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Relief effort: Firefighters are helping Hansen newlyweds who lost all their possessions in a fire Saturday.

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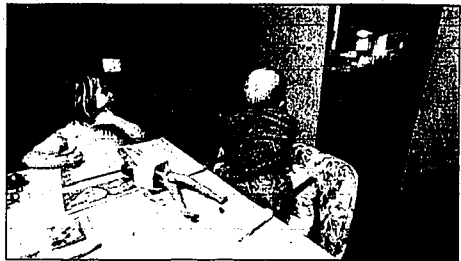
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Success and struggle



With a new job and college classes, Lorless Cox is left with just two hours to spend with her children before it is time to put them to bed. Much of that time is spent cooking dinner and cleaning the house.

Welfare recipients head into new phase of life

TWIN FALLS — Lorless Cox, Lester Peterson and Jennifer Durfee are off the welfare rolls — with different results. Six months after welfare reform, Cox is tasting the fruits of her labor, Peterson is applying for federal disability payments and Durfee is entering a new relationship and fighting over child support from an old relationship. Welfare reform, its success and struggle, still comes down to the individual. The Times-News is following Cox, Peterson and Durfee through the year until the one-year anniversary of welfare reform, to see how their lives change and how reform really works.

The job question

Lester Peterson hopes to convince the U.S. Social Security Administration he qualifies for disability payments and is incapable of holding a job — an argument he doesn't quite believe himself.

Last month, a financial agency threatened to repossess the Kimberly mobile home where he lives with his wife and two children. Peterson, who endured three job rejections this spring, is wrestling with the question of what he can and cannot do.

"I believe I could do something, just it would be limited," Peterson said.

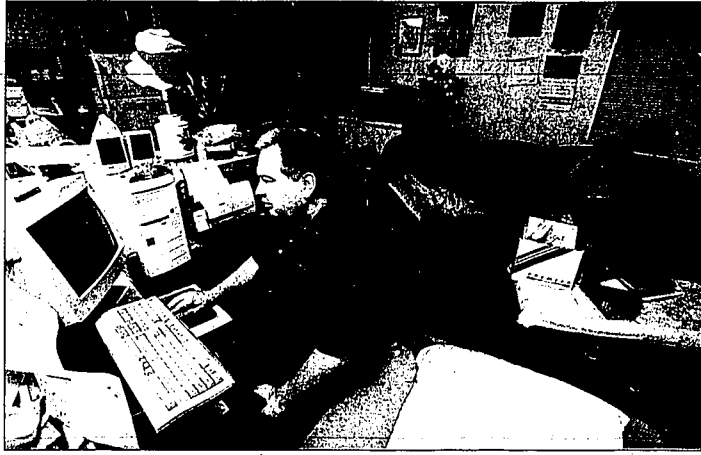
His doctor thinks Peterson is capable of employment and wants him working as soon as possible, but recently an Idaho Department of Health and Welfare employee listed him as "unable to work" when he renewed his family's food stamps.

"I was dumbfounded," Peterson said. But he didn't correct the caseworker. Peterson hasn't worked since a Jackpot, Nev., motel changed ownership and laid him off in September 1996. Caught in what he calls a Catch-22, Peterson is convinced his weight of 300 pounds turns off potential employers, while sore feet prevent him from exercising to lose weight.

Peterson has a birth defect, a form of osteoporosis, that causes him foot discomfort. Emotionally, he also has ups and downs. He takes medication for depression and had a nervous breakdown.

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Story by Liz Wright Photos by Darin Oswald



Lester Peterson adds names to a genealogy record he keeps on his computer while his son Lester Jr. watches. Peterson recently added a printer to his computer in hopes of establishing a business at his trailer park home in Kimberly.



Jennifer Durfee consults with Rupert attorney Gara Newman regarding child support. Durfee says the father of her first child owes back child support.

Welfare caseload drops

Idaho's new welfare law has resulted in a 20 percent decline in the number of families receiving federal and state cash assistance. About 2,000 families were on welfare as of Dec. 1. 6,000 families had been on welfare before July 1. Idaho's new program, Temporary Assistance for Families in Idaho, cuts off aid after two years; there was no time limit before. Cash assistance is limited to \$276 monthly, regardless of family size, compared with the old rate of \$317 a month for a single parent with two children.

- Of people surveyed who left welfare:
- 85 percent receive Medicare.
 - 71 percent receive food stamps.
 - 40 percent receive Federal Social Security.
 - 37 percent earn less than \$5.25 hourly.
 - 80 percent pay rent and aren't threatened with eviction.
 - 44 percent feel better about themselves.

Source — survey of 1,151 respondents conducted on behalf of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare

Clinton: Fight drug battle at kitchen table

The Associated Press
 WASHINGTON — With a survey showing a glimmer of hope that more young people are turning away from drugs, President Clinton on Saturday urged a renewed effort by parents to win the battle "at kitchen tables all across America." Clinton tied his weekly radio message to a new survey reporting an encouraging increase in drug disapproval by eighth graders, but greater drug use by older teens. The president emphasized the positive portion of the federally commissioned University of Michigan survey of 51,000 eighth, 10th and 12th grade students in 429 secondary schools nationwide. "Today's eighth graders are less likely to have used drugs over the past year. And, just as important, they are more likely to disapprove of drug use," the president said. But the study found that an increasing percentage of 10th and 12th graders had tried marijuana at least once, cocaine use by high school seniors increased and daily cigarette use among seniors is at the highest level since 1979. The battle "is far from over," Clinton

said, aiming his message at parents. "The most effective strategy we have against drugs begins at home." "It's a fight that can be won at kitchen tables all across America. This holiday season as we spend some hard-earned time with our families, I urge all parents to sit down with their children, as Hillary and I have done, and share a simple and important lesson: drugs are dangerous, drugs are wrong, and drugs can kill you." Republican lawmakers were far more negative about the survey results.

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Christmas in the Park

The fourth and final weekly installment of Scroopologist International's Christmas in City Park is scheduled for 5 p.m. today, featuring the music of Firt Hulsh and Lori Henson.

The free event is at the Twin Falls park's bandshell, and hot refreshments will be available.

IMF sees Asian financial crisis spreading everywhere in 1998

The Associated Press
 WASHINGTON — The financial firestorm raging through Asia will leave no country untouched in 1998. Around the world, economic growth will slow and unemployment will rise, especially in nations at the center of the crisis. The United States can expect to see a big increase in its trade deficit. That's the view of the International Monetary Fund, which is releasing its most extensive assessment so far of the currency crisis that has forced the lending agency to assemble multibillion-dollar bailout packages for Thailand, Indonesia and South Korea. "Because of the rapidly deteriorating situation, the IMF updated its October

"World Economic Outlook" with new economic projections for 1998. The document was made public Saturday, although the IMF's had scheduled a Sunday release. "The repercussions in regional and global financial markets ... have proven much deeper and more extensive than seemed likely only a few months ago." — IMF report

economy in 1998 will grow at its slowest pace in five years, an increase of just 3.5 percent. That forecast represented a 0.8 percent percentage-point reduction from two months ago, when the IMF had projected worldwide economic growth at 4.3 percent. The overall number covers wide differences among countries and regions. For the United States, the IMF forecast economic growth of 2.4 percent next year, down 1.4 percentage points from

expected growth of 3.8 percent this year. About to enter its eighth year of expansion, the U.S. economy already had been expected to slow in 1998. The Asian fallout will reduce growth further. The biggest fallout will come from a widening current account trade deficit, which the IMF predicted will surge by 29 percent to \$230 billion next year as weakness in Asia slows U.S. export sales and currency devaluations make Asian goods cheaper for Americans. The rising trade deficit will present political problems for President Clinton, who has already seen his push for expanded trade-negotiation powers stalled by rising protectionist pressures in Congress.

NATION

Employers use creativity to keep jobs filled, prices down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Businesses big and small are finding creative ways to keep and attract qualified workers as help-wanted signs multiply across the country.

The nation's unemployment rate — 4.6 percent in November — is the lowest in 24 years, happy news that creates an unaccustomed problem for employers in filling vacant jobs.

They can't simply raise wages, because with inflation hovering around 2 percent, a three-decade low, they must contain costs and prices to stay competitive.

The bottom line for many of America's workers is only slightly bigger raises — about 4 percent this year compared to 3.5 percent last year — but a lot more flexibility on how and when they work.

Consider florist John Nicholson, owner of Company Flowers, in Arlington, Va., who talks with employee Cammie Copps Saturday.



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perquisites whenever he can.

"We now provide flowers for a bagel company, and in return we get bagels for our employees," he said.

In Skokie, Ill., Fel-Pro Inc., a gasket manufacturer, has long been recognized as a company with excellent benefits. Its in-house day care and summer camp for employees' children, profit-sharing, career development program and on-premise fitness center regularly earn it recognition.

Yet it still must work hard to keep its staff — 2,000 people in Skokie, 3,000 worldwide. "It's tough, to put it in one word," said Dennis Kessler, co-president. "And it's not a wage thing. We're paying nice wages."

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ahead of labor shortages by spotting likely prospects early.

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Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — In a sign that the federal budget may be balanced long before most people had thought possible, a new Treasury Department report shows that the federal government has run a surplus over a 12-month period for the first time since 1970.

The news is expected to increase pressure on President Clinton and Congress to decide what to do with the looming budget surplus — to leave it alone or to finance tax cuts or spending increases.

Republicans hailed the report, which showed a \$2.4 billion surplus for the 12 months ending Nov. 30, as an impetus to the success of their drive to balance the budget since they took control of Congress in 1995.

"In our first three years, we have been able to pull off something remarkable," said House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., in a telephone interview Saturday.

The Clinton administration, while also welcoming the news, cautioned that Gingrich's enthusiasm may be premature. The budget, which showed a \$21.9 billion deficit for the fiscal year that ended on Sept. 30, could easily

swing back into the red by the time the current fiscal year ends next Sept. 30. "It is obviously wonderful news, but we shouldn't read too much into it," said Lawrence Haas, a spokesman for Clinton's Office of Management and Budget.

Whether or not the 12-month

surplus proves ephemeral, both sides agree that the latest budget report is a milestone in the progress of the federal budget from red to black — and at a rate much faster than Clinton and Congress expected when they reached an agreement to eliminate the deficit by 2002.

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Choir director loses job over Christian music

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A high school choir director was suspended after leading a concert that administrators said contained too many Christian references.

About half of the songs at Tuesday's concert at Highland High School had Christian themes, the school referred to any other religion.

District guidelines were established in May on the separation of religion from regular school activity, saying "schools should be religion neutral, neither promoting nor inhibiting religious beliefs) so as to assure comfort to all students."

Frank Rotolo said he was not told why he was suspended Friday and didn't know if it was with or without pay.

School district spokesman Rick Murray said Rotolo was told several weeks earlier that school officials were concerned about the concert's content.

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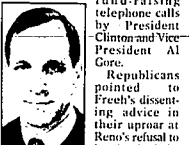
WASHINGTON — This is a bad cop-good cop case with a difference. Same cop, FBI Director Louis J. Freeh.

Congressional Republicans were accusing him not long ago of being a bad cop or worse. Now he is the favorite GOP C-man because he recommended that a special prosecutor be named to investigate the White House.

Word of his recommendation "swept out of the FBI before Attorney General Reno announced that she would not seek to have an independent counsel take over the investigation of office

ANALYSIS

Walter R. Mears



Louis J. Freeh

fund-raising telephone calls by President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore.

Republicans pointed to Freeh's dissenting advice in their uproar at Reno's refusal to invoke the independent counsel law. And the leaking of Freeh's position angered administration Democrats who saw it as an attempt to spare the FBI director backlash from the Reno decision.

Republicans are still citing Freeh, in their continuing demands that an outside prosecutor take over to end what they call conflicts of interest in Reno's supervision of an investigation into her own administration — which is a point Freeh made in advocating an independent counsel.

The White House grievance is not so much about the advice as about the leaking of it. "That not only gave ammunition to Reno's critics, it became a separate controversy when a Republican-run House committee subpoenaed the memo Freeh wrote on Nov. 25."

After refusing to turn it over — Reno said that doing so would compromise her ability to get candid advice from advisers and other officials — the FBI has agreed to read portions of the memo to the committee chairman.

That reading will not include sections hearing on the campaign finance investigations still under way by the Justice Department and the FBI, Reno said disclosing that would give away the evidence and risk tipping off the targets.

"We're doing this in a confidential manner, so that we are sharing the information with those members of the committee," said Deputy Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. "Our hope is that information would obviously stop there and that it would not be shared beyond that."

But the thrust of it already has leaked. The FBI, and congressional committees usually are leakers.

When Freeh, a Clinton appointee, came under congressional attack early this year over problems with the FBI crime lab and the conduct of controversial cases, the White House expressed confidence in him. The comments now are short of that.

"His decision to dissent in that case has no effect on whatever opinion I have of him," Clinton said at his year-end news conference, without describing that opinion. But the president said he didn't want to get into "this confidence business."

Not that it makes much difference. Freeh's term runs beyond Clinton's, to 2003. Freeh said Tuesday he has no plans to leave, but couldn't predict whether he will serve the full 10-year term.

On Saturday, The New York Times reported that Freeh privately has expressed little certainty about his future. In discussions with associates the paper did not name, Freeh said he would step down if he were convinced he could no longer lead the bureau well, the newspaper reported. The associates said he has been badly stung by White House officials' implied criticisms.

Ironically, it was Republican confidence in Freeh that seemed shaky earlier, to the point that Freeh told a House committee that might be grounds for his departure. "If you lose confidence in my integrity, then I should not be FBI director,"

accused Freeh of trying to whitewash problems in the FBI crime lab and called it a cover-up.

"The issue is that the FBI can't police itself," he said.

Which is just about the issue Freeh raised in advocating an independent prosecutor take over the Justice Department's campaign fund-raising investigation.

Reno has praised Freeh as an honest, dedicated professional, and he has returned compliments.

"I made a recommendation different from the ultimate outcome in this instance does not mean there is a professional rift between us," Freeh told a House

committee Tuesday, shortly after the attorney general testified that she was wasn't shielding anything, only doing her duty, and that his dissent was healthy.

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Study says eating fish poses little risk

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Environmental Protection Agency study found most Americans face little danger of mercury poisoning from the fish they eat at home or in restaurants.

But a small percentage of pregnant women — those living in subsistence fishing communities — should be cautious, concluded the report, released Friday.

Critics said the data were reason enough to place strict limits on mercury emissions from utility and manufacturing plants and other sources.

"Everybody knows that mercury is bad news," said Gina Solomon of the Natural Resources Defense Council. "Now we can move on and start discussing control mechanisms so that we don't have to put out strict fish!"

Mercury is a heavy metal released by the burning of some fuels and some industrial processes. In elevated doses, it can be dangerous for humans. Children who were exposed as fetuses may develop certain motor skills more slowly and score lower on neurological tests.

Most people ingest mercury through fish, which are exposed to the metal when rain washes it into rivers and the sea. But the EPA and the Food and Drug Administration agree that the levels of mercury in commercially available fish are no cause for concern.

"The typical U.S. consumer eating fish from restaurants and grocery stores is not in danger of consuming harmful levels of methylmercury from fish, and is not advised to limit fish consumption," said the EPA's eight-volume study, which Congress ordered in 1990.

However, the report did warn about members of subsistence fishing communities and others who regularly eat large amounts of noncommercial fish from contaminated areas are at higher risk. Pregnant women from this group were at particular concern.

"In this report, an analysis of dietary surveys led the EPA to conclude that between 1 and 3 percent of women of childbearing age — not sufficient amounts of fish to be at risk from methylmercury exposure," the study said.

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Intel Chairman Andrew Grove has been named Time magazine's "Man of the Year."

Grove is Time's 'Man of the Year'

NEW YORK (AP) — The name is unknown, but his products are ubiquitous.

Intel Chairman Andrew Grove, whose innovative use of microchip technology helped change the computer industry, was named Saturday as Time magazine's "Man of the Year."

Grove, a Holocaust survivor who arrived in America a penniless refugee in 1956, earned the 71st annual honor for his work as chairman and CEO of Intel Corp. His company produces nearly 90 percent of the planet's personal computer microprocessors.

Grove, 61, joins an elite group of honorees stretching from the first winner, Charles Lindbergh in 1927, to last year's winner, AIDS researcher Dr. David Ho. Other winners in the 1990s included Ted Turner, President Clinton, Pope John Paul II and House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

"I am deeply honored to be chosen as Time's 'Man of the Year' — doubly honored because the content is information technology," Grove said. "I feel fortunate to have spent my entire professional life in this field and to share Time's enthusiasm for its potential."

Why Grove?

"Like his fellow wealth-builders of the digital age, his mission is his product," writes Time Managing Editor Walter Isaacson. "The microchip has become — like the steam engine, electricity and the assembly line — an advance that propels a new economy."

Grove joined Intel upon its creation in 1968, taking over as president in 1979 and CEO eight years later. Today, the Santa Clara, Calif., company is worth \$115 billion.

Grove is sanguine about his role in the technology explosion. "Technology happens," he told Time. "It's not good, it's not bad, it's steel, pool or ball!"

The magazine's cover photo of Grove is actually two photographs. Using computer imaging, a portrait photo of Grove was superimposed on a picture of water of Intel chips.

Time considered several other candidates before settling on Grove: The late Princess Diana, cloning scientist Ian Wilmut, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and philanthropist Charles Feeney also are featured in the year-end double issue.

The magazine is due on newsstands Monday.

Official says gunman warned colleagues before shooting

MILWAUKEE (AP) — A postal clerk who killed a colleague and wounded two others before killing himself had warned co-workers to stay away, according to a medical examiner's report.

Anthony Decult, 37, told several employees during his overnight shift in a mail sorting room at Milwaukee's main post office to move away from him because "something bad might happen," the report said.

Supervisor Joan Chitwood, 55, approached

Decult to take an inventory ticket from him shortly before midnight, said Dale Weimann, vice president of the Milwaukee local of the American Postal Workers Union.

Chitwood had reprimanded Decult for sleeping on the job. He lost a transfer to a day shift within the last six months and filed a grievance against her. Decult handed Chitwood the ticket with one hand and shot her in the face with a .38mm pistol in the other hand, Weimann said. Chitwood drove to a hospital, where she was in

satisfactory condition Saturday.

Decult also shot Russell "Dan" Smith, 42, to death. Co-workers said he and Decult had feuded in the past and would not speak to each other. Another employee was shot in the foot as he tried to flee.

Postal employees described Decult as soft-spoken but sociable. "He was a hell of a guy," Gary Malone said. "There was no indication from just talking to him that he could do something like that."



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Residents want waste pits closed

Townpeople fear illness from oil field

GRAND BOIS, La. (AP) — Lush fields of sugar cane and grazing cattle offer no clue to approaching visitors of the environmental turmoil here.

The first indication is a network of signs — black-lettered omens in almost every front yard along Highway 24, which winds through this tiny community southwest of New Orleans and past 140 acres of open waste pits.

"If you are reading this," one reads, "you're being exposed to toxic chemicals."

Above it, a sign nailed to a telephone pole advertises cancer insurance.

Closer in, a faint but annoying rotten-egg stink hangs in the air. Residents say the smell is milder since their outcry reached lawmakers in Baton Rouge, La.'s state capital.

So are the 16 waste pits, which contain or have contained benzene, toluene, arsenic, barium, hydrogen sulfide and lead. One of the pits — Cell 11 — lies just 300 feet from the nearest house.

The town's 318 residents hope to shut the pits through a lawsuit that blames U.S. Liquids, which bought the site last year, for health problems stemming from the waste, including respiratory infections, burning eyes, chronic headaches, nosebleeds, asthma and rashes. They worry the list may eventually include cancer.

The lawsuit is scheduled for trial in May, but the state, long considered environmentally reckless, is taking a closer look at Grand Bois now. The Department of Natural Resources is drafting regulations governing oil field waste disposal.

"I will not tolerate Louisiana citizens having to live near a facility that is not safe," Gov. Mike Foster said this fall. "On the other hand, businesses that are operating legally and contributing to the economy should be able to operate without being harassed on the basis of unproven allegations."

In the early 1980s, Congress drew up extensive regulations on disposing waste considered a threat to human health or the environment. But hard lobbying by the oil industry persuaded Congress to exempt any material from exploration, development or production of oil or natural gas.

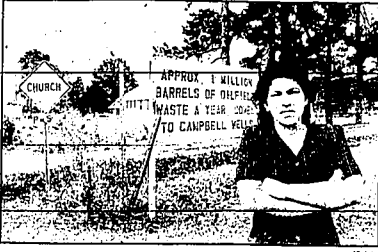
Put sturdily, benzene from a chemical plant is considered hazardous. Benzene from an oil field is classified nonhazardous — by rule, not by science.

The distinction is lost on Grand Bois residents. Toxins are toxins, they say.

U.S. Liquids maintains it's obeying the law, and air monitoring equipment the state Department of Environmental Quality installed at Cell 11 last summer has shown nothing out of the ordinary.

"There's no scientific evidence that indicates ... any health effects from the operation of this site," said U.S. Liquids division manager Jerry Brazzel.

But Wayne Crawley, a consultant for Campbell Wells, the company that operated the site before U.S.



Clarice Frloux stands in front of a sign along Highway 24 in Grand Bois, La., recently. There are 16 open waste pits in the community that contain such chemicals as benzene, arsenic and lead.

Liquids, said in a sworn deposition the pits were the likely source of unusually high levels of barium — 10 to 100 times greater than normal — that showed up in tests of Grand Bois arties. Barium, a heavy metal, can cause muscle spasms, stomach problems and sometimes heart ailments.

"The problems citizens are experiencing are very consistent to exposure to the exact type of material contained at U.S. Liquids," said Gladstone Jones, the lawyer representing Grand Bois residents, who questioned Crawley under oath.

The state's health officer also acknowledges the chemicals in the waste pits — in high doses and with prolonged exposure — can cause headaches, respiratory problems and maybe even cancer.

"The question is, how much of these chemicals do we have and how much gets to the community?" Health Officer Jimmy Guidry said. "Thirty-three sites in Louisiana take oil field wastes, but only four others are set up with pond-like disposal pits like Grand Bois; 28 are deep injection wells. The Grand Bois pits opened in 1982. Residents say they noticed smells from the very start, but those early odors were nothing like the stench that blew over the community in March 1994.

That's when 81 trucks loaded with sludge from an Exxon site in Alabama rumbled down Highway 24, and workers in protective gear dumped 5,600 barrels on the trucks into the pits.

Each truck carried a manifest stating that the barrels contained "environmentally hazardous substances," according to the residents' lawsuit, filed in April 1994.

"The smell was unreal. It would cut your breath," Clarice Frloux recalled recently from the front porch of her home on Highway 24, just a mile and a half from the waste pits.

"We watched our kids get off the school bus that day with their T-shirts over their faces. We thought,

something is wrong. Something is very wrong."

The health problems followed. "Those were the sickest little babies you ever did see," Blair Bonin said of his two children, now 14 and 17, who were plagued by sinus and respiratory infections as infants and toddlers and who still complain of symptoms. Bonin said his own sinus problems have worsened.

Ms. Frloux once spent her days tending pigs, poultry and horses while caring for her young children at home. Now she organizes town meetings, lobbies legislators, serves as Grand Bois spokeswoman and helps lawyers map strategy.

A phone call in October sent her scrambling to Baton Rouge, a four-hour round trip, to hear the governor announce the drafting of new regulations. When final, the regulations will require two things:

- That wastes be tested twice, at the oil field and again at the disposal facility, to see what toxic substances are in any particular shipment. The state will supervise the tests.

- That oil fields and disposal facilities reduce the toxins in waste to safe levels. Natural Resources Secretary Jack Caldwell said it would take months for state agencies to determine those levels and to develop ways to bring waste into compliance.

Family sues after teen sentenced to church

DALLAS (AP) — The parents of a Shawnee Indian teenager who says he is an atheist sued a judge for sentencing the boy to attend church or pay a \$200 fine for fighting.

The judge who sentenced Zack Smith, 14, says he will end his church program for juveniles rather than fight the lawsuit.

In the lawsuit filed Friday, American Civil Liberties Union attorneys contended Justice of the

Peace Bruce McDougal's program was unconstitutional.

Zack's parents couldn't pay the fine. Neither the teen nor his mother, Valerie Smith, attend church. And they didn't intend to start.

Dallas County Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Gabel Perez said Friday that she and ACLU attorneys had reached a tentative settlement. She said the lawsuit would likely be dismissed next week.

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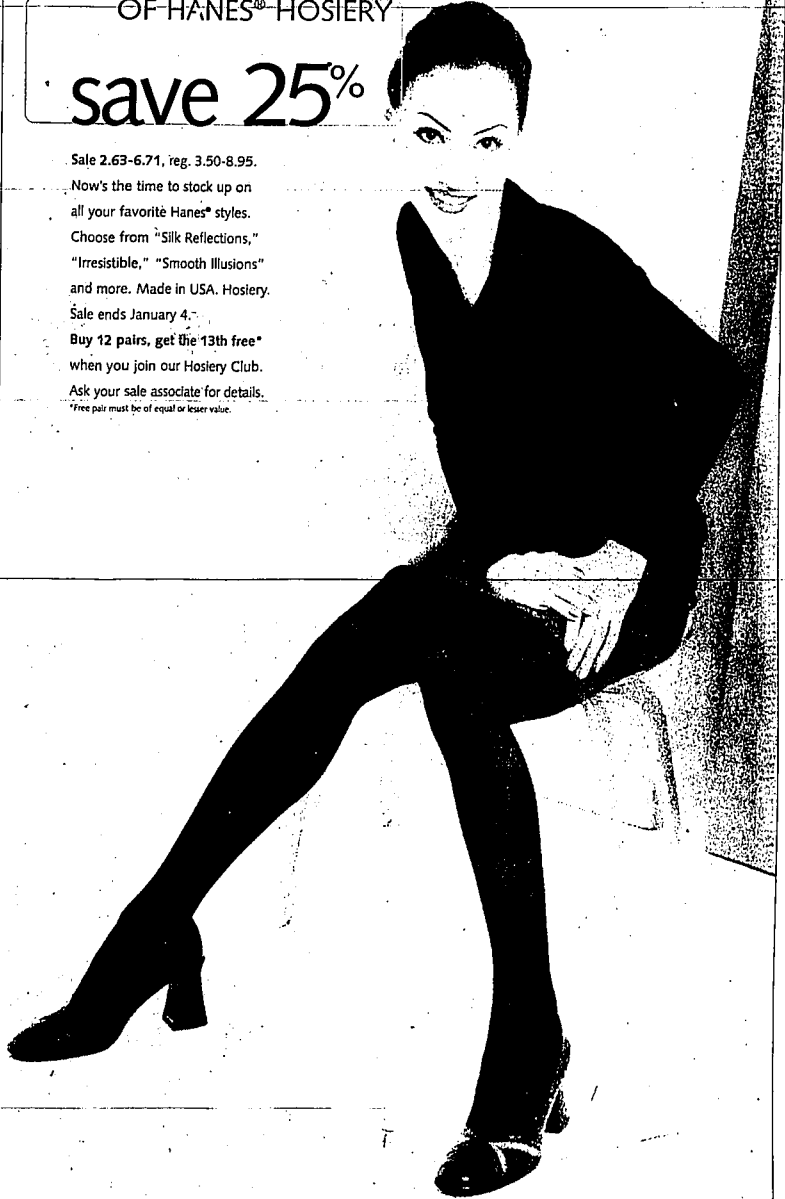
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because of financial problems. In all, he figures he owes \$30,000 — including past bills on a cellular phone, his mortgage, satellite cable television and classes at the College of Southern Idaho.

Last year, he barely funded off an effort by local law enforcement to auction his mobile home for failure to pay property taxes.

Over the Thanksgiving holidays, Peterson purchased a \$178 bubble jet printer with color ink. He bought it with part of the monthly \$532 that his wife, Violet, receives from Social Security for fetal alcohol syndrome. She objects to the purchase.

"It's not fair, it's my money but he's always spending it," she said.

But Peterson is considering using the printer to work out of his home. He thinks about becoming an accountant and doing people's taxes. His brother-in-law has agreed to be his first client next April.

Peterson also is considering printing advertisements for people. But first he must replace the ink cartridge. He ran out of ink two weeks after buying the computer, printing Christmas cards and stacks of pictures of cars and animals for his son, Lester Jr., 11.

To save the home, the bishop of the Mormon Church ward the Petersons attend has offered to chip in half of the \$700 Peterson owes in back mortgage. Peterson hopes for something more permanent. If nothing else, he said, Social Security benefits would improve his outlook on life.

"I won't be so nervous up, thinking about what I need for the next day," Peterson said.

In general, Social Security applications aren't going up as the state welfare's caseload drops, according to Social Security officials.

"That's a real loud message" that reform is working, said Patty Brown, who manages the self-reliance project regionally for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

But Peterson may have a case. "Federal cash assistance is granted to people whose obesity makes it impossible to work."

"It doesn't take too much to be considered obese, that is a very liberal category," said Kelly Ogawa, service representative for the Social Security Administration in Twin Falls.

Physically, Peterson has lost weight by cutting back his portions. This summer he weighed 316 pounds, and she started watching what he ate. But his diet still includes high-fat items such as whole milk and bacon.

Peterson said he would bring a lot of conditions to any job. He needs to elevate his feet because they swell and turn stiff and numb. He spends his days resting on the living room couch or lying on his bed.

"I can't sit down, I can't stoop, I can't stand for long," Peterson said.

Peterson let his welfare payments expire when Idaho's welfare reforms kicked in six months ago. Until recently, he has tried suggestions to apply for Social Security. His parents worked all his life and have biases against government handouts, he said.

But recently, he decided to apply.

His mother, Margaret Peterson, wrote a letter to Social Security, testifying to his birth defects, but said she hasn't spent a long period of time with her son recently to know whether he is capable of working.

"I know he is very depressed that he can't work because he likes to work," Margaret Peterson said. "I would like to see him get down and do something that he could do because I think we all need to do something, even myself at (age) 70."

'We were kids then'

Jennifer Durfee, 21, is preparing for a court fight and a wedding.



Loriesa Cox enjoys the regular paychecks she receives as a full-time employee at Idaho Trout Processing Co. of Bull.

Her former high school sweetheart lives in a neighboring apartment complex down the block from her, and Durfee suspects him of not giving enough child support to her son, Austin, 2.

Meanwhile, her new boyfriend, Dan Rosado, 20, proposed marriage to her in the apartment they share. On bent knee, he handed her a twist-tie shaped into a ring; they will pick out a real ring later.

"He treats my kids like they were his," said Durfee, who accepted his offer. "He's just real-ity."

Durfee intends to make this marriage endure. Her first marriage lasted 18 months and yielded a surprise pregnancy that led to the birth of her daughter, Martina, now 1.

Her pregnancy with Austin, unexpected as well, is central to a child support squabble with her former boyfriend. A quarrel marked by accusations of lies and harassment, it has drawn family members into the fray.

In anticipation of a court fight, Durfee has porred over law books and consulted two attorneys. She envisions having to endure a yelling match to get what she claims Austin is owed, and is not looking forward to it.

"I'm a quiet person, but I have to look at Austin; it's for him, not for me," Durfee said. "I'm just scared because I hate it when people yell at me, and they'll yell at me."

Her former boyfriend, David Zamora, insists he has paid Austin's court-ordered child support whenever he receives a paycheck.

Lately, work has dwindled at the Malta mink farm where Zamora works, and he said he missed payments in September and October because of a lack of income.

Faced with a baby son and a new girlfriend he must now support, Zamora wants a paternity test to determine whether he is Austin's father.

"If he's mine I won't mind at all, I'll pay it," Zamora said.

Privacy laws prevent child support officials from discussing the case, but a telephone call to the computerized hotline for the Idaho Bureau of Child Support, confirms a November payment from Zamora to Austin. The payment went to the state, not Durfee, to pay off debt for previous child support, the hotline's recording said.

