to

grow normally. Since their hospital release, the twins and their mother have been staying with the Fishers.

A weeping Gonzales-Quiroz said through an interpreter she will never forget what the medical staff has done for her daughters.

"If it wasn't for them, the babies probably wouldn't be alive right now," she said.

She plans to tell the girls all that happened once they are old enough to understand.

"I will tell them that it was really sad some days and really happy others; that they went through many things but that in the end, it turned out all right," she said.

Walker said he cannot say for sure how the girls will progress. Bessy, who suffered more complications from the surgeries than her sister, likely will have a useful but weak right arm and suffer developmental problems in school.

Doris — known as the social butterfly — probably will have cognitive problems, "but she will do well," he said.

The biggest threat the twins face is difficulty with the shunts that drain excess fluid from their brains.

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PEOPLE

'Old Ironsides' takes practice run

Constitution on way to 1st solo sail in 116 years

MARBLEHEAD, Mass. (AP) — The last time the USS Constitution sailed into Marblehead Harbor under its own power, the warship was under full sail, fleeing a pair of British frigates during the War of 1812.

The 200-year-old wooden ship returns today, under tow but on the way to its first voyage in more than a century.

"There is no one left alive who has ever seen the ship sail," said Margherita Desy, associate curator of the USS Constitution Museum.

"Just the fact that we have her is astounding. That she's alive and well is remarkable — overwhelming in a way," said David Casman, who commanded "Old Ironsides" from 1937 to 1991.

Part of today's voyage of about 24 miles from the Charleston Navy Yard in Boston to Marblehead was meant for training, giving the Constitution's crew a chance to fill the sails with wind for a few miles while keeping a reassuring line securely tied to one tugboat. The first tethered sail took place on July 8.

On Monday, tugs again will take Old Ironsides out to sea. Then, about four miles off the coast, they'll release all lines, freeing the historic ship to run before the wind again.

Escorting the Navy's oldest ship will be two of its newest siblings, the frigate Halyburton and the destroyer Ramage.

The ship that deflected cannonballs so easily it was dubbed Old Ironsides was launched in 1797 as one of the Navy's first warships. It was undefeated in 38 engagements, and its victory over the HMS Guerriere in 1812 signaled America's arrival as a naval power.

Few wooden warships has survived and no other ship of its age can still sail.

"All those things that people talk about — courage, commitment, honor — they're all embodied in the ship's sailing," said Cmdr. Michael Beck, the Constitution's 64th skipper.



Arlene Salaco, of Cleveland, Ohio, watches the crew of the USS Constitution in Boston Saturday as it prepares for a voyage today to Marblehead, Mass.

Since April, Beck has schooled a crew of former Navy tour guides and museum employees in the complex manual maneuvers needed to sail a three-masted warship.

The first day, they needed three hours to set sails. "Brace all yards square to the wind!" Beck ordered over and over. Now it takes 10 minutes.

It took a \$12 million, 34-year effort to return the 44-gun Constitution to seagoing condition.

New sails and rigging had to be woven from synthetics; only six of a possible 36 sails are available.

The seemingly invulnerable ship also had a structural weakness that threatened to split it in two. The once-straight keel was "hogging," sagging badly at the bow and stern.

Surviving documents by the ship's designer, Joshua Humphreys of Philadelphia, showed the Constitution originally was fitted with a unique system of wooden braces. The "diag-

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onal riders," which had been removed in the 19th century, were restored.

The last time the ship sailed into Marblehead on its own — it was towed in during a national tour in 1931 — was on April 3, 1814.

Two 38-gun British frigates, the HMS Tenedos and the HMS Junon, tried to intercept it between Portsmouth, N.H., and Boston. Capt. Charles Stewart made a run for the narrow channel to Marblehead, jettisoning the ship's water, wood kept aboard for repairs and, finally, the liquor.

"You know once the captain throws the spirits overboard, he recognizes he's in dire straits," said Anne Grimes Rand, curator at the Constitution Museum.

With its load lightened, and nearly a third of the crew natives of Marblehead, the Constitution sped safely into harbor, greeted by cheers from shore.

The British ships didn't follow. The Constitution almost wound up on the scrap heap in 1830, but the poet "Old Ironsides" by Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr. helped stir national pride. Its last free sail was in 1881.

Earlier this century it was restored with work financed by a nationwide collection of pennies.

"In these days nobody had any money. It was the Depression," said longtime Marblehead town counsel Paul L. Lausier, who remembers giving money for the ship.

After Monday, Old Ironsides will be towed back to Boston. There are no immediate plans to take it to sea again.

—PEOPLE IN THE NEWS—

NEW YORK (AP) — Hanson, a trio of tykes from Tulsa, is proud to provide an alternative to dark, edgy alternative music.

"For a while, there was that alternative thing, and it was huge," Taylor Hanson, 14, says in the July 25 issue of Entertainment Weekly to music being fun. Not corny, but enjoyable. Not down-and-out, "I love my life."

The trio filled out by Hanson brothers Isaac, 16, and Zac, 11, zoomed to the top of the pop charts with the upbeat hit song "MMMBop" and immediately became teen idols.

"It's so cool that all these people are having fun and dancing or clapping to our music," Isaac said.

Hanson is all about family. The same brothers from Oklahoma, who write most of the music they perform were home-schooled by their mother. Their father over-see their newfound music career.

NEW YORK — Angela Bassett got as close to space travel as she ever wants to in "Contact."

"I want to go boldly where few women have gone before," Bassett says in the July 21 issue of People magazine. "But if I had the opportunity to go to the moon, I'd pass. From my perspective on Earth, it's gorgeous. I'm fine just looking at it."

Bassett, who played an ear-bound presidential aide in the science fiction film starring Jodie Foster, played Tina Turner in "What's Love Got to Do With It."

Other film credits include "Waiting to Exhale," "Strange Days," "Malcolm X" and "Passion Fish."

Bassett is engaged to actor Courtney Vance, who costarred in "The Preacher's Wife," and is looking forward to becoming a wife herself. The couple plans to wed in 1997, although they haven't set an official date.

"I'm still single, but I have faith that's going to change," she said. "These things take time."

BOULDER, Colo. — Genzo journalist Hunter S. Thompson pleaded no contest to spraying a man in the face with a fire extinguisher after the charge was reduced to a petty offense.

If convicted of a felony or misdemeanor, the writer who chronicled 1970s presidential politics and his own extensive drug use would have faced trial in Aspen for driving while intoxicated.

Thompson, who entered the plea to petty disorderly conduct Friday, was initially charged with misdemeanor assault in the April fire extinguisher episode at Boulder's Fox Theater. A few weeks earlier, prosecution was deferred in the Aspen case on the condition that Thompson remain free of any major convictions until November.

At public speaking appearances, Thompson sometimes sprays a fire extinguisher toward the audience to close shows. He was showing some people who he kept in his dressing room when then-theater security manager Eric Kent was hit, his lawyer said.

"All along we've thought the whole thing was pretty silly," attorney Abe Hutt said Friday. "This acknowledges that there wasn't really anything to it."

Thompson, who wrote a column in Rolling Stone magazine and such books as "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas," was fined \$100 and court costs.

Kent, who was treated at a hospital emergency room after the spraying, no longer works at the theater and couldn't be reached for comment.

LOS ANGELES — Jerry Lewis' ex-wife is suing the veteran entertainer, claiming he owes her half of his earnings from last year's remake of "The Nutty Professor," starring Eddie Murphy.

Fred Lewis claims she and her ex-husband jointly own the rights to the original movie released in 1963, according to the breach of contract lawsuit filed Friday in Superior Court.

Lewis' spokesman couldn't be reached for comment late Friday.

Ms. Lewis, who says she was married to Jerry Lewis from 1945 to 1980, contends she is entitled to half the royalties he earns from movies he wrote, produced, directed or appeared in during that time.

No harm done: Bigfoot turned out to be a teen-age prankster

The Washington Post

An ape-like creature, covered in a tangle of leaves and branches, emerged last week from the bushes along a rural road in Fauquier County, Va., prompting several very startled motorists to call police.

Bigfoot, they said, was afoot. Virginia state police didn't know what to make of the first 3 a.m. Monday sighting. Or the second. Or the third. So they sent out a trooper and there he was, right there in the middle of Route 647, Sasquatch.

Sort of. Officials say Bigfoot was being played by an 18-year-old

prankster who, thinking himself clever, covered himself in fishnetting and brush to resemble the infamous beastie more commonly thought to live in the Pacific Northwest.

"We got calls on bears in the road and different types of animals, but never has anybody called in and said they saw Bigfoot," said Virginia state police Sgt. Perry Benschof, who was not the lucky officer dispatched to the scene. "But that's what happened. One woman called up and said, 'I don't know what I saw but it looked like a small Bigfoot.'"

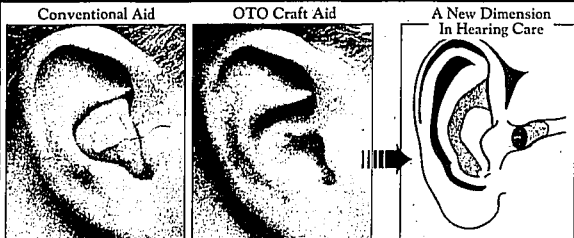
Police said the teen-ager's goal was not to frighten groggy

motorists. The young man and an 18-year-old companion were on their way to play a practical joke on one of their sisters. She was house-sitting in nearby Marshall and was apparently headed for a shock.

The teens' prank was cut short when they tried to fool a passing police cruiser, officials said, and Bigfoot was unmasked. Police said no laws were broken so no charges were filed. The young men were sent home, and the officer didn't take down their names.

"Other than being in the roadway and walking in front of cars, they violated no laws," Benschof said with a sigh.

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— *Ernie Els*
about the British Open

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

American Legion baseball

Pocantello at Shoshone, 3 p.m. (2)
Twin Falls AA at Las Vegas tournament

High school rodeo

Nationals, concluded

Tennis

Summer Sizzler

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Wood River 12 Pocantello 2
Twin Falls A13 Idaho Falls 6
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IN BRIEF

Derkes Lake mile swim set for August

TWIN FALLS - The annual mile swim at Derkes Lake starts at 9 a.m. Aug. 2. Pre-registration deadline is July 28.

Medallions will be awarded to all finishers, and there will be prizes for age groups 12 and under, 13-18, 19-29, 30-49, 50 and up.

Pre-registration fee is \$15, with race day registrations accepted for \$17. For additional information, call Stephanie Crumrine, 734-3560 or Stefanie Bieri, 733-5893.

The event is sponsored by the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation District and the Magic Valley Marlins swim team.

Stanley's cow pasture golf tournament slated September

TWIN FALLS - The 1997 Stanley Sawtooth Cow Pasture Golf Tournament will tee off at high noon Sept. 13.

A \$25 entry fee includes the greens fee, a souvenir and a barbecue. Golfers must check in between 10-11 a.m.

For more information, call the Stanley Chamber of Commerce, 774-3411.

McCaslin, Potter ace pair of holes at Canyon Springs

TWIN FALLS - Phil McCaslin and Chuck Potter each hit his first hole-in-1 Saturday at Canyon Springs Golf Course.

McCaslin's shot came on the 151-yard No. 11 with a 7-iron and was witnessed by Carl Grinstead and Loren Whitney.

Potter's ace came on the 167-yard No. 15 with a 4-iron, witnessed by his golf guru, "The Niche."

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EYE ON THE FINALS



David Perry battles past Dave Little 6-2, 6-3 in men's 5.0 singles action Saturday during the Summer Sizzler tournament. Perry faces new Twin Falls resident Doug Kaut today in the final.

Summer Sizzler

Tennis pro, Perry face off for title of annual tennis tourney

By **Damen Clow**
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The score of his match against fellow 5.0 player Mark Daily didn't show it, but Doug Kaut "hasn't done this in forever."

The 34-year-old Kaut, Twin Falls' newest resident and tennis instructor, beat Daily 6-4, 6-0 in their men's singles semifinal at the Twin Falls Tennis Association's Summer Sizzler Tournament. "My specialty is coaching tournament juniors," Kaut said. "Even though I hit with them and I train, it's not like I'm playing. I'm working on their game, not

mine. It's different for me to have to play, rather than watch someone play."

Against Daily, with whom he will play today in an 11:30 a.m. doubles semifinal after his 9:30 a.m. singles final against David Perry, Kaut said an unfamiliarity with his style of play made it difficult for his opponent.

"When you teach a lot, there's what you call a 'teaching ball' and a 'match ball.' I play with a lot of toppers, and I think Mark never sees that type of ball, or doesn't see it very often," Kaut said.

"It took him awhile to get acclimated to my heavy ball. Once we got into it, the points got better and better."

Kaut moved to Twin Falls a week ago to teach tennis full-time, the same path his career was taking him in the Midwest. But he said a better climate and a "more relaxed lifestyle" along with the encouragement of others, drove him to the Magic Valley.

"It's just a nice break. It's a nice town. Everybody's friendly and everybody loves tennis, so far that I've met," Kaut said of Twin Falls.

Kaut hopes to set up tennis programs at the YFCA in the winter, as well as a pee-wee program, adult league C2

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Minico splits with Upper Valley

Jensen drives Field home in nightcap; Spartans eye regionals starting this week

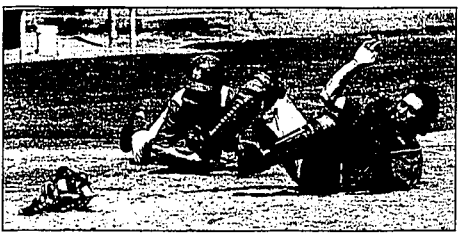
By **Karen Naleznik**
Times-News writer

RUPERT - After a 10-5 loss to Upper Valley, Minico came back to salvage a split in extra innings Saturday, winning 10-9 in an American Legion baseball doubleheader.

With the game tied 9-9 in the bottom of the eighth inning, Spartan Joe Jensen singled home Chad Field with the game-winning run.

After losing two to the Bulldogs on Friday and another in Saturday's opener, Jensen said the RBI felt great.

"I was thinking I'd probably get a fast ball from this kid so just hit it - I wasn't trying to hit it to any particular spot," said Jensen, who also homered in the first inning. "It felt good to finally get one through the barrel and it always



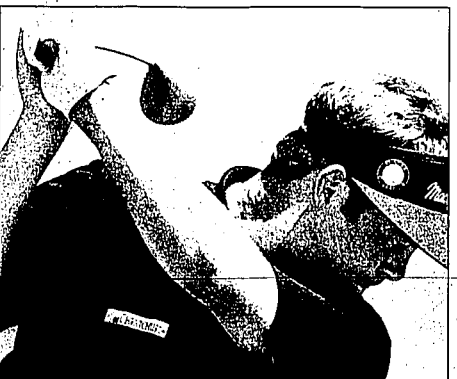
Spartan Kris Haynes collides with Upper Valley catcher Mark Smith before scoring to bring his team within one, in game two on Saturday.

feels good to get one for the win."

Upper Valley (24-20 overall, 13-11 in league play) started the opener with a double by leadoff batter David Dalling, who later scored the game's first run on Trent McGary's single.

Minico loaded the bases with no outs in the bottom of the first, but Bulldog pitcher Casey Hunter struck out the next three batters.

Upper Valley added three in the sec-
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Darren Clarke tees off at the beginning of his round Saturday at Royal Troon Golf Club in Scotland during the British Open.

Summer boys set for spectacle

TWIN FALLS - One of my favorite baseball memories still reverberates through my consciousness, even as I prepare to watch 150 or so young men step onto their own fields of dreams this week, many of them for the last time.

Playing in a summer Babe Ruth league, I was camped out with my teammates near Halley's ballpark after the first day of a tournament. Sleeping under the stars was half the fun. Even if tight budgets had not forced us to "rough it," none of us would have preferred a hotel room.

Except maybe on this night.

After ignoring the usual admonition from the coach to get plenty of rest for an early game the next day, we finally settled into our sleeping bags, exhausted but still giddy about being away from home.

While we slept, a thunderstorm rolled over the Sawtooths and settled over the city. A few flashes of nearby lightning and the accompanying thunder woke up several of us just in time to be rattled out of bed by a major blast. Lightning lit up the entire park and seemed to strike somewhere between second base and the center-field wall, and the simultaneous KABOOM halted the onset of a downpour.

We highlighted it to the coach's camp trailer, which was built to sleep about six. On that night, it accommodated more than a dozen ballplayers, the coach, his wife and daughter.

I can't remember if we won or lost the next morning. I remember getting hit in the eye with a fastball and playing the rest of the inning at second base until it swelled shut. I spent the rest of the game lying on a picnic table with a steak on my eye at the insistence of somebody's mom.

I'll bet this experience has something to do with me now being a vegetarian.

I remember spending the next night sleeping in the high school gym while another storm rolled through. The emergency lights came on and off as the power wavered, and we passed the night swapping ghost stories and giggling.

Several dozen young baseball players will be in Twin Falls creating their own memories, both on the field and off, as 13 American Legion teams battle for two state tournament spots, starting Monday.

But the winning and losing may take second place to the lasting memories and the bonds of friendship forged in four days of togetherness worthy of a Norman Rockwell painting.

Families will dish up meals of ice chests and offer barbecue grills. For many of the players, this will be their final visit to the diamonds. Their last base hit, last fly ball, last strikeout, will come at Frontier Field or Brin Field or Jaycee Field before they head off to work or college and adulthood.

Only a handful of them will have a trophy after. That's why the championship game, but hopefully none of them will go home empty-handed.

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Parnevik promised clear view of competition on final day

The Associated Press

TROON, Scotland - This time, Jesper Parnevik is in the last group in the British Open. He should have no trouble knowing where he is.

Parnevik, who he forgot to look at the leaderboard on the final hole, shot a 66

to be at 11-under-par 202 after three rounds, two strokes better than Darren Clarke.

With Fred Couples and Justin Leonard five back - the only others closer than seven strokes - and with all but Clarke playing ahead of him, Parnevik

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5-year-old helps Tiger with record round

The Associated Press

TROON, Scotland - Arriving at Royal Troon, 5-year-old Vanessa Black had no idea she would play a part in Tiger Woods' course record-tying round at the British Open.

Woods' drive from the seventh tee Saturday bounced off another spectator, hit Vanessa in the face and rebounded out to a favorable lie in the right rough. Woods then hit a sand wedge to 12 feet and made birdie on the way to his

round of 64.

Vanessa was taken to a hospital for treatment of a swollen jaw.

Afterward, she told her mother: "Where is Tiger? He should apologize."

Woods had an official give the girl the ball after he finished the hole and apologize for him.

"I couldn't find her," Woods said.

The girl's mother, Vivian Black, said: "I was disappointed Tiger didn't apologize or say anything to us, but he has his job to do, I suppose."

SPORTS

Golf

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will know exactly what he has to do on Sunday.
"I think we are going to keep an eye on each other," the Swede said about being paired with Clarke. "I always look at the scoreboard. It's just that in '94 something strange happened."

Jim Furk was in all a position to go with Parnevik.
Nono could.
Only those farthest back - Tiger Woods among them - were able to shoot low numbers. For most of them, it was likely too little, too late.

off to a really great start and then the wind blows 80 mph," Parnevik said, stopping his thought.
Only Jack Burke Jr. in the 1956 Masters struck the final round eight strokes behind and won, the greatest comeback in major championship history.

Minico

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and held that 40 advantage until center fielder Ryan Moncur hit a home run in the bottom of the third to score Minico's first run.
Three batters later, Jared Price's single scored Nathan Kirk and made it a 4-2.
Minico tied the game at five in the bottom half of the inning, scoring three runs on a single by Kris Haynes and a pair of walks.

out game two. Minico answered at the bottom of the first with three runs, the first off a single by Moncur and two more from Jensen's homer.
Both teams got two in the third and one in the fourth, before Monico's second homer of the day gave Minico its first lead of the game at 6-7 in the sixth inning. Jensen scored a key run when a shot by Field proved to be hot for the Bulldog shortstop to handle.

consistency thing that we've spent a lot of time talking about."
At 24-20 overall and 9-13 in the league, Wright said his Spartans will likely be seeded fifth or sixth for the regional tournament that starts here Wednesday. The top two teams advance to the state tournament in Boise.
"All that's important now is what happens Wednesday," Wright said.

Local sports

Idaho Falls (10-14) rallied for three runs on two dingers in the bottom of the seventh.

Wood River, Pocatello split pair

Wood River (13-9) and Pocatello (15-9) split the game and force an extra inning. The Wolverines left no suspense in the nightcap, winning 12-2 in a game shortened to six innings by the 10-run rule on Jesse Shepley's two-run homer.

Shoshone, Upper Valley canceled

Saturday's scheduled twinbill between Shoshone (5-19) and Upper Valley (13-11) was canceled.

Legion baseball team ends regular season

The race for seeding in next week's A-division American Legion baseball tournament extended to the final day of the regular season Saturday, with some tie-breaking exciting last-inning action.
The 13-team tournament starts Monday in Twin Falls, with the teams battling for two berths in the state A tournament in Orofino next week.
A complete run-down, along with a tournament bracket, will appear in Monday's Times-Hews.

Twin Falls splits with Idaho Falls

The Cowboys missed a chance to move up into the ninth seed when Idaho Falls hit two homers in the final inning to salvage a league split.
Twin Falls (11-13) in double play won the opener 13-6.

Tennis

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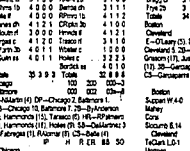
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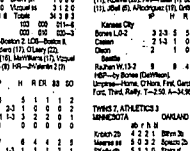
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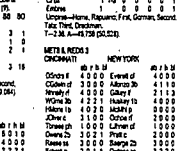
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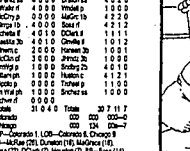
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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Cleveland crushes hapless Utah Starz

CLEVELAND — Janice Braxton scored 19 points as the Cleveland Rockers beat Utah 95-69 Saturday night, the fifth straight road loss for the Starz and seventh against Eastern Conference teams.

The Rockers, who won their second straight, never trailed. The Rockers, leading 20-15 with 11:25 to play, went on a 14-2 run to lead 34-17 with 7:40 to play in the first half.



Utah Starz' Jessie Hixka and Cleveland Rockers' Rushla Brown scramble for the ball Saturday in Cleveland.

Witherspoon serves up win for Liberty

NEW YORK — Sophia Witherspoon had a season-high 24 points as the New York Liberty won its fifth straight WNBA game with a 68-57 victory over the Los Angeles Sparks on Saturday.

With 16,236, second-largest in six home games at Madison Square Garden, the Liberty got 11 points each from Rebecca Lobo and Kym Hampton. Witherspoon hit on 7-of-12 shots and added 7-of-8 free throws.

Chang, Korda work their way up Legg

WASHINGTON — Top-seeded Michael Chang, ranked second in the world, cruised to a 6-2, 7-6 (7-4) semifinal victory over 11th-seeded Brett Steven of New Zealand in the Legg Mason Classic on Saturday night.

Chang, the defending champion, will face Petr Korda of the Czech Republic, a 6-2, 6-3 winner over unseeded David Whitton. Korda, who has won at Memphis, Tenn.; Indian Wells, Calif.; Hong Kong and Orlando, Fla., this year, is a 5-2 lifetime against Korda.

Irwin leads Burnet Senior Classic by 1

COON RAPIDS, Minn. — Hale Irwin, a four-time winner this year who leads the Senior PGA Tour money list with \$1,377,061, shot a 4-under-par 68 on Saturday to take the second-round lead in the Burnet Senior Classic.

The three-time U.S. Open champion had an 11-under 133 total on the Bunker Hills Golf Course. Lee Trevino was a stroke back after a 68, and South Africa's John Bland (67) and Bob Murphy (69) followed at 135.

Irwin won four of the first seven senior tournaments he entered this year, but hasn't won in his last six tournaments. He slipped to a 19th-place finish last week in the Senior Players Championship.

Testud, Makarova reach final in Palermo

PALERMO, Sicily — Elena Makarova of Russia upset top-seeded and defending champion Barbara Paulus of Austria, 6-4, 7-5 Saturday to reach the finals of the \$163,000 WTA women's tournament.

Makarova, who is 117th in the WTA rankings, will play second-seeded Sandrine Testud of France in the finals Sunday. Testud, No. 20 in WTA rankings, defeated third-seeded Barbara Schett of Austria, 6-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-3) on Saturday.

By defeating Paulus, who is ranked 16th in the world, the 24-year-old Makarova made her second-ever WTA tournament final, against the 25-year-old Testud. In 1995, Makarova lost to Magdalena Malejeva in the championship of the WTA Moscow Open.

Former player yells 'Kill me,' police do

TERY Smith, Clemson's career receiving leader, was shot and killed by police who found him attacking his estranged wife with a kitchen knife, authorities said Saturday.

Smith, 26, had led Clemson in receiving from 1990 to 1993, had kicked in the door of Angela Smith's home when DeKalb County officers arrived shortly before 7 p.m. Friday and saw the knife-wielding Smith holding the woman closely, with their 2-year-old daughter sandwiched between them.

Officers told Smith to drop the knife, but he refused, shouting "Kill me, kill me," the police report said.

As Smith prepared to resume stabbing, the patrol supervisor fired a single round to stop the attack. That shot failed to stop Smith and two other officers fired their weapons, the report said.

Smith was fatally wounded.

One month ago, a DeKalb police arrested Smith for spitting on his wife and harassing her by phone after she filed for divorce. He was free on bond with the condition that he stay away from his wife.

Man says BoSox socked him at strip club

CLEVELAND — A man complained to police that Boston Red Sox first baseman Mo Vaughn punched him in the mouth in the doorway of a strip club early Saturday.

Scott Bird, 24, of North Olmsted, alleged that Vaughn, the 1995 AL MVP, punched him during an argument over someone being buried under a cigarette.

The altercation allegedly took place in the doorway of Tiffany's Cabaret, a nude dance club in the city's nightclub district, at 230 a.m. Saturday, said Cleveland police Sgt. Mark Hastings.

Hornaday wins 3rd straight truck race

ERIE, Colo. — Ron Hornaday, contender to let others lead while he saved his tires, surged to the front with 38 laps left in Saturday's Colorado 250 to score a record-tying third consecutive NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series victory.

Hornaday, who qualified his Chevrolet on the pole, didn't take the lead until the 65th of 250 laps at Colorado National Speedway. Following the mid-race break, the Palmdale, Calif. competitor again chose to conserve tires and let Mike Bliss extend his advantage to more than four seconds before beginning a move back to the front.

