



GOOD MORNING

Spring forward

Be sure to set your clocks and watches forward one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday, April 5.

WEATHER

Today: Mostly cloudy today with chance of rain. High 49. Partly cloudy tonight. Low 33

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The classroom: Minidoka schools are racking low test scores with reading programs - and it appears to be working.

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Twin games: CSI and Twin Falls High School took to the diamonds Saturday.

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CAN IDAHO SUPPORT ONE? Homicide investigations await help from out of the state

By Pat Marcantonio Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Three deaths. Three experts from three states. Authorities are awaiting a report from a Wisconsin forensic pathologist who conducted an autopsy last week on the body of young Brooke Star Henry, the apparent victim of a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

A Colorado forensic pathologist ruled Donna Bea McCall died of smoke inhalation in early March; the case still is under investigation and treated as a homicide.

The body of Timothy James Tadlock, found shot near Castelford Dec. 1, 1997, after an apparent homicide, was flown to Spokane, Wash., for examination by a forensic expert.

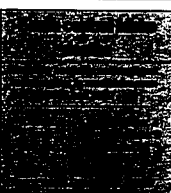
Some in law enforcement say



Twin Falls County Coroner Gene Turley must either fly in a forensic pathologist or transport the body to another state in case of apparent homicide.

"It is a lot easier to call someone in Boise than in Wisconsin to come here, and a lot cheaper,"

Rural officials split - A6



Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Leobis said.

Leobis says the time has come. "We have the population for the murder and we have the popula-

tion for this." Others aren't so sure.

Erwin Sonnenberg, Ada County coroner and president of the International Coroners and Medical Examiners Association, questions whether Idaho has the population to support such a job.

Twin Falls County Coroner Gene Turley says a system of elected coroners can work better with more training.

Death by foul play

Pathologists are doctors who look for causes of death, usually from disease. Forensic pathologists look for causes of death, usually caused by someone else.

Forensic specialists review gunshot and stab wounds, burns and beatings to determine time and cause of death.

They aren't needed in every case. See PHOENIXIST, Page A6

Good as gold

Idaho applauds Olympic, Paralympic athletes

By Mike Casey Lynn Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - People of all ages packed the Sun Valley Inn Saturday afternoon to honor Idaho's nine Olympic and Paralympic athletes of 1998.

"I never felt more like a small-town Idaho kid."

-Matt Perkins, of Twin Falls, on Japan

Little girls sat in awe as athletes described the winter games in Nagano, Japan. Local school children's banners lined the room. People filled a large get-well card for injured skier Fiebo Street, who couldn't attend but participated by phone.

From her couch in Portland, Ore., Street was thoughtful about her gold medal performance in the super G.

"I'm often there thinking about it," she said. "I'm glad that I have that memory now. It has taken so many different forms, (standing on the podium) hearing your



anthem. It's the ultimate of satisfaction. It's such a high. It's like realizing that one perfect run you are always looking for."

Smiles, cheers, roses and plaques were handed out to each of the athletes present. Children who wanted pictures and autographs thronged Wood River Valley residents Laura Wilson, nordic skier; Sondra Van Ert, snowboard racer; Muffy Davis, alpine mono-skier; and Ntala Skinner, biathlete. Jacob Rife and Matt Perkins were cheered for their performances at the Paralympics.

Snowboard racer Lisa Kosglow and bobsledder Greg Sun weren't present. Standing in for Gov. Phil Batt, Carl

Wilgus presented the Olympians with silver pins shaped like the state of Idaho with an Olympic torch flamed red by a garnet.

"I never felt more like a small-town Idaho kid," Perkins, of Twin Falls, said of his Nagano experience. "It was all so foreign to me, even the 7:11. I kept looking for nachos, but never found them (he settled for noodles from a vending machine), but I had a wonderful time. The people were great."

"The Japanese people were so great, open and friendly," Wilson said. "They

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Idaho Olympians Muffy Perkins and Jacob Rife, from left, share a laugh at Sun Valley City Administrator Bob Vanford's job during a welcome-home celebration in Sun Valley Saturday.

Wilson, Coaches Van Ert, mother of Katschen snowboarder Sondra Van Ert, snuggles a photo of her Olympic daughter during the celebration.