According to a taped message on the hotline, child support pay-

Child support and welfare

Central to Idaho's welfare reform effort is toughening up the enforcement of child support laws. The state now requires the following:

- Parents who fail to pay three months' or \$2,000 worth of their child support risk losing their state-issued licenses, including driver's licenses.

- Parents on welfare must try to help the state identify the father of their children or risk losing some or all benefits.

- Employers must report every new hire to the state within 20 days. The state will automatically deduct child support from wages.

- Denying visitation rights to the non-custodial parent also can result in license suspension. Also, the state will cover the cost of paternity testing if tests don't identify the parent.

Source: The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare

ments sometimes are forwarded to the state to pay off welfare that the custodial parent once received.

When welfare reforms were enacted six months ago, Jennifer Durfee had few problems getting on her feet. She was hired by the first employer who interviewed her. She quit that job for lack of hours and now makes \$5.50 hourly at a new job, clerking at a grocery store in Rupert.

But one dream has been pushed aside. She hopes someday to attend the College of Southern Idaho and Boise State University and become a nurse, but that's on hold.

"I don't think I'm going to school in January after all," she said. "I'm so stressed I don't know how to concentrate. I have to get my life together and go through this."

Jennifer Durfee is in high spirits about marriage. Rosado works at a grocery store himself and has a daughter from a previous marriage. He attended Minico High School while Jennifer Durfee was dating Zamora, but she didn't know Rosado back then.

She said she feels strange about fighting with Zamora. They dated for four years off and on. But she isn't surprised at the friction their

frated relationship is causing.

"We were kids then," she said.

'Probably the best Christmas'

This winter, Loriesa Cox did something she hasn't done in at least two years: She bought herself some new clothes.

It was an impulse buy, made near the end of her Christmas shopping as she sifted through the clearance rack at Shopko in Twin Falls, where she always goes for "wishful thinking."

Carrying around a few extra dollars of her own money, it dawned on the single mother of three children that she needed new clothes, especially for work.

She picked out a plaid flannel shirt, purple stirrup slacks and a hunter green sweater.

But not without guilty feelings. "I thought three or four times, 'Do I or don't I? I could be using this money for the kids,'" Cox said.

Such purchases don't come easily for Cox, who has spent 15 months on welfare since pinching pennies that even now don't cover all of her expenses.

Off welfare since November, Cox attends morning classes at the College of Southern Idaho and works afternoons as an office clerk at Idaho Trout Processors Co. near Bull for \$5.50 hourly.

A driven, cheerful woman who remains in tight control of her budget, Cox knows the exact amount of every bill, paid and unpaid, that dictates her finances.

"Still, she remains upbeat about the "bad days," such as two months ago when she fell behind on rent and expected an eviction notice.

"I'm kind of getting myself back into the hole but I'm going to keep working harder," she said at the time.

Social services have helped along the way. She attends CSI on a full scholarship while the state helps with her baby-sitting

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Chris Farley: A comedian of girth and mirth

By Michael Colton
The Washington Post

Fat comedians have an edge. Laughing at someone who's less perfect than ourselves is one of the most basic forms of humor, so plump guys — John Belushi, Jackie Gleason, John Candy, Homer Simpson — seem naturally funny to begin with.

Chris Farley knew this, and made a career out of his flab. His willingness to make fun of himself — and his ability to earn our sympathy — made him a success in film and television, even if he never earned the respect of critics.

Farley, who died of unknown causes Thursday in Chicago at 33, was deserved for being a one-joke wonder, with the joke being his 290-pound body. But Farley also had a manic energy and an ability to play sweet-hearted losers that made him a favorite with colleagues and young audiences, and with his peers in the industry.

"He was one of my best friends and one of the funniest guys I've known in 1995," said his friend on Thursday of his former "Saturday Night Live" co-star. "I love him and am going to miss him."

He even had his fans in Congress, after he brought down the house in 1995 by performing his fast-talking Newt Gingrich impersonation in front of the speaker himself.

Farley first came to our attention during the dark years of "SNL," the early 1990s — when the show was universally scorned. Still, he made us laugh by using his rotund physical presence as a series of pathetic characters with low self-esteem.

He scored as a commentator on



"Saturday Night Live" cast members Chris Farley, left, and Dana Carvey share a laugh on the set of the NBC show during a news conference Sept. 23, 1992, in New York City.

"Weekend Update" who felt unfairly judged because he didn't (and here he gestured with his fingers to indicate quotation marks) "smell good," or because he didn't have "good hygiene."

He bared all as a sweaty, jiggly Chippendale dancer auditioning against buff guest host Patrick Swayze. He played a Chicago Breeze fan with a fondness for beer and sausage who suffered heart attacks on a regular basis.

His most popular recurring character, though, was Matt Foley, the motivational speaker

who tries to encourage others by detailing his own failures, namely the fact that he lives "in a van down by the river." It was a triumph of physical comedy. Adjusting his pants beneath an enormous gut, frothing at the mouth and destroying coffee tables, Farley seemed about to burst out of his leisure suit.

Actor-writer Bob Odenkirk, who performed with Farley in the Second City comedy troupe in Chicago, created the Matt Foley character in 1990. Odenkirk originally saw the role

as a possibility for himself — until he saw how Farley performed it.

"It was the most amazing thing," Odenkirk recalled in a recent interview. "I sat in my apartment and wrote that scene out, thinking either I would do it or Chris would. Then I brought it in and gave it to him and said, 'I think you could do this.' It was amazing.

Every night onstage ... he would make me laugh. He would crack me up. I mean, as funny as it is (on TV), try standing two feet

away from him and naving him doing it. It's just performance energy gone crazy, and yet really controlled, too."

No one could accuse Farley of being a sophisticated comedian, but he never intended to be. He was a playful buffoon, a prankster, known for joking around backstage with his pals Adam Sandler and David Spade, with whom he and Rock shared an office.

His movies were unabashedly lowbrow — "Black Sheep" and "Beverly Hills Ninja" will not be remembered as comedy classics — but Farley managed to be clever and occasionally brilliant, as in the cult hit "Tommy Boy," in which he proved adept at both sharp one-liners and puns. A buzz generation of fans will never forget the image of Farley awkwardly donning the petite jacket of his co-star Spade and crooning, "Fat guy in a little coat." Then, of course, he jerks his arms together and splits it apart.

Farley's death was not completely surprising. There was a buzz around Hollywood and Manhattan that Farley wouldn't last, that he would burn out like his idol Belushi, who also died at age 33.

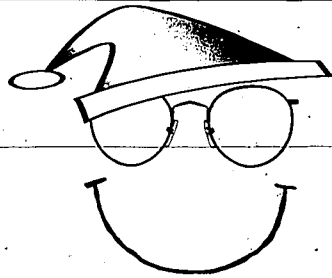
An US magazine story last year detailed Farley's problems with his appetites — namely for food,

drugs, alcohol and women. He knew his most precious asset — the one that made him a star — was his massive body. So he continued to feed it.

When Farley returned this fall to host "SNL," his problems were joked about in the opening sketch, in which "SNL" creator Lorne Michaels expressed his concerns that Farley was unfit to appear on the program. Farley assured him that he was fine, and even brought out his "sponsor" who was helping him through rehab: Chevy Chase, another former "SNL" cast member whose past problems with addiction are well known.

Farley may have been planning to broaden his comedic range in future roles that will never be. He told Playboy magazine in September that his part in an upcoming film with Matthew Perry, the period piece "Edwards and Hunt," was edgier and more of a stretch. Still, he knew what people wanted to see.

"I'll always do the clown," he told Playboy. "I'm secure with it. People work their (butts) off, and they need a time to laugh. It's up to us to buck ourselves on the head and slip on a banana peel so the average guy can say, 'good God! I may be bad, honey, but I'm not as much of an idiot as that guy on the screen!'"



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Reports: Farley seen partying in days before death

CHICAGO (AP) — Chris Farley was seen drinking heavily in the days before his death, newspapers reported Saturday, and a stripper said the 290-pound comedian asked her for cocaine when he was summoned to his apartment for a private dance.

His brother found Farley's body Thursday on the floor of his high-rise apartment. Police found no sign of foul play or drugs and the results of a Friday autopsy were withheld pending completion of toxicology tests.

Just hours before his body was

found, employees of the Hunt Club — an upscale Chicago sports bar — said Farley, 33, was there drinking with his brother, John.

"He looked really bad," waitress Laura Berry told the New York Post. "He was very drunk and he was happy."

Berry said Farley arrived at the bar around 1:30 a.m. Wednesday. He was drinking whiskey-and-Cokes and "was completely coked up," she told.

Doorman Scott Davis told the Post that Farley left around 3:30 a.m., after trying to convince two

young women to leave with him. "He looked real red ... big, heavy sweating," Davis said.

Bill Warts told the Chicago Sun-Times that he saw Farley at a bar last week and the former "Saturday Night Live" star was "totally out of it."

"He walked past me ... not aware of anything, and his mouth kept opening and closing like nothing 'I've ever seen,'" Warts said.

The stripper, who identified herself only as Autumn, told the syndicated TV show "Inside

Edition" that she was called to Farley's apartment Tuesday around 8:30 a.m.

When she arrived, he was drinking vodka and orange juice and rolling a marijuana cigarette, she said in the interview — which is to air Monday.

Autumn said Farley asked her if she had any cocaine and then paid her \$300 to strip and perform a lap dance.

"He just wanted a body there ... no intimacy," she said. "He seemed kind of manic ... highs and lows."

Broadcast TV acquires cable's verbal blue streak

New York Daily News

Language on prime-time television is saltier than ever and showing no signs of calming down.

Today, amidst scenes of partial nudity and violence, viewers are hearing words that would have been unthinkable just a decade ago.

Every week, shows such as ABC's "NYPD Blue," CBS' "Brooklyn South," NBC's "Homicide: Life on the Street" and Comedy Central's "South Park" routinely serve up euphemisms for sexual acts, obscene references to body parts and equal profanity that would have been verboten on pre-'90s TV.

"The boundaries have been changing and continuously evolving," said Carol Alteri, vice president of program practices for CBS. "People have been desensitized."

There are several reasons for the increased use of blue language on TV, but the primary one, Alteri and others note, is the increasing competition from other media, especially cable TV. Cable, now in over 70 percent of the nation's 98 million television homes, has virtually turned the envelope inside-out, bid by pay services such as HBO and Showtime. Cable networks has led some producers to incorpo-

rate more realistic dialogue in their broadcast shows.

"I think the mass media have accelerated the evolution of how language is used," said Syracuse Prof. Robert Thompson, who also heads up the school's Center for the Study of Popular Television. "We've pretty much used up all of the shocking language we could imagine."

Also, because so many so-called bad words are now used unblinkingly by many people in everyday conversation, they've lost the impact they once had, Thompson said.

"Bad language is like a fossil fuel," he added. "It takes centuries and centuries to build up impact, but once you start using it, it goes pretty quickly."

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Politics paralyze the quest to house the homeless

Salt Lake City fights to find a solution

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Night club owner Otto Miletì was more confused than relieved when he saw Mayor Deede Corradini on television announcing this year's Band-Aid solution to keeping the homeless from freezing.

The owner of the Zephyr Club had offered desperate shelter operators the help they couldn't get elsewhere — a 24,000-square-foot building just a few hundred yards from existing shelters.

So why would the mayor shun Miletì's offer and instead issue an executive order allowing existing shelters to break building codes and cram more people into their dining halls and other empty spaces?

It took a week, but Miletì finally found out why. The answer — provided by his real estate agent — was politics.

"I was trying to do what I thought was the right thing," says Miletì, still perplexed the deal fell through with little explanation. "It would have been great for me and for the homeless."

But in the past year, what would appear good for the homeless has been nearly paralyzed by the hoods and political agendas of downtown business owners and elected officials. The result has been turf wars and finger-pointing that have nearly paralyzed the quest for additional shelter for homeless seeking cover in winter.

While advocates for the homeless acknowledge their efforts have generated little fees, they cautiously avoid debating openly with their critics — many of whom hold the purse strings and own the land that could resolve the ongoing crisis for shelter and services.

Instead, advocates talk optimistically about signs of a renewed resolve by government and businesses — and homeless advocates themselves — along the Wasatch Front to face up to caring for at least 2,000 homeless men, women and children.



Otto Miletì offered desperate homeless shelter operators in Salt Lake City the 24,000-square-foot building, shown in the background, but the deal fell through because of politics.

"For the first time, I think everyone is on the same team," said Palmer DePaulis, former mayor of Salt Lake City and chairman of a committee charged with finding the answer to managing the homeless. "I think it was a realization that we can't be in crisis anymore. No one sees that as a good option."

DePaulis was mayor in 1986 when a homeless population of about 500 prompted construction of the city's first shelter near the old Rio Grande train depot.

The facility operated by Travelers Aid Society also marked the beginning of a long-running feud with property owners and politicians who accuse homeless advocates of not being candid about the impact housing the homeless can have on a neighborhood.

"It turns you off and makes you an angry, skeptical citizen," said Richard Thomas, who claims he was ambushed by a backroom decision to build the shelter near his business, Thomas Electric Co.

"Perhaps if it wasn't all done in secret they could get some support from citizen groups and solve the problem."

Another group of west side residents aired the same resentment last year when Travelers Aid tried, and failed, to establish a winter shelter in an industrial area on Andrews Avenue.

"I don't like to be lied to," said Samantha Francis, still seething over the Andrews Avenue controversy. "They promised they would be a good neighbor and not impact you. And they didn't do anything."

Given its track record, Thomas said he is not surprised Travelers Aid has been unable to find a willing landlord — with the exception of Miletì — after inspecting nearly 60 properties since May for a temporary overflow shelter.

He and others blame Travelers Aid for turning neighborhoods against them by failing to control the problems associated with housing the homeless: drug deal-

ing, loitering, panhandling, constant requests to use business restrooms and public urination and defecation.

"We've gone through an absolute nightmare," said Adello Seapicchi, whose automotive parts business is near the west side Travelers Aid shelter. "These people don't just need food and shelter, they need help."

DePaulis and Maun Alston, executive director of Travelers Aid, deny they have lied to, misled or ambushed property owners. They simply chalk up the complaints to misunderstandings. But DePaulis acknowledged his committee is looking at ways to better inform the public about who the homeless are and what it takes to get them employed and back into society's mainstream.

Landlords and neighbors are not the only obstacles homeless advocates must overcome, however.

After the Andrews Avenue debacle — in which residents

agreed to a temporary shelter after a homeless man froze to death — city officials said they had shouldered the valley's homeless problem long enough and told Travelers Aid to look

elsewhere for additional shelter. Concentrating more shelters and social services in the Rio Grande depot area would also upset what Corradini has predicted will be her crowning achievement: Transforming the run-down industrial district into a bustling center of commerce, entertainment and housing.

So when a desperate Travelers Aid approached the city about the Miletì offer for a three-year lease, the suggestion was met with vehement opposition.

"I told Palmer that I would agree to the Miletì property, only if Maun (Alston) resigns," said Councilwoman Joanne Milner, who remains incensed Travelers Aid would consider another shelter in her district.

Milner, who has a reputation for standing up for the down and out, blames Alston for pitting her west-side constituents against the homeless, making them appear cold and uncaring. She said her district is already one of the poorest areas of the state and can't handle more of society's outcasts.

Milner also blasted other neighborhoods in the city and other cities in the valley for not taking "the opportunity" to care for the homeless instead of just donating money.

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Work can help homeless, if they want the job

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — George McDonald felt he was doing the right thing by handing out food to the homeless in New York City's Grand Central Station.

But the responses he received for his good deeds told him he was missing the mark. "They would say they appreciated the sandwich, but what they really wanted was a job," said McDonald, who founded the Doe Fund Inc. to help homeless find work and care for themselves.

McDonald will be bringing his "work-is-the-cure" message here on March 5-6, when the city plans to hold a conference for state, county and local leaders on solving what many consider a crisis in housing and services to a homeless population of at least 2,051 — 62 percent of which live in Salt Lake City.

McDonald said Salt Lake City is not alone in its struggle to find a place for the homeless and get them back into the mainstream. But he said too much energy is spent on locating shelters and placating property owners than answering the question, "Why are the homeless here?"

"In my mind it's all econom-

Homeless breakdown

Here is a demographic breakdown of Utah's homeless population living in shelters in 1996, the most recent available.

- 2,051 on a given night
- 23 percent are women
- 77 percent are men
- 17 percent are children
- 38 percent are families
- 97 percent of families are headed by a woman
- 62 percent live in Salt Lake County
- 31 percent are from out of state
- 35 percent of those living in shelters work

ics," McDonald said. "All these folks need is a structured opportunity to work to get these people out of the circumstances that they're in."

"We aren't doing them a favor by giving them a handout. They need a hand up."

Utah's booming economy, with unemployment at a 45-year low of 2.8 percent, would appear to be the perfect climate to test McDonald's program.

Rob Vose, who runs the state's Workforce Services employment counseling office at the Travelers Aid Society homeless shelter, said employers are constantly calling him to fill temporary and permanent jobs. Some are willing to provide transportation and food.

And while the people may be available to fill the jobs, not all of the homeless are ready, qualified or willing to go to work.

"Last month I was battling about 400 and this month out of the 24 people I have seen, I have placed about 10 in permanent positions," Vose said, noting some homeless or transient peo-

ple prefer temporary work because they don't want the daily commitment of showing up on the job.

Vose said he doesn't always wait for people to come to him. He often walks outside of the shelter telling those hanging out on the street that work is available. Few take advantage.

"There are about 200 people just hanging out who don't want to work," Vose said. "But we can do just what we can do."

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Sanctions hit hard on Yugoslavia's children, businesses

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — At 4 months, the precariously underweight Ardin Mahmuti doesn't struggle to live so much as listlessly acquiesces to the intravenous drips and artificial lungs that keep him from dying.

Mahmuti is one of about 40 Yugoslav children urgently in need of heart surgery at Belgrade's Mother and Child Health Care Institute. Some 270 other youngsters with heart disease are also on the waiting list, which has lengthened as the hospital has cut back operations to about one-third their 1990 level. Some of the sick go abroad for surgery, some die.

These are among the youngest victims of Yugoslavia's isolation, the result of their leaders' incitement of war in Bosnia and the punitive, five-year international sanctions that followed. Sanctions were lifted two years ago, but their legacy lives on in a broken economy where only the well-connected and corrupt can thrive.

The theme of isolation is at the center of this weekend's runoff election, the fourth attempt to replace Slobodan Milosevic as president of Serbia. Constitutionally barred from a third term, he took over the federal presidency of Yugoslavia in July.

Sunday's race pits ultranationalist Vojislav Seselj against Milosevic loyalist Milan Milutinovic. A U.S. envoy has branded Seselj a fascist, and his victory would widen the gulf between Yugoslavia and the international community. Milutinovic, Yugoslavia's foreign minister, focuses on the need to rejoin the world — though his government has done little to encourage it.

Businesses are hungry for world markets, but as they try to reestablish contacts, many find that major partners lost interest. The former Soviet Union and its allies have shifted their business elsewhere, and Middle East countries that once welcomed hordes of Yugoslav engineers have rallied behind Muslim Bosnia.

"We have been in an almost claustrophobic situation. We couldn't maintain contact with people with whom we'd been in



A Belgrade, Yugoslavia, man walks by a wall of election campaign posters in the Serbian capital Saturday.

almost permanent contact," said Vladan Batanovic, general manager of Belgrade's Mihajlo Pupin Institute, which once supplied sophisticated production control systems in Western Europe and the Middle East.

"The picture of the country is not a happy announcement for the company... Serbia is seen as some kind of wild kid."

Batanovic said his company spent the past few years mostly on research and development, producing computerized systems to regulate water distribution and

toll collection devices that are cheaper than its international competitors.

Yet potential buyers would still need credit. Yugoslavia's companies don't have cash, and can't get loans at home or abroad. The United States, hoping to encourage further cooperation in peace efforts, has blocked Yugoslavia from rejoining world financial bodies.

Hardest hit have been public services, starved of state support and kept going by infrequent humanitarian donations.

The health sector, once the envy of Yugoslavia's socialist neighbors, has plummeted. Doctors go unpaid for months, broken-down medical equipment is scrapped for lack of spare parts and once easily-curable diseases are again taking a toll.

"In this department, we rely completely on donations from abroad," said Mila Stajevic-Popovic, the surgeon who heads the pediatric cardiac surgery unit at the Mother and Child Institute. She said the rest of the health field was no better off.

A visit last month from a Memphis, Tenn.-based doctor boosted her supplies and spirits. Dr. William Novick brought a second-hand ultrasound machine, medicine and 13 colleagues to help train the Belgrade staff. Together, they performed several operations.

Dozens of other children still await treatment. Mahmuti, the 4-month-old, weighed in at just 7.7 pounds, and was ravaged by infections that made immediate operation impossible. Through tubes running into his nose and

Clinton prepares for holiday visit

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — President Clinton's first visit to this war-battered capital is an unprecedented security headache for foreign troops and local police, who must try to secure a country with out effective borders.

Clinton is scheduled to visit here Monday to meet leaders of the Bosnian federation government and to address the Bosnian people in a speech at the National Theater.

He also will travel to the northern city of Tuzla to share a holiday meal with U.S. peacekeeping troops stationed there.

The discovery of a powerful bomb and the roundup of suspected terrorists just days shy of the 12-hour visit illustrate the dangers facing the president and those guarding him.

Sarajevo police said Friday they discovered a 22-pound explosive device containing two anti-tank mines and a hand grenade connected to a timer next to a Roman Catholic church in a western suburb.

neck, he is receiving the nourishment and antibiotics to allow him to withstand open heart surgery.

The tiny, raw child was the worst-off in the ward, but hardly the only example of the price of isolation.

"There are huge vitamin deficiencies, the likes of which my parents saw after World War II, and a big increase in diarrheal diseases," said Dr. Stajevic-Popovic.

"Children die of simple bronchial illnesses because immunity has gone down during the past few years."

British leader promises shake-up of welfare state

SEDGFIELD, England (AP) — Prime Minister Tony Blair, criticized for cutting state benefits, said Saturday he will personally supervise the reform of Britain's welfare state.

Constitutionally the latest embarrassing report for his Labor Party government — that blind people will have to pay sales tax on white canes.

"As far as these white sticks are concerned, it's not going to happen," Sky TV quoted Blair as saying after a party meeting in Sedgfield, the north England district he represents in Parliament.

Blair said he will take charge of a new working party to reform the welfare state, established by a Labor Party government in 1945.

"The party that created the

welfare state is the party that is going to have to reform it," said Blair. "At the present time it neither helps the poor nor delivers the investment we need for the future."

Welfare now accounts for nearly one-third of state spending, with critics charging that it encourages fraud and a "dependency culture."

Blair's attempt to curb welfare spending so far has consisted mainly of cutting benefits to single parents and plans to curb allowances to people who are, or claim to be, unable to work because they are disabled.

Even that has upset Labor's left wing, and the cut this month for single parents provoked the first big parliamentary revolt since Labor won a landslide victory May 1.

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A visitor to the Church of the Nativity, traditionally believed to be the birthplace of Jesus, in Bethlehem's Manger Square, takes a photograph Saturday. The biblical town is gearing up for an influx of thousands of pilgrims and tourists for the holiday season.

Iraq accuses U.S. of preparing for strike

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq accused the United States on Saturday of clearing the way for a military strike by insisting that U.S. arms monitors be allowed to inspect Saddam Hussein's palaces.

The arms inspectors have said that Iraq may be hiding key information on its banned weapons programs in the palaces. The United States backs the claim and strongly supports the U.N. demand to inspect the palaces.

Al-Jumhuriya, a government newspaper, said in a front-page editorial that the United States "is spreading false information ... to justify an attack by missiles and other means."

A Pentagon spokesman dismissed the allegation. "I would deny that we are preparing to strike," Lt. Cmdr. James Graybeal said. "I think the United States and the international community would like to see a diplomatic and peaceful resolution but we expect nothing less than full compliance with U.N. resolutions."

Chief U.N. weapons inspector Richard Butler said Friday that U.N. inspectors "have evidence or reason to believe that prohibited items have been, or do exist, in places" designated as off-limits. Iraq has insisted that it is not sheltering banned material in the

palaces. Officials led foreign reporters on a tour of about a dozen of them Friday, but reiterated that U.N. arms inspectors will never enter the buildings.

The U.N. Security Council has said it will not consider lifting economic sanctions against Iraq until Baghdad fully cooperates with U.N. arms inspectors.

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Christmas in the Holy Land

Christians hunger for holiday trappings

The Los Angeles Times

JERUSALEM — Kevin McInerney and Graham Crowe stood braced against a chill wind outside the vast Church of the Holy Sepulcher, looking wistful.

It was just a few days before Christmas in this city so holy to Christians around the world, but there was hardly a sign of the blessed event, the young Irishman noted glumly. No holiday lights or decorations, no Christmas music on the radio, and only a small artificial tree in the lobby of their East Jerusalem hotel.

"It's hard for us to believe it's actually Christmas," said McInerney, 21, who was visiting Jerusalem with Crowe and other soldiers on a brief leave from their duties with the U.N. force in Lebanon. "It's a very big time of year for us at home, but you hardly feel it all around here."

Such is the elusive nature of Christmas in the Holy Land, an all but forgotten holiday in a Jewish state where Christians make up less than 3 percent of the population. While the atmosphere in American and European cities is full of holiday cheer at this time of year, public reminders of Christmas are nearly nonexistent and can even be oddly incongruous in the land where tradition holds that it all began.

There are positive aspects to this situation. Unexpeted to the intensely commercial aspects of Christmas elsewhere, children are less likely to beg for advertised toys. The aisles at Tel Aviv's Toys 'R' Us, unlike those in its sister stores almost anywhere else, are remarkably empty in the days before Christmas. And each year, the Jewish National Fund gives away Christmas trees — typically spindly pines akin to Charlie Brown's, but trees nonetheless — to resident Christians.

Inside the many churches in Israel that mark sites sacred to Christians, the faithful celebrate the holiday with services, songs

and prayers made more meaningful by the fact that they are taking place here. But for the less observant Christians, who may rely on tinsel jingles, stockings in store windows and brightly lighted streets to stir that Christmas feeling, the season can be a little lonely.

Last week, an American woman stood gazing at red and green ornaments, candles and wrapping paper inside one of the few stores that sells such items in Jerusalem's Old City. "I'm not really shopping," she confided. "I just like coming in here to look at all the Christmas things. You start to miss them here."

Throughout the holiday period, predominantly Jewish West Jerusalem remains its usual self: historic, classic, unadorned — with one exception. The YMCA, a landmark building across the street from the King David Hotel, decorates its soaring bell tower with two strands of Christmas lights dangling from opposite sides.

"We've decided that some institution in Jerusalem has to make a statement that Christmas is here," said Mike Bussey, director general of the West Jerusalem YM. "You have to laugh, really, when you compare our two straggly lines of light-bulbs to the extravaganzas in the States, but the message is that there is a Christmas presence here."

The Y takes care, however, to avoid offending its neighbors, and it gives its annual carillon concert on Christmas Eve in the early evening, not at midnight, on what is for virtually everyone here a work night. There have been no complaints, Bussey said.

Even in Bethlehem, the unparalleled center of Christmas as the city believed to be the birthplace of Jesus, the holiday has fallen on tough times. Tourism is down, as it is across Israel and the West Bank. Moreover, Muslims outnumber Christians in the city these days, and

fewer residents are joining in Bethlehem's traditional holiday celebrations in Manger Square and the Church of the Nativity.

Bussey, who has lived with his family in Jerusalem for almost eight years, said he still misses the feeling of community celebration that marks the Christmas season in his native Minnesota. But he added that the spirit and joy of the holiday are alive here too.

"There aren't as many places to find the specialness of Christmas in Jerusalem, but it is here," he said. "And sometimes, I think the elusiveness of it makes it even more special."

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EDITORIAL

Fox is right: Extra money should help Idaho's kids

Even if you don't like all of Anne Fox's ideas, you have to respect her tenacity. She's in another tussle with the teachers union, and as usual she's on the side of delivering value for the taxpayers' money.

Also as usual, the teachers union is not. The latest dispute involves \$3 million that is available because of a one-time reduction in pension-fund contributions. Fox, Idaho's Republican superintendent of public instruction, wants the windfall spent on books, supplies equipment or school repairs. The teachers union wants what it always wants: fatter paychecks for its members.

The choice is easy, in our view. Put the money where it will benefit children.

The money is available because state contributions to the Public Employees Retirement System of Idaho were temporarily reduced. The reduction gives state agencies a little extra money, which many of them will put toward bonuses for employees who didn't get cost-of-living raises this year. You may recall that the Legislature, feeling strapped for money, rejected Gov. Phil Batt's plea for a small pay raise for state workers this year. The bonuses are a kind of consolation prize.

But teachers work for local school districts, not for the state. The Legislature's pay freeze didn't apply to them.

Most, if not all, have already received pay raises this year. Why give them another one?

Fox's sensible answer is: Don't. Idaho school districts stand to reap a \$6 million one-time windfall as their share of the PERST reduction. Fox wants the Legislature to make sure the money is spent on improving education. Good for her.

The Idaho Education Association, the state's main teachers union, sees things differently. It regards the \$6 million as the rightful property of teachers. If the money doesn't go into teachers' pensions, it should go into their paychecks, the union figures. One union official called Fox's proposal "punitive."

There's a big flaw in the union's reasoning. Nobody — no bureaucrat, no state agency, no union — has an automatic right to pocket unspent tax revenue. That money belongs to us taxpayers. When local school districts spend our money, we expect our kids to get something out of it.

If the money gets spent on books or school repairs, there will be a tangible benefit to Idaho kids. If it is to be spent on teacher pay, there should likewise be some measurable result. (In other words, link teacher pay to student learning — a concept long resisted by teachers unions everywhere.)

Fox's proposal isn't punitive. It's just good stewardship.

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LETTERS

Change of heart is needed, not laws

Burning the flag does not always equal desecrating the flag.

Many times I've seen the expression of "desecrating the flag" also referred to as "burning the flag." These references are not always equal and leave room for excess emotion and make things unclear at times. I would estimate that less than 20 percent of Americans know of proper care to be rendered our national flag. It is a subject to be taught in public with the need being brought to attention by the people, not allowing ones running for office "milking" the subject for all they can get.

In the Boy Scout Handbook, 10th Edition, Page 478, Care of the Flag, it says, "Clean the flag if it becomes soiled. Mend it if it is torn. When worn beyond repair, destroy it in a dignified way, preferably by burning."

"Flag burning" would not be used in writing in place of "flag desecration" if more citizens had better knowledge of caring for the American flag. I've taken part in services with the Boy Scouts of America — a number of times where honorable respect and reverence were given one of Old Glory's later counterparts as it was retired from service. Everyone needs this experience!

Sacrilege of the flag has occurred, but it only lets the doer of such a deed label himself a knave. The writer of those who pledge allegiance to the flag cannot be cancelled by defiling the flag in any manner. However, desecration of the flag occurs with each sinful action of any citizen of this nation, because the flag of the United States of America actually represents we the people.

More laws will seldom cure problems. A change of heart or thinking wherein each person is willing to "love thy neighbor as thyself" is the need.

We the people must take it upon ourselves to set our own lives in order, and

by doing so can bring more good to pass than all emotional debates for more laws and thereby, our flag will have the measure of its glory and honor.

MILAN N. DILWORTH
Rupert

Act of kindness says Jesus is here

A long day at work! Can't wait to get home and sit down and relax.

Driving home, I noticed a vehicle in distress with emergency lights blinking at the signal light at Addison and Blue Lakes. The car was older, immediately, I thought the owner was probably young — maybe could have been one of our children.

Rolled down the window, rain coming down. Out of gas! he was very concerned about blocking the intersection. He'll leave a note. Get in a gas station two blocks away. Have money? Two dollar check is all I have.

Walked inside. The service station attendant couldn't take a two-party check. But Wendy, the cashier, said, "Don't worry, I'll buy the gas!"