He caught Bliss in heavy traffic in turn 3 of the 3/8-mile track, on the pair lapped Joe Ruttman's Ford. Bliss, also in a Ford, held on to finish second, 2.29 seconds behind.

South African student wins PUBLIX title

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Tim Clark, a South African student at North Carolina State, took a 5-up lead through the first 11 holes and beat Ryuji Imada 7 and 6 in the 36-hole final of the U.S. Public Links Championship on Saturday.

Clark took the lead on the fifth hole with a par 4 and won four consecutive holes to go 5-up through 11 holes. He won four of the first seven holes of the afternoon to go 5-up and closed out the match when both players had parred on the 30th hole.

Clark made nine birdies in the match and one-putted nine times with a long putter he began using just two months ago. He made just one bogey over his last 49 holes of match play.

Lewis says he'll end career at home

HOUSTON — Carl Lewis plans to say goodbye to track in an exhibition race on his home track at Robertson Stadium this fall.

"I want to make it a symbolic race. It won't be a track meet per se, but I'll be able to run a race when people can physically see the last one... on my home track," said Lewis, winner of nine gold medals at four Olympics.

It's been no secret that Lewis would retire at the end of this track season. He turned 36 on July 1. But Friday night, Lewis set a date for his final race.

Compiled from wire reports

Valentin, Red Sox stop Indians

CLEVELAND (AP) — John Valentin hit two solo homers and Wilfredo Coriero had a three-run double Saturday as the Boston Red Sox beat the Cleveland Indians 6-3.

A day after knuckleballer Tim Wakefield fluttered his way to a six-hit shutout of the Indians, Jeff Suppan (4-0) shut them down with a more conventional arsenal, allowing one run and five hits in six innings.

Terry Clark (0-1), making his second start of the season, allowed four runs and six hits in seven innings. Clark, who has pitched portions of 19 seasons in the minors, walked two and struck out five in his longest major league outing since 1988.

The Red Sox have won four straight and five of six, while the AL Central-leading Indians have lost two in a row.

Orlons 8, White Sox 3

BALTIMORE — Chris Hoiles entered the game as an emergency replacement and hit a tie-breaking homer in the sixth inning as Baltimore ended a three-game losing streak.

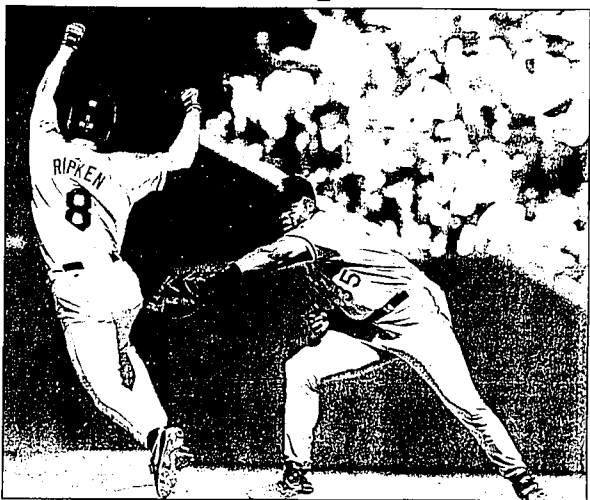
Rafael Palmeiro and Jeffrey Hammonds also homered for the Orioles, who won for the third time in 12 games.

Dave Martinez had three singles and three stolen bases for the White Sox, who have lost five of six. Chicago stranded 10 runners and gave up 14 with runners in scoring position.

Hoiles' two-out, two-run homer off Bill Simas (3-1) gave Baltimore a 5-3 lead.

Twins 7, Athletics 6

OAKLAND, Calif. — Pinch-hitter Roberto Kelly's RBI single and a two-run homer by Paul Molitor highlighted Minnesota's four-run



Baltimore's Cal Ripken avoids the tag of Chicago White Sox first baseman Frank Thomas during the sixth inning of Saturday's game at Camden Yards in Baltimore. Ripken was safe on a throwing error by Norberto Martin.

run in the bottom of the inning with his mammoth shot off Francisco Rodriguez. The homer was the longest at Oakland Coliseum since the A's began measuring every home run in 1992.

Greg Swindell (5-2) pitched 1 2-3 innings for the win, and Rick Aguilar got three outs for his 18th save.

Yankees 8, Brewers 0
MILWAUKEE — David Wells

pitched a three-hitter for his 10th career win and Paul O'Neill had four hits and drove in four runs, leading the New York Yankees over the Milwaukee Brewers 8-0 Saturday night.

Wells (10-4) pitched his second career shutout, both of them against the Brewers. He walked none and struck out four for his 18th save.

Wells' previous low-hit complete game in his nine-year career was a four-hitter on Sept. 14, 1995, while pitching for Cincinnati.

Gilkey powers Mets past Reds; Dodgers win

NEW YORK (AP) — Bernard Gilkey's three-run homer broke a tie in the eighth inning and gave the New York Mets a 5-3 victory Saturday over the Cincinnati Reds.

Rick Reed (7-4) hit his first major-league homer in the fifth, a game-tying two-run shot, and pitched eight innings. The right-hander allowed six hits and matched a season-high with seven strikeouts. He walked one and retired the final 13 batters he faced.

The Mets, who had played six straight one-run games, have won three in a row and have come from behind to win 28 times.

Brett Tomko (5-3), who relieved Reds starter Pete Schourek, gave up a bloop single to Rey Ordonez to open the eighth. Two outs later, Edgardo Alfonzo's at-bat was prolonged when Cincinnati left fielder Deion Sanders made a long run but dropped a ball near the stands.

Alfonzo then singled before Gilkey's Tomko's first pitch into the Reds' bullpen in left field.

Plirates 13, Phillies 3

PHILADELPHIA — Dale Sveum homered and drove in three runs, and Pittsburgh used a season-high 17-hit attack to snap a three-game losing streak.

The first seven hitters in Pittsburgh's lineup each had at least two hits, and Kevin Young added three RBIs.

Sveum's two-run shot, his seventh, started a five-run fourth inning off Philadelphia starter Tyler Green (0-1). Kevin Polcovich added an RBI double and two runs

on Philadelphia shortstop Kevin Seifick's throwing error.

Steve Cooke (8-9) allowed three runs and 10 hits in six innings for the

Giants, who missed all of last season because of shoulder surgery, allowed eight runs — six earned — and eight hits in four-plus innings.

Cubs 7, Rockies 0, Cubs 6, Rockies 5

CHICAGO — Mark Grace hit a tie-breaking sacrifice fly in the eighth, inning Saturday night as the Chicago Cubs beat Colorado 6-5 to sweep a doubleheader and send the Rockies to their eighth straight loss.

The Cubs won the opener 7-0 as Steve Trachsel pitched seven shutout innings for his first win since June 14.

In the nightcap, the Cubs pushed across the go-ahead run with the aid of a throwing error by first baseman Andres Galaraga. The loss was the Rockies' 15th in 16 games.

Dave Hansen drew a leadoff walk from Jeff McCurry (1-3). Doug Glavine popped up a bunt that Galaraga caught and then sidesteamed a wild throw past Eric Young covering first, allowing pinch-runner Jose Hernandez to go all the way to third.

Brian McRae walked and stole second before Sammy Sosa walked to load the bases. Mike Munoz relieved and Grace hit a liner to right, scoring Hernandez.

The victory went to Turk Wendell (3-5), who got one out in

the eighth. Mel Rojas pitched the ninth for his 11th save.

The announced attendance was 40,751, the largest crowd at Wrigley Field since July 23, 1994, when 41,010 saw the Cubs play the Reds.

Rockies star Larry Walker was blanked in the doubleheader, going 0-for-4 in the opener and 0-for-5 in the nightcap as his average fell from .402 to .292.

Frank Castillo, traded by the Cubs to Colorado for a minor leaguer Tuesday, took a 4-0 lead into the fifth inning but could not hold it. The Rockies then went ahead 5-4 on Galaraga's 24th homer with two outs in the sixth off Ramon Tatis.

Dodgers 4, Braves 1

ATLANTA — Pedro Astacio allowed three hits in 7 1-3 innings for his first career win over Atlanta.

Astacio (6-7) had been 0-9 with a 4.55 ERA in 11 previous appearances — nine starts — against the Braves. His performance helped the Dodgers snap a three-game losing streak and sent Atlanta to its first loss in four games.

Astacio, who allowed nine hits and seven runs in 3 2-3 innings against Colorado in his last start, has now beaten every NL club in his six-year career.

Scott Radinsky completed the four-hitter by getting five outs for his first save.

Rookie right-hander Kevin Millwood (1-1) lost his first major league start, allowing four runs and seven hits in five innings.

Marlins 8, Padres 5

MIAMI — Charles Johnson hit

two home runs and rookie Livan Hernandez allowed one hit in six innings to help the Florida Marlins beat the San Diego Padres 8-5 Saturday night.

Florida led 4-0 before Danny Jackson (2-8) retired a batter, and the margin was 8-0 after seven innings.

Johnson hit a two-run homer in the third and added a solo homer in the seventh, giving him nine for the season. The two-homer game was the first of the All-Star catcher's four-year career.

The first seven batters reached base for the Padres in the eighth inning, and they scored five runs before first baseman Jeff Conine robbed Wally Joyner of a hit with two runners aboard to end the rally.

Astros 8, Expos 6

MONTEREAL — Jeff Bagwell and Tim Lincecum homered and the Houston Astros stole seven bases Saturday night off the Montreal Expos 8-6.

Houston took the leading off in 12 games. The Expos got one run in the ninth inning and had the bases loaded with one out, but did not score again against Billy Wagner.

The Astros' seven steals tied for the most in the majors this season and were one short of the team record set in 1990. Craig Biggio and Chuckie Carr each stole two bases as Houston went 7-for-9 on steal attempts.

Shane Reynolds (5-6), making his second start since coming off the disabled list July 14 following knee surgery, allowed three runs in five innings. He won for the first time in 10 starts since May 2.

Smoltz just wants a little help from his teammates

ATLANTA (AP) — A year ago, with more than two months remaining in the season, John Smoltz had virtually clinched his first NL Cy Young Award.

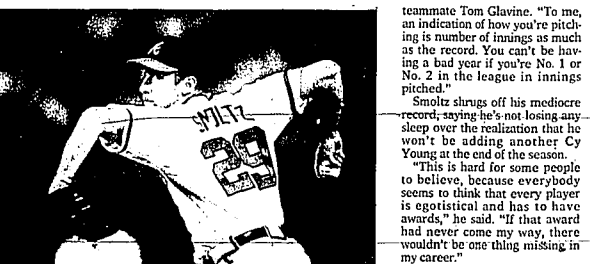
Now, even though the Atlanta Braves have the best record in baseball, Smoltz is struggling to keep his record above .500.

Today against the Los Angeles Dodgers, Smoltz (8-9) will be trying to bounce back from his worst start of the season: an eight-inning, eight-run debacle against the woeful Philadelphia Phillies.

What's happened to the pitcher who was 16-4 at this time in 1996? "He doesn't look any different to me," manager Bobby Cox insisted. "You just have to have runs to get it out of your system."

He's pitching on the awesome side, really."

Maybe awesome isn't the appropriate word, but Smoltz certainly has pitched better than a cursory view of his record indicates. A year ago, his ERA wasn't much lower than it is right now —



John Smoltz prepares to deliver against the San Diego Padres June 3 in Atlanta. Last year's National League Cy Young Award winner is struggling at .500, but manager Bobby Cox points to lack of run support as the reason.

Braves have scored just 17 runs. "I think people are too caught up in wins and losses and don't look at the whole picture," said

teammate Tom Glavine. "To me, an indication of how you're pitching is number of innings as much as the record. You can't be having a bad year if you're No. 1 or No. 2 in the league in innings pitched."

Smoltz shrugs off his mediocre record, saying he's not losing any sleep over the realization that he won't be adding another Cy Young at the end of the season.

"This is hard for some people to believe, because everybody seems to think that every player is egotistical and has to have awards," he said. "If that award had never come my way, there wouldn't be one thing missing in my career."

The one thing Smoltz does find disturbing is having allowed an average of more than one hit per inning pitched.

"The hits are not where I'd like them to be," said Smoltz, who has allowed 151 "Right now, they're higher than they've ever been. But it's a lot of singles, a lot of stringed-together hits."

SPORTS

With Oilers' escape, Fisher can concentrate on coaching

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Jeff Fisher may be the happiest of the Tennessee Oilers over the team's escape from Texas. After seasons on the job, he finally gets to concentrate on coaching.

When owner Bud Adams announced in August 1995 that he wanted out of Houston's Astrodome, Fisher had been the Oilers' head coach for eight months.

Questions about the move and criticism from angry fans ate into his time over the next 22 months. For a team trying to rebuild, the past two seasons turned into a fight to survive.

But the Oilers' first training camp practice at Tennessee State University Saturday means Fisher no longer has to ignore empty seats or deflect questions about relocating.

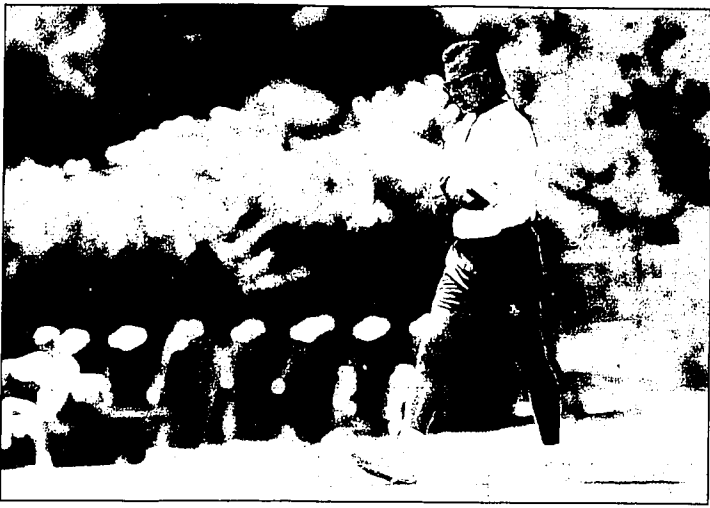
"When I got on the airplane with my family a couple weeks ago, it was as if one door was closing and another was opening," he said.

Sure, the Oilers will be the NFL's only commuting team the next two seasons. Home games will be in Memphis, 200 miles southeast of Nashville, where they'll practice and live.

But Fisher said that's no distraction at all compared to the past two years. "The whole situation in Houston wore on them. It just had a draining effect. That's offset here. There's not going to be those distractions as we know it. Our players will have no problem overcoming the travel situation," Fisher said.

Fisher, then the defensive coordinator, took over the Oilers in November 1994 when Jack Pardee was fired in the midst of an 11-game losing streak.

The Oilers won only one more game and finished 2-14, but Fisher was named head coach Jan. 5, 1995.



Tennessee Oilers coach Jeff Fisher walks across the practice field at Trinity University in San Antonio in this July 22, 1995, photograph. His team moved from Houston to Memphis, Tenn., this year.

That summer, the Oilers were preparing to play their first game under Fisher, a preseason exhibition against

the Washington Redskins, when Adams announced he was negotiating to move his team to Nashville.

Even though the Oilers rebounded under Fisher to 7-9, the number of fans at the Astrodome started dwindling.

Adams wanted to spend the 1996 season in Tennessee, but legislation in Congress forced the Oilers to play in the Astrodome. Crowds dipped below 27,000 in five different games.

The friendless Oilers went 6-2 on the road but finished 8-8, missing the playoffs by one game.

"We wanted to contend last year, and we feel like we should've been in the playoffs last year with the close games that could've gone in a lot of directions," said Fisher.

He was not in time trying to improve. He fired offensive coordinator Jerry Rhone 16 days after the season ended and promoted receivers coach Les Steckel to develop the Oilers' running game around AFL rookie of the year Eddie George.

He also promoted linebackers coach Gregg Williams to defensive coordinator when Steve Sidwell left for the New England Patriots.

All of the Oilers' problems haven't been solved by the move to Tennessee.

Fisher must find a new right tackle to replace an injured Irv Eatman. Franchise player Clarence Bishop is holding out for a new contract.

Steve McNair finally is the No. 1 quarterback, but there are plenty of questions about whether he's ready.

And the Oilers must replace linebacker Michael Barrow and safety Kris Dishman, who left as free agents.

Still, the change in scenery has given Fisher a bounce in his step and put a division tie in his sights.

"We're going to get to the playoffs. That's the bottom line. That's our expectations. Are the players prepared to pay the price? I think that they are," Fisher said.

Buccaneers wear new look — inside and out

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Snazzy new uniforms are just a part of what's different about the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. The perennial NFL losers are also sporting the look of winners this summer.

Confidence swelled during a 5-2 stretch run last season, and the team has progressed enough during the off-season that second-year coach Tony Dungy is comfortable with being the last club to begin training camp Sunday.

"We didn't get off to a fast start last year, so we did kind of look at it and analyze it. But we felt like training camp wasn't really a problem," Dungy said.

While other NFL camps opened as early as July 6, Dungy's decision to hold off the start of full-team workouts until this weekend was influenced by the level of participation in the team's off-season program.

"I don't know if it is a throwback to when I was a running back and Bud Grant was in Minnesota and they were always the last ones to go," Dungy said.

"I think basically we got a lot of work done in June. We have so many guys here. We have great attendance, so we get a lot of preliminary stuff done, and we feel like two weeks is enough to get done what we need to."

The Bucs improved steadily after losing eight of their first nine games last fall and are opti-

mistic about the prospects of posting their first winning record since 1982 this season.

First-round draft picks Warrick Dunn and Reidel Anthony are expected to add juice to an offense that ranked 28th in the NFL last season.

The Bucs improved from 24th to 11th in the defensive rankings after an 0-5 start. Only two teams, Green Bay and Carolina, allowed fewer than the 167 points Tampa Bay yielded in the last 11 games.

Nevertheless, even bigger keys to ending a streak of 14 consecutive losing seasons figure to be quarterback Trent Dilfer and an offensive line that was ravaged by injuries in 1996. "The top priority is probably solidifying the offensive line, getting out the offensive line off to a good start," general manager Rich McKay said.

Dilfer's improved play — 11 touchdown passes and nine interceptions in last 11 games — opposed to one TD and 10 interceptions in first five games — was crucial to last year's turnaround.

The fourth-year pro's chances for continued success will be enhanced if receiver Horace Copeland can rebound from a knee injury that sidelined him all of last season and if Errict Rhett becomes a productive runner again after sitting out seven games in an unsuccessful bid to renegotiate his contract.

From Super Bowl to sleeping at bus stops

Retired Pittsburgh center struggles back from financial, medical problems

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Mike Webster, the indestructible Steeler with the rolled-up shirt sleeves and the ever-present stare that warned don't tread on me, never met another man he couldn't beat.

With Webster often serving as his solitary defender, Terry Bradshaw always had the best protection. With Webster pushing aside much bigger defensive tackles, Franco Harris always had the biggest holes. The Pittsburgh Steelers always had the most Super Bowl rings.

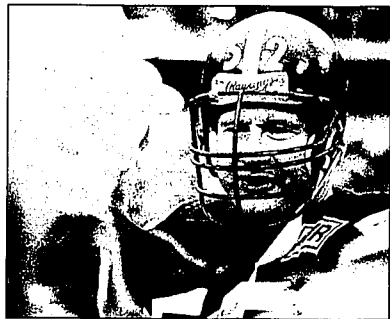
Webster, the man in the middle of so much greatness, had it all from 1974-90 as a nine-time Pro Bowl center on what in the late 1970s was the best team in pro football.

Then, in seemingly as little time as it once took Lynn Swann to beat a defensive back, Webster lost it all — his livelihood, his family, his home, his identity and, nearly, his life.

Now, on what should be a great weekend for him, his induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, next Saturday, with Bradshaw as his presenter, Webster is a pained man trying to rebuild his life.

At times, it must seem as overwhelming as taking on the entire Dallas Cowboys pass rush by himself, which he did in two Super Bowls.

"I've been better off," says Webster, who has battled recur-



Former Pittsburgh Steeler center Mike Webster, shown in this 1988 photograph, was the indestructible Steeler with a look that warned, "Don't tread on me."

ring health and financial problems since leaving the NFL seven years ago. "But I'm not destitute."

No, destitute arrived several years ago, when one of the most recognizable figures in Pittsburgh sports was so broke he slept in the downtown bus station or the back of his car.

The fashionable house in Pittsburgh's southern suburbs that was home to Webster, his

wife, Pam, and their four children was long gone, lost to financial problems that led him to file a malpractice lawsuit against his former lawyers.

Webster estimates he was homeless for about a year and a half out of the last five years. Today, things are better, but not dramatically so.

Home is a budget-rate motel near the Pittsburgh International Airport. He works for a sports

marking company, but much of his time is spent pursuing his lawsuit and undergoing medical tests. He fears he may have Parkinson's disease, similar to the malady that struck Muhammad Ali. Webster is 45, but looks 10 years older.

He suspects he had a couple of minor heart attacks a few years ago, causing his lungs to fill with fluid and leading to breathing problems. He also has been tested for depression, post-concussion disorders and convulsive spasms that disrupt his sleep and inhibit his concentration.

"I'm not as bad off as people say," says Webster, who has stubbornly rejected offers of financial help from his ex-employees. "People see me and they say they can't believe how good I look."

But while he is working and upbeat about the future, he is without his wife, who filed for divorce a year ago, and his children, who live with her in her Wisconsin hometown. Previously, they would not hear from him for weeks at a time, but he now visits them regularly.

Maybe it took until his career was over to find the one man he had never beaten — Mike Webster, himself.

"I know I'm on the way back, it's just a matter of time," Webster says. "I always finished everything I ever started, every game. I'll finish this, too."

Lions notice difference in Ross' camp; Giants welcome top pick

The Associated Press

The Detroit Lions are strapping on the pads during this year's training camp — and want to make sure carrying around that extra weight is worth the effort.

"The workouts in full and partial are just what we need. The changes by new coach Bobby Ross intended to toughen the team."

NFL camps

"There's a definite difference in their approaches," quarterback Scott Mitchell said. "Warney (Frost) was very low-key, while Bobby's a little more upbeat."

That upbeat attitude has led to a more physical atmosphere during the first days of camp. Line play is intentionally rough, but according to Ross, the plan was for the rest of the defensive players to just "touch-off" on ball carriers.

"The touches have become harder each day."

Mitchell took a hard hit from linebacker Tom Beer during a passing drill Friday. Linebacker Richard Jordan leveled fellow rookie Terry Battle when the running back caught a short pass in Saturday's practice.

Although Mitchell took exception to the hit at the time, he



Lions coach Jim Fassel greets first-round draft pick Ika Hilliard, as his agent, Tank Black looks on, at training camp Saturday in Albany, N.Y. Hilliard signed with the team that day for \$12 million.

understands the need for physical play.

"I think it'll help us out in trying to install a new attitude," he said. "If you want to be more physical, and be there in the fourth quarter, you've got to work on that attitude early. That's what we're trying to accomplish."

The rest of Ross' philosophies have been quickly accepted by the players, as has the difference

in coaching styles.

"We've grasped his philosophy and just ran with it," Mitchell said. "But the adjustment is going to be gradual. I don't know if it's a big adjustment, but it is an adjustment, learning a different approach."

Ross' decision to move camp away from the Detroit area is a popular one with players.

"Unfortunately if you have a family and kids like I have, it's

hard to go away for three weeks," Moore said. "But this helps. We're definitely more focused, and that makes a difference."

Giants

Ike Hilliard became the first Giants' top draft pick to report to camp on time since Carl Banks in 1984. Hilliard, the speedy Florida receiver who was the seventh pick in the NFL draft, signed a six-year contract worth about \$12 million.

Hilliard is the highest first-round pick to sign this year. It didn't take long for him to excite the 500 fans attending practice at the University at Albany as he caught a bomb on a fly pattern during 7-on-7 drills.

Panthers

Talks aimed at sweetening the contract of Carolina linebacker Kevin Greene broke off, and he was a no-show for the start of training camp.

Greene will be fined \$5,000 for each day he misses camp, which began with a pair of two-hour workouts Saturday at Wolford College.

Greene, heading into the final year of his contract after leading the NFL with 14 1/2 sacks, is

scheduled to make between \$650,000 and \$1.6 million, depending on performance bonuses.

In Greene's absence, rookies Tarek Saleh of Wisconsin and Matt Finkes of Ohio State are getting most of the work at left outside linebacker.

Redskins

Redskins fullback Marc Logan decided to take a \$225,000 pay cut after being released earlier this year in a cost-saving move. He re-signed before Saturday's scrimmage with the Steelers for \$300,000, and took part in some 7-on-7 drills.

Steelers receiver Corey Holliday (ankle) and offensive lineman Paul Wiggins (knee) both limped off the field, but coach Bill Cowher said he didn't think either injury was serious.

Broncos

After undergoing surgery eight times in four seasons, defensive end Dan Williams was waived after Denver discovered an NFL rule would have prohibited reducing his salary as much as planned.

"I just find it surprising that this team that is so on top of everything didn't know about this rule," Williams said. "When I heard it, I just thought, 'Wow. How could this be?'"

Williams, who started 15 games last season, was the 11th player selected overall by Denver in 1993. He has 48 sacks, 40 as a starter, he had 85 tackles and 4 1/2 sacks.

Cowboys

Receiver Anthony Miller is taking it easy in drills this weekend because of surgery to repair a knee cartilage in the spring.

The Cowboys said Miller, former of the San Diego Chargers and Denver Broncos, should be ready to take part in full-scale workouts in a week.

Miller is spending a lot of time rehabilitating his knee. Miller, an off-season free agent signing, will team with Michael Lewis. In what the Cowboys expect to be one of the best tandems in the NFL.

Eagles

Philadelphia signed receivers Mark Seay and Allen Allen, released receiver Steve Watson, and announced the retirement of receiver Mike Caldwell.

Seay, 30, played all 16 games for the Eagles last year, catching 19 passes for 260 yards. He also returned 35 punts for 305 yards.

Allen, 25, participated in New York Jets' training camps from 1994-96 but was released before the 1996 season each year. He has also dealt with the World League's London Monarchs in 1995 and 1997.

Sorenstam scorches course, moves into contention



Annika Sorenstam of Stockholm tees off on the first hole Saturday at Wykagyl Country Club in New Rochelle, N.Y., during third-round action of the Big Apple Classic.

NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. (AP) — A week too late for history, Annika Sorenstam has found her game again.

