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# Parents blast proposed truancy law

By William Brock  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Fearing the city would spiral into a police state, an overflow crowd of homeschool parents descended on City Hall Tuesday to rail against a proposed ordinance that would set a daytime curfew during normal school hours. Though it wasn't a public hearing, the City Council listened to more than an hour of steadfast opposition from homeschool parents. The council made no decision, preferring to resume the discussion next week.

## Game tag fee boost advances

The Associated Press

**BOISE** — The state Fish and Game Department's request to boost deer and elk tag fees by \$6 each has won approval by a House committee, but the measure faces an uncertain future before the full House. The Resources and Conservation Committee approved the legislation Tuesday afternoon, but at least four committee members went on record opposing it.

The tag fee increase is estimated to raise \$1.4 million from sportsmen in the next season. Director Steve Mealey told the committee some of the money would be used for a mandatory reporting system, which didn't sit well with some committee members.

Mealey described the legislation as the first phase in a planned two-step increase in fees to pump more money into the department. After the Legislature adjourns, he said, Fish and Game will seek public involvement in the best way to raise another \$6.2 million for priority programs.

"We'll be pursuing a long-term commitment next year pursuant to public involvement," he said. If the current measure becomes law, next season hunters would have to return cards on their success or lack of it. Mealey said Fish and Game also plans enhanced telephone surveying of hunter success. In both cases, he said, the goal is to produce better information.

## Fear that homeschoolers will be targets draws overflow crowd to City Council

"We're being faced with something that would remove our constitutional rights, whether you know it or not," said Twin Falls resident Cathy Roemer. She warned that "government is slowly taking over the rights of the citizen."

"It almost sounds like we're entering a police state," added Burley resident Darrell Ross, who drove 40 miles to speak his mind. "I'm not part of the KGB and I'm not out to harass homeschoolers," replied Twin Falls police Sgt. Bill Hanchey. He fervently asked council members to look beyond

opponents' impassioned rhetoric and give cops more authority to stop juvenile delinquency before it gets started. "We need some form of control," Hanchey said. "The main problem in this community is parents who can't control their children." Despite Hanchey's assurances that it would not happen, speaker after speaker predicted that homeschoolers — en route to the library, or music lessons, or some other legitimate activity — would be stopped and interrogated by Twin Falls cops.

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## SURGICAL MONITOR



Dr. Peter Doble operates on a patient's sinuses while using a new type of computer. The large monitor on the left shows him where his instruments are in relation to the brain and other vital organs.

# Technology guides surgeons' hands

By Pat Marcantonio  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — As Dr. Peter Doble operated on a young woman's troublesome sinuses, his hand was guided by a camera, CAT-scan images, skill and knowledge of human anatomy. Thanks to the latest technology, he also used a computer guidance system. "It's job is for verification and validation of where we are," he

## New computer system moves beyond mere visual assistance

said. The result is greater accuracy and safety. The InstaTrak System is manufactured by Visualization Technology Inc. of Boston, and Greenston Clinic in Twin Falls has the first one in the Northwest, Doble said. The pri-

vate clinic specializes in ear, nose and throat illnesses and is considered one of the leading sinus surgery centers in the nation, he said. During Sunday's operation, a slim surgical instrument called an endoscope is navigated

through a patient's nose. A thin camera eyepiece attached to the endoscope captures the image inside a patient's head and projects it on a television monitor. The doctor operates by looking at the monitor. He also consults several CAT-scan images during the procedure.

The new technology goes beyond the visual. It all starts with a CAT scan, or cross-sectional image. During the

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Bomb disposal experts from Tooele, Utah, arrive outside the Minidoka County Courthouse in Rupert Tuesday to investigate a suspected explosive device.

# Rupert bomb proves to be fake

By Penelope Reedy  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — A suspected bomb that twice emptied the Minidoka County Judicial Building on Tuesday turned out to be a fake. "Four round flares with a clock on it," said George Falkner, director of Minidoka County Disaster Services. But even without an explosive punch, the scare knocked the courthouse out of action for most of the day. The initial phone threat was received about 10:05

a.m. A bomb squad from Tooele, Utah, declared the bomb a fake at 4:45 p.m.

"It's a dud," said Sgt. Dan Kindig, coordinator of the Minidoka County Special Response Team. "Nobody got hurt, and that's all that mattered. Chalk it up to more training and experience." The dummy bomb was removed from the site in a dump truck full of sand, then hauled to a gun range for dismantling and evidence, Kindig said.

After an unidentified caller

phoned the Magistrate Court office, law officers evacuated and searched the building. When they failed to find a bomb, they let everyone back in.

"When we were coming back in, I thought to myself, 'What if it's still in there?'" Hatmaker said. Public Defender Erick Shaner said he stepped into the men's room on the west side of the building and saw what looked like "four or five sticks of dynamite" on the floor behind a toilet.

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# Clinton on Iraq: Sometimes using force 'the only answer'

## President states his goals, reasons for possible action

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** — President Clinton, preparing Americans for possible airstrikes against Iraq, said Tuesday military force is never the first answer. "But sometimes it's the only answer."

Unless the international community acts, Saddam Hussein will conclude it "has lost its will," Clinton said. Cautioning that an attack would not

be risk free, the president said, "I know that the people we may call upon in uniform are ready. The American people have to be ready as well."

Clinton used a Pentagon setting and a nationally televised speech to define military goals and a rationale for action.

He said airstrikes would leave Saddam "significantly worse off than he is now." And if one attack does not achieve U.S. goals, "we will be prepared to strike him again," the president said.

Clinton said U.N. inspectors charged with dismantling Saddam's biological, chemical and nuclear weapons have encountered "lies, stonewalling, obstacles after obstacle after obstacle" in the seven years since the Gulf War.

If Saddam is not stopped now, Clinton said, "He will conclude that the international community has lost its will. He will then conclude that he can go right on and do more to rebuild an arsenal of devastating destruction."

"And some day, some way, I guarantee you, he'll use the arsenal," the president said.

He said Saddam "could end this crisis tomorrow simply by letting the weapons inspectors complete their mission."

Defense Secretary William Cohen said, "Iraq must understand that our patience is not infinite. And at some point we will have to act to reduce the menace posed by Iraq's weapons of mass destruction and to reduce Iraq's ability to threaten its neighbors."

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President Clinton talks with Gen. Charles Krulak, Marine Corps commandant, following his address on Iraq at the Pentagon Tuesday.



# Tripp worried about legality of her tapes, book agent says

WASHINGTON (AP) — A month before she gave prosecutors tape recordings suggesting a presidential affair and cover-up, Linda Tripp became concerned her tapes might be illegal and began looking for a new lawyer to file immunity from prosecution, her former book agent said Tuesday.



Lewis Fox, a retired Secret Service officer, testified before a grand jury Tuesday in Washington, D.C.

Lucianne Goldberg, the New York book agent who advised Tripp last year, said it was Tripp's concern about being prosecuted for secretly taping conversations with Monica Lewinsky that led Tripp to a conservative attorney and eventually to Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr.

Tripp's attorneys at the time had convinced her that "she had done something illegal and awful and she panicked and she wanted immunity, and she had to have a lawyer who knew how to get her immunity on the tapes," Goldberg said in an interview with The Associated Press.

Contacted about Goldberg's comments, James Moody, Tripp's current lawyer, said his client was in Stary in January because she was being asked by Ms. Lewinsky to lie in the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit.

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against Clinton. "She was to a point where there was crime going on, about to go on, and she was going to get dragged into it," said Moody. "She was being asked to participate in a cover-up."

Goldberg's suggestion that Tripp had concerns about her own legal exposure came as President Clinton's private lawyer filed a motion in Little Rock, Ark., asking a federal judge to dismiss Mrs. Jones' sexual harassment suit against the president.

In more than 500 pages of affidavits and depositions, Clinton's lawyers argued that five months of evidence-gathering and discovery by both sides failed to produce evidence supporting crucial

legal elements of Mrs. Jones' complaint.

Letting such an "unfounded case" proceed to trial, the lawyers argued, would subject all future presidents to "litigation and trial based on unprovable claims."

"We want to get this case resolved and resolved quickly. We want to get it over with," said Bob Bennett, Clinton's lead attorney. John Whitehead, an attorney for Mrs. Jones, called Clinton's team "desperate to avoid a trial by jury."

Meanwhile, prosecutors questioned President Clinton's personal aide before a grand jury Tuesday. Steve Goodin, who once carried Clinton's coat and appeared by the president at public appearances, said he knew nothing about any improper relationship between Clinton and Ms. Lewinsky.

After his appearance before the grand jury, Goodin issued a brief statement.

"I have no knowledge of any improper relations between President Clinton and Monica Lewinsky, or anyone else," Goodin said, declining to describe his testimony further saying he intended "to respect

the secrecy of the grand jury proceedings."

Former Secret Service officer Lewis Fox, who says he once saw Ms. Lewinsky visit Clinton in the Oval Office but wasn't sure if

they were alone, was also questioned before the grand jury.

Meanwhile, Fox spent two hours Tuesday being questioned by prosecutors, then left with his attorney without commenting.

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Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz, replying to Clinton, said the United States has no authority to attack. None of Iraq's neighbors want it to be bombed, Aziz asserted, while countries as far away as New Zealand, Australia and Britain are joining to help the United States.

Clinton is expected to continue his public focus on Iraq in coming days, and the White House said she may eventually address the nation from the Oval Office. Today, Cohen, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and National Security Adviser Sandy Berger will conduct a public forum in Columbus, Ohio, about the show-down with Iraq.

As the administration made its case to the public, a new poll showed American support for military action weakening. Forty percent of those surveyed said they supported a military strike to resolve the Iraqi standoff, compared with 50 percent two weeks ago, the CNN/USA Today/Gallup poll showed. Yet if Clinton did order airstrikes, 76 percent said they would approve.

In a last-minute diplomatic effort, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan is expected to travel to Baghdad. White House spokesman Mike McCurry said the United States will insist that Annan have "very clear instructions" from the Security Council and "a very unambiguous message to deliver." Clinton called Annan to review diplomatic efforts with Iraq, a White House

official said. The State Department said U.S. objectives have not changed: unlimited access to more than 60 presidential sites and "dozens and dozens" of others where weapon ingredients may be hidden.

For weeks, Albright and other officials have said diplomacy had virtually run its course. State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said Tuesday that "the window has not yet shut," although he appeared to be skeptical that Annan's mission would produce a reversal by Saddam.

Clinton underscored the conditions that Saddam must fulfill. "Iraq must agree — and soon — to free, full, unfettered access" to suspected weapon sites "anywhere in the country," he said.

Clinton was briefed at the Pentagon by Marine Corps Gen. Anthony Zinni, the U.S. commander in the Persian Gulf, and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, chairman of the joint Chiefs of Staff, about military options and the status of U.S. forces.

Amid confusion about the endgame of attacks and calls in Congress for toppling Saddam, Clinton spoke with precision about U.S. goals. "Let me be clear," the president said, "A military operation cannot destroy all the weapons of mass destruction capacity. But it can and will leave him significantly worse off than he is now in terms of the ability to threaten the world with these weapons, or to attack his neighbors."

Following any strike, the United States will continue moni-

toring Iraq's activities "with all the means at our disposal," Clinton said. "If he seeks to rebuild his weapons of mass destruction, we will be prepared to strike him again."  
Clinton said that economic sanctions against Iraq will remain in place "until Saddam complies fully with all U.N. resolutions."  
Clinton said the United States has assembled "a coalition of like-minded nations" against Iraq, and he listed more than 20 countries. But the extent of cooperation by some nations is unclear. Bahrain, one of the countries Clinton listed, said it will not allow the United States to use the island as a staging area for any strike.

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**FDA endorses psyllium bran cereal**

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration gave Kellogg Co. a boost Tuesday, ruling that its All Bran Bran Buds cereal contains enough psyllium to reduce the risk of heart disease.

The FDA's decision also allows dietary supplements containing this type of soluble fiber to advertise its heart benefit — and FDA officials expect more psyllium-containing foods, from waffles to biscuits, to hit the market soon.

Tuesday, the FDA backed fiber from psyllium, ruling that foods containing 2.6 grams per serving of psyllium could be labeled heart-healthy when consumed as part of a diet low in fat and cholesterol.

The caveat: It took 102 grams of psyllium a day to lower cholesterol by 5 percent. That would require eating four bowls of cereal a day.

**Affirmative action dispute may halt program**

WASHINGTON — At stake are billions of federal dollars for highways and mass transit — spending that Congress overwhelmingly supports. Yet the money could become entangled in one of the nation's toughest political issues: affirmative action.

One provision of the current huge highway program steers at least 10 percent of the money to firms owned by minorities or women. But it faces growing opposition in the Republican-controlled Congress.

While Republicans are not united on the issue, the 1996 GOP platform put the party on record against racial and gender preferences. Adding strength to the move was California's 1996 vote to ban race or gender from being a factor in state hiring or college admissions.

**Lenders gear up for student loan debate**

WASHINGTON — Sallie Mae, the student loan giant that recently shed its government ties, has armed itself with a common tool of influence: its own political action committee.

The addition comes as Congress prepares to renew federal higher education programs — a high-stakes debate in which student loan providers are trying to stop a scheduled cut in their interest rates.

Sallie Mae's competitors in the student loan market are on the same side in this debate, and they, too, have started raising funds for their own PAC.

Sallie Mae officials said their new political tool has more to do with its transition last August from a government-chartered corporation to a private company than with influencing the higher education bill.

**Bidding wars begin to offer wireless service**

WASHINGTON — Companies are in a high-stakes bidding war over the biggest-ever airwaves slices to offer telephone, television and Internet services via new wireless technologies.

The Federal Communications Commission will begin auctioning licenses Wednesday for the new technology called local multi-point distribution service, or LMDS, and 139 companies are vying for them. The auction is expected to raise hundreds of millions of dollars.

The new wireless service is delivered in a way that closely resembles cellular phone service. But to receive phone, television or data services, customers need a small receiver dish in or near a window.

Compiled from wire reports

**Riggs runs for Senate**

FAIRFIELD, Calif. (AP) — Three-term Republican Rep. Ripon Riggs is running for U.S. Senate, saying he wants to stress personal morality.

The former police officer and deputy sheriff has represented the politically divided, rural 1st Congressional District in Northern California from 1991-93 and again from 1995 onward. He announced his candidacy Monday.

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**Jury finds ex-midshipman guilty of murder**

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Former Naval Academy midshipman Diane Zamora, who confessed to helping her fiancé kill his one-time lover and then tearfully told a jury she wasn't involved, was found guilty Tuesday of murder.

Ms. Zamora, 20, automatically received a life sentence on the capital murder count because prosecutors were not seeking the death penalty. She will be eligible for parole after 40 years, counting the time she has already spent behind bars.

The jury deliberated for six hours Monday, then needed only minutes Tuesday morning to convict Ms. Zamora of the slaying of 16-year-old Adrienne Jones. Jurors rejected lesser charges of kidnapping, assault and false imprisonment.

**Dan Rather plays guest host for a day**

NEW YORK (AP) — Yes, that was Dan Rather appearing on CNN's "Larry King Live" to conduct an hour's worth of interviews about the crisis with Iraq. Rather's bosses at CBS said Tuesday they consider it good publicity that the

evening news anchor appeared as a guest host Monday night on a competing network's program. Rather interviewed Defense Secretary William Cohen, Iraq's United Nations Ambassador Nizar Hamdon and a couple of senators.

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# Research questions if sunscreen prevents melanoma skin cancer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A provocative presentation at a science conference Tuesday questioned the widely held belief that sunscreens lower the risk of deadly melanoma skin cancer, but specialists still caution against going into the sunshine without these lotions.

Sunscreens prevent sunburns, and since there is evidence that frequent burns, especially at an early age, trigger melanoma, many experts assume that using them should help ward off this cancer.

However, melanoma cases have risen dramatically over the last 25 years even as sunscreen use became more common. The lethal cancer now strikes about 42,000 Americans a year, killing 7,300.

Dr. Marianne Berwick, an epidemiologist at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City, said her own study, as well as a review of other research, offers no convincing evidence that using sunscreens keeps people from getting melanoma.

"It's not safe to rely on sunscreen," she said.



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Ten studies have looked at the question, she said, at the American Association for the Advancement of Science meeting. Three of them, including her own, found no link between sunscreens and melanoma risk. Two suggested that sunscreens seem to prevent melanoma.

The five others found that melanoma risk actually increased among sunscreen users — probably because people who use them most are already at highest risk because of light complexion.

Among Berwick's points: • The belief that bad childhood sunburns trigger melanoma may be wrong. Studies show that only about half the people ques-

tioned repeatedly about blistering childhood burns consistently give the same answer.

• Many fair-skinned people may be using sunscreens so they can stay out in the sun longer with getting burned. Nevertheless, the excess sun exposure, even if it doesn't burn, may increase their risk of melanoma.

• Intermittent sun exposure, such as the occasional trip to the beach, may be more likely to raise the risk than more regular time in the sun.

Several dermatologists strongly disagreed with Berwick's report. Until there is clear proof that sunscreens are ineffective, "it would be irresponsible to discontinue all recommendations about using sunscreens," said Dr. Darrell Rigel of New York University.

Melanoma may take 20 years or more to develop after excessive sun exposure. Some doctors argue that it is simply too soon to prove that sunscreens are helping, since No. 15 and stronger sunscreens have only been in wide use since the mid 1980s.

# Dow Corning increases breast implant offer

MIDLAND, Mich. (AP) — Dow Corning Corp. said Tuesday it is raising its settlement offer for breast implant claims to \$3 billion and giving women more choices of compensation for their claims of health problems.

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# American drivers leave defensive driving for road rage

## Get off my tail, you moron!

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Auto Club says start by following the basic rules of the road yourself — like using the left lane for passing, not for sightseeing. The point is not to offend other people. But if you do make a driving error, let the offended driver know you're sorry. It goes a long way in defusing a tense situation.

time to get to where you're going so you don't snap if there's a delay. "People usually are in the left lane, trying to get ahead. ... The stress is produced by their intention, not by the act of driving," James said. "Try life in the right lane."

Sheryl Harris writes for the Akron (Ohio) Beacon Journal.

Hang up the cell phone and drive, blabber-mouth! Who are all these jerks on the road? Somewhere along the highway of life, we've gone from defensive driving to aggressive driving. Road rage is burning up highways. Behind the wheel, normally considerate folks morph into drivers who scream, gesture or swear their way to wherever they're going.

ordinarily sunny dispositions frequently become hostile on the road. People seem most about road rage to drive slowly in the left lane so others can't pass, who change lanes abruptly or who mail-gate — acts they see as intentional insults. Their instant response is to impede or reprimand the offender. And being in a car offers an anonymity that makes people bolder.

"Not only can we get away with it, but we are taught that we are wimps if we let them get away with it," James said.

The result is often an escalating series of "insults" that, if not interrupted, can have disastrous results.

"Horror stories litter the news: Last month, a California woman followed another driver off an expressway exit ramp to scream at him. Then, still in a rage, she drove back onto the highway the wrong way, killing herself and her daughter.

In December, a driver dueling with another car veered left of center in Coplay, hitting a family of four head-on and causing injuries.

In Cleveland, a man shot and killed a driver who backed into his car at a gas station. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates a third of highway deaths and injuries may be the result of rage-induced chemistries.

In its 100-year history, the car has gone from being a novelty to a weapon — a condition psychiatrist John Larson says is a symptom of an aggressive driving behavior that starts with the tiniest flicker of anger. It's that nasty impulse to get even when someone else does something dumb on the highway.

Who are all these jerks on the road? Well, mostly they're them. But sometimes they're us.

"Almost universally, people let go behind the wheel," said Dr. Leon James, a professor of psychology at the University of Hawaii.

After 15 years of studying audio tapes he has drivers make while driving, James says one thing's clear: It's part of our culture to behave badly behind the wheel. The tapes show that people with

sent a microcosm of our culture ... They are our canary in the coal mines, showing the presence of a destructive influence at work," Larson testified at a congressional hearing on road rage last summer.

Larson, author of *Driving Clear of Highway Madness*, said the goal too often is to get there fast and first, to "be No. 1" at any cost. And being No. 1 has replaced the Golden Rule, or concern for others, as a guiding moral principle.

That has led to some bizarre cases. Take the North Carolina driving instructor who ordered a student to chase a car that cut them off in traffic. For good measure, once the two cars had pulled over, the driving instructor punched the offender in the face.

James, the psychologist, says we're passing this attitude to our children. "We start as children, as passengers, to learn to be very, very aggressive behind the wheel," James said.

Parents who would never ordinarily swear in front of their children do so in the car. They're teaching children that it's acceptable to be out of control or angry while driving.

One Cleveland couple who bought their 3-year-old a Little Tikes car took it in honor as their little girl watched it for a spin, pounding the horn and shouting, "Damn it! Damn it!"

James and Larson say it's such a pervasive attitude that children should be taught how to control aggressive driving before they are taught to drive.