Merry Christmas. Jesus is coming. Jesus is here!

JOHN J. KALANGE
Twin Falls

Paper is worth more than puzzles

In regard to Robin Bartz's letter concerning the crossword puzzles, there didn't seem to be a problem with the old format until the new puzzle emerged. Seems like most of the puzzle doers were probably content then.

As to threatening to change paper subscriptions, it surprises me that a person of such 15-minute wizardry would go out and buy a challenging crossword puzzle book and continue to enjoy the fine paper *The Times-News*!

Very puzzling, isn't it?
STEVE CARSON
Burley



Not everyone in the market likes democracy

So I subscribe to the cheerful theory that the stock market is a cross between a giant casino and a pyramid scheme, little that happens there seems to me of much social import.

Between 75 and 80 percent of the people in this country make less than \$50,000 a year, and because I believe their problems deserve some attention, the woes and triumphs of the stock-broking classes are not usually high on my radar. But I was interested to find from the New York Times the other day that end-of-the-year bonuses in the big brokerage houses are expected to range from \$25 million for top managers to a piddly \$100,000 for peons.

Perhaps we should have end-of-the-year bonuses for teachers. Your students all do well on standardized tests and you get, say, a modest \$5 million.

Doug Henwood's book, "Wall Street: How It Works and For Whom," is an instructive manual on this giant game, one of the most interesting examples of the fine art of debunking to come along in years. For those of you who think the stock market exists to raise capital for corporations to invest their plants and equipment, Henwood points out that the stock market has almost nothing to do with this.

Corporations finance about 90 percent of their investments internally, through their own profits, and according to Henwood, on those rare occasions when they turn to outside finance, they go first to banks and then to the bond market. "A



MOLLY IVINS

more accurate description of what the market is all about is that it's a mechanism for the very rich, as a class, to own the productive assets of the U.S. economy and extract wealth from them." Henwood wrote for the Los Angeles Weekly, "Despite all the plavver we've heard in the last five years about the democratization of ownership through mutual funds, the richest 1 percent of the population has more investable wealth than the bottom 90 percent. Financial democracy is ever more an affair of the elites than the political class."

Speaking of financial democracy, the Securities and Exchange Commission, which theoretically regulates the stock market, has recently proposed new rules that will damage the tiny move for corporate democracy — perhaps irreparably. Under the current rules, shareholders with at least \$1,000 worth of common stock can place a resolution on a company ballot. If the resolution receives 3 percent or more of the vote on the first ballot, it can be reintroduced the next year. In succeeding years, it must garner increasing support — 6 percent and 10 percent — to be reintroduced. Under the new rules, submission thresholds would be raised to 6, 15 and 30 percent.

Mark Dowie, writing in The Nation, points out that this requirement is virtually impossible to meet in any Fortune 500 company and it means the death of the shareholder movement "that over the past 25 years has published corporate shortcomings ranging from polluting the nation's water to assisting South Africa's apartheid regime."

Obviously, corporate managers loathe the shareholder movement, and for at least 10 years, their lawyers and lobbyists have been working to kill it. I know many shareholders who, when they come across those "green" initiatives and social conscience items on their corporate ballots, to figure it has nothing to do with profit so to hell with it. I know even more who never look at the shareholder ballots at all. The myth that common stockholders control the corporations is truly pathetic.

But, as Dowie reminds us, corporations were originally chartered to serve the public trust. A corporate charter was a "privilege" granted to an enterprise formed "for the public good," and profit to shareholders was explicitly described as a secondary purpose. We do have a right to call corporations to account, and now one of the few feasible mechanisms for doing so is damaged by the very watchdog agency that's supposed to be on our side.

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It has become too popular to be 'cool'

When did 'cool' come to mean 'fitting in'? Christmas being one of the holiest days on the Christian calendar, my youngest

boys plan to rise early that morning, steal downstairs in the coolness of predawn, kneel reverently before the tree, close their eyes and pray.

That when they open their eyes, they'll see Old Navy shirts and Air Jordan athletic shoes. These are priority items on their annual gimme lists. Underlined and with exclamation points, yet.

I used to think it was just all-American greed. Actually, I still do. But I've also come to realize that what motivates my boys is more complicated than avarice. The aim is not simply to acquire cool, but to acquire cool. I concluded this the day my youngest son asked how it was possible to be cool without having the proper brand name — meaning the one one's friends would recognize and approve — stitched on one's backside. His tone was challenging, just mystified.

Chalk one up for Madison Avenue. They've got kids believing cool is something you buy in a store.

The thing is, cool was originally about standing out, not fitting in. To be one's own self be true — that was the essence of it. Indeed, the concept came into general usage as a synonym for the iconoclast, the maverick, the rebel with or without a cause whose sense of self was so strong

that conformity couldn't contain it. From Miles Davis to James Dean and even to Arthur Bonny, the truly cool never moved by popular consensus. They did what they felt and let consensus follow them.

What a difference a generation makes. Now one is cool only if one is in a crowd, every decision of fashion and taste seconded by a chorus of like thinkers. Now cool is a co-opted concept, brought to you by Madison Avenue.

In retrospect, the alarm bells should have gone off back when companies started marketing jeans factory-ripped to make them look worn. Suddenly the uniform of scruffy hippies was available in suburban malls. Now those same malls market baggy jeans and head rags — the uniform of the inner city gangsta — to kids whose closest connection with the inner city is a freeway overpass at 60 mph.

There's nothing surprising here, I suppose. We all need to belong to something.

It just troubles me to see how efficiently that need is exploited by those who market to young people. There's a reason, after all, that the designer label phenomenon funds less traction among older

adults by and large they already know who they are. Young people, on the other hand, are still searching for self, still seeking ways to be cool, still trying to stand out by fitting in.

Somewhere along the way, cool became as successful for its own good. Rebelliousness attacked the old conformist standard but became the new one. So now what? Miles Davis, James Dean and the Fonz are all long gone. What does cool do for an encore? How does it define itself now, when hipness is just another product?

More importantly, what do you say to the kid who rushes downstairs on Christmas morning hoping to find the brand names that will send him back to school, cool? You don't want to break your kid's heart or do something that ostracizes him, yet let us not forget that one occasionally hears of children being killed over a pair of shoes.

So I buy these things — if at all — with hesitation and a certain wariness for the power they hold. And, with a wish that more children might understand that they are important because of who they are, not what they wear.

Now, "that" would be cool.

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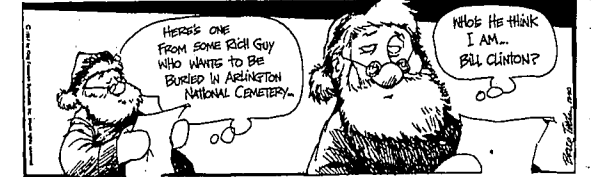


By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley



Given European economic tendencies, is socialism really dead?

LONDON — So many obituaries of socialism have been written that the genre seems exhausted. Then you encounter the thinking of the first Labour chancellor of the exchequer in 18 years, and that of Prime Minister Tony Blair's all-purposes policy adviser, and you realize that shovels of dirt are still being tossed onto the grave.

When the last Labour chancellor left office in 1975, following Margaret Thatcher's victory, Labour was still formally, in its basic ideological formulations, and emotionally, in the hearts of its most intense activists, a socialist party. And they were committed to public ownership of the economy's commanding heights, and to political micro-management of the economy for the purpose of increasing income equality. Economic dynamics was a secondary — very secondary — consideration.

In May, just days after voters enthusiastically ended the Thatcher-Major era, Chancellor Gordon Brown announced the Blair government's first major decision. It moved a fundamental of economic policy to the right, no further than any previous British government



GEORGE F. WILL

had moved it. It was an emancipation proclamation, largely liberating the Bank of England from political direction of its decisions about the money supply.

Socialism, whatever else it has involved, has always and eagerly promoted the subordination of economic life to political decisions. So why did not the Thatcher government, self-proclaimed slayer of socialism, do what the new Labour government has done with the bank? Because, Brown says dryly, the Conservative Party has always believed in political "fine-tuning" of the economy. Brown's implication is that Labour no longer does.

Skeptics say that this empowerment of the bank is actually a surreptitious step toward socialism — toward surrender of basic economic decisions to the European central bank whenever British financial protection and renewability. Skeptics worry, reasonably, that member nations of the

EMU will cede sovereignty over vast portions of economic and social policy-making. Power, they say, will go to a metastasizing and unaccountable European bureaucracy of unconstructed statisticians.

However, Blair's intention to join at some unspecified date is not immutable. Brown seems to assume, as proponents of the EMU must, that such convergence is normally implausible — the permanent "convergence" of members' economies. The assumption is that the economies of Britain, France, Germany, Spain, Italy and the rest will be forever synchronized, expanding or stalling together. So at any given moment, low — or high — interest rates, if appropriate for one, will be appropriate for all.

Today, with low unemployment in Britain and high unemployment in France, stimulative policies might be appropriate for France but toxic for Britain. Brown seems to believe that lasting convergence is a prerequisite for British membership; he must, France, Germany, Spain, Italy and the rest will be forever synchronized, expanding or stalling together. So at any given moment, low — or high — interest rates, if appropriate for one, will be appropriate for all.

Important engines of Britain's current boom include talent-based industries such as software, design, fashion, film and music. Because these place a high premium on creativity and advanced education — they shower rewards on an intellectually upscale elite, thereby widening income inequalities.

So recent is the death of socialism that during this year's campaign Tony Blair felt the need to say, "We want to see people do well, we are not opposed to success." His campaign manager, ideological art pro and now Minister without Portfolio, Peter Mandelson, despises the Conservative Party ("a discredited rabble," "a laughingstock"), but is also astute when talking about the labor unions that use to dominate Labour as a class-based party.

He says the party now can be "a market capitalist party" because of reforms that emancipated members of Parliament from the fear that unions and activist crazies could "de-select" them — deny them re-nomination by their constituencies as punishment for independence. A new independence for MPs was achieved by reforming party rules

— and expanding the party. It was a matter of swapping the rascals. Since Blair became leader, party membership has doubled and the percentage of party funding coming from unions has plummeted from 50 percent to under 50 percent.

Labour's success in interring socialism without acquiring a distinctive alternative doctrine (other than bromides such as "we are not opposed to success") illustrates an asymmetry in contempo-

rary British politics. Rupert Darvall, special adviser to the last Conservative chancellor of the exchequer, says, "On the left, it pays not to have an ideology, but the right is lost without one." The same is true in America, where there is an asymmetry about the asymmetry. Democrats understand Darvall's point much better than Republicans do.

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O, Christmas tree, what do you stand for?

In Alfred Uhry's Broadway hit, "The Last Night of Ballyhoo," the mother of a Southern Jewish family explains to a protesting Jewish New Yorker that it's all right for them to have a Christmas tree, so long as they don't put a star on top. It's just like a Halloween pumpkin, she says.

This may sound nutty, but she's right. The star is a true Christian symbol, while the tree is essentially pagan.

In German mythology, the universal and sacred tree stood as the invisible but real backbone of the world. The greatest of the German gods came to worship at the evergreen tree, which stayed green and alive through the brutal Northern winter, carrying with it the promise of renewed life.

Appropriately enough, the Germans invented the Christmas tree some 1,500 years ago by adapting their pagan worship to the newly found Christianity.

In the 19th century, they took it with them to new lands, particularly the United States and England.

This was no mean feat because these fundamentally pagan countries were leery of any deviation from their austere Protestant religious observances. Indeed, the Pilgrims who landed in Provincetown to fish in Massachusetts that harsh winter of 1620 were determined to banish all popish festivals, including Christmas.

They spent their first Christmas Day in the New World constructing a building for their common supplies. They could hardly have chosen a more mundane or less festive activity.

Cold Massachusetts waited another 200 years for its first Christmas tree.

In 1832, Charles Follen, a refugee and a professor of German literature at Harvard University, went into the Lexington woods and cut a huge evergreen.

His father in Germany had taught him to dress evergreens for Christmas with gilded nuts, eggshells, gingerbread, shiny apples and colored paper.

Christmas trees were not popular in England until 1840, when Queen Victoria's homestead, German husband, Prince Albert, sent to Germany for a tree. The craze soon followed.

The Christmas tree has been wildly popular ever since, and for good reason — it is wonderful and joyous and speaks to the human heart.

Just as the early church fathers had shrewdly scheduled Christmas to coincide with the winter solstice and the pagan festival of Saturnalia — allowing Roman Christians to stick to familiar practices — so, too, 20th century church fathers accepted the pagan tree as its own.

Professor Earl Wendell Count, an anthropologist who studied the evolution of Christmas over 2,000 years, once wrote that the first impulse of the church fathers had been to suppress peasant rights and practices. But that was a mistake they soon rectified by "taking the merriment, the greenery, the lights and the gifts away from Saturn and giving them to the Babe of Bethlehem."

And why not? At the solstice, the sun stands still over the earth and then turns around to bring

JULIA VITULLO-MARTIN

light and heat to the dark and cold north. The grimmest day of the year turns to the sun for new hope and life.

The solstice's companion, the Christmas tree, is festooned with lights and ornaments (jewels) so that its radiant beauty can shine forth with the promise of protection and renewed life.

Protection and renewed life are also the promise of the birth of Christ. But the star of Bethlehem is an entirely different matter from the tree.

St. Matthew wrote: "Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is He that is born King of the Jews?' For we have seen his star in the east, and have come to worship him."

Many astronomers say there really was a spectacular star that

rose in the east and hovered over Palestine.

Johannes Kepler, the 17th century German astronomer, thought it was a nova (a sudden brightening of a dim star) occurring near a conjunction of bright planets, probably Jupiter and Saturn in the constellation of Pisces.

This would have held special meaning for Jewish mystics, for whom Saturn stood for Judaism and Jupiter signified kingship. Further, say some modern scholars, the wise men were probably Persian followers of a religious sect called Zoroastrianism, which associated the Pisces constellation with the fate of the Jews.

Other scholars propose variations. Astronomer Roger Sinnott argues that the star of Bethlehem was the conjunction of Jupiter and Venus, the sky's brightest objects not including the sun and the moon.

The two planets would have appeared, he says, between the paws of Leo the Lion, the constellation associated with the Lion of

Judah, the most powerful of the 12 tribes of Israel.

In any event, to ancient believers the star became part of the prophecy for which they were waiting — a sign that the Messiah had been born. In this sense, the star is a profoundly religious idea, far more serious than the tree.

But the ongoing scholarly search for the true star of Bethlehem reminds us of an often-forgotten aspect of Christmas: Judaism and Christianity are intertwined, and without Judaism, we would have no celebration at all.

Julia Vitullo-Martin edited "Breaking Away: The Future of Cities" (Twentieth Century Fund Press). This commentary was distributed by Knight-Ridder/Tribune Information Services.

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WORLD



Divers in Indonesia search river for bodies, wreckage after crash

MAKARTI, JAYA, Indonesia (AP) — Powerful currents and muddy brown water hampered Indonesian divers trying Saturday to reach victims of a crashed jetliner at the bottom of a fast-flowing river on Sumatra island.

Rescuers said most of the 104 people aboard SilkAir Flight MI-185 likely were still strapped into their seats and the plane's nose was embedded in thick mud.

"Everybody is dead. Most of them are still inside the plane," said police Sgt. Ganep Nasir.

The Boeing 737-300 crashed into the Musi River on Friday, halfway through a flight from Jakarta to Singapore.

Divers groped their way through the opaque water to locate the wreckage, but Police Sgt. Husen Achmad said they

were having trouble opening the doors of the plane.

Welding tools were being brought in to help pry the doors loose, and divers said they intended to cut their way into the jet Sunday.

Indonesian officials also said they hope to use a floating crane to hoist the mostly intact fuselage from the river, which monsoon rains have swollen to 500 yards wide.

Two SilkAir flights Saturday ferried 200 relatives of the passengers to Palembang, 35 miles south of the crash site.

Dozens of them hired speedboats to watch a flotilla of Indonesian police and navy boats scour a 10-square-mile area of river and swamp for debris and human remains.

An Indonesian woman who

flew there with her husband from Jakarta said she lost three relatives.

"I can't believe they're dead," she said. "Four days ago, we celebrated my sister-in-law's birthday. And now they are gone."

Helicopters flying overhead dropped divers into the water. Nearby villagers watched the search from longboats.

Rescuers cast a net over the plane to prevent debris from drifting away. Investigators pored over pieces of the plane's shattered tail and examined items such as clothing and a yellow life jacket for clues to why the plane crashed.

A twisted piece of orange metal was found and, although it was the same color as the missing flight recorders, investigators would not speculate on what it was.

Searchers find wreckage of Ukrainian jet

FOTINA, Greece (AP) — Rescue teams reached the charred wreckage of a Ukrainian passenger jet Saturday on a remote slope near the Mount Olympus range. None of the 70 people aboard survived.

Meanwhile, crews recovered the bodies of five air force officers killed Saturday when their military plane went down on its way to help the search.

Investigators and rescue workers who reached the site of Wednesday's crash said little remained of the Soviet-designed Yak-42. It was found in dense woods at an altitude of 4,000 feet, about 40 miles southwest of Salonika.

Snow-covered debris was strewn in a wide area and down a 300-foot deep ravine. A black smudge mark among the trees was all that remained of fuselage.

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Power shopping? You ain't seen nothin' yet

A couple of years ago, I wrote a news article about last-minute, white-knuckle, can-my-wife-really-file-for-divorce-on-Christmas Day shopping - you know, the kind that takes place in the final, frantic 12 hours or so before Rudolph goes on the clock.

Got a scornful letter in reply from a fellow named Chance (Last Chance? I couldn't say):

"Anyway, Chance called me a Johnny-come-lately and implied that I wouldn't know the desperate never shopping if it slid down the chimney and landed on my chestnuts.

"You call yourself a procrastinator?" he wrote. "Ha! You're practically organic."

"Meet me at the Circle K at 11:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve and we'll see what's what."

Lamentably, I got the letter on Dec. 26.



DON'T ASK
ME
Steve Crump

Notwithstanding, I'm gonna go Chance on one of these days of the year. I had done no Christmas shopping. Zero. None.

As of Wednesday morning, I'll be able to make the same boast. Same with Wednesday afternoon. And evening.

Face it, I won't be out until 11:48 p.m. Wednesday night, which gives me until midnight to get it done.

Get it, Chance? The 12 minutes of Christmas:

• 11:48 p.m. - I'll start at the gum counter. Cinnamon is kind of Christmasy.

• 11:49 p.m. - From there, I'll sashay over to frozen burritos. With apologies to Mel Torme, that's what we're roasting on an open fire this year.

• 11:50 p.m. - Anything wrapped in aluminum foil looks festive, so I'll grab three rolls and look around. Hmmm, I could probably wind those starter cables around the Christmas tree and light up the holiday, but I don't know if I want to keep the truck running all day.

• 11:51 p.m. - Batteries, which represent the entire profit margin of the convenience store industry, are no less lots of AA's and 9-volts, and some D's. (Size-D batteries, as you know, don't exist, any consumer electronics manufactured before 1974, but they make really effective space-eating stocking stuffers.)

• 11:52 p.m. - Next I'll pick up some eggs - all that I can carry. Eggs are the first item that convenience stores run out of on Christmas morning, so I'll hang around the parking lot until sunrise and sell them out of the back of the van for \$40 the dozen.

• 11:53 p.m. - Champagne. Hey, it's Christmas.

• 11:54 p.m. - Windshield de-icer, the spray is kind of it for the youngest kid - in case he ticks the front-porch railing again this Christmas morning.

• 11:55 p.m. - Free plastic mugs (the kind that you carry around on the dashboard and that topple over onto your best pants as you pull into the parking lot at work every morning). Come on, the family doesn't have to know they were free.

• 11:56 p.m. - Kitty litter. We don't have a cat, but the stuff's just great for putting under bald tires if you get stuck. Plus it comes in \$0-pouch sacks, which make for impressive packages if you stick a bow on them with a vial of gum.

• 11:57 p.m. - Jiff Peanut Butter. It sells for \$9.12 for an 8-ounce jar at convenience stores, and thus qualifies as a luxury item.

• 11:58 p.m. - Twenty gallons of highest gasoline. It's practical, goes anywhere, and my wife probably won't mind siphoning it out of my gas tank since hers is empty.

• 11:59 p.m. - Wrapping paper. Hey, fella, you through reading that National Enquirer?

It's midnight, and time for fruitcake - seasonal, durable and inedible. It's the gift that keeps on giving, whether you want it or not.

You see? My Christmas shopping is done on time. I've avoided the crowds, found distinctive presents and spent only ...

Say, can I bring that gag-back-if-my-wife-doesn't-like-it?

Times-News features editor Steve Crump will be the dumpy guy sitting in the corner on Christmas morning, wearing green fuzzy Grinch slippers. Write to him at crump@magicvalley.com, but, obviously, there's no rush.

Christmas tree fire destroys home

By Kent McClary
Times-News writer

HANSEN - A Christmas tree fire burned a young couple out of its home Saturday, fire reports say, and firefighters are organizing a relief effort.

Benjamin Buffington was working his horse in a pasture when the fire apparently started about 12:15 p.m., Rock Creek Fire Department Commander Jerry Morton said. Buffington noticed smoke inside the single-wide trailer, but when he opened the door the fire exploded, blowing out windows, Morton said.

The fire had consumed all the oxygen inside the house and was smoldering, Morton said, when Buffington opened the door, the fresh oxygen fed the fire.

The house was fully involved in flames when firefighters from Kimberly and Murtaugh arrived, Morton said. Buffington was not injured. His wife was away, shopping for Christmas, Morton said. The couple married recently, and lost all their possessions in the house, Morton said.

The Rock Creek Firefighters Association and East End Providers are assembling a help package with donations from Kimberly businesses, said Kimberly police officer Scott Vawser. To help, contact Vawser, Ed Hudson at 423-5045; Cecil Griffith at 731-0806 or 423-4496; or the Rock Creek fire station in Kimberly at 423-4336.

Times-News staff writer Kent McClary can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 238.



Ben Buffington watches while firefighters douse the flames in his Hansen mobile home Saturday. Buffington said by the time he noticed the fire and called 911 the home was engulfed in flames.

Cable expands, offers more choices

TCI of Idaho makes digital viewing a reality in the Mini-Cassia cable TV market

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Unless you buy a new television set, within a few years there's going to be a little black box sitting atop the tube.

It's called a digital compression terminal, and it translates the new electronic language of broadcast television into a signal that your old, analog-format set can understand.

But it arrives here next week. TCI of Idaho announced Friday it will offer a digital TV package to its cable subscribers in the Mini-Cassia area and elsewhere in southern Idaho.

For \$10 a month more than what they pay now, TCI customers will receive up to 27 additional video and 10 audio channels. The service starts Dec. 29.

"TCI Digital Cable is a great value that delivers 24-hour programming," said Sue Parker, who manages TCI's Pocatello office. "Customers will get more of what they want - more movies, more special-interest channels, more pay-per-view channels and more special features for a lot of money."

Maybe so, but digital TV still comes with a substantial price tag. New digital receivers will be more expensive than most current analog TVs, and for folks who choose to keep their old sets, they'll be more costly to maintain.

TCI, for example, plans to charge an installation fee and monthly rental fees for the converter. The company did not supply the amount of those charges Friday.

For the extra money, TCI subscribers

will receive networks such as Discovery Kids, Discovery Science, The History Channel, The Outdoor Life Channel, the Independent Film Channel, ESPNs and multiple premium movie services such as HBO2 and 3; Showtime 2; Starz 2; and three Encore services, including The Love, Western and Mystery channels.

In addition, they'll get access to up to eight pay-per-view channels, including an adult pay-per-view, one pay-per-view preview channel and 10 additional channels of what TCI describes as CD-quality, commercial-free music stations from Digital Music Express.

Besides the TV entertainment channels, TCI Digital Cable will feature a "prevue active" on-screen guide. Operated by a universal remote control,

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County: Death was almost certainly suicide

By Kent McClary
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A final report into the death of an 18-year-old in the Twin Falls County Jail hasn't been issued yet, but county officials say it was almost certainly suicide.

Jailers didn't expect Jeff Price of Idaho Falls to attempt suicide, said Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Toustley, neither did his attorney.

But Public Defender Brad Calbo said Price was worried about the possibility of prison, even though he planned to accept a plea agreement with prosecutors. He was charged with conspiracy to

commit murder and aggravated battery. Price was upset, but more from the thought of being away from loved ones for a long period than because of the agreement, Calbo said.

"He seemed as comfortable as an 18-year-old could be knowing the prosecutors were going to recommend he go to prison," Calbo said. "He wanted to know, 'What am I really looking at?'"

Price was found by jail deputies about 1 a.m. Monday, hanging by bed sheets from the top bunk in his cell, sheriff's department reports say. Price was transported to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center but later pronounced dead.

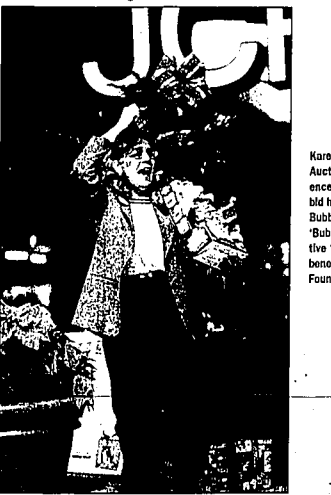
Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebis said Friday he hadn't seen a written report concluding the investigation. However, Loebis said he hasn't gotten any information Price's death was anything other than a suicide.

Loebis also said he had no indication of negligence by jailers. Calbo said he received no official notice of the death from the sheriff's department. Monday morning, a court security officer notified him, Calbo said.

Price had waived his preliminary hearing and planned to accept a plea agreement with prosecutors, Calbo said.

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JOLLY GOOD FUN



Karen James of JMA Auctioneers says the audience at Magic Valley Mall to bid higher on a 'Real Talkin' Bubba' doll Saturday. The 'Bubba' doll and an interactive 'Barney' doll were sold to benefit the Make a Wish Foundation.

Effects of grazing lawsuit on south Idaho remain unclear

By N.S. Norkentved
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It's too soon to tell what effect lawsuit over grazing in western Owyhee County would have on the rest of southern Idaho.

A request for a preliminary injunction was heard last week in U.S. District Court in Boise. The injunction would block ranchers from turning cattle out on the Bureau of Land Management's 1.3 million-acre Owyhee Resource Area in southwestern Idaho until an approved management plan can be completed.

The suit was filed in November by the Idaho Watersheds Project, headed by Jon Marvel of Hailey, a vocal critic of public-lands grazing management.

Cattlemen fear the outcome could affect grazing in the rest of Idaho and other Western states. The Idaho Cattle Association is selling raffle tickets for a new pickup truck, trying to raise money to fight the suit.

"It is overwhelming to think that one radical preservationist could force almost 100 ranching families out of business," said Chris Black, president of the Owyhee County Cattlemen.

But lawyer Laird Lucas of the Land

Heavy or not?

Idaho debates value of increasing truck weights

By Kurt Friedemann
Times-News writer

BURLEY - The Idaho Transportation Board last week approved a pilot project that could increase truck weights from 105,500 pounds to 118,000 pounds on specific state highways including U.S. Highway 93 through Twin Falls.

The Legislature must amend state law to officially kick-start the project, but for Circle A Construction owner and vice president Steve Aslett, an increase in weight could be a boon for his local bulk-hauling business.

"But not only us, suppliers and producers will see cheaper hauling prices as well," he said.

Who it helps

Based in Twin Falls, Circle A Construction hauls tons of sugar beets every day to Twin Falls-based Sugar Cane Plant, and if each truck can haul more, everyone's cost will go down, Aslett said.

"But it's not going to be a fast change," he warned. "There's a lot to do, but it's a step in the right direction."

For Mike Fraiser, who owns and operates Fraiser Transport in Meridian, the step goes nowhere.

He runs about a dozen tractor-trailer rigs in Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and all along the west coast. But

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and Water Fund of the Rockies said the Idaho Watersheds Project is not trying to put anyone out of business. Nor does it want to move cattle off public lands.

The group wants to keep cows out of the creeks, Lucas said.

Cows degrade riparian areas, the green ribbons of vegetation along desert creeks, Lucas said. The lawsuit seeks to change grazing management to improve riparian areas and to correct water-quality violations.

Ranchers may have to revise pasture and grazing methods, but it can be done, Lucas said.

The lawsuit asks the BLM to institute management practices that would stop water pollution caused by livestock grazing, but the BLM has not done that, Lucas said. Scientific evidence shows that uplands are improving, not that an area still are in trouble, he said.

The BLM agrees - to a point - that objectives set in 1981 have not been met, as argued in the lawsuit. BLM spokesman Barry Rose said. Data bears out that charge. But it is not because the agency isn't doing anything.

The agency has been working to make improvements to steer in the direction of those objectives, Rose said. It is making

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MAGIC VALLEY WEST

Tree trunk draws curious crowds

Knight-Ridder News Service

SAN JOSE, Calif. — A tree struck with a likeness of the Virgin Mary has drawn more than 100 visitors bearing flowers and rosary beads to a Colima cemetery this week.

The image, formed by a pattern of tree sap, appeared on a portion of a 100-foot California pine tree about 10 to 12 feet off the ground in an area where a branch had been cut off.

LeFebvre, vice president and general manager of the Olivet Memorial Park cemetery. The branch was sawed off about two years ago, he said.

"If you look at it from certain angles, you can see what appears to be a halo over the top, a cape coming down over dark hair, the face, and then like hands held in

prayer at the chest," he said. "No one knows when it was first spotted, or who was first to see it. LeFebvre said, but the sighting may be related to Dec. 12, which was a Catholic feast day for Our Lady of Guadalupe.

LeFebvre, who is Catholic, isn't saying whether he thinks the image is a miracle or just a splash of tree sap. "I'd rather keep that to myself," he said. "You can believe if you choose to or not, but I can't believe it."

Such was the case of two women who visited the site together Friday, he said. "One spotted it right off, but the other had a very difficult time in seeing it."

Visitors, both curious and devoted, have been drawn to the site. Some heard about it on Spanish-language radio or televi-

sion stations, Lefebvre said. A makeshift shrine has sprung up around the tree trunk — a collection of medallions, flowers, rosary beads, candles, garlands and a picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

"Some people just stand there and look. Other people get down on their knees and pray," Lefebvre said. "My main concern is that people respect that this is a cemetery and there are people who are buried within the area."

Oliver Meade, who has been in Colima since 1895, is one of three non-sectarian cemeteries in the 12-cemetery town.

Sgt. Edward Ruggiero of the Colma police department said many pedestrians park across the street and walk across Hillside Boulevard to look at the tree, but there have been no traffic problems so far.

Biologists say carrying out judge's order to remove wolves would be difficult

LEWISTON (AP) — A judge's order to remove transplanted wolves from central Idaho is on hold, but a federal biologist says eventually carrying it out will be complicated by wolves that already were living in Idaho.

And it may be most complicated in northern Idaho's Kelly Creek, where biologists believe a native wolf mated with a transplanted female.

Their pups apparently already qualify for full endangered species protection because they were born outside the experimental recovery area, said Ed Bangs, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's wolf recovery coordinator in Helena, Mont.

The Nez Perce Tribe, which contracted the federal agency to manage the Idaho wolves, is tracking 28 of the 35 animals released in 1995 and 1996. Four wolves are dead and the locations of the other three are unknown. Central Idaho's total wolf population now is estimated at 66.

"Trying to catch them would be a difficult exercise, said Tim Kaminski, the biologist leading the tribe's wolf project. U.S. District Judge William Downes in Casper, Wyo., ruled Dec. 12 that the wolf recovery

Tracking down the three that have paired with radio-collared wolves would be the first.

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effort violated the Endangered Species Act because it did not, sufficiently, protect wild wolves that already might roam Idaho.

Downes ordered the Fish and Wildlife Service to remove all the transplanted wolves and their pups from Idaho and Yellowstone National Park. He stated that order to give federal officials and others a chance to appeal his ruling.