It was on full display Saturday in the JAL Big Apple Classic as Sorenstam shook off her missed-chance blues and stormed into contention going into the final round.

Sorenstam tied the tournament's nine-hole record of 30 with five birdies on the front, using short irons and a red-hot putter to build the foundation for a 4-under 67 and a 54-hole total of 206 that was four strokes off the lead.

A victory on Sunday, if it comes, won't make up for what happened a week ago in Oregon, when Sorenstam was favored to win an unprecedented third consecutive U.S. Women's Open and instead missed the cut for the first time in 63 tournaments.

But the golfer with the wraparound sunglasses and killer shots said she was happy to know that last week's misery wasn't permanent. "It's nice to be back in the groove," she said. "I just wanted to get away from the Open and start again."

On Sunday, the best golfer in the world right now will cast her shadow over a colleague searching for her first LPGA victory.

Michele Redman held onto the lead she has had since the first round with an even-par 71. She took a double-bogey 7 on the 15th, but

birdied the last two holes to stand 11-under 202.

Sorenstam was joined at 7-under by Barb Mucha, who picked up a stroke with a 1-under 70 capped by two birdies over the final four holes.

Redman, Mucha and Sorenstam will be in

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— Annika Sorenstam

the final group Sunday, and the Swedish star's four victories this season match the career total of the other two, all of those belonging to Mucha.

"Maybe I have a little more experience in that respect," said Sorenstam, who has 10 victories altogether. "I know I can play well on Sunday. I love to be in that position. It's fun."

Redman, who never has led a tournament after three rounds, said she would be aware she was playing in the last group with the best of the best on Sunday but would just stick to her game.

"Sure, that (Sorenstam's stature and record) is a factor. But I think that to be 11-under on this golf course is awesome," she said.

Said Sorenstam: "You have to get that first win sometime."

Karne Webb, with five victories in less than two years on the tour, was 6-under following a 68. With her were another Australian, Rachel Heatherington, 2-under for the day; Tina Barrett, even-par 71; and Cindy Schreyer, who started the round three strokes off the lead but needed a final-hole birdie-4 to finish the day 2-over.

A large group at 5-under 208 included Jan Stephenson, the 46-year-old who missed an eagle putt at the par-5 15th but then gave a shot back with a bogey at 17 when her approach shot clipped a giant oak tree.

Sorenstam came to the Wykagyl Country Club this week profoundly disappointed, and the mood didn't lift through her first nine holes Thursday, as she shot 3-over. But since then, Sorenstam is 10-under for 45 holes and ready to win again.

"I'm pleased about that," she said. "It's good to know I was playing well again after last week."

Her start Saturday was blistering. She hit sand wedges to 5 feet and 3 feet for birdie putts on Nos. 1 and 3, holed a 14-footer for birdie on No. 5, took another sand wedge to three feet at No. 8 and holed from 10 feet after a 3-iron approach to go to 8-under for the tournament at the turn.

Sponsor-exempt Jurgensen in position for win

MADISON, Miss. (AP) — Steve Jurgensen, in the Deposit Guaranty Golf Classic on a sponsor's exemption, shot a 3-under-par 69 Saturday to build a two-stroke lead going into the final round of the tournament.

Jurgensen pushed his three-day total to 14-under 202 by chipping within six feet for a birdie on the 53-2-yard 18th hole. That followed a string of eight straight pars after he finished the front nine with a bogey-5.

"I'm lucky to be leading. I don't see why people behind me didn't pass me," said Jurgensen, whose only top-10 finish on the PGA Tour was in last year's Deposit Guaranty.

Among four players two strokes back was Don Pooley, who shared the lead with Jurgensen after two rounds. Pooley, whose last victory on tour was the 1987 Memorial, struggled with the putter Saturday and finished with a 71.

Also at 12-under were Billy Ray

Brown, Steve Lowery and Brian Claar, who was paired with Jurgensen for Sunday's final round at the 7,157-yard Annadale Golf Club.

Despite a shaky start, Jurgensen was 2-under after five holes Saturday.

His opening drive went well right into deep rough, but Jurgensen recovered with a pitching wedge to the center of the green and a two-putt par. A routine par at the 213-yard No. 2 hole

was followed by a drive into a fairway bunker.

Jurgensen's second shot at the 406-yard third hole missed the green left, but his short pitch fell for birdie. A birdie followed on the 522-yard fifth hole.

Pooley missed birdie chances on his first three holes before finally sinking a 15-footer on the fourth hole and a 6-footer on No. 6. But he played the back nine 2-over, including a three-putt bogey at the 414-yard 13th.

Italian wins Tour's 13th stage

L'ALPE D'HUEZ, France (AP) — Marco Pantani of Italy won the climb up to l'Alpe d'Huez to capture the 13th stage of the Tour de France Saturday, followed by Germany's Jan Ullrich who added to his overall lead.

Pantani also won the l'Alpe d'Huez stage in 1995, the last time the Tour de France passed through the area.

He missed most of last year after a near-fatal auto accident in which he had a double fracture in a leg. Pantani showed he was back at full strength with a strong run up the mountain through the crowds that gave him a narrow passageway.

Pantani climbed the 8 1/2-mile final hill in 37 minutes, 35 seconds, bettering by 25 seconds the record Italian Roberto Conti set in 1994.

The climb up to 5,905-foot summit with its 21 hairpin turns is traditionally one of the most watched stages as people come and stay on the mountain overnight to get a good view of the cyclists.

Italians have won the l'Alpe d'Huez times five of the last six times the Tour has come to the resort.

The only non-Italian winner since 1990 was American Andy Hampsten in 1992.

Pantani beat Ullrich by 47 seconds, but the German rider increased his lead to 6 minutes, 22 seconds on runnerup Richard Virenque, who was third in Saturday's stage.

"Pantani was stronger but I am very happy I gained time on my major rivals," Ullrich said. Pantani moved into third place, 8:24 back, followed by defending champion, Bjorne Riis of Denmark and Abraham Olano of Spain.

Things were quickly settled entering the last stretch at the bottom of the final hill. Pantani, Ullrich, Virenque and Riis quickly separated themselves from the rest of the pack.

One by one they fell back. Riis was the first to let go, then with about 6 miles to go, Virenque slowed. Ullrich was content to let Pantani stay in front, but not too far out.

Ullrich ended up less than a minute behind Pantani, and 40 seconds ahead of Virenque.

There are three more days in the Alps with seven more mountains rated "first category" or



A spectator waving an Italian flag urges countryman Marco Pantani to the finish line of the Tour de France 13th stage Saturday in the central part of the country.

Tour at a glance

A quick look at Saturday's stage in the Tour de France.
STAGE — The 13th stage, 126.8 miles from St. Etienne to l'Alpe d'Huez, ending with the climb up to 5,905 feet.
WINNER — Marco Pantani, who also won the stage here in 1995. Jan Ullrich was second, Richard Virenque was third.
YELLOW JERSEY — Jan Ullrich added to his lead. He gained 40 seconds on Richard Virenque and is 6:22 ahead. Marco Pantani was third, 8:24 behind.
HOW THE OTHERS FARED —

Bjorne Riis, last year's winner, is fourth, 9:42 back.
TOUR TIDBIT — Italians have won the l'Alpe d'Huez times five of the last six times the Tour has come to the resort. The only non-Italian winner since 1990 was American Andy Hampsten in 1992.
QUOTE OF THE DAY — "Pantani was stronger but I am very happy I gained time on my major rivals," said Jan Ullrich, who finished second without much difficulty.
THE NEXT STAGE — The 14th stage from Bourg d'Oisans to Courchevel, 91.9 miles.

"out of category" on a scale measuring height, steepness and difficulty.

Gordon, Nemechek, Earnhardt dominate at Pennsylvania 500

LONG POND, Pa. (AP) — Jeff Gordon is trying to maintain his supremacy on the mountain. Joe Nemechek would like to reach the top of one for the first time, and Dale Earnhardt hopes his downward slide comes to an end.

That's the storyline for the Pennsylvania 500, where each driver Sunday at Pocono International Raceway. "Pocono is a good track for us," said Gordon, whose goal is to become the first driver in 11 years to sweep its two NASCAR Cup races. "This is a great car, and I think we've got a good shot at winning another one here."

A victory would be his eighth in 18 Winston Cup races this year. He'll go for it in a car named Blacker, the Chevrolet in which he has recorded 12 of his 26 career victories.

"Blacker is like the Energizer bunny, only better," Gordon said. "It not only keeps going and going, but it keeps winning and winning."

Gordon won the Pocono 500 six weeks ago, and a victory in the \$1.4 million event Sunday would give him three in the last two years at the picturesque track atop the Pocono Mountains.

Nemechek has acquired the nickname "Front Row Joe" because he has qualified either first or second three times in the last five events. He put his Chevy on the pole Friday with an event-record top of 156.881 mph.

Still, Nemechek will be seeking his first victory in 108 career starts on NASCAR's top circuit. To do so, he will have to master the unique 212-mile layout on which chassis compromise is the recipe for success.

"I concentrate on all three corners," Nemechek explained. "You have to find the average between them."

Because the track is triangular in shape, the radius of all the tight corners is different as are

the degrees of banking.

Nemechek says he'll be in his "conservative mode," opting not to shift as often as many drivers on the hybrid layout that contains characteristics of both a superspeedway and a road course. "We're just sluffing down the frontstretch," he said. "We're turning so many RPMs, there's such a strain on the engines and transmissions."

Plagued in the points race by his failure to finish a third of the events, Nemechek's first priority is to be there at the end.

"I think I'll be fast for a while," he said of the multiple-shift concept. "But I don't know if it will live."

What will die if he wins is one Pocono tradition. No driver in NASCAR history has collected his first victory on this track.

Earnhardt is trying to end a career-worst drought of 44 races without a victory. The seven-time Winston Cup champion is optimistic. "This car is better than it was last time," he said of his 10th-place finish in the Pocono 500. "I feel like we're going to be tough to beat Sunday."

Although all are in Chevrolets, as is third-place starter and Nemechek teammate Wally Dallenbach Jr., Ford's cannot be ignored. They have occupied 11 of 15 spots comprising the top five over the last three Pocono

events, with Gordon's victories accounting for the only Chevy placements among the elite.

Flanking Nemechek on the front row is the Ford of Ernie Ivan, whose teammate, two-time 1997 winner Dale Jarrett, starts fourth.

'This car is better than it was last time.'

— Dale Earnhardt, on his 10th place finish last year.

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Computers

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For me, and for many others, it has become the of-course.

Yes, I'm what is called an "early adopter" — though I'm not someone who uses it for its own sake. I find the right tools for the job. Information technology increasingly provides the tools. And I marvel not that the Digital Age has entered my life so pervasively — and for the most part usefully — but rather that it is happening so quickly. My life hasn't so much collided with digital communications as swallowed them.

But an element of collision remains. Digital networks and e-mail don't just naturally coexist with my values and habits; I have to work at it. While fear of the new means rejecting much that is useful, an uncritical embrace just because it's new isn't any smarter. So it comes as a pleasant sur-

prise to download and read the Clinton administration's new policy statement on electronic commerce.

For a government that has taken an interventionist, often Big Brotherish approach to so much else, the administration is taking a remarkably hands-off stance on electronic commerce and communications, preferring to rely on the Net community to sort things out for ourselves. We'll probably have no choice. Over time, the emerging global communications system will defy governments' efforts at regulation, much less outright control. The consequences will be painful for all of us in some ways, and liberating in others.

As I arrived in London last week, a few days before America's Independence Day, the British Empire shrank by one tiny but powerful island, Hong Kong. China recovered what it calls a province, and

much of the world watched the transfer of power live on television.

It was fascinating to watch, but I found myself reflecting on the event's long-range significance. China is a country so paranoid that it's trying — in the face of pervasive global communications — to maintain strict control over its people's access to information from the rest of the world.

Meanwhile, the British and the people of Hong Kong have been moving to embrace the modern age.

As I prepare to e-mail this column to my editor, I know which side I think will be better prepared for tomorrow's challenges.

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Living

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"He just sensed a good idea," she says.

Thirty years later, the assisted living home has hit.

Residential care operations must be licensed if they provide hands-on care: if staff help bathe or dress residents or monitor medications.

On-duty nursing is not required, although many centers provide it.

Residents usually have private room or apartment, meals, activities, housekeeping and transportation. That's just the basics. Other services can include 24-hour security, hair salons and cable television.

Schwab says the trend is providing a homelike atmosphere.

Recreating home life

Opened June 30, Crossings has 70 suites, one- and two-bedroom apartments at its Locust Street location. It's one of 88 operations in 18 states, owned by Alternative Living Services of Brookfield, Wis.

Their goal is to try to recreate life at home by offering activities similar to what residents would do at home, such as shopping, gardening, exercise, trips and crafts, Murray said. You won't see any typical nursing stations. "We didn't want it to have an institutional feel at all," he said.

The apartments take on the resident's personality. The shelves in Margaret Greer's apartment are alive with her painted ceramic flowers and animals. She loves the quiet.

"It's in a residential area. It's refined," said Greer, who uses a walker. "I'm just very happy."

Like other operations,

Crossings provides different levels of assistance, depending on what residents require.

While the cost appears high, it's affordable and less expensive because it's all-inclusive, operators say.

At Highland Estates in Burley, elderly residents dine restaurant style with two entrees to choose from and a waitress. Owned by a Boise resident, the facility is full with 36 residents and a waiting list since it opened in December, administrator Brenda Noe said. She also receives three to four calls daily about vacancies.

Highland has studio apartments and services include a certified nursing assistant on duty 24 hours a day. The aid and activities keep the elderly healthier, Noe said.

"At home a lot of them just sit and watch TV or read books. They're lonely and we find they don't eat correctly, then they don't take medications correctly, then they have a sick person," she said.

Medicaid dollars

Daily a growing number of people on state assistance seek care, Schwab says. Because Medicaid won't pay for assisted living, "most of these people end up in nursing homes because that's where the Medicaid dollars flow."

However, some want to change the system, by placing more emphasis on less costly alternatives to nursing homes, she said.

Heritage-Woodstone accepts people on state assistance, but limits their number because what is paid from a Social Security supplement is not enough to cover costs, Schwab said.

"If you've got new construction and new cars, there is no feasible way you can take a state recipient," Schwab said.

State regulations must be revamped so the elderly are helped according to their needs, not where they live, she said.

Better service

"There are a lot more options available to seniors," remarked Julie Johnson-Conrad, administrator of the 6-year-old BridgeView Estates near the Magic Valley Mall. Operated by an Oregon company, the complex includes 47 assisted-living units, plus independent retirement apartments, long-term care units and an Alzheimer's unit.

The elderly expect more. "People are no longer going to settle for the mentality of the past, they are not," she said. "Seniors expect quality and a lot of it and now the market is turning around to meet the wants and needs of the seniors and we have to offer it. They just need to shop carefully."

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Woolworth

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which also operates about 7,000 other retail stores worldwide under names such as Foot Locker, Champs, Northern Reflections and Kinney Shoes, has tried for years to turn around its most troubled retail chain. The variety stores lost \$37 million last year on sales of \$1 billion, but in the first quarter of this year alone, Woolworth lost another \$24 million.

Woolworth Corp., which had sales of \$8 billion last year, said it will convert about 100 of its Woolworth's stores to Foot Locker and Champs outlets.

The parent company will change its name later this year to reflect its changing retail mix and the loss of its famous subsidiary, but the company has not chosen the name.

Woolworth's joins a long list of retail institutions that have succumbed to the powerful competition of modern discounters, including Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and Target Stores — retailers that have hastened the rapid flight of consumer dollars to the suburbs.

"A lot of them are in middle-market downtowns, where they are still a department store that's small downtown, and that's very difficult," said Chuck Cope, general manager of Tysons Corner Center, which has a Woolworth's.

Also traditional drugstore chains have built ever-larger stores and offered an increasing assortment of general merchandise products.

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TRADEWINDS

BUHL — Judy Hoffman, associate broker with Barker Realtors in Buhl, was recently honored by her peers when she was named the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors "Realtor of the Year for 1997."

This designation is based on realtor spirit, local, state and national association activities, civic involvement, as well as business and educational accomplishments.

Hoffman, in real estate for more than 20 years, holds the GRI and CRS designations. She serves as Chairman of the State Professional Standards Committee and is a board member of the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors.

TWIN FALLS — Dan Woodworth, of Twin Falls, is the new membership director for the Magic Valley for the Better Business Bureau of Southwest Idaho. Woodworth will work with new and existing Better Business Bureau member companies. He has worked in management, been a teacher and recently started the Vineyard Christian Fellowship. He has resided in the Magic Valley since November.

GOODING — Aid Association for Luthrans (AAL) district representative, Terry Reinke of Gooding, has been recognized for outstanding insurance sales and service to AAL members during June.

Reinke finished the month in the top 10 among approximately

Omega reports healthy quarter

ROY, Utah (AP) — Omega Corp., despite its recall of 75,000 potentially faulty cartridges for its data storage drives, recorded \$26 million in earnings for its second quarter.

At 19 cents per share, earnings were up 86 percent from 1996's second-quarter figures of \$14 million and 11 cents per share. Further, revenues reached \$400 million, up 41 percent from the \$284 million reported the same time last year.

"We achieved another significant growth milestone this quarter," Omega president Kim Edwards said Thursday.



Judy Hoffman

2,000 AAL representatives across the United States.

He joined AAL's field staff in 1987 and since has been honored eight times for outstanding sales and service. In addition, the National Association of Life Underwriters has awarded Reinke its National Quality Award seven times and its National Sales Achievement Award five times. He is an associate of the Scott Schuldt Agency of AAL, Spokane, Wash.

The organization provides life insurance and retirement products, as well as disability income and long-term care insurance. AAL, based in Appleton, Wis., calls itself the nation's largest fraternal benefit society in terms of assets and individual life insurance.

TWIN FALLS — William R. Hollifield and G. Richard Bevan, attorneys at law, announce the formation of Hollifield and Bevan, P.A., a general practice law firm.

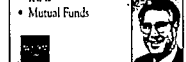
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Winemakers savor little piece of Senate tax bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — A couple of giant wine-makers are quietly toasting a little-noticed provision in the Senate tax bill that is aimed at protecting their huge market in dessert and jug wines.

The proposal stands to give E & J Gallo Winery Inc., Canandaigua Wine Co. and dozens of smaller producers the upper hand in upcoming trade talks with the French. Essentially, the issue is a long-running copyright dispute in which the French want to bar other nations from using names of French wine-producing regions such as Chablis, Burgundy, Champagne or Port on their products.

The U.S. wine industry fears the right to use the French wine names might be traded away in the agricultural round of trade talks under the General Agree-

ment on Tariffs and Trade. Loss of these "semi-generic" wine names would force wineries to rename some of their most popular products, which account for 34 percent of the U.S. wine market. The ensuing consumer confusion could be enormous.

"What would you call a Port if you couldn't call it a Port?" asked Bob Kalik, an attorney representing Canandaigua and a small coalition of other wineries favoring the change. "It would be devastating to New York wine production. It would be extremely harmful to California wine production."

Karen Ross, president of the California Association of Winegrape Growers, agreed. "They are products consumers are very familiar with," she said.

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Dr. Vorse earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacology, a Master of Science degree in Physiology from Georgetown & attended medical school at the University of California, Irvine. She returned to the east for her internship in Internal Medicine & for her residency in anesthesiology at Johns Hopkins Hospital. Thereafter, she completed her fellowship in Pain Management at Johns Hopkins & joined the faculty as a staff anesthesiologist at Hopkins.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Master gardeners discuss herbs

HANSEN - The Twin Falls Master Gardeners will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday at 3199 N. 3800 E. (five miles south of Daw's Market). Using herbs will be the focus of the meeting. For more information, call Cindy at 423-4351 or Delores at 734-8781.

AMI chapter forms in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The Alliance for the Mentally Ill is forming an affiliate chapter in Twin Falls. An organizational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Senior Annex, located behind the Office on Aging on the College of Southern Idaho campus, 988 Washington St. N. AMI is an organization of people with personal knowledge of the anguish and suffering of mental illness - the patients and families. It is dedicated to improvement in care, treatment and quality of life for those affected with chronic mental illness through support, advocacy, education and cooperation. For more information, call 733-3467.

TF Class of '87 plans reunion

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls High School Class of 1987 will hold its 10-year reunion Friday and Saturday. Lots of activities are planned. For more information, call Joe Olsen at (303) 699-5714 or Karen (King) Congram at 733-3046.

Barta celebrates 80th birthday

HUHL - W.F. "Bill" Barta will celebrate his 80th birthday at an open house set for 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Moon-Glo Village. Family and friends are invited to come and share memories of his life. The event is hosted by his children, Bill Barta, Maggie and Bob Himmelberger, Janet Deisher and Kathryn Grill, and his grandchildren.

EVENTS ELSEWHERE

Car show and swap meet scheduled

JEROME - The 29th annual car show and swap meet will be held from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Jerome City Park on Main Street. A craft fair will be held during the festival. Old cars, trucks, and tractors will be on display. A fee of \$8 for one day or \$12 for both days is required for vendors and craft spaces. There is no show entry fee for vehicles.

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If it's news to you, I want to hear about it. I'm April Crnich (Sis-nich), the community editor at The Times-News. It is my job to fill this page with news about:

- Community meetings.
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- Individual achievements.
- Your kids and their activities.

I will also want to publicize your photos of special events in the life of the community that are important to our readers.

Please send your news and photos to:

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Deadline for the Saturday page is noon Wednesday. Deadline for the Thursday page is noon Monday. Deadline for the Tuesday page is noon Friday. Deadline for the Saturday page is noon Tuesday. Deadline for the Wednesday page is noon Friday.

Shoshone honors Clifford Wednesday

SHOSHONE - The city of Shoshone has planned an open house retirement party for Clayton Clifford to begin at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Shoshone City Hall. Everyone is invited. Clifford has worked for the city of Shoshone for 38 1/2 years, serving as water and street superintendent. He plans to travel and work on some home projects. Casey Perkins a nine-year employee of the city, will replace Clifford, who decided to retire several months ago. "I loved my job because every day is different and never boring," Clifford said.

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Jerome Rec District sets fall programs

JEROME The Jerome Recreation District is planning for its fall programs and looking for new classes to offer. Anyone who has a class they would like to see offered or a class they could teach is asked to call 324-3389. For more information, call Eli Roberts at the above number or stop by the recreation center at 2444 S. Lincoln.

Quilters celebrate 'Christmas in July'

RUFERT - The Mount Harrison Quilters will meet at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 909 Eighth St. "Christmas in July" is the theme. Participants should bring anything quilted or sewn for a big "Christmas" show-and-tell and cookies or treats (with their recipes if possible). The guild will provide cups, napkins and beverages. Anyone interested may bring 6 1/2-inch Christmas fabric squares to swap.

A "Kaleidoscope Star Wallhanging" class is planned from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Olympia, Wash. show. The class requires a minimum of 10 and maximum of 20 students. It will be taught by Nita Sales of Meridian. The class will be open to Desert Sage members if space is available. Cost is \$25; quilters need to bring fabric and supplies from a list that will be provided later.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Nichols receives college degree

Angie Nichols of Twin Falls graduated June 13 from Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash. She is a Twin Falls High School graduate was awarded a bachelor of arts degree.

Evergreen is a public college of arts and sciences that enrolls 3,400 students. The college has received national recognition in college guidebooks and national media for its educational innovation and leadership, as well as for providing high-quality education at a reasonable cost.

Most recently, Evergreen was named "tops in teaching" among liberal arts colleges in the west for its commitment to undergraduate education by U.S. News & World Report's 1996 College Guide.

Redman earns arts and science degree

Emily Noelle Redman, daughter of Michael and Vera Redman of Twin Falls, graduated May 18 with an accounting degree in arts and science from Cortez College in Nevada, Mo.

Cortez is a private, two-year liberal arts college for women. The student body of 350 consists of young women from 48 states, Canada and 12 foreign countries. Cortez is owned and supported by the PEO Sisterhood, a philanthropic educational organization of more than 245,000 members. Cortez is the only nonsectarian college in the nation owned and supported by women for women.

Volunteers recognized by Girl Scout troop

Twin Falls Silver Sage Girl Scouts recently recognized some outstanding volunteers for their service to the Girl Scout Movement. Rookie of the Year

Making the Magic Valley safe for kids

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley SAFE KIDS Coalition held its 10th annual "Champions of Safe Kids," June 19th at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. This event honored individuals and businesses that actively encourage, support or participate in childhood injury prevention in the Magic Valley. This year's champions are: Castleford Men's Club, Fred Meyer, Megan Kevan, Harrison Elementary third-grade teachers, Tim Miller, George's Human Powersports, Meg Harlow, West End Men's Association, Jerome Police Department and KCJR Radio.

The volunteer of the year award was presented to Walt Hamby and the Youth Volunteer of the year award was given to Paul Rankin.



Hollister elementary students gear up for safety day.



James Boer, left and Brandon Kruger wear their helmets for safety when biking.



Harrison third-grade teachers, from left, Mary Ann Sweet, Kathy Schlund, Bev Taylor and Vicki Schab are honored for their commitment to safety. MVSK Board Member Maggie Machola offers her congratulations.

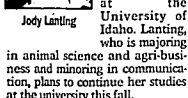
went to Victoria Wicker; Outstanding Leader of the Year went to Maggie Wright and Vicki Probus; Dianne Schroeder and Sherry Olsen-Frank were Outstanding Volunteers of the Year.

Thanks to all the sponsors, businesses and individuals who gave their time, monies, and/or meeting areas. With your efforts, Girl Scouting in the Magic Valley is growing bigger and stronger with each passing year. Thanks again to all Girl Scout volunteers.

If you or your daughter is interested in Girl Scouting, please call 733-9623 for more information, or visit our web site at <http://www.cyberhighways.org/girlscout>. We are looking for adult volunteers to help with camping, training, publicity and troops.

Lanting named outstanding senior

Jody Lanting, daughter of Bob Lanting and Rhea Lanting of Hollister, has been chosen as outstanding academic senior in animal science by the College of Agriculture at the University of Idaho. Lanting who is majoring in animal science and agri-business and minoring in communication, plans to continue her studies at the university this fall.



Jody Lanting

Eagle Scout awards earned

Sam Allen and Tim Allen have earned Eagle Scout awards through the Boy Scouts of America. To earn the award, scouts must complete at least 21 merit badges and an Eagle Scout service project.

Sam and Tim both completed service projects for the Forest Service in the South Hills that involved installing hitching posts for hunters and other trail riders.