For the rest of us, learning how to relax may be the best cure. Kevin Thomas of the Akron

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Also, he said, give other drivers a break. "You don't know what's going on in that other car," he said. Maybe the driver had a lousy day at the office, got a Dear John letter from his wife or is distracted by a colicky baby.

James, the psychologist, agrees that giving the other guy the benefit of the doubt can keep you from getting uptight — as can counting to 10.

Above all, he said, give yourself

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## LETTER

### 'Titanic' not family viewing

Our family went to see the movie "Titanic" a few weeks ago. This movie was rated PG-13 but had nudity and sexual situations that were totally inappropriate for a family audience.

We have purchased many Disney-related items for our children for more than 12 years. We can vividly recall watching Disney programs every Sunday

and we grew up. Those were programs and movies that portrayed the same type of values that our parents wanted to instill in our lives. They are the same values that my wife and I try to model for our children.

As a friend has said, "If it wasn't for the sex, the violence and the nudity, it would have been a great movie." Walt Disney would probably have a few choice things to say, were he to see what Disney is promoting as "family entertainment."

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WORLD

# Common sense or mass hysteria? Israelis debate war readiness

JERUSALEM (AP) — The pregnant mother of seven was desperate to get gas masks for her children.

She was so desperate that she broke into her family's former apartment from a neighbor's balcony to look for protective gear she had left behind.

Leaving by the same precarious route after a fruitless search, she slipped and plunged four floors to her death, sliding from the grasp of her horrified teenage daughter.

The death of 35-year-old Malka Shalom in Tel Aviv last week was an extreme case. But increasing reports of war panic are raising questions about just how far Israel should go to ready itself for any chemical or biological attack, should Iraq retaliate for any U.S.-led strike.

Some observers say reasonable precautions are beginning to foster mass hysteria — and that the government is to blame for sending mixed messages about the real degree of danger.

"The panic among the public results from the scandalous,



An Israeli soldier helps an Ultra orthodox man with his mask at a gas mask distribution center in Bnei Brak Tuesday.

extreme lack of clarity in messages sent out by various officials," commentator Daniel Dor wrote in the Maariv newspaper Tuesday.

Israel's security establishment

calls the likelihood of an Iraqi strike with either conventional or nonconventional weapons very low, but every citizen is nonetheless being urged to get a gas mask and other protective gear.

## WORLD IN BRIEF

### Indonesia's president fires bank governor

JAKARTA, Indonesia — President Suharto fired the country's Central Bank chief Tuesday amid growing unrest over Indonesia's economic crisis and a growing dispute over how to handle it.

Soedirdjadj Djwardono, a key player in negotiating a \$40 billion rescue package with the International Monetary Fund, is believed to have opposed recent government economic decisions, including its proposal for stabilizing the nation's sinking currency. He also angered some Suharto relatives by citing their insolvent banks.

Soedirdjadj's dismissal came as Suharto faced mounting international criticism over the plan to peg the rupiah to the U.S. dollar through a currency board.

### Taiwan crash focus shifts to finding cause

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Investigators reconstructing the route of China Airlines Flight 6757 focused Tuesday on why the jet veered off a seemingly routine approach at the last moment, crashing and exploding into flames just short of the runway.

It was Taiwan's worst plane crash, killing 293 people — everyone on board, including at least four Americans, and seven on the ground — and destroying a string of homes near Taipei's airport Monday.

In Washington, the State Department confirmed that the victims included four Americans. Susan Stahl, spokeswoman for the American Institute in Taiwan, the U.S. office on the island, said there could have been up to six U.S. citizens on the plane, but would not provide details until their identities were verified.

Most of the dead were tourists returning home from the resort island of Bali, but Taiwan's respected Central Bank governor, his wife, and four other finance officials also were aboard.

### Warring parties exchange aid after quake

RUSTAQ, Afghanistan — Afghanistan's Taliban army sent 24 trucks of food and medicine Tuesday to cold and hungry earthquake victims in opposition-held territory, setting aside — for the moment — the war that has ripped this impoverished nation apart.

"This is a tragedy for all Afghans. We are the same blood," Taliban Information Minister Amir Khan Murtuqa said in the capital, Kabul, 120 miles south of the devastated Rustaq region.

Outside Afghanistan, international aid organizations have been frustrated by the slow response to an appeal for \$2.5 million to air-lift aid to the more remote villages ravaged by the Feb. 4 quake.

### Lovesick elephant dies on Valentine's Day

LYON, France — Love claimed a victim at the Lyon zoo.

Distraught at the death of her mate a month earlier, Pankov the Asian elephant rejected food for more than four weeks, finally following him in death — on Valentine's Day, zoo-keepers said.

Pankov never recovered after her partner of 34 years, Mako, died by their cage at Tete d'Or zoo, zoo-keepers said. Pankov refused to eat, and even turned down her favorite tipples: sweet mulled wine.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Radio transmission leads to recovery of property

TWIN FALLS - Mentioning stolen goods over a CB radio got a response for a Twin Falls man - in the form of a Twin Falls County warrant, Sheriff's reports say.

The CB chatter on Jan. 30, by a man with the handle of "Budman," mentioned two radios, sheriff's reports said. The chatter was heard by two men who told sheriff's investigators they had lost such equipment in a Christmas Day house burglary and vandalism at 3400 N and 2500 E, the report said.

Through a mutual friend, the men met with "Budman" - identified by sheriff's reports as 31-year-old Raymond Tyler "Bud" Holley - and saw their missing equipment at his house, the report said. Holley agreed that he had their gear, and offered to give it back except for a Yaesu radio that he valued at \$360, the report said.

The men went to sheriff's investigators, who got a warrant and searched Holley's house at 428 S. Locust, the report said. They found electronic equipment in the house, including items reported stolen by the two victims, the report said.

Holley was arrested and charged with grand theft by possession of stolen property and arraigned in to 5th District Court Tuesday. Bail on the charge was set for \$15,000.

Idahoans not contesting

water right may face expenses

BOISE - People who don't show up to contest their water rights in the Snake River Basin Adjudication could be ordered to pay the costs of their missed hearings under a proposal approved for debate Tuesday by the House Resources and Conservation Committee.

House Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, said money is wasted every time the adjudication judge and his special masters drive out to a scheduled hearing, but the claimant doesn't attend.

"It just seems like the adjudication is costing so much we need to send a message that we need to be working as efficiently as possible," Jaquet said. The adjudication is a legal inventory of water claims throughout most of Idaho. The bill will be printed and available to the public.

A hearing will probably be scheduled within the next two weeks.

Road construction will shut down traffic on TF street

TWIN FALLS - Construction will shut down traffic on Eastland Drive South this week.

The road will be closed between Osterloh Avenue and Orchard Drive East, according to a news release from C.I. Construction Excavating. Traffic will be detoured around the project for three or four days, the release said.

Eastland will be closed off and on for the duration of the project, the release said.

Blaine County School Board schedules special meeting

HAILEY - The Blaine County School Board will hold a special meeting today to hold an executive session.

The board is scheduled to discuss a personnel matter. It will meet at 4 p.m. at the district office, 118 W. Bullion St.

Following the executive session, the board is scheduling to approve a one-year teaching contract for a district-wide English as a Second Language instructor.

Twin Falls vandals target elementary school windows

TWIN FALLS - Vandals broke windows at Sawtooth Elementary School over the weekend.

When employees returned to school Monday-morning, they discovered rocks had been thrown through two windows near the kindergarten rooms, Twin Falls Police reports say.

No damage estimate was included in the report.

Burglars make off with camping gear from church

TWIN FALLS - Burglars stole camping equipment from a church during the week-end, according to a Twin Falls police report.

Someone broke into a storage garage at the Calvary Pentecostal Church, 450 3rd Ave. W., Saturday and Sunday and Monday, the report said. A bicycle, power saw, two tents and a lantern were taken, the report said.

Bomb range questions raise concern

F&G: Document doesn't tell everything

By N.S. Hokenkott  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The Idaho Department of Fish and Game and the Bureau of Land Management have unanswered questions about a proposed U.S. Air Force bombing range and electronic combat range in eastern Owyhee County.

Fish and Game officials have not released official comments on an environmental impact statement that looks at the effects of the proposal. But the department director said the document

doesn't include everything the department had hoped to see. "There are some omissions that I'm concerned about," Fish and Game Director Steve Mealey said in an interview Monday.

In their comments on the draft impact statement, Fish and Game commissioners wrote that the final decision on the range "must include the following four minimal provisions":

- Aircraft will avoid critical bighorn sheep lambing areas as defined by Fish and Game.
- A firefighting plan will include rapid response aerial firefighting capability.
- The Air Force will fund or establish a native plant nursery to provide native seed for range restoration.

**Be heard**

Write by comment on the final environmental impact statement for the Air Force's proposed bombing range and electronic combat range complex in the Owyhee Basin, P.O. Box 226, Twin Falls, ID 83429. The Air Force will be in final decision March 9.

• The Air Force will develop and fund a monitoring plan for sensitive wildlife populations that may be affected by range operations. Not all of those provisions were included in the final statement. "We're not going to agree to something that's not good for wildlife and

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fish," said Mealey, who has asked the Air Force to clarify the omissions. The Air Force already has hanging the Please see RANGE, Page B3

LEAVING A GROCERY STORE LEGACY



Ken and Bula Daw, here outside Daw's Market in Hansen, are retiring and have sold their family business of 57 years.

No longer minding the store

Daws sell market after 57 years of family operation

By Pat Marcantonio  
Times-News writer

HANSEN - Bula and Ken Daw war as much fixtures at Daw's Market as the produce and canned goods. After all, the Daw family had operated the business for 57 years. But this week, a new owner took over as the couple retires.

"I'll miss the people. Ken and I were people people," said Bula Daw, 65. The store, at U.S. Highway 30 and Rock Creek Road, sold for an undisclosed amount to Randy Preston of Burley. The name will change to Hansen Market.

Ken Daw's father, Art Daw, purchased the property in 1941. Back then there was just a gas station, but Art Daw

built a grocery store, Bula Daw said. "My husband started work in the store when he was 9 years old," she said. "I've been there for over 30 years. I didn't really get into it until our fourth son started school."

In the 1960s, they built a new store and used the old one for storage. The operation employs five people full- and part-time and survived the opening of grocery giants like Costco and Walmart in Twin Falls.

"(Daw's Market) was a supermarket on a very, very small scale," said Ken Daw, 64. "We had most everything the big market had but not as much of it."

"What they didn't like about the business was the hours. "The store was open seven days a week and it was very similar to milking cows. There was morning work and evening work and work in between," Ken Daw said.

When it came time to retire, none of their four sons wanted to get into the store business, Bula Daw said. "They all went to college and get busy doing other things," she said.

But the business was just right for new owner Preston.

"I always wanted to do this," said Preston, who worked in the tavern business in Burley and in a grocery store when he was younger.

He likes the small-town atmosphere and plans remodeling, upgrading and signing on with a major gasoline company. "It's awful big shoes to try to fill," Preston said. "I'm looking forward to working with the people here and to support the community and providing their needs."

Now that Bula and Ken Daw don't have to mind the store, they plan to travel, visit grandchildren and golf. "The whole east end of the valley has been very supportive of us," Bula Daw said, "and we've been very appreciative of what they've done."

"You can't survive in one place for 57 years without a lot of community support," her husband added.

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Cold catches drug suspects

By Kent McCleary  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Credit one drug bust to Jack Fren. A Twin Falls County sheriff's deputy invited into a motel room to escape the chill early Saturday caught three people cold with drugs and stolen guns, sheriff's reports said.

Deputy Matt Eden went to Motel III, 248 Second Ave. W., at 12:45 a.m., to speak to people in room 206, a sheriff's report said. A woman identified as Victoria Harter, 24, answered the door.

It was cold out, so the deputy asked if he could come in the room. Once inside, Eden could see a metal marijuana pipe and a white tub in plain view, the report said.

When Eden told Harter he saw the drug paraphernalia, she started yelling.

Lance: Electric deregulation may throw Idaho into rough waters

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - One of the biggest questions facing Idaho in the coming few years is the fate of the state's water and the power it's used to generate.

And that's a question Attorney General Al Lance and some of his staff are working on.

They are studying the state's options in case California and Arizona use their political power to get a congressional mandate for deregulation so they can get at Idaho's cheap hydroelectric power, Lance told The Times-News' editorial board Tuesday.

But Lance was short on details. He said the "core group" of staff has only met once to discuss the deregulation of the electric power industry. He is confident that the state could prevent a hostile takeover of Idaho Power Co., a privately held company that generates a substantial portion of its electricity from a public resource -

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Al Lance  
the Snake River. Lance said he thinks the state has a chance to protect that resource. But he expects no congressional action on deregulation this year. Lance's only announced opponent in the 1998 election, Democratic Lincoln County Prosecutor Brit Groom, last week criticized state officials, including Lance, for ignoring deregulation and

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School head merger plan goes to debate

By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

BOISE - Eighteen Magic Valley school district superintendent positions could be pared to six under a proposal to eliminate rural administrators in favor of countywide superintendents. Sponsor Rep. David Callister, R-Boise, said principals can do the same job as administrators in small rural school districts. The money saved by eliminating rural superintendents could be used elsewhere in the classrooms.

Rural school boards would continue to direct their districts' district policies under the proposal, Callister said. The proposal was approved Tuesday for debate by the

**Eliminating rural administrators could save \$2 million a year statewide.**

House Education Committee, though several legislators opposed the idea.

Eliminating rural administrators would save \$2 million a year statewide, Callister said.

The proposal would also help rural school districts cooperate with each other to establish countywide programs such as vocational-technical schools, which they otherwise couldn't afford, Callister said.

The proposal only applies to school districts with fewer than 5,000 students - or most Magic Valley school districts. The proposal would create one superintendent position in Elmore, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln and Twin Falls counties.

Kimberly School District Superintendent John Garner said he doesn't think the measure would generate savings. Losing rural administrators would only mean having to hire additional assistants for a countywide superintendent.

The Kimberly district, with 1,264 students, employs Garner to oversee personnel, special education, curriculum, and business. Twin Falls School District, with 7,242 students, has separate officials for each of those areas.

"If you suddenly become bigger, you can't wear all those hats," Garner said. Garner considers the measure a foot in the door for consolidation of school buildings - a divisive debate that Kimberly underwent eight years ago.

The Kimberly measure was considered at districts eventually scrapped the idea.

"The reality is if you have a larger school district that is looking at costs ... it doesn't make a mental genius out of figuring out how (the district) can start consolidating schools," Garner said.

Schools in Minidoka, Blaine and Cassia counties have been consolidated for many years under countywide superintendents.

Mike Mathews, principal of Declo Senior High School, said Declo has retained its identity under the consolidated Cassia County School District.

Mathews attended Declo schools as a student, worked for them as a teacher for 19 years and as principal for the past eight years.

In addition to a consolidated superintendent position, Cassia County School District has a consolidated school board, with one of five members representing Declo.

"We have our schools, we have patron support, we have a school board representative, I just think it works out very well," Mathews said. Callister said Twin Falls School District pays \$107.1 per student to

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Judge orders public land plan timetable

Decision will lead to grazing permit review

BOISE (AP) — A federal judge has ordered the U.S. Bureau of Land Management to produce a schedule by mid-March for completing a stalled plan to oversee 1.3 million acres of federal ground in Owyhee County.

The Idaho Watersheds Project and the Committee for Idaho's High Desert had filed suit last fall, asking the U.S. District Court for a strict BLM timetable to revise grazing permits and to halt grazing next month until the agency has studied how levels should be changed to protect the environment.

U.S. District Judge Lynn Wainmill has ordered the BLM to come up with a schedule by March 13. He rejected the envi-

ronmental groups' call for a March 15 deadline, but retained jurisdiction over the final plan to determine whether it quickly addresses the need to make land uses comply with the law.

"The court's conclusions on the legal issues rest in large part on its confidence that an expeditious timetable can be set for the completion of this project," Wainmill said of the Owyhee plan. "If that confidence is misplaced, the court may need to revisit many of its conclusions in this case."

"Judge Wainmill's decision will result in the ending of political meddling by (Sen.) Larry Craig and (Rep.) Helen Chenoweth which has stopped the implementation of long overdue changes in livestock management in Owyhee County to protect clean water and wildlife habitat,"

Idaho Watersheds chief Jon Marvel said of the two Republican lawmakers.

Laird Lucas, attorney for the Land and Water Fund of the Rockies, represented the plaintiffs. He earlier said the state Land Board has stymied their attempts to improve state grazing lands, prompting them to sue on BLM property.

"We are pleased that the judge recognizes the serious problems which overgrazing has caused in the Owyhees," Lucas said. "It is our hope that the judge will with a strict timetable to change grazing practices, he has put the agency and the ranchers on notice that the past 20 years of delay and inaction will no longer be tolerated."

Bureau of Land Management officials were unavailable for comment.

Livestock review plan to get Thursday hearing

The Times-Herald

TWIN FALLS — A controversial proposed ordinance to review the number of animals and the size and location of livestock operations in Twin Falls County will be reviewed Thursday.

A public hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Twin Falls County office building, 246 Third St.

The ordinance also would encourage large new operations to locate in less densely populated parts of the county.

Earlier in the evening, the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear six conditional use requests, beginning at 6 p.m.

Everett and Lola Prescott want to split seven five-acre parcels into 14 parcels measuring 2 1/2 acres each. The land is in the agricultural zone north of Kimberly.

Daniel Kluth wants to split about three acres with a former 88-acre building from the agricultural zone north of Buhl.

Jack D. Claiborn wants to split off two acres for a daughter's home site from 80 acres in the agricultural zone northeast of Kimberly.

Robert and Elizabeth Thuren want to build a separate day care facility on 40 acres in the agricultural zone southwest of Twin Falls.

Lee Heider wants to build a 100- by 50-foot storage unit building on 14 acres in the agricultural zone east of Twin Falls.

Robin and Chantel Golay want to operate a kennel for four to five dogs on 1.6 acres in the agricultural zone near Buhl.

Altus Hawkins of Jerome, 11 a.m. today at the Wendell United Presbyterian Church (Demary's Funeral Chapel).

Teresa L. Wood of Jerome, 11 a.m. today at the Wendell United Presbyterian Church (Demary's Funeral Chapel).

Verna Morell Ross Price of Burley, 2 p.m. today at the First Christian Church of Rupert; friends may call one hour before the service at the church (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Evelyn Mae Showtell of Hagerman, graveside service at 1 p.m. Thursday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; viewing will take place at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Julienne Hill Slaughter of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. Friday at the Twin Falls First Baptist Church; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary and from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Friday at the church.

SERVICES

Falls, 11 a.m. Friday at the 13th Street LDS Chapel, 421 Marilee St. N.

Erbert Ellis Fuller of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. Friday at the Twin Falls First Baptist Church; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary, with family greeting friends from 6 to 8 p.m.

Morris Vandiver of Jerome, 2 p.m. Friday at the Jerome Bible Baptist Church (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel).

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DEATH NOTICES

**Floyd Cuff**  
ALEXANDRIA, La. — Floyd Cuff, 96, of Alexandria, La., and formerly of the Magic Valley area, died Monday, Feb. 19, 1998, at the St. Frances Cabrini Hospital.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. today at the G.A. Mangum Center in Alexandria.

of Hixon Brothers Funeral Directors in Alexandria, La.

**Helen K. LaGoda**  
TWIN FALLS — Helen Kathryn LaGoda, 53, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 1998, at her home.

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

HOSPITALS

**MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**  
Some names omitted at patients' request.  
Released  
Charles Vinyard of Eden.

**CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**  
Some names omitted at patients' request.  
Admitted  
Sophia Tena, Hector Contreras and Julie Lindauer, all of Burley; Jill Koyle of Aberdeen.

Released  
Hilda Wilson of Burley; Arvetta Savage of Heyburn; Stephanie Stubbs of Hazelton; and Jill Koyle of Rupert.

Births  
Babies were born to Carlos and Sophia Tena of Burley; Owen and Jamie Campan and Rex and Jill Koyle, all of Rupert; and Russell and Melissa Leonard of Aberdeen.

**MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
Some names omitted at patients' request.  
Theo J. Wickel and Austin Walker, both of Declo; and Kaybrie Terry and Becky Terry, both of Heyburn.

Released  
Becky Terry and Kaybrie Terry, both of Heyburn; Austin Walker of Declo; and Richard Notert of Rupert.

OBITUARIES

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O. Emmett Ryan

O. Emmett Ryan, 83, a Wendell resident, died Monday, Feb. 19, 1998, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.  
Emmett was born Nov. 29, 1914, in Jacksonvill, Ill., the son to Owen Eugene and Gertrude Walter Ryan. He married Ruth Faulkner on Oct. 12, 1937, in Pomona, Calif. They made their home in Upland, Calif.

Emmett was an antique auto enthusiast and belonged to several antique auto clubs. Before retiring, he owned and operated an auto body and paint shop in Ontario, Calif. Since retiring, he has restored several antique autos. The couple moved to Wendell 1 1/2 years ago.  
Surviving are his wife, Ruth; and one son, Thomas Ryan, both of Wendell; two daughters, Gayle (Wills) Sullivan of Middleton, Tenn., and Jane (Ronald) Chid of Colleyville, Texas; nine grandsons; four granddaughters; two great-granddaughters; one sister, Gertrude Riggold of West Hill, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews.  
In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three sisters, Edna Maloney, Leone and Almond Ryan.

Rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 1998, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Wendell. Mass of Christian Burial will be held 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1998, at St. Anthony's. Burial at the Holy Field St. Marie will officiate. Burial will be at the Wendell Cemetery. Friends may call from 1 to 8 p.m. Monday at Demary's Wendell Chapel.

GLENDALE, ARIZ.

**William Andrus**  
William Andrus, 93, of Glendale, Ariz., and formerly of Jerome, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998.  
He was born May 15, 1904, in St. Anthony, Idaho, to Hyrum and Virginia Garner Andrus. William married Ada Lerona Whitaker, the daughter of Edgar Dotzer and Sarah Josephine Woodland, on June 1, 1926, in the Salt Lake City, Utah, Temple. Ada passed away in 1961. William later married Myrtle Woodland; she also preceded him in death in 1997.  
He is survived by two sons, Ansel J. Andrus of Pocatello and Rulon Andrus of Long Beach, Calif.; one daughter, Lillian Quilledt of Congress, Ariz.; 11 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.  
William was preceded in death by three sons and one daughter.  
A graveside service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, 1998, at the Jerome Cemetery.  
Arrangements are under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel.  
No viewing is planned.

Buhl district survey will determine support for building construction

By Mary Lou Potts  
Times-Herald Correspondent

BUHL — Buhl School Board members are taking steps to ask the community what they would support to solve school building problems.

The board hired local television newscaster Shawn Bariger to spearhead a community survey to determine what the voters want and would support in a school bond issue election drive. Bariger will meet with civic leaders, senior citizens, students and teachers and voters. Town meetings and a telephone survey will be conducted.

Time is running out for the district to invest \$500,000 in a new school to meet the building and fire inspector's concerns, or to build a new school.

A bond issue election failed two years ago to build a new high school and move middle school students into the old high school. The bond issue included updating Poppewell Elementary School's heating and ventilation system.

Currently the electric baseboard heaters at Poppewell need repair and in a deregulated electric market, Poppewell's heating bills could soar, Superintendent Rick Hill said.

The board wants the voters' recommendations for solving the problems.  
In other business: The board voted to install one modern classroom to house the Distance Learning Laboratory. A second modern classroom for preschool students has been put on hold for now. An offer for a facility has surfaced and the board will review it.

Principals and teachers reviewed Iowa Test of Basic Skills and Scholastic Aptitude Test scores. Buhl students tend to score above state and national averages, although some tested below average.

The results will help teachers pinpoint areas for improvement.  
The Advanced Regional Technical Education Certification program will allow seven Buhl students to participate and earn certificates while training at CSTI High school principal Terry Adkinson said the students have not been selected, but interviews with parents will begin March 3.  
The graduating class of 1998 has requested a baccalaureate ceremony in addition to graduation exercises. The board approved the ceremony, which will be held May 27 at the middle school auditorium.

Board member Mike Baughman related the experiences with the students who participated in the School-To-Work program, a "shadow day" where students were placed in areas of their interest to learn the fundamentals of a job.

The board awarded Starr Corp. the bid to remodel the boys' locker room at the middle school. The work will be identical to the girls' room, which was recently completed. The cost is \$193,450, which also includes building ramps for disabled students.

Times-Herald correspondent Mary Lou Potts can be reached in Buhl at 543-8854.

Construction set for stretch of Twin Falls road

The Times-Herald

TWIN FALLS — Work is set to begin on improvements to Hankins Boulevard.

Last year, the Twin Falls Highway District rebuilt a mile of Hankins Boulevard between Falls Avenue and Addison Avenue. This year, the stretch between Addison and Kimberly streets is up for rebuilding, said Twin Falls Highway District Director Dave Burgess.

The project will realign the road, widen the street to 28 feet wide and add shoulders, Burgess said. The existing road is 20 to 21 feet wide in places, he said.  
A hump where the road crosses an irrigation ditch will be smoothed out, Burgess said.  
The road will be raised as much as 6 inches in places and repaved with asphalt, he said.  
The city of Twin Falls and Twin Falls Canal Co. are involved in the project, Burgess said.

The canal company is affected because canal head gates that flank the road will be lowered, and the head walls will be moved outside the right of way, Burgess said.  
Idaho Sand and Gravel got the project contract with a low bid of \$188,737.30, Burgess said. The highway district estimated the project at \$204,000.

The city of Twin Falls will contribute \$40,000 to the work, and the rest will be paid from the highway district budget, Burgess said. Twin Falls Canal Co. will furnish the gates and culverts.  
Construction would begin this

spring or summer, but the irrigation structure will have to be rebuilt first, Burgess said. Canal district meetings should start this week or next.

That work may close Hankins Boulevard, but the district will try to limit closures to part of day, he said. Utilities already have been moved and the irrigation head walls are on site, Burgess said.  
The project is a routine maintenance and improvement project to improve safety, not a part of a truck route or bypass around Twin Falls, Burgess said.

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# GOP leaders tout states' rights

## Popular topic heard in Burley

**By Gregory Hahn**  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — States' rights, states' rights and a little more states' rights were the hot topics at the Lincoln Day luncheon sponsored by the Mini-Cassia Republican Party.

The theme emerged through the featured speakers and through several short speeches by GOP candidates preparing for the upcoming primaries, candidates whose state party head Ron McMurphy called a "stable full of thoroughbreds."

Congressman General Alan Lance vowed to continue his "fight for Idaho sovereignty."

Sen. Dirk Kempthorne said his

gubernatorial bid was a way for him to advance Idaho's quest in reaffirming the 10th Amendment to the Constitution "— the amendment affirming states' rights."

"When you salute the flag," he said, "be conscious of the stars."

Sen. Larry Craig said the party nationwide is working to return power to the states.

"We are changing the country," he said, "and it's for the better."

The more than 100 local party loyalists heard several of the state's GOP leaders and met candidates for state school superintendent, state treasurer and the congressional seat being vacated by Rep. Mike Crapo.

Tom Morley, superintendent of the Cassia County School District, passed on politics and took his few minutes to talk about Burley. He praised the

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<http://www.magicvalley.com> and click on *NewsLinks*.

partnership that resulted in a combined school facility and community fine arts building. He lauded the coming technology center as being on the cutting edge of Idaho education.

"There's a lot of them being discussed," he said, "but only this community has moved forward with it."

Current Superintendent Anne

Fox pledged to "focus on phonics," while Twin Falls challenger Ron Black said he thought education could be run with no mandates and no tax increases.

The fourth GOP contestant for the state superintendency, New Plymouth Superintendent Ryan Kelly, went into the most detail on his goals. He said he hopes to "get after" the 28 percent dropout rate in Idaho schools and to change the role of the state office to less of a watchdog regulatory agency and more of a leader — a "clearinghouse for good ideas."

Burley-born Trudy Jackson and Ada County Treasurer Barbara Bauer discussed their bids for state treasurer. Lone Republican controller candidate Harold Orion, who will not appear on the primary ballot, urged Mini-Cassia voters not to forget him in November.

# Highway districts request plowing funds

**By Kurt Friedemann**  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Burley and Albion highway districts were back in the basement of the Cassia County Courthouse this week to ask county commissioners for more money.

Snow removal and maintenance on Howell Canyon Road has cost more than \$40,000 this year, and the current road account once again has dipped into the red by \$3,274.

"We had better find out where we're going," said Commission Chairman John Adams. "It's still early in the winter."

The commission decided late Monday afternoon to match Burley Highway District's extension of \$9,000 for 1998, bringing the total each has contributed to an even \$50,000. The additional money will come from the county's federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes funds, and the transfer will take a budgetary amendment.

don't have money saved for the road's eventual resurfacing in five to seven years, we'll have a disaster."

But the county shouldn't pay for every potential snowstorm that rolls in, said Prosecutor Stephen Bywater said.

"Do we have to budget for every act of God contingency?" he said. "There has to be some money, and we say no more."

The county would be within its rights to stop paying for the snow removal on Howell Canyon Road right now, Bywater said.

"I don't think we would be found in breach of our federal contract if we didn't plow the snow," he said.

"I feel we should honor our contract," Christensen added. "But there comes a point we have to stop and I think we have come to that point."

Smith said he worried cutting off access to one of Cassia County's biggest recreation points could backfire.

"I don't think you want to kill the golden goose," he said.

But not agreed that Woody Anderson, owner of Pomerelle Ski Resort, should contribute more than he has.

Anderson declined to comment on the plan Monday night, saying he didn't have all the information.

The consensus at the meeting was that Anderson should be informed of the new development and asked to step up his involvement.

Anderson said previously that he would help if all those who use the mountain, including snowmobilers, cross-country skiers and other winter users, are asked to contribute as well.

"The snowmobilers, cross-country skiers and tubers don't get out on the open slopes of the mountain," Christensen said. "Woody should be participating."

# Burley native campaigns for treasurer post

**By Penelope Reedy**  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Burley native Trudy J. Jackson, nee Sherrod, returned to her hometown Tuesday hot on the campaign trail.

Jackson is one of three Republican candidates vying for the office of Idaho State Treasurer to replace Lydia J. Edwards who is not running again.

To date, no Democratic candidate has been declared, so it's likely the winner of the Republican primary will be Idaho's next treasurer. Jackson said she hopes people who don't usually get involved in the primary will turn out and vote in this contest.

"Support needs to happen now," she said.

Jackson believes she's well-qualified for the position and wants to work for the people of Idaho.

"I've lived in Idaho all my life, and it's time I give something back to the state," she said.

Jackson's father, a newspaper photographer who had a studio and shop on Overland Avenue in Burley. She graduated from Burley High School and went on to Boise State College.

Jackson's father worked at Boise State University while I was there," she said.

While attending BSU, she took a summer job with Idaho First National Bank, now U.S. Bank, and has been involved in banking ever since, for 22 1/2 years.

"She services the Treasurer's office uses now: wholesaler of retail purchases, certificate of



Trudy Jackson

deposits, electronic funds transfers, wire transfers, etc. are ones I provided daily in my position at U.S. Bank," Jackson said.

"Idaho's projected revenue is \$2.4 billion annually," she said. "At the bank, I've been responsible for \$8.4 billion — nearly four times more. I've never had any doubt in my ability to do the job."

Jackson believes her years working in the private sector allow her to bring a strong sense of accountability into the office.

Historically the office of Idaho State Treasurer has been held by a female.

"One male has held the office," she said, "and he was appointed when a treasurer died in office, and he was not re-elected."

Jackson credits this phenomenon to the fact that women have always done the operational work in banking while men have been involved in the credit and loan

functions.

"The office of Treasurer is more of an operational function," she said.

Jackson has been involved in various civic activities.

After one of her stepsons committed suicide, she and her husband became facilitators in a support group for survivors of suicide.

"Idaho ranks third in the nation for suicide," she says. "We were second for awhile. We can't really pinpoint the reasons why suicide is so prevalent here."

Jackson also serves as an appointed panel member of the State Board of Medicine which is involved in licensing people in the medical profession. In her spare time, Jackson likes to go camping with family and friends and she also does gourmet cooking.

*Times-News staff writer Penelope Reedy can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.*

# Senate endorses access to background profile

BOISE (AP) — Legislation giving patients the right to inspect the background profile of their doctors and other health care providers has been overwhelmingly approved by the state Senate.

"This allows choice, informed choice," Republican Hal Bunderson of Meridian told his colleagues Tuesday.

The bill now goes to the House for final vote.

Skeptics suggested that the requirement for health care professionals to disclose information on malpractice claims, criminal

convictions and disciplinary actions was pushed by the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry in retaliation for last year's managed-care law.

The bill requires managed-care plans to disclose expenditures on care versus administration and figures on enrollment, to pay for some care obtained outside the plan and to permit doctors to request treatment not available through

the plan.

Some feared that would inhibit the operation in Idaho of managed-care networks that sized and large employers are using to curtail health care costs.

The background bill requires health care providers at the time they apply for new or renewed licenses to file with the government board information on any criminal convictions, disciplinary actions, restrictions on their practices and malpractice judgments and settlements in the past 10 years.

# Landslide ruptures pipeline, triggers fire

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A gas pipeline ruptured by a landslide erupted in flames, streams roared and homes were coated in soot Saturday as another storm blew across an already soggy California.

The towering plume of flaming natural gas gushed from coastal hills above U.S. 101 after a night of heavy rain. It followed an oil pipeline break

and another natural gas line break in the county on Saturday.

"The hillsides are so saturated," said Joe Luna, a county Fire Department spokesman. No one was injured by the blaze, which was extinguished within an hour.

Snow hindered early morning travel on Interstate 5 north of Los Angeles and closed some schools in mountain communities.

More than 1.7 inches of rain fell in the area before dawn.

Rain raised the level of a seven-acre lake created a week ago by a landslide in upper Half Canyon above Ventura, but a dam wasn't breached. Pumps continued to draw down the lake, which poses a threat to dozens of homes.

# Range

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The Air Force already has changed some items because of Fish and Game's concerns, said Lt. Col. Tom Lillie, an Air Force headquarters official in the Pentagon.

The Air Force has agreed to identify sage grouse strutting grounds and avoid them. And the Air Force wants the flexibility given by the BLM, the agency responsible for fire management.

The Air Force also has changed its training operations — and is prepared to continue that — to avoid bighorn sheep lambing areas during critical periods. But the Air Force wants the flexibility to adjust those periods as needed from year to year, Lillie said.

The Air Force also is planning to increase bighorn monitoring, but must ask for the money each

year, he said.

And the Air Force has agreed to meet twice a year to discuss how well the provisions are working and what adjustments are necessary.

The Air Force expects to make a final decision on the proposed bombing and electronic combat complex March 5.

Sens. Larry Craig and Dirk Kempthorne and Rep. Helen Kenworthy, in a meeting with Air Force and BLM officials last month, asked the BLM for a timely recommendation on a land withdrawal.

The delegation hopes to have legislation sent aside the House for a range complex ready by late April or early May.

The BLM doesn't intend to abandon its process for handling the withdrawal of public lands, and it could make no

promises, BLM Director Patrick Shea said in a telephone interview from his Washington, D.C., office.

Once the Air Force makes the decision to pursue the range, the BLM will summarize its findings on the range proposal and make a recommendation to the interior secretary, who will decide on the proposed land withdrawal.

Congress will make the final decision to lock up the public land.

But the range proposal also includes the expansion of military airspace over the Jack's BLM wilderness study Area. It is concerned about recreation value and California bighorn sheep in the Jack's Creek area.

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# American Red Cross states blood drive in Jerome

The Times-News

JEROME — The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 1-6 p.m. Thursday at the Moose

Lodge.

Donors with blood types O negative and O positive are especially needed. Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least

110 pounds and be in good general health.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Jamie at 324-4324.

# Lance

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other key issues.

Lance said he sees his role in the issue as limited — to advise legislators and other state officials on how to act on deregulation.

"This is a legislative policy

issue," he said. "It's up to the Legislature to set policy. My role is limited as developing a "defensive strategy" for the Legislature to follow, if Congress mandates deregulation."

While Lance said his own views about deregulation are

"irrelevant," he repeated a common criticism of deregulation. Most likely, he said, it will drive up Idaho's low electric rates.

"We've got no place to go but up, as far as I can see it," Lance said.

# Drug

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"That's just — great, I let you in here and now you're going to take me to jail!" the report said.

When Edgen asked whether there were any drugs in the room, Harter grabbed her purse and started emptying it, the report said. She pulled out a plastic snap-top container and threw it at the deputy, who caught it and asked what was in it, the report said.

Harter said, "You just look inside and tell me, you're going to take me to jail anyways," the report said.

The deputy found a small jar of methamphetamine inside, the report said.

An adult man and a juvenile boy were in the room with Harter, the report said.

The man, Mark Kelly, had a glass picture on the floor in front of him, with crink aluminum being cut on the glass, the report said. A loaded .32-caliber semiautomatic pistol was found in Kelly's chair, the report said.

Kelly was arrested on charges of possession of a stolen firearm and possession of a concealed weapon. He was arraigned into 53 District Court on the charges Tuesday.

The boy was arrested and was released to his parents Saturday night, the report said.

Edgen searched Harter's room with police before dawn, while Harter watched from the bed, the report said. The dog sniffed out crank packages, scales, snort tubes and a crank pipe, the report said.

Edgen also found a stolen .22-caliber pistol in a dresser drawer, the report said.

As she suspected, Harter was indeed arrested and taken to jail, on suspicion of possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia, the report said.

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

# Merge

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returned a superintendent. By contrast, in Krumpholtz School District, a superintendent on a superintendent. \$189 per student on a superintendent.

If the ousting districts in Twin Falls County consolidated superintendents they would have an additional \$350,000 each year, Callister said.

"They could build a new build-

ing, a new v-tech center, hire more teachers for lower class ratios," Callister said. "That's a tremendous amount of money and that money would be given to 4,500 students in Twin Falls County."

The House Education Committee voted to introduce the bill by voice vote, meaning none of the votes were tallied. Some legislators — including Rep.

Doug Jones, R-Filer — said they oppose the bill and don't think it will generate savings.

The bill will be printed and available to the public. Hearing dates will be scheduled after the bill is printed.

*Times-News writer Liz Wright can be reached in Boise at 345-5198.*

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Hansen signs on with regional program

By Margaret Jones
Times-News correspondent
HANSEN - The Hansen School District...

Organization has asked the district to match its funds for a computerized library checkout system...
Ellen Freestone and Alicia Stimpson were named to the Junior High Honor Band...

so emotionally needy that academics come second; things are just fine the way they are; teachers think what they do in their classrooms is no one else's business...

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS - A teacher of teachers lectured Tuesday...

Principal Ben Allen said the high school is focused on establishing literacy standards. Standards outline what students should know...

Teacher gives tips to TF faculty on increasing student achievement
'I'm so tired of people talking about reform.'

—Robert Eaker, Middle Tennessee State University

VALLEY IN BRIEF

Counterfeit bills show up in TF

TWIN FALLS - Counterfeit \$50 bills hit the counter at two Twin Falls stores Saturday...

His appearance is part of a campaign to improve Idaho's immunization rate, which is the second lowest in the nation...

TF man faces assault charge

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls man suspected of assault and battery during a domestic dispute Saturday night was charged with aggravated battery and aggravated assault...

Child care expert to speak

TWIN FALLS - A national expert on childhood vaccines and disease will speak to health professionals next month in Twin Falls...

Atkinson will speak to nurses and physicians March 9 in Twin Falls at the South Central District Health Department...

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# Budget writers halt health care for poor children

**BOISE (AP)** — Legislative budget writers Tuesday voted to block at least temporary medical care for thousands of children from working poor families in an apparent turf battle with Gov. Phelan.

The Joint Finance Appropriations Committee voted 12-4 to withhold \$2 million in state matching money and return over \$7 million the federal government gave Idaho last fall to get health services to more than 12,000 poor children.

"This seems to be an effort to circumvent the authority here by an agency that has some savings," Sen. Stan Hawkins, R-Ucon, told his colleagues. Senate Finance Chairman Atwell, R-Boise, expressed concern that such an ambitious program would be started "without any legislative input."

But Batt, who tapped cash saved from welfare reform to match the federal money, was not standing for the decision. And within an hour, a bipartisan panel of four budget committee mem-

bers was named to reassess the earlier decision.

"I can't imagine that any of us would not want to avail ourselves of the opportunity to provide health care for these poor children, who are in need," Batt declared. "I will vigorously pursue a course that will protect these monies."

He declined to say if he would veto the bill should it reach his desk.

The lone House Democrat on the committee was the Republican governor's strongest defender, calling the GOP majority's vote "a slap in the face of our chief executive" and accusing the majority of "pulling the rug out from under working families and children."

Supporting Batt with Democrat Ken Robison of Boise were Republican Reps. Hod Pozorsky of Boise and Don Pflschner of

Coeur d'Alene and GOP Sen. John Hargan of Idaho Falls.

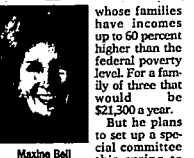
Joining Hawkins and Parry in objecting to the governor's decision to begin the program without formal legislative approval were Republican Sens. Don Cameron of Rupert, Jerry Thorne of Nampa and Mel Richardson of Idaho Falls and GOP Reps. Bob Geddes of Pocatello, Marvin Bell of Jerome, Dan Mader of Genesee, JoAnn Wood of Rigby, Frances Field of Grand View and Jack Barnadough of Idaho Falls, and Democratic Rep. Margarita McLaughlin of Orofino.

Hawkins said that in three decades in state legislative politics, Batt should have understood that he was risking legislative rejection when he launched a program without clearing it with lawmakers first.

After cutting the general tax money for child health care, the committee dumped another \$50,000 into the primarily federal program to help protect livestock from predators. And it



Phil Batt



Dean Cameron

whose families have incomes up to 60 percent higher than the federal poverty level. For a family of three that would be \$21,300 a year.