"In a year's time we might get half to two-thirds of the animals. But the cost of that effort, the conditions, the weather and such, the logistics would be extraordinary," Kaminski said. "I'm game for that challenge if it comes to that, but I think it's absurd."

Bangs said he did not consider the effort as difficult as Kaminski.

"There's only a few questionable wolves in Idaho," he said.

"That's the key, and we'll need to run them to ground first," Bangs said. "It's not that big a deal to remove them. It's difficult but it's doable."

It also is possible that Fish and Wildlife would choose to kill the transplanted wolves, Bangs said. The Canadian government made it clear the wolves would not be welcome back when U.S. Biologists were allowed to capture them in Canada and move them to Idaho and Yellowstone.

"I think if the decision were made to lethally remove them, there would be no reintroduced wolves or their offspring left in central Idaho," Bangs said.

Both he and Kaminski said an serious effort to remove the transplanted wolves and their pups from Idaho would have to be mounted during the winter, when they would be easiest to track and spot against the snow.

SERVICES

Ruby J. Rupp of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Friends may call from 7 to 8 p.m. today at the chapel.

Florence B. Edmons of Mesa, Ariz., grave dedication, 2 p.m. Monday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl.

Mary J. Lesher of Okla. City, Okla., wake service at the Epiphany of the Lord Church in Oklahoma City and funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Monday under the direction of the Vona Smith Funeral Home in Oklahoma City.

Frank J. Herrera of Pocatello and formerly of Pocatello

Monday at Payne Memorial Chapel in Burley. Friends may call one hour before the funeral at the chapel.

Byron M. Skaug of St. Maries, 11 a.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Harrison, Idaho. (Visitation: First Baptist Church in St. Maries.)

HOSPITALS

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Silvia Godines, John Merrill, Susan Pickup, Forest Severe and Alexandro Vega, all of Burley; Jeremiah Hooker and Charles Martinez, both of Rupert; Jack May and Brett Smith, both of Heyburn; and Elmon Kidd of Declo.

Released: Connie Hickman, Susan Hirsch, Lavonda Parsons, Joseph Dale Smith and May Tanner, all of

MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

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Released: Max Almous and Clara Wren, both of Rupert; Osmer Smith of Malta; and Octaviano Ochoa of Heyburn.

Released: Heidi Robbins and baby, Clara Wren, Max Olmos and Terry Merrill, all of Rupert; and Osmer Smith of Malta.

IDAHO ROAD REPORT

BOISE (AP) — Here are Saturday afternoon's road conditions from the Idaho Department of Transportation.

Interstate 84 — Oregon line-Utah line, dry. Interstate 86 — Dry. Interstate 15 — Utah line-Fort Hall, dry; Fort Hall-Dubois, icy spots; Monticla Pass, icy spots.

Interstate 90 — Washington line-Coeur d'Alene, wet, 4th of July Pass, wet; Cataldo-Wallace, icy spots; Wallace-Lookout Pass, broken snow floor.

Idaho 55 — Boise-Horseshoe Bend, dry; Horseshoe Bend-McCall, icy spots.

U.S. 95 — Oregon line-Cambridge, dry; Cambridge-New Meadows-Riggins, icy spots; Riggins-Whitehall Hill, dry; Whitehall Hill, icy spots; Grangeville-Caldesia, icy spots; snowing; Caldwell-Lewiston, wet; Lewiston Hill, Lewiston Hill, icy spots; Plummer-Boundary County line, wet; Coeur d'Alene-Bozeman County line, broken snow floor; Bonner County line-Sandpoint, dry; Sandpoint-Boundary County, slush; icy spots; shrew Boundary County-Junction U.S. 2, wet, icy spots, snow floor, snowing; Junction U.S. 2-Eastport, wet, icy spots, snow floor, snowing.

Idaho 21 — Boise-Idaho City, icy spots; Idaho City-Banner Summit, icy spots, broken snow floor; Banner Summit-Straden, broken snow floor.

U.S. 12 — Lewiston-Junction Idaho 3, wet; Junction Idaho 3-Koonikin, icy spots; Koonikin-Idaho 3, snowing; Lowell-Powell-Lolo Pass, snow floor, snowing.

Idaho 20 — Mountain Home-Carey, dry; Arco-Idaho Falls, icy spots, broken snow floor; Idaho Falls-Ashton, broken snow floor, icy; Ashton-Mountain Home, broken snow floor, broken snow floor.

Idaho 75 — Shoshone-Ketchum, dry; Ketchum-Anderson-Idaho Falls; Galena-Stanley-Clayton, icy spots; Clayton-Challis, icy spots, snow floor.

U.S. 33 — Nevada line-Graters of the Moon, dry; Graters of the Moon-Arco, icy spots, dry; Arco-Challis, icy spots, broken snow floor, snow floor; Challis-Mountain, icy spots, snow floor; Salmon-Lost Trail Pass, icy spots, snow floor.

U.S. 91 — Dry.

U.S. 30 — McCammon-Lava Hot Springs, dry; Lava Hot Springs-Georgetown, wet, icy spots, drifting; Georgetown-Montpelier-Wyoming.

Idaho 51 — Icy spots, broken snow floor.

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U.S. 26 — Junction U.S. 20-Blackfoot, dry; Idaho Falls-Ririe, icy; Ririe-Wyoming, icy spots, icy.

OBITUARIES

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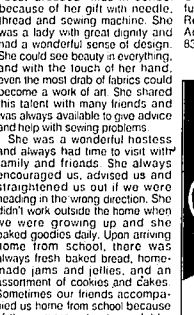
TWIN FALLS



Ann B. O'Halloran
Our mother and best friend, Ann B. O'Halloran, passed away Dec. 18, 1997, and heaven received an angel. Mom's health had been bad for the last few years, but she never lost her sense of humor or her desire to get well and do great things for and with her family. Even when sick, she made us laugh and always reminded us to enjoy and thank God for his many gifts and blessings. His greatest gift and greatest blessing to all of us was our mother, and how thankful we are for the years we had her.

Mom was born in American Falls on Jan. 20, 1910, the fourth of seven children of Mary and Joe Wagner. She attended school in American Falls until age 15 when the family moved to Chicago. They stayed a year and then moved back to Idaho, settling in Twin Falls. Mom graduated from high school in 1928, attended Grapp's Business School, where she later taught for two years, and obtained a job as bookkeeper in the Cinderella Shop in Twin Falls. She met our dad, Harry O'Halloran, and they married Nov. 17, 1930, starting a new generation of O'Hallorans that are increasing and multiplying yearly. They were so proud of their family, and people looked forward to their yearly Christmas message and picture update of the O'Halloran clan. Mother was a member of St. Edward's and Our Lady of Guadalupe parishes. All her children attended St. Edward's Catholic School, and Mom was an active member of the PTA, and served on many boards, and chaired many events. She was a member of the CCW, the Legion of Mary, St. Edward's Altar Society, the Bowl and Blossom Flower Club, and the Swingin' Sixties. She loved singing, dancing, playing the piano, cooking, parties, sewing, and quilting. Mom lived her life with home and expressed a love that shaped our lives.

BURLEY



Neal M. Bunn
Neal M. Bunn, 65-year-old Burley resident, died Friday, Dec. 19, 1997, at his home in Burley. He was born Dec. 19, 1937, at his home of William A. and Katharine Parké Bunn. He received his education in the Burley area. He joined the U.S. Army in 1956 and served for 17 months in southern France. He worked for Amalgamated Sugar Company and died in an auto accident.

Survivors include five sons, Donny Bunn of St. Charles, Mo.; Don Bunn of Holyburn, James Bunn of Klamath, Utah; Dennis Carter of Stone and Doug Carter of Chubbuck; three daughters, Evelyn Bunn of Dayton, Utah; Diane Skidmore and Debrae Parks, both of Stone; two brothers, Parke Bunn of Burley and Norbert Bunn of Grand Junction, Colo.; two sisters, Gladys Wright of Utah and Dons War of Hwy. 247, and 18 grandchildren. He was predeceased in death by his parents. A funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23, 1997, at the Burley LDS 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel, 2200 Oakley Ave., with Bishop Garth Williams officiating. Burial will be at the Declo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral. Visitation at the church.

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Drunk-driving sentences

1. Ina Helen Buchanan, 25, 144 S. 1st St., Twin Falls, driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, 90 days in jail with 90 suspended, driving privilege suspended 180 days, \$100 fine, \$100 court costs, 90 months probation, magistrate Judge Michael Heald.

Misdemeanor dismissals

1. Keith Ray Satterfield, 47, 746 N. 14th St., Twin Falls, driving without privilege, attempted to evade arrest, 90 days in jail with 90 suspended, driving privilege suspended 180 days, \$100 fine, \$100 court costs, 90 months probation, magistrate Judge Michael Heald.

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Idaho agency, elk foundation team up to buy range

Feds back drilling near Utah park

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Bureau of Land Management has reaffirmed an earlier decision granting a Denver company's request to drill an exploratory oil well near Canyonlands National Park in southeastern Utah.

The BLM's San Juan area office gave Legacy Energy Corp. the green light to proceed on an oil lease the company owns in Lockhart Basin, about six miles east of the park.

The original decision in August was delayed after the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance (SUWA) and the San Juan County commission appealed it with the BLM state director.

SUWA said the decision was not restrictive enough. The county argued it was too restrictive.

As a result of the appeals, Kent Walter, the BLM's San Juan area manager, revisited his August decision but reaffirmed it.

The decision allows the company to drill from Jan. 1 to March 31 and from Sept. 1 to Oct. 15. The restrictive dates are to protect desert bighorn sheep during mating and birthing seasons.

SUWA plans to appeal Walter's latest decision, first to the BLM's state director, then to the Department of Interior's Board of Land Appeals, if necessary.

Lockhart Basin is part of SUWA's proposal for federally protected wilderness. Park officials also have expressed interest in adding it to Canyonlands.

"This area is beautiful not only when you are there, but it is within sight of the park and near by viewpoints," said SUWA spokesman Kevin Walker.

Walker said the proposed drilling site is about half a mile from a spring used by bighorn sheep. It also is in a rugged area seldom visited by off-road vehicles.

"We don't need to be going down there punching out roads, especially in an area of habitat critical to the desert bighorn," he said.

Legacy officials were not available Friday for comment.

Though the highway is not technically endangered, it is considered a "high-interest" species by state and federal wildlife managers.

Walker said SUWA plans to argue in its appeals that BLM is violating its own plans regarding oil exploration in areas that are important to vistas and ecology.

Utah alcohol board OKs hotel sales

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah hotels will be permitted to include minibottles of liquor in their room service following a decision by the state Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission.

The commission on Friday also permitted hotels to begin offering single-serving bottles of wine — an option not included in a test of minibottle use in hotels but supported by the Utah Hotel and Lodging Association.

The eight-month pilot program resulted in sales of 2,500 minibottles in hotels and helped convince the liquor control panel to make the program permanent.

"This is great news," said Steve Lindburg, general manager of the Doubletree Hotel in Salt Lake City.

Not only does the commission ruling allow hotels to provide the beverage services customers expect at a good hotel, but it also reduces the possibility lodging places will serve their guests too much, he said.

In the past, a person who wanted a drink in a Utah hotel room had to buy a whole bottle of wine or liquor. Instead of getting a single drink, the guest would wind up with roughly five glasses of wine or, if the hotel sold pint-size liquor to make 16 drinks.

"Now if someone wants a single glass of wine with their sandwich, we can meet their expectations without having to over-serve them and without providing them with more than they wanted," he said.

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — The Fish and Game Department and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation have started buying 2,135 acres of critical eastern Idaho elk winter range.

"This is a great Christmas present to all sportsmen," said Terry Thomas, manager of the Tex Creek Wildlife Management Area for Fish and Game. "This is a critical purchase that everyone will benefit from."

As part of the \$778,000 deal to buy the Quarter Circle O Ranch from Rod Payne and John

Farabauer, the department also will buy the ranchers' 2,210 acres of grazing allotments.

The purchase is called a "1031 property exchange" where the department and foundation are purchasing land for Payne and Farabauer in exchange for the ranch.

The ranch about the Tex Creek management area east of Idaho Falls and will be managed as deer and elk winter range.

The deal has been in the making for two years and is Fish and Game's biggest land purchase

this year, said Tom Parker, land manager.

It also represents the Elk Foundation's largest purchase in Idaho, said Art Talsma, regional director.

Biologists say more than 1,000 elk and countless deer winter on the ranch. There also is one

active sage grouse lek or breeding area on the property, and it holds sharp-tailed grouse.

"The sportsmen will reap the benefits of this acquisition for generations to come," said Steve Schmidt, regional habitat manager for Fish and Game. "With it, we are providing a secure winter

range for one of east-Idaho's largest elk and deer herds."


Everyone involved in the purchase lauds Payne and Farabauer for working through the state bureaucracy to get the job done.

Payne said he never considered selling the ranch to anyone but Fish and Game.

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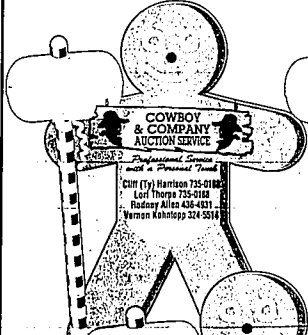
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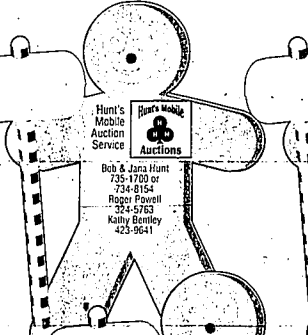
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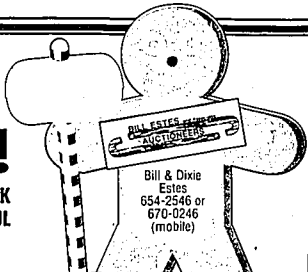
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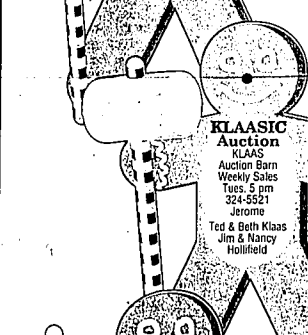
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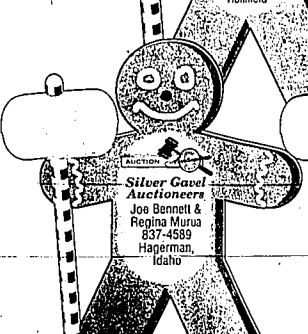
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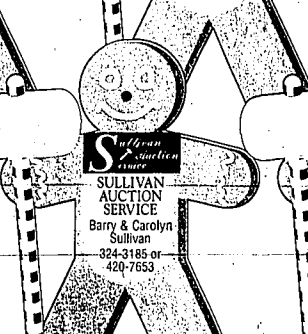
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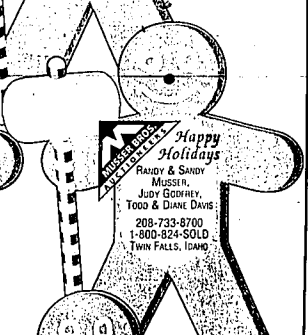
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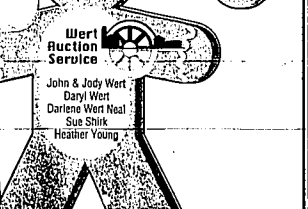
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Rankin says day honoring King overrated

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A holiday honoring Martin Luther King Jr. should receive less status than the observance for Christopher Columbus, according to Kootenai County Commissioner Ron Rankin.

Rankin this week reluctantly endorsed a plan to give county employees a paid holiday next month in honor of the slain civil rights leader.

Commissioners voted to celebrate Columbus Day from the official county holidays list, but retain the holiday in honor of King and other civil rights leaders.

Rankin said the community's political priorities are distorted. He said he would rather have had the county cancel the "lesser day" designated for King on the third Monday in January.

Rankin said he backed the proposal to drop Columbus Day in October because it was more efficient. "What we did was for the pleasure of the taxpayers," he said. "Having a full staff here on a day in October (with looming elections and tax notices) is more important than having a full staff here on a day in January."

But it's said that more is made of Martin Luther King Day than of other holidays honoring the nation's great leaders, Rankin said.

Commissioner Dick Panabaker said he expects some reaction from Rankin's comments, but didn't disagree with the premise. "Had it not been for the staffing issue, I would have probably concurred with (eliminating) Martin Luther King Day," he said.

Kootenai County employees have gotten 10 holidays in the past. But recent approval of a "floating holiday" to be used around Christmas or Thanksgiving, boosted the number to 11.

Babbitt calls park's wolf program a success

CASPER, Wyo. (AP) — The wolf recovery program in Yellowstone National Park has been a success, and if an appeal of a judge's decision declaring the program illegal fails, wildlife authorities may seek full protection for the wolves, said the U.S. Secretary of the Interior.

"This is a tremendous success," Secretary Bruce Babbitt told the Casper Star-Tribune. "We are not going to walk from it as long as there is any way of working this out legally."

U.S. District Judge William Downes ruled about 10 days ago the wolf recovery program in the park and central Idaho was illegal because it reduced Endangered Species Act protection for wolves that might wander into the area from Montana. He also ordered the transplanted wolves removed from the area, although he stayed his order pending an appeal.

Jim and Cat Urbigkit of Pinedale unsuccessfully challenged the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's effort to restore wolves in Yellowstone and central Idaho. They said the native wolf population would be threatened by releasing Canadian wolves in the area, but Downes ruled facts

showed the natives were extinct.

So far several environmental groups and the Wyoming Farm Bureau have vowed to file an appeal. The Justice Department will have the ultimate decision on whether the government will appeal.

Babbitt said if appeals fail, authorities could seek to place the transplanted wolves under the Endangered Species Act, but he was unsure if that protection could be extended legally.

The recovery plan placed the wolves under the less stringent "non-essential population" status, which means ranchers and farmers can shoot the wolves on private land if they are preying on livestock.

"The whole idea behind this was that we would try to invent a neighbor-friendly way to getting this wolf reintroduction done," Babbitt said.

Babbitt said an appeal would defend the decision of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

"Of course it has absolutely captured the imagination of the American people and brought tourists and income and attention to both Yellowstone and Wyoming," he said.



Ron Rankin

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ACCIDENT RESULTS IN INJURY

The Times-News

Twin Falls County

TWIN FALLS — Recent activity in Twin Falls County's 5th District Court included:

Arraignments

Brian N. Olson, 25, 433 Fifth St. N. Ext., Nampa, felony driving without privileges; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set Wednesday; bail set at \$1,000.

Sandra L. Hemingway, 41, 149 Moser Drive, Buhl, driving under the influence; possession of drug paraphernalia; resisting or obstructing officers; public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.

Danita Reine Hauser, 40, Tyler Street, Twin Falls, resisting or obstructing a police officer; public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.

Danita Reine Hauser, 40, Tyler Street, Twin Falls, forgery, theft by possession of stolen property; public defender appointed; bail set at \$2,500; preliminary hearing set Wednesday.

Dee E. Patterson, 31, 552 Second Ave. E., Twin Falls, convicted of possession of drug paraphernalia; failure to pay fine; warrant issued; pleaded innocent; bail set at \$202.50.

Tina Marie Burr, 27, 460 Elm St., Castleford, domestic battery, possession of a concealed weapon without a license; set for trial; released on own recognizance.

Patricia Jane Barrett, 47, Branning Iron Blvd. #7, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance, parole violation; public defender appointed; \$5,000 bail.

Antonio H. Hernandez, 15, 113 S. Broadway, Buhl, driving under the influence, failure to purchase driver's license; public defender denied; released on own recognizance.

Felicia M. Hollyson, 17, 242 N. Main, Hailey, driving under the influence; under 21, driving without privileges; possession of drug paraphernalia; state dismissed counts 2 and 3; failure to appear for sentencing on DUI; warrant issued; sentencing set; bail set at \$1,500.

Gabriel O. Muravilla, aka Gabriel M. Ocranan, 19, 615 W. Ave. G, Jerome; minor in possession of alcohol by consumption; pleaded guilty; sentenced to one day in jail, credit for time served; court costs uncollectible.

Rebecca Fuentes, 27, 140 Alexander, Twin Falls; driving without privileges, failure to appear; warrant issued; public defender appointed; bail set at \$1,500.

Ricardo Tomasco Castillo, 48, 218 W. 14th, Jerome, or Twin Falls County Jail; driving without privileges, failure to pay; warrant issued; bail set at \$1,500; court costs uncollectible; FTP dismissed.

William G. Kelso, 52, 761 Main Ave. WFO; Twin Falls; driving without privileges; failure to appear for pretrial conference; warrant issued; bail set at \$15,000.

Shari Hardman, 33, 449 Duvall Court, Twin Falls; petit theft, public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.

Mandy Anne Rose, 21; fugitive warrant issued from Nevada for failure to appear, two counts of two counts; possession of a controlled substance, unlawful transportation of a controlled substance, possession of stolen property; public defender set Wednesday; bail set at \$70,000.

Child support cases

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Guy Howcroft. Seeking declaration of paternity; \$26 monthly support; provide health insurance; \$1,337 support for prior period; \$26 attorney's fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Deann R. Hubbell. Seeking \$102 monthly support; provide health insurance; \$149 support for prior period; \$275 attorney's fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Gloria A. Maldonado. Seeking \$398 support for prior period; \$119 monthly support plus 100 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$302 attorney's fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Joey Vilhelm-Crews. Seeking determination of paternity; birth certificate changed to reflect defendant as father; \$4,476 to Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and \$640.50 to mother for support for prior period; \$170 monthly support plus 60 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$275 attorney's fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare vs. Gerald R. McConnell aka Shane McConnell. Seeking \$171 monthly support; provide medical insurance; \$275 attorney's fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Michael E. DeBauk. Seeking \$219 monthly support; provide health insurance; 68 percent of birth-related costs; \$275 attorney's fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Bureau of Child Support Services vs. Curt David Parrott. Seeking declaration of paternity; \$143 monthly support; provide health insurance; \$176 support for prior period; \$275 attorney's fees and costs.

Other filings

Donna M. Haidt vs. David Dosey. Seeking compensatory damages.

medical expenses; past and future pain and suffering, emotional distress and loss of enjoyment of life in amounts in excess of jurisdictional limits; \$2,000 attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiff claims she was standing in her yard and injured by the unprovoked conduct of the defendant's dogs when they jumped upon her and pushed her down, causing serious injury to her left arm and right leg. Plaintiff demands jury trial.

Donald L. and Lynn Shouse for Jolie Shouse, a minor child vs. Andy H. Bowman and Bingham Livestock Transportation Inc. Seeking judgment against the defendants for past, present and future medical expenses; general damages for property damage to vehicle and lost wages for plaintiff Lynn Shouse; amounts to be proven at trial; \$15,000 attorney's fees and costs over vehicle accident.

William V. and Judy K. Snudebaker vs. Elizabeth Tyler Snudebaker, John Doe, Jane Doe and XYZ Corp. Seeking compensatory damages for medical and related care; injuries, pain, suffering, emotional distress, loss of earning capacity and physical disability; loss of earnings loss of comfort, society, solace and consortium; amounts to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs over vehicle accident.

Ellis R. Kip and Deborah D. Engberg vs. Alexis Olivin Powers. Seeking special and general damages for pain and suffering, mental anguish, medical expense, lost earnings and disfigurement; amounts to be proven at trial; attorney's fees and costs over vehicle accident. Plaintiffs demand jury trial.

Richard O. and Crissy J. Jacobs vs. Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co. of Idaho Inc. Seeking judgment against defendant for Crisy Jacobs the sum of \$30,600, and for Richard Jacobs the sum of \$200,000; attorney's fees and costs. Plaintiffs claim defendant is in breach of contract by failing to pay sums owed to plaintiffs under their unassigned motorist coverage issued by defendant.

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Divorces

Debbie Olive vs. Michael D. Olive.

Glenda K. Lins vs. Ronald A. Lins.

Joanne K. Visser vs. Juan F. Viverot.

Evelyn Stanger Clark vs. Newell Clark.

Kyranne Nadalia Pampara vs. Joan R. Pampara.

Carol Jean Baithavong vs. Silay Baithavong.

Ramona Leah Crandall vs. James Lee Crandall.

Amy Lu Olds vs. Gayland Ray Hower.

Phillip Kay McCaslin vs. Della Sue McCaslin.

Karen Christopherson vs. Charles Christopherson.



Bill Connell, 82, of Shoshone is removed from his truck by paramedics after he ran a red light about 10:25 a.m. at the intersection of U.S. Highway 93 and Interstate 84 and ran into the right rear tires of a semi tractor, an Idaho State Police report said. The truck, driven by Richard Tello, 48, of Meridian, was turning onto the westbound on-ramp to I-84. Connell suffered a head injury and was taken to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center but was not admitted. He was cited for not stopping and not wearing a seat belt; the report said.

Castleford forms panel to cut crash deaths

By Leandra Rouble
Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD — Residents of Castleford are fighting the statistics, determined to prevent their children from becoming the next car-accident fatality.

"There are no accidents with cars unless a boulder falls on them, they're crashes," said resident Teresa Tverdy, recalling the words of a state patrolman during a Castleford town meeting Friday night.

Tverdy said people often get behind the "wheel of a loaded weapon" and don't think about it, neglecting simple safety precautions.

The goal of the town meeting was to find a way to begin reinforcing safety measures — such as buckling up every time in a car, and driving at slower speeds in rural areas such as Castleford.

After presentations by area authorities, the 50 or so residents split into groups to make suggestions on how to achieve that goal, Tverdy said. Residents also formed a committee to continue to work on the project and implement suggestions.

Lani Schofield, a member of the newly formed committee and a teacher at Castleford, said representatives from the health department took the ideas and will type them up and bring them to the committee's first meeting sometime in January. Schofield said the major problem won't be

getting the message to young people that they need to buckle up and slow down — it'll be changing their attitudes enough that they actually do it.

"It's got to start at home; parents have to buckle their seat belts and drive at slower speeds to set the example for their kids," said Schofield, the coach and teacher of a Castleford boy killed in an Oct. 10 vehicle accident.

Many parents already are doing it, he said, but more need to before they can make a dent in the statistics.

Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition says one of every 10 Twin Falls County drivers is a teenager. But one of every four drivers in crashes is a teen. Schofield says the problem is "ramant" and needs to be brought under control.

Chris Gandiaga, 17, a senior at Castleford and the president of the student body, agreed with Schofield. Gandiaga, who will serve on the committee, said he has been many of his friends neglect their seat belts and blamed the rural roads and lack of regular police patrolling for giving teens the opportunity to speed.

"We as a community need to say hey, and let parents know

when we see their kids speeding," Schofield said. "We're not doing it to rat on anybody, we're doing it because we care and don't want to see anybody get hurt."

Gandiaga said he was startled to learn Idaho has a higher teenage death rate due to vehicle accidents than most other states and well above the national average. He hopes the committee will be able to bring about a change of attitude.

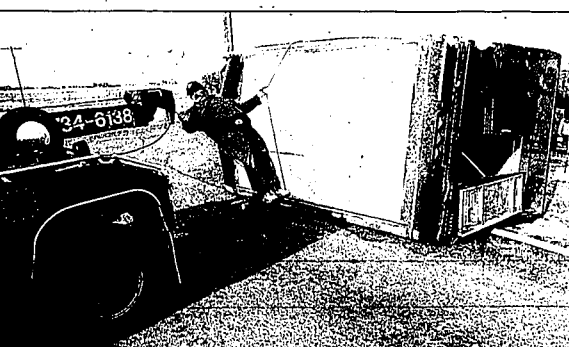
Tverdy said she was impressed with turnout at the town meeting and said it was representative of the community.

"We'll see some good things come out of this," she said, and added that after losing two young people to vehicle crashes in the past year she expects to see a lot more community support.

"When you work with the kids every day, and get to know them, buy it's like losing one of your own," Schofield said. "We can't let the deaths of these young people go in vain, we have to learn from them and stop this from happening to any more of our kids."

Times-News correspondent Leandra Rouble can be reached in Castleford at 537-6817.

BALANCING ACT



Magic Valley towing driver Gene Graham balances tow cable slack while fighting a delivery truck Saturday at Eastland Drive and 3600 North. United Parcel Service driver Victor Sanchez, 23, was southbound on Eastland about 10:35 a.m. and said an oncoming car forced him off the road, a Twin Falls County sheriff's report said. The van crossed a field corner and caught on a concrete irrigation lateral, flopping on the driver's side, the report said. Deputies said Sanchez was not badly hurt; his packages were recovered, a UPS manager said.

City officials mothball \$1.4 million dispatch system

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — For \$1.4 million, Utah's capital city was supposed to get a computerized dispatch system that would put its police and fire officers on the cutting edge of high technology.

Instead, Salt Lake's Computer Aided Dispatch system has been mothballed after falling far short of what city officials had expected the 111 communications array to do.

"There's some problems in the way the system operates for dispatchers and complainant takers. It couldn't work for us," said Salt Lake Police Lt. Stan Childs. Roy Wasden. "It would do what we needed it to for the volume of work."

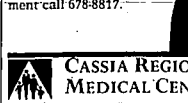
Police took the system offline in July 1996, less than six months after they installed it. They reverted to their old dispatch system.

Authorities now want most of their money back from the manufacturer, SCC Communications Corp. of Boulder, Colo. Since the city bought the computer system,

the SCC division that makes CAD systems had been sold to another company, Printrak International. Litigation against the firm is an option, but authorities will not say if they have decided to sue to recoup the \$1.4 million.

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Hospitals deny 'dumping' patients

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Alta View Hospital and Tooele Valley Regional Medical Center dispute their listing among 256 hospitals nationwide which failed to comply with a federal law against "patient dumping."

An Alta View official blames a bookkeeping error for its purported shortcoming, while Tooele Valley officials deny an incident cited against them "amounted to patient dumping."

Officials at both hospitals insist they are in compliance with the federal law now.

The allegations were made by the Washington-based Public Citizens Health Research Group. It claimed illegal "patient dumping" by hospitals has reached epidemic proportions, with hundreds turned away from emergency rooms without a proper examination.

As of December 1st, Dr. Gilbert K. Crane has moved.

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— Jorge L. Ortiz in the San Francisco Examiner, on P.J. Carlsimo

SCOREBOARD

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Includes College men's basketball, Girls' high school basketball, Boys' high school basketball.

IN BRIEF

Minico Boosters sponsor holiday volleyball tourney

RUPERT — The Minico Booster Club is sponsoring a "Jolley Ball Tournament" from 8 a.m. to approximately 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27 at Minico High School.

Hansen High School alumni to host men's hoops game

The Hansen High School alumni will play host to a men's basketball game at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 30, with all proceeds from that game going to the school's athletic department.

Twin Falls Rec Department to open doors for holidays

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Recreation Department will hold basketball open gym days throughout the holidays at O'Leary Junior High School.

Wood River High graduate to compete for Olympic spot

KETCHUM — Wood River High School graduate Holly Shelton will compete later this month in Lake Placid, N.Y., with a shot at making the Olympic ski team in the downhill and super-G events.

She trained that fall in Switzerland and raced in S. Korea before returning to North America for a series of events in the U.S. and Canada.

Compiled from staff reports

CSI freezes another opponent — Spartans slam

Golden Eagles sweep tourney

By Daman Clow Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If the Golden Eagle men's basketball team can dominate the second half of the season the way it dominated the second halves of its games this weekend, the Scenic West Athletic Conference should use the holiday break to brace itself.

The College of Southern Idaho stifled another Arctic Circle Classic opponent Saturday, beating Hill Junior College of Hillsboro, Texas, 90-48. The win gives CSI a three-game sweep of the tournament and a record of 14-1 heading into the winter vacation.

Down by 18 at the half, the Rebels scored just two field goals in the first eight minutes after the break, as a 20-4 Golden Eagle run put CSI ahead 63-29. All-tournament selection Joe Marshall scored eight of his 10 points in those first eight minutes.