Sam Allen

Tim Allen

Rieke receives bachelor's degree

St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn., held its 108th commencement exercises in May. Cynthia R. Rieke of Twin Falls graduated with a bachelor of arts degree.

Legion honors area young men

Twin Falls American Legion Post 7 and the American Legion Department of Idaho Gem Boy's State honored several Twin Falls area young men while they were attending the 54th session of Boy's State in June.

Casey Swanson was elected governor of Boy's State, with Chris Deuel elected as lieutenant governor. Deuel also was selected by the board of directors to attend Boy's Nation in Washington, D.C. Ben D. Bary, Brandon D. Flala and Mark A. Thmsr were elected to the Boy's State Senate; and Benjamin D. Alldritt, Louis W. Bokma, Alex N. Fuehrer and Kevin Hryn were elected to the House of Representatives for Boy's State.

Peter Gibbons received a letter of recommendation and appreciation for authoring a joint memorial resolution supporting the protection of the U.S. flag from desecration. The bill was approved by the House and Senate and signed into law by Gov. Swensen.

Post 7 is proud to have sponsored these young men at Boy's State through the assistance of many financial sponsors. Roland I. Gardner served as Boy's State chairman.

Area students graduate from SOU

Southern Oregon University in Ashland held its graduation ceremonies in June. Rhonda Lee Torre and Jennifer Ann Yeggy, both of Twin Falls, were among the graduates. Torre received a bachelor of science degree in sociology, and Yeggy received a bachelor of science degree in communication.

Kassiss earns degree from Willamette

Marc Kassiss of Twin Falls graduated cum laude in May from Willamette University in Salem, Ore. with a bachelor of science degree in physics. He is the son of Joan Kassiss of Twin Falls and a graduate of Twin Falls High School. Kassiss received five awards during graduation, including the Alumni Honors Scholarship, Blackman/Barber Scholarship, Mary L. Collins

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Helwich earns undergrad award

David Helwich recently received the Outstanding Political Science Undergraduate Award at the University of Wyoming in Laramie. He is a senior political science/economics major from Murtaugh.

Snider recognized for teaching skills

Twelve Idaho teachers were chosen recently for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. Judy Snider of Filer Elementary School in Filer is a recipient for elementary mathematics.

WSU scholarship awarded to Palmer

Amy Palmer has received a \$1,000 Glenn Terrell Presidential Scholarship to attend Washington State University in Pullman. The scholarship is given for scholastic excellence and honors former WSU President Glenn Terrell. Palmer is a recent graduate of Twin Falls High School, where she played varsity softball and volleyball.

Henrie has spent the summer helping a neighbor landscape and add a pond in her yard for a garden reception. She will be a senior at Raft River High School and is the daughter of Gordon and Darlene Henrie of Malta.

Henrie elected 4-H vice president

Tammy Henrie was elected vice president for the 4-H State Teen Association for 1997-98 at the Teen Conference held in June. A member of the Juniper Mountain Mavericks, Henrie served as the state 4-H song leader last year and is serving as a teen leader in her group teaching microwave cooking. She will represent the Raft River Electric Co-Op in Lewiston as a youth director in July. The youth program was developed to educate young people in the processes involved in providing electricity, trends in industry and the impact of legislation and environmental issues. White in Lewiston, Henrie will attend a variety of activities including workshops, leadership development, visiting Dworshak Dam and learning about Salmon issues, water draw downs and environmental concerns.

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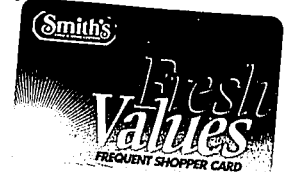
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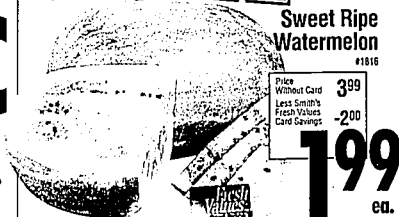
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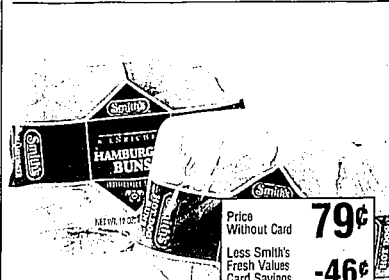
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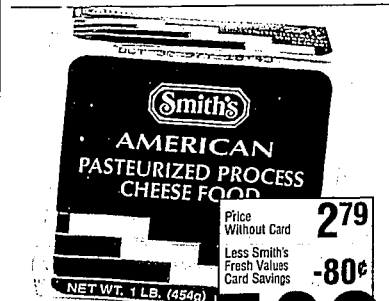


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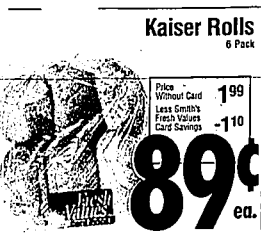


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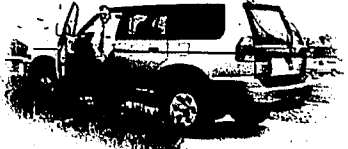
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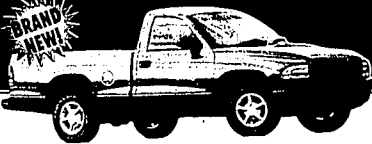
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Dispatches from the war between the sexes

Last May, when I was helping to organize try-outs for my son's Little League baseball team, one mother called in to ask if there were any women on our board. She wanted to make sure there were some women in charge before her son tried out, she said, because she knew the organization wouldn't be run correctly if it was run by men.

Now for the flip side: There are still plenty of men out there who can't wait to tell me the ugly truth about women drivers. And there are plenty of men who say things like, "Whatever the little lady wants will be just fine."



LIFE AND TIMES
Denise Turner

I often wonder just where today's society really does weigh in on the sexism scale.

I'm old enough to remember when we women made the move from being "chairmen" to being "chairpersons." I even remember when the majority of couples left the word "obey" in their marriage ceremonies. And I remember when there were no women in my Lions Club.

When I was a little girl, the women in my home town seemed to be dedicating their lives to outdoing each other with their elaborate plans for birthday parties for their kids.

I'll never forget one mother, who commissioned the construction of a sandbox big enough to hold 35 children. Then she hid expensive buried treasures in the sand. The kids almost killed each other.

Another mother filled her lawn with 12 portable swimming pools. And a third had fences built in her back yard and brought in farm animals for a petting zoo.

In those days, rain was cause enough to send some mothers into bouts of deep depression.

I was only 6 years old, but, even then, I suspected there must be more to life than ice cream and cake - and sitting around in frilly dresses talking about how to one-up the woman next door.

Then the feminists began to revolt. Suddenly, we girls stopped trying to lose tennis matches to the guys. And women began asking, "Who needs a man to tell you that you are beautiful?"

Eventually, the sexists among us were experiencing reverse discrimination - and the sport of male-bashing was born.

"His version of pillow talk: 'You're blocking the TV' author Judy Murray wrote in a magazine article on the subject. "To him, a seven-course dinner is a six-pack and chips."

Or, "The difference between men and government bonds? Bonds mature."

My daughter was 4 years old when she started begging for a Barbie doll. I was hesitant, because Barbie had gotten a lot of bad press by then. I was afraid the plastic teen queen might reinforce society's destructive values, values like 20-inch waists.

Of course, the Barbie doll of my daughter's childhood - complete with briefcase and credit cards - wouldn't have been caught dead at the same party with the Barbies of my own youth.

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Carol Evans visits the antique store owned by Maxine Thuber in Buhl every time she visits from Utah.

LATE SHIFT

Don't retire from your job; start a 2nd career

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

BUHL — Sixteen years ago, Maxine Thuber took her \$3,000 life savings — and a big chance.

She left her food-service job and opened an antique store, a lifetime dream. Now, at age 73, she's thriving — and so is her shop on Main Street.

"I'm here every day except when I want to take a break," she said. "Then I just lock the door and go fishing."

Thuber is on the cutting edge of one of the next-big economic trends in America — second careers for senior citizens.

And not just second jobs. Work experts predict that retirement for many of us will be delayed if not indefinitely postponed as we struggle to make ends meet. Maybe that's why many workers are expected to make a career switch at some point, as they search for that ever-elusive goal of job satisfaction.

"Working in our 60s, 70s and 80s will be like everything else the Baby



An antique water vase is among the items in Maxine Thuber's antique store in Buhl.

Boom generation has done," predicted Craig Karpel, author of "The



After 25 years in the food service industry, Thuber began her second career as an antique store owner.

The Golden Years

- 3.6 million Americans over the age of 65 are in the labor force; that's one out of six men and one out of 22 women.
- 5 percent of women over the age of 70 are employed; 11 percent of men 70 and older are working.
- 65 percent of men over the age of 75 are working; so are 2 percent of the women.
- 23 percent of Americans between the ages of 51 and 61 expect to continue working full-time after they turn 65.
- 73 percent of those aged 51 to 61 said they "would like to continue doing some paid work."
- 62.2 percent of households with members over 65 have an annual income of less than \$10,000 from sources other than Social Security.

— Source: "The Retirement Myth," Craig S. Karpel (HarperCollins, 1995)

"Baby Boomers don't even envision retiring," Kathy Marma of the American Association of Retired Persons told the Sun-Sentinel of South Florida. "They just picture doing something different."

Something different was what Bart Reynolds had in mind when he retired from his job as a nuclear power plant inspector for Pacific Gas & Electric four years ago.

"A hobby I had always been a hobby of mine, and by the time I retired I had quite a few customers," said Reynolds, who lived in Mokro Bay, Calif., at the time. "So it was a labor of love."

Then Reynolds and his wife moved to Idaho, and the equation changed.

"There may be age-discrimination laws, but the fact of the matter is that a lot of companies just aren't going to hire you when you're 58 years old," he said.

But through contacts made by his wife, he got a job at a Twin Falls

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FAMILY LIFE

Adulterous topics still bring in big box office

The Hartford Courant

"The English Patient" showed that chic adultery could still sell — and win an Academy Award best picture — even in an era when revelations of infidelities can shoot down high-flying military careers.

Everybody, it seems, is talking and writing about how America views adultery in the '90s. Kathie Lee and Frank Gifford decorate the front pages of every supermarket tabloid.

The cases of Air Force Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, who withdrew as a candidate for chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and of former Air Force 1st Lt. Kelly Flynn, who resigned from the service, put an official spotlight on the consensual adultery in today's neo-Puritan America. This at a time when the private life of Bill Clinton during his years as governor of Arkansas is back in the news.

Only Milos Forman ("The People vs. Larry Flynt") could do justice to the Giffords. The Ralston affair is unlikely fodder for a big-budget Hollywood production, and the more filmable Flynn case will probably become a TV movie.

Already, however, accusations against Clinton have spawned two movies centering on sex murders which reach into the White House. Sexy young blond women, both committing adultery, turn up as victims early on. The beauty gunned down by the Secret Service while struggling



Judy Davis plays a top aide to President Alan Richmond (Gene Hackman), who portrays an adulterous chief executive in 'Absolute Power.'

with Gene Hackman's unmarried president in "Absolute Power" is a married woman caught in a fling that turns rough.

"The gorgeous young woman killed at the start of 'Murder at 1600' is a single playmate who was sleeping with the president's son, but who also reportedly had been involved with the chief

executive played by Ronnie Cox.

Sex in the White House, or nearby, has become a staple of contemporary Hollywood.

It has been treated romantically in "The American President" (no adultery for Michael Douglas and Annette Bening, as the president was a widower) and "Dave" (adultery between faux prey

Kevin Kline and first wife Sigourney Weaver but OK because she thought he was her husband). "Dave" harked back to the days when adultery — if not exactly applauded — was admired or excused in Hollywood movies.

Mostly though, philandering brings pain, even death, as with

those two young things involved with presidents.

Consider "The English Patient." The steamy bathtub scene between Ralph Fiennes and Kristin Scott Thomas, and their subsequent dalliance in a hotel lobby, hardly seemed worth starving to death in a cave or being burned half to death in a plane crash. But those were the fates of Katharine Clifton and Count Almasy.

Lawyers and presidents appear especially prone to getting trapped in extramarital affairs these days, at least in the view of Hollywood. Most often, whatever their professions, the sinners suffer.

Not all that many pictures are centrally concerned with husbands betraying wives and vice versa, and even fewer ones with happy endings.

And many of the adultery dramas are, like "The English Patient," period films.

A few, like "Legends of the Fall" — tawny-mantled Brad Pitt takes us with Julia Ormond, married to Aidan Quinn — pull fans into the box office (Pitt's hair was probably the main attraction).

Then there are the flops: "First Night" with Ormond (again) choosing Richard Gere's Lancelot over Sean Connery's King Arthur; the famously awful revision of "The Scarlet Letter" with Demi Moore as Hester Prynne and Gary Oldman as Dimmesdale (hair long but not in Pitt's class).

the birds have moved on.

"Anyone who has water and turf either has a problem or is going to have a problem," he says.

Just where all these so-called residential geese came from is not so clear.

At the turn of the century, American hunters tethered Canada geese as live decoys. Their geesings never learned how to migrate, and their descendants live on.

More recently, a federal government program brought nonmigratory geese to bird sanctuaries on the East Coast.

Then came the boom in suburban lakes. In the last eight years alone, the population of Canada geese living in the eastern states has gone from an estimated 14,000 to more than 1 million, according to wildlife officials.

Meanwhile, a mere 250,000 Canada geese actually migrate to Canada along the East Coast, say these officials.

The nonmigratory geese do fly short distances in response to the seasons and to get to food sources.

The Baltimore Sun

COLUMBIA, Md. — Spiffy ponds for sleeping. Neatly trimmed grass for eating. And no hunting.

Suburbs are fields of dreams for Canada geese — more than 1 million of which no longer migrate to Canada, but have taken up full-time residence in the eastern United States.

They pollute ponds, befoul fairways and — officials fear — get sucked into airplane engines.

Increasingly, the birds are fighting back. In Columbia, that means a highly trained, \$3,000 border collie named Bud: a small cog in a growing industry devoted to scaring off geese to — well, other suburbs.

"If you don't do anything, the birds are just going to sit there, getting fat," says David Marcks,

owner of Geese Police, a 10-dog New Jersey operation that takes in \$9,000 a week by making daily goose chases through about 65 corporate office parks.

There are those who try to scare away geese with swans, deers and pyrotechnics. Some go around shaking the eggs to kill the embryonic geesings. A frustrated town manager in New York annually feeds hundreds of geeseburgers to food banks.

In Columbia's downtown area last year, an estimated 225 geese were thriving on man-made Lake Kittamaquidi. Life was good. A sloped bank offered close-cropped grass. Children tossed bread. Restaurant patrons fed them scraps from their outdoor tables. And every day, the geese left behind about 100 pounds of droppings.

Then came Bud.

The Columbia Association, or CA, the homeowners' organization that manages parkland and recreation services in Columbia, bought him in February.

Since then, Bud has scared off about two-thirds of the flock, CA officials say, rendering the lake-side's grass slopes and plaza clean again.

The geese aren't totally defeated, however. Bud requires a full-time handler whose shift ends at 6:30 p.m. — at which time the geese climb onto a boardwalk around the lake.

The boardwalk must be hoed off several times a week, says CA's Fred Fryer.

Bud's handler, Steve Kent, tirelessly distributes don't-feed-the-geese brochures to Columbia residents. But so aren't swayed.

"It's unbelievable how belligerent people can get," Kent says.

At the Pine Ridge Golf Course in Baltimore, an estimated 5,000 geese were inundating a single fairway in recent years, says Russell Bateman, head of maintenance for the city's golf courses.

Bateman and his crew tried to herd the geese themselves, as if they were cowboys on golf carts. They ended up surrounded.

Then they tried clapping hinged two-by-fours. They were ignored.

Wildlife officials were brought in to net the birds and drive them to the Eastern Shore.

"I think the geese beat the truck back to the course," Bateman says.

He now has a \$3,500 border collie that rides on the superintendent's golf cart — jumping off for an occasional goose chase. Bateman estimates 80 percent of

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bank, Reynolds began to rebuild his auto detailing business. Now he works between 10 to 30 hours a week — when he wants to.

"When I first retired, I felt bad about not going to work every day," he said. "But with this job, I set my own hours and I'm responsible for my own work. If I don't do a good job, it's right there for everyone — including my customers — to see. I take a lot of pride in that."

Reynolds, who works out of his garage, plans to keep sprucing up cars at least until he turns 62.

"I get pretty cold out there in January, but I love it."

"There are definitely more seniors in the workforce than there used to be, and I think the reason is that employers are beginning to realize how much they have to offer to them," McDonald, labor market analyst for the Twin Falls office of Job Service. "And frankly, they're a lot more capable and responsible

than some younger workers."

Most Magic Valley residents working past the age of 65 are still employed by someone else, McDonald said, but he expects to see more second-career entrepreneurs.

"The fact is that it's just not that hard any more to work out of your home."

Bryan Matsuoka, who manages the Small Business Incubator on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, has noticed that trend — especially among veterans.

"I see people with excellent skills who are retired with 20 or more years of experience available to them," he said. "And a lot of them relocate to places like Idaho."

People with relatively general skills and secure pensions — veterans and retired government employees, for example — often have the seed money to start businesses, but there's no shortage of either loans or advice

available to other seniors, Matsuoka said.

"Through SCORE (the Senior Corps of Retired Executives, a program administered by the federal Small Business Administration that draws upon the expertise of volunteer retired businessmen), there's advice available on everything from drawing up a business plan to keeping track of cash flow," Matsuoka said.

But successful senior entrepreneurs start much earlier, he said. "You need to have a plan before you leave your first career on what kind of business you want and what you want to do with it," he said.

"It's like finding a job through networking," McDonald said. "You make contacts during your first career and you use them to develop a second."

Being their own bosses after years of working for somebody else is attractive to many seniors,

but in other cases the change is a practical matter.

"The trick is being able to earn enough money in later life to ride the trends, not fight them," Karpel said. "In today's labor market, an organization you work for full-time isn't really your employer anymore. It's simply your only client. If I own a store and find that I'm down to one customer, maybe it's time to put some fliers under people's windshield wipers."

"I went with my own business because I went looking for jobs, and I got disappointed a couple of times," Reynolds said. "I didn't want to be disappointed again."

"The fact of the matter is that when I'm ready to retire, I'll have a lot of knowledge that's valuable," McDonald said. "I want to be able to earn enough money from that knowledge so that money isn't going to be an issue for me."

War

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Everything was "different" by then.

So I guess I don't really know what influences, good or bad, Mattel's best-seller brought to my child's generation, or maybe even to my own.

At best, life is getting more confusing by the day.

One survey revealed that 91 percent of women still like men to open doors for them and women still earn only 70 cents to a man's dollar.

During the O. J. Simpson trial, I heard a man call into a radio talk show and say he didn't know why everyone was making such a big deal about the wife-beating thing, because "every husband has hit his wife at least once, when she deserved it."

The talk show host was speechless.

So am I.

Are we enlightened. Or not? Have men and women even learned to be kind to each other?

Comedian Rita Rudner contends that women's liberation has always been confusing to men.

"I went out to dinner with a man who was a half-believer in it," she said. "He pulled my chair out. He didn't put it back."

My own son helped organize a sixth-grade basketball team for recess at school last year. He and his buddies devised the rules for the team.

"If you run around with girls, you get suspended for three days," he told me.

And so, the tug of war between the sexes continues.

Men gather together to share blonde jokes.

Women meet in groups to talk about how their boyfriends are pond scum.

Someday, we may begin to understand each other better.

Yeah, right.

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ANNIVERSARIES

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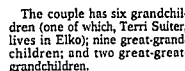


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WEDDING

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TWIN FALLS - April Michelle Bonamo and Mikael Donavan Merriss were married March 22 at The White House in Twin Falls.



Mikael Merriss and April Bonamo

Officiating was the Rev. Dale Ruppner. Kim Huyser of Twin Falls and Reeta Huyser was soloist.

The bride is the daughter of Jan Harrison of Twin Falls, and parents of the bridegroom are Dean and Peggy Merriss of Pocatello.

Stephanie Nutting, friend of the bride, served as the bride's maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Melissa Huyser, friend of the bride, and Lea Kneebone, sister of the bridegroom. Kodi Hall, niece of the bridegroom, was the flower girl.

Travis Kneebone, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man. Groomsman included Brandon Koen, friend of the bridegroom, and Jason Hall, brother-in-law of the bridegroom. Nick Bumbaugh, cousin of the bride, was the ringbearer.

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The bride is a graduate of Twin Falls High School.

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The newlyweds reside in Twin Falls.

MULLIKEN-HANCHETT

TWIN FALLS - Gayle Mulliken of Twin Falls announces the engagement of her daughter, Ginger Mulliken, to Tom Hanchett, son of Bill and Kathy Hanchett of Twin Falls.



Tom Hanchett and Ginger Mulliken

Mulliken is a 1994 graduate of Twin Falls High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital and the Snake River Pendleton in Twin Falls.

Hanchett is a 1993 graduate of TFHS and a 1997 graduate of CSI. He is employed by Roger Laughlin, Architect in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Saturday at the CSI Rose Garden.

KELLY-BOYLE

JEROME - Mr. and Mrs. James Patrick Kelly of Vinings, Ga., and formerly of Jerome, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Louise Kelly of Cambridge, Mass., to Nicholas James Boyle of New York City, N.Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Boyle of Edinburgh, Scotland and London, England. Kelly is also the granddaughter of Ernie Kelly of Jerome and the late James P. Kelly.



Mary Kelly and Nicholas Boyle

The bride-elect is a magna cum laude graduate of Harvard College where she was senior editor of "The Harvard Crimson." She received a Master's in European Studies from Cambridge University, England. Kelly is a Boston-based reporter/producer for "The World," produced by the BBC World Service.

The future groom is a graduate of Atlantic College, Wales, and a first class honors graduate of King's College, England, where he was president of the Debatants Society. He has received Masters in law degrees from Cambridge

University, England, and Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass. He is an attorney with the firm Debevoise & Plimpton in New York City.

After a July 27 wedding in the Harvard Memorial Church, the couple will reside in London, England.

HANSEN-McMILLAN

JEROME - Gary and Judy Hansen of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Matt Nicole Hansen, to Ryan C. McMILLAN, son of Jay and LeAnn McMILLAN, also of Jerome.



Ryan McMILLAN and Marlo Hansen

Both are 1997 graduates of Jerome High School.

The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday at the home of Gary and Judy Hansen.

The reception will be held at

5 p.m. at the LDS Church, 825 E. Ave. B, Jerome.

Martha Stewart and other people we love to hate

Chicago Tribune

Martha, we hardly know you. OK, we're aware that you've been accused of stealing recipes and calling them your own since your first book, "Entertaining" (which was written by someone else to whom you refused to give any credit).

And, yes, we know that you have a temper and make scenes, throw things, insult the little people, kiss up to the big people, destroy property, and, when necessary, inflict bodily harm. (Wasn't there something recently about you trying to run over a gardener?)

We know you're not really a people person. There have been problems with your dealings, your ex-husband, your daughter, former employees, former employers, and just about everyone who crosses your cobble-stoned path.

If your warmth makes an ice bag look cozy, so be it.

All that, Martha, we know and we accept. For the sake of your

"rapacious, calculating, manipulative..."

- Jerry Oppenheimer, on Martha Stewart

Renaissance-inspired 12-layer wedding cake, we are willing to forgive a lot.

But enough is enough. In "Martha Stewart Just Desserts" (William Morrow and Company, Inc.) author Jerry Oppenheimer, who spent years researching your life, says the most awful things about you: You're "rapacious, calculating, manipulative, exploitative" and "frightening." You're sadistic. You stiff people, you sue them, you try to terrorize and control them.

You got angry at your husband because he got sick while you were on vacation, so you forced him to accompany you on a five-day tour of the coffee country in Colombia although he was nause-

ated, feverish and weak. You let your 5-year-old daughter, who spoke not a word of Spanish, in the care of two strangers, who spoke not a word of English.

When your picnic basket was accidentally run over, you called the liver, one of your then-additions, "stupid" - today you use leftovers from one party you cater at the next one. You take home the wine in the bottom of the bottles and use it to make a margarita that you sell.

You served K mart executives tuna sandwiches and iced tea and then charged them \$1,000.

There are some people we love to hate. You're one of them. Kathie Lee is another. So are Barbra, Marla, and, of course, Fernie. Why do we hate them? Well, with you and Kathie Lee, it's the total smugness that does you in. You wanted us to believe that your lives were perfect - and not because you were incredibly lucky, but because you were so darn clever.

Love/Hate

People we love: John Travolta, Jodie Foster, John Goodman, Montel Williams, The Energizer Bunny

Barbara Bush, Meg Ryan, K.L. Lang, Kevin Kline, Tom Brinkaw, Cybill, Shepherd

Supernovae, Tony Danza, Dennis Franz, Sarah Brady, Lt. Taylor, Diane Keaton, George Foreman, Kattie Couric, Richard Simmons, Bill Gates, Michael Jordan, Julia Child, Will Smith

People we hate: Mickey Rourke, Brooke Shields, Roseanne, Jerry Springer, The Duracell Bunny, Hillary Clinton, Demi Moore, Sinead O'Connor, Gavin Klein, Tom Snyder, Melanie Griffith, Supermodels, Frank Sinatra, David Caruso, Sarah Ferguson, Joan Collins, Goldie Hawn, Mike Tyson, Bryant Gumbel, Jane Fonda, Donald Trump, Dennis Rodman, The Fugals, Gourmet, Eddie Murphy

placed in the site's "mausoleum."

On the site's Inspiration page is a poem that a man in Charlotte, N.C., recited to Tidwell one night in June. Earlier that day, the man had seen a story that USA Today had done on Tidwell's Web site.

"He had been in a really bad accident when he was younger," Tidwell said.

"It's been an eye opening experience," he said.

To check out the World Gardens site, go to: <http://www.worldgardens.com>; darn clever.

Keep memories of loved ones alive in cyberspace

KnightRidder News Service

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. - Michael Tidwell's contribution to the World Wide Web began with an idea he had had in his mind. "These sites were first coming out when I was in high school," said Tidwell, 34, who went to Airport High in West Columbia, S.C. "I thought it would be great if you could go to a cemetery and you had a VCR that you could push a button and see what the person was like."

The idea snuck with Tidwell, an artist with The Sellers Group, a Myrtle Beach advertising agency, and was rekindled when his firm started offering Web sites.