But he plans to set up a special committee this spring to decide whether the \$16 million from the federal government and Idaho's \$4 million annual match could be more efficiently used in a private insurance program targeted at the same children.

To keep costs under control, the administration declined to adopt the federal guidelines that would allow another 19,000 Idaho children in families with incomes between 60 percent and 100 percent more than the poverty level to qualify.

Since the program has been care

diverted \$20,000 from sportsmen's contributions to that program to study the impact of wolves on game populations.

Batt started the child health care program last Dec. 1 when the state got its share of the federal money Congress and President Clinton earmarked in the 1997 Balanced Budget Act to expand medical care beyond the 52,000 children current covered by Medicaid.

He opted to get the cash out to children as quickly as possible by just expanding the Medicaid program to include children up to 18

months old. The House proposed withholding the \$2 million in state matching money for this budget year, maintained she did not want to take the program, but only give lawmakers time to assess it — and contain it if necessary.

But Robison contended that underneath all the qualifying comments made by the majority, "the signal will be fairly clear. The committee wants to eliminate this program."

## House to vote on repealing team limits

**BOISE (AP)** — Legislation mandating an advisory vote next November on repealing Idaho's term limit law is headed to the House.

The State Affairs Committee voted 12-8 for the legislation Tuesday, rejecting an alternative from Rep. Jeff Altus, R-Boise, calling for local "opt out" votes for specific offices.

If the measure wins approval from the full House and Senate, voters will be asked if they want to dump the term limits law enacted by voter initiative in 1994. It will be advisory only, because the Legislature cannot delegate its law-making authority to voters.

If voters or the Legislature do not repeal term limits, they will first apply to the 2002 election, forcing incumbents off the ballot once they have served a certain number of terms.

They could still run for reelection as a write-in.

The advisory bill was sponsored by House GOP leaders Rep. John Tippett of Bennington and Rep. Bruce Newcomb of Burley, but they denied pressuring lawmakers to support it.

The GOP leaders said people wanted to pass legislation on congressional term limits, and the 1994 initiative was sold on that basis. But courts have ruled state term limit laws cannot be applied to Congress.

"The advisory vote will say that since term limits can't be applied to Congress, people should declare if they want to repeal the limits for other offices."

"Does the public still feel the

same way, now that we know that it does not apply to Congress?" asked Tippett.

Donna Weaver of Hayden, chairman of Citizens for federal Term Limits, accused lawmakers of trying to "railroad" the advisory proposal through the Legislature at the expense of other propositions.

State Sen. chairman of 1994 and 1996 initiatives on term limits and suggested amending the advisory vote so if it passed, term limits would apply only to state officials. The committee did not take up her suggestion.

If the State of the State message, Gov. Phil Batt suggested local option votes for people to decide if they want term limits to apply to officials such as county commissioners, school boards and city commissions.

Newcomb said a great deal of

out-of-state money was used in Idaho in 1994 to put the term limits question before voters. "I hardly believe that's a grassroots movement. It was not something the people of Idaho started," he said.

Weaver said the money was used to get the question before voters. "I don't think those people (out-of-state contributors) voted; the people of Idaho voted," Weaver said.

Ada County Commissioner Roger Simmons said he personally disavows all term limits. He said he works with a number of other county officials who do a good job.

"I would hate to see the voters take them out of office because of the number of terms they have served," he said.

Newcomb said he figured that in a recent 10-year span, there was an 81 percent turnover in the Legislature. "That's a pretty good term limit," he said.

## House rejects plan to repay fund for borrowed money

**BOISE (AP)** — Members of the Idaho House admit they owe the state Department of Insurance more than \$4 million, borrowed from a reserve fund six years ago to ease a budget crunch.

They don't want to repay the money until it's absolutely necessary.

The House voted 43-22 against legislation sponsored by Rep. W.O. "Bill" Taylor that would have appropriated \$4 million to the insurance fund. The measure, the first bill to go down to defeat in the House this session, would not have been effective until next budget year.

Rep. Bob Geddes, R-Preston, chairman of the House spending committee, said there was no reason to decide this year whether the money should be put back in the fund.

"We really are appropriating a year down the road when we

don't know exactly what the appropriations will be," Geddes said. "Four million dollars — it could be a substantial bit to the general fund in the year to come. It's just prudent that we should not make the appropriation at this time."

Taylor said without the \$4 million in a reserve fund, the Department of Insurance is not always able to make timely refunds to insurance companies for overpayments.

He said if the Legislature makes a commitment now to repay the money, everybody will know it's coming next year and it will not be put off.

"We feel it is necessary to do it at this time so everybody will know ... that we need that \$4 million ... so it will not be put off."

"We have put it off in the past and nothing had been done about it," Taylor said.

## IDAHO IN BRIEF

**Batt names Orofino native to forest panel**  
**BOISE** — Gov. Phil Batt has appointed a forest industry veteran to serve on the Idaho Forest Products Commission.

Donald Konkol, who is the president and general manager of Konkolville Lumber Company, Inc., has worked in the forest products industry since the age of 11. Konkol also has been involved in numerous industry organizations, including the Intermountain Forest Industry Association, Independent Forest Products Association, Clearwater Timber Protective Association and the Clearwater Resource Coalition.

Kokol replaces Kevin Boling of Pocatello, who resigned from the commission to accept a job in Wisconsin. Konkol will complete Boling's term and serve on the five-member board through June of 2000.

**POCATELLO head announces candidacy**  
**EX-DEMOCRATIC** — Bill Mauk, a Boise lawyer and former Idaho Democratic Party chairman, kicked his bid for U.S. Senate campaign by calling on his Republican opponent to join him on the high road.

Mauk, who is expected to face no opposition in the May 26 Democratic primary, challenged GOP U.S. Rep. "Camp" Anderson, which inspires renewed faith in the political process.

"Not a fight," he said, "but a dialogue with the voters, measured by the quality of ideas and strength of character of the candidates, instead of sound bites, slick advertising and negative attacks."

After an announcement outside Pocatello High School, where he was student body president, Mauk planned an appearance in Boise later in the day. He scheduled stops in Coeur d'Alene, Moscow and Lewiston today.

**Judge ruled on reservation boundaries in '96**  
**LEWISTON** — Whether or not the boundaries of the Nez Perce Reservation were diminished when the tribe sold surplus land to the United States in 1853 is the issue that is fueling debate between the tribe and the North Central Idaho Jurisdictional Alliance.

Unbeknownst to many, 2nd District Judge Ron Schilling of Lewiston has already offered a legal answer. He ruled on May 29, 1996, that the reservation is not diminished.

The judge's opinion, to no one's surprise, has played to mixed reviews.

The alliance is made up of 22 different governing bodies within the Nez Perce Reservation, ranging from highway districts to city and county governments.

**Panel revokes Oregon company's permit**  
**BOISE** — The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has revoked the state motor carrier permit of an Oregon company after the company's owner repeatedly failed to comply with state rules and safety reviews.

Conner Troyer, owner of Sen Breeze Trucking, was granted a one-year conditional motor carrier authority for Idaho pending a successful completion of a safety compliance review in February 1996.

Troyer failed to provide the Commission with information necessary to the safety compliance review and has a record in Oregon of a "number of serious violations" that have resulted in his or his truck's removal from service for "operating in an unsafe condition." Commission staff members said the Commission's order revoking Sen Breeze's Idaho operating permit, it "could not offer any assurance that Troyer is operating safely and otherwise complying with the Commission's Motor Carrier Rules."

## F&G member wants non-Idaho draws reduced


**SODA SPRINGS (AP)** — Idaho Fish and Game Commissioner Roy Brown wants to make sure nonresident hunters do not draw more than 10 percent of the permits on the state's most tightly controlled hunt.

Nonresident hunters last year drew 25 percent of Idaho's Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep permits — the maximum allowed under the recent lottery system.

"We'll correct that thing when it comes up when we set seasons," Brown said. "The big thing is being fair to the residents. If it's right now, they're going to rectify it. I don't know how they're going to do it, but they're going to have to come up with only the correct answer."

The Department of Fish and Game rules limit the number of nonresident permits to 10 percent in larger controlled hunts for such species as deer and elk. But a greater percentage of permits sometimes goes to nonresidents in hunts for rarer species with a smaller total number of permits, including bighorn sheep and mountain goats.

Craig Wiedmeier, Fish and Game's license section supervisor, said several bighorn sheep hunts last year had only two, three or four permits available. So although only one nonresident permit was drawn for each of those hunts, they accounted for 50 percent, 33 percent and 25 percent of the total.



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

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Art Guild meets Friday

JEROME - The Jerome Art Guild will meet at 7 p.m. Friday at the Jerome Public Library.

Leadership discussed

BURLEY - Randy Morgan will present a seminar on "Leadership, Customer Service, Motivation and Fun" on March 18 at the Burley Inn, 800 N. Overland.

Gooding play postponed

GOODING - The Gooding High School Drama Department has postponed its play "The Nerd" by Larry Shue, to March 16 and 17 in the multipurpose room at the Gooding High School.

Scouts plan Klondike

TWIN FALLS - The Snake River Council Boy Scouts of America Falls District has planned its Klondike Derby for Friday and Saturday in the small south parking lot of the Diamond Field Jack play area near Magic Mountain (in the South Hills).

Swimming lessons begin

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley YMCA is offering a six-week session of youth swimming lessons beginning Saturday.

Founders Day celebrated

BELLEUEVE - The Bellevue Chamber of Commerce is celebrating Founder's Day from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday in the lobby at the Valley Market.

Jones earns Eagle

JEROME - Greg Jones has earned the Eagle Scout Award through the Boy Scouts of America. The award will be presented at a court of honor set for 7 p.m. Saturday at the Jerome LDS 3rd Ward Church, 825 E. Ave. B.

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Jerome Optimist Club essay contest winners are, from left, Vaney Sedano, bronze; Rachel Davis, silver; and Cheryl Parkey, gold.

ERC plans winter fun

KETCHUM - The Environmental Resource Center's Youth Adventure Program is presenting a "Wild Winter Fun" event Saturday.

Volunteers gain training

TWIN FALLS - The Hospice Division at Magic Valley Staffing Services has planned an 18-hour orientation and training session for all interested volunteers.

Teen Yellow Pages form

TWIN FALLS - The Healthy Kids Network has received a grant through the State Department of Education funds from the state tobacco tax for substance-abuse prevention in the public schools to publish a Regional Youth Resources Directory, also known as the Teen Yellow Pages.

Milndoka district honored

The Milndoka Irrigation District of Rupert was presented the 1998 Water Quality Achievement Award at the Idaho Water Users Association's 22nd annual convention held Jan. 22 in Boise.

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Gardeners learn skills

TWIN FALLS - The University of Idaho Cooperative Extension System has planned four Master Gardener class sessions that offer pesticide license recertification credits.

Judges reach conclusion

The Southern Idaho Park Producers has released the results of the Youth Swine Judging Competition held Jan. 24 at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer.

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MONEY AND CLASSIFIEDS

Servicing your business's bottom line

Attention to customer is no longer an option

The Orange County Register

Customer service is no longer the trump card in business. It's the ante to get into the game.

"If you don't have good customer service, you're dead, the issue is how to differentiate your service from competitors," said Sam Geist, author of "Why Should Someone Do Business With You Rather Than Someone Else" (Wentworth, \$24.95).

Geist, former Canadian retailer turned consultant, was responding to the problem of how small businesses can boost service to boost their bottom line.

Business owners have hundreds of ways to differentiate themselves with service. The key is to make sure customers notice.

Make it tangible

The U.S. economy has shifted from manufacturing to services, converting company assets from hard inventory to abstract goods. Close to 80 percent of assets today are items such as knowledge systems and information, Geist said. Companies that want to capitalize on customer service must make the intangible tangible.

One residential contractor has his workers wear surgical booties on the job, Geist said. "That's a wonderful idea. It shows (the company) respects the owner and his house."

PC2-Copy, a Costa Mesa, Calif., short-run printer, was able to make its self-copying service tangible with a prepaid copy card that customers can keep at the store.

"No fumbling for change, no having to carry the card in your wallet," explained owner Sheldon Pines. "It saves customers time and money."

Hundreds of customers use the prepaid cards, he said.

Add convenience

Customers are always in a hurry, so Pines has added many one-stop services and products for their convenience.

"We have made it a point to find sources of oddball things that people want printed, like cocktail napkins and matchbooks," he said. "We have in-house design services. We've even helped a business owner pick a company name and design a logo."

Convenience is a major service small companies can offer, added Dick Sealhorn, owner of Rich Mar Sales, a Costa Mesa text transfer printer.

"We have made appointments for customers at night or on weekends... to accommodate customers who are otherwise unable to get to a shop between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.," he said.

Listen, then do

An important way to find out what customers think of your service is to ask. Lynette Smith, executive director of the Association of Business Support Services in Yorba Linda, Calif., enforces a report card with each membership renewal to respond individually to member concerns

and spot and address trends. "She also hands out evaluation forms at the association's annual convention to get tips for improving future events."

Sometimes clients need fast service, either because they procrastinate or they get hit with last-minute needs. Quick turnaround can distinguish a small business, said Rich Mar owner Sealhorn.

One public relations firm called Rich Mar on a Wednesday afternoon. Its client was leaving on a national tour Friday morning and had forgotten to order T-shirts from a screenprinter. Rich Mar applied heat transfers to 32 shirts and delivered them by 5 p.m. Thursday.

Simplify

Many companies discourage customers unknowingly, with complicated instructions and marketing. Their Internet sites, for example, are full of side trips and extraneous information for prospective customers, said Web page designer Peter Shikhi of BusinessWare Inc. in San Clemente, Calif.

Usually, Shikhi is able to simplify the site by separating information that's designed for previous buyers from sales data aimed at potential buyers.

"Once the customer-support section has a clear mission, it can drop the impressive graphics and sales puffery and focus just on helping customers get answers and solve problems," he said.

Supply information

Small businesses can win the undying devotion of customers by supplying answers to their questions.

PC2-Copy, for example, has set up an idea center in a corner of the shop where customers can look at hundreds of examples of brochures and other printed material to develop concepts for their own companies.

The Association of Business Support Services publishes a package of business forms that members can use for their companies instead of having to design their own. It gives new members a beginner's guide to starting a successful secular service, which saves them time and mistakes.

Every retail shop should have sales personnel who know the merchandise well enough to advise customers.

The clerk knows the quality of the blouse, what material it's made of and how to clean it," Geist said.

Teach your service

But employees won't know that information without training, he emphasizes.

"Training is crucial, he said, because 'people forget 25 percent of what they learn within 24 hours, and 98 percent within 16 days unless you repeat it over and over.'"

For small companies have any new employee orientation about customer service, said Nancy Friedman, president of Telephone Doctor, a national customer-service firm based in St. Louis. Train employees on what you expect, then hold them accountable.

"If you want to keep employees on their toes," she adds, "call your company and see how you're treated as a customer. You can't fix what you don't know."

Dow continues record climb for 5th straight day

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow industrials managed to extend its record-setting performance into a fifth straight day and even flirted with 8,400 despite persistent profit-taking Tuesday.

The Dow Jones industrial average at one point was up 76 points at 8,446.32. It finished with a gain of 28.40 to close at 8,398.50.

The five-session string of new highs followed a six-month drought in records for Wall Street's best-known indicator and is the longest streak since the six-session string of records last June.

With Tuesday's gain, the Dow is now up 513 points since Jan. 9, when it sank to 7,580.42. The blue-chip index, which dropped 4 percent over the first six trading days of 1998, is now up 6.2 percent over the year.

Broad market indexes were mixed, but the New York Stock Exchange composite index also set a new record.

"Today's really a consolidation day," said Charles Blumenthal, senior financial markets analyst at Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. "Last week was a pretty good week, and we had carryover strength from the three-day rally."

Outstanding issues outnumbered decliners by a 9-to-8 margin on the NYSE, where volume totaled 593.06 million shares, compared with 531.03 million Friday. Markets were closed Monday for the Presidents Day holiday.

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MUTUAL FUNDS

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INDUSTRIAL

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Graphic Designer - The Times-News is looking for an experienced computer graphics designer.

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SOS Staffing Services - 963 Blue Lake Blvd. N. Now's a fine time to apply!



BURLEY Well kept older home 3 bdrm 3 bath... E-MAIL your classified ad to us at twind@micron.net

FARRFIELD - 3 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, 2 car garage... FILER - New homes, 3 & 4 bdrm, from \$72,000...

GOVT FORECLOSED... Are you planning a move? Classified ads in this section...

HAGERMAN Pioneer Village Townhouses... KIMBERLY, 2000 sq. ft. 4 bdrm, 2 baths...

DO YOU YOU CONSIDERED A NEW HOME IN 1997?... KIMBERLY, 3 yr. 4500 sq. ft. 5 bdrm, 4 bath...

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY... LISTINGS WANTED! WE HAVE BUYERS!

PAUL, by OWNER, ranch home, floor, 7 1/2 finished basement... RUPERT For sale, 1000 15th Dr.

HEYBURN • By Owner, 1995 3 bdrm, 2 bath... I BUY HOUSES - 2137-1170

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BOSHONGE • 2 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage... TWIN FALLS • 3 bdrm, 2 bath, gas heat, central air...

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MEDICO • 1 room, 3 wks old home, \$7600.00... SALT LAKE CITY home in Twin Falls...

CONDOMINIUMS - BURLEY. For sale by owner... 518 MOBILE HOMES - BURLEY

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2073 HEYBURN E. • 4-6PM... IRWIN REALTY 734-6500

IRWIN REALTY 734-6500... Call Toll Free outside Magic Valley 1-800-658-3863

IRWIN REALTY Feature of the Week... IRWIN REALTY 734-6500

SHARP LINE NEW HOME Ranch style, 4 bedroom, 2 bath home located in newer subdivision...

SEEDON will find you fine attractive acreage to close on... OWNER FINANCING - Two homes on one lot...

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FILER. Lots for manufactured homes, sewer, water, elec, gas, telephone and cable TV all in, ready for your home...

HAGERMAN. Commercial big, 2000 sq. ft. 3 yrs. old. lg. lot. Sale or lease. By owner. Financially available. Call 879-0402.

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RE/MAX KEYSTONE REALTY GROUP 735-0300

516 VACATION PROPERTY TIME SHARES... MAJIC RESERVOIR - Cabin on lake front...

516 MANUFACTURED HOMES... Are past credit problems preventing you from owning a new home?

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TWIN FALLS-4plex across from Perrine Elementary...

TWIN FALLS-4545, 2 bdrm, W/W carpet, water paid...

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TWIN FALLS CONDO: Purchase option, lease to own...

TWIN FALLS-6600, 3 yr, old, near High School...

TWIN FALLS-1450, 2 bdrm, duplex, near High School...

TWIN FALLS: Three townhouses to choose from...

TWIN FALLS: Clean 1 bdrm, apt, \$325 a mo...

TWIN FALLS: Homey 2 1/2 bdrm, 778 sq. ft...

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TWIN FALLS: Large 1 and 1/2 bdrm, apt...

TWIN FALLS: Motel & clean 2 bdrm, 2 bath...

TWIN FALLS: Wanted lady roommate...

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TWIN FALLS: Capri Motel, W/W, rates starts \$130...

TWIN FALLS: Meticulously clean 1 bdrm, 1 bath...

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TWIN FALLS: 1st month off! Call-in Special!

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TWIN FALLS - approx. 300 sq. ft. office space for rent...

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TWIN FALLS - Warehouse/Office Various sizes from 1400 sq. ft. to 7000 sq. ft.

TWIN FALLS - Wanting to CHOOSE FROM 2 bdrm, 3 bdrm, 4 bdrm...

TWIN FALLS - 614 WANTED TO RENT BURLEY AREA

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SPRAYERS Demco 16 4 wheel drive 2000 gallon tank

TRACTOR JD 4020 w/ 540 PTO, 150 front end loader

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TRACTOR STACK WAGON, 150 front end loader

TRACTOR JD 4440, 1980 Wholly, 5 1/2 Hyd. Front End Loader

TRACTOR JD 4030, 1973 backhoe loader

TRACTOR JD 4200, 4 bottom Plow, \$2200

TRACTOR JD 335, 3 bottom 17'60" Shank Plow

TRACTOR DODGE D 600, 1970, 16'6" wide, good unit

TRACTOR JD CHUCK WAGON, on 150 front end loader

TRACTOR 468 front loader, \$7500

TRACTOR YAMAHA 18' 200 HP, Honda 87 200 HP

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TRACTOR KNOEN FARM SERVICES, Retaining big cables

TRACTOR PLOWING, 8 bottom & 4 bottom hydraulic rear

TRACTOR RETRIEVING 2 & 3 wheeled, 400 ton, 600 ton

TRACTOR PIPE - (28) 40" joints to 1000'

TRACTOR PIVOT, Gilford Hill, 8 ton, good for small acreage

TRACTOR WHEEL LINES - (3) Westley, excel, cond.