"I think the first five minutes of the second half of any game are important," CSI head coach Jim Thvash said. "We talk at halftime about not losing our intensity and not letting the game get out of hand, and our guys have done that."

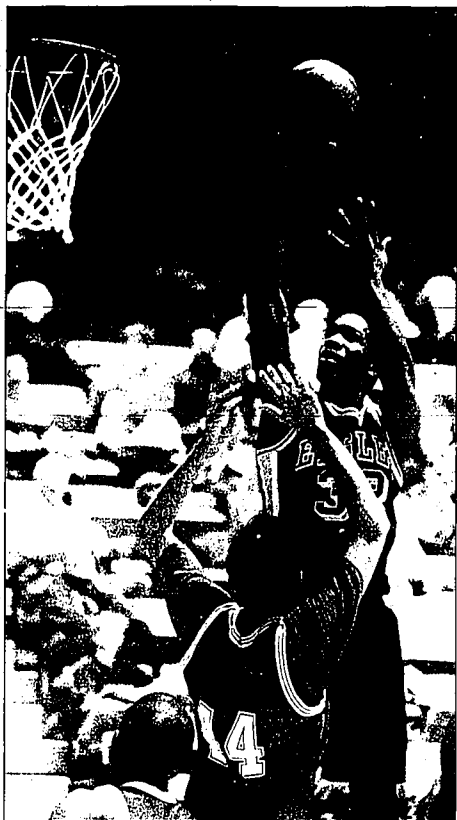
All-tournament selection Carlos Gay opened the scoring with two early buckets, which the Rebels countered with a Darren Silver 3-pointer and a steal and layup from Tawaski Lawton nine seconds later.

On two different Eagles scored the next seven straight points as CSI took a 11-5 lead five minutes into the game. Curtis Bobb hit a trey and followed it up a minute later with a dunk, but the Rebels stayed close courtesy of four points each from Lawton and Robert Curtis, and CSI led just 21-17 with 10 minutes left in the half.

Two inside buckets by tournament MVP Greg McQuay opened up the lead and the Rebels never came closer, scoring just eight points in the remainder of the period.

McQuay and Chico Moore dominated the offensive glass in the second half.

Please see CSI, Page C2



James Stokes of CSI scores from close range as Hill College defenders find themselves under the gun.

Rams end season with a spark

St. Louis puts together 1st 3-game win streak on road

The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The St. Louis Rams played like they wanted to extend their season. The Carolina Panthers acted like they couldn't wait for it to end.

The Rams ended their first year under coach Dick Vermeil with a 30-18 victory over the error-prone Carolina Panthers on Saturday, giving St. Louis three victories in its last four games.

"It's really proud of them," Vermeil said of the Rams' completed their comeback after opening with losses in 10 of their first 12 games. "I think it's a mark of at least what they are, not how good they are, but what they are as people and what character they have."

Jerald Moore rushed for 112 yards and Tony Banks threw for 163 yards and a touchdown for the Rams, who even with their strong finish still wound up in last place in the NFC West.

Jeff Wilkins added three field goals to help St. Louis put together its first three-game winning streak on the road since 1990.

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"We could still play when the season's basically over and the other teams have given up," Moore said. "We're still going strong. We played hard every game this season. I think it really counts at the end, how you close it out."

Carolina (7-9) completed a transition from division champion one year to expansion team look-alike the next. The Panthers were penalized a franchise-record 12 times and Kerry Collins has three passes picked off to push his NFL-leading interception total to 21.

"We just didn't look good at all," tackle Greg Skrepenak said. "It was almost as if we were going through the motions."

Collins finished with 132 yards on 11-of-25 passing as Carolina lost for the third time in four games. Keith Lyle had two of the interceptions to help drop the Panthers to 2-6 this season at Ericsson Stadium, where they were 9-0 last year.

Sporting goods '98: 'Radar' baseball, singing toads possible hits

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Randy Black thinks he has the sports sensation of 1998 in the baseball that clocks itself. Don't hit it, though. It may break.

"The kids love it," said Black, vice president for marketing at Rawlings Sporting Goods Inc. in St. Louis. "They all want to know how fast they throw."

The ball is among new products at the Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association's Super Show trade exposition in Atlanta Feb. 5-8, along with a basketball with handprints and a stuffed frog that croaks college fight songs.

The Rawlings Radar Ball, which the company concedes doesn't actually use radar, is essentially a clockwork baseball. Its timer starts with the snap of the pitch and stops when the ball slams into the catcher's glove.

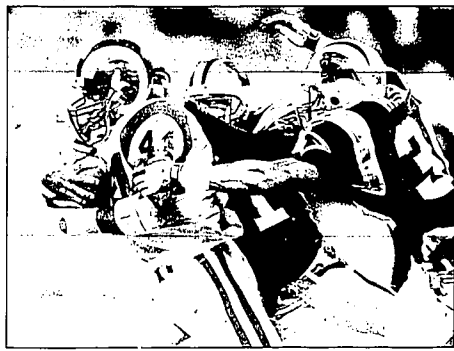
The ball, which is supposed to retail for under \$40, does not measure how far

it goes, only how much time it takes to get there. The user must make sure the distance is correct. The ball can be set to the 46-foot regulation youth pitching distance in Little League or the 60 feet, 6 inches of college and professional play, Black said. For those without a regulation field, Rawlings throws in a tape measure.

The ball, designed only as a training aid to help people throw, is regulation size.

"We had to replace the exact weight so it threw like a baseball," Black said. "We didn't want it to be a gimmick." One catch in this pitch, however, the Radar Ball's liquid crystal display isn't tough enough to bounce off bats. "They are probably going to destroy it," Black said.

Also at the show is a training-aid baseball designed by a youngster who was appalled at his friends' poor shooting forms. At the age of 9, Chris Haas of Murrieta, Calif., drew hands on a ball to



St. Louis Rams running back Jerald Moore (44) heads upfield past Carolina Panthers Rod Smith, center, and Mike Miller during the third quarter of the Rams' 30-18 win in Charlotte, N.C., on Saturday.

show the correct positions for shooting.

That seemed like such a good idea that he submitted a decorated ball to his school's Invention Convention — where it did not win. But teachers encouraged him to keep trying and to get a patent, which he did. Sportime, a national catalog distributor of sporting goods and physical education programs, then picked up Haas' Hands on Baseball ball.

The catalog concedes that this is not the only baseball with hand positions printed on it. But it notes that it was designed by a 9-year-old, and contends this gives Haas the edge in understanding what kids need.

For those who'd rather cheer than play, fight songs seem big this year.

Sound Around of Plymouth, Mich., markets trinkets such as key chains and ballpoint pens that play college songs. A microchip holds the music, which is played through a tiny speaker. Country Mini Ponds of Unionville, Tenn., markets a frog that will croak a

Spartans slam

Minico rolls over competition at invitational

By Jeff Nielsen Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Alongside the scoring table at the Bear-Cat Invitational wrestling tournament, there were five chairs positioned as a sort of winners' stand.

The Minico Spartans might as well have tagged off as they took turns sitting on those chairs Saturday.

There had been wrestlers placed in 10 of the 13 weight classes, with four bringing home individual titles, as the Spartans thumped the rest of the 16-team field at the two-day tournament.

Minico finished with 23.5 points, while second-place Buhl trailed 78.5 points behind at 146 points. Pocatello and Borah rounded out the top four.

Minico also won last year's inaugural Bear-Cat Invitational.

There are 12 places on the trophy for team champions, and now our name is on two of them," Minico wrestler Dvain Midthun said. "We kind of hope to get the next 10, too."

Midthun was one of the Spartans' two unexpected champions. He and Daniel Naranjo were both miseducated entering the tournament, and both pulled out close victories in the finals.

Midthun, a 130-pound wrestler, caught Boral's Cory Shelby in a double-leg takedown in overtime to claim a 6-4 victory. Naranjo scored a takedown with six seconds remaining to take a 4-3 come-from-behind victory over Wood River's Milton Brooks.

"Winning the tournament is a little surprising," Naranjo said. "I just wanted to place. After my third match, I started feeling pretty good about my chances."

Minico keesule all along that Austin Arthur and Jesse Peralaz had good chances of winning.

Peralaz, who finished second at 152 pounds a year ago, defeated Buhl's Turner Davis 9-2 in the 160-pound championship.

"I had never seen (Davis) before, and that was good," Peralaz said. "I like it when you have to figure your opponent out on the mat."

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SPORTS

CSI Jordan leads Bulls to 4th straight win

Stanford claims crown

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Limiting the Rebels to one shot on most of their possessions and helping CSI open up a 34-point lead with 10 minutes remaining and finish the game with a 19-10 run.

WILSON COLLEGE (10-10) defeated OREGON STATE (9-11) 52-35 in a basketball game on Saturday.

SAIT 120, All-Stars 109
In a match between the two winged teams in the Arctic Circle tournament, Southern Alberta Institute of Technology overcame 14 All-Star 3-pointers including seven by Kevin Falls' all-tournament selection Kenny Walker...

The Trojans finished with seven players in double figures, led by 5-foot-9 Mark Slade, with 25.

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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Dennis Rodman grabbed a season-high 24 rebounds and Michael Jordan ignited an 11-point fourth quarter run that led the Chicago Bulls to their fourth straight win, 100-92 over the New Jersey Nets on Saturday.

Jordan finished with 24 points in a so-so performance that gave Bulls coach Phil Jackson his 49th career coaching victory. If Chicago wins one of its next two games, Jackson would break Pat Riley's record for fewest games to reach the 500-victory milestone.

Wizards 94, Raptors 92
TORONTO — Chris Webber scored 28 points and jammed in a missed shot at the buzzer to lift Washington to its fourth straight win.

Pistons 115, 76ers 78
AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Jerome Williams' hand carechogs of 22 points and 13 rebounds off the bench led the Detroit to a win.

Pro basketball
after the 76ers traded Jerry Stackhouse and Eric Moten to the Pistons for Theo Ratliff and Aaron McKie. The Pistons certainly looked like they got the better of the trade as Stackhouse (20) and Moten (6) outscored Ratliff (8) and McKie (4) by 14 points.

Heat 99, Hawks 92
MIAMI — Alonzo Mourning made his first start of the season and blocked two of Steve Smith's shots down the stretch to help Miami over Atlanta in a matchup of Eastern Conference leaders.

Pacers 95, Magic 92
ORLANDO, Fla. — Chris Mullin and Mark Jackson scored 18 points each and Indiana scored 12 of its last 16 points from the foul line to hold off Orlando and win its fifth straight.

T'wolves 92, Clippers 91
MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett's tip-in with 5.8 seconds to play highlighted a dizzying final 11 seconds as Minnesota opened Los Angeles.

Lakers 109, Hornets 100
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Nick Van Exel scored 11 points in the final 3:06 as Los Angeles gained its league-leading 11th road win.

Spurs 100, Rockets 87
SAN ANTONIO — Avery Johnson scored a season-high 21 points as San Antonio avenged its worst loss of the season.

Kings 89, Mavs 88
DALLAS — Corliss Williamson

matched a career-high with 27 points and rookie Michael Sweetney made a key block in the final minute as Sacramento ended a nine-game road losing streak.

Bucks 98, Knicks 78
MILWAUKEE — Patrick Ewing dislocated a bone in his right wrist when he fell hard and New York matched its season-low for points in an loss to Milwaukee.

Suns 102, Nuggets 81
DENVER — Steve Nash scored a season-high 20 points and led Denver to its seventh straight loss.

Collage basketball Top 25 Firms
How the Top 25 Firms in the Associated Press ranked in the 1997-98 season.

Women's Top 25 Firms
How the Top 25 Firms in the Associated Press ranked in the 1997-98 season.

Stanford defeated Penn State 3-2 on Saturday to win the NCAA Division I women's championship.

Stanford won 15-10, 15-6, 15-7 and 15-9.

Stanford (33-2) became the first team in history to win four national titles, breaking a tie with Hawaii and UCLA.

Penn State (34-2) defeated Stanford twice during the season, lost the first two games of the championship match.

The Cardinal won a team-record 25th match in a row, since losing to Penn State on Sept. 6.

FOOTBALL NFL standings

Table showing NFL standings for AFC and NFC conferences, including teams like Pittsburgh, Baltimore, and Cleveland.

Packers 31, Bills 21

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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Table listing individual statistics for various players, including rushing yards and touchdowns.

Rams 30, Panthers 18

St. Louis 30 18
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BASEBALL

Table showing baseball standings for the American League and National League.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Table showing college football standings for various conferences like the Big Ten and SEC.

NBA box scores

Table providing box scores for NBA games, including team statistics and player performance.

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

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IN THE BLEACHERS



"I planted my feet and out to the hoop. Then I head a foul pop."

WOMEN'S TOP 25 FIRMS

Table listing the top 25 women's firms in the 1997-98 season.

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Table showing volleyball tournament results and standings.

HOCKEY

Table showing hockey tournament results and standings.

TRANSACTIONS

Table listing various transactions, including player trades and signings.

SPORTS

Rams run east Minico Tar Heels down Seminoles

RUPERT - Highland's Sam Christensen scored 33 points to lead the Rams on Region III foe Minico 75-59 in high school boys' basketball Saturday.

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close game in the final period to defeat Tyler in non-conference action Saturday night.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) - Antwain Jamison and Vince Carter each scored 22 points and Hammond Williams made four free throws in the final minute Saturday as top-ranked North Carolina beat No. 17 Florida State 88-73.

Men's college basketball
hit the first of two free throws.
No. 11 UCLA 73,
Saint Louis 67

West Virginia 86, No. 20 Georgia 81
ALANTA, Ga. - Damian Owens scored 20 points over the final eight minutes as West Virginia beat the Minors 86-71.

Middleton 74, Buhl 54
MIDDLETON - The Indians led 15-13 at the end of the first quarter but could not stave off Middleton runs the second and third quarters, as Middleton defeated Buhl in high school boys' basketball Saturday night.

Boys' basketball
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"Harrah was particularly excited about his team's free-throw shooting. Oakley connected on 26 of 35 free-throw attempts.

Kimberly 67, Shoshone 53
KIMBERLY - The Kimberley Boys' basketball team worked the ball inside and the result was a victory over the Shoshone Indians in non-conference action Saturday night.

No. 2 Kansas 94, No. 24 Texas Christian 78
KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Paul Freese found his shooting touch after missing seven of his first eight shots and scored 28 points to lead the Jayhawks.

No. 12 Connecticut 93, N.C.-Wilmington 55
HARTFORD, Conn. - Kevin Freeman was perfect from the field and free throw line, scoring 16 points in a balanced attack for the Huskies.

Ohio St. 79, S. Cal 73
COLUMBUS, Ohio - Michael Redd scored 30 points and Ohio State's fourth straight victory despite a rally that saw Georgia (73) overcome a 50-33 deficit with 16:20 remaining to gain a tie at 56 with 9:20 to play.

Burley 84, Rigby 72
BURLEY - Tyler Carlson and Aaron Bradley scored 29 points each and the Burley boys' basketball team survived a late Rigby surge as the Bulldogs won a non-conference victory Saturday.

Dierich 58, Minico Juniors 53
RUPERT - Dave Maughan hit a 15-foot jumper with over time and led Dierich into overtime against Minico Juniors Saturday night.

Declo 96, Glenns Ferry 49
DECLO - The Declo boys' basketball team continued its hot start to the season, running its record to 5-0 with a strong victory over Canyon Conference foe Glenns Ferry.

No. 8 Purdue 86, No. 10 Xavier 84
INDIANAPOLIS - Brian Cardinal scored Purdue's final three points as the Rebels (2-1) scored with a big rebound in the final seconds.

No. 14 Washington 93, Loyola Maryland 54
MARYLENE - Jamie Redd scored 13 of her 25 points during a 29-1 run late in the first half as No. 14 Washington continued to 9-0 victory over Loyola Maryland on Saturday in the first round of the Husky Classic.

Utah State 100, Long Island 84
LOGAN, Utah - A career-high 20 points and 20 rebounds from junior center Donnie Johnson led Utah State to a 100-84 win over Long Island University Saturday night.

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No. 6 South Carolina 77, St. Joseph's 65
COLUMBIA, S.C. - BJ McKie, playing on a bad ankle, scored 19 points and the Gamecocks held St. Joseph's without a basket over the final 10 minutes.

No. 18 Mississippi 106, Prairie View 59
OXFORD, Miss. - Sixth-man Jozeph Darby scored seven straight points as the Bulldogs (1-0) scored in only their first game since Dec. 15.

Montana 76, Utah 52
CEDAR CITY, Utah - Ryan Dick scored 14 points and J.R. Carmel clipped in 13 more to lead Montana to a 76-52 round of Southern Utah Saturday night.

UCLA 93, No. 17 Duke 83
DURHAM, N.C. - Maylana Martin scored 27 points and Matthew Grubbs added 10 rebounds as UCLA beat No. 17 Duke 93-83 Saturday night.

Okley 68, Sho-Ban 43
OKLEY - Everything clicked for the Oakley boys' basketball team as the Hornets jumped out to a 10-2 lead over Sho-Ban and went on to an easy non-conference victory.

Elko 76, Jerome 69
SPRING CREEK, Nev. - Brad Steiner scored 21 points and Tom Dierich chipped in 15, but it wasn't enough as the Jerome boys' basketball team fell to Elko, Nev. in the Spring Creek Invitational non-conference tournament.

Twin Falls 61, Pendleton 48
PENDLETON, Ore. - The Twin Falls boys' basketball team won a points-high 49-27 game against Pendleton Invitational. No other information was available on this game.

No. 5 North Carolina 88, Western Kentucky 67
MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. - Tracy Reid scored 30 points and added 10 rebounds as No. 5 North Carolina rebounded a sluggish first half Saturday to defeat Western Kentucky 88-67 in the Holiday Beach Classic.

No. 6 Texas Tech 65, New Mexico 62
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - Alicia Thompson's short jumper with 14.3 seconds left and Katrina O'Neal's steal and layup allowed No. 6 Texas Tech to hold off New Mexico 65-62 Saturday night.

No. 20 North Carolina St. 87, Santa Clara 63
SEATTLE - Naitiah Wallace scored 25 points and Greg Egan 20 as No. 20 North Carolina State matched its best start in school history Saturday night with an 87-63 win over Santa Clara in the first round of the Husky Classic.

High school scores
Friday's games
Arapahoe 27, Highwood 55
Buhl 24, Middleton 74

West Side 60, North Gem 50
West Valley 72, Lake City 68
Coe 42, Burley 38

Jerome 55, Spring Creek 51
Korover 23, Valley 25
Lansdowne 21, Warren 45

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No. 16 Nebraska 92, Wyoming 41
LINCOLN, Neb. - Nicole Kukih had 12 points, five assists and three steals - all in the first half - as No. 16 Nebraska used a dominant press to roll past Wyoming 92-41 on Saturday night.

No. 23 Auburn 65, UNC Wilmington 46
TEMPLE, Ariz. - Sophomore center Consuelva Sparrow scored 25 points and No. 23 Auburn beat UNC Wilmington 65-46 Saturday in the second game of the Wells Fargo Classic.

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Wilson helps Louisiana Tech survive scare
DALLAS (AP) - Amanda Wilson scored 19 of her 23 points in the second half Saturday, helping No. 4 Louisiana Tech overcome a 16-point deficit and beat Southeastern 76-74.

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Elko proves too tough for Jerome
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Girls' basketball
University of Utah, and the three players will have up to three seasons of college ball next season.

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Wrestling
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SPORTS

NBA's Abdul-Jabbar sues NFL namesake

By Mark Asher The Washington Post

What's in a name? Quite a bit of money, according to NBA Hall of Famer Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, who has sued Miami Dolphins running back Karim Abdul-Jabbar because the football player's adopted Islamic name too closely resembles his own.

The fact that Kareem is 16 inches taller, is 27 years older and gained fame for playing a different sport than Karim does not matter to the older, taller, Abdul-Jabbar. If the shorter, younger Abdul-Jabbar does not change his name, it could cause Kareem "irreparable harm" in his attempt to trade off that name in the form of commercial endorsements, licensed products, speaking engagements and book deals, according to the lawsuit filed last month in Los Angeles.

Both spell their last names the same, but the first names are spelled slightly differently - Kareem (basketball) vs. Karim (football). And there are other similarities in their lives. Their jersey numbers are the same - 33 - they played collegiately at UCLA, where they also accepted the Hanafi school of Islam.

Kareem's suit alleges trademark infringement

When Karim was born in 1974 in Los Angeles to a Muslim family, his name was Sharmou Shah. He went through "a religious affirmation of some importance" at UCLA in 1995, according to his Los Angeles attorney, Amy D. Hogue.

On the other hand, Lew Alcindor had been Kareem Abdul-Jabbar since 1971 and had helped the hometown Los Angeles Lakers win five NBA titles.

Karim declined an interview for this story, but he has told reporters in the past while he knew the name would raise eyebrows, there was nothing he could do about it. His Islamic name was chosen by an imam, or prayer leader.

selected for him."

Kareem's suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Los Angeles and alleges trademark infringement and deceit. Under U.S. law, names cannot be trademarked, but trademarks can be registered for the use of a person's name on specific goods and services.

Kareem's attorneys contend in the lawsuit that licensed products bearing his name and various trademarks registered to him, as well as endorsements, have generated sales of more than \$100 million in the past 10 years. Those sales produced an annual income of at least \$1 million for Kareem, who since leaving the NBA has become a speaker, actor and author.

According to the lawsuit, the plaintiff wrote a letter to Karim a month after becoming aware of the name change in 1995. He asked the football player to select another Islamic name - or, if he kept Abdul-Jabbar, not to exploit it commercially after leaving UCLA.

Officials suspend 2 more Cincinnati basketball players for violations

CINCINNATI (AP) - Two more Cincinnati basketball players were suspended Saturday for breaking NCAA rules, leaving coach Bob Huggins without two of his top starters for three games.

Guard D'Juan Baker, the Bearcats' top scorer, and center Kenyon Martin, the second-leading rebounder, were each suspended for three games for making unauthorized long-distance calls from the university.

Athletic director Bob Goin said the players obtained the coaches' long-distance access numbers and made dozens of phone calls. Other players also made calls by using the access codes, but the number of calls was insignificant and those players will not be suspended, Goin said.

The three-game suspensions were the most the NCAA would impose for such a violation, Goin said. A report will be sent to the NCAA early next week, after a review of phone logs is complete.

That should be the end of the matter, Goin said. "I think it's over. I feel good," Goin said Saturday at halftime of a 106-53 victory over Eastern Kentucky. "I'm pleased with the way Bobby (Huggins) handled it."

Martin and Baker admitted to the violations after Huggins asked the team about the phone records, Goin said. Huggins said he doesn't know how players got his access code.

"If I did, it wouldn't have gotten out," Huggins said. Huggins' embattled program has had five players suspended this season for breaking NCAA rules. Backup guard John Carson was reinstated by the NCAA before he missed any games, but four others have sat out multiple games.

Guard Charles Williams is ineligible for all but the last six regular-season games because he received improper academic favors that made him eligible to play. Williams is trying to transfer to another school.

Forward Ruben Patterson is ineligible for the first 14 games because he received improper favors from an employer and was involved in a variety of other NCAA rules violations.

Assistant coach John Loyler, who helped arrange Williams' class schedule, is on paid suspension and a student manager has been fired.

Suddenly a noteworthy Christmas pageant

By Jim O'Connell The Associated Press

Way back in October a parcel of the Christmas pageant tournaments meant a look at four- and eight-team fields that just weren't very strong. There wasn't one more than one ranked team.

That has changed dramatically for one tournament as the holiday week approaches.

The Puerto Rico Classic, to be played in San Juan from Dec. 24-26, has the first names of the top 25 teams in an unbeaten team also in the mix.

The four teams that have found their way into the rankings over the past few weeks are No. 13 Arkansas, No. 21 Michigan, No. 24 Texas Christian and No. 25 Syracuse. Also in the field are unbeaten Saint Louis, Iowa State, Murray State and American University of Puerto Rico, the Division II school that serves as tournament host.

NICE VIEW: When it comes to losing, Prairie View is in a league of its own.

Its football team is on a record 77-game losing streak that dates to 1989. Its men's basketball team won just two games in the 1990-91 to 1995-96 seasons. There hasn't been a whole lot to celebrate around campus.

But on Dec. 2, buried among

College basketball notes

the nonconference scores of the early college basketball season, Prairie View beat Tulane 69-64, its first nonconference road victory since 1990.

Athletic director Clifton Gilliard didn't quite believe the news when he first heard of the upset.

"I found out around 11 o'clock that the team had won," he said. "I thought they were pulling my leg. I think I yelled 'Wow.'" Gilliard had hoped name victory over a team from Conference USA signals the start of a good stretch for the small Southwestern Athletic Conference school near Houston.

FRESH FACE: Most of the pre-season hype about freshman centered around Duke's four-man recruiting class and it certainly has lived up to the billing as have some other marquee rookies like Baron Davis at UCLA and Khalid El-Amin at Connecticut.

But the freshman who may be off to the best start is Larry

Hughes at Saint Louis.

The 6-foot-3 guard averaged 23 points over the Billikens' first seven games, all victories, and is second on the team at 5.9 rebounds per game. He has already been named Conference USA player of the week twice, a first for a Saint Louis player.

The St. Louis native is starting to earn recognition as a complete player in his first year.

"Larry is a special player who can do a lot of things," Saint Louis coach Charlie Sponhour said. "He is unselfish, which is a rare commodity in a great player. He plays both ends of the floor and does all the things that coaches, teammates and fans enjoy. He's not perfect yet, but he's going to be a lot of fun for everyone."

SELF NO HELP: Oral Roberts started to run the 32-game home winning streak on Feb. 6, 1996, when coach Bill Sell's Golden Eagles beat Sacramento State. The streak ended Dec. 14 with a loss to Tulsa, which is now coached by Bill Sell.

Self may have moved across town to change jobs, but he does like to coach in the Mabee Center.

GOOD START: When North Carolina moved to No. 1 it made Bill Guthridge the sixth head coach to ever take a team to the

top of the rankings in his first year on the job.

The others were: Dick Harp, Kansas, 1957; Gary Thompson, Wichita State, 1965; Hank Raymonds, Marquette, 1978; Bill Hodges, Indiana State, 1979; and Tom Davis, Iowa, 1987.

CENTURY CITY: When Wagner beat St. Francis, N.Y., last Monday, it was the 100th career victory for Seahawks coach Tim Capstraw.

The next day, at the weekly New York-area writers luncheon, Capstraw was given a round of applause for the milestone.

Take it easy. This is my ninth season," the 37-year-old Wagner graduate said. "I checked with the math department: I can catch Dean Smith when I'm 147 years old."

Janet Neel Certified Public Accountant Happy Holidays! We Wish You The Very Best Of The Season. 890 Shoshone Street East (2nd floor - former National Bank Bldg) Twin Falls, Idaho 734-8879

Ex-pitcher faces assault, kidnap charges

FREIHOOLD, N.J. (AP) - Former major league pitcher John Montefusco has been charged with sexually assaulting, kidnapping and terrorizing his ex-wife.

Montefusco, in custody since being arrested Oct. 25 in Pennsylvania, remains in Monmouth County Jail on \$1 million bail.

A Monmouth County grand jury handed up the 18-count indictment on Friday.

The charges relate to incidents involving Montefusco and his ex-wife on Oct. 2, Oct. 16 and Oct. 24, authorities said.

Although the indictment refers to the victim only by the initials "D.M.," she was previously identified as D. Montefusco of Marlboro Township.

Montefusco, 47, who grew up in Middletown Township, was National League rookie pitcher of the year in 1975.

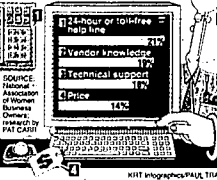
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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Graco recalls infant carriers and swing sets

Graco is recalling more than a half-million infant carriers and carrier-swing sets because the handles break, causing babies to fall.

Four infants suffered skull fractures and two received concussions after falling in the carriers, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission said Friday. In all, Graco has received 45 reports of handles breaking.

The recalled carriers and carrier-swing sets were manufactured from Aug. 1, 1993, to Aug. 31, 1997. They have model and serial numbers 1300, 1301, 1310, 1350, 1501, 1502, 1530, 1723, 2788, 5510, 8108 and 36264. Model numbers and manufacturing dates are on a label under the top of the carrier/ swing or under the seat of the carrier.

Juvenile product and major discount stores sold the swings for \$30 and the carrier-swings for \$100 from August 1993 through August 1997.

People with recalled swings should stop using them immediately and contact Graco for a free, easy-to-install repair kit that will lock the handles in place.

Graco can be reached at 800-281-3676. Graco will send kits directly to people who filled out registration cards when they bought the carriers or carrier-swings.

For more information on this or any other recall, contact the U.S. Product Safety Commission at 800-638-2772.

Harrah's acquisition would create largest gambling firm

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Harrah's Entertainment Inc. plans to buy casino rival Showboat Inc. for \$1.15 billion to create the world's largest gaming company, the two companies announced Friday.

In Atlantic City, the deal will give Harrah's, which has a casino-hotel in the Marina area, a presence on the Boardwalk. Showboat is on the Boardwalk at Delaware Avenue.

Wall Street analysts were enthusiastic about the deal, saying that, if approved by regulators and shareholders, it would unite two well-managed, high-performing companies that can complement each other's growth. The takeover is expected to be completed in the second quarter of 1998.

Harrah's, of Memphis, Tenn., had a third-quarter profit of \$52.9 million, up 25 percent from the 1996 quarter.

Showboat, of Las Vegas, expected, reported a 29 percent drop in profit to \$3.5 million. Harrah's said analysts expected the combined company would have casino revenues alone of \$2 billion in 1998 and total revenues of \$2.5 billion.

Investors applauded the deal, sending the stock of both companies up in New York Stock Exchange trading. Showboat shares soared \$8.44 to \$29.56, and Harrah's rose \$1 to \$18.19.

Tight labor market compels creative staff searching

Over the course of this year, with the labor market showing tighter and tighter, employers have been resorting to all kinds of innovative means to find qualified staffers.

Challenger, Gray & Christmas, an employment firm, says desperation is forcing companies to become even more creative.

Southwest Airlines, for example, is turning flight attendants and frequent fliers into headhunters.

"The attendants are asking passengers to submit to the airline the resumes of qualified high-tech workers. Challenger Gray says many companies are also thinking about previously untapped sources, such as teen-agers with computer skills."

These U.S. cities do best at accommodating home work

If you live in Plano, Texas; Newark, N.J.; Tucson, Ariz.; Newport News, Va.; or Chesapeake, Va., and are thinking of starting a home-based business, you're in the right places, according to Home Office Computing magazine.

Home Office says those locales, because of their population and economic growth, demographics, infrastructure, zoning flexibility and other attributes, are the best places in the country for starting and nurturing a company out of your home.

Many of the top places have active chambers of commerce or other resources to help small businesses.

Compiled from wire reports



Zon Lloyd puts a tree in place among other potential Christmas trees ready for purchase on Addison Avenue East. The Lloyd family has sold Christmas trees in Twin Falls for 41 years.

Branching out

Christmas tree-sellers say business pays off in good times

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

good times.

Family affair

When Martha and Zon Lloyd started selling trees in Twin Falls, so did everyone else — gas stations, grocery stores and even backyard lots, said Martha Lloyd, 63. These days, it's larger stores and larger lots.

The Lloyds are one of the larger operations with three lots in Twin Falls and one in Jerome, bringing in more than 4,500 trees, a family record this year. But they expect to almost sell out.

"They came because of their Idaho ties. Zon was born and raised in the City

of Rocks area, and Martha sold trees in Burley, where they met. They ranch the rest of the year.

"We never got rich at it, but it helps keep us farming," said Zon Lloyd, 67. The revenue also helped pay for their children's educations.

"The couple can tell you about the history of the business, such as how cutting 'wild' trees on public land has become more restrictive.