"I needed a way to hone my programming skills," he said. "I needed a personal site."

The result: World Gardens, a

virtual cemetery which lets loved ones pay their respects to the departed. Because it's on the World Wide Web, separating miles become a non-factor.

"Eventually, I hope a funeral home will take me up on this," Tidwell said. "The Web site offers a lot more than an obituary. Unless you are really famous, your obit is really short. This is highly personalized. Someone in the family gets to write the story."

The first tribute was to Tidwell's uncle, Eugene Tidwell, who along with his father was an inspiration in his becoming an artist. "World Gardens is not a place of death, but a place to celebrate the life and accomplishments of those we love," Tidwell wrote on his site, "a way to tell the world about them and

what they meant to us."

A friend or relative of the deceased can buy a "tombstone" at World Gardens for \$35. In addition to sharing regular obit-type information, photos can be posted (they will be returned) as well as information about the funeral service and even Bible passages.

Visitors to a gravesite can send a "Virtual Flower" arrangement to family members, along with their thoughts.

The page remains active for three months, then a plaque is

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FAMILY NEWS YOU CAN USE

Candidly speaking

Read each other's diaries. Tell your mate when you think he or she is ugly - and when you find someone else sexually attractive. Talk about your resentments, fears and fantasies. US Weekly end says those are among the secrets to a good relationship from a new book and album, both titled "The Unimaginable Life: Lessons Learned on the Path of Love," by singer Kenny Loggins and his wife, Julia.

Mothers and daughters

If you're a single parent with a daughter, get a life and let her have one of her own. A life totally dedicated to one's child can be detrimental to girls, family counselor Gayle Powers says in the Daughters newsletter. "Girls often deny their own needs to take care of others," Powers says. "If a girl feels she has to take care of her parent, the only way she'll be able to break out of that role is by getting really angry."

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Kids' stuff

The good news is that more children are starting their education earlier and completing it with college. The bad news is that more children smoke and take drugs than in the past, says a new federal report that complies previously released statistics. Other discouraging trends: Young black males increasingly have become victims of violent crime since the 1980s, and children from families with annual incomes of less than \$15,000 are 22 times more likely to be abused and neglected than kids from families making \$30,000 or more.

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FAMILY LIFE

Adulterous topics still bring in big box office

The Hartford Courant

"The English Patient" showed that chic adultery could still sell — and win an Academy Award best picture — even in an era when revelations of infidelities can shoot down high-flying military careers.

Everybody, it seems, is talking and writing about how America views adultery in the '90s. Kathie Lee and Frank Gifford decorate the front pages of every supermarket tabloid.

The cases of Air Force Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, who withdrew as a candidate for chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and of former Air Force 1st Lt. Kelly Flynn, who resigned from the service, put an official spotlight on the consequences of adultery in today's neo-Puritan America. This at a time when the private life of Bill Clinton during his years as governor of Arkansas is back in the news.

Only Milos Forman ("The People vs. Larry Flynt") could do justice to the Giffords. The Ralston affair is unlikely fodder for a big-budget Hollywood production, and the much more filmable Flynn case will probably become a TV movie.

Already, however, accusations against Clinton have spawned two movies centering on sex murders which reach into the White House. Sexy young blondes, both, both committed adultery, turn up as victims early on. The beauty gunned down by the Secret Service while struggling



Judy Davis plays a top aide to President Alan Richmond (Gene Hackman), who portrays an adulterous chief executive in "Absolute Power."

with Gene Hackman's unmarried president in "Absolute Power" is a married woman caught in a fling that turns rough.

The gorgeous young woman killed at the start of "Murder at 1600" is a single playmate who was sleeping with the president's son, but who also reportedly had been involved with the chief

executive played by Ronnie Cox. Sex in the White House, or nearby, has become a staple of contemporary Hollywood.

It has been treated romantically in "The American President" (no adultery for Michael Douglas and Annette Bening, as the president was a widower) and "Dave" (adultery between faux proxy

Kevin Kline and first wife Sigourney Weaver but OK because she thought he was her husband). "Dave" lurked back to the days when adultery — if not exactly applauded — was admired or excused in Hollywood movies.

Mostly though, philandering brings pain, even death, as with

those two young things involved with presidents.

Consider "The English Patient": The steamy bathtub scene between Ralph Fiennes and Kristin Scott Thomas, and their subsequent dalliance in a hotel lobby, hardly seemed worth starving to death in a cave or being burned half to death in a plane crash. But those were the fates of Katharine Clifton and Count Almásy.

Lawyers and presidents appear especially prone to getting trapped in extramarital affairs these days, at least in the view of Hollywood. Most often, whatever their professions, the sinners suffer.

Not all that many pictures are centrally concerned with husbands betraying wives and vice versa, and even fewer ones with happy endings.

And many of the adultery dramas are, like "The English Patient," period films.

A few like "Legends of the Fall" — tawny-named Brad Pitt takes up with Julia Ormond, married to Aidan Quinn — pull fans into the box office (Pitt's hair was probably the main attraction).

Then there are the flops: "First Night," with Ormond (again) choosing Richard Gere's Lancelotti over Sean Connery's King Arthur, the famously awful revision of "The Scarlet Letter" with Demi Moore as Hester Prynne and Gary Oldman as Dimmesdale (hair long but not in Pitt's class).

Nominate an Everyday Hero

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

We'd like to hear about such people. The Times-News is beginning a series of articles about the unsung heroes in the Magic and Wood River valleys. We'll publish them as a regular feature. Anyone who does something extraordinary — neighbors, scoutmasters, church group members, hospital volunteers, tutors — without getting paid for it, qualifies. So do professionals, such as caregivers and teachers, who contribute something extra. Send your nominations to Everyday Heroes, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303. We'll need your name, phone number, the name of your Everyday Hero, and a few sentences about the person and what he or she does.

My everyday hero is _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

I'm nominating this person because _____

Wayward geese make themselves at home in suburbs

The Baltimore Sun

COLUMBIA, Md. — Spiffy ponds for sleeping. Neatly trimmed grass for eating. And no hunters.

Suburbs are fields of dreams for Canada geese — more than 1 million of which no longer migrate to Canada but have taken up full-time residence in the eastern United States.

They pollute ponds, befoul fairways and — officials fear — get sucked into airplane engines.

Increasingly, the suburbs are fighting back. In Columbia, that means a highly trained, \$3,000 border collie named Bud; a small dog in a growing industry devoted to scanning off geese — well, other suburbs.

"If you don't do anything, the birds are just going to sit there, getting fat," says David Marcks,

owner of Geese Police, a 10-dog New Jersey company that takes in \$9,000 a week by making daily goose chases through about 65 corporate office parks.

There are those who try to scare away geese with swans, decoys and pyrotechnics. Some go around shaking the eggs to kill the embryo goslings. A frustrated town manager in New York annually gives hundreds of geeseburgers to food banks.

In Columbia's downtown area last year, an estimated 225 geese were thriving on man-made Lake Kitamaquidi. Life was good. A sloped bank offered close-cropped grass. Children tossed bread. Restaurant patrons fed them scraps from their outdoor tables. And every day, the geese left behind about 100 pounds of droppings.

Then came Bud.

The Columbia Association, or CA, the homeowners' organization that manages parkland and recreation services in Columbia, bought him in February.

Since then, Bud has scared off about two-thirds of the flock. CA officials say, rendering the lake-side's grass slopes and plaza clean again.

The geese aren't totally defeated, however. Bud requires a full-time handler whose shift ends at 6:30 p.m. — at which time the geese climb onto a boardwalk around the lake.

The boardwalk must be hosed off several times a week, says CA's Fred Pryor.

Bud's handler, Steve Kent, tirelessly distributes don't-feed-the-geese brochures to Columbia residents. But some aren't swayed.

"It's unbelievable how belligerent people can get," Kent says.

At the Pine Ridge Golf Course in Baltimore, an estimated 5,000 geese were inundating a single fairway in recent years, says Russell Bateman, head of maintenance for the city's golf courses.

Bateman and his crew tried to herd the geese themselves, as if they were cowboys on golf carts. They ended up surrendering.

Then they tried clapping hinged two-by-fours. They were ignored.

Wildlife officials were brought in to net the birds and drive them to the Eastern Shore.

"I think the geese beat the truck back to the course," Bateman says.

He now has a \$3,500 border collie that rides on the superintendent's golf cart — jumping off for an occasional goose chase. Bateman estimates 80 percent of

the birds have moved on.

"Anyone who has water and turf either has a problem or is going to have a problem," he says.

Just where all these so-called residential geese came from is not so clear.

At the turn of the century, American hunters restored Canada geese as live decoys. Their goslings never learned how to migrate, and their descendants live on.

More recently, a federal government program brought nonmigratory geese to bird sanctuaries on the East Coast.

Then came the boom in suburban lakes. In the last eight years alone, the population of Canada geese living in the eastern states has gone from an estimated 141,000 to more than 1 million, according to wildlife officials.

Meanwhile, a mere 250,000 Canada geese annually migrate to Canada along the East Coast, say these officials.

The nonmigratory geese do fly short distances in response to the seasons and to get to food sources.

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bank, Reynolds began to rebuild his auto detailing business. Now he works between 10 to 30 hours a week — when he wants to.

"When I first retired, I felt bad about not going to work every day," he said. "But with this job, I set my own hours and I'm responsible for my own work. If I don't do a good job, it's right there for everyone — including my customers — to see. I take a lot of pride in it."

Reynolds, who works out of his garage, plans to keep upgrading his cars at least until he turns 62.

"I get pretty cold out there in January, but I love it."

"There are definitely more seniors in the workforce than there used to be, and I think the reason is that employers are beginning to realize how much they have to offer," said Len McDonald, labor market analyst for the Twin Falls office of Job Service. "And frankly, they're a lot more capable and responsible

than some younger workers."

Most Magic Valley residents working past the age of 65 are still employed by someone else, McDonald said, but he expects to see more second-career entrepreneurs.

"The fact is that it's just not that hard any more to work out of your home."

Bryan Matsuoka, who manages the Small Business Incubator on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, has noticed that trend — especially among veterans.

"I see people with excellent skills who are retired with 20 or more working years available to them," he said. "And a lot of them relocate to places like Idaho."

People with relatively generous and secure pensions — veterans and retired government employees, for example — often have the seed money to start businesses, but there's no shortage of either loans or advice

available to other seniors, Matsuoka said.

"Through SCORE (the Senior Corps of Retired Executives, a program administered by the federal Small Business Administration that draws upon the expertise of volunteer retired businessmen), there's advice available on everything from drawing up a business plan to keeping track of cash flow," Matsuoka said.

But successful senior entrepreneurs start much earlier, he said.

"You need to have a plan before you leave your first career on what kind of business you want and what you want to do with it," he said.

"It's like finding a job through networking," McDonald said. "You make contacts during your first career and you use them to develop a second."

Being their own bosses after years of working for somebody else is attractive to many seniors,

but in other cases the change is a practical matter.

"The trick is being able to earn enough money in later life to ride the trends, not fight them," Karpel said. "In today's labor market, an organization you work for full-time isn't really your employer anymore. It's simply your only client. If I own a store and find that I'm down to one customer, maybe it's time to put some fliers under people's windshield wipers."

"I went with my own business because I went looking for jobs, and I got disappointed a couple of times," Reynolds said. "I didn't want to be disappointed again."

"The fact of the matter is that when I'm ready to retire, I'll have a lot of knowledge that's valuable," McDonald said. "I want to be able to earn enough money from that knowledge so that money isn't going to be an issue for me."

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Everything was "different" by then.

So I guess I don't really know what influences, good or bad, Mattel's best-seller brought to my child's generation, or maybe even to my own.

At best, life is getting more confusing by the day.

One survey revealed that 91 percent of women still like men to open doors for them. And women still earn only 70 cents to a man's dollar.

During the O. J. Simpson trial, I heard a man call into a radio talk show and say he didn't know why everyone was making such a big deal about the wife-beating thing, because "every husband has hit his wife at least once, when she deserved it."

The talk show host was speechless. So am I.

Comedian Rita Rudner contends that women's liberation has always been confusing to men.

"I went out to dinner with a man who was a half-believer in it," she said. "He pulled my chair out. He didn't put it back."

My own son helped organize a sixth-grade basketball team for recess at school last year. He and his buddies devised the rules for the team.

"If you run around for three days," he said.

And so, the tug of war between the sexes continues.

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A reception was held following the ceremony at The White House. Nicole Webb, friend of the bride, attended the guest book.

The bride is a graduate of Twin Falls High School. The bridegroom is a graduate of Highland High School in Pocatello. He is employed at Allison Mills in Piler.

The newlyweds reside in Twin Falls.

MULLIKEN-HANCHETT

TWIN FALLS - Gayle Mulliken of Twin Falls announces the engagement of her daughter, Ginger Mulliken, to Tom Hanchett, son of Bill and Kathy Hanchett of Twin Falls.

Mulliken is a 1994 graduate of Twin Falls High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital and the Snake River Pendleton in Twin Falls.

Hanchett is a 1993 graduate of TFHS and a 1997 graduate of CSI. He is employed by Roger Laughlin, Architect in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Saturday at the CSI Rose Garden.



Tom Hanchett and Ginger Mulliken

KELLY-BOYLE

JEROME - Mr. and Mrs. James Patrick Kelly of Vinings, Ga., and formerly of Jerome, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Louise Kelly of Cambridge, Mass., to Nicholas James Boyle of New York City, N.Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Boyle of Edinburgh, Scotland and London, England. Kelly is also the granddaughter of Ennis Kelly of Jerome and the late James P. Kelly.

The bride-elect is a magna cum laude graduate of Harvard College where she was senior editor of "The Harvard Crimson." She received a Master's in European Studies from Cambridge University, England. Kelly is a Boston-based reporter/producer for "The World," produced by the BBC World Service.

The future groom is a graduate of Atlantic College, Wales, and a first class honors graduate of King's College, England, where he was president of the Debating Society. He has received Masters in law degrees from Cambridge



Mary Kelly and Nicholas Boyle

University, England, and Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass. He is an attorney with the firm Debevoise & Plimton in New York City.

After a July 27 wedding in the Harvard Memorial Church, the couple will reside in London, England.

HANSEN-MCMILLAN

JEROME - Gary and Judy Hansen of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Marri Nicole Hansen, to Ryan C. McMillan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ann McMillan, also of Jerome.

Both are 1997 graduates of Jerome High School.

The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday at the home of Gary and Judy Hansen.

The reception will be held at



Ryan McMillan and Marri Nicole Hansen

6 p.m. at the LDS Church, 825 E. Ave. B, Jerome.

SCHULZ-CROWLEY

TWIN FALLS - Mike and Karen Schulz of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Lynn Schulz, to Patrick Lynn Crowley, son of Melvin and Lynn Crowley of Castledo.

Schulz is a 1995 graduate of Twin Falls High School and is attending the College of Southern Idaho.

Crowley is a 1992 graduate of Castledo High School. He is employed by Smith's in Twin Falls.



Patrick Crowley and Michelle Schulz
The wedding is planned for Aug. 2.

OTTO-RAMBUR

TWIN FALLS - Alex Otto of Buhl and Vickie Carr of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristina M. Otto, to Todd A. Rambur, son of Terri Rambur of Twin Falls and the late Tony Rambur.

Otto attends the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at Office Max in Twin Falls.

Rambur is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and the United States Air Force School of Health Care Sciences.

He attended Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Texas. He is employed by Physicians Immediate Care Center in Twin Falls.



Todd Rambur and Kristina Otto
The wedding is planned for Aug. 2 at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls.

FAULKNER-SAUNDERS

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Craig Saunders of Pocatello and formerly of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their son, Bryce L. Saunders, to Shanna K. Faulkner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven C. Faulkner of Blackfoot. He is also the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Webb Malone, and Dr. Max and Grace S. Carver, and great-grandson of Mrs. Orpha Drown, all of Twin Falls, and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Rob Lundgren, Jerome.

The bride-to-be, a 1995 graduate of Snake River High School and seminary, attends Idaho State University, majoring in elementary education.

The future bridegroom graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1991. He attended Ricks College and is scheduled to graduate from ISU College of Applied Technology in electro-mechanical drafting in August.

The couple have chosen Saturday for a garden wedding and reception to be held at the home of the bride's aunt and uncle, Mike and Millie Harrington, 886 Airport Road, Blackfoot.

They will make Pocatello their home while continuing studies at ISU. The couple is registered at ZCMI.



Bryce Saunders and Shanna Faulkner

cal drafting in August. Her fiancé, son of Andrew and Laurel Chasan of Boise, is also a graduate of Albertson College of Idaho. He is currently pursuing his certified public accountant license.

The wedding is planned for Aug. 9.

BENDOR-CHASAN

WEWELL - Heidi Bendorf and Matthew Aaron Chasan have announced their engagement.

The bride-elect, daughter of Rick and Susan Bendorf of Wewell, is a graduate of Albertson College of Idaho. She began her attendance at the University of Washington School

of Medicine this fall. Her fiancé, son of Andrew and Laurel Chasan of Boise, is also a graduate of Albertson College of Idaho. He is currently pursuing his certified public accountant license.

The wedding is planned for Aug. 9.

Martha Stewart and other people we love to hate

Chicago Tribune

Martha, we hardly know you. OK, we're aware that you've been accused of being a despot and calling them your own since your first book, "Entertaining" (which was written by someone else to whom you refused to give any credits).

The way you, we know that you have a temper and make scenes, throw things, insult the little people, kiss up to the big people, destroy property, and, when necessary, inflict bodily harm. (Wasn't there something recent about you trying to run over a gardener?)

We know you're not really a people person. There have been problems with your siblings, your ex-husband, your daughter, former employees, former employers, and just about everyone who crosses your cabal-stomach path. In fact, your warmth makes an ice bag look cozy, so be it.

All that, Martha, we know and we accept. For the sake of your

"rapacious, calculating, manipulative..."

- Jerry Oppenheimer, on Martha Stewart

Renaissance-inspired 12-layer wedding cake, we are willing to forgive a lot.

But enough is enough. In "Martha Stewart: Just Desserts" (William Morrow and Company, Inc.) author Jerry Oppenheimer, who spent years researching your life, says the most awful things about you: You're "rapacious, calculating, manipulative, exploitative" and "frightening." You're sadistic. You stiff people, you see them, you try to terrorize and control them.

You got angry at your husband because he got sick with you were on vacation, so you forced him to accompany you on a five-day tour of the coffee country in Colombia although he was nause-

ated, feverish and weak. You left your 5-year-old daughter, who spoke not a word of Spanish, in the care of two strangers, who spoke not a word of English.

When your picnic basket was accidentally run over, you called the driver, one of your then-friends, "stupid" and "idiot."

You use leftovers from one party you cater at the next one.

You take home the wine in the bottom of the bottles and use it to make vinegar that you sell.

You served K mart executives tuna sandwiches and iced tea and then charged them \$1,000.

There are some people we love to hate. You're one of them. Kathie Lee is another. So are Barbra, Maria, and, of course, Fergie. Why do we hate them? Well, with you and Kathie Lee, it's the total smugness that does it. You want us to believe that your lives were perfect - and not because you were incredibly lucky, but because you were so darn clever.

Love/Hate

People we love	People we hate
John Travolta	Mickey Rourke
Jodie Foster	Brooke Shields
John Goodman	Roseanne
Montel Williams	Jerry Springer
The Engerizer	Bunny The Durcillo
Barbara Bush	Family Hill
Meg Ryan	Demi Moore
k.d. lang	Sinead
	O'Connor
Kevin Kline	Calvin Klein
Tom Brinkley	Tom Snyder
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Superheroes	Supermodels
Yoni Bennett	Frank Sinatra
Dennis Franz	David Caruso
Sarah Brady	Sarah Ferguson
Liz Taylor	Joan Collins
Piano Keston	Gilda Hawn
George Foreman	Nike Tyson
Kelso Couric	Soyuz Gambel
Richard Simmons	Jane Fonda
Bill Gates	Donald Trump
Michelle Jeanson	Dennis Rodman
Julia Child	The Fugali
	Gourmet
Will Smith	Eddie Murphy

FAMILY NEWS YOU CAN USE

Candidly speaking

Read each other's diaries. Tell your mate when you think he or she is ugly - and when you find someone else sexually attractive. Talk about your resentments, fears and fantasies. USA Weekend says these are among the secrets to a good relationship from a new book and album, both titled "The Unimaginable Life: Lessons Learned on the Path of Love," by singer Kenny Loggins and his wife, Julia.

Mothers and daughters

If you're a single parent with a daughter, get a life and let her have one of her own. A life totally dedicated to one's child can be detrimental to girls, family counselor Gayle Powers says in the Daughters newsletter. "Girls often say their own needs to take care of others," Powers says. "If a girl feels she has to take care of her parent, the only way she may be able to break out of this may be by getting really angry."

The woman of the family

Speaking of single parents, three out of 10 women in 1996 were headed by women in 1996, according to new Census Bureau data. Women headed 29.2 million of the 99.6 million households in the country, including 12.5 million families with no husbands present.

Kids' stuff

The good news is that more children are starting their education earlier and completing it with college. The bad news is that more children smoke and take drugs than in the past, says a new federal report that compares previously released statistics. Young black males increasingly have become victims of violent crime since the 1980s, and children from families with annual incomes of less than \$15,000 are 22 times more likely to be abused and neglected than kids from families making \$30,000 or more.

Compiled from who reports

Keep memories of loved ones alive in cyberspace

Weight-Riddar News Service

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. - Michael Tidwell's contribution to the World Wide Web began with an idea he had half his life ago.

"VCRs were first coming out when I was in high school," said Tidwell, 34, who went to Airport High in West Columbia, S.C. "I thought it would be nice if you went to a cemetery and you had a VCR that you could push a button and see what the person was

virtual cemetery which lets loved ones pay their respects to the departed. Because it's on the World Wide Web, separating miles becomes a non-factor.

"Eventually, I hope a funeral home will take me up on this," Tidwell said. "The Web site offers a lot more than an obituary. Unless you are really famous, your obit is really short. This is highly personalized. Someone in the family gets to write the story."

The idea he got stuck with was to create an idea struck with Tidwell, an artist with the Sellers Group, a Myrtle Beach advertising agency, and was rekindled when his firm started offering Web sites.

"I needed a way to hone my programming skills," he said. "I needed a personal site."

The result: World Gardens, a

what they meant to us."

A friend or relative of the deceased can buy a "tombstone" at World Gardens for \$95. In addition to sharing regular obit-type information, photos can be posted (they will be returned) as well as information about the funeral service and even Bible messages.

Visitors to a gravesite can send a "Virtual Flower" arrangement to family members, along with their thoughts.

"The Web remains active for three months, then a plaque is

placed on the site's "mausoleum."

On the site's Inspiration page is a poem that a man in Charlotte, N.C., recited to Tidwell one night in June. Earlier that day the man had seen a story that USA Today had done on Tidwell's Web site.

"He had been in a really bad accident when he was younger," Tidwell said.

"It's been an eye opening experience," he said.

To check out the "World Gardens" site, go to: <http://www.worldgardens.com/> darn clever.

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FAMILY LIFE

Fat cats and dieting dogs

Even animals need some attention to nutrition, experts recommend

The Washington Post

One of the many good things about pets is that they seldom go into therapy in adulthood and blame their guardians for things done when they were kittens or puppies.

This means people can indulge the pets, even spoil them a bit and not have to pay their bill later in life (biting dogs excepted, of course).

But biology doesn't stand aside for sentimentality. If a pet is indulged with extra food, it is likely to get fat. And obesity, however cute it may sometimes seem, is likely to be as bad for felines and canines as it is for *Homo sapiens*.

According to Elizabeth Lund, a researcher at the University of Minnesota, about three out of 10 cats and dogs are carrying more pounds than is ideal.

A simple check of the animal's ribs and profile can usually determine if it's overweight. For objectivity's sake it might be best to have someone not emotionally attached to the animal do the check.

Begin by facing in the same direction as the animal and standing over it. You should be able to see (or feel, if hair's in the way) a clearly defined waist behind the ribs.

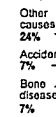
To check the ribs, place both

Man's best friend in sickness

Dogs and people appear to die from similar causes.

A look at the various causes of death for dogs and people:

Dogs

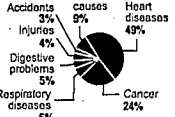


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Humans



KRT Infographics

hands on the animal's back, with your thumbs at the backbone. Run your fingers along the rib cage. If it's hard to feel the ribs, excess fat is the likely cause.

People's fitness and their animals' tend to go hand in hand, said James H. Sokolowski, a Long Beach, Calif., veterinarian who works with the Waltham Centre for Pet Nutrition in England.

A human being with a sedentary lifestyle is less inclined to

exercise his pet and more inclined to "share munchies" with it, he said. Giving dogs food to quiet them isn't a good idea, he said; "you've taught them: 'I whine, I get fed.'" Some two-worker families feel bad about neglecting their pets, "so they leave a big bowl of food out or give extra snacks at night. They are feeding based on their own guilt."

Instead, it would be better to establish a feeding regimen and

stick to it: "If you just learn to feed a dog once a day or twice a day, that's what a dog adjusts to." As for cats, determine how much food they need and let them decide when to eat it: "Cats are natural snackers, even in the wild. A cat will kill, drag the carcass and go back to snack ... as many as 20 to 25 times a day. That's a very normal thing."

Researchers are looking for safe weight-reducing drugs for animals, but for the time being the prescription is much the same as for overweight people: more exercise and fewer calories.

While exercise improves health and burns calories, "if find that people can't exercise their dogs enough to lose any significant amount of weight," said Nolan Rubin, a veterinarian at the Montrose Animal Health Center in Fairfax, Va. And exercising cats is harder.

The trick to a slimming diet, Rubin said, is to give the animal a feeling of fullness so that it doesn't go snacking in the trash. Pet-food manufacturers usually accomplish this by adding non-nutritive fiber.

"Stool production is going to be increased" — a feature not generally appreciated by people — "but the pet will be able to leave his bowl and say, 'Hey, I'm full.'" Fiber can be added in the form of things like beet pulp.

Book critics for kids take job seriously

Chicago Tribune

She looks at the book. "I hate the art," she says. Then, she looks at it again. "I hate the text, too," she says.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — Near the end of a quiet street, in a faded gray house, across a sloping porch, behind a glass-paned door and past an old water fountain is where the children's books are.

Past the old water fountain, through a doorway lined with Goldilocks and the Three Bears dolls, around a small table crowded with chairs, across from two boxes of doughnuts and within reach of three heaps of books is where the children's book reviewers are.