TRACTOR 708 HAY GRAIN FEED, 400 ton, 600 ton

HAY - Alberta, 20 ton lot, 30 ton 2nd, DelValle/ta

TRACTOR 3CX46, baler, test, No tires, exc. quality

HAY, No rain, 1st crop 19.8% protein, 1-200

HAY, Gal hay, W/W bal and 2 string bale, Good hay

SLADE, ALPARGA, Covered with plastic, w/valve added

STRAW for sale, 2 string, small bale, Please call

STRAW, 109 big bales, take any amount, Make offer

801 ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

802 APPLIANCE: REFRIG., Stove, w/dispenser & icemaker

804 BUILDING MATERIALS: BUILDING - Must sell immediately

805 CAMERAS & EQUIPMENT: CAMERAS, Canon A-1 & AE-1

806 CHILDREN'S ITEMS: BIRTH CHR., For sale, exc. w/canopy

807 MISCELLANEOUS: MOTOROLA (2) MTX-810 portable radios

808 COMMUNICATION DEVICES: MOTOROLA (2) MTX-810 portable radios

809 COMPUTERS: COMPAQ - Notebook Acer, Compaq, 486 SX

810 FIREWOOD: FIREWOOD Fir & Pine, dry, split, 80/pk

811 FURNITURE & CARPET: BEDROOM Set, 5 piece French Provincial

812 CHINA BUFFET & CABINET: top: 4 1/2 x 15 x 5 1/2

DAYBED complete, white, good condition, \$99.00

DINETTE Set - Round table w/leaves, 6 chairs

EASY CHAIRS (2) 1 with ottoman, \$50 & \$75

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MATTRESSES, King-size, Hotel returns, \$100 a set

MATTRESSES, Queen size, Hotel returns, \$100

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RINGS, 14K gold, diamond & pearls, \$500, asking \$300

815 LAWN & GARDEN: TREES - White-Irden windbreak

816 EXERCISE EQUIPMENT: STATION WEIGHT SYSTEM (BodyTech)

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SHOOKER TABLE - good condition, \$200.00

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Olympics

# HARADA'S GOLDEN REDEMPTION

Home-country favorite leaves Lillehammer flub behind as team captures gold

**HAKUBA, Japan (AP)** — The shame of Lillehammer — it had almost become Masahiko Harada's nickname.

Failing to hit even a mediocre ski jump at the 1994 Olympics, a failure that cost his team the gold, was a moment that had defined Harada's life for the past four years.

Now he was atop an Olympic ski jump again — this one at Japan's first Winter Games in 26 years, in front of 50,000 noisy, expectant countrymen.

On his first leap, under awful conditions, he had taken his team from first to fourth place. As he set up for his second and final attempt, he looked down the windy slope through a light snow and knew what lay ahead was either redemption, or another moment of ruin.

To the resounding "hanzai!" cheers of the clated Japanese fans, Harada was all gold, soaring 137 meters to tie the Olympic record set by teammate Takano Okabe just minutes before and virtually assing Japan of the victory. It also was Japan's 100th Olympic gold medal.

Final jumper Kazuyoshi Funaki, winner of the individual gold on the large hill, jumped 125 meters to make it official.

"We did it! We did it!" Harada cried, embracing his teammates and breaking down into tears.

It was a cry heard round Japan. Several editions of all major newspapers had Harada headlined, front page. Of course, most people knew of the gold because the papers had already issued "extra" editions in Japan, stating a NHK television ran the jump live, and the other networks flashed the news seconds after it happened, then broad-



Japan's Masahiko Harada celebrates on a podium with his teammates after winning the gold medal in the ski jump Tuesday in Hakuba. His teammate, Kazuyoshi Funaki had just jumped 125 meters to ensure the win.

cast special programs in prime time.

Harada's Olympic moment was of such importance to Japan because so much of the country saw their ski jumping squad's loss in Norway as a blow to national honor.

Japan has done far better than expected in Nagano. Tuesday's gold was its fourth, for a total of eight medals — more than any other

Winter Games.

Still, no event was as nervously awaited as the team jump. "We all remember what happened in Lillehammer so clearly," said Toshiyugu Yamada, a young office worker who came from Japan's northern island of Hokkaido to see Harada jump. "Today, they have erased that shame," he said.

# U.S. freestyle skiers fly high

**NAGANO, Japan (AP)** — Gold medals? Try the U.S. freestyle skiers, and Bjorn again.

Freestyle skier Nikki Stone nailed a pair of back somersaults in the aerials, grabbing the fourth U.S. gold of the Nagano Games. While she celebrated her triumph, teammate Eric Bergoust added another gold medal in the men's event.

Three of the five U.S. golds — including the first, won by 22-year-old Jonny Moseley in the moguls — have gone to the freestyle skiers, who only made their Olympic debut six years ago.

Bergoust and Stone both competed in Lillehammer in 1994; she finished seventh and he wound up seventh.

"Everything I've ridden since I was 5 years old, I was in a gym saying, 'I'm going to win a gold medal some day,'" Stone said after her victory on Tuesday (Tuesday night MDT). "I can't believe it."

Stone, of Westborough, Mass., was the only woman to pull off a triple back somersault. Xu Nannan of China won the aerial silver and Colette Brand of Switzerland took the bronze.

Bergoust set a world record with 255.64 points, coming close to perfection on both his "quad" jumps — quadruple twisting triple flips. France's Sebastian Fournier won the silver and Dmitri Dushchinsky the bronze.

Norwegian skier Bjorn Dahlie did what he's done better than anybody in Winter Games history: win another medal. As part of the winning four-man Norwegian cross-country ski team, Dahlie became the first Winter Games athlete to earn seven gold medals. His total of 11 medals overall also set a new winter standard.

**ALPINE SKIING:** The skies changed venues as scheduled, but still couldn't escape the weather. A blizzard dumped 4 feet of new snow at Shiga Kogen, wiping out the men's giant slalom Wednesday (Tuesday night EDT) and five-time medalist Alberto Tomba's 1998 Olympic debut.

The race was pushed back 24 hours and is now set for the same day as the women's slalom.

**SHORT TRACK SPEED-SKATING:** The U.S. women's 3,000-meter relay team — silver

medallists in Albertville, bronze medalists at Lillehammer — failed to even make the finals in Nagano. The disappointing showing in an earlier heat came despite the efforts of Cathy Turner, owner of four previous short-track medals.

South Korea claimed its first two medals of the games, with Kim Dong-sung winning the men's 1,000-meter and its relay team taking the 3,000-meter race.

China was second and Canada third in the relay; Li Jianjun of the U.S. was second in the men's race, ahead of Canada's Eric Bedard.

**MEN'S HOCKEY:** The Olympics are over for U.S. Sam Samuelson, though his Swedish teammates play on.

Samuelson's arrest of his election from the games was rejected Tuesday. The NHL defenseman holds a U.S. passport, which over-rides his Swedish citizenship.

No penalties were assessed against his team. "You can be the nicest man you want," said Francois Corrad, director general of the IOC. "If you're not a citizen of the country you represent, you cannot participate in the games."

The single-elimination quarter-finals begin Wednesday. The matchups: the United States (1-2) against the Czech Republic (2-3); the undefeated Canadians, the team to beat, against Kazakhstan (0-3); Russia (3-0) against Belarus (0-3); and defending gold medalist Sweden (2-1) against Finland (3-2).

**SPEEDSKATING:** Another day, another world record, another Dutch gold medal — and the fourth in eight medals in Nagano. Gianni Romme took his second gold of the games in the men's 10,000 meters, slicing a stunning 15 seconds off the old world mark.

Romme's victory capped a Dutch sweep as Bob de Jong and Rintje Rismma took the next two spots.

**BIATHLON:** Ole Bjornelund of Norway won the Olympic gold medal in men's 10-kilometer biathlon with a time of 27 minutes, 16.2 seconds.

His teammate, Frode Andresen, won the silver in 28:17.8, and Ville Ruukonen of Finland finished third in 28:21.7.

# Illinois woman leads U.S. hockey team to gold

By Margaret Lillard  
The Associated Press

**NAGANO, Japan** — With an angled left shoulder and her team behind her, Sarah Tuebing was almost untouchable in goal.

Ask the Canadians. Whether it was doing a split in the crease, reaching far left with her glove to snare the puck or fearlessly absorbing a slap shot into her pads, Tuebing did it all Tuesday night. Thanks to her 21-save effort, the United States won the first Olympic women's hockey tournament with a 3-1 victory over Canada.

U.S. coach Ben Smith wouldn't reveal his starting goal in the days leading up to the game, saying Tuebing and Sara DeCosta were virtually interchangeable. When Tuebing got the call, DeCosta passed along her lucky charm — a tiny gold pin with an angled hockey stick.

Tuebing said DeCosta had worn the pin "on her equipment, on her padding, since she made the team in August."

"So before the game, after warmups, she said, 'All right, I'm passing this on to you.'"



U.S. Olympic goalie Sarah Tuebing celebrates the team's 3-1 gold medal victory over Team Canada Tuesday at Big Hat arena Tuesday in Nagano.

Tuebing wore it on the back of her upper right arm. At the post-game party, she lifted the brim of a huge red, white and blue Dr. Seuss hat to show the pin stuck to her team baseball cap under-

neath. "After the game, I tried to give it back to her and she wouldn't take it back," she said.

Tuebing, a 21-year-old from Winnetka, Ill., is known as "Teeter" by her teammates.

The nickname came from her days at Dartmouth, when she was one of six women on the freshman team who answered to the name of Sarah. Put it this way: Teeter is better than Hound, Devil or Lenny, the nickname that three of the other Sarahs assumed.

She insists she isn't better than the only other Sara she plays with these days. Teammates and Smith have said they have equal confidence in the goalies and the goalies, in turn, have become each other's confidantes, boosters and de facto coaches.

Smith regularly alternated the two in pre-Olympic games and even through the preliminary round, when they ended up with almost identical minutes played. He even toyed with the notion — very briefly — of playing each for half of the gold medal game.

Tuebing didn't teeter Tuesday night — particularly in the third period. With 17 minutes left, she knocked away a shot by Canada's Danielle Goyette. Two minutes later, she forced an approaching Canadian to go to the backhand, and the puck slid harmlessly through the crease.

# I want a CAVE man! Unless he'll pick me up! Dave hits the party circuit

**NAGANO, Japan** — I got picked up in a bar.

No, not THAT kind of picked up. I mean I got actually, physically picked up, into the air. By a Latvian politician. This was after I saw a guy bend spoons by magic, but before I sang with two guys who won medals in the luge.

The common element linking these events, as you have no doubt already gathered, was karaoke. "Karaoke" comes from the Japanese words "kara," meaning "empty," and "oke," meaning "who could not carry a tune in a bucket." Karaoke was invented in Japan, and it remains very popular here. The three big elements are:

1. A microphone.
2. Beer.
3. A whole lot more beer.

A group of us professional journalists found these elements at a place called "Police 90," which



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has become the Official Karaoke Bar For Westerners Looking For A Karaoke Bar of the Winter Olympic Games. The way you get there is, you ride around in a taxi until the driver gives up, and then you get out and listen for the music, but unmistakable sound of Westerners passing out face-forward on the sidewalk, and you walk toward that sound.

We sat at a table and started looking through the book of karaoke songs, which were listed in both Japanese and some language that was not exactly

English. For example, the band "Los Lobos" was listed, I swear, as "Ros Rovos."

While we were selecting some songs, the owner of Police 90, Yoshio Matsuzaki, came over and entertained us with amazing feats of magic. He'd pick up a spoon, and make us feel it, to see how sturdy it was. Then he'd hold the spoon loosely in his hand for a second and — Presto! — it was bent like a pretzel. Then he'd hand the spoon back, and we'd try to straighten it, and we couldn't, and then he'd take it back and — Presto! — it was straight again! Spoon healing!

He also, without touching it, caused a wristwatch to stop and then start again, and he made a pack of cigarettes scoot toward him on the table.

"The Force!" he said. "Duke Skywalker!"

As the magic act was going on,

a lean, intense-looking man came over to watch, then started talking to Matsuzaki. The next thing we knew, Matsuzaki was doing something to the man's back, and the man was saying "Warm ... warm ... WARM! WARM! WARM!" We were concerned that the man was going to become bent, or burst into flames, but he seemed to be pleased.

Afterward I asked him what was going on. He pointed at Matsuzaki and said, "He is strong! He is giving me energy!"

His said his name is Pateris Strubergs, and that he's the secretary of the board of an important political party in Latvia, which is a nation. He also said that he's 53, and that he used to be a boxer.

"I am strong!" he said, and I was writing that in my notebook, he picked me up off the floor.

This is something that never happens to me when I am interviewing American politicians such as Lamar Alexander.

After he set me down, we shook hands and he said, "I'm having a big pleasure to have meeting you," and invited me to look him up if I am ever in Latvia, which I will surely do, although I will keep my distance.

Shortly thereafter, we were joined by two American athletes, Gordy Sheer and Brian Martin, who won medals in the two-man luge event. We congratulated them, Sheer let us admire his silver medal, which I would describe as "round." Then, to celebrate, we all patriotically sang the closest song they had to "The Star-Spangled Banner" which was "The Red River Valley."

A bit later, columnist Mitch Albom and I performed what I would describe, in all modesty, as

a brilliant rendition of a song that truly epitomizes the Olympic ideal: "Johnny, Get Angry." There was hardly a dry set of underpants in the house when we belted out the chorus: "Johnny get angry, Johnny get mad! Give me the biggest lecture I ever had! I want a BRAVE man! I want a CAVE man!"

After that for some reason they took the microphone away from us, and it fell into the hands of members of what I believe was the Austrian bobsled team, who were clearly not going to give it up until they had consumed all of the beer in Japan. So we left. But it was an Olympic experience that I will not forget. At least not until this headache goes away.

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# Women's figure skating features friendly rivalry

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — Although it's not exactly *Tomb Raider*, this Olympics has its own figure skating soap opera with Michelle vs. Tara.

And don't forget Nicole. American teen-agers Michelle Kwan and Tara Lipinski, on much better terms than Tonya Harding and Nancy Kerrigan ever were, resume their rivalry Wednesday when women's figure skating begins at the Olympics with the short program.

And Nicole Bobek is something more than just an interested bystander. For Kwan and Lipinski, this is the next chapter of what has become a compelling battle on ice, two champions going skate to skate. Kwan, 17, won the world and national titles in 1996, and then Lipinski, 15, took them both in 1997.

That brings us to 1998 and the Olympics. Kwan comes in as the favorite after recapturing the national title last month in a wave of perfect 6.0 scores from the judges. Lipinski fell in the short program and needed a rally to finish second.

Caught in the crossfire is Bobek, 20,

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often overlooked in the excitement generated by the two champions, but also a real medal threat. She was third at the nationals and could be the final piece in an unprecedented gold-silver-bronze sweep for the United States.

CBS, hoping that women's figure skating can rally its slumping Olympic ratings, will show the short program Wednesday night. Also scheduled is coverage of the men's giant slalom and cross-country skiing.

Figure skating traditionally provides some of the best drama at the Olympics and the three-way battle between the Americans could add to that history. Kwan and Lipinski bring different styles to their Olympic showdown. Kwan is more artistic, skating to classical music. Lipinski,

equipped with a unique triple loop-triple loop, is more athletic and prefers movie sound tracks. Both choose to play down their rivalry. "We're not the best of friends," Kwan said, "but I think we have a friendly relationship."

That leaves Bobek. After she finished third at the nationals, Richard Callaghan, who coaches Lipinski, talked about an Olympic sweep.

Bobek liked the sound of that. "Anything is possible," she said. "I am really just focused on going out there and doing what I know I can do. I want to know I did well and that I did the best I could."

"I have never worked so hard in my life. I have never put so much emotion into it. The last two weeks, I cried every day after practice. I was just so much emotion into it."

Kwan is happy with the favorite's role. "That's great, that a lot of people have confidence in me," she said. "But there are a lot of great skaters out there. You don't think about winning Olympic gold. My winning program is to skate well, and that's what I have to do."

Lipinski doesn't mind chasing her rival at this stage. "I like being the underdog," she said. "It gives me a lot of things to think about and keeps me motivated."

Only five American women have won figure skating gold — Tenley Albright in 1956, Carol Heiss, 1960; Peggy Fleming, 1968; Dorothy Hamill, 1976; and Kristi Yamaguchi, 1992. Albright and Heiss were the only gold-silver finishers for the United States.

One of the roadblocks to a possible U.S. sweep was removed when Germany's Tanja Szwedzenko withdrew on the eve of the competition because of illness. She had been running a fever and had no power in her practices.

That marked the second straight Olympics mishap for the German. She suffered a bruised hip in 1994 when she crashed into gold medalist Oksana Baiul during training on the eve of the long program at Lillehammer.

Other medal threats include Russians Irina Slutskaya and Maria Butyrskaya, and China's Lu Chen.



American figure skater Michelle Kwan rehearses her routine Tuesday in Nagano.

## Coach goes low-key with Kwan

He tries to take the pressure off his skater

By Nancy Armour  
The Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan — Michelle Kwan's coach keeps telling her she's just another athlete at the Olympics, no different than the bobsledders, snowboarders, lugers or slalom specialists.

Yes, right. And magazines put the U.S. figure skating champion on their covers because the curlers were too busy getting new broom bristles.

"I'm trying to put it in perspective for her. Here, we're just one sport among many," coach Frank Carroll said after Tuesday's practice.

A groan went up from the reporters gathered in front of him. "C'mon, Frank, your skater's no dummy. You really expect her to buy all that?"

"I hope so," he said, laughing. "I'm doing my best to sell it to her."

If Carroll can sell that, he might have a future in real estate and used cars near his training center in Lake Arrowhead, Calif. Kwan is, after all, the gold medal favorite in the most glamorous event contested here — women's figure skating.

"I know how big a deal this is. I know how important this is to Michelle and everyone in the U.S. that she skates well," Carroll said.

"My job is to relieve as much tension in this kid as I can."

"What you need is what works for your athlete," he said. "If you want the best performance, you do what makes them comfortable, what makes them happy and what makes them well."

Which explains why Kwan is staying in a hotel with her family instead of the Olympic Village, why she didn't arrive in time for opening ceremonies; why Carroll keeps in constant communication with her parents via walkie-talkies; and why she won't be showing up at other Olympic events like main rival Tara Lipinski. "I like to feel really comfortable," Kwan said. "I do think I'm a big star. I'm here to skate well and do my best."

Though she's certainly more reclusive than Lipinski, Kwan isn't exactly Gretchen Garbo. She's gone shopping a few times with her parents and siblings. She's also been training and undergoing therapy on her left foot, the one with the stress fracture that kept her sidelined for two months last fall.

Perhaps most importantly, she's staying low-key. She's not watching television coverage of the games, and Carroll is keeping all articles about her out of her sight.

That doesn't mean she's not a little nervous, though.

"It's hard to do this without having some anxiety. You'd think it would go away, but it's a big event."

Carroll should know. He coached the U.S. team at the 1980 Olympics, and still bears some bitterness about those games.

Francine, the 1977 and 1979 world champion, went to Lake Placid, N.Y., as the favorite. Though she was the best free skater, she wasn't great on tracing school figures — an element required at the time. Carroll believes the judges conspired to mark her down so she would have to win the short program and the free skate to win the gold medal.

She won the free skate, but not the technical, and ended up with the silver medal.

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COMICS

**Peanuts** By Charles M. Schulz

HERE'S MY IDEA... SPIKE IS A FRIEND OF MICKEY MOUSE, RIGHT?  
WELL, AT LEAST HE SAYS HE IS...  
AND MICKEY MOUSE IS VERY WEALTHY, RIGHT?  
WHY DON'T WE CALL HIM ON THE PHONE, AND ASK HIM TO SEND US A LIMO?  
THAT'S /MAYBE EVEN YOUR IDEA OF A STRETCH LIMO..

**Mother Goose & Grimm** By Mike Peters

I'M GOING TO MAKE AN INFORMERCIAL.  
I'M TARGETING THE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO INVEST THEIR SAVINGS, BUT DON'T KNOW HOW.  
I HOPE YOU PLAN TO SELL EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO AVOID SCAMS.  
GOOD IDEA FOR PHASE TWO!

**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

WHAT GOES, "OINK OINK - MOO MOO"?  
I SHE UP, WHAT?  
A DOUBLE SOW-COW.  
THAT'S SALCHOW!

**Garfield** By Jim Davis

KNOW WHA CATS LOVE SLIPPING ON ICE?  
5555SHHHHHHHH.  
BUILT-IN CHAINS.

**Hi and Lois** By Chance Brown

BRRR... IT'S COLD OUTSIDE.  
CLOSE THE DOOR!  
DADDY'S NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO'S FREEZING...  
EVEN SUNBEAM CAME INSIDE TO GET WARM.

**The Wizard of Id** By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

PREFARE TO MEET THY BOOM.  
HAH...  
...WHYTA JERK!

**Hagar the Horrible** By Chris Browne

HERE YOU GO, SNERI!  
I HATE GOING FOR WALKS IN WINTER!

**Beetle Bailey** By Mort Walker

ONE LAST QUESTION... HOW DO YOU SPELL ECETERA?  
OH, FOR...  
E.T.C.!