Young girls prefer to be at the start of a Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. commemorative march through Memphis, Tenn., Saturday, on the 30th anniversary of the civil rights leader's assassination.

Volunteers stage march King couldn't finish; leader killed 30 years ago today

The Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - Friends and followers of Martin Luther King Jr. marked the 30th anniversary of his death Saturday by finishing a march for justice he never lived to complete.

King was murdered in Memphis on April 4, 1968, while helping organize a strike by city sanitation workers. A protest march, with King in the lead, had been planned four days later.

Saturday's 4,000 marchers followed much the same route the

"I want to make sure people my age ... don't forget the dream."

-James Nelson, 34, marcher

original demonstration was to take. The march was among several held across the country Saturday to honor King's memory.

James Nelson, 34, carried a sign-

ca of the famous "I Am A Man" sign carried by workers in 1968.

"This is history and I want to be part of it," Nelson said. "I want to make sure people my age ... don't forget the dream. I don't want to let Dr. King down."

The Rev. Samuel "Billy" Kyle, chief organizer of a series of anniversary events called "Pilgrimage to Memphis," led the march under cover of a banner with the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Memphis Mayor W.W. Herenton, the city's

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In America's psyche, the squalid is now commonplace

By Mike Feinblat The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - For 75 brutal days, the nation endured the seamiest talk ever heard about its leader, the unspeakable now talked of endlessly.

It is not over, but already it has blotted the very Americans regard the presidency.

Even in losing, Paula Jones and her lawyers got their worst case against President Clinton into the open.

Their investigation financed by a conservative organization, Mrs. Jones' lawyers listed half a dozen women they alleged

played roles in Clinton's extramarital past. They caused him to testify under oath about sexual matters and to answer questions the like of which had never been put to a president.

Then they laid out his testimony on the public record.

Oh, other presidents have had to abide the country's doubts and its ridicule. Lincoln, called a baboon, put up with Cabinet officers who mocked him.

Franklin D. Roosevelt lived with whippersnappers that he had foreknowledge of Pearl Harbor. And when Richard Nixon's tapes came out, the locker room language read by this son of a Quaker shocked the country.

Those were more innocent days, but Americans had not given up believing in the president as someone to look up to. Pollster Larry Hagick says it is respect for the presidency rather than for Bill Clinton

that leads so many to say they've heard enough about his sex life.

That instinctive respect for the office was put through a test in the 75 days between when the first allegations surfaced that Clinton had a sexual relationship with Monica Lewinsky and last Wednesday, when a judge dismissed Mrs. Jones' lawsuit against him.

Mrs. Lewinsky's story was brought out by Mr. Jones' lawyers. Their public purpose was to press Clinton aside of the barrier for the former White House intern

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THE REGION

Camas Prairie
 High: 43 Low: 24
 Snow, rain, fog early today then partial clearing. Chance of showers tonight. Mostly cloudy Monday with high of 46.

Treasure Valley
 High: 53 Low: 38
 Rain early today then mostly cloudy. Chance of showers tonight. Mostly cloudy Monday with high in the mid-50s.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley
 High: 43 Low: 22
 Snow, rain, fog early today then partial clearing. Chance of showers tonight. Mostly cloudy Monday with high of 46.

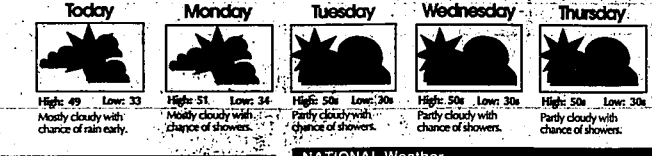
Eastern Idaho
 High: 48 Low: 31
 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with a chance of showers. Partly cloudy Monday with chance of showers and high 48.

Northern Idaho
 High: 54 Low: 35
 Mostly cloudy today with a chance of showers then mostly cloudy. Partly cloudy Monday with chance of showers and high 51.

Northern Utah
 High: 50 Low: 35
 Mostly cloudy today with a chance of showers then mostly cloudy. Partly cloudy Monday with chance of showers and high in mid-50s.