"This is a gross book," says the first children's book reviewer.

"I know. Isn't it great?" says the second children's book reviewer. "It made me nauseous," says the third children's book reviewer.

The children's book reviewers decide they like this book, which is about a boy who thinks he is falling apart because skin flakes off his toes and "gray stuff" falls out his nose.

They give it an "R" for recommended. Then, they look at more books. Every Wednesday, the reviewers look at about 40 books.

They look at big books and small books. They look at books about cars and books about Mars. They look at books about disgruntled teenagers and books about disabled ladybugs.

The children's book reviewers are looking at one book about a woman named Aunt Lena who does the thumbs and another book about a girl named Jezebel Jones who turns into a bear.

Before the meeting, every book is read by one reviewer, who writes a review. The other reviewers go through the books, discuss them and add their comments to the reviews.

Sometimes, they disagree.

"I like that art," says one reviewer about a book called "A Cow, a Bee, a Cookie and Me."

"I don't even like the title of that book," says another reviewer.

When they are done reading the books and writing about them, the reviewers put the reviews in a journal called the Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books. Compiling, editing and settling disputes about reviews ("Yeah, well I don't like the margins on the book you liked") is the purview of the journal's editor and assistant editor.

The Bulletin comes out every month except August and is sent to 5,000 or so subscribers.

The Center for Children's Books, which consists of the first floor of the gray house, is part of the Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The center, which has more than 22,000 children's and reference books, serves as a research and resource site for students and teachers at the library school.

Librarians who buy children's books buy the Bulletin to find out what books to buy. There are three other well-known journals like the Bulletin that librarians usually buy. Each one is little different, but together, they form their own small world within the universe of children's publishing.

Librarians used to buy more children's books than anyone else, and even though they now account for a smaller chunk of the market than they did 20 years ago — anywhere from 30 to 60 percent, depending upon whom you talk to — they still exert a great deal of influence over what children read and what books their families buy for them.

Hardly anyone reads more children's books than children's book reviewers.

And hardly anyone reviews books quite the way the Bulletin does, which is by meeting every week to talk, laugh and argue about them.

Systems let parents check in on day care

Indianapolis Star and News

INDIANAPOLIS — In a pink and white room filled with toys, six 3-year-olds surround a table, eating their lunch of pizza, carrots, fruit and milk. Their teacher sits with them, watching.

A camera watches, too, high in the corner.

The children don't know it, but soon the camera will permit their parents to observe them via the Internet.

Somerset Heights Center for Child Care, an Indianapolis day-care center, is installing Watch Mel, a computer-based surveillance system. Anyone with Internet access, the right software and the passwords can check out the room's action — just by clicking a mouse.

The idea is to allow parents to become a part of the child's day from the work place, says Eric Foster, a former banker from Texas and the owner and co-founder of Watch Mel.

Theoretically, a parent can leave a crying child at the center,

For more info ...

If there are centers or parents interested in Watch Mel, they can call Watch Mel headquarters at (214) 352-7540 in Dallas. The web site can be accessed at www.watch-me.com.

arrive at work, log on a computer and check on the youngster.

Foster created Watch Mel with partner Frank Wagner, when Wagner and his wife were expecting their first child. The company is based in Dallas, where Foster lives. He recently visited Indianapolis to help Somerset set up its system.

The Indianapolis center is one of four in the nation currently installing the new surveillance system, which becomes active Aug. 1. The other three are in Texas.

Charmaine Stout, Somerset's office manager, loves the idea. While her 2-year-old daughter Chastity plays in another room, Stout can check in to see how

she's doing. "We only see when we walk in and they run to us."

Somerset owner Adrienne Boyd predicts the system will not only relieve parents' anxiety, but also cut down on interruptions to the staff. Somerset receives 30 to 40 calls a day from parents checking on their kids.

"We've been looking at closed-circuit cameras, but this was one step further," she notes.

Privacy is protected, and the system is monitored for the number and location of log-ins, says Foster. Each room in every center using Watch Mel has its own name, which is the first security step. Those rooms are part of the computer menu, once the room is located, users next must enter an individual password.

Every room at Somerset has two to three cameras, except bathrooms and changing rooms. Cameras will also be placed in playgrounds.

The system has no sound, but the visuals are similar to TV. The images are updated twice a minute.

To create all these features, Foster quit his position as a bank vice president in Dallas last November, focusing on Watch Mel full time. "My wife questioned my sanity," Foster says.

But the word is spreading, he says. He receives calls constantly.

"It's incredible to see this finally coming together. We just worked 90-100-hour weeks. It's very rewarding."

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Park ranger finds peace at site of Nez Perce battle

CHINOOK, Mont. (AP) — Jim Magera moved from St. Regis to Northern Montana College for fall quarter 1993. He found his room, unpacked his things, then slipped off to the Chief Joseph Battlefield about 16 miles south of Chinook.

"It was spal windy, and I was really shocked how dry it was," Magera said of his first experience outside the water, windless valleys of western Montana's Rocky Mountains. "There was nothing here, but there was something here, too."

The "something" Magera found at the site was intangible but powerful.

"It's really a wonderful place," he said. "There's such a sense of peace out here. I believe this place really grabs you and keeps you. We have a lot of people who keep coming back."

The battlefield covers about 160 acres of Snake Creek bottom and surrounding hills and coulees. The bottom is a couple hundred yards wide and about a quarter-mile long. Today it is rife with bushes, but according to Magera, it was grassy during the 1877 confrontation between Nez Perce Indians and U.S. Army troops.

The battle was joined at about 9 a.m. Sept. 30, 1877, and ended with the surrender of 417 Nez Perce at about 4 p.m. Oct. 5. Another 30 or so survivors were picked up at the mouth of Clear Creek.

Thirty Nez Perce men, women and children died at the battle, and seven more were killed farther north.

Approximately 200 Nez Perce were able to make it across the border into Canada.

"When I go out here, I feel real good, except in one spot, and that



National Park ranger Jim Magera leads tours of the Bear Paw National Battlefield near Chinook, Mont. The battlefield is where Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce surrendered to U.S. Cavalry troops in 1877.

was where (the soldiers) were using the 12-pound Napoleon cannon to shoot directly down on the people.

"The rest of the battlefield, I just feel so at peace."

Today, Magera teaches local history at Havre High School and spends his summer as a park ranger at the battlefield.

"What a wonderful place to spend a summer."

He gives lectures about the site throughout the year and particularly enjoys giving tours and lectures at the site during the summer. He's on site from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday with

few exceptions.

"If you want to have a guided tour, just call and make arrangements," he said. "I'm more than happy to do that because that is my own special spot on earth. I call it my hobby and other people call it my obsession."

Magera is arguably the foremost authority on the site. He is also among the leading authorities 1,600-mile flight by the Nez Perce from the U.S. Army that began in central Idaho.

"My emphasis has always been that battlefield, the other parts have become supplemental to me," Magera said. "They're

not nearly so interesting as the site."

The end of the heroic journey at Bear Paw Battlefield was marked by one of the most famous surrender speeches ever uttered.

The site has a mystical influence on people from all over the world because of Chief Joseph's eloquent surrender to Col. Nelson A. Miles. The most repeated part of the address is:

"Hear me my chiefs, I am tired; my heart is sick and sad. From where the sun now stands I will fight no more forever."

Ab Chapman was the Army

translator at the scene who provided Miles with the English version of Joseph's address in Nez Perce. Since then, there have been numerous other interpretations.

The battlefield has undergone a lot of changes, but since its early days as Chief Joseph Battlefield State Park. It is now part of the Nez Perce National Historic Trail that includes nearly 40 locations in four states: Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

"The park service replaced one bridge and built a new one," he said. "There's been quite a little coordination with the other historical sites. There's been a lot more national attention brought to it with its being part of the (national) park system instead of just a state park."

The first monument was placed upon a rise at the northern edge of the site in 1928 by the Nez Perce people in honor of their ancestors who fought and who died there. It is one of six monuments erected by the Nez Perce at the fleeing tribe's different battle sites and is the only one that remains in its original location.

In 1929, the Daughters of the American Revolution erected a flag pole. They inscribed the names of the soldiers who lost their lives during the siege on the base of a plaque embedded in stone.

In 1930, Congress put a large plaque commemorating the end of the battle. The plaque depicts Chief Joseph and Col. Miles at the surrender scene.

Both memorials were placed originally on the southern edge of the battlefield. They were subsequently moved to the western side of the coulee for easy access

from County Road 240.

Magera provides visitors with numerous little-known details about the engagement, Nez Perce, Army, and geography.

- Chief Joseph's baptismal name was really Etanum.
- Gen. Oliver O. Howard, the military commander who pursued the Nez Perce from Idaho, was known by the Nez Perce as Gen. Day After Tomorrow because he was always a day behind.

- Col. Miles ordered Joseph held after Joseph met with the troops under a sign of truce on Oct. 1, the second day of the siege. Nez Perce warriors then captured an Army lieutenant and traded him for Joseph.

- About 30 Sioux and Cheyenne scouts were awarded five Nez Perce horses apiece after the surrender.

- More than 100 Nez Perce horses were killed in the battle.
- Five of the six Army officers and all of the sergeants and buglers were either killed or wounded by Nez Perce fire.

"I've been studying it for many years, and have accumulated quite a little material," Magera said. "The neat thing is I learn new things every year."

The only descendants he has met are Nez Perce, but he recently began corresponding with the descendant of one of the soldiers who fought at Bear Paw.

Now Magera is happiest when he can help others appreciate the site.

"Some people want guided tours and want to know everything," he said. "And others want a little information and to walk it on their own. And others just want to walk it alone and experience the feelings of the battlefield."

Idaho movie likely 1st to be written, directed and produced by American Indians

WORLEY (AP) — A cold rain fell as Sherman Alexie stood under a blue canopy in the parking lot of a vacant cafe.

"Roll it!" someone shouted as actors Evan Adams and Adam Beach boarded a bus in what could be the opening scene in a film about revolution.

"Cinematically, it will be the first time we've spoken for ourselves," Adams said later as filming began on "This is What It Means to Say Phoenix, Arizona."

believed to be the first movie written, directed and co-produced by American Indians.

Alexie, a Seattle poet and novelist-turned-screenwriter, adapted the movie from his collection of short stories, "The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven."

The stories were set on the Spokane Indian Reservation in Washington state where Alexie grew up, but the movie is being filmed on the Coeur d'Alene after some Spokesans objected to characterization in the book.

"Eric Stensgar, the (Coeur d'Alene) tribal chairman, called my mom and said, 'Junior can film his picture here any time,'" said Alexie, a co-producer who is half Coeur d'Alene and half Spokane Indian.

So the crew is filming the movie in this reservation town of 180 in north-central Idaho.

Alexie calls the film — which the producers hope will be released next year — "a buddy movie and dramedy."

"It's part drama and comedy," he said.

"A lot of it has to do with poking fun at cinema images of Indians."

The movie is about two American Indians bound for Phoenix, Ariz., to pick up the ashes of the father of one. The road trip becomes a soul-searching journey into their childhoods.

Director Chris Eyre, a Cheyenne-Arapaho from Oregon, read Alexie's book while studying filmmaking at New York University in 1993.

"I called him and said, 'I really love your material and I'd like to make it into a movie,'" Eyre said, noting the story is a change from the usual romanticized fare about Indians.

"It was personal. Contemporary," he said.

In 1995, he and Alexie were selected to

attend the Sundance Institute. A year later, the pair were selected as the United States team who best represented the next generation of creative talent.

Larry Estes, who is producing the film for Shadowcatcher Entertainment of Seattle, said the cash award and a Japanese licensing agreement will help pay a portion of the film's cost.

"The budget is very, very low because the more you spend on a movie, the more you have to aim for an audience," he said in declining to say what the movie is costing. "We want to make the best story we can — then unleash it on an unsuspecting world."

But Estes, a former Columbia TriStar executive whose \$1 million "sex, lies and videotape" grossed \$60 million in the-

aters, knows a good thing.

"In the three years since I've been gone, I've made 11 independent films. None of them were from material as good as this," he said. "We all have these stereotypes about Indians. I feel like I never knew anything until I read this and met Sherman and Chris."


Filming here is expected to wrap up May 10. The crew will move to Spokane, Wash., for additional filming and then on to the dry landscape around Soap Lake, Wash., for the Arizona scenes.

Alexie, who admits coming from a family of movie addicts, is upbeat about its chances. "I sell a lot of books for a literary writer. I don't sell a lot of books for a popular writer," he said. "Even if this movie is a flop, a million people will see it."

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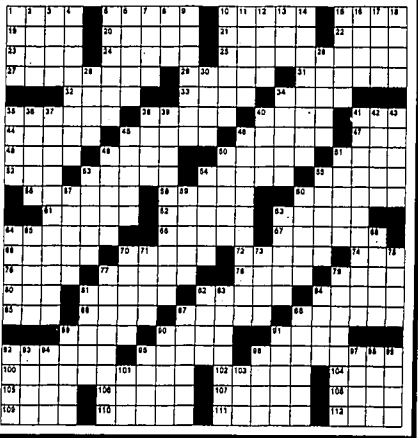
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Don't forget arts as necessary ingredient for enriching life



AGING
Lucille S. DeVoe

When I hear people rant that schools should drop the arts to concentrate on ABCs, I want to shout "no, no, no." Writing, music, art, drama, dance unlock children's fears and longings. Give expression to their dreams. Enrich school days and life forever after.

The arts can even save you in a crisis, as they saved me. One long-forgotten rescue surfed recently at the library as I rifled through videotapes of stage plays. My lifelong love of theater was ignited by a high school English teacher who turned us briefly into actors and sent us into the world with a little stardust clinging to our caps and gowns.

My big moment came as Viola in Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night." When I saw a tape of it, I recalled favorite lines such as, "I trembled. I had erased from memory my role in that play — and with reason."

In midlife, I suddenly found myself abandoned by all I held dear. I struggled alone without family or close friends in a strange, small town, wondering how to go on. How?

Then a newspaper notice said the local community college was casting parts for "The Lady's Not for Burning." I loved that play — its elegant lines, its wit, its exposure of the folly of superstition. I especially loved the role of gray-haired Margaret Devise, perennially astonished mother of two grown, addled sons.

I needed to go to the auditions. Usually staid and shy, I acted the role with ridiculous abandon. I got the part.

For the next few weeks, I maturated my lines as I drove through the empty countryside that usually engulfed me in loneliness. Now, Margaret Devise kept me company. And at rehearsals, I enjoyed the byplay of the univer-

sity students in the cast.

Suddenly, the play became my real world; the rest was a dream. On opening night, I donned my 15th-century costume — a floor-length gown and cameshaped head-dress with a trailing veil. My ordinary self in blouse, skirt and sensible shoes was nowhere to be found.

As I made my first entrance, I thought fleetingly of my high school drama teacher and prayed to do her proud. And then, blink, it was over, and the next day was again ordinary, but I was not.

Somewhere during rehearsals, I had gathered the courage I needed.

I soon left that town to start a new career and make a new life in a new place where the past didn't haunt me at every turn.

In this library, a continent away and years later, I checked out the tape of "The Lady's Not for Burning." I played it several times. I saluted it. I thanked it. And I laughed, remembering,

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Retirement community attracts those who still want to exercise their minds

Los Angeles Times

TUCSON, Ariz. — Henry Koffler was still a young microbiology professor when he started observing the academic retirement ritual. Even then he didn't like what he saw: faculty members being nudged out the door, regardless of abilities, just because they had turned 65.

Later in his career as a college administrator, he came to understand the need for young blood to keep any organization energized, but he still worried about the retirement process. Where did these people go?

"It turned out that in most organizations, when you retire, you are basically through," he said. "You are 'put on the shelf' or 'put out to pasture.' It seemed to me that we were losing the most experienced and hopefully the wisest segment of our population."

Koffler, 74, was sitting in the conference room of an office suite cluttered with blueprints, scale models and marketing brochures — the tools for his new career. Koffler, president emeritus of the University of Arizona, is developing an ambitious retire-

ment community based not only on age but on brainpower.

"We're calling it 'de-retirement,'" said Lloyd Lewis, 69, president of US Retirement Communities Inc. In Philadelphia. A veteran in this field, he has been working with Koffler for two years on their ideal retirement community, one designed to attract scholars, scientists, executives and others. "With downsizing," Koffler remarked, "people these days often retire as early as 55. Who can play golf for 30 years?"

This mix is set apart by Koffler's branding of the Arizona Senior Academy. Nestling within the village will be a complex of seminar and computer rooms,

studios, an auditorium/performance hall, practice studios, private office space with secretarial support and faculty lounge. An affiliation with the University of Arizona is expected to provide access to laboratories and libraries.

And the program will include a strong focus on volunteer work. It's a new approach. The average age today in so-called CCRCs is about 80, but Koffler expects to attract a younger crowd. "We won't have an old-age home," he said, "because we will facilitate people doing creative activity."

The project has taken Koffler's full attention since 1991 when he stepped down after nine years as president of the University of Arizona.

Although it started as an intellectual venture, he said, he soon realized it would be silly to pursue without adding a health support system. "When I became aware of continuing care," he said, "and got involved with Lloyd," Lewis had developed seven communities including three in the Arizona, N.Y., Oberlin, Ohio; and Hanover, N.H.).

SOCIAL SECURITY Q&A

Knight-Ridder News Service

Q. My mother, who was in my care, just passed away. Am I entitled to the Social Security lump sum death payment?

A. No. You are not entitled to the one-time death payment. This benefit is for people who are age 65 or older, or blind, or have a disability and who don't own much or have a lot of income. If you qualify for SSI, you may also get Medicaid which can help supplement your Medicare coverage.

Q. If I hire a teenager in my

I can pay bills. But I've exhausted my savings account and I can't make ends meet. What can I do? I'm covered by Social Security at 1-800-772-1213. You may be eligible for Supplemental Security Income benefits as well as your Social Security benefit. SSI pays benefits to people who are age 65 or older, or blind, or have a disability and who don't own much or have a lot of income. If you qualify for SSI, you may also get Medicaid which can help supplement your Medicare coverage.

Q. If I hire a teenager in my

neighborhood to watch my 6-year-old this summer while I work, do I need to report this to Social Security?

A. No. Earnings for household workers (such as baby sitters) under age 18 are exempt from the Social Security tax unless household employment is the worker's primary occupation.

This column was prepared by the Social Security Administration. For fast answers to specific Social Security questions, contact Social Security toll-free at 800-772-1213.

Son's department store tantrum leads mother to ask for advice

DEAR ABBY: My 3-year-old son recently threw a tantrum in a large department store. I had a "time-out" and he started yelling and screaming. I picked him up and started for the car. All the while, he cried and struggled to get away from me. At one point, I put him down to get a better hold on him. He threw himself on the floor and lay flat. It's not easy to pick up a heavy child who won't cooperate, but I managed, then took him to the car to finish his time-out.

After the episode was over, it struck me that not one person questioned whether this child, who was trying so desperately to get away from me, was mine! How did they know whether he was throwing a tantrum or if perhaps, I was kidnapping him?

Although I'm grateful no one tried to interfere, I'm also alarmed that they didn't.

Did I do the right thing when my son threw that tantrum, "Abby"? Or was there a better way to handle this? I'm a young mother, and if there's a better way, I'd like to know.



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

alarming that the public accepts without question a child being forcibly carried from a public place. Although it is unlikely a kidnapper would want to draw attention by forcing a screaming child out the door of a department store, if customers observe a suspicious situation, store clerks or management should be notified immediately. Most stores have policies to deal with such incidents. Should police intervention be necessary, management would be able to initiate security procedures and could reach emergency services faster than customers.

The National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse shared the following tips for parents, which you and others might find useful. Read on.

HOW TO HAVE A HAPPY SHOPPING EXPERIENCE WITH CHILDREN

1. Establish "rules for shopping"

1. Establish "rules for shopping" before leaving home. If you have a "no candy" rule, be clear and consistent about it. Review the rules periodically so they are familiar to even small children.
2. Take along a favorite toy or book, or a surprise treat to eat during the shopping trip.
3. Make up "store" games that engage the child. A suggestion: As you select fruits and vegetables or canned foods at the market, ask the child, "What could we make from oranges?" "What could we make from apples?"
4. Let the children know ahead of time that good behavior while shopping will earn them a treat later in the day.
5. Try not to let a shopping trip interfere with the children's naps or mealtimes.
6. Plan your outing when children are well rested and not hungry.
7. Reinforce good behavior. Let your child know you appreciate his or her willingness to cooperate.
8. If the child misbehaves, remove him or her to a more private place to discuss the behavior. Avoiding a public scene will make you (and the child) feel better.

Babies who sleep on backs roll over later

Knight-Ridder News Service

What do you do when you're a pediatrician whose wife is concerned that your baby isn't rolling over yet? You reassure her that the baby's normal, then do a study to prove it.

And discover that the national "Back to Sleep" campaign, encouraging parents to put babies to sleep on their backs or sides, corresponds to a delay in the average age that a baby rolls over.

Newton, Kan., pediatricians Jonathan Jantz and Lynn Fruechtling, along with Christopher Blosser, a premed student at Bethel College in Newton, recently pub-

lished their study results in the Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine.

The doctors started recommending the back or side sleep position for their patients after an American Academy of Pediatrics task force studied the relationship between sudden infant death syndrome and babies sleeping on their stomachs.

But more of their patients' parents were expressing concern that their babies weren't learning to turn over by 4 months of age, the traditional time for that accomplishment.

"My daughter was one of them," Jantz says. "I tried to do the pediatrician thing, reassuring my wife as I had been reassur-

ing my patients." Prove it, she said.

He did a literature search that turned up little.

He and Fruechtling looked through their charts, saw a trend, wrote a paper, had it rejected for too little data and were approached by Blosser, who wanted to work on a study. "So we put him to work on data collection," Jantz says.

"The next thing you know, it's published in a national journal. The significance of all this? "Maybe people need to rethink what we're thinking about development," Jantz says, pointing out that developmental milestones tend to be "like milestones written in stone."

Still not good enough for the paper: New York Times puts comics online

NEW YORK (AP) — Visitors to The New York Times Web site were confronted with a dilemma: The Times reader never faces: "Doonesbury" or "Dilbert"?

The newspaper — which steadfastly refuses to run comics in its print edition — has put its cyber-space outpost this week.

Garry Trudeau's "Doonesbury" and Scott Adams' "Dilbert" were joined by political cartoons and a daily "Cybertoon" about the computer world.

"This is our sandbox," said

Martin Nisenholtz, president of The New York Times Electronic Media Co. "We can stretch and do some things over here that they might not do in the paper."

The only comic strip ever to run in the Times, "The Roosevelt Report," lasted for six months in 1906.

Nisenholtz said the introduction of cyber-cartoons is "absolutely not" the first step in bringing comics to the Times itself.

"This has nothing to do with the newspaper," he said.

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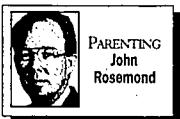
Boomers ignore rules of parenthood

During the first two years of a child's life, the responsible parent pays a lot of attention to and does a lot for the child. In effect, the parent serves the child, who is almost constantly at the center of the parent's attention.

Sometime around the child's second birthday, however, a parent's job description changes from servant to socializer. This requires that the parent initiate the most important of all transitions in the parent-child relationship, turning it right-side up.

By the time the child is 3 — assuming the parent stays the course through the child's protests and often desperate attempts to keep things the way they were (collectively termed the "terribles") — the parent has taken his or her proper position at the center of the child's attention. This "swap" in terms of who pays attention to whom is key to the success of all discipline — the process by which parents turn their children into disciples, little people who will follow their parents.

All the evidence points to these conclusions: Most parents of baby boomers (children born between 1944 and



PARENTING
John Rosemond

1964) succeeded at making this swap.

Most baby boomers, as parents, have failed to make this swap. Their bent has been to put their children at the center of their attention and keep them there, to serve them perpetually, to treat them as if they were not supposed to ever stand on their own two feet.

As a consequence, the last generation of well-behaved children in these United States is rearing the first generation of ill-behaved children in these United States. I refer to these children as "psychological toddlers" because no matter how big they get, they remain petulant, demanding, ill-centered, rude, ungrateful, and disobedient.

Further compounding the problem is the fact that baby boomer parents are wont to

embrace the notion that their children's ill behavior is due to various forces outside the parameters of parental control: school pressures, biological mechanisms, and so on. Unfortunately, parents who submit to this temptation will never, ever gain control of their relationships with their children.

The question becomes, do they even want to? I've noticed that many parents act as if they'd rather be victims of their children's problems than take responsibility for them. I encounter them regularly, long-suffering parents who have resigned themselves to the problem children life has dealt them and spare no effort to tell all who will listen how much effort is required in order to survive 18-plus years of bearing the crosses that are those children.

What I suggest to these parents that they can set these crosses down any time they choose, they often look at me as if I'm speaking a different language.

I'm speaking the language of informing children, all children, of Three Eternal Rules:

1. Whether you realize it or

not, whether you accept it or not, you are completely responsible for the choices you make.

2. You make bad choices, bad things will happen — maybe not right away, but sooner or later.

3. If you make good choices, it is considerably less likely that bad things will happen.

These have been The Rules since Adam and Eve, and they are still the rules, and only those individuals who understand them have a shot at successfully pursuing happiness.

Unfortunately, because the parent with a disciplined view of his/her children is a rarity these days, because toddlerhood has become everlasting, because today's parents would rather the buck stop elsewhere, I fear that today's kids have less of a shot at happiness than has ever before been the case. What a tragic price to pay for self-esteem.

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Libraries debate how to handle Net porn

Los Angeles Times

Listen to the latest creative use for your tax dollars: providing free access to pornography for teens and the homeless.

At public libraries across the nation, Internet computer terminals intended for research are now being hogged by patrons searching for another kind of education. In the Los Angeles Central Library, for instance, the machines are regularly steered to online photos of naked women, digitized videos of sex acts and ribald chatroom discussions.

A few patrons even use stolen or credit card numbers to visit pay-per-peep porn sites, according to a browser familiar with the scam.

Such practices have touched off a raging debate. "I can understand that some people might be upset," says Los Angeles City Librarian Susan Kent. "But to make the Internet

unavailable because some might abuse it shuts off an entire universe of information for everyone else. It's throwing out the baby with the bathwater," Kent has decided against restrictions, as has county library systems in Orange and Los Angeles counties.