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

**EMPLOYMENT OFFICE**  
YOU HAVE TO PULL YOUR OWN WEIGHT IN THIS JOB.  
DOES DRAGGING IT AROUND BEHIND ME COUNT?

**The B.M. Lober** By Art Sanson & Chip

HOW DARE YOU MAKE SUCH AN ACQUISITION! I DON'T HAVE A SHIRT!  
ATTENTION SPAN?

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

DOWN! LOOK AT I FOUND UNDER THE COUCH!  
NOT NOW, APRIL, I'M ON THE PHONE.  
IS IT UNCLE PHIL, DAD?  
HE'S HES LEAVING WYNOCHER IN THE MORNING.  
THEN THAT MEANS...  
DON'T SPIT IT - I DON'T WANT APRIL.  
THEY ALWAYS THINK I DON'T UNDERSTAND.

**Blonde** By Dean Young & Stan Drake

HE ALWAYS CALLS FOR ME WHEN THERE'S AN EMERGENCY.  
HE JUST COULDN'T GET ALONG WITHOUT ME.  
DOWN LOWER... MORE TO THE RIGHT... YES! AHAA! RIGHT THERE!

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

DON'T BE AFRAID, POCOE, IT'S JUST ME.  
SEE? IT'S JUST A HAIRPIECE.  
OH, NOTHING! IT'S JUST A SCARE.  
FRIGHTENING THE DOG WITH YOUR DOUPE!

**Dennis the Menace** By Hank Ketcham

I FINALLY FIGURED OUT HOW MANY COOKIES ARE TOO MANY.

**The Family Circus** By Bill Keane

"You don't feel anything when they operate cause they give you an Anesthesia."

## What's the biggest ship?

**WHAT'S WHAT?**  
- L.M. Boyd

Monks in medieval abbeys didn't invent the craft of cheese making, but they perfected it. Had to, maybe. After they swore off meat. Cheese people know the "muenster" in muenster cheese is the name of the French town descended from "munstere."  
After marriage, a woman is more likely to get depressed, a man less so. That's the statistical pattern.  
Q. What's the biggest ship afloat?  
A. Super-tanker Jahre Viking, 622,000 tons deadweight.  
Oklahoma law requires you to be at least 10 years older than anyone you adopt.  
Q. Did you ever find out the real reason Mexicans refer to northerners as "Gringos"?  
A. Originally, it came from "Griego," Spanish for "Greek." Then "Gringo" was what the Madrid Spanish called the Irish there. Later, Catalans applied it to any foreigners whose talk was hard to understand. However, many still insist it

came out of the "green grove" phrase in a song sung by troopers down along the border.  
Heinz sells more pet food than baby food, but not as much of either as ketchup.  
The zebra finch tries to help other birds build their nests. But other birds don't want the help. When the zebra finch shows up with a few blades of grass, the nest builders throw up their wings and quit the project.  
True, Freud's middle name was "Sigmund" short for "Sigismund." But his first name was "Shlomo."  
To the list of oxymorons, our Language man has added "trashing a teenager's room."  
It was Frank Lloyd Wright who coined the term "carport."

**ACROSS**  
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36 "In a Mood"  
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**DOWN**  
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**HOROSCOPE**  
Sydney Omar

**IF FEBRUARY 18 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You have wide range of interests, including international news. You are sentimental in romance, headstrong, willing to fight when cause is right. Aries, Libra persons play sensational roles in life. Curious eye relates to self-revelation, coming home again, marriage. Change, travel, variety favored during March. Mercenary energy enters your life during June. October marks climax of mystery. November brings a new beginning. Focus on Aries charm. Invitation to travel is legitimate. Sagittarian will prove sincerely.

**LIBRA (April 30-May 20):** Focus on lifestyle, where you live, major decision involving marriage. Correct mechanical work in automobile. Scorpio who helps in crisis will surprise by being present. Focus on disarming information, displaying of writing skills. Flirtation heats up!

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Those who previously ran away during time of crisis will surprise by being present. Focus on accumulating information. Display of writing skills. Flirtation heats up.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Lunar stripes coincide with change, variety, sexual attraction. Emphasis on where you live, lifestyle, necessity for beautiful surroundings. Libra play top role.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Play your punches. Time on your side, play writing game. Value of property will be estimated. Mainline aura of mystery, romance. Discussion is better part of deal.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Media business. Focus on priorities, deadlines, responsibility, necessity for meeting deadline. Relationship tenuous, controversial, you will want to come up for air. Capricorn in picture.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Stress universally, look beyond the immediate; individual who played major role in your life will make dramatic return. You go forward you should not carry any longer. Aries involved.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You'll say, "I finally I've settled in my mind. I want to do and when. Emphasis on cooperative effort. Emotional responses, marital status. Cancer nature, you'll be surprised.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Cause seeking! Highlight versatility, humor, thrill of exploration. Future position highlights impact of friends, influence of important people. Gemini, Sagittarius representatives.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Demolition, post-1998. You'll obtain! Mechanical detail relating to electrical outfit requires accuracy. After correction, you'll be going places! Scorpio involved.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** What was taken away will return. Love with dramatic flair. Focus on flirtation, variety of sensation. Long-distance communication verifies views. Virgo play prominently.

## CO CO

Melba Burgess of Jerome prepares to make a batch of chocolate chip brownies from a recipe listed in a Taste of Home cookbook. The Taste of Home cooking demonstrations will be presented Tuesday at the Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls.



Staff/Contributor/The Times-News

## Taste of Home brings road show to TF

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Imagine a homemaker's school that is so much fun that a volunteer cuts short her winter in Arizona to hurry home and work at the school again.

The Homemaker's Taste of Home Cooking School is a product of Taste of Home magazine, a bi-monthly, full-color cookbook of sorts edited by 1,000 cooks nationwide. Each year, home economists and nutrition educators take to the road to stage homemaker schools in communities throughout the United States. This year's school in Twin Falls is being sponsored by *The Times-News*.

Last year, when the magazine staged a school in Twin Falls, Melba Burgess, a grandmother from Jerome, spent several hours one morning measuring ingredients, pre-cooking portions of dishes and organizing ingredients and recipe cards so the on-stage portion of the Taste of Home demonstration would go smoothly. Burgess said she enjoyed the volunteer preparation work as much as she did the actual demonstration. So she came home from a winter in Arizona early this year to volunteer to help with the show again.

Last year, 12 dishes, including a chicken main dish, a pork main dish, peanut butter brownies and an apple



dessert, were prepared on stage for an audience of 1,300 homemakers and other interested people. Cooking tips and nutritional information were

**School set next week**  
The Homemaker's Taste of Home Cooking School will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the John Roper Auditorium at Twin Falls High School. Doors will open at 5:30 a.m. Guests may tour booths in the gymnasium from 1 to 7 p.m. (Until school dismisses around 3 p.m., parking around the high school will be limited.) Tickets, priced at \$4, may be obtained from *The Times-News* business office, 641-333-0931 for more information. If you cannot attend the cooking school, you may obtain a book of recipes being used at the school by calling 1-800-344-6915. The book is \$3.95 plus tax.

offered along with the food demonstration. Door prizes of recipe books, computer mouse pads, bags of groceries, small kitchen appliances and the food dishes prepared in the demonstration were given away to people in the audience.

Twin Falls grandmother Doris Brown attended last year and said she plans to attend again this year.

"It was a very interesting demonstration," she said. "The show was entertaining, and it moved very fast. We

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**Guest likes economical recipes**

The Times-News

KOOSKIA - Home economist Summie Renshaw says she enjoys her job too much to call it work.

Renshaw travels up to \$5,000 miles a year, conducting recipe and appliance demonstrations throughout Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Nevada and California. She works for Homemaker Schools, LLC, which is affiliated with Taste of Home and Country Woman magazines.

Other home economists conduct similar schools in 250 locations throughout the United States. The program has been in operation for nearly 50 years.

The two-hour cooking clinics include on-stage demonstrations of food preparation, new food products and kitchen shortcuts. Each participant receives a free cookbook, which includes the recipes demonstrated during the program, and a free gift bag filled with coupons and other items. There are also door prizes.

Using her experience as a working mother, Renshaw focuses on stress-free and economical recipes. She originally started cooking to help her own mother, trying out new recipes on her brother. She still cooks at home, she says.

Renshaw holds a bachelor of science degree in Family and Consumer Sciences with emphasis on Business from the University of Idaho. She lives in Kootenai.

## Chicken stir-fry offers taste, nutrition in no time at all

The Times-News  
Here's a quick and easy chicken recipe from the Homemaker's Taste of Home Cooking School.

**QUICK CHICKEN STIR-FRY**  
4 Tyson Holly Farms boneless, skinless chicken breasts  
1 clove garlic, minced  
1 package (1 pound) frozen broccoli, green beans, mushrooms and red peppers  
1 medium onion, cut into wedges  
1/2 cup shredded carrot  
1/2 cup bottled ginger-garlic or other stir-fry sauce  
6 cups hot cooked rice  
Rinse chicken with cold water and pat dry with paper towels. Cut into 3/4-inch pieces. Spray large non-stick skillet with non-stick cooking spray. Heat over medium-high heat. Add chicken and garlic; stir-fry 3 minutes. Add frozen vegetables, onion and carrot; stir-fry 2 minutes; cover.  
Cook 2 to 4 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Stir in stir-fry sauce.



This Chicken Stir-Fry is perfect for a busy family. Heat thoroughly. Serve chicken and vegetables over hot cooked rice. Garnish with fresh cilantro, if desired. Serves 6. Refrigerate leftovers.

Here and in Italy, tomatoes star in our favorite pasta dishes. They are tasty with almost any meat or vegetable, so recipe possibilities are endless.

**CHUNKY TOMATO PASTA BAKE**  
6 ounces uncooked penne or other tube pasta  
1 pound lean ground beef  
1 can (14 1/2 ounces) Del Monte fresh cut diced tomatoes with green pepper and onion  
1 can (10 3/4 ounces) condensed cream of mushroom soup  
1 1/2 cups mozzarella cheese, shredded  
Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain. Brown meat in skillet. Drain. Combine meat with pasta, tomatoes and mushroom soup. Place in 11-by-7-inch baking dish. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes. Uncover. Top with cheese. Bake three minutes longer or until cheese is melted. Serves 6.

The makers of French's French fried onions have put together a collection of Please see RECIPES, Page E2

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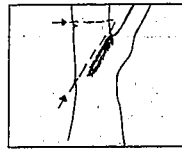
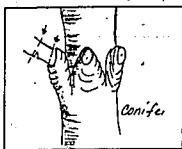
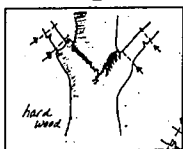
# When pruning trees, timing can make all the difference

Now we prune. Now, before the buds break, before the sap flows, between the late winter-early spring storms, we prune.

We prune to shape, to encourage strong growth in trees. To do that, we need to know how a tree works.

At the origin, or base of each branch and twig is a wrinkly area called the branch collar, or bark ridge, or bark ridge. It looks like a collar. Well, kind of like a collar, just outside the branch collar, the tree is able to heal the wound quickly. The cut stimulates hormones to send bark over the outside cut and compartmentalize the cut branch's anchor inside. It seals off the whole area, often causing the pointy-shaped anchor to turn a darker color. That's where the knots in your 1 x 4 come from. The tree goes about its business with no threat of disease or rot.

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Find the branch bark ridge. It will look rough on a hardwood, more lumpy, like an elephant's neck on a conifer. Make the first cut out a ways, just to take the weight off the saw and prevent tearing of tissue. Make the second, final cut just outside the branch collar, as shown. If for some reason the center, main branch must be removed, find the branch bark ridge, as in the bottom sketch. Make the first cut to remove most of the weight; the second cut on the same angle as the branch collar.

When Billy Bob gets hold of a chain saw, however, and decides that his tree is too tall and needs "topping," all bets are off. Billy Bob cuts his tree branches somewhere in the middle, leaving a wooden sculpture in his yard that resembles a giant hand, stretching for the sky. Billy Bob doesn't know it, but he just killed his tree. He'll argue it ain't so, being as how the following spring the tree put out a jungle of leaves at the end of each sawed-off branch.

That's just the point: The tree didn't know quite what to do, so in a grab for survival, it put out lots of growth - quickly, feisty growth that is weakly attached and catches the wind - and there is no compartmentalization of the

wound, because there were no hormones telling the bark what to do. So rot sets in. And it travels all the way down the tree, even into the roots. The tree becomes hollow, and falls in a windstorm.

Billy Bob never gets the connection between making a bad cut on his tree now, and death of the tree five, 10, even 15 years down the road. The timeline depends on the tree species and general health before Billy got 'hold of it.'

What Billy should have done is make a thinning cut. A thinning cut takes out a lateral branch back to its point of origin. You can shorten a branch by cutting it back to a lateral branch large enough to take over as the leader.

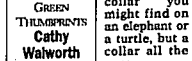
The diameter of the lateral branch should be at least one-third the diameter of the main branch at the point of the cut. With no stubs.

A good pruning job should be like a good haircut: Like the shears were never there. Good pruning means never removing more than a fourth to a third of a tree's branches at a time. Take any more off the top and the tree can't make enough food to feed itself.

Remember to make your pruning cuts just beyond the branch collar. Look for the wrinkled, swollen area at the base of the branch. Cut just outside this area, and the tree's hormones kick in to cover the wound. All by itself.

Stuff you can buy to put on the wound only slows the healing; it can even seal in moisture, bugs and disease, making things worse. Let the tree heal itself.

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## Recipes



Sausage and mushrooms help make this apple and sausage brunch casserole a hearty meal.

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**CHEESY BROCCOLI AND RICE**  
1 package (4.4 ounces) chicken flavored rice and sauce mix  
1 1/3 cups French's French fried onions, divided  
1 cup each chopped broccoli and red pepper  
1 cup (4 ounces) cubed pasteurized process cheese

Combine rice and sauce mix with 2 cups water in medium saucepan. Bring to boil. Stir in 2/3 cup French fried onions, vegetables and cheese. Reduce heat to low. Cook uncovered for 10 minutes, or until rice is tender, stirring occasionally. Sprinkle remaining 2/3 cup onions over rice just before serving. Serves 4 to 6.

**NOTE:** For a main dish, prepare as directed, but when rice is almost tender, stir in 4 cups diced cooked chicken or turkey. Continue cooking until rice is blend, stirring frequently.

This recipe is a scrumptious blend of eggs, mushrooms, sausage, cheese and an apple fruit filling - a terrific dish to serve at a brunch. It can be made the night before and baked in the morning.

### OVERNIGHT APPLE AND SAUSAGE BRUNCH CASSEROLE

1 pound bulk pork sausage  
8 ounces mushrooms, sliced  
4 green onions, including tops, thinly sliced  
6 cups herb-seasoning stuffing cubes, divided  
2 cups (8 ounces) Comstock, Thank You or Wilderness apple fruit filling  
5 eggs  
2 1/2 cups milk

Snipped fresh chives or green onion tops (optional)  
Grease 13-by-9-inch baking dish. In large skillet, cook and stir sausage over medium-high heat until browned and crumbled. Add mushrooms and onions. Cook and stir until tender, about 3 minutes.

Remove from skillet with slotted spoon; drain on paper towels. Layer half of the stuffing cubes, sausage mixture and cheese in prepared dish. Top with all apple filling, spreading evenly. Repeat layers with remaining stuffing cubes, sausage mixture and cheese. In large bowl, beat eggs with wire whisk until frothy.

Whisk in milk; pour mixture evenly over layered ingredients in dish. Cover. Refrigerate overnight. Remove casserole from refrigerator 30 minutes before baking. Bake at 350 degrees, uncovered, 55 to 60 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Let stand 10 minutes. If desired, garnish with chives before cutting into squares to serve. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

## Cooking

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each got a copy of the cookbook that the home economist took the recipes from."

Lisa Hernandez, a Cub Scout pack leader from Jerome, also attended last year. She said the homemaker's school makes a great "girl's night out." She particularly enjoyed "the sack of goodies" that was given away to all who attended.

Hernandez said the sack contained food coupons, free samples and a copy of the cookbook that the featured home economist used on stage.

The homemaker's school has expanded this year, with 50 booths being set up in the high school gymnasium.

The booths will feature financial counseling, cars, kitchen



For more on the Taste of Home cooking classes, visit <http://www.maglev.com> and click on NewsLinks.

appliances - anything a homemaker might be interested in. The businesses involved will have free samples, introductory offers and coupons for merchandise and services.  
An additional six booths will be set up in the auditorium, where the demonstration will take place.

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# Muffin Lady makes muffins a metaphor

Need a mental challenge? Try the crossword puzzles daily in The Times-Herald - they're on the Comics page.

The Washington Post

Remember the Muffin Lady? You know, that Westminster, Md., woman who made national headlines, "Good Morning America," the "Today Show," "CBS Sunday Morning" and more, by baking muffins to keep herself off welfare?

Well, now that muffin lady, a Linda Fisher, has come out with a cookbook - "The Muffin Lady: Muffins, Cupcakes and Quick Breads for the Happy Soul" (ReganBooks, \$18) - and it reveals a background and baking expertise that may surprise people.

Baking, it turns out, has long been Fisher's profession. ("At the end of the day, my personal bottom line is that for over 20 years now I have been happily married by several marriages collectively.") After being an insurance claims adjudicator for Blue Cross for five years, Fisher, now 48, says she was tired of "watching people die on paper." Her list of baking jobs is long and complicated to follow, as she apparently bounced from job to job. (It was after her third husband, a food-service manager, left her and their son with a three-bedroom house that she couldn't make ends meet; she never actually went on welfare.)

But much of Fisher's career has taken place in Washington, where she was born and raised, and where she worked as a baker at Catholic University in the 1980s.

You can see the slices of apple in these muffins. It's a little like the sensation of eating an apple pie.

**APPLE DUMPLING MUFFINS**  
(Makes 12 2-to-4-ounce muffins or six 6-to-8-ounce muffins)

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground mace
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cardamom
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/4 cup oil
- 4 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup milk
- 2 apples, peeled, cored and cut into slices

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Line each cup of a standard muffin pan with strips of baking parchment paper (paper muffin liners can also be used). Sift together the flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, cinnamon, mace, cardamom and cloves. Make a well in the center of the flour mixture. By hand, mix in the oil, butter, eggs and milk. Then fold in the sliced apples. Spoon the batter into the prepared muffin pan. Bake in the preheated oven for 30 to 35 minutes or until done.

"This is a secret recipe I'm giving away," Fisher said. "I remember my mother, who saw how well these were selling, kept on telling me 'Now Linda, don't you give that recipe away. If you do, you will be giving all your money away.' Well, I think the world can have it now."  
**CARROT CUPCAKES**  
(Makes 12 6-ounce cupcakes)

- 2 cups grated carrots
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 cup oil
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon ground mace
- 2 tablespoons orange marmalade
- 2 tablespoons crushed, canned pineapple
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/4 cup shredded coconut
- 1/2 recipe My Favorite Frosting (recipe follows) or icing of your choice

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Line each cup of a standard muffin pan with strips of baking parchment paper (paper muffin liners can also be used). Combine the carrots, sugar, oil and eggs. Set aside. Sift together the flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg and mace. Gradually add the dry mixture to the carrot mixture. Fold in the marmalade, pineapple, nuts and coconut. Spoon the batter into the prepared muffin pan. Bake in the preheated oven for 30 to 35 minutes, until done. Cool, then frost.

**NOTE:** The batter can be made in advance, and it can be refrigerated or frozen. The finished cupcakes themselves can also be frozen after being baked. For some reason, after freezing, they end up with a better flavor.

"I created this recipe completely, back in Rochester, N.Y., for a child's birthday cake," Fisher said. "I wanted to try to re-create the rich cream of a whipped cream frozen without having to deal with volatile whipped cream."

Here's the secret: You have to whip your ingredients at the highest speed your mixer can handle. The creaming must be done vigorously, gradually adding the confectioner's sugar. And notice that the confectioner's sugar must be weighed because it is its weight and not its measurement that counts here.

**MY FAVORITE FROSTING**  
(Makes enough for 1 layer cake or 2 dozen cupcakes)

- 1/2 pound (2 sticks) butter

1/4 cup sour cream  
2 teaspoons vanilla extract  
8 ounces confectioner's sugar  
With an electric mixer on medium-high speed, cream the butter until light and fluffy. Add the sour cream and continue to cream until light and fluffy. Add the vanilla. Gradually add the sugar. Turn the speed to high and whip until stiff peaks form.

"I really love this recipe," Fisher said. "As peanut butter tends to be on the stiff side, you really need to add butter and/or margarine to make it more pliable and easier to work with. Chinky or smooth, either kind of peanut butter will do. Of course, if you are a nut lover, the chunky one will suit your purposes best."