The Oregon plantations from which they also obtain trees became popular in the past 20 years, Zon Lloyd said. It took time for operators to learn to grow

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For this firm, fruitcakes are serious business

Sales rise after Oregon company attains national recognition

The Associated Press

MEDFORD, Ore. — You've heard the jokes.

"What are 10 good uses for a fruitcake? A Christmas tree stand, an anvil, a fallout shelter..."

So why, then, is Harry and David, the nation's biggest mail-order gift food catalog, selling more fruitcake than ever this Christmas?

Chalk up another one for the baby boomers.

"As people get older, their palates get more sophisticated. The baby boom is becoming more sophisticated in their taste," says Bill Williams, CEO of Bear Creek Corp., Harry and David's parent company.

It didn't hurt that Harry and David's fruitcake confection got the top recommendation this year from Consumer Reports. Sales are up 20 percent to nearly 100,000 fruitcakes, Williams said.

That's a small piece of overall annual sales of \$300 million and 5 million packages that leave Harry and David during the Christmas season, but that doesn't



Diane Skinner scoops the mixture of cherries, pineapple and nuts that go into Harry and David's fruit cake confection at the company's bakery in Medford, Ore.

mean fruitcake isn't serious business. Even with the boost, Harry and David is not threatening to push Collin Street Bakery of Corsicana, Texas, off the top

of the fruitcake heap. They ship 1.6 million fruitcakes weighing a total of 4 million pounds a year to all 50 states and 200 countries. So much for the Johnny Carson joke about there being only one fruitcake that people never pass up.

"Our philosophy is we can laugh along with everyone else," says president Bob McNitt, whose grandfather bought the Texas business in 1946. "My joke is I live in a jar where I store all the good fruitcake jokes. The jar is dusty and empty and I'm still waiting for a good one."

Fruitcake originated in ancient Egypt and was cherished as an essential food for the afterlife, McNitt said. And Collin Street Bakery has been making fruitcake since 1896, when German baker Gus Weidmann stepped off the train in the oil boomtown.

When president Weidmann's partner, cotton buyer Tom McElwee, slipped fruitcakes into the luggage of Ringling Bros. Circus performers before a world tour.

Now customers include Princess Caroline of Monaco, singer Lyle Lovett and "Wheel of Fortune" letter-turner Vanna White. A fruitcake even won an Apollo space ship.

Why, then, is fruitcake the disrespected Rodney Dangerfield of holiday traditions?

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Study predicts big jump for Net use in coming year

By George Avalos
Knight-Ridder News Service

Online

In 1998, the Internet will evolve into a medium for the masses, a new report predicts.

According to a study by International Data Corp., about 100 million people in the United States will be hooked up to cyberspace by the end of next year.

And IDC said, about 25 percent of the nation's homes are expected to have connections to the Net's World Wide Web next year.

"The mass-market Web will materialize in the U.S.," in 1998, IDC reported.

Ultracheap but powerful personal computers will drive the online push into the home, researchers said. Today's \$1,000 computers will seem

an information appliance. These gadgets will come in the guise of an intelligent phone with a screen that lets people view and send e-mail and access Internet sites. Some appliances will be like the WAPKEY machine, which melds computer, Internet and television technology. Others will be game consoles that connect players directly to the Internet, where they can enjoy multiplayer contests.

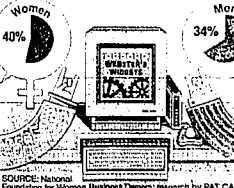
"This new generation of devices will be even cheaper than computers and cost as little as \$100 to \$200.

"In a lot of homes, people will have both the appliance and the PC," Geys said. "The appliance won't replace the PC. It will supplement the PC. These devices will be

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Doing business on the Net

Percent of women and of men business owners who say at least half of U.S. businesses will use the Internet in less than three years.



SOURCE: National Foundation for Women Business Owners; research by PAT CARB

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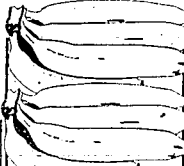
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2/ \$12

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3/ \$5

8 oz Western Family **Reg. Yogurt**
3/ 98¢

6 oz Western Family Med **Pitted Olives**
59¢

12 pk Cans **Coca Cola Products**
2/ \$5

1 lb Pkg **Butter**
\$1.89

14 oz Astd. Ruffles **Potato Chips**
\$1.99

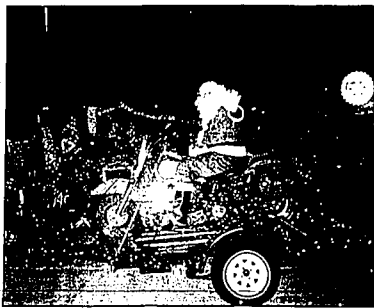
Buhl lights up the town

BUHL - In Buhl this year, Santa came to town on a Harley. His visit was part of the Buhl Light Parade. He was joined by various floats with themes such as Christmas in Hawaii and Christmas with the Griswolds.

About 20 lighter floats wound their way around the city, despite the cold evening. Some spectators could be found at Broadway and Main, but most preferred to watch from parked cars along the parade route.

Beating the wind chill was the paucity of judges.

The sound of black powder exploding from the Southern Idaho Musical Association let the crowd know they had won first place in the adult civic category.



Santa Claus rides into town on a Harley at the Buhl Light Parade.



This float, titled "The Griswolds," is patterned after the family in the movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation." The family put more Christmas lights on their house than anyone on the block.

West End Head Start took honors in the youth civic division for their float filled with bunnied-up children.

Welch Obenchain captured the top award in the commercial category with their Hawaiian Christmas celebration.

In the movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation," the Griswold family decorated their house with the most lights in the neighborhood. The Buhl Griswolds followed that tradition with their float. Over 7,000 bulbs lit the float, highlighted a reindeer carousel and spiraled down a Christmas tree. The float won in the private party category.

"The Griswolds" are Kim Roding, Randy Clark, Brian Tadlock, Scott and Dean Zimmers and their families.

Organizing the parade was not the only function of the Buhl Chamber of Commerce. Decorating the city came first.

The chamber issued a plea for funds to replace and add town decorations and lights.

The West End Men's Association donated \$1,000 while Beta Sigma Phi New Perceptor sorority donated the lighted angels on street corners and Magic Valley Tire donated lights for the trees.

Each year bulb replacement is done as a safety precaution and

to provide uniform lighting. Strings of lights and power source connections are checked each year.

Updating the power supply source for safety purposes can cost up to \$250 said Leonard Sheets, chamber member.

The chamber pays the electric bill for the decorations, a bill that

can run between \$200 and \$250 for December said Barbara Phillips, administrative assistant of the Buhl Chamber of Commerce.

Phillips said the chamber will continue to raise funds throughout the year to keep the holiday decorations exciting and safe.

For his Eagle project, he constructed a play yard for the Paul United Methodist Church that included a sand box, monkey bars and tires. Leaders and four troop members assisted in the 18-hour project.

Seth is a member of Troop 50 led by Terry Jones. He is active in mountain bike and German clubs at Minico High School and with Son Zone and his church youth group. He is the son of Brent and Tary McCall.

Senior center plans Christmas party

RUPERT - The Minidoka Senior Center will hold its annual Christmas party at noon Wednesday.

All Minidoka County senior citizens are invited. The center is located at 702 11th St.

Jerome Rec Center sets bowling night

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation Center is sponsoring a social bowling night for the family from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday at the Jerome Bowling Alley.

The evening of Rock and Bowl will cost \$5 per person (\$8 for those who purchase gifts. A wide assortment of gifts in varying prices are available, including ceramic angels and Lesmin' Tree brand cards.

The next meeting will be at 1 p.m. Jan. 12, 1998, in the fireplace room.

Honors presented at guild meeting

RUPERT - The December meeting of the Minidoka County Hospital Auxiliary Guild was held recently in the fireplace room at the hospital. President Jean Rasmussen presided and 25 members were present.

Rasmussen presented thank you gifts to the outgoing officers, and gifts were also presented to Joel Roger's wife, Jerry, and Kerri Perigo, human resource director.

Rogers installed the 1998 officers and thanked the organization for its efforts on behalf of the hospital and himself. He related his experience as a scared 10-year-old patient at the hospital when a gift from the Pink Ladies made him feel more comfortable.

Officers for the new year are

President Jean Rasmussen, Vice President Linda Moulam, Corresponding Secretary Louise Docter, Treasurer Jackie Brown, Assistant Treasurer Loretta Klingenberg, Recording Secretary Ann DeWald, Historian Frances DalSoglio, Membership Chair Irene Maxson and Public Relations Chair Barbara Rodgers.

During the year, a quiet room for use by the public during times of stress was completed, and the Pink Ladies appreciate the moral and financial support of the community in the project.

The guild snack bar will be open until 9 p.m. Monday to enable the public to purchase gifts. A wide assortment of gifts in varying prices are available, including ceramic angels and Lesmin' Tree brand cards.

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Elementary students improve skills

Oregon Trail Elementary School has experienced success in a math program this fall.

Before the beginning of the school year, a decision was made that one thing to do to increase math success for the students would be to challenge them to memorize basic math facts early in the year. The staff could then concentrate on higher level math concepts the rest of the year. A committee was created and a process to follow was determined. It was decided that nine weeks was sufficient time, and an 80 percent success rate schoolwide was the target.

A component of the process was a partnership between parents and the school. The challenge and goal was discussed with parents and they were given the opportunity to help their children learn basic math facts.

The challenge included offering a celebration at the end of the nine-week period. Children were motivated by two visits from "Math Man" to help create excitement and check on

BOOKWORMS



Several students at Lincoln Elementary School have completed the requirements to achieve Star Reader recognition in the Accelerated Reader program. To achieve Star Reader status, students must read and pass reading tests on three books at a 5th grade reading level or higher with a value of five points each. Each Star Reader receives a T-shirt. Students earning the honor are, front row from left, Rullus Winkelman, Jennifer Stevens, Jared Legg, Cori Sterling, Laurel Reel, Kylan Dennis and Drew Bernhard. Middle, Gabe Ven, Cindy Nielsen, Nicholas Linares, Katie McKellips, Hannah Roff, Dani Hansing, Mandi Hedberg, Michael Machala and Milash Rovera. Back row, Greg Kahla, Alex Craig, Stacy Shook, Natasha Day, Laurie Burgemeister and Lexie Spaulding.

progress. For the party, the staff agreed to come to school in their pajamas and dance the Macarena for the students. The principal and a female staff member dressed up as "Math Man" and "Math Woman," and the assistant principal agreed to shave his beard if the 80 percent goal was met. Committee members supplied cookies and TCBY (Kent Snow) and the parent/teacher organization provided frozen yogurt. At the end, each student placed his or her math test in the back of a pick-up in a symbolic gesture to say, "I was successful in learning my math facts."

Through high expectations and community and parental support, the students far exceeded their goal. The level of mastery was an average of 93.6 percent - schoolwide (kindergarten through sixth grade). The celebration was held Nov. 21. It was evident the students had a new-found degree of confidence in their abilities and were proud of their accomplishments.

This accomplishment would not have been possible without the commitment and support of their parents and students. Together, insurmountable goals can be reached. Thanks to everyone involved - staff, parents, administration, community and organization, to the hard-working students.

Drury graduates from Navy training

Navy Seaman Recruit Toby D. Drury son of Toby D. Drury of Twin Falls and Ladona T. Stuart of Klamath Falls, recently completed U.S. Navy training at Recruit Training Command at Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Drury completed a variety of training, which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis is also placed on physical fitness. Drury and other recruits received instruction on the Navy's core values - honor, courage and commitment - and how to apply them in their military performance and personal conduct.

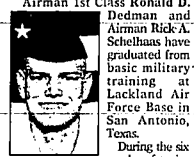
Drury joins 55,000 men and women who will enter the Navy this year from throughout the country. Men and women train together from their first day in the Navy just as they do aboard ships and at shore commands around the world. To reinforce the team concept, Drury and other recruits also were trained in preventing sexual harassment and ensuring equal opportunity.

Recruits finish basic training

Airman 1st Class Ronald D. Dedman and Airman Rick A. Scheihals have graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations. In addition, airman who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Dedman is the son of Ronnie D. and Sharon K. Dedman of Hansen High School, Twin Falls and a 1997 graduate of Twin Falls High School.



Rick Scheihals is the son of Ron J. Scheihals of Twin Falls and a 1997 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

McCall earns Eagle Scout Award

PAUL - Seth McCall has earned the Eagle Scout Award through his participation in the Boy Scouts of America.

The award will be presented to Seth at a court of honor set for 5:30 p.m. Sunday at the Paul United Methodist Church, 127 W. Clark.

McCall earned 22 merit badges.



Seth McCall

I want your news

If it's news to you, I want to hear about it. I'm April Cronick (Streich), the community editor at The Times-News. It is my job to fill this page with news about:

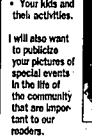
- Community meetings.
- Local events.
- Recreational activities.
- Your kids and their activities.

I will also want to publicize your pictures of special events. In the life of the community that are important to our readers.

Please send your news and photos to: April Cronick, Editor, April Cronick, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303, 733-0931, Ext. 288.

You can reach me by fax at 734-5538. Send e-mail to: acronick@timesnews.net.

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April Cronick

SERVICE NEWS

Morrison completes submarine course

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Roger D. Morrison of Elko, Nev., recently graduated from the Basic Enlisted Submarine Course at the Naval Submarine School in Groton, Conn.

During the five-week course, Morrison learned the basic theory, construction and operation of nuclear-powered submarines. Morrison also learned shipboard organization, damage control and submarine safety and escape procedures. He participated in hands-on training with reality simulators, practicing firefighting and flood control on board a submarine, learned about a submarine's basic hydraulic, water and air systems and practiced escaping from a simulated sinking submarine.

With nearly 50 percent of the Navy's ships and submarines deployed at any given time, Morrison will spend roughly a quarter of his first enlistment at sea.

As a graduate of the Basic Enlisted Submarine Course, Morrison demonstrates his ability to excel in an elite underwater force. Whether assigned to ships, squadrons or shore commands around the world, men and women like Morrison are making a difference as they

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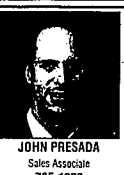
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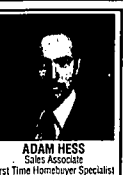
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\$59,900. Lots of square footage for the money in this 2 story 6066 home located in Lincoln School District. 3 bedrooms, large kitchen and living room, never gas furnace, shop and covered patio in the backyard. Take a look! **CALL LYNN RASMUSSEN 737-3900 OR 420-2807, #9702516**

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\$89,500. 5 bedroom, 2 bath home in Bluff with fireplace and wood stove and 2 wall air conditioners. Built in 1973 on large 83x130 lot, this home has 2184 sq. ft. of living space. Taxes: \$778.78. For more information please call **JOHN FORBES 737-3919 OR 324-4572, #9701051**

\$99,500. Just listed! All brick 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath home with over 2000 total sq. ft. Offers gas heat, extra work room, office and a double car garage with openers. For more details **CONTACT THE HESS TEAM - WALT 737-3939 OR ADAM 737-3940, #9702328**

Reduced to \$99,900. 2 homes on one lot! Main home is a very charming vintage home with 3 bedrooms and 2 baths with gas heat. The second home rents for \$260 per month. **CALL NATHAN LYDA 737-3969 OR 735-0589 for more details. #9702395**

\$115,000. Maintenance free exterior. Built in 1992 this vinyl sided home has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, great floor plan, GFA heat plus central air conditioning, fireplace, automatic sprinkler system, fenced yard. **CALL DEANNA 733-0636 OR RALPH 733-9576, #9701116**

\$116,900. Sharp family home in Penrose district. Open Texas plan with full basement, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths. This home has all the features you are looking for. **CALL BONNIE PARSONS, CRS. Quality Service with ♥! #9702586**

\$116,900. Great acreage close to Jerome. 8.22 acres, all fenced with 4 acre hay field and 8 shares of NSCC water. Includes 1782 sq. ft. manufactured home with 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, family room and storage basement. Corral, loaf shed, tack barn and more. **CALL JOANN 324-8443 today, #9700676**

\$119,900. Vintage home relocated on quiet acreage south of town. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath on main floor, large fenced family room opens up with extra Extras include hardwood flooring, fireplace, natural wood trim, vinyl siding plus more. **CONTACT THE HESS TEAM, #9701514**

\$129,900. Marvelous, open home in wonderful neighborhood. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large kitchen, gas heat and low utility bills. Basement has 4th finished room, large family room with wet bar, storage and plumbed for 3rd bath. Auto sprinklers, 2 decks. **CALL JOEY 737-3907, #9702395**

\$135,000. Beautiful "almost new" 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath home all on one level. Features include semi-formal living room, large spacious kitchen, dining and family room combo, gas fireplace, gas furnace and central air. Many other features. **CALL LYNN RASMUSSEN 737-3900 to see! #9702397**

\$143,990. New home on 1 acre has walk out basement plus a deck on main level. Quality construction with 1668 sq. ft. on main level, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vinyl siding and space to expand in the 1485 sq. ft. unfinished basement. Plumbed for 3rd bath. **CALL JOHN OR PATTY today, #9702306**

\$149,900. Great duplex in central N/E location. One side has 3 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, 2175 sq. ft. of living space. Other side has 2 bedrooms, 1018 sq. ft. Both have single garage, gas heat, brick siding. **CALL DOROTHY GEIST 737-3903, #9702662**

\$149,900. Wonderful country acreage close to town. 4 bedroom, 2 bath home that has been completely remodeled. New kitchen, floor coverings and interior paint. All on 2.5 acres that includes shop, outbuildings, pastures, garden and orchard and more. **CALL RALPH OR DEANA today, #9701377**

\$168,900. Beautiful canyon views from this 3 bedroom, 3 bath home east of Twin Falls overlooking Pineau Falls and with a great view of Pettie Bridge. Approx. 1500 sq. ft. home on 1-1/3 acre. One of a kind setting. **CALL RON FREEMAN 734-4208 OR 737-3915. AGENT 009 - LICENSED TO SELL, #9702641**

\$169,900. Extra lovely home with great views of Sawtooths and South Hills. Spacious and smart, 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, triple garage, fireplace, office, extensive decking. **CALL KATHY SCHRADER 737-3917 OR 736-8218 to see this fantastic home. #9706276**

\$199,000. Just listed! This 2 story brick home on 1 acre offers 4 bedrooms, 2-3/4 baths plus a studio apartment with another bathroom upstairs. Oak cabinets, lots of storage. Plenty of room for kids and animals. **CALL BONNIE PARSONS 737-3914 OR LYNN RASMUSSEN 737-3900, #9703091**

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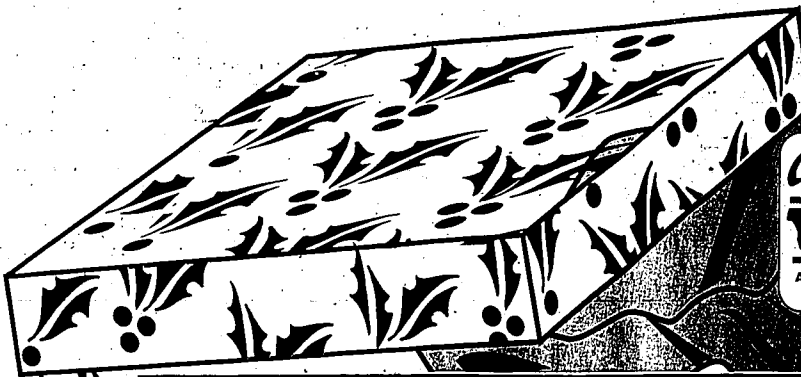
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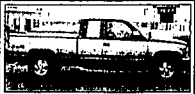
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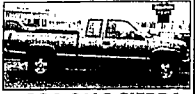
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Time to test your holiday IQ

There are lots of questions surrounding the Christmas holidays. How do reindeer learn to fly? When do the elves find time to make all those toys? Why are chimneys so skinny?

And why is Santa Claus a man? According to University of Virginia sociologist Theodore Caplow, who conducted a research study on the subject, Christmas preparation is done "mostly by women." In fact, men buy only 16 percent of Christmas gifts by themselves, and women wrap the gifts they buy, along with half of their husbands' gifts.

There is more.



LIFE AND TIMES
Denise Turner

In no family surveyed by Caplow did the man prepare the traditional Christmas meal. And to top it all off, the average woman gives 27 gifts, but receives only 13 in return.

The conclusion? Bushy white beard aside, in just about every home in America, Santa Claus is a woman.

Here are several other tricky facts about Christmas to test your knowledge, and maybe your patience — in the form of a brand new Christmas quiz.

Give yourself one point for each correct answer.

1. According to the Bible, what animals were present at Jesus' birth? (a) camels and donkeys, (b) lions and lambs, (c) reindeer, (d) none of the above.

2. Who is known as the "father of the American Christmas card?" (a) Santa Claus, (b) Louis Prang, (c) Papa Hallmark, (d) the postmaster general.

3. What's the story behind the goofy plot of the "Nattercker" — the girl who witnesses a war between mice and toys and ends up watching Chinese people and candy canes dance, and the strange guy with the wooden doll? (a) It's based on a nasty German fairy tale, so it's not supposed to make sense. (b) It depends on which version you watch (i. e. the French cleaned up the ballet and added a happy ending). (c) It's Mikhail Baryshnikov's portrayal of a teenage girl's symbolic sexual awakening. (d) No one knows for sure.

4. What caused the Magi to choose another way home? (a) better highways, (b) newer maps, (c) The shepherds decided to tag along, and they knew a shortcut. (d) The Magi were warned in a dream not to return to Herod.

5. Which holiday movie has chalked up the most TV reruns? (a) "White Christmas," (b) "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," (c) "It's a Wonderful Life," (d) "Jurassic Park."

6. "The mega-hit version of 'The Christmas Song' (Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire)" was recorded by: (a) the Beatles, (b) Julia Child, (c) Nat King Cole, (d) Bing Crosby.

7. Who played the Army general with the Vermont ski lodge in the movie "White Christmas"? (a) George C. Scott, (b) Bruce Willis, (c) Dean Jagger, (d) Mick Jagger.

8. Where did the trend of trimming the Christmas tree begin? (a) in ancient Rome, (b) in 19th-century England, (c) at Martha Stewart's summer cottage in the Hamptons, (d) at Sears.

9. The story of the innkeeper is found in (a) Matthew, (b) Mark, (c) Luke, (d) none of the above.

10. What was the holiday song introduced by Angela Lansbury in the 1954 Broadway musical "Mame"? (a) "Silver Bells," (b) "We Need a Little Christmas," (c) "Hallelujah, She Wrote?" (d) "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer."

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Relative irritation

Holidays with the relations don't have to drive you nuts

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Without knowing it, Norman Rockwell set the standard for generations of tense holidays.

His 1941 painting "Freedom From Want" shows a family gathered around a Christmas table, faces upturned, radiant and expectant.

It's how a family holiday ought to be, but in postwar America that famous image became a dream that somehow never quite turned into reality. "If you're part of a family in which there are conflicts, they're likely to surface during the holidays," said Roy Mix, a Twin Falls counselor.

"The Christmas holidays are loaded with expectations and disappointments," said Dr. Betty Frain, a psychotherapist and co-author of "Becoming a Wise Parent to Your

Alcohol and Christmas

Beer, wine, booze and family Christmas celebrations often don't mix. Here are some ways to defuse drinking-related conflicts over the holidays:

- **Keep perspective.** In families with histories of alcoholism, any drinking can often trigger strong reactions. But there's a difference between a loved one taking a drink and getting drunk enough to ruin the holiday for everyone else.
- **Try a teetotaling Christmas.** If you're

worried about conflicts over alcohol, serve hot apple cider or sparkling grape juice instead.

□ **Pick your battles.** If a family member's drinking is disrupting the holiday, it's often necessary to confront him or her about the issue. But it's best to do it later, after Christmas has passed.

□ **Take the keys.** Yet if he or she is drinking and planning to drive, that confrontation can't be delayed. Keep them off the road at all costs.

— Sources: Betty Frain, Elaine Savage, Roy Mix

Grown Child" (New Harbinger Publications, \$12.95). "And they're also loaded with symbols. Emotionally, that can be a volatile combination."

Because, says Oakland, Calif., family psychologist Elaine Savage, you really can go home again.

"If you were the middle child or the family clown when you were growing up, that's what you'll be when you go home for the holidays," said Savage.

author of "Don't Take It Personally: The Art of Dealing With Rejection" (New Harbinger Publications, \$12.95). "It's remarkable how little the family

dynamic changes over the years."

That includes parents, whose home is often the site of holiday gatherings.

"Maybe you should consider getting together for Christmas at a hotel or restaurant, or turning off the football game," Frain said in a telephone interview from her Ventura, Calif., clinic. High-toned style family showdowns often erupt over who's in control, she said.

"Power struggles don't stop when the children leave home," she said. "And if Mom or Dad want to celebrate Christmas the same way every year, that's often what's involved."

"In family gatherings, people often get upset because they believe they're not getting the respect they deserve," Savage said in a phone interview. "If you take a few minutes to talk with them and let them know you care

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Times-News interactive

Holidays mean early T-N deadlines

Because of the holidays, The Times-News will be observing early deadlines for the next two weeks.

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You really shouldn't have: A leather case for your gun, and other great gift ideas

By Dave Barry
Knight-Ridder News Service

One of my happiest childhood memories is of racing down the stairs on Christmas morning to see what Santa Claus had brought. It felt like a dream. In fact, it was a dream, because I lived in a ranch-style home that did not have stairs.

When I woke up, I would race horizontally into the living room to see what Santa had brought. Sometimes Santa brought a shiny new bicycle with many shiny new unassembled parts lying on the floor where my father had abandoned them at 4:30 a.m. after giving up on trying to understand the instructions (STEP 143: Insert 3/16" hexagonal toggle



Dave Barry

truncation clockwise into camber gasket and tighten mortise nut until your hand bleeds). Sometimes Santa brought me a model airplane kit consisting of a tube of cement and 576,000 plastic parts, every single one labeled "strut." It took a lot of time and patience, but if you followed the directions carefully, you could assemble these parts into an incredibly detailed, realistic-looking plane that seemed ready to soar into the sky. Notice I say

you could do this. I always ended up with what looked like a large mutant dung beetle, permanently bonded to my desk by lumps of dried cement the size of walnuts.

Sometimes Santa brought me an electric train set. I'd put it together and watch as the train went around the track, around and around and around and around and around. Ha ha! What fun! My trains gave me endless hours of pleasure for maybe 20 minutes, after which it was time to conduct scientific experiments to resolve such important questions as What happens if the train is rolling down the track and a bowling ball is rolling in the opposite direction? (Answer: Bad things.)

Over the years, Santa brought me

many wonderful gifts — gifts that I remembered long after I broke them, which generally happened before my parents woke up. Yes, the right gift can create a memory that lasts a lifetime, and that is what the annual Holiday Gift Guide is all about: Gifts that trigger a very special, very strong feeling in the recipient — a feeling that is almost impossible to describe; a feeling that will not go away even if the recipient undergoes electroshock therapy.

Each year, I and my staff here at the Holiday Gift Guide receive hundreds of gift suggestions from around the nation. We comb through these suggestions carefully, looking for gift ideas that are

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Unwrapping memories of these earlier gifts reveals a few surprises

Dallas Morning News

Everyone is searching for the perfect gift. It doesn't always happen. But once in a while someone comes up with a present so special the recipient remembers it for the rest of his or her life.

"You know," says 24-year-old Scott Graham. "I've had a lot of wonderful gifts, most of which I hinted and begged for. But when I was 15 years old, I got a gift from my Uncle James. When I opened it I thought it was the worst gift I could imagine. I thought my uncle must be mad at me to give such an awful present. I think I mumbled a thank

you and pouted for the rest of the evening."

The gift was a \$75 gift certificate to a local bookstore. It was not refundable. Seth had to pick out books or magazines or he could let the money go to waste.

"That was nine years ago," he recalls. "Seventy-five dollars was a huge amount for books. I wasn't a reader. I couldn't think of much I'd want to read. Maybe a few dollars' worth of sports magazines. That was it."

But Seth went to the bookstore and looked around. First he looked in the sports section and picked up a football book that looked interesting.

"If I had to read, I thought that

might be fun," he says. "It was about football. Then as I was walking out, a mystery caught my eye. It also had a sports theme. But those two books didn't cause much of a dent in my \$75 certificate."

But a very wise book clerk asked Seth if he needed any help. Seth explained about the gift and that he really wasn't much of a reader.

It seemed like a lot of money to spend on books.

"I talked about what I had chosen with the guy," says Seth. "I said I really didn't want anything else. He agreed with me. He said I shouldn't choose anything else. I could save the rest for another time. The certificate would still be good for the rest."

It took him awhile, but Seth finished his two books. He went back to try another book. He just

bought one but found he finished it quicker than the other two.

Before long he was buying another and another.

"I knew I was really hooked," says Seth, "when I started buying books on my own when my certificate ran out. I still read a lot today. I'd love to say that I have learned to pick up the so-called good literature. I haven't. I read strictly for pleasure, still mostly sports and mysteries, with a few best sellers."

"But my uncle is a reader. He thought I'd give myself much pleasure if I learned to enjoy books, too. It took awhile to admit it, but I think that book certificate is one of the best gifts I've ever gotten."

LeRaya Jordan, 37, also remembers a gift from an uncle.

"It was a beautiful white sweater that had sparkling

things all over it. I was 11 years old with braces and wild hair, and the rest of me hadn't grown up to my arms and legs. I thought I was so ugly and walked around with my head hanging down. I felt anything but pretty. That sweater was much too grown up for me.

"But my Uncle Donnie gave it

to me anyway for Christmas. It was so beautiful I was dumbfounded. He whispered to me that it was beautiful and so was I. I just had to grow up a little. He said to put it away and when it was time to wear it, I would look and feel very pretty. I wore it to a school dance when I was 14. It was so very special."

Survive

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about what they feel, conflicts can often be avoided."

When they can't, separating yourself from the situation is the best solution, the mental health professionals agree.

"You can almost always excuse yourself for a minutes and leave the room," Mix said. "You need to calm down before you resume the discussion."

"The things that cause arguments are statements like 'You're so sensitive' and 'Is that what you're going to wear?'" Savage said. "Those are the red flags that make people angry."

If you're spending the holiday with in-laws you don't like, Mix suggests a frank-but-friendly chat beforehand.

"Set some boundaries," he said. "A little discussion can prevent an argument later."

Since family conflicts often occur with visiting relatives, Savage recommends not putting yourself in a captive situation.

"If you fly somewhere to visit relatives, rent a car when you get there so you can leave if you need to," she said. "Plan a day outting by yourself or with your immediate family. And if you go

for Christmas, just stay for Christmas. Don't make it an extended visit during the holidays, because you often wear out your welcome after a couple of days."

And even during the most cordial family holiday celebrations, be prepared for some disappointments.

"When you give a gift, it should be the thought that count, but oftentimes it isn't," Savage said.

"If you give a gift that the person doesn't like, it's their problem," Mix said. "That's not something you need to get down on yourself for."

And remember, the mental health professionals agree, Christmas comes but once a year.

"Sometimes there's no alternative to swallowing hard and keeping your mouth shut," Frain said. "But you're wrong if you let that spoil your holidays. They're supposed to be about giving and family, and you should allow yourself to enjoy them."

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Answers

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Here are the correct answers:

1. d. The Bible mentions no animals, but later writers have added some.

2. b. German immigrant Frang, a printer, mass-produced the first American Christmas cards in his lithography shop near Boston.

3. d. Give yourself half a point for each of the other answers, because they're all partly correct.

4. d. See Matthew 2:12.

5. c.

6. c. But it was written by Robert Wells and Mel Torme.

7. c.

8. a. But trees decorated with a variety of ornaments - nuts, apples, dolls - probably caught on in 16th-century Germany.

9. d. Luke 2:7 says there was no room in the inn, but no innkeeper is ever mentioned.

10. b.