But other librarians support controls. "We said, 'Wait a minute,'" says Orlando, Fla., library spokeswoman Marilyn Hoffman. "We're all for intellectual freedom and freedom of information, (but) we don't consider hard-core pornography as intellectual."

In Orlando, Boston and elsewhere, filter software is used to block access to Internet porn sites, which number in the hundreds or perhaps thousands. However, the filters also pose problems. For starters, they invariably block innocent World Wide Web sites.

They also might cause legal headaches. The American Civil

Liberties Union is readying a lawsuit against Orlando's filtering policy.

And recently, the Supreme Court struck down the Communications Decency Act, which outlawed the display of indecent material at Internet sites that could be accessed by children.

Suddenly, library life has gotten complicated. In pre-computer days, patrons would go to the card catalog, look up "Bambi" and find a storybook about a baby deer.

Now they can go to the library's Internet terminal, type in "Bambi" and get more than 9,000 references — from "Tammy's Home Page" where "Thumper and Flower come out to play" to "Bambi — one of our hot Cyber Sex Toy Play Sites."

Librarians who were once accustomed to reviewing books before putting them on the shelves now find the information

superhighway is delivering goods they never would have ordered.

Coping with that change has become "the issue of the moment" for libraries throughout the country, says a representative of the Chicago-based American Library Association.

Some librarians insist the porn problem has been blown out of proportion.

"There's more of it in the press than there is in actual libraries," says Caroline Oyama, a spokeswoman for the New York Public Library. Kent agrees, saying the focus on peep-show patrons diverts attention from the myriad educational wonders of the Internet.

"Pornography is a very small dimension," she says. "The Internet has some drawbacks, but there are so many positive aspects. The mentions online magazines, cyber museums and job listings as a few of the resources not otherwise available to library visitors."

Kids branded as rebels — without a cause

Los Angeles Times

They said it in ancient Greece. They said it in Shakespearean England. They even said it in the United States in the 1950s, usually considered a model era for well-behaved — though some might argue over-controlled — teen-agers.

They said it so often in the '60s, there's no need to repeat it here.

Now, every six months or so, a poll, a study or an article in a newsmagazine tells us, in case we've forgotten, that teen-agers are out of control, wild, rude or even scary, callous and immoral.

Last month, People magazine ran a cover story profiling "Kids Without a Conscience." It included the New Jersey teen who gave birth at her prom and discarded the baby in a trash can, the California youth accused of killing a girl in a Nevada casino bathroom while her father gambled and a pair of teens apparently killing for fun in New York's Central Park.

Also in June, most of the several thousand adults polled by the opinion research firm Public

Tips/fact box
In some areas, in direct contradiction to prevailing public perceptions, teen-agers are becoming increasingly responsible. In some cases more than their elders. Consider:

□ According to the Alan Guttmacher Institute in New York, teen pregnancy rates have dropped in the 1990s; a higher proportion of teen-agers are now using birth control than in 1988; and the level of sexual activity is leveling off, particularly among younger teens.

□ The Century Council, a Los Angeles research organization funded by members of the alcohol industry, has found that under-21-year-olds have made important improvements in driving after drinking and riding with others who have been drinking. Roadside breath tests in 1996 showed that younger drivers had much-reduced blood alcohol levels compared to 1986 and 1973 — progress that has not been mirrored by adults.

□ According to researchers at the Minneapolis-based Search Institute, an organization that seeks to overturn negative attitudes about youths, more young people than adults volunteer to serve their communities.

Agenda said they did not believe today's children would grow up to make the world a better place. They called teen-agers rude and younger children bratty.

In that survey, as pollsters say often happens in such polls, adults excluded their own children and families from negative judgments.

The teen-agers surveyed also said their own parents did a

good job of raising them — it was the other kids' irresponsible parents who were the problem. In real life, teen-agers tend to be so segregated from adult life that most people — unless they are one, have one or teach one — are unlikely to really know what teen-agers today are like.

In a blame-oriented society, the discrepancy between the myth and the reality is most often blamed on a sensation-seeking media.

Other theories point to the distortion of simple coverage in a growing population, making such crimes appear more widespread than they are.

In still another view, people see what they look for. Some cynics suggest that assistance programs publicize the most negative findings about youths so that they will continue to be funded.

According to family historian Stephanie Coontz, some crimes have plagued us forever. Infanticide, for instance, is less common now than it was in the 19th century.

And if thrill crimes are on the rise, perhaps adults should re-evaluate the messages they are sending about how to view people who are different from themselves. Perhaps they could start with teens.

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FAMILY LIFE

Idahoans celebrate trail sesquicentennial

It's not just a Utah anniversary: Many Gem staters have ties to Mormon Trail pioneers

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— John Taylor, president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in a letter to northern Utah pioneer leader William B. Preston, Dec. 26, 1882.

BOISE (AP) — The sesquicentennial of Mormon pioneers arriving in the Salt Lake Valley clearly is a big event for Utah.

But it's almost as big in Idaho, where observances are planned throughout the state in the coming week and where one resident in four has a personal connection to July 24, 1847.

"It's really our celebration, too. We were part of it," said Delbert V. Groberg, whose grandmother moved north from Utah to Idaho Falls in 1885.

She was part of the settlement of southeastern Idaho by members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the decades after the first pioneers arrived in the Great Basin.

"Idaho was kind of a safety valve for Utah," said Jay Burrup, an archivist at the LDS Church Historical Department in Salt Lake City who grew up in the southeastern Idaho town of Downey.

"By the time the second generation was growing up in Utah, most of the land had been claimed and was being farmed and irrigated," Burrup said. "Because the Mormons had such large families, the children needed land too. A lot of them went north into Idaho."

Starting in 1855 along the Salmon River and with the first permanent settlement in 1860 at Franklin, just above the Utah line, the Mormons heeded their leaders' calls to spread the "Stakes of Zion."

Groberg, born in 1906, grew up with Idaho and the church. The former president of the Idaho



Wagons participating in the re-enactment of the Mormon trek west head into Utah on Monday from the 'Needles,' a rock formation near the Wyoming border. Some people say Brigham Young was attracted to Utah by the rock formations and that they inspired the design of the Salt Lake Temple.

Falls Temple remembers becoming bishop in the early 1930s of a local congregation — a ward — covering an area now served by four stakes with several wards each.

More than 335,000 Idaho residents are Mormons, about a quarter of the state's population. "That's more than there was in

the whole church not too many years ago," Groberg said.

Many Idaho residents — Mormon and non-Mormon — have ancestral or even continuing family ties to Utah. And the church hierarchy is filled with the state's natives, including three of 14 former presidents, two of the current 12 apostles

and a number of other general authorities.

One of Groberg's sons, John H. Groberg, is the church's Asia Area president.

Such connections make Pioneer Day a personal celebration for many Idaho Mormons every July 24. But past southern and eastern Idaho observances that

were bigger than those for the Fourth of July troubled some non-Mormons.

So in Idaho Falls, Pioneer Day has been toned down.

"It was because of community pressure saying we favored our church membership rather than our country. It was an item of contention, so we elected to drop

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— Willis Yost, church media specialist

the big celebration," said Willis Yost, a church media specialist in Idaho Falls.

"I personally feel bad about it because we probably had the biggest parade in the state. We just went all out."

It remains the biggest party of the year in many predominantly Mormon communities like Rexburg and St. Anthony. And this year the church has added "Worldwide Pioneer Heritage Service Day" on Saturday.

Wards and stakes will conduct service projects ranging from blood drives and landscaping work for a Methodist church in Nampa to staining the fences around Tautphaus Park and Sandy Downs in Idaho Falls.

And on Pioneer Day itself, a number of Idaho residents will be in Utah to share in festivities that figure to draw tens of thousands from around the world.

Among them will be Melvin D. Griffith of Rexburg, whose American riding group will join in the final leg of the Mormon Trail Wagon Train through Emigration Canyon on Tuesday to This is The Place State Park.

The 40 to 50 Idaho riders with all-black horses, red tack and matching costumes also will participate in the Days of '47 parade and rodeo in Salt Lake City on Wednesday and Thursday.

"Basically what we're celebrating is our pioneer heritage, those who sacrificed so much to make this a better world," Yost said.

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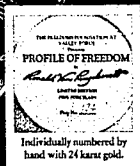
Feel Safe?

A triple-trailer is as long as a 10-story building and can weigh 65 tons, yet shippers say they want trucks even bigger and heavier. This fall, the law that regulates large trucks—their size, weight and where they can go—comes up for renewal.

A Report By Bernard Gavzer

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This fall, Congress votes on a transportation law affecting truck size, weight and routes. For some, it could be a matter of life and death.

Should The Big Trucks

BY BERNARD GAVZER

IF YOU DRIVE ON AMERICA'S highways, the outcome of a critical debate in Congress may very well touch your life. The issue: whether to reauthorize the existing highway and surface transportation bill, which expires Sept. 30, or write a new one.

In the current debate, "there will be a lot of competing interests, such as the trucking industry seeking increases in the size, weight and routes of heavy trucks [including those of double and triple trailers, restricted by the previous bill, in 1991]

and more exemptions from safety standards," says Gerald A. Donaldson, senior research director of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety. "The question is whether the American people are going to be able to get to the driver's seat to demand safety as the main objective for this legislation."

HOW DANGEROUS ARE THE BIG RIGS? 18-wheel single trailers (53 to 60 feet long), double and triple trailers—the latter, at up to 120 feet, as long as a 10-story building. The Department of Transportation reports that accidents involving heavy trucks killed 4903 and injured 116,000 in 1995. "That's an average of 13 Americans every day in truck crashes, with 12 of the 13 being occupants of passenger cars," says Joan Claybrook, president of Public Citizen, a public-interest group, and chairwoman of Citizens for Reliable and Safe Highways (CRASH), a grassroots safety organization. "That death toll is equivalent to having more than 30 fully loaded 737 jeliners crashing. If it were the airline industry, it would be grounded." Thomas Donohue, president and CEO

of the American Trucking Associations (ATA), "sees it differently. "In 1995," he says, "41,798 people died on our nation's highways. Most of those fatalities—88%—did not involve trucks. And the fatality rate per 100 million vehicle miles decreased from 2.6 in 1994 to 2.3 in 1995, for the lowest on record."

Observers point out, however, that trucks account for a disproportionate share of highway accidents. In 1995, while large trucks made up 3% of all registered vehicles, they accounted for

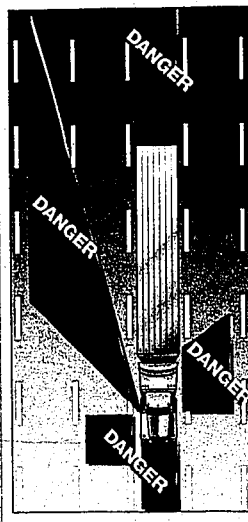
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I spoke with motorists around the nation who expressed their concerns. Said Elynn Bold of Overland Park, Kan.: "I drive a 4x4 Land Rover, which is a pretty solid vehicle. Yet I have to admit that those big trucks on I-435 and I-35

can intimidate me. You can feel your car vibrate alongside them. You have to go 75 mph if you want to pass them," said Peggy Valva of Cupertino, Calif.: "I get the jitters when I get on the Nimitz Freeway and these big trucks just keep coming and coming and coming. So I have total respect for them and pretend I'm a skilled race-car driver and stay out of their way," said Tony DeLauro of New York: "They drive right up on top of you. They go too fast. They're dangerous. I try to avoid them."

"GET IT THERE YESTERDAY" Some critics blame the industry pressures that make truckers drive long hours while fatigued in order to meet delivery deadlines. "The individ-



Motorists, Beware!

If you think that truck drivers, seated 8 to 10 feet above the road, can see everything, you're wrong. There are large blind spots—in front and back of a truck and on both sides—where the truck driver cannot see cars. These DANGER AREAS (the Federal Highway Association calls them the "No-Zone") are where crashes are most likely to occur. (See diagram.)

The Federal Highway Association offers these tips for safe driving around trucks: **Passing:** Maintain a constant speed. Before pulling in front and resuming normal speed, be sure you can see the truck in your rearview mirror.

DON'T LINGER IN SIDE BLIND SPOTS: You can't be seen by the truck driver. If he needs to change lanes quickly, you're in trouble.

DON'T TAILGATE: Some motorists risk driving close behind a truck to take advantage of the tail deep—the driver can't see your car, and you can't see much either. If the truck has to slow down suddenly, a rear-end collision could result.

WIDE TURNS: To make a right turn, big trucks must swing wide to the left. Do not cut between a truck and the curb or the shoulder on the right.

BACKING UP: Never try to pass close behind a truck that is backing up.

Source: Federal Highway Association

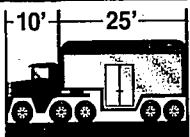
ual truck driver is a victim in all this," says Michael Scippa, executive director of CRASH. "He is being pushed to meet impossible schedules that force him, at the risk of losing his job, to exceed speed limits, or violate the hours-of-service rule by working too long, or give up sleep and drive tired."

"Shippers want it absolutely, positively overnight," says Lana Batts, president of the Truckload Carriers Association. In some cases, notes the ATA's Donohue, this overrides safety and

health concerns. "There's a group of shippers whose treatment of truck drivers is immoral, unacceptable and borders on the illegal," he says.

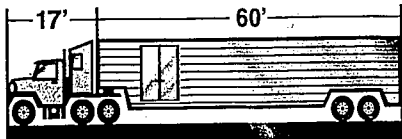
That "absolutely, positively overnight" pressure apparently figured in a spectacular police chase in Pennsylvania. Robert Earl Carney had picked up a load of onions in El Centro, Calif., on May 17 with orders to get it to Goshen, N.Y., on May 21, the Lehigh County District Attorney's office said. In Pennsylvania, the D.A.'s office alleges,

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Carney hit four vehicles during a police chase that lasted nearly two hours over 97 miles. Fortunately, there were no injuries.

When I described this to some truckers at the Clinton Diner in Maspeth, N.Y., none seemed surprised. A few thought Carney's timetable was dumb, but doable. "I can go from California to New York in four days by driving for 10 hours and then taking eight hours for sleep, then 10 hours driving again," said Jeronne Matry Jr., 27, from Winston-



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—JOAN CLAYBROOK, CHAIRWOMAN, CITIZENS FOR RELIABLE AND SAFE HIGHWAYS



"In 1995, 41,788 people died on our nation's highways. Most of those fatalities—88%—did not involve trucks. The fatality rate for trucks was the lowest on record."

—THOMAS DONOHUE, PRESIDENT AND CEO, AMERICAN TRUCKING ASSOCIATIONS

Salem, N.C. "I can just about do 1000 miles a day," Matry says he gets 25 cents a mile plus \$15 a stop. He averages 2500 miles and 40 stops a week.

Ralph Nader, founder of Public Citizen, said he has talked with "drivers who say they can doze at the wheel on long straightaways and practically drive from coast to coast with only short fuel stops." I could not find any drivers who said they had ever done that, but some admitted that they had unintentionally dozed, then awakened when their truck touched the shoulder of the road.

Do some truckers take drugs to stay awake or get to sleep? In a 1993 Federal

more than 99% had no alcohol in their blood or levels well below the amount at which they could be cited for driving while intoxicated.) A new study on drug and alcohol use has been conducted, but the FHWA has not released its findings.

The U.S. Department of Labor places truck drivers on top of its list of occupations with large numbers of worker fatalities. It also is one of the few jobs not covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act. "We need more reasonable hours of service regulations that will guarantee adequate time for rest," says Gary Williams, a veteran driver from Colton, Calif. "Trucking companies have made our jobs into rolling sweatshops. It's about time we got the security of being paid by the hour." (Most drivers—paid by the mile, stops or loads—make \$33,000 to \$35,000 a year. Owner-operators do better.)

WHY BIGGER TRUCKS? Like to talk about increased "productivity" when they argue for bigger trucks, heavier loads or long combination vehicles. Federal law limits trucks to a gross vehicle weight of 80,000 pounds. With a cargo of potatoes or pig iron, for instance, the truck could reach the weight limit with plenty of space remaining. In the industry's eyes, that is nonproductive.

Eric White, head of the Alliance for Safe and Efficient Trucking, wants to raise the gross limit for 18-wheelers to 97,000 pounds. That weight increase, he says, would enable four trucks to haul what now takes about five: "Increasing the weight, as well as adding axles, would be a way to reduce congestion," he says. "There also would be less damage to the highways, because the axles would spread the weight out." (Under current conditions, the FHWA says, with no axles added, boosting the allowable weight to 97,000 pounds would cut the lifetime for bridges and overpasses from 50 years to 29 years.)

At present, carriers may exceed federal weight limits in some states and on some roads, as in South Dakota and on the New York Thruway and the Florida Turnpike.

Over the last 50 years, trucks have gotten longer as well as heavier. In 1946, a 10-foot tractor pulled a 25-foot trailer. By 1994, the tractor was 17 feet and the trailer 60 feet.

Sharon Nichols of the Western Highway Institute, which represents the interests of truckers who use double and triple trailers, says they have the best safety record. "That's because it is a

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Highway Administration study of 31,000 drivers, 4.6% tested positive for cocaine, amphetamines, PCP, marijuana or opiates. (Tests of 65,000 drivers, however, showed

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ARE MOTORISTS TO BLAME? Some trucking industry leaders have argued that risky driving by motorists is a primary cause of truck-auto collisions. One such allegation, citing statistics of accident reports, maintains that 72% of such fatal crashes were the fault of the motorist.

But the trucking industry has misread the data, says the highway safety advocate Gerald A. Donaldson: "It is outrageous that they would continue to indict passenger vehicle operators as the primary cause of fatal car-truck crashes. The reports from the scene do not reflect detailed investigation, and in most cases they reflect what the only survivor—the truck driver—has to say."

"The FHWA itself," he adds, "stressed [in two recent reports] that it was not fixing fault."

As time runs out on the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA, often called "ice tea"), highway safety issues are commanding more attention. Rep. James Oberstar (D., Minn.), the ranking minority member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, says he is determined to preserve the 1991 federal freeze on lengths, weights and routes for double and triple trailers and to cap single-trailer lengths at 53 feet.

Tensions in the debate are exacerbated by trucking's economic importance. The American Trucking Associations' Thomas Donohue, who becomes head of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in September, says "77% of American communities depend exclusively on trucks to bring them the goods they consume, take away finished products and bring in raw materials." He adds, "Trucks carry billions of tons of freight billions of miles. They are absolutely fundamental to our lives. Without trucks, America stops." ■

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Muscle: ZOCOR should be discontinued if you experience any muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness at any time during treatment with ZOCOR, particularly if you have a fever or if you are generally not feeling well, as your doctor can decide if ZOCOR should be stopped. Patients who may have had muscle pain or weakness while taking ZOCOR. Rarely, ZOCOR can include muscle breakdown resulting in kidney damage. The risk of muscle breakdown is greater in patients taking certain other drugs along with ZOCOR, such as the lipid-lowering drug lovastatin (gemfibrozil), a fibrate; lipid-lowering doses of niacin (acidic salt); the antibiotic erythromycin; antifungal drugs that areazole derivatives, such as itraconazole; or drugs that suppress the immune system (called immunosuppressive drugs), such as azathioprine ("cyclosporin"). Therapy with ZOCOR should be temporarily interrupted if you are going to take any of these drugs or if you are taking any other drugs should be carefully monitored by their physician. The risk of muscle breakdown is greater in patients with kidney problems or diabetes.

If you have conditions that can increase your risk of muscle breakdown, which in turn can cause kidney damage, your doctor should temporarily withhold or stop ZOCOR, such conditions include severe infection, low blood pressure, major surgery, trauma, severe metabolic, endocrine and electrolyte disorders, and concurrent use of systemic. Discuss this with your doctor, who can explain these conditions to you.

Because there are risks in combining therapy with ZOCOR with lipid-lowering doses of colestipol (and related) or with drugs that suppress the immune system, your doctor should carefully weigh the potential benefits and risks. He or she should also carefully monitor patients for any muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness, particularly during the initial months of therapy and in the case of either drug to be increased. Your doctor may also monitor the level of certain muscle enzymes in your body, but there is no assurance that such monitoring will prevent the occurrence of severe muscle disease.

PRECAUTIONS

Do not combine treatment with ZOCOR by a lower your cholesterol by other methods such as diet, exercise, and weight loss. Ask your doctor about how best to do this. Any other medical problems that can cause high cholesterol should also be treated.

ZOCOR is less effective in patients with the rare disorder known as homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia.

Drug Interactions: Because of possible serious drug interactions, it is important to tell your doctor what other drugs you are taking, including those obtained without a prescription.

ZOCOR® (simvastatin) can interact with lipid-lowering, anticholinergic, certain antidiabetic drugs, and drugs that suppress the immune system (called immunosuppressive drugs), such as Sandimmune® (See WARNINGS, Muscle.)

Some patients taking lipid-lowering agents similar to ZOCOR and coumestrol (an antioxidant in type of blood therapy) have experienced bleeding and/or increased blood clotting time. Patients taking these medicines should have their blood tested before starting therapy with ZOCOR and should continue to be monitored.

Estrogen (Hormone) Therapy: ZOCOR and other drugs in this class may affect the production of certain hormones. Caution should be exercised if a drug used to lower cholesterol levels is administered to patients also receiving other drugs (i.e., antidiabetic, anticoagulant, cardiovascular) that may decrease the levels of activity of hormones. If you are taking any such drugs, tell your doctor.

Central Nervous System Toxicity; Cancer, Mutations, Impairment of Fertility: Like most prescription drugs, ZOCOR was required to be tested on animals before it was marketed for human use. Can these tests be used to predict high drug concentrations that harm humans achieve at normal doses? In some tests, the animals had damage to the nerves in the brain. Serious system. In studies of mice with high doses of ZOCOR, the likelihood of cancer types of cancer was almost increased. No evidence of mutations or damage to genetic material has been seen. In one study with ZOCOR, there was decreased fertility in male rats.

Pregnancy: Pregnant women should not take ZOCOR because it may harm the fetus.

Safety in emergency (not used) had been tested. There have been no reports of birth defects in the children of patients taking ZOCOR. However, in studies with lipid-lowering agents similar to ZOCOR, there have been rare reports of birth defects of the skeleton and digestive system. Therefore, women of childbearing age should not take ZOCOR unless it is highly unlikely they will become pregnant. If a woman does become pregnant while taking ZOCOR, she should stop taking the drug and talk to her doctor at once. The active ingredient of ZOCOR did not cause birth defects in rats at 5 times the human dose or in rabbits at 4 times the human dose.

Nursing: Pregnant women should not take ZOCOR because it may harm the fetus. Because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants, a woman taking ZOCOR should not breast-feed. (See WHICH ZOCOR SHOULD NOT BE USED.)

Pediatric Use: ZOCOR is not recommended for children or patients under 20 years of age.

SIDE EFFECTS

Most patients tolerate treatment with ZOCOR well; however, like all prescription drugs, ZOCOR can cause side effects, and some of them can be serious. Side effects that do occur are usually mild and short-lived. Only your doctor can weigh the risks versus the benefits of any prescription drug. In clinical studies with ZOCOR, less than 1% of patients reported any of the following side effects. In longer-term, larger study, patients taking ZOCOR experienced similar side effects to those patients taking placebo (sugar pills). Some of the side effects that have been reported with ZOCOR in related drugs are listed below. Tell your doctor about any side effects you experience while taking ZOCOR.

Objective Symptoms: Constipation, diarrhea, upset stomach, gas, heartburn, stomach pain/irritation, nausea, loss of appetite, nausea, inflammation of the pancreas, hepatitis, jaundice, faty changes in the liver, and, rarely, severe liver damage and blood, diabetes, and, rarely, muscle breakdown.

Nervous System: Muscle cramps, aches, pain, weakness, joint pain, muscle breakdown.

Neurological Symptoms: Dizziness, headache, insomnia, ringing, memory loss, change in voice causing weakness and loss of sensation and/or abnormal sensations, anxiety, depression, tremor, loss of balance, synaptic disturbance.

Skin: Rash, itching, hair loss, dryness, nodules, discoloration.

Eyes: Blurred vision, altered taste sensation, progression of cataracts, eye muscle weakness.

Hypersensitivity (Allergic) Reactions: On rare occasions, a wide variety of symptoms have been reported to occur either alone or together in groups (referred to as a syndrome) that appeared to be based on allergic-type reactions, which may only be fatal. There has been evidence one or more of the following: a severe generalized reaction that may include shock or bronchospasm, wheezing, conjunctivitis, and low blood pressure and even shock; an allergic reaction with swelling of the face, lips, tongue and/or throat with difficulty swallowing or breathing; symptoms resembling those of a disorder in which a person's immune system may attack parts of his or her own body; severe muscle and blood vessel inflammation; bruising without disruption of blood cells (that could result in anemia, infection, or blood clotting problems) or abnormal blood tests; infarct or stroke; joint pain; fever; rash and weakness; sensitivity to sunlight; eye, skin, flushing, difficulty breathing; and severe skin disorders that vary from such as a serious burn-like shedding of skin all over the body, including mucous membranes such as the lining of the mouth.

Other: Loss of sexual desire, breast enlargement, impotence.

Laboratory Tests: Liver function test abnormalities including elevated alkaline phosphatase and bilirubin; thyroid function abnormalities.

NOTE: This summary provides important information about ZOCOR. If you would like more information, ask your doctor or pharmacist to let you read the professional labeling and see discuss it with them.



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Bill and Hillary: Will he back her over AlP

Can Clintons Keep The White House in the Family?

The Democratic Presidential race in the year 2000 may end up a free-for-all.

Al Gore obviously is the one to beat right now, but the Vice President has been sullied by those fund-raising phone calls he acknowledged making from his office and by a lackluster visit to China. Rep. Dick Gephardt (D., Mo.) is so confident about his own chances that he bucked the White House on the balanced budget agreement and on U.S.-China policy. And Sen. John Kerry (D., Mass.) has been putting a series of family-friendly bills in the hopper and quickly raising funds around the country.

Everyone is waiting to see what happens with the lawsuits and investigations involving the Clintons. If the President's popularity rating remains high, the Democrats may nominate whomever he gives his nod to. Could it be Hillary instead of Al? Washington insiders tell us her name keeps coming up, though nobody will admit it publicly at the moment. Go figure.

Historic Day for Women

On this date in 1848, the Seneca Falls Convention in upstate New York launched the women's suffrage movement in the U.S. You can read about it today at the Library of Congress' Web site (www.loc.gov), by clicking on "Today in History," or by finding "1848" among the library's archives. Women finally won the right to vote in 1920.

The Library of Congress has offered a new "Today in History" at its Web site each day since April 1.