Northern Nevada
 High: 55 Low: 35
 Rain early today then mostly cloudy. Chance of showers tonight. Partial clearing Monday with chance of rain; high in the 60s.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST



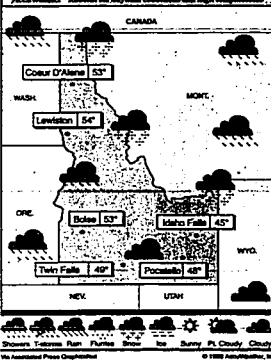
YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday: 46-33	Yesterday in Twin Falls: 18
Last year: 41-23	Month to date: 19
Normal: 50-32	Normal mo. to date: 16
	Water year to date: 8.12
	Normal year to date: 6.25

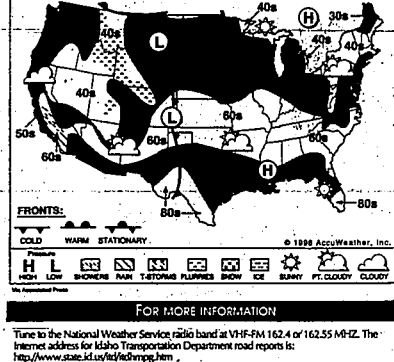
Idaho

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High	Low	Notes
Boise	48	42	0.03	Not available	10	25 degrees at Stanley, Pallett, Teton, and Presidio; Teton, Low.
Burley	49	40	0.13	30	12	at Springfield, Ariz.
Fairfield	38	31	49.0			
Hagerman	46	30	0.07			
Idaho Falls	47	30	0.07			
Jerome	46	36	0.02			
Lewiston	50	46	0.04			
Malad	50	31	0.01			
Meridian	50	37	0.01			
McCall	43	32	0.01			
Pocatello	46	32	0.17			
Salmon	55	36	0.02			
Stanley	37	25	0.03			
Sun Valley	m	m	m			

IDAHO Weather



NATIONAL Weather



The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	71	42	0.00
Atlanta	56	49	0.00
Boston	62	48	0.00
Chicago	49	39	0.00
Dallas	65	33	0.00
Denver	55	32	0.00
Detroit	55	32	0.00
Honolulu	81	72	0.00
Houston	75	49	0.00
Indianapolis	63	49	0.00
Kansas City	51	38	0.00
Las Vegas	63	45	0.00
Los Angeles	65	47	0.00
Memphis	52	48	0.00
Miami Beach	66	57	0.00
Minneapolis	56	42	0.00
New Orleans	58	40	0.00
New York	48	34	0.00
Oklahoma City	57	43	0.00
Omaha	58	40	0.00
Phoenix	70	50	0.00
Pittsburgh	53	45	0.01
Portland, Me.	49	41	0.01
Portland, Ore.	53	45	0.01
Reno	48	41	0.02
San Francisco	52	41	0.07
St. Louis	54	45	0.02
Seattle	51	44	0.02
Spokane	57	47	0.04
Washington	54	45	0.02

UV INDEX FIRE DANGER

UV INDEX: Index: 2 (minimum)
 Burn time: 60 minutes

FIRE DANGER: Forest lands: No report available for today.
 Range lands: No report available for today.

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 8:08 pm.
 Sunrise tomorrow 7:12 am.
 Lunar phase: First quarter, today, full, April 11; last quarter, April 19. Visible phases: Morning: Venus, Jupiter, Evening: None. Daylight time: Set clock ahead April 5.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Time to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz. The Internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: <http://www.state.idaho.gov/IDOT/IDOT.htm>

ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho/West: Numerous rain showers in mainly southern Idaho on Saturday with isolate showers in the Snake and along the Montana border. At mid-afternoon skies were partly sunny to cloudy statewide with light rain falling at Twin Falls, Burley and Lewiston.
 Light to moderate showers were scattered along the California coast. Light showers also were scattered from eastern sections of Oregon and Washington through Idaho into Montana, northern Utah and western Wyoming. Snow flurries developed in California's Sierra Nevada and in northern Nevada, and a few snow showers were scattered at higher elevations of the mountains of Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Utah.
 East: An area of low pressure moving off the coast and out to sea spread rain along the shore from Virginia northward through New Jersey. The best rainfall was over eastern Maryland, where Salisbury measured more than an inch of rain in six hours during the morning.
 A cold front extending outward from the low carried a few showers across Florida.