**PEANUT BUTTER LOAF**  
(8 to 12 servings)

- 1 cup sugar
- 2 ounces (1/2 stick) butter or margarine, plus additional for the pan
- 1/4 cup peanut butter
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- Chopped peanuts (optional)

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Cream the sugar, butter and peanut butter together. Add the buttermilk and baking soda. Then add the egg and vanilla. Sift together the flour and baking powder. Combine with the peanut-butter mixture. Spoon into a greased 4-by-8-inch loaf pan. If adding the chopped peanuts, sprinkle them on top of the batter. Bake in the preheated oven for 55 to 60 minutes, until done.

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**HEAVENLY LAYER COOKIES**  
(Makes 2 dozen squares)

- 2 ounces (1/2 stick) butter or margarine, melted
- 1 cup graham-cracker crumbs
- 1 cup (6 ounces) chocolate chips
- 1 cup (6 ounces) butterscotch chips

1 cup shredded coconut  
1 cup chopped walnuts  
14-ounce can sweetened condensed milk  
Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Fold the butter into a 9-by-13-inch pan. Add the graham-cracker crumbs, mix with the butter, and press the mixture onto the bottom of the pan. Add the chocolate and butterscotch chips, coconut and nuts in layers. Drizzle the condensed milk over the top. Bake for 30 minutes. Cut into 24 squares.

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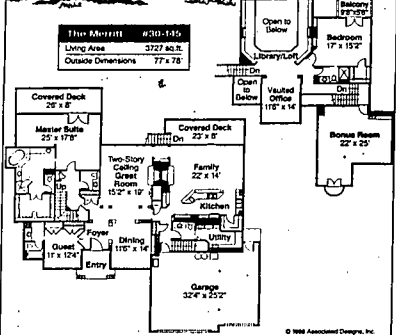
Soaring columns frame the Merritt's arched entry, creating a stately welcome to this large informal home. Arched windows and a steeply pitched, hipped roof give the plan a Neo-French flavor.

Inside, the two-story foyer is naturally bright, illuminated by an arched window extending nearly to the ceiling. Columned archways lead variously to the dining room, stairway/master suite, and a great room every bit as bright and lofty as the dramatic entry. Double doors on the left open into a guest room.

Back-to-back fireplaces can be enjoyed from either the great room or the family room. The island housing the fireplace also contains a small counter and sink at the far end, cabinetry for a home entertainment center in the great room, and space for a desk and shelves in the kitchen.

Standing at the angled work island, you can chat with folks in the family room or gaze through the sliders to the covered deck outside. A raised eating bar runs the entire far edge of the island, which comes outfitted with a vegetable sink as well as a cooktop. A large walk-in pantry adds to the already ample storage space. Utilities, a small bathroom, and a second set of stairs are mere steps away.

Luxuries in the spacious master suite include a huge walk-in closet, dual vanity, enclosed toilet, and elevated spa tub. Double doors open onto a private covered deck. Upstairs, a U-shaped library/loft wraps around three sides of the Merritt's great room. The office is returned. Both the bedroom and bonus room boast small balconies.



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## President Reagan's favorite macaroni and cheese

The Baltimore Sun

1/2 pound macaroni  
1 teaspoon butter  
1 egg, beaten  
1 teaspoon dry mustard  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 cup milk  
2 cups grated cheese, sharp  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Boil macaroni in water until tender and drain thoroughly. Stir in butter and egg. Mix mustard and salt with 1 tablespoon hot water and add to milk. Add cheese, reserving enough to sprinkle on top. Pour macaroni into buttered, 8-inch-square casserole dish, add milk mixture and sprinkle with remaining cheese. Bake for about 45 minutes or until custard is set and top is crusty. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

## Internet offers resources for pet owners

By Karen Bridgman  
Knight-Ridder News Service

Computer resources for veterinarians as well as pet owners are abundant in bookstores, pet stores, television programs and libraries.

The Internet has added a whole new dimension to these resources.

Veterinarians now have a new source for continuing education, the latest products available, general information and a forum for professional contact. And there are loads of wonderful Web sites available to pet owners.

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Dr. Karen Bridgman is a veterinarian at Bienville Animal Medical Center in Ocean Springs, Miss.

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## Guilt from teen-age prank haunts woman

**DEAR ABBY:** As a teen-ager, for kicks I would randomly call women at night and ask to speak to their husbands. If the wife said he wasn't there, I would pretend to be the husband's lover, saying he was supposed to have told her about me.

Most of the time it didn't work, but one young woman believed me. She started crying and said, "We've been married for only one year, now I know why he tells me he has to work late."

I hung up without confessing that it was a stunt, immediately regretting what I had done, but I couldn't call back to make amends because I didn't remember which number I had called.

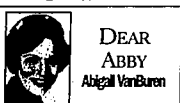
Abby, the damage I may have caused haunts me to this day. I sincerely wish I could take back what I did.

—REGRETTING PAST MISTAKES

**DEAR REGRETTING:** Since there is nothing you can do to change the past, you can ease your conscience by doing a good deed. I have a suggestion: Volunteer to mentor a teen-age girl who could benefit from the Friendship of a carmine, mature adult. There are many out there who need it.

**DEAR ABBY:** Please help me settle this argument. My husband, who thinks he knows everything, keeps insisting that the forks and spoons should be placed in the basket of the dishwasher with the sharpest point of the utensils facing upward. I say that the utensils should be facing down, so that when they are removed from the dishwasher they can be grabbed by the handles. Will you please settle this?

—FRUSTRATED IN DENVER  
**DEAR FRUSTRATED:** Your husband is wrong. The utensils should be loaded into the dish-



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abigail VanBuren

washer with the points facing down, which prevents them from poking or cutting the person who is unloading the machine. It also keeps the eating surfaces cleaner if they're grasped by the handles.

P.S. If this is all you and your husband disagree on, I would say you have a marvelous marriage.

**DEAR ABBY:** I enjoyed the letter in your column from "Waiting With Baited Hook in Nevada."

As a divorced, 45-year-old, overweight woman with three teenagers, I had attended church-

sponsored activities for years, including dances. None of the men were interested in me.

When I started taking my 14-year-old son to a one-eighth-scale, live steam-engine train park last summer, I began to volunteer my time. The outdoor setting was beautiful, the people were friendly, and it was surprisingly fun. It didn't take long for a divorced man to strike up a conversation, and within six months we were married!

I found out by happenstance that what you suggested works: Look where men spend their free time, and enjoy the same wholesome activities.

**DEAR LUCKY:** I'm delighted to hear about your happy outcome. Sometimes we make our own "luck" — and I think you "engineered" yours beautifully.

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FOOD & HOME

# 'Warm feet' radiant floor heat system wins toes down

**DEAR JIM:** Dear Jim: "I was recently in a house with "warm feet" radiant floor heat and it was extremely comfortable. Can I install this type of heating system in just several rooms of my house and is it efficient?" —Tim J.



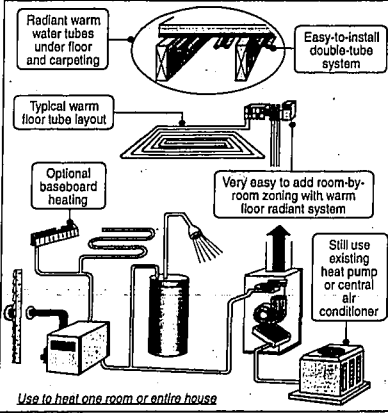
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**DEAR TIM:** "Warm feet" radiant floor heat is the most comfortable system available. It is ideal in all climates for its comfort, good indoor air quality and low utility bills. You can use your existing duct system for central air-conditioning or install ductless central air.  
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placement and interior design. A typical radiant floor system uses your standard water heater, or a boiler for the heat source. Thin flexible water tubing is attached under the floor in a concrete slab (new construction). There are many types of tubing used by various manufacturer-



ers. The most commonly used is PEX (cross-linked polyethylene) and some manufacturers offer a lifetime warranty. The actual

life is projected to be more than 100 years, so there is little chance of leaks.  
A radiant floor system is easy to install in just one room or in your entire house. It can be a fairly simple do-it-yourself-job. Many of the manufacturers offer installation kits (Vari-Trak or Radiant-Trak) to provide the proper tubing spacing and attachment under the floor.  
For a second-story room, place the tubing on the floor and spread a thin layer of special cement over it or add another false floor. You'll just have to trim the door a little. This also helps block noise through the floor.  
The key efficiency feature of a radiant floor is its unusual comfort. This allows you to save by setting the thermostat lower without feeling chilly. Also, room air is not excessively dried out as with forced-air systems.  
Efficient zoning is simple with a radiant floor system. A central command unit controls the warm water flow to each of the room floors. You can literally set each room to a different temperature so your kids won't have to fight anymore over the thermostat setting.  
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**DEAR JIM:** We have a wood-burning fireplace that we seldom use because it does not draw well and the room smells smoky. The chimney has a smoke shelf. Does that help or just impede the smoke path? —Patty T.

**DEAR PATTY:** The purpose of a smoke shelf is to improve the draft of the fireplace so that your room does not get smoky. Basically, cool outdoor air flows down the chimney, hits the smoke shelf, mixes with the warm smoky air and flows back up and out. This draws out the smoke.  
Make sure there is adequate combustion air for the fireplace by opening a window slightly. Also, the draft will be stronger on very cold days.

## Create a bouquet of houseplants

By Nancy Brachy  
Knight-Ridder News Service



Use lots of greenery to liven up any room in the house.

Here's the scene: a Dallas fern in one corner, a Chinese evergreen in another, English ivy trails along by the ceiling, a beautiful, blooming kalanchoe is going solo on the coffee table.  
Why not put them together? In short, make a bouquet.  
Houseplants aren't usually thought of as the stuff of bouquets. Granted, creeping fig isn't a long-stemmed red rose. But various houseplants can be called on to fulfill the functions of tall and stately cut flowers as well as fluffy fillers and winding trailers. Grouped in a large pot, they can create the effect of a bouquet, particularly if you pop in a small flowering plant in bloom.  
Here are things to keep in mind when you select and arrange your houseplant bouquet.  
Choose a variety of colors, shapes and textures. An arrangement is more interesting and beautiful when sparked by varying shades of green from palest, or nearly white, to deepest, or almost black. Variety of shape also raises interest. Tuck in a heart-leaf philodendron, an arrowhead-shaped syngonium, lance-shaped dracaena or a ruffe-leaved ficus. Add texture with the corduroy-like leaves of peperomia, the fine lines of a fern, the white ribbed leaves of fittonia.  
Add seasonal colors. Small pots of flowers such as cyclamens, begonias, chrysanthemums or primroses will jazz up a houseplant bouquet temporarily. Do not expect this to be a permanent part of the arrangement; pull it out as the flowers fade and tuck in a new one that is seasonally appropriate.  
Combine upright, spreading and trailing plants. Try to follow the same rule that applies when making a bouquet in a container: The height of the arrangement should be 1 1/2 times the height of the pot. But since some vertical plants such as Chinese evergreen, dieffenbachia, aralia or croton grow rapidly, you could start shorter than the rule.

Spreading plants such as the prayer plant, holly fern, fittonia, piggyback plant, spider plant or peperomia will fill out the sides of the bouquet, as will fluffy ferns such as the Dallas fern. Trailers come in many forms, including creeping fig, English ivy, pothos and philodendron.  
Choose plants that require similar amounts of light and water. Various cacti combine nicely, but a desert cactus and a moisture-loving maidenhair fern do not make a happy couple. Nor is an aloe, which demands bright light, content in the dim light a Dallas fern enjoys. Check the tag with the plant or ask the staff at the garden center.  
Arrange your plants so that the pot looks full, like a bouquet or centerpiece. As plants grow, trim back the leaves or pull a

plant out gently and replace it with one the right size. The out-grown plant can grow solo or be the start of another houseplant bouquet.

## Soup may butter you up for taste of squash

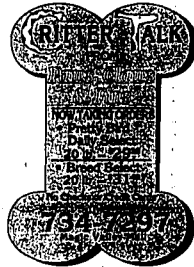
The Baltimore Sun

If you believe that a dish with squash in it is not for you, it's time to reconsider. This recipe is likely to find favor with your taste buds.  
Ozlen Demicic of Baltimore made this request: "I would like to have the recipe for the butternut squash soup like the one served at Harvey's Restaurant in Green Spring Station. Her request was answered by Laurel R. Ranschau of Rapid City, S.D.  
**RANSCHAU'S BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP**  
2 tablespoons butter or margarine  
1 cup chopped onion  
2 teaspoons curry powder  
3 pounds butternut squash, peeled and cut into 1 1/2-inch pieces  
2 cans (13 3/4 or 14 1/2 ounces) chicken broth  
2 cups water  
1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper  
1 1/2 cup plain nonfat yogurt  
Melt butter in Dutch oven over medium heat. Cook onions 2 minutes. Stir in curry powder and cook 1 minute until fragrant.  
Stir in squash, broth, water, ginger, salt and pepper. Increase heat to high and bring soup to boil; reduce heat and simmer 15 minutes or until squash is tender.  
Puree squash mixture in blender in batches. Transfer each batch to a large bowl, then return to the Dutch oven. Simmer 5 minutes until heated through. Place in bowls and top each serving with 1 tablespoon yogurt. Swirl yogurt and soup together with the tip of a

knife. Makes 6 servings.  
Tester Laura Reiley's comments: "It's a nice, low-fat soup to serve as an appetizer or light meal without feeling chilly. Also, room air is not excessively dried out as with forced-air systems."  
The curry powder is a little

heavy-handed — I felt it overwhelmed the delicate flavor of the squash. I would reduce it to 1 or 1 1/2 teaspoons. To add a little texture, it might be elegant to top the bowls with a little pile of fried leeks."

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# Egg-xactly - Martha fills us in on fascinating egg facts

**QUESTION:** I've heard about your idea for using a decorative bottle as a dishwashing liquid. I tried it, but the sput will not stay in the bottle. My wife is having great fun with this at my expense. What did I do wrong?

—MICHAEL ZUKOWSKI, KANSAS CITY, MO.

**MARTHA STEWART:** Easy, inexpensive, useful and attractive. This is one of my very favorites — is a perfect example of what I call "a good thing." In a pretty glass bottle, dishwashing liquid actually becomes a decorative addition to the kitchen, instead of something you need to hide under the sink.

All you want is a good-looking bottle (like a cruet bottle) and a pour spout, like the ones used in restaurants for liquor bottles. There are a few different kinds: Some are made of plastic with a metal pourer with a rubber stopper. You'll find them for just a few dollars at housewares stores, where you can also buy attractive new bottles. But wonderful old bottles can be found at flea markets for a dollar or two apiece.

In your case, it sounds like the sput you used just didn't fit the bottle. It might be too small or, if it keeps working its way out of the bottle, it might be too big. Try again with another bottle or spout until you get a good fit.



**QUESTION:** I'm confused about eggs. What is the difference between white-shelled eggs and brown-shelled eggs?

—JESSE KOVACH, ISELIN, N.J.

**MARTHA STEWART:** The difference, quite simply, is in the hens that lay the eggs: Some breeds lay white eggs, others lay brown eggs. And some hens, such as the Araucanas and Ameraucanas that I keep, are prized for the exquisite pale-blue and pale-green eggs they lay.

There is no difference between white and brown eggs in taste, quality, nutrition or in how the eggs will cook. You will, however, notice a difference in the price: Brown eggs are usually more expensive. According to the American Egg Board, this is because the breeds that lay brown eggs, such as the Rhode Island Red, New Hampshire and Plymouth Rock, are usually larger birds, and therefore require more food.

Here are a few more interesting egg facts:



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• Egg sizes are determined by weight and range from "jumbo" (30 ounces per dozen) "to peewee" (15 ounces). Most recipes call for large eggs (24 ounces).

• Quality ratings — AA, A and B — are determined by both the exterior and the interior of an egg. Factors considered for the exterior are egg shape, shell texture and cleanliness; for the interior, the shape of the yolk, consistency of the white and the size of the air pocket at the large end of the egg (called an air cell). Grades AA and A eggs have high, round yolks, thick whites and small air cells; grade B eggs have slightly flatter yolks, thinner whites and larger air cells. You won't often see grade B eggs in stores, and grades AA and A can be used interchangeably.

• An egg straight from the hen-

house is a real treat: The fresher the egg, the better it tastes. Having said that, eggs do keep well — they can be stored in the refrigerator for up to a month.

• Eggs absorb odors easily. To keep them from picking up a new aroma in the refrigerator, always store them in the carton they come in.

**QUESTION:** I recently tried my hand at making herbal vinegars. After the first four or five days, they take on a murky appearance. Do you have any tip on maintaining the clarity?

—STACEY MOORE, BAILEY, N.C.

**MARTHA STEWART:** The additions used to flavor vinegar, such as fresh herbs, spices, garlic, chile peppers, berries and citrus zest, do look lovely suspended in the liquid. But for the best clarity, it's a good idea to strain them out after they've transferred their flavor to the vinegar. This will also help the vinegar last longer.

Use a chopstick or skewer to poke the flavorings you're using into the bottle, then use a funnel to add good-quality vinegar. Seal tightly with clean new corks, plastic stoppers or screw-on tops. Set aside in a cool, dark place for one to two weeks for the flavors to develop. Strain the vinegar through a cheesecloth-lined sieve, strain again if necessary, and return the vinegar to the bottle. It will keep for up to a year.

Questions should be addressed to Martha Stewart, care of The New York Times Syndication Sales Corp., 122 E. 42nd St., New York, N.Y. 10168. Or visit The Times-News Online's NewsLink page at <http://www.magnivalley.com> to contact Martha Stewart by e-mail. (Questions of general interest will be answered in this column; Martha Stewart regrets that unpublished letters cannot be answered individually.)

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## Turkey meatloaf celebrates flavors of the Mediterranean

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A light, white-meat turkey meatloaf served with fresh tomato and olive sauce captures the sunny flavors of the Mediterranean.

Be sure to look for ground white (breast) meat turkey in the meat section of the supermarket. Unless it is labeled white meat, ground turkey may contain fat and skin.

The spicy tomato sauce can be made in minutes and flavors the meat beautifully. Sautéed carrots and onions are used in the meatloaf and in the sauce. Prepare and sauté all the carrots and onions at one time and remove half to use in the meatloaf. The rest remains in the skillet for the sauce. This saves cooking and clean up time.

**MEDITERRANEAN MEATLOAF**

- 1/2 cup olive oil spray
- 1 cup coarsely chopped onion, divided use
- 1 cup coarsely chopped carrots, divided use
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped mushrooms
- 1/2 cup plain bread crumbs
- 3/4 pound ground white meat turkey
- 1 egg white
- 12 pitted, sliced black olives (Kalamata if possible)
- 1 teaspoon hot pepper flakes
- 1/4 cup dried low-fat ham
- 1 cup canned, crushed tomatoes
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Spray a nonstick skillet with olive

oil spray and add onion and carrots. Sauté 5 minutes over medium heat. Remove half and set aside. Add mushrooms to skillet and sauté 2 minutes. Mix vegetables with bread crumbs, ground turkey and egg white. Line a baking sheet with foil. Shape turkey mixture into just 2 loaves about 5 inches by 3 inches. Bake 15 minutes. Meanwhile, spray skillet with olive oil spray and return reserved onion and carrots to the skillet. Add olives, pepper flakes, ham and tomatoes. Cover and sauté 5 minutes over medium heat. Remove from heat and add salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste. Remove meatloaf from oven and serve with tomato mixture on top. Serves 2.

**Nutrition details per serving:** 424 calories, 52 grams protein, 39 grams carbohydrate, 8 grams fat, 16 percent calories as fat, 6 grams fiber, 116 milligrams cholesterol, 891 milligrams sodium. A heart-healthy recipe. **Exchange:** 3.5 vegetable, 1.2 bread, 4.7 meat, 1.5 fat.

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FOOD & HOME

Reader responds with potato fudge recipe

By Denise Turner  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A Buhl cook requested a recipe for potato fudge using potato flakes. J. Gossett of Twin Falls sent in one she clipped from an old Times-News.

**QUICK POTATO FUDGE**  
1/2 squares unsweetened chocolate, melted  
3 tablespoons butter  
1/3 cup mashed potatoes or reconstituted potato flakes  
1/2 cup nuts  
1 tablespoon vanilla  
1 pound powdered sugar  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
Combine first four ingredients. Add vanilla, sugar and salt. Mix with a spoon and then with hands. Spread in a dish or make a one-inch roll. Wrap in foil or clear plastic wrap. Keep in refrigerator. May be frozen.

In response to another reader request, Boris Stanger of Twin Falls sent in this cookie recipe.

**ORIGINAL TOLL HOUSE CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE**  
2 1/4 cups flour  
1 teaspoon soda  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 cup butter (softened) or 2 sticks

3/4 cup white sugar  
3/4 cup packed brown sugar  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
2 eggs  
2 cups chocolate chips  
1 cup nuts, chopped  
Preheat oven to 375. Combine flour, soda and salt in small bowl. Beat butter, sugars and vanilla in larger bowl. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each. Beat well. Gradually blend in flour mixture. Stir in chips and nuts. Drop by rounded teaspoon onto ungreased baking sheets. Bake 9 to 11 minutes, or until golden brown. Let stand 2 minutes. Remove to wire racks until cool. Makes a dozen (can double recipe, but do not triple).