Kirby's Winning Clout

The Major League Baseball Players Association and the owners actually got together and agreed about something. And Kirby Puckett's clout had a lot to do with it. Puckett, 36, is the Minnesota

Twins' star outfielder who was forced to retire last year after he lost the sight in his right eye. The cause: undiagnosed glaucoma. Surgery failed to repair the blocked vessel restricting blood flow to his retina.

To spare others, Puckett sent a letter urging all the players to get tested for glaucoma. Sponsored by

The Glaucoma Foundation, and supported by the players' union and the owners, free screenings for players will continue until Aug. 26 at Shea Stadium and Yankee Stadium in New York. (The umpires, unfortunately, were not included.)

Early detection and treatment for glaucoma almost always prevents blindness. For information and referrals, call 1-800-452-8266.



Kirby Puckett: He learned too late.

Behind-the-Scenes Look At Detroit Proving Grounds

Detroit's proving grounds are so secret that even most auto employees have never seen them. But visitors to Disney World's Epcot Center in Orlando soon will discover what goes on behind the scenes when General Motors tests its cars.

GM's "Test Track," set to open next month on a limited schedule, shows how times have changed. A 1927 Chevy only went through six tests. Today's cars face dozens of elaborate tests, since the heart of every car is a computer. Airbags, seatbelts and other accessories also are tested repeatedly.

Of course, being Disney World, there's a ride. In this case, it's a six-passenger vehicle that goes 65 mph into a 50-degree banked turn, then descends in a series of hairpin turns and special rain and wash-board surfaces to simulate bumps, and potholes.

There's also a simulated crash at 25 mph, with visitors replacing those crash-test dummies. At 5 1/2 minutes, it's Disney's longest ride.



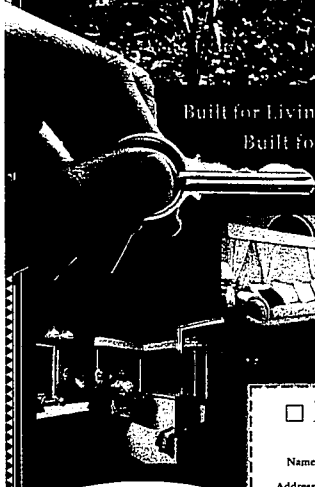
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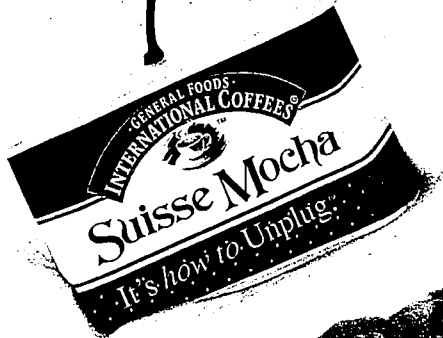
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3. Unplug yourself.

Makes two (12-ounce) servings.



Lynn Minton Reports

Fresh Voices

BOYS AND GIRLS DISH ABOUT DATING

We talked with Abigail Dodd, 17, of Houston, Tex.; Paul Dentonville, 18, of East Amherst, N.Y.; and Daniel Harms, 18, of Eugene, Ore.



Abby



Paul



Daniel

Abby: What if you go out on a date, you have a really good time, you find out from his friends that he likes you—but he doesn't ask you out again? What could be the reason?

Paul: Maybe he hears rumors about you.

Abby: Is money a factor? If a guy doesn't have money right then?

Paul: No. If I really liked her, I'd call and say that.

Daniel: There was a situation with a girl where I put off calling her for a year. Our first date was basically talking on the phone, and we had so much in common it was incredible. I asked her to go to a movie, she said that was cool, and we set up a date. But the next day at school, I didn't talk to her.

When I'd gone to bed the night before, I'd started having these doubts. I was afraid I was rushing into a situation, and I didn't know how far it was going to go, and I got kind of scared. That's why I bailed out. Lynn Minton: The next day you didn't speak at all?

Daniel: We passed each other in the hall, and she tried to say "hello," and I did the guy head nod—a kind of "I acknowledge that you exist" look. But a year later we got together, and it's working really good.

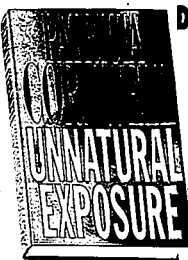
Paul: How do you know whether or not to kiss a girl?

Abby: Signals. Like during a movie—maybe it's scary, and she'll grab your forearm. Or if you're telling a joke or something, she'll put her hand on your upper arm. Or a girl will playfully shove you. That's like, "Okay, I like you."

You'll know if a girl doesn't want to kiss you. In the car, she'll be as close to the door as she can be, and if you're approaching the block and she's got her hand on the seat-belt and she's opening the door as she says, "Thank you"—you're in trouble!

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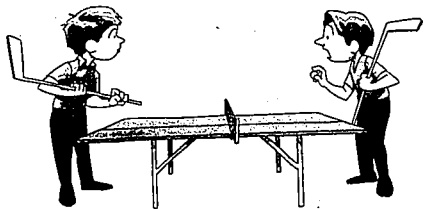


"They call it a delivery room, but it's really a take-out place."

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"I think you'd better show me where you found that."



"This will be a lot more fun when we find the paddles."

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Ask Marilyn



I am a mature woman with children and grandchildren, and my husband is now deceased. I hope you won't think it strange that, at this point in life, I'd like to learn more about myself. It is a main goal. Do you have any suggestions how I can come to know myself better?

—Anonymous, Washington, D.C.

I don't think it's strange. I think it's wonderful. And I do have a suggestion, one from which I've derived great benefit myself. Take up traveling—alone. And the more foreign the place, the better. If you don't know the language, that's the best of all. When you remove yourself from everything familiar—including friends and family—you learn what you are really like. What's more, you might learn that you're capable of growth and expansion. Whether you walk through the hills of Ireland or poke through flea markets in Barcelona, you'll return a larger person.

The following is a sample of a long list of five-letter words with a common trait. There also are six-letter (and longer) words that share it. Can you tell what the trait is? alone ozone price space braid phone scare spear chair stone scold spill crawl place score spray crate plaid shall state grant plate snail start

—R.V., Lovittown, N.Y.

The answer appears at the end of the column.

If most pain comes from water that evaporates from the oceans, why doesn't it rain saltwater?

—Darrell Sturm Sr., Morgantown, Ky. Because, although the various salts in the oceans are physically dissolved in the water, they are not chemically bonded to it. So, when the water evaporates upward, it leaves the salt down below. And you'll be happy to hear that the same applies to plenty of other undesirable impurities as well. Otherwise, every cloud-burst would shower you with tiny bits of sea spiders and slime and a whole host of other stuff you

don't even want to think about, much less get soaked with every time you forget your umbrella.

I have a question about our jury systems: Say a person is charged with breaking a tax law. The evidence presented is overwhelmingly for conviction. I'm on the jury, and I think this law is unfair, and I disagree with it. Do I have a right to vote "not guilty"?

—J.D. Langford, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Although your obligation as a juror is to follow the law as given, when it comes to voting, people may vote their conscience. This is one of the ways in which we, the people, keep our legislators from having too much power.

When you remove yourself from everything familiar, you learn what you are really like.

If you fly directly south from the Philadelphia airport, which is about 40° north latitude, across the equator and down to a spot about 40° south latitude, where would you be?

—William Getz, Huntingdon Valley, Pa.

Everybody to your globes—you are not going to believe this one. You'd be over the Pacific Ocean!

In your opinion, who is worse off: the person with too much pride or one without enough?

—G.P., Richland, Wash.

I think the person without enough pride is in far worse shape. If we have too much pride, others will quickly cut us down to size. But if we don't have enough, no one can build us up except ourselves.

ANSWER: The first letter of the word "remove" is the letter "r". From "remove" remove the first letter and you are left with "emove". For the remaining letters, remove the remaining letters and you are left with "e". And if the first letter of "e" is removed, another word is left: "N".

SO WHAT'S THE QUESTION?

The answer was "The Space Age."

Here are some of your questions:

"What began with the dawning of closet organizers?"

—John Schuster, Spokane, Wash.

At what stage of life is a class of smiling first-graders?

—Bernice Minton, Summit, N.J.

What is the least-important factor in determining rental rates for office space?

—Mike Struzik, Saugus, Mass.

Ready for another one? The answer is: "The Law of Averages."

If you have a question for Marilyn vos Savant, who is listed in the "Guinness Book of World Records" Hall of Fame for "Highest IQ," send it to Ask Marilyn, PARADE, 737 Third Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10017. Because of volume of mail, personal replies are not possible. Readers can now send e-mail to Marilyn vos Savant. Write her at marylvos@parade.com with your questions and comments.

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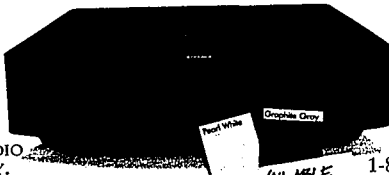
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It used to be, if a newborn was hearing-impaired, a parent might not know until the child was 2 or 3. But that has changed:

JUST 36 HOURS INTO HIS LIFE, Sean—an 8-pound, 6-ounce newborn—was being tested for his hearing, though he didn't wake up to realize it. I watched as Michele Miller, an audiologist, rolled Sean's bassinet up to an ordinary-looking personal computer with some odd wires attached. She grasped a small plastic probe at the end of one of the wires and placed it gently in Sean's right ear, then entered a few keystrokes on the computer. A complex, multi-colored graphics display appeared on the screen.

I had gone to the Carolina Ear Research Institute in Raleigh, N.C., to see a procedure that can give many hearing-impaired children a head start on coping with the challenges they will encounter. Each year 4000 children in this nation are born profoundly deaf, while 24,000 other newborns have some degree of hearing loss. The procedure Miller was performing, called an otoacoustic emissions (OAE) test, is designed to let pediatricians and families know within hours of birth whether an infant has a hearing problem and to give them the chance to help the child go through life with little or no disability.

It is not unusual for children to reach the age of 2 or 3 before their parents or doctors realize that a hearing problem exists. The consequences can be drastic. "Speech and language are delayed," Miller told me. "They don't say any real words until very late, and they don't have the input into their environment that hearing can give. The first two years of life are the most important for intellectual and emotional development." Some children with hearing loss are even misdiagnosed as mentally deficient.

Experts have known for years that congenital hearing loss can cause major problems in a child's development. As early as 1982, a joint committee set up by the American Academies of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, Pediatrics and Audiology, along with other groups, recommended that all infants at risk for hearing loss—those with low birth weight or a family history of hearing impairment—be identified and evaluated through follow-up visits. In 1988, then Surgeon General C. Everett Koop set a national priority: By the year 2000, every child with a hearing loss should be identified and treated. Recent medical advances may make that possible.

Before OAE was introduced in 1990, testing every newborn was costly and

A Simple Test To Make Sure Baby Can Hear

BY MICHAEL RYAN

Is your baby's hearing developing normally?

Even if a newborn passes an otoacoustic emissions (OAE) test, parents should not assume that the child's hearing will remain good. "There's always the possibility of infection, as well as something called **non-sensory hearing loss**," says Dr. John McElveen. He recommends that parents stay alert for the following milestones in a child's normal development:

- **Birth to 3 months:** Baby is startled or jumps at a sudden loud sound. Sits, awakens or cries when someone talks or makes a noise. Baby recognizes a parent's voice and quiets when the parent speaks. Says "coo" and makes "aah" sounds.

complex. "We have a very accurate test, called ABR [auditory brain stem response]," Miller told me. "We attach electrodes to the infant and measure the activity of the auditory nerve as it travels into the brain." But that complicated half-hour test costs at least \$90 and requires a professional audiologist or physician. There simply aren't enough professionals in the nation to perform the test on every infant.

However, OAE is inexpensive and does not require a full-time audiologist. "This test can be done for \$25, and it's extremely accurate," said Dr. John McElveen, director of the Carolina Ear Research Institute. A simple five-minute procedure, it evaluates hearing by measuring the vibration of the small hair cells in the cochlea—a part of the inner ear—when exposed to sound. The plastic probe



Birth to 3 months



6 to 12 months



18 to 24 months

- **3 to 6 months:** Baby turns eyes toward interesting sounds and appears to listen. Usually awakens when sleeping quietly if someone makes a noise or talks.

- **6 to 12 months:** Baby understands "no," "bye-bye" and his/her own name. Begins to imitate speech sounds. Enjoys rattles and similar toys for their sounds, not for their visual appearance.

- **12 to 18 months:** Baby says first words, such as "Da-Da," "Ma-Ma" and "bye-bye."

- **18 to 24 months:** Baby sings and hums spontaneously. Has a vocabulary of approximately 20 words.

Source: Carolina Ear Research Institute

that Michele Miller nestled in Sean's ear contained both a transmitter and a microphone. The first sent sound down into the baby's ear; the second picked up the vibration his hair cells made in response. "Fine," Miller said with a smile. "He's got very good hearing in this ear." She gently shifted Sean to his other side and repeated the process, smiling again as she looked at the results: Sean was born with near-perfect hearing.

If an infant fails the first test, a second is performed one week later. "After birth, there is often some fluid in the ear canal that can make an infant test poorly," Miller explained. If the infant again shows poor hearing, an auditory brain stem response test is performed to pinpoint the problem. Then the pediatrician, audiologist and parents sit down to discuss possible courses of action.

Babies found to have minor hearing loss can be fitted with hearing aids as early as 3 months of age. "Sometimes, that's all it takes to give them normal hearing," Miller said. "When the child reaches 18 months of age, surgeons can often perform a cochlear implant, a procedure that can provide lifetime correction for hearing problems.

In cases of profound hearing loss, Miller explained, parents are taught early on to spend extra time with the infant, using visual cues and examples to teach the baby about the world. Typically, infants who receive such intensive attention will develop intellectually at a normal pace. Parents also are faced with choosing among various approaches for dealing with deafness, including American Sign Language, lipreading, hearing aids and cued speech, each of which has its advocates. "We just want to give parents the information they need to make a decision in the best interests of their child," Dr. McElveen told me.

Dr. McElveen has begun a program to get otoacoustic emissions screenings into every hospital in the Carolinas. Six hospitals in North Carolina already have acquired their own OAE test apparatus, including Lenoir Memorial in Kinston, N.C. Hospitals in Colorado, California and several other states also have begun using the procedure. In 1993, a panel at the National Institutes of Health recommended that all infants be screened for hearing impairment. Today, 16 states require infant hearing screening for high-risk newborns and three others have universal screening requirements.

Advocates of OAE argue that the test should become the standard.

Although the test equipment costs only about \$10,000, many insurance companies still consider the procedure experimental and will not reimburse hospitals for it. The Carolina Ear Research Institute has set up a fund to purchase "loaner" units for hospitals unable to buy their own equipment. They can then use the income generated from their testing to purchase the unit. "OAE can help avert a lot of pain and hardship," said Dr. McElveen. ■

For more information, write to the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, Information Clearinghouse, Dept. P, 1 Communication Ave., Bethesda, Md. 20892-3456; or call 1-800-241-1044 (or 1-800-241-1055 for the hearing-impaired).

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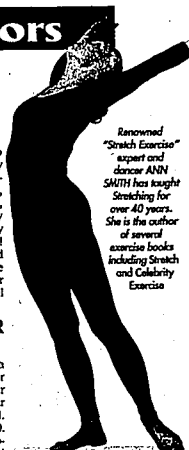
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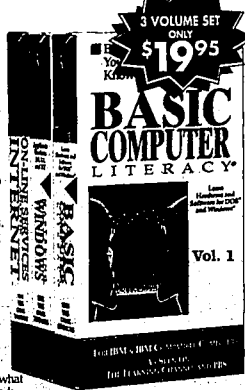
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Personal

Born Thomas Michael Moore on May 31, 1950, in Chicago. Married to second wife, Lisa, since 1988; three daughters. One daughter and one son from first marriage.

Films

Include *Looking for Mr. Goodbar*, 1977; *Butch and Sundance: The Early Days*, 1979; *The Dogs of War*, 1980; *The Big Chill*, 1983; *Eddie and the Cruisers*, 1983; *Rutler's Rhapsody*, 1985; *Platoon*, 1986; *Someone to Watch Over Me*, 1987; *Major League*, 1989; *The Field*, 1990; *Gettysburg*, 1993; *Silver*, 1993; *Chasers*, 1994; *Major League II*, 1994; *Last of the Dogmen*, 1995; *The Substitute*, 1996.

TV Movies:

Includes *Johnny, We Hardly Know Ye*, 1977; *Flash and Blood*, 1979; *It Tomorrow Comes*, 1986; *Body Language*, 1988; *The Rough Riders*, 1997.

Theater:

Includes *Death Story*, 1975; *A Streetcar Named Desire*, 1981.

IF EVER A SINGLE, rather small battle helped create forever one man's dashing, heroic reputation, it was Theodore Roosevelt's charge up San Juan Hill in the Spanish-American War. That was almost a century ago, and TV is now catching up with 'Teddy and the "Rough Riders"—his hard-riding collection of cowboys, Indians, professional hunters, and Eastern dudes like New Yorker Roosevelt himself. *The Rough Riders*, a four-hour miniseries, airs tonight and tomorrow night on Turner Network Television. A couple of weeks ago, I talked with Tom Berenger, who was back home in South Carolina, about his dual role as the executive producer and the star, playing 'Teddy. Whose idea was it?

"I pitched it about two years ago," said Berenger. "I went to John Mills [the director], and he went for it. He's a Roosevelt freak. Teddy was his hero as a kid." They shot in a dozen locations, mostly in and around San Antonio but also in Tampa and the high country near Flagstaff, Ariz. Many of the settings are historically accurate, since Teddy and his men "trained for six weeks in San Antonio in a place that's now a public golf course," noted Berenger, "and then took trains to Tampa, where they were held up for weeks waiting for transports [to Cuba]."

San Juan Hill itself was recreated near San Antonio. "The hills there are within 50 feet of their actual height [in San Juan]," said Berenger. "And the barbed wire and trenches look like the real thing."

Some recreations of the battle have ignored the presence of African-Americans. What about the TNT film? "We have black troops,



Teddy Roosevelt and his Rough Riders...
A great and authentic American yarn comes to TV tonight, starring Tom Berenger as the pre-Presidential Teddy.

what they then called "Buffalo Soldiers," said Berenger. And what about William Randolph Hearst, the press lord who played a major role in whipping up public opinion for a war with Spain in 1898? "He's in there too. Did you know he sailed to Cuba on his yacht and set up headquarters just offshore?" Berenger first drew critical notice as the cross-dressing psychopath in *Looking for Mr. Goodbar*, a role he laughingly described to me as "my auspicious debut," before moving on to major recognition in *The Big Chill* and *Platoon*. How did he get on with Oliver Stone, the director of *Platoon*, for

which he was Oscar-nominated? "He wanted us to look like they really did in Vietnam," said Berenger. "He was out there twice to training camp to look us over. He told them: 'Don't kill 'em, but make it tough.' Stone's great. He shoots fast, which is great for actors but very hard on the crew, especially in 110-degree heat."

The Rough Riders took 13 weeks to shoot, with a week of training. The same guy trained us [Gary Busey, Sam Elliott and Chris Noth are also in the big cast] that trained the cast in *Platoon*. Except, instead of radios, we used bugles to signal." **TV**

The Rough Riders isn't the first film with Berenger as a famous soldier. In *Gettysburg*, he portrayed the Confederate Gen. James Longstreet, who tried to dislodge Lee from a disastrous frontal attack on the Union's high ground. There couldn't be two more different men than Roosevelt and Longstreet, said Berenger. "Teddy was out there, while Longstreet was very cautious." Berenger lifted his production company First Corps Endeavors—a tribute to Longstreet's First Corps in the Civil War. "Longstreet had the First," said Berenger. "Stonewall Jackson had the Second Corps, and later on Lee formed a Third Corps with Ewell and A.P. Hill." That's how Tom Berenger is: He gets not only into the character but also into the time, place and spirit of the role. A Chicago native, Berenger studied journalism at the University of Missouri. Any regrets that he didn't stay in the media? "I damn, damn middle everyone goes around a little bit. But I guess not." His next comedy, I think, I've done about six comedies. Comedies goes, the script came to me from one of the guys in *Platoon*."

Discretion may be the better part of valor, as the saying goes, but when people act selflessly in an instant to save the lives of others, we call them heroes. While saluting them is very important, listening to their stories is invaluable to all.

On June 2 last year, PARADE published an article telling how—in on-the-spot, fast action—several men and women had saved the lives of others from fire, drowning, accidents or violence. On that very same day, an Ohio man, George Motza Jr., died while saving a 4-year-old from certain death in a lake spillway. A reader saw the article and nominated Motza for a Carnegie Hero Award. His parents later accepted it on his behalf. I spoke with several recipients of the Carnegie and other awards, and it was clear to me, as Eva Fogelman said in these pages last year, "One can never fully predict who will become a rescuer."

GEORGE MOTZA JR., 34, of Germantown, Ohio, was fishing on a lake in nearby Oxford when he leaped into a spillway after a boy who had fallen in while fishing with his half-brother. Fighting the current, Motza swam to the boy and carried him on his back. As a bystander pulled the boy onto the bank, Motza was swept away to his death.

PARADE's article "Who Are the Heroes Among Us?" generated hundreds of hero nominations, said Walter F. Rutkowski, the executive director of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission, which has been giving awards since 1904, but Motza's story was the most poignant. Rep. Tony P. Hall of Dayton, Ohio, presented the award to George and Wanda Motza.

I spoke with Walter Rutkowski later and learned about some of the heroes recognized for valor by his commission in the last year. The following stories show what amazing things human beings can do in times of danger:

• On Dec. 10, 1995, Jaimi Cunningham, 7, fell through the ice of a partly drained pond in New Castle, Del., as Deborah

the Heroes among us

By Michael O'Shea

er up the hole. I cannonballed through the ice and looked for him. I could not see, because the water was dark green, so I had to try to find him by feel.

"The second time I came up for air, the ice had shifted over the hole, and I banged my head and almost knocked myself out. I began to panic. The water



Steve Donovan with wife, Anne Marie, and daughters (l-r) Meghan, Katelyn and Stephanie. Steve saved three children from drowning in strong rip tides.

window playing with my son, Stephen." When I asked if he was on the Cunningham family's good list, she just cried.

• "The shots frightened me so much. I panicked and ran. But I returned and grabbed the prisoner and fought for control of the gun."

Those were the words of Janet Brown, 32, of Salem, N.J., as she remembered the night of Jan. 28, 1996, when she stood outside the emergency room during a break from her hospital janitorial job. She watched as Susie Herman, a policewoman, was overcome by a female prisoner she was escorting.

"It happened so quickly," said Brown. "The policewoman was in trouble. She had hit her head on the pavement, and the prisoner was taking out her gun. I jumped on the woman, and Officer Herrmann shouted, 'She's got my gun!' Next thing I knew, there was a struggle, and the prisoner fired, missing both of us."

Another police officer rushed to the scene and helped secure the prisoner. When I asked Brown what had made her act, she said, "I knew if I didn't go back, she would kill the officer."

• Guillermo Rangel, 36, a maintenance man at a mobile home park in McQueeny, Tex., saw smoke and flames erupting from one of the homes on Jan. 18, 1996.

He ran to the trailer to help Crystal Pape, 25, and her three small children were trapped inside.

Rangel entered the mobile home through a broken window. "I yelled for them but did not get an answer," he recalled. "I could not see them because of the smoke, so I crawled around and found the mother and children in the bedroom. They were all unconscious. I got them to a window, where neighbors pulled them and me to safety before I passed out."



Rae O'Shields, 33, was at home nearby, wrapping Christmas presents. Her 9-year-old son, Stephen, rushed to her for help.

"I ran outside with only a shirt and leggings on and bare feet and climbed several barbed-wire fences to get to the large pool," O'Shields told me later.

"All I could see was a crack in the ice where he must have gone through and then the ice had shifted back to cov-



Left: Wanda and George Motza accept a Carnegie Hero Award in honor of their late son, George Jr. (inset). Above: Vivian Johnson (l) rescued Elma Hartley (r) from a house fire.

was so cold and dark, and each time I would dive down, the ice would move and close the hole. The only thing that kept me going was the mother in me."

O'Shields finally found Jaimi. She fought her way through the ice to a ladder and, with only her arms (her legs were too cold to move), she pulled the boy and herself out of the water.

Speaking on the phone, O'Shields told me Jaimi "looks fine." She added, "I'm watching him outside my kitchen

Rangel said he felt overwhelmed by all the recognition and by the awards presented to him. He occasionally visits the Pope family.

• Steve Donovan, 33, was fishing on the beach in Ocean City, Md., at dusk on Aug. 30, 1995. From the surf, he heard cries for help. While swimming, a mother and her three children had been pulled out to sea by riptides. Donovan swam to help. "The current made it easy to get out to them," he said. "The mother told me to save her kids. It was her or them."

He struggled to bring the three children to shore, pushing one child in front of him as the other two clung to his back and arm. Donovan fought the riptide until he was sure they would go under. Suddenly, his feet touched the sandy bottom, and a bystander took hold of him and the children, aged 9, 10 and 11.

Donovan was kept overnight at a hospital to recover from exhaustion. When asked why he had risked his life, he said: "I have three little girls of my own, and I would hope that someone would do the same if my kids were in trouble." The mother, Joanne Mizani, 39, of Pottomac, Md., was recovered from the surf but never regained consciousness.

Donovan says the real hero was Mrs. Mizani, who died so her children could live. When doctors took her off life support, her organs were donated to others.

• On April 10, 1995, Vivian Johnson of Cambridge, Md., a grandmother of 10, stopped her senior citizens' bus at the house of her friend, Elma Hurley, 90. Thick, black smoke poured from a window. Johnson kicked in the door and entered the burning house. She found Mrs. Hurley and dragged her to safety. Neighbors called the fire department about the blaze while Johnson helped the elderly woman.

Three weeks after the incident, Mrs. Hurley died. I asked Johnson why she had risked her life by going into the burning house. She said, "You just don't have time to think when you do something like that." **IK**

For information on how to nominate someone for a Carnegie Hero Award, write: Carnegie Hero Fund Commission, Dept. P, 2307 Oliver Bldg., 535 Smithfield St., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222. American Red Cross chapters also recognize civilian heroism.

Dr. O'Shea, PARADE's Fitness Editor, was himself honored last year by the Life Saving Benevolent Association of New York for the 1993 rescue of four fishermen off the New Jersey coast.

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