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ENGAGEMENTS

WEDDING

PERRON-MAYNARD

HAILEY - Durg and Kathy Perron of Hailey announce the engagement of their daughter, Nikki Marie Perron to Gregory Scott Maynard, son of Howard S. and Lydia R. Maynard of Champlinville, W.Va.

Perron is a graduate of Wood River High School and is currently attending the College of Southern Idaho.

Maynard is a graduate of Stafford High in Falmouth, Va., and attended Germanna Community College in Virginia. He is employed by F Stop and Circle K in Ketchum.



Nikki Perron and Gregory Maynard
The wedding is planned for Saturday.

AINSWORTH-DRAKE

TWIN FALLS - James and Janice Ainsworth of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Ainsworth to James Drake, son of Carl and Jill Drake of Victor, Idaho.

Ainsworth is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and the dental hygiene school at Idaho State University. She is employed by Dr. Rencher and Dr. Hughes in Twin Falls.

Drake is a graduate of Victor High School and served a mission in Florida. He is currently attending ISU.

The couple will reside in



Jennifer Ainsworth and James Drake
Pocatello.
The wedding is planned for Dec. 30 at the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

WILCOX-RICHARDS

SALT LAKE CITY - Denise Margaret Wilcox and Brandon Derek Richards were married July 17 at the Salt Lake LDS Temple in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Officiating was Paul Royall.

The bride is the daughter of Margaret and Francis L. Wilcox of Jerome.

Parents of the bridegroom are Margo Lynn and Barry Richards of Sandy, Utah.

Bridesmaids included Valerie Thueson, friend of the bride, of St. Anthony and Celeste L. Wilcox, sister of the bride, of Jerome.

Groomsmen included Dan Bennion, friend of the groom, and Preston Richards, brother of the groom.

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, Erford H. and Virginia Whaley and Wilford H. and Idella Wilcox, all of Twin Falls, and grandparents of the groom, William and Zetella Thurman of Saly Lake City.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the Shilo Inn in Twin Falls.

Serving were Jerry and Martha Martin, Kerry Randall and Marilyn Jansen, all friends of the bride's parents.

Janet Ford, friend of the bride,



Brandon and Denise Richards
attended the guest book. Gift attendants were Becky Thiebault and Emily Marshall.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Jerome High School and a 1997 graduate of Ricks Junior College in Rexburg.

She is employed at Bachow & Associates Equity Investment Firm in Iola, Okla.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Brighton High School in Sandy, Utah, and Ricks College in Rexburg. He served a two-year LDS mission at the Mississippi Jackson Mission. He is attending Widener University in Chester, Pa.

He is employed at Widener University.

The newlyweds reside in Chester.

ANNIVERSARIES



Helen and Ward Freeman

THE FREEMANS

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Ward Freeman were honored recently for their 60th wedding anniversary and Ward's 80th birthday.

Friends and relatives can mail cards to 1899 Sigbee Ave, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Freeman and Helen Bagley were married Nov. 20, 1937, in Twin Falls.

They have been longtime residents of Twin Falls.

He worked for the Twin Falls



Charles and Lois Lehman

THE LEHMANNS

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lehman will be honored at an open house Dec. 28 for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Sage Room on the second floor of the Taylor Administration Building on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho. No gifts please.

Lehman and Lois Warkentin were married Nov. 9, 1947, in the Bethel College Chapel in North Newton, Kan. They were engaged in the grocery business in Aberdeen for five years before moving to Fort Collins, Colo., where he entered veterinary school at Colorado State University. After graduation in 1958, the family lived in Rupert, where he practiced veterinary medicine until 1968. They then



Eric and Donna Haag



HEYBURN - Mr. and Mrs. Eric Max Haag will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday and their children are planning a surprise.

Haag and Donna Ainsworth were married Dec. 27, 1947, in Twin Falls. The marriage was later solemnized in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

He worked at the Simplot plant in Heyburn.

She is a cook and works in food service for Cassia Regional Medical Center and Parkview Care and Rehabilitation Center.

They are active in the community and are volunteers at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Their children are daughter,

THE HAAGS

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Smallwood of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house Saturday for their 60th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Great Room on the third floor at BridgeView Estates.

Smallwood and Ione Smith were married Dec. 19, 1937.

They have lived in Twin Falls.

He was a contractor and owner of General Building Supply for 27 years. He was Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce Person of the Year in 1995.

She worked at the business.

They have been active in the past Exchange Club, Elks, First Baptist Church, and boys and girls club. She is active in the Twentieth Century Club, Ladies

THE SMALLWOODS



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WEDDING

PHILLIPS-SKAUG

SALT LAKE CITY - Stacey Phillips and Charlie Skaug were married Oct. 18 at the First United Methodist Church in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Officiating was Pastor Robert Sewell.

The bride is the daughter of Earl and Mary Phillips of South Jordan, Utah.

Parents of the bridegroom are Joe and Lois Skaug of Jerome and Vicki Moore of Logan, Utah.

Linda Lewis served as the bride's matron of honor.

Chuck Lewis was best man for the groom.

The bride graduated from Alta High School in Sandy, Utah, and attended the University of Utah. She is employed by Federal Express in Midvale, Utah, where she is a recruitment specialist for



Stacey Phillips and Charlie Skaug
several western states.

The groom is a graduate of the College of Southern Idaho and the University of Utah. He is employed by Federal Express and also works in the creative advertising field.

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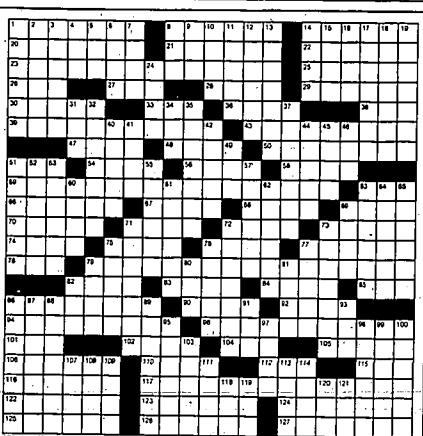
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THE Sunday Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

By Annabel Michaela, Williamsburg, Virginia



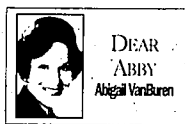
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 - 23 Awkward situation
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 - 50 Renter
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 - 56 Gaudich's cattle-catcher
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 - 67 Highland hour
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 - 69 Battle song
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 - 95 Rules
 - 101 "Stand by Me" actor
 - 102 Whelan sign
 - 103 Adjunctive for
 - 104 Boston
 - 105 Gator, warship
 - 106 Fresh cap
 - 107 Linguist
 - 112 Last letter of words?
 - 115 Flat in the —
 - 116 Pot roast
 - 117 Ingredient
 - 117 African capital
 - 122 Enzyme that curdles milk
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- 1 Ransacked
 - 2 Political refuge
 - 3 Moped
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 - 6 English boy's school
 - 7 Western moist
 - 8 Excitement
 - 9 Has permission
 - 10 Pl of speech
 - 11 Needle cases
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 - 25 Fats
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 - 29 Gentlemen
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 - 45 Neighbor of N. Mex.
 - 46 Niger-Congo language
 - 49 Dingy area
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 - 52 Black magic
 - 53 Country and town
 - 54 Western singer
 - 55 Capital of Equatorial Guinea
 - 57 Wavy hairdo
 - 60 Sicilian resort
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 - 63 Thoroughly wet
 - 64 Blackhead
 - 65 Lined up
 - 67 Chief, once
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 - 73 Ocean motion with the wind
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 - 79 Hit the slopes
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 - 80 Altimeter
 - 81 Wail
 - 81 Part of
 - 82 Sgt. or Col., e.g.
 - 86 Incubator occupant
 - 87 Property incident
 - 88 Author of "Knots"
 - 89 Kin of a son of a gun
 - 91 Botanist Gray
 - 93 Reply to a smash
 - 95 Followed of a Chinese philosophy
 - 100 Coins in vapors?
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 - 108 Lawrence's L. e.g.
 - 109 Medieval slave
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DEAR ABBY: In this hectic and often confusing world in which we live, one of the most priceless treasures I possess is a happy and mutually sustaining marriage. Hanging in our bedroom is a wall plaque we received on our wedding day, almost 20 years ago. Over the years and through various moves, it has accompanied us and always found a place of honor in our home. The author's name is not shown. I wish I knew who wrote these beautiful sentiments, for although 20 years have passed, the words of wisdom are timeless. Perhaps you will find it worth sharing with your readers.



DEAR ABBY
Abby VanBuren

DEAR VALERY: Indeed I do — and here it is. Read on.

THE ART OF MARRIAGE

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Speaking words of appreciation and demonstrating gratitude in

having the capacity to forgive and forget, and then forgetting what you forgive.

Giving each other an atmosphere in which to grow.

Not only marrying the right person but being the right partner.

DEAR ABBY: Re: visible house addresses. As a longtime member of an ambulance corps, I endorse making house numbers visible from the street. More than once I have had to run up and down a street trying to locate the house from which "911" was called because someone was having chest pains, or worse. In addition to having visible house numbers, if possible someone should be stationed at the front door or outside to signal to the responding emergency personnel.

I do not agree, however, with encouraging your readers to find or start a group to paint curbside addresses. While this practice can be helpful in certain circumstances, it is worthless when

snow, ice or leaves cover the curb.

The efforts of those who want to help should concentrate on your last suggestion: Your street numbers should be clearly visible from the street and well-lighted at night.

— CR. YOUNG, JR., RAMSEY, N.J.

DEAR C.G.: Sorry, living in sunny California, I failed to consider adverse weather conditions in other sections of the country. I should have thought about parked cars blocking curbside numbers. I concede that clearly visible numbers on the house is the better idea.

Other readers complained about places of business not having address numbers that are easy to spot.

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Cases of elderly abuse, neglect rise

CINCINNATI (AP) — More elderly Americans are being abused and neglected in their homes, and the problem likely will worsen as American society ages, experts say.

Reports of domestic abuse against the elderly increased 150 percent from 1986 to 1996, according to a report by the National Center on Elder Abuse.

"There are approximately 35 million Americans over the age of 65, and that number will double by the year 2030," said William Benson, acting head of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Administration on Aging.

Although only 293,000 cases were reported last year, the center estimates that more than 1 million Americans over age 60 were victims of various types of domestic abuse in 1996. That includes physical, emotional, sexual and financial abuse, as well as neglect. That's up from the 1991 estimate of 735,000 cases.

Data from the center's report, compiled from state agencies, were presented last month at the Gerontological Society of America's annual scientific meeting.

Benson said the majority of abuse is believed to come at the hands of relatives who are caring for the elderly.

And many elderly people are afraid to report abuse — especially if it is coming from a relative, said Leslie Richards, president of the Senior Benefit Association, a Phoenix-based advocacy group for senior citizens.

"A lot of time they are intimidated," she said "Often, they are dependent on that person who's abusing them to take care of them. It's just fear of not knowing what will be next if they are taken out of that person's care."

The report is a precursor to a National Elder Abuse Incidence Study being prepared for the Administration on Aging. It is expected to be issued early next

year, Benson said.

Sgt. Barbara White, who heads the elder abuse unit of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, said police must realize that the physical abuse often comes in an effort to get money from the elderly person.

"You no longer can separate the two. They are intertwined. Very often, the physical abuse is the symptom and the financial abuse is the motivation," she said.

"They are after the money and they will do whatever is necessary ... including neglect, isolation, starvation ... and ultimately death."

The stress of caring for an elderly parent can sometimes result in the abuse, said Fernando M. Torres-Gil, a former

assistant health and human services secretary for aging who now teaches at UCLA's School of Public Policy.

Fast differences between child and parent also can play a part.

"Issues of elder abuse also symbolize the tensions that occur among children and parents as they get older and the unresolvable tension that built up over a lifetime," he said.

The Center on Elder Abuse is based at the American Public Welfare Association, an organization representing all 50 state human service departments. It works with the National Association of State Units on Aging, the University of Delaware and the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse.

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FAMILY LIFE

AARP-combats mail, phone scams

When Arlene's father, Sidney, 85, went into a nursing home, she had to manage his mail and finances. What she found horrified her.



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He had been scammed. Sidney, who lives on his Social Security, had cashed in his life insurance, and his savings account was down to \$40—all in the hope of winning a lottery in Canada or one of several sweepstakes.

In one scam, Sidney charged \$500-\$700 a month on his Visa card to buy everything from knives and can openers to shirts and shampoo. Unless he purchased a certain amount of merchandise, he understood, his name couldn't be entered in the contest. It seemed innocent enough — \$2.95 here, \$24.95 there.

He consulted Arlene's husband on how to play the stock market, so sure was he of winning \$40,000.

"He never won a cent," his

daughter says, "and the merchandise he received was shoddy at best."

Sidney was duped by telemarketing scams that rake in \$40 billion annually in this country. Some 56 percent of the victims are older than 50.

By mail or phone, the scammers hawk phony sweepstakes or sleazy investment opportunities. They send misleading mail that looks like it comes from the government or make bogus credit-card offers.

The American Association of Retired Persons, among others, is fighting back. In its December bulletin, it urges members to

help by checking their mail for cards and letters that look suspicious and sending them to AARP.

"These can be reviewed by law-enforcement experts for possible legal actions to stop fraud," AARP says.

"Send us mail that claims you are a guaranteed contest winner. Also send mailings about 'no risk' investments, get-rich-quick schemes, solicitations for dubious charities, and bargain vacation offers."

"AARP also seeks mail telling you to call an 800 or 900 phone number immediately and letters offering medical devices, services or equipment. Please don't include personal bills or correspondence."

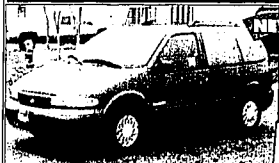
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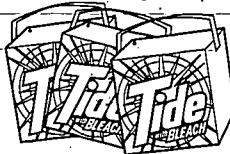
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FAMILY LIFE

When he reaches 2, push child out of paradise

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This begins the Torah—the first five books of Hebrew scriptures. At one level, Genesis 2-3 is an ageless parenting story that speaks to all humankind, regardless of creed. What does it tell us about parental responsibilities?

During the first two years (or thereabouts) of a child's life, responsible parents create what is, in effect, a paradise. They place the child at the focal point of their attention and act as if the world turns around him.

When he raises his voice, a parent appears, determines (divines?) the problem and quickly remedies it. Her Majesty is rolled through public places in a portable throne before which total strangers kneel and ask for her blessings in the form of a smile. And so it goes. Parents function as caretakers. Their job description can be summed in one word: serve.

Around the child's second birthday, it becomes necessary for the parents to shift out of being caretakers and become socializers. They will still do a certain amount of care-taking, but their primary responsibility becomes teaching social values.

To accomplish this, they must expel the child from paradise. Their most immediate task: to persuade a child who has only received attention, to pay attention.

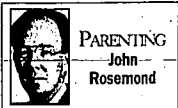
In the garden, Adam and Eve paid no attention to Yahweh—he gave them no reason to do so. And like toddlers, they did exactly what God had told them not to do. When God discovered that his children thought themselves to be like gods (egocentric hedonists), he had no choice but to discipline them, thus causing them to pay attention.

Likewise, parents must place themselves at the center of a child's attention by expelling him from paradise—they must begin to discipline. Unfortunately, today's well-intentioned parents create paradise (as they should) but never truly expel.

They maintain their children at the center of attention, they continue to serve, and they give and give and give some more but expect next to nothing in return. Too often, they reap what they sow.

People of my parents' generation consistently tell me yesterday's typical child did not throw tantrums, yell at parents (much less hit them), or openly defy parental authority after his third birthday. He paid attention and did what he was told, because he was.

Mental health professionals have persuaded us that yesterday's parents created compliant children with beatings and the threat of them. So I've been



PARENTING
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polling audiences, composed primarily of 30-somethings, usually. "Raise your hand if you think you were a reasonably well-behaved child." Eight of every 10 people raise a hand. Then, "Keep your hand in the air if by your esti-

mate, you received less than 10 spankings in your entire childhood." Ninety percent of the hands stay up.

It's reasonable to suppose the average number of spankings received by my respondents as children was around five. That hardly explains their good behavior.

What was it then? I think the explanation is simply that these folks, like most children of my generation (and before), were expelled from paradise by the time they were 3. From that point

on, they were held accountable for their behavior, punished when they misbehaved and expected to do chores around the home. Most significantly, they were expected to pay attention to parents who understood that you can't make a bona fide human being out of a child who continues to live in the Garden of Eden.

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That's because when humans go to Grandma's for the holidays, pets often get left behind. Although no pet-care service can ease the guilt of ditching Fluffy or Fido for days or weeks at a time, the best ones can keep animals of all sizes and species happy and healthy.

Pet owners who can't rely on a friend or neighbor to watch their best animal friends usually turn to the "kennel" or "pet" section of the Yellow Pages to find boarding and veterinary kennels and in-home sitters that provide holiday pet care. Most such pet-care companies serve dogs and cats, others are brave enough to take on the oft-demanding needs of birds, fish and even iguanas.

Costs and services vary widely, and this kind of pet care is largely unregulated in some states, so it's up to owners to shop around and figure out which care method is best. But hurry up, because many kennels and sitters are almost booked for the winter holidays.

"Try to find someone you can trust to take care of your pet," says Paulette Edwards, a retired groomer and dog trainer who lives in Easton, Fla. Edwards and husband Bob occasionally board former pet clients when their owners are out of town.

The Edwards' home on five acres is full of beasts. With two indoor dogs, five cats, three geese and a dozen birds of their own,

Edwards' surrogate pets have plenty of other animals to play with. But most people can't boast they maintain a mini wild kingdom, and Edwards stresses pets "need 24-hour supervision."

Unless owners persuade friends to adopt their pets while they're away, 24-hour care is hard to find. Although some kennels have security guards on duty round-the-clock, rarely are kennel workers or vets always on the job.

Getting ready

- Before taking your pet to a kennel or leaving your pet with a friend or sitter, make a list of care instructions that includes feeding schedules and information about administering medications. Make sure whoever is taking care of your pet knows how to get in touch with you and how to pay for emergency care, if necessary.
- Make sure your pet sitter knows to adjust the heating or air conditioning

in your home while you're away so your pet doesn't freeze or sweat to death if the weather changes drastically.

• Place anything unusually tempting, such as glass ornaments, tinsel, candy or chocolate, out of reach of animals.

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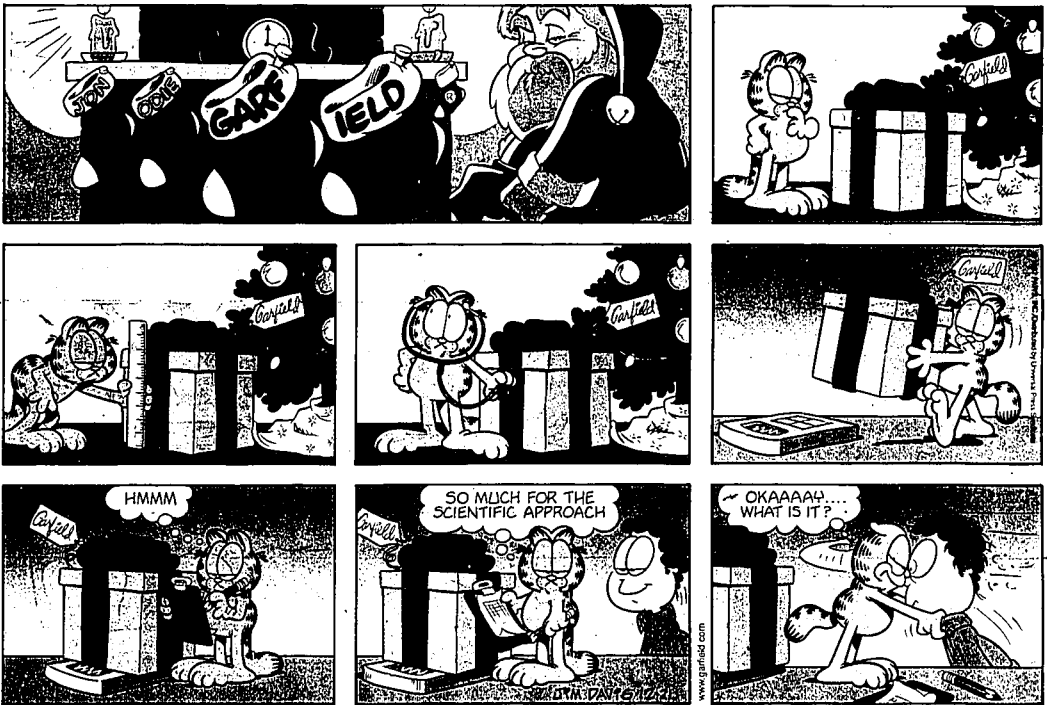
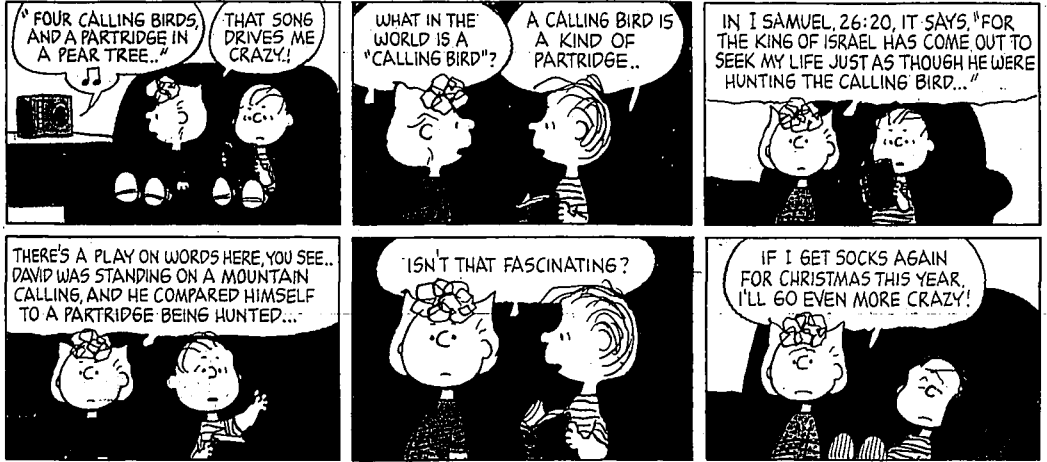
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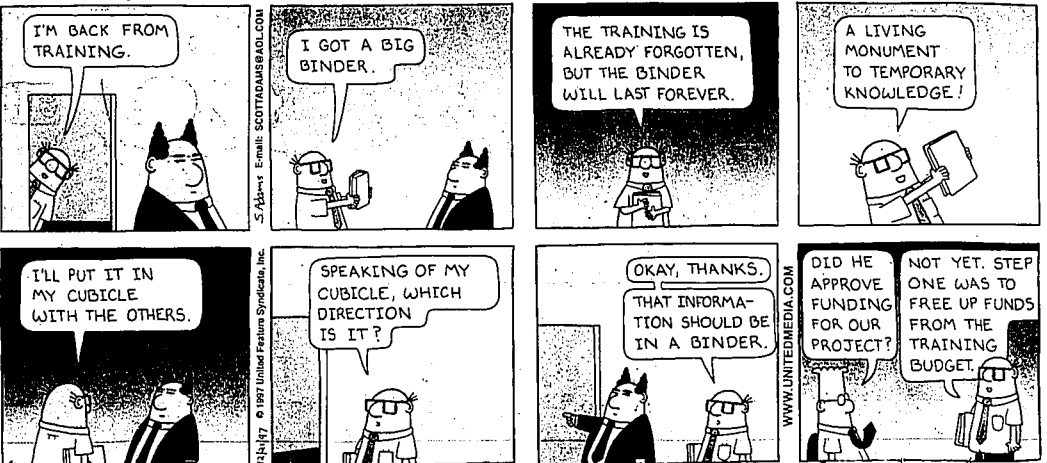
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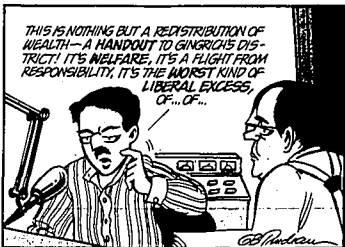
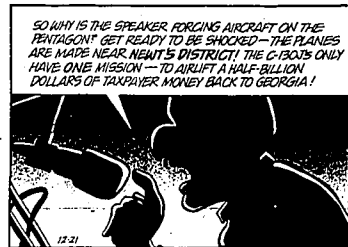
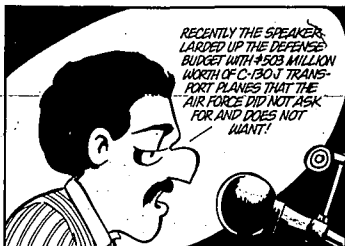
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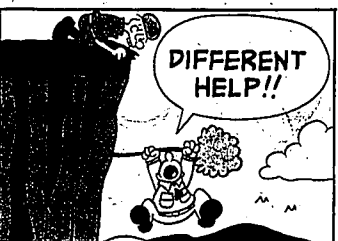
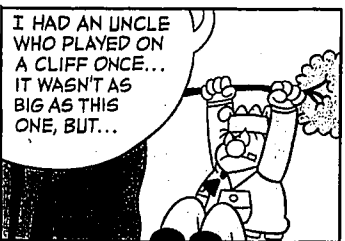
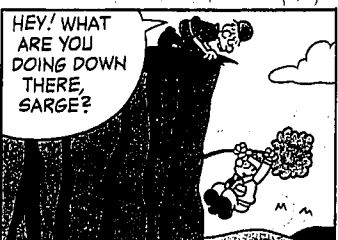
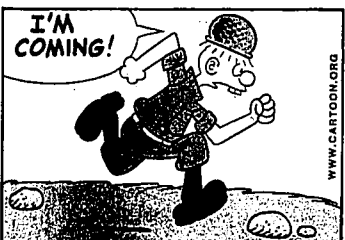
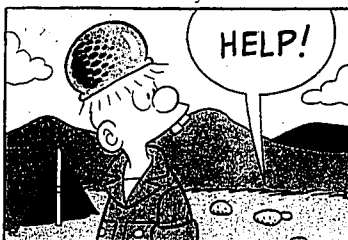


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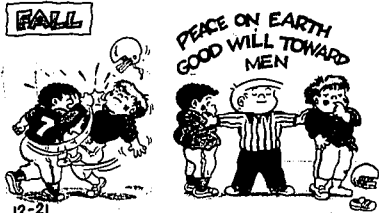
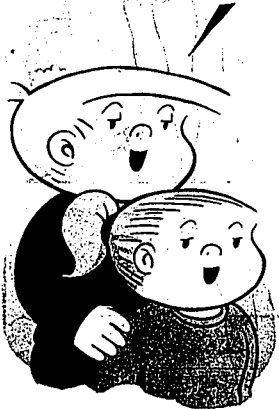




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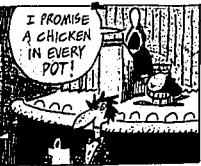
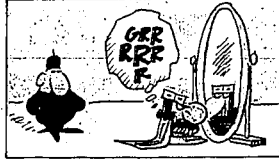


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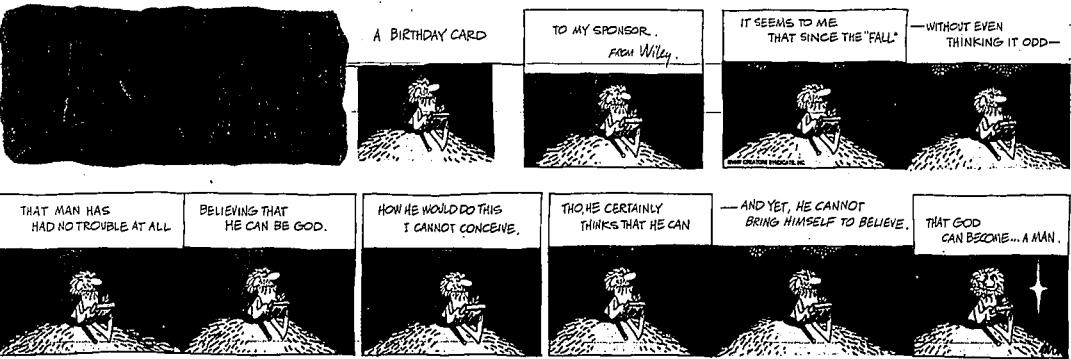
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CONTRAINDICATIONS: Humalog is contraindicated during episodes of hypoglycemia and in patients sensitive to Humalog or one of its excipients.

WARNINGS: This human insulin analog differs from human regular insulin by its rapid onset of action as well as its shorter duration of activity. When used as a mealtime insulin, the dose of Humalog should be given within 15 minutes before the meal. Because of the short duration of action of Humalog, patients with type 1 diabetes also require a longer-acting insulin to maintain glucose control.

Hypoglycemia is the most common adverse effect of insulins, including Humalog. As with all insulins, the timing of hypoglycemia may differ among various insulin formulations. Glucose monitoring is recommended for all patients with diabetes.

PRECAUTIONS: General—Hypoglycemia, hypokalemia, hypostyptosis, and hypersensitivity are among the potential clinical adverse effects associated with the use of all insulins. Because of differences in the action of Humalog and other insulins, care should be taken in patients in whom such potential side effects might be clinically relevant (e.g., patients who are fasting, have autonomic neuropathy, or are using potassium-lowering drugs).

As with all insulin preparations, the time course of Humalog action may vary in different individuals or at different times in the same individual and is dependent on site of injection, blood supply, temperature, and physical activity.

Adjustment of dosage of any insulin may be necessary if patients change their physical activity or their usual meal plan. Insulin requirements may be altered during illness, emotional disturbances, or other stress.

Hypoglycemia—As with all insulin preparations, hypoglycemic reactions may be associated with the administration of Humalog. Rapid changes in serum glucose levels may induce symptoms of hypoglycemia in persons with diabetes, regardless of the absolute value. Early warning symptoms of hypoglycemia may be different or less pronounced under certain conditions, such as long duration of diabetes, diabetic nerve disease, use of medications such as beta-blockers, or mistimed diabetes control.

Renal and hepatic impairment—Although there are no specific data in patients with diabetes, Humalog requirements may be reduced in the presence of renal or hepatic impairment, similar to observations found with other insulins.

Allergy—Local Allergy—Patients occasionally experience redness, itching, or itching at the site of injection. The condition called local allergy, usually clears up in a few days to a few weeks. In some instances, this condition may be related to factors other than insulin, such as irritants in a skin cleansing agent or poor injection technique.

Systemic Allergy—Less common, but potentially more serious, is generalized allergy to insulin, which may cause rash over the whole body, shortness of breath, wheezing, reduction in blood pressure, rapid pulse, or sweating. Severe cases of generalized allergy, including anaphylactic reaction, may be life threatening. Patients who they are having such a reaction, they should notify a doctor immediately.

Antibody Production—In large clinical trials, antibodies that cross react with human insulin and insulin lispro were observed in both Humalog H and Humalog treatment groups. As expected, the largest increase in the antibody levels during the 12 month clinical trials was observed with patients new to insulin therapy.

Information for Patients—Patients should be informed of the potential risks and advantages of Humalog and alternative therapies. Patients should also be informed about the importance of proper insulin storage, injection technique, timing of dosage, adherence to meal planning, regular physical activity, regular blood glucose monitoring, periodic glycosylated hemoglobin testing, and periodic management of hypo- and hyperglycemia; and "periodic assessment" for diabetes complications.

Patients should be advised to inform their physician if they are pregnant or intend to become pregnant.

Refer patients to the information for the Patient circular for information on proper injection technique, timing of Humalog dosing (15 minutes before a meal), storing and mixing insulin, and common adverse effects.

Laboratory Tests—As with all insulins, the therapeutic response to Humalog should be monitored by periodic blood glucose tests. Periodic measurement of glycosylated hemoglobin is recommended for the monitoring of long-term glycemic control.

Drug Interactions—Insulin requirements may be increased by medications with hypoglycemic activity such as corticosteroids, thiazoids, certain blood lowering drugs (e.g., nifedipine), estrogens, oral contraceptives, phenothiazines, and thyroid replacement therapy.