• For thin, chewy cookies, reduce granulated sugar to 1/2 cup and use less brown sugar to 1 cup. For thick, chewy, old-fashioned cookies, use half of the butter called for and bake for 9 to 12 minutes. Store in airtight containers to prevent drying.  
• For soft cookie, omit the sugar and use 3/4 cup butter, 1 cup brown sugar and 3 eggs. Flatten cookies with back of spoon dipped in water and bake 8 to 10 minutes. For more rounded cookies, do not flatten. For puffier cookie, reduce butter to 1/2 cup and add 1/2 cup shortening.  
• For pan cookies, spread dough in greased 15-by-10 jelly-roll pan and bake for 20 to 25 minutes, or until golden brown. Cool in pan on rack. Makes 4 dozen bars.

**Peanut butter variation:**  
Prepare dough as above except substitute 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter and 3/4 cup creamy of chunky peanut butter for the 3 cup butter. Eliminate the nuts. Press cookies down slightly. Bake in preheated 350-degree oven for 10 to 12 minutes, until golden brown.

**HINTS:** When using margarine, don't soften it and use full fat margarine. When using butter, soften it at room temperature. To prevent chocolate chip cookies from not going flat, use the nuts. Don't overbeat the butter and sugar mixture. Wipe the cookie sheet or wash between batches.



Here's a croissant-like recipe from Lucy K. Anderson of Twin Falls. She has made these rolls

for years, she said, and they are delicious.  
**HOCUS POCUS BUNS**  
Use buttermilk biscuits from the dairy case. Roll each one out and make it large enough to sit a large marshmallow or three small marshmallows on it. Put another biscuit on top and kind of pinch around the edges. Brush with low-fat margarine. Follow baking instructions on the package.

**Requests:**  
A Finger Burton of Filer is looking for a buttery, melt-in-your-mouth recipe for croissants.  
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*Taste of Home*

# One-pot meals solve clean-up woes

WITH WORK and family obligations frequently taking us away from home soon after dinner, there's barely time to eat, let alone clean up afterwards. On those crazy nights when time is tight, quick one-pot dinners are the answer.

For really quick one-pot meals, take advantage of the multitude of convenience products available, such as boneless chicken, pre-shredded cheese, and canned tomatoes. "Recipe-ready food products can significantly shorten preparation and cooking time," declares Alice Harding, consulting home economist at Del Monte Foods. "For example, Del Monte FreshCut Diced Tomatoes are super convenient because they're pre-cut, peeled, and seasoned with garlic, onions, herbs and green pepper," says Harding. These new convenience products help consumers cook tasty family meals from scratch in just minutes. Diced tomatoes, for exam-



Tomato Broccoli Chicken is ready in just 25 minutes.

ple, provide a delicious base for easy pasta sauces, chilis, stews, soups and casseroles. They're also great in turning ordinary chicken dishes into something special. "Tomato Broccoli Chicken" uses canned tomatoes, pre-seasoned with Italian flavors - basil, garlic and oregano - as

the perfect complement to the chicken, broccoli and mozzarella cheese. "Spicy Quick and Easy Chili" is ready in just 15 minutes. Make it ahead, if you like, and have it ready to suit your family's eating schedules during the busy-school and work week.

- TOMATO BROCCOLI CHICKEN**  
 4 boneless chicken breast halves, skinned  
 1 cup chopped onion  
 1 tablespoon olive oil  
 1 can (14-1/2 ounce) DEL MONTE FreshCut Diced Tomatoes with Basil, Garlic and Oregano  
 2 cups broccoli flowerets  
 1 cup shredded low-fat mozzarella cheese

Brown chicken and onion in olive oil in skillet, about 3 minutes per side. Add tomatoes to skillet. Bring to boil; reduce heat. Simmer, uncovered, 5 minutes. Add broccoli; simmer 5 minutes more or until chicken is done and broccoli is tender. Top with cheese during last 2 minutes. Serve over pasta or rice, if desired.

- 4 servings. Prep and cook time: 25 minutes.

- SPICY QUICK AND EASY CHILI**  
 1 lb. lean ground beef  
 1 Tbsp. chili powder

- 1 can (15-1/4 ounce) DEL MONTE FreshCut Brand Whole Kernel Golden Sweet Corn, drained  
 1 can (15 ounce) kidney beans, drained  
 1 can (14-1/2 ounce) DEL MONTE FreshCut Diced Tomatoes with Garlic and Onion  
 1 can (4 ounce) diced green chilies

Brown meat in large skillet; drain. Add all remaining ingredients. Simmer uncovered 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Garnish with green onions, if desired. 4 servings. (1-1/2 cups each)



# Dinner ready in just minutes

COOKING DINNER isn't like it used to be. Instead of long-simmered stews, a busy cook looks for quick and easy recipes that get dinner on the table in 15 minutes. We're lucky - food products have changed as much as our lifestyles.

One of the biggest changes is the variety of high quality convenience foods available, such as seasoned canned tomatoes, pasta sauces, and boned, trimmed meats and poultry. "Our product line has changed considerably in the last ten years," says Alice Harding, consulting home economist at Del Monte Foods. "Take DEL MONTE FreshCut Diced Tomatoes, for example. We dice vine-ripened tomatoes and season them with garlic, onion, and/or green peppers." These diced tomatoes make quick sauces, pastas, chili, and stews with very little fuss and with the addition of just a few ingredients.

Canned tomatoes, seasoned with green pepper and onion, and a chunky salsa give this recipe for "Ranchero Roll-Ups" a quick twist to quick dinners and barely time to set the table before it's done. Chicken, simmered in this zesty sauce, and jack cheese are wrapped in flour tortillas - a perfect casual family meal.

"Cheeseburger Macaroni," too, has great family appeal - especially if teens and kids drop in after baseball practice.

It's true, with these recipes, you can put dinner on the table in just about 15 minutes.



Cheeseburger Macaroni has great family appeal.

**RANCHERO ROLL-UPS**

- 2 cups cooked chicken, shredded  
 1 can (14-1/2 ounce) DEL MONTE FreshCut Diced Tomatoes with Green Pepper and Onion  
 1/2 cup DEL MONTE Thick and Chunky Salsa  
 1 can (4 ounces) diced green chilies, drained (optional)  
 1/2 cup sliced green onion  
 4 flour tortillas  
 1 cup shredded low-fat Monterey Jack cheese

Combine chicken, tomatoes, salsa, chilies and onions in skillet; cook 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Wrap tortillas in plastic wrap and heat in microwave oven, 1 minute or until hot. Spoon 1/4 of the chicken mixture down the center of each tortilla. Top with 1/4 cup cheese. Roll up and serve.

Yield: 4 servings. Prep time: 5 minutes; Cook time: 5 minutes

**CHEESEBURGER MACARONI**

- 1 lb. ground beef  
 1 cup chopped onion  
 1 can (14-1/2 ounce) DEL MONTE FreshCut Diced Tomatoes with Basil, Garlic and Oregano  
 1 cup elbow macaroni  
 1-1/2 cups shredded Cheddar

Brown meat and onion over medium-high heat in skillet; drain. Season with salt and pepper, if desired. Add tomatoes and 1 cup water; bring to boil. Stir in macaroni. Cover and simmer 10 minutes or until cooked. Stir in cheese. Garnish with sour cream if desired.

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After handling fresh chicken, always wash your hands, countertops, cutting boards, knives and other utensils before they come in contact with other raw or cooked foods. And remember to cook chicken well-done, not medium or rare. Use a meat thermometer to ensure that chicken is cooked to proper temperature (180°F for whole birds, 170°F for bone-in parts, and 160°F for boneless parts). If you don't have a meat thermometer, check the internal temperature by piercing the chicken with a fork. You should be able to insert the fork easily and the chicken juices should run clear.

**Taste of Home**

# Simplify dinnertime with tasty wraps made with Big Country Biscuit dough

WITH THE CHAOS of having the kids back in school, now is the perfect time to simplify dinner preparations. A tasty way to do that is to serve your children hot, fresh "biscuit wraps" - a delicious new idea from Big Country Biscuits.

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- 1/3 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- 1/4 cup Old El Paso Thick 'n Chunky Salsa

Heat oven to 400°F. Separate dough into 10 biscuits. Press each biscuit into 5-inch round. In small bowl, combine chicken, corn, cheese and salsa.

Spoon about 2 tablespoons mixture onto center of each biscuit. Fold dough in half over filling; press edges with fork to seal. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 400°F for 10 to 13 minutes or until golden brown.

Yield: 10 wraps.

**HONEY MUSTARD HAM BISCUIT WRAPS**

- 1 (12 ounce) can Pillsbury Big Country Refrigerated Buttermilk Biscuits
- 1 cup chopped cooked ham
- 2 tablespoons honey mustard
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped red onion

Heat oven to 400°F. Separate dough into 10 biscuits. Press each biscuit

into 5-inch round. In small bowl, combine ham, mustard and onion. Spoon about 2 tablespoons mixture onto center of each biscuit. Fold dough in half over filling; press edges with fork to seal. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 400°F for 10 to 13 minutes or until golden brown.

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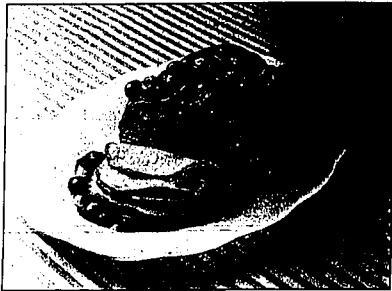
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"Roasted Pork with Cherry Sauce" makes a magnificent meal. Made with COMSTOCK, THANK YOU, or WILDERNESS Cherry Fruit Filling, this recipe is ideal for spring get-togethers. Brush the cherry sauce over the pork twice during the last 30 minutes of roasting, and reheat the sauce to serve over the roast once it is sliced. The sauce is a savory blend of cherry fruit filling, orange juice, dry sherry, Dijon mustard, cumin, and horseradish. Try this for a wonderful spring surprise.

For more information about COMSTOCK, THANK YOU, and WILDERNESS Fruit Fillings, or for more great recipes, visit The Filling Station at <http://www.curticeburns.com>.

**BLUEBERRY ONE-PAN POPOVER**

- 1/2 cup milk
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 cup flour
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 4 strips bacon, cooked crisp and crumbled
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 can (21 ounces) COMSTOCK, THANK YOU or WILDERNESS Blueberry Fruit Filling
- 1/3 cup maple syrup or pancake syrup
- 1/2 cup sour cream



Fruit filling will add a sweet complement to traditional pork roast.

Heat oven to 425°. Beat milk and eggs in small bowl; beat in flour, sugar, and salt (batter will not be completely smooth). Stir in bacon. Heat butter in 10" oven-proof skillet until bubbly; pour in batter. Bake 12 minutes. Reduce heat. Bake at 350° until golden brown, 10-15 minutes. Popover should puff up in pan and collapse slightly when removed from oven. Heat blueberry filling and syrup in saucepan until hot. Cut popovers into wedges; serve immediately with blueberry sauce and sour cream.

Yield: Makes 4 servings; Prep time: 10 minutes; Bake time: 22-27 minutes

**ROASTED PORK WITH CHERRY SAUCE**

- 1 (2- to 3-lb. boneless pork top loin roast (single loin))
- 1 can (21 ounces) COMSTOCK, THANK YOU or WILDERNESS Cherry Fruit Filling
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup dry sherry
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon prepared horseradish

Heat oven to 325°. Place roast on rack in shallow roasting pan. Insert meat thermometer into thickest part of roast. Roast 1-1/4 to 1-3/4 hours or until thermometer registers 155°.

Meanwhile, combine remaining ingredients in medium saucepan. Bring to a boil; reduce heat to low and simmer 15 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Brush cherry sauce over pork twice during the last 30 minutes of roasting. Cover roast with foil; let stand 10 to 15 minutes before slicing (the roast's temperature will rise about 5 degrees during stand time). Reheat cherry sauce.

Serve sauce over slices of roast.

Yield: Makes 6-8 servings.

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According to Homemaker Schools home economist, Sunny Romshaw, the "Green Chile and Cheese Stuffed French Bread" is the latest example of the food worlds fusion phenomenon - combining the flavors and textures of two different ethnic cuisines. The recipe calls for shaping yeast dough, which has been processed on the bread machine dough/manual cycle, into the traditional French bread loaf but adding a tantalizing mix of sharp cheddar cheese, green chilies, ripe black olives and chopped green onions.

**GREEN CHILE AND CHEDDAR-STUFFED FRENCH BREAD**

Makes 6 servings.  
Dough can be prepared in all size bread machines.

**Dough**  
3/4 cup water (70 to 80°F)  
1 tablespoon olive or vegetable oil

3/4 teaspoon salt  
2-1/2 cups bread flour  
1-1/2 teaspoons FLEISCHMANN'S Bread Machine Yeast

**Filling**  
1-1/2 cups (6 ounces) shredded sharp cheddar cheese  
1 can (4 ounces) diced green chilies, well drained  
1/4 cup drained chopped ripe olives  
1/4 cup chopped green onions

**Topping**  
1 egg white, lightly beaten

To make dough: Measure all dough ingredients into bread machine pan in the order suggested by manufacturer. Process on dough/manual cycle.

To shape and fill: When cycle is complete, remove dough to floured surface. If necessary, knead in additional flour to make dough easy to handle. Roll dough to 14 x 10-inch rectangle. Evenly sprinkle with filling ingredients to within 1/2 inch of edges; pat down lightly. Beginning at long end, roll up tightly; pinch seam and ends to seal.

Tap ends by gently rolling back and forth to make 16-inch long roll. Line large baking sheet with aluminum foil; grease lightly. Place loaf, seam side down, on foil. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until almost doubled in size, about 15 to 20 minutes.

Brush loaf with egg white. With sharp knife, cut three 4-inch slits lengthwise down center of loaf, cutting at a slight diagonal and cutting deep enough to expose filling. Bake at 400°F for 25 to 30 minutes or until cheese is melted and crust is golden brown. Cool 5 minutes before removing from pan. Serve warm.

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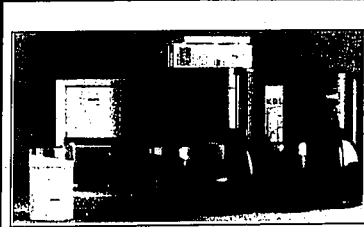
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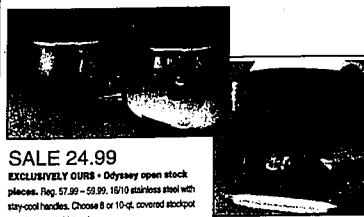
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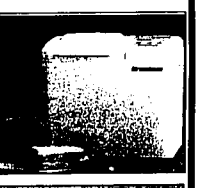
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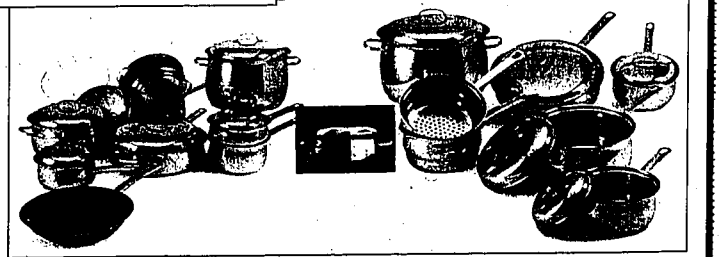
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## Experience delights of interesting bread with Fan Tan coffee cake

LOOKING for a truly fantastic bread for a Sunday brunch, an afternoon tea or just for fun? Consider a "Giant Spiced Fan Tan", an updated and delectable rendition of the classic Fan Tan dinner rolls. This version is baked whole in a loaf pan and makes quite a dramatic presentation. Plus, the spicy, tempting aroma and rich, buttery flavor guarantees it will be a favorite for years to come.

The "Giant Spiced Fan Tan" is a prime example of just how creative bread making can be, according to Homemaker Schools home economist, Sunny Renshaw. Adding sweet and savory spices, experimenting with different shapes and sizes and exploring different ingredient combinations make bread baking an adventure. The possibilities are endless - just let your imagination and taste buds be your guides. And of course, the greatest reward is getting to enjoy the delicious results that only fresh, home-baked bread delivers.

To create the Fan Tan, the dough is rolled to a rectangle, brushed with melted butter and topped with a delicately sweet blend of cinnamon, sugar and nutmeg. The dough is then cut lengthwise in half, stacked and cut crosswise into six pieces. The six stacks of dough are arranged standing up in a greased loaf pan, allowed to rise and baked to golden perfection. This method allows the buttery layers of this coffee-cake to be "peeled" away to reveal the infused spices upon serving. Sprinkling the top of the loaf with the spice mixture before baking creates a crunchy, sweet top crust says Homemaker Schools home economist, Sunny Renshaw.



Experimenting with spices and shapes are part of the fun of the Giant Spiced Fan Tan.

Remove 2 teaspoons; reserve for topping. Evenly sprinkle remaining sugar mixture over butter. With sharp knife, cut dough lengthwise in half. Stack both halves with spice side up; cut crosswise into 6 pieces. Arrange stacks, standing sideways, in greased 8 x 4-inch loaf pan. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until doubled in size, about 30 to 45 minutes.

Evenly sprinkle reserved sugar mixture on dough. Bake at 350°F for 30 to 35 minutes or until done. Carefully remove from pan; cool on wire rack.

1/4 teaspoon SPICE ISLANDS Ground Nutmeg  
To make dough: Measure all dough ingredients into bread machine pan in the order suggested by manufacturer. Process on dough/manual cycle.

To shape and fill: When cycle is complete, remove dough to floured surface. If necessary, knead in additional flour to make dough easy to handle. Roll dough to 12 x 6-inch rectangle; spread with 2 tablespoons softened butter. In small bowl, combine 1/4

cup sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg. Remove 2 teaspoons; reserve for topping. Evenly sprinkle remaining sugar mixture over butter. With sharp knife, cut dough lengthwise in half. Stack both halves with spice side up; cut crosswise into 6 pieces. Arrange stacks, standing sideways, in greased 8 x 4-inch loaf pan. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until doubled in size, about 30 to 45 minutes.

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### GIANT SPICED FAN TAN Traditional Recipe Makes 1 loaf

Dough  
3 to 3-1/2 cups all-purpose

2 tablespoons sugar  
1 package FLEISCHMANN'S RapidRise Yeast

1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup water  
1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter or margarine, cut up  
1/4 cup milk  
1 egg

Filling  
2 tablespoons butter or margarine, softened  
1/4 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon SPICE ISLANDS Ground Cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon SPICE ISLANDS Ground Nutmeg

### GIANT SPICED FAN TAN Bread Machine Recipe Makes 1 loaf

Dough can be prepared in 1-1/2 and 2-pound bread machines.

Dough  
1/2 cup water (70 to 80°F)  
1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter or margarine, cut up  
1/4 cup milk  
1 large egg  
1 teaspoon salt  
3 cups bread flour  
2 tablespoons sugar  
2 teaspoons FLEISCHMANN'S Bread Machine Yeast

Filling  
2 tablespoons butter or margarine, softened  
1/4 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon SPICE ISLANDS Ground Cinnamon

To make dough: In large bowl, combine 1-1/2 cups flour, 2 tablespoons sugar, undissolved yeast and salt. Heat water, 1/4 cup butter and milk until very warm (120 to 130°F); stir into dry ingredients. Stir in egg and enough remaining flour to make soft dough. Knead on lightly floured surface until smooth and elastic, about 4 to 6 minutes. Cover; let rest 10 minutes.

To shape and fill: Roll dough to 12 x 6-inch rectangle; spread with 2 tablespoons softened butter. In small bowl, combine 1/4 cup sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg.

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Eggs became symbolic of Easter as ancient spring customs were interwoven with new religious rituals and beliefs. In fact, the word "Easter" is derived from the name of the Teutonic goddess of spring.

Through the centuries, cultures around the world have commemorated the mystery and surprise of the egg as a symbol of spring and new life. Perhaps the most popular of these rituals celebrating the egg is associated with the "Easter Bunny." The Easter Bunny came to America from Germany, where children are told the bunny actually lays beautifully hand-painted eggs for them to find in the grass. In a twist on the tale, French parents tell their children a hare hops to Rome, a city with religious significance, to bring back the eggs scattered on dewy spring lawns.

American families continue the tradition of the Easter Bunny by searching for treat-lined baskets and eggs. The most well-known American Easter egg hunt is the White House Easter Egg Roll, first

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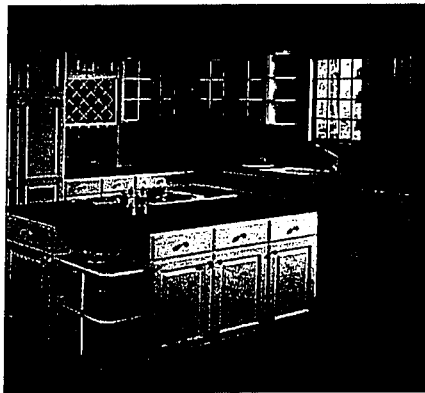
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