Canadian Cities

Montreal	40	35	0.00
Ottawa	39	32	0.00
Toronto	50	33	0.00
Vancouver	53	46	0.00

Study: Drug for treating breast cancer may prevent disease from developing

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A drug used for years to treat breast cancer patients has been shown to prevent the disease from even occurring, a study published by the Lancet reported in Sunday's edition, citing a study.
 The drug tamoxifen cut cancer rates by nearly half among women who were considered at risk of getting the disease, according to a six-year study by the National Cancer Institute, a federal agency that coordinates the nation's cancer program.
 The institute recently mailed letters announcing the breakthrough to the 13,000 women in the United States and Canada who participated in the study, the newspaper reported.
 "This is now the first study in the world to show that a drug can

reduce the incidence of breast cancer," the letter stated.
 The results of the study — one of the largest cancer prevention trials ever undertaken — are to be made public Wednesday. Researchers would not discuss the results with the newspaper.
 "I'm just thrilled," Waverly Patricia Lorah, 45, of Reading, told the Inquirer on Saturday after receiving her letter. "My mother and grandmother died of breast cancer. This is almost overwhelming."
 Women at risk of getting the disease because of family history, precancerous breast lesions or organs were randomly assigned to five years on either a placebo pill or tamoxifen.
 The drug, made by Zeneca of Wilmington, Del.-based Zeneca

Pharmaceuticals, is widely used to prevent the spread or return of breast cancer.
 "Existing in the institute, the drug reduced the rate of expected breast cancers from 1 in 130 women to 1 in 236 during the study, the Inquirer reported.
 However, tamoxifen also has been associated with increased risks for cancer in the uterine lining and for blood clots in the lungs.
 "These risks prompted the National Women's Health Network in Washington to criticize the study.
 "If this turns out to be a good risk-benefit ratio for some women, that will be good news," said Cindy Pearson, executive director of the National Women's Health Network.

Democrats use prosecutor Starr as fund-raising tool

WASHINGTON (AP) — Calling independent counsel Kenneth Starr "as effective as the Spanish Inquisition," Democratic officials are trying to turn his investigation of President Clinton into dollars for the party.
 Starr's investigation of James Carville, the Clinton supporter who has been Starr's most outspoken detractor, signed the fund-raising letter seeking contributions to help the party recapture Congress.
 Steve Grossman, national chairman of the Democratic National Committee, said the letter

went to hundreds of thousands of small donors — average contribution: \$30 — and reflects public disgust with Starr's investigation. "You have an independent counsel who is seen as engaged in a violent partisan political attack," Grossman said. "It's not inappropriate to point this out to our supporters and ask them to fight back."
 Grossman said Carville's letter has helped the party raise more money than projected so far in 1998, though he had no specific numbers. The Democratic National Committee is required

to disclose this month how much it raised from January to March.
 Carville received his sharpest barbs for Starr, who has spent \$30 million through September investigating the Whitewater land deal in Arkansas and whether Clinton had sex with intern Monica Lewinsky and urged her to lie about it.
 Not only has Starr failed to find evidence of wrongdoing, Carville wrote, but his "connections with the Republican Party, Pat Robertson and the tobacco industry make him as objective as the Spanish Inquisition."

Athletes

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 were so welcoming. At the closing ceremonies, the spirit of world unity and peace was so powerful."
 Van Eem, 33, a 1996 Olympic medalist, said he was surprised from sweeping the U.S. National finals in the giant slalom and slalom, said the impact of competing in the Olympics didn't hit her until she opened her

duffel bag full of Olympic team uniforms.
 "It was pretty awesome," she said. "The trials were so hectic that I didn't have time to think it in. When I opened the bag, the tears just fell."
 Times-Nation correspondent Julie Casey Lynn can be reached at Ketchum at 726-7894.

Mountain Home man dies on tracks

The Times-News
MOUNTAIN HOME — A 21-year-old man was hit and killed by a train shortly before noon Saturday while walking on the tracks near the Jackson Street crossing, according to the Mountain Home Police Department.
 Rico Dayvrit Arcilla of Mountain Home was struck by an eastbound Union Pacific freight train as