Insulin requirements may be decreased in the presence of drugs with hypoglycemic activity, such as oral hypoglycemic

agents, salicylates, sulfamides, and certain antidiabetics (monoamine oxidase inhibitors), certain angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors, beta-adrenergic blockers, inhibitors of pancreatic function (e.g., octreotide), and alcohol. Beta-adrenergic blockers may mask the symptoms of hypoglycemia in some patients.

Mixing of Insulins—Care should be taken when mixing all insulins as a change in peak action may occur. A decrease in the absorption rate, but not total bioavailability, was seen when Humalog was mixed with Humalog H. The decrease in absorption rate was not seen when Humalog was mixed with Humalog U. When Humalog is mixed with either Humalog U or Humalog H, the mixture should be given within 15 minutes before a meal.

If Humalog is mixed with a longer-acting insulin, Humalog should be drawn into the syringe first to prevent clumping of the Humalog by the longer-acting insulin. Injection should be made immediately after mixing. Mixtures should not be administered intravenously.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility—Long-term studies in animals have not been performed to evaluate the carcinogenic potential of Humalog. Humalog was not mutagenic in a battery of *in vitro* and *in vivo* genetic toxicity assays (bacterial mutation tests, unscheduled DNA synthesis, mouse lymphoma assay, chromosomal aberration tests, and a micronucleus test). There is no evidence from animal studies of Humalog-induced impairment of fertility.

Pregnancy—Teratogenic Effects—Pregnancy Category B—Reproduction studies have been performed in pregnant rats and rabbits at prenatal doses up to 4 and 0.3 times, respectively, the average human dose (100 units/day) based on body surface area. The results have revealed no evidence of impaired fertility or harm to the fetus due to Humalog. There are, however, no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Because animal reproduction studies are not always predictive of human response, this drug should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Although there are no clinical studies of the use of Humalog in pregnancy, published studies with human insulins suggest that optimizing overall glycemic control, including postprandial control, before conception and during pregnancy improves fetal outcome. Although the fetal complications of maternal hyperglycemia have been well documented, fetal toxicity also has been reported with maternal hypoglycemia. Insulin requirements usually fall during the first trimester and increase during the second and third trimester. Careful monitoring of the patient is required throughout pregnancy. During the perinatal period, careful monitoring of infants born to mothers with diabetes is warranted.

Nursing Mothers—It is unknown whether Humalog is excreted in significant amounts in human milk. Many drugs, including human insulin, are excreted in human milk. For this reason, caution should be exercised when Humalog is administered to a nursing woman. Patients with diabetes who are lactating may require adjustments in Humalog dose, meal plan, or body surface area.

Pediatric Use—Safety and effectiveness in patients less than 12 years of age have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: Clinical studies comparing Humalog with human regular insulin did not demonstrate a difference in frequency of adverse events between the two treatments.

Adverse events commonly associated with human insulin therapy include the following:

Body as a Whole—hypoglycemic reactions (see PRECAUTIONS), pruritus, rash

Other—hypoglycemia (see WARNINGS and PRECAUTIONS)

OVERDOSEAGE: Hypoglycemia may occur as a result of an excess of insulin relative to food intake, energy expenditure, or both. Mild episodes of hypoglycemia usually can be treated with oral glucose. Adjustments in drug dosage, meal patterns, or exercise may be needed. More severe episodes with coma, seizure, or neurologic impairment may be treated with intramuscular/interstitial dextrose or concentrated intravenous glucose. Sustained carbohydrate intake and observation may be necessary because hypoglycemia may recur after apparent clinical recovery.

CAUTION—Federal (USA) law prohibits dispensing without prescription.

Any change of insulin should be made cautiously and only under medical supervision. Changes in insulin strength, manufacturer, type (e.g., regular, NPH, analog), species (human, animal, or synthetic), or method of manufacturing animal-source insulins may result in the need for a change in dosage.

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Q Every season, star-seems to have a political cause these days. Does Kevin Costner have one?—D. Dickerson, Hudson, Ohio



A Costner, 42, has long been interested in the environment. He recently had a dinner for 30 at his Hollywood Hills home to honor former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, 66, who was in the U.S. to raise funds for Green Cross International, the environmental equivalent of the Red Cross. But Costner's interest isn't entirely altruistic: He has two business ventures based on environmental technology. As for his Hollywood ventures, his first directorial effort since 1990's *Dances With Wolves* is out this week. Titled *The Postman*, it's set in America in 2013, after a second Civil War.

Q I applauded the eulogy for Princess Diana delivered by her brother, Earl Spencer, in Westminster Abbey. What did you think of his characterization [in 1992] of the media as "the biggest cancer in society today"?—Bette Anno T., Cambridge, Mass.

A Blather. His loathing of the press is hard to reconcile with the fact that he has reported on the royals for NBC's *Today* show, appeared on the tabloid news show *Inside Edition* and posed for Britain's *Hellø* magazine. Once known in Britain as "Champagne Charlie" for his club-crawling ways, the Ninth Earl Spencer, 33, once confessed on a British TV talk show that he often fantasized about Roman orgies. In short, he's very much like his late sister: They both courted celebrity while professing not to like it.

Q Is the wonderful music played on PBS's *Inspector Morse* mystery series available to the public?—Hosey Best, Willingboro, N.J.

A Much of the original and incidental music from the series was released on three CDs: *Inspector Morse, Volumes 1, 2 and 3* (Blue Plate/Caroline Records). If hard to find, they can be ordered. Music from the series is also on the British CD *Incidentally TV Themes* (Music Club Records). Favoritely, Barrington Pheloung, who composes the original *Morse* themes, sometimes gives subtle musical clues to a case, such as using Morse code in the rhythm to spell out the killer's name.

Q I heard that Brad Pitt has been pinning away since his split from Gwyneth Paltrow. True?—D. Armstrong, Chadds Ford, Pa.

A On the contrary, our sources on the set of his latest film, *Meet Joe Black*, say Pitt is in high spirits—exchanging playful banter with female crew members and speaking in silly dialects with co-star Anthony Hopkins. Maybe it's his growing screen status that put him in such a good mood. He's reportedly getting \$17.5 million for *Meet Joe Black* and was offered \$25 million to star in an action flick. In any case, Pitt, 34, still discreetly refuses to assign blame for his breakup with Paltrow, 25—a sure sign it's no longer weighing on his mind. Another sign: the presence of German director Katja von Garnier, 31, though she's "just a good friend."



Brad: Breakup doesn't seem to have him broken up

Waller Scott's Personality Parade

rewasted. Volume of mail makes personal replies impossible.

Q When Gianni Versace was gunned down in Miami last July, the world lost one of its greatest fashion innovators. How has his sister, Donatella, coped personally and professionally with the loss?—Rachel F., Los Angeles, Calif.



A Not well. Donatella, 40, is still in deep mourning for her brother. "She had a breakdown at a recent photo shoot," a friend tells us. "She cries a lot. She's tense all the time." Part of that tension may be because Donatella has assumed the awesome responsibility for the entire Versace fashion line. "The pressure is on her now," the friend says, "and it remains to be seen if she can rise to the occasion." Her agent says Donatella created all the designs for her show in October, which was praised by the critics, and denies reports that she shed much of it on Gianni's ideas.

Q Is it true Prince Felipe, heir to the throne of Spain, is about to get married? Who is the lucky girl?—H.F., Greenville, Del.

A Prince Felipe de Bourbon, 29—Olympic yachtman, jet fighter pilot and perhaps the world's most eligible bachelor—is not engaged, though he has dated every eligible bachelorette in Europe. The list includes Countess Caroline of Waldburg, Princess Tatiana of Liechtenstein and Swedish aristocrat Sophie Ullens de Schooten. The 6-foot-5-Hunk (known in Spain as El Principe de Suenos, the Prince of Dreams) also was linked to an American model, Gigi Howard. Polls show that most Spaniards want Felipe to marry for love like his sister, Cristina, who recently wed a pro handball player.



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Bisset in *End of Summer* with Peter Weller

Q I'm a fan of Jacqueline Bisset. Can you fill me in on what she's been up to lately in her career, as well as in her personal life?—Barbara Anderson, Goshen, N.Y.

A Winifred Jacqueline Fraser Bisset still divides her professional life between Hollywood and Europe. Her recent projects were the French film *La Ceremonie*, with Isabelle Huppert, and *End of Summer*, with Peter Weller. Her next film, due out in January, is *Dangerous Beauty*, a 16th-century Venetian drama in which she plays a woman who seduces her daughter (Catherine McCormack) into the world's oldest profession. The 53-year-old British-born actress never married, but has been linked romantically over the years with actor Michael Sarrazin, real-estate dealer Victor Drai, the late ballet star Alexander Godunov and actor Vincent Perez. Bisset will say only that her current beau is a French actor.

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CHERYL JONES, A community health worker trained by Project HOPE in Newark, N.J., remembers when she met one of her first clients, a teenage single mother.

"She came from an abusive family—verbal, drug, alcoholic, sexual," Cheryl says. "Her baby had been born prematurely. She didn't want it. When I started with her, she didn't know how to change, feed or even hold a baby. I had to show her how to show affection—she'd never had any herself. Now, at 17, she's in school, the baby's in day care, and she's living in good housing with her aunt. The baby is a year old now. And now she's so excited about being a parent that all she does is talk about her baby. I feel as if I've saved a life."

But Cheryl Jones' client isn't the only beneficiary of her work. Cheryl herself has gained almost as much. She has a steady job and has embarked on a new career—the result of graduating from a 14-week training course given by Project HOPE in its campaign to get communities to help themselves to better health and child care. "They taught me how to teach health care to others," says Cheryl, who carries a caseload of 20 people. "The program even taught me patience with my own son, who's 7. The impact on the community has been great—helping to prevent child neglect and abuse. I feel like I'm making a difference, giving something back."

For 40 years now, Project HOPE, which is headquartered in Millwood,



China will soon see a great new children's medical center open in Shanghai, thanks largely to Project HOPE. Dr. Richard A. Jones, a professor of surgery at Harvard Medical School (2nd floor, right), was instrumental in setting it up. With him is Chen Bi Hang, now 6, with his father at left and a volunteer HOPE nurse at right. The boy's life was saved when Dr. Jones performed a delicate heart operation on him 10 years ago. When they met again, Chen said four words in English he had practiced: "Thank you very much."

Va., has been training hitherto unskilled volunteers to provide this kind of help to 4 million children, parents and families. But most of its activities have taken place overseas, from war-torn regions like Bosnia to underdeveloped countries like the Dominican Republic. In Santo Domingo, capital of the Dominican Republic, it currently is operating a clinic for children 6 and under. It treats some 1500 patients a month, most of them youngsters who would have no other place to go for health care.

The original Project HOPE was a ship that carried medical supplies and succor around the world. The ship is gone now, but its mission continues.

Now Project HOPE is expanding its activities in the United States, concentrating on inner-city and rural areas. "Helping children is a job that transcends cultures," says William Walsh Jr., the president and CEO of Project HOPE since 1991. "We feel that many

of the lessons we've learned from our years of work abroad can be applied here too."

Project HOPE—an acronym for Health Opportunities for People Everywhere—was founded by Bill Walsh's late father, a physician who, with the blessing of then-President Dwight D. Eisenhower, fitted out a white hospital ship, staffed it with volunteer doctors and nurses, and sailed it around the world for 14 years, carrying medical supplies and succor. The ship is gone now, but its mission continues. Nowadays Project HOPE operates by swifter methods, but its basic philosophy remains the same: teaching others to help themselves.

In the U.S., as elsewhere, it goes only where it is invited. Bill Walsh Jr. himself recalls that his own first job with Project HOPE was in Laredo, Tex., where he helped develop a training program for nurses in 1969. "They wanted us there," he says. "We formed a part-

nership with the local hospital, health department, school system and college. We trained people, and I got local organizations to promise to hire them. It worked—both the community workers and the children benefited. Next spring we're going back to Laredo to work in

BY HERBERT KUPFERBERG

low-income neighborhoods to address such needs as teen pregnancy, low birth-weight infants and AIDS prevention. Educating health professionals, policymakers and communities at large is the most efficient means we know of helping people live longer, healthier lives."

Although Project HOPE's activities are global, most of its financial support comes from American corporations and individuals, and its central staff and personnel—many of whom call themselves "Hopies"—are also American. Sometimes staff members become so caught up in their humanitarian work that it changes their personal lives. Laura Petrosian, who describes herself as "a true Hopie," became so deeply involved in a rehabilitation program for handicapped children in Armenia that she adopted one of them and brought him back to America.

"In 1986, while I was a student at the School of International Affairs at George

Washington University, I went to Armenia, which was then part of the Soviet Union, to do research at the University of Yerevan," says Laura. "I ended up getting married there, and we had a son, Haik, who's now 8 years old. I came back to the U.S., where I went to work for Project HOPE. I was sent several times to Armenia.

"On one of those trips, I walked into this orphanage for handicapped children, where we were training local staff people to help the kids. There

were cribs all over the place, and most of the children couldn't even sit up. But there was this one little boy named Koko, who was standing up. He could not talk, he had only two fingers on each hand, and he had no elbows. But he was looking at me, and his eyes just sparkled.

"I fell in love with him, and my husband and I decided to adopt him. So now we have two sons aged 8, three



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months apart. We generally call him Jon, which is his baptismal name, and love and wonder for him. He talks just fine—you can't get him to shut up. He's in a regular second-grade class with an hour a day for Special Ed, he ties his own shoes and does everything else. He's a Boy Scout, plays on a soccer team, and his eyes still sparkle. He has been a blessing to us."

One country that has great need of Project HOPE and has been receiving its help for 13 years is China. Next June, in partnership with the Shanghai Second Medical University, HOPE will open the Shanghai Children's Medical Center, a huge hospital that will care for 250,000 children a year and raise Chinese pediatric medicine to a level it has never before attained. American physicians have

children's heart surgery there. "They had 7000 to 8000 children on the waiting list," he says. "Heart surgery was practically eliminated during the Cultural Revolution—they thought, it was 'too intellectual.' They had no equipment, journals, information—nothing. We brought over \$500,000 worth of equipment, right down to sterilizers. Heart surgery today requires collaboration with modern technology. It's no longer the single surgeon who performs miracles. You need a team, and if you don't have one, children die. Now we've trained the Chinese in what to do, and their surgeons can step in. The results are phenomenal—they are saving thousands of their own lives."

"I remember the first heart operation I ever did in China," adds Dr. Jonas. "I had to learn the names of the instruments in Shanghainese, the local dialect. The patient was a boy of 6 named

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1998 The Shanghai Children's Medical Center, the first of its kind in China, is scheduled to open next spring, with the cooperation and participation of Chinese government authorities.

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Whether in Shanghai or in Newark, Project HOPE always works in partnership with local organizations. In this way, it seeks to bring about permanent rather than temporary improvement in a community's health conditions. In Newark, the New Community Corporation trained 59 health workers, selected from a pool of more than 300 applicants for the course. Says Dr. Patience Akinosh, director of Project HOPE's New Jersey programs: "One result of our trainees' work in the community is to reduce hospital visits among residents. Now, when a child is sick, parents don't au-

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As word spreads of Project HOPE's growing activities in the U.S., more and more inquiries are coming in to the organization.

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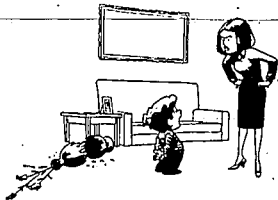


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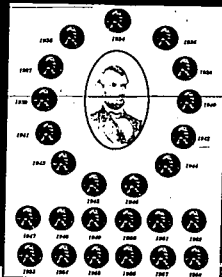
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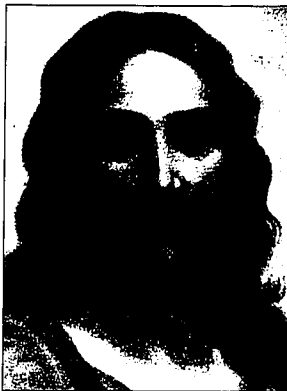


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Pam Grier with Quentin Tarantino: Can he revive her career like he did for Travolta?

busted for smuggling by the Feds and forced to betray her gangster boss, *Jackie Brown* opens Thursday. Grier's co-stars include Robert De Niro and Samuel L. Jackson.

Grier, who likes to ride roller coasters for the fun of it, has spent time in recent years acting onstage for \$335 a week. She also had a part in *Escape From L.A.*, in which she cradled a 50-pound machine gun in one arm and steered a hang glider with the other—her favorite stunt in any movie.

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What do you do if you get \$335,000 out of the blue? If you're Sister Kathleen Ross, you give it away. She was named one of 23 MacArthur Fellows—getting a "genius grant" of \$35 grand, to be paid out over five years—and immediately signed the cash over to Heritage College in Toppenish, Wash. Sister Kathleen, 56, is president of the school, which she helped to start in 1982 so needy students could get college educations. "As a Sister of the Holy Names, I took a vow of poverty," she told us. "Our community is dedicated to providing education for those who haven't the money. Every penny we find allows us to offer more scholarships." She received the prize because of her work on behalf of the college. She said it costs \$8 million a year to run the place. It has 1139 students, all commuters.



Kathleen Ross: She'll take that \$335,000 "genius grant," but she's giving away the prize.

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- Mix different kinds of greens—juniper, white pine, spruce and holly—in a vase. Intersperse with long-stemmed Stars of Bethlehem (their formal name is *ornithogalum*). You may need to replace the holly, but the other greens should last for several weeks.
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Can you figure out how to get four men and one flashlight across a bridge in 17 minutes?

At what point, do you suppose, does a cult become a religion?

—Michael McCorkle, Cromwell, Conn.

I can think of a great many factors to consider, but one stands out from the rest: I believe a cult becomes a religion when it becomes respectable.

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"What will we do?" asked the other one. "There isn't any place to hide."

"If they get too close," said the first one, "just do exactly what I do." A couple of minutes later, she stuck her head in the sand, and the other one did the same.

The two male ostriches skidded to a halt nearby and looked all around. Finally, one said, "Say, where'd they go?"

—William E. Sargent, Quartzsite, Ariz.

Thank you! Now we know how it all started!

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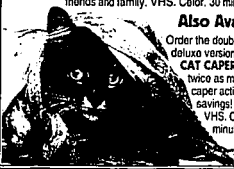


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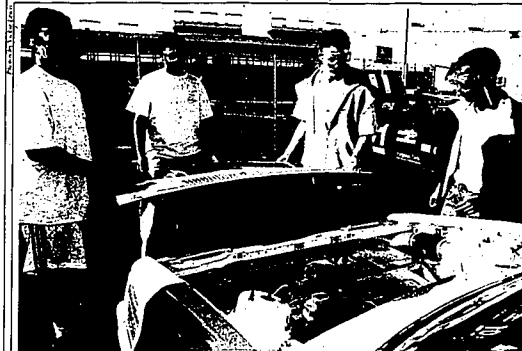
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WINNING TEAM
At the Richmond EV Grand Prix— a competition for student-made electric vehicles—students make last-minute adjustments. This team from Burke, Va., lost to Northampton East's "Shocker." Car No. 30 (below) was fielded by a school from Fishersville, Va.

denters entered their second-generation vehicle, a converted Geo Metro named "Shocker II," in the EV event held annually in Phoenix, which draws participants from all across the U.S. and Canada. The upstarts from Northampton East beat 37 other high school teams. The win in Phoenix was the first time Northampton East students had received national recognition.

"I never thought about going to college before, but now I'm thinking hard about it," said one student who was thinking of dropping out of school before getting involved in the race.

Where the event was once dominated by male students, females now play a major role. "I've learned real-life problem-solving," said Shelley Pickett, a contest participant from Maryland. "We had to build a box to cover part of the motor and had to figure out how to do it and fit it into a certain space. There was no pattern showing how to make the box. We made our own prototype. I found out, if it's not right the first time, you try until it is."

In 1995, the Northampton East teachers, Miller and Ryan, took the program

Building and racing electric cars gives high school students lessons in science and life-smarts, as well as a jolt of confidence.

IT FEELS GREAT TO be known for something other than coming from the poorest county in the state," said Nicole Byrd, a former student at Northampton East, a high school with just 654 students in Conway,

N.C. Against all odds, Byrd's disadvantaged rural school has become "the team to beat" in high school-level electric vehicle (EV) competitions. In four years, Northampton East students have been overall winners three times in the regional electric vehicle competition held annually in Richmond, beating teams from more affluent, mid-Atlantic schools. In 1995, the school won the national electric vehicle event in Phoenix.

The school's path to electric success began in 1993 when the North Carolina Power Co. gave it a \$2500 grant to design and build an electric-powered car. The teachers selected to carry out the project were Harold Miller, the auto shop teacher, and Eric Ryan, now at Tufts University, a physics teacher who was assigned to the school by Teach For America, a national program designed to bring teachers to inner-city and rural areas. "This was the beginning of chaos, the beginning of fun," said Ryan.

The Car That Changed Their Lives



Electric Teamwork...

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- **Troubleshooting:** Teams inspect an EV that needs repairs and suggest ways to fix the problems.
- **Q&A:** Three students selected randomly from each team answer questions about the EV industry.

A car dealer contributed a twice-talented Ford Escort. Transforming the vehicle was a challenge. Some students didn't know how to use a ruler, and some had never even changed a tire. But they and their teachers worked long hours and turned their Escort into an efficient electric vehicle, using 16 golf-cart batteries to power the motor. The students named their car "Shocker." They entered it in the Richmond EV Grand Prix, sponsored by the Virginia Power Co., and cheered as it won the range event by traveling 64 miles on a single charge—11 miles farther than its next closest competitor.

In 1995, the Northampton East stu-

dent step further by developing a class, Electric Vehicle Technology, that combines science, auto mechanics, math and business. "I haven't seen anything that comes close to this in terms of its educational value," said Ryan. "There is a lot of room for education to go with the electric vehicle project. This is the real world. I see no reason why this couldn't become a sort of sport for high schools. This is a teacher's dream." **16**

To learn more about electric vehicle events, write to: Wright Center for Innovative Science Education, Tufts University, Dept. P, 4 Colby St., Medford, Mass. 02155; or call 617-628-5000 ext. 5387.

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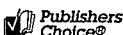


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When their pet terrier, Nick, became ill, the author and his wife took him to Boston's Angell Memorial, a high-tech animal hospital at the forefront of veterinary medicine.

'It Was The Least We Could Do For Our Nick'

MOST DOG OWNERS will understand the shock my wife, Debbie, and I felt when Nick Carraway, our cairn terrier of 14 years, was diagnosed with a cancerous tumor last summer. We never lost sight of the fact that Nick was an animal, and an old one at that.

Under the best of circumstances, he probably would not be with us more than three or four more years. But we considered him a member of the family.

I remember a decade ago when my wife's grandfather, in a wheelchair and suffering from Alzheimer's disease, was briefly released from his prison of silence when Nick jumped spontaneously into his lap. "Nice puppy," he said, stroking Nick's head. None of us had heard him speak for months. Nick sensed the pain and wanted to help.

We owed Nick no less consideration. There are only a handful of veterinary oncologists—cancer specialists—in the country. Our veterinarian recommended Boston's Angell Memorial Hospital, which I soon discovered is

one of the most remarkable and caring institutions in America. "We serve people who want their pets to get the kind of care they would want for themselves," said Dr. Gus Thornton, president of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (MSPCA), Angell's parent organization.

Dr. Wayne Shapiro, one of the nation's few board-

certified veterinary cancer specialists, examined Nick, handling him so gently that Nick, who had been trembling, calmed down. After several tests, Dr. Shapiro told us that the cancer had not spread and the form of cancer that Nick had usually responded well to radiation. Nick began 19 treatments spread over four weeks, under the supervision of Dr. Sheri Siegel, Angell's radiation oncologist.

Debbie and I took that time to learn everything we could about the hospital.

In recent years, veterinary medicine has adapted many advances from human medicine to treating pets. (See "When Your Pet Is Seriously Ill," PARADE, March 23, 1997.) Angell has been a leader in many of these new techniques. We found fa-

What You Can Do

For early detection of cancer and other medical problems, examine your pet once a week and consult your veterinarian as needed. Here are some tips:

● **Massage your pet's entire body, checking for new or growing lumps. Begin at the head and neck and gently move toward the tail. Also examine the anus, a common site for lumps in older animals.**

● **To check hydration, lightly pull on the skin of the neck. In a well-hydrated animal, the skin will snap back into place.**

● **Look for flaking, parasites or scabs in your pet's coat. (Fleas leave black "flea dirt," which turns red when wet.)**

● **Small ears for unusual odors, which may indicate an infection.**



Dr. Sheri Siegel and Dr. Wayne Shapiro, both cancer specialists, with Michael and Debbie Ryan (l-r) and their dog, Nick, at Angell Memorial Hospital in Boston.

ilities inspired by the best that human hospitals have to offer: an isolation ward for animals with infectious diseases, a nuclear medicine program, an ultrasound suite, even a cardiac catheterization unit for examining heart defects. According to Dr. Paul Gambardella, the chief of staff, Angell has the largest intensive care unit for pets in the country.

During our visit, Dr. Jim Boulay, Angell's acting director of surgery, and Dr. Barbara Gores demonstrated an innovative surgical procedure for breeds of large dogs who repeatedly tear ligaments because their bodies are too heavy for their legs. The surgery redistributes the forces on the knees to make the ligaments less significant, allowing the animal to walk normally, without the likelihood of reinjury.

Drs. Boulay and Gores also are part of

one of the few surgical teams in the country that perform veterinary kidney transplants. Under a policy worked out over two years of ethical discussions at the hospital, owners of cats with kidney failure have the option to visit an animal shelter and choose a cat that may be put to sleep if not adopted. If the cat from the shelter fits in after a month in the owner's home, it becomes a kidney donor. For the ailing cat, the transplant is performed, and two cats' lives may be saved.

After one week of radiation, Nick's tumor had shrunk visibly. Where the tumor had been, we could see only what seemed like a small sore spot. Angell is among the handful of animal hospitals with a computer linked directly to a patient's CAT scan, which determines how to target the radiation beam precisely at the tumor. The process is so new that it

BY MICHAEL RYAN

has yet to receive FDA approval for human use. In addition, a new category of anti-cancer agents, already proved to reverse endstage cancers in mice, will be used to treat terminally ill dogs at Angell.

Angell has grown into a medical center with three affiliated hospitals (two in Massachusetts and one in Fez, Morocco). With a staff of more than 200, including 50 veterinarians, it treats 46,000 animals each year. There are several other fully staffed animal hospitals across the country, including the prestigious Animal Medical Center in New York. In addition, the nation's 27 veterinary schools run teaching hospitals—mostly smaller and less comprehensive than Angell.

Angell is a nonprofit organization. Its annual operating cost of \$13 million comes entirely from donations and patient fees; it receives no government money. For years, it prided itself on never turning away a patient whose owner couldn't afford to pay. "It's just not a sustainable situation anymore," Dr. Thornton told me. "Economic realities have to be a part of what we do." A course of radiation can easily cost more than \$2000; a kidney transplant, from \$6000 to \$8000. Nick's treatment came to about \$3000 (including additional dental work).

Although veterinary insurance is widely available in countries like England, it is comparatively unusual in the U.S. At present, Veterinary Pet Insurance, based in California, is the only insurance carrier in the United States solely for animals.

Nick will have follow-up care for months to come, just to make sure his cancer does not recur. But today he looks happy, healthy and, for his 14 years, energetic: No motorcycle can pass without his indignant barking and straining at the leash. As I've been writing this, he has taken to sleeping on the rug beneath my desk. "Pets have no concept of worry," one Angell veterinarian observed. Dozing peacefully, unaware that he has won a battle with cancer, Nick is sure proof of that. ■

For more information, write to the MSPCA, 350 S. Huntington Ave., Dept. P, Boston, Mass. 02130.

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After all those years that Dick and Mary Tyler Moore spent together on TV, do they ever have reunions?

"She lives in upstate New York on a horse farm or something," Dick said, "but whenever I get to New York, I call. Or when she's in Los Angeles, she calls. But we don't really see each other that often." What about the show's producer, Carl Reiner? "Oh, sure," said Dick. "In fact, tomorrow night we're going to the theater." Van Dyke has four grown children: Ripry is an actor

on *Diagnosis Murder*. ("My son being on the show is the main reason I do it," Dick said. "I think I must be the oldest guy with a TV series—except maybe for Bob Barker.") His older son, Chris ("a big honcho"), works in Hong Kong for Nike. "My older daughter has a beautiful voice but opted for marriage and family," added Dick, "and my youngest daughter has two wonderful kids." Speaking of voices, did the music biz ever pick up on Dick's obvious vocal talents? "I once did a single when I was in *Eye to Eye* Birdie—a Bert Bacharach song no one can ever forget," he said. "And I did an album that was on the *VIBE* table the week last day."

In Step With

BY
JAMES
BRADY

DICK VAN DYKE

SOME AMERICANS shrug off the holidays. Dick Van Dyke not only celebrates but he also does something about them. Halloween, for example, provides an opportunity to have some fun with neighboring children. "I make a couple of monsters and put them on the porch," he said. "The local kids look forward to it. They want to know, 'What's he going to make this year?'"

At Christmas, Dick is on L.A.'s skid row. "It's no big deal," he said. "I go down there to the Midnight Mission every year to help out. It's right on Fifth Street. A man called Clancy runs it and, if you could mention that they could use the publicity."

The fabulous song-and-dance man just marked his 72nd birthday and was calling to talk about a life in showbiz that dates to his start in radio at 18 and continues on TV today in CBS's *Diagnosis Murder*.

He came to CBS in 1955 as an anchor on *The Morning Show*. "Walter Cronkite was my news guy," Dick recalled. "There was a story that I got Cronkite fired. I was 29. I couldn't get anyone fired. Certainly not Walter."

Dick Van Dyke was born in Missouri but grew up in an apparently idyllic household in

Personal:

Born Dec. 13, 1925, in West Plains, Mo.
Married to Marjorie Willett since 1948.
Two sons: Christian, 47, and Barry, 46.
Two daughters: Stacey, 42, and Carrie Beth, 36.

Radio:

Includes *Yawn Patrol* in Danville, Ill., 1944; *Flair* on ABC, 1960.

Television:

Includes *The Morning Show*, 1955; *The Andy Williams Show*, 1959; *The Dick Van Dyke Show*, 1961-66; *The New Dick Van Dyke Show*, 1971-74; *Van Dyke and Company*, 1976; *The Carol Burnett Show*, 1977; *The Van Dyke Show*, 1998; *Diagnosis Murder*, 1993-.

Films:

Includes *Eye to Eye Birdie*, 1963; *Mary Poppins*, 1977; *The Chitty Bang Chitty Bang*, 1968; *Dick Tracy*, 1990.

Theater:

Includes *The Merry Mates*, 1941-53; *The Girls Against the Boys*, 1959; *Eye to Eye Birdie*, 1960.



Danville, Ill., where his dad was a salesman for Sunshine Cooking Co. Dick already was doing radio on a local station when the Army called during World War II, and he was on the mike again—this time in uniform.

After the war, he and a buddy toured in The Merry Mutes, doing pantomime to the accompaniment of their collection of Spike Jones records. His big break came on Broadway in the musical *Eye to Eye Birdie*. That caught the eye of the producer

This Christmas, as usual, Dick Van Dyke will be working at L.A.'s Midnight Mission. Not for the publicity, says Dick, but because skid row needs help.

Carl Reiner, who put Dick and Mary Tyler Moore together on *The Dick Van Dyke Show*, for which Dick won four Emmys.

Clearly, one reason for Dick's devotion to the folks on skid row is his own well-documented alcohol problem. How's he feeling these days? "Terrific," he said. "Just the other day I got a clean bill of health." More worrisome, he said, is the weather. "Everyone's getting ready for *El Niño*." That serious? "Well," he said, "they're sandbagging." **BR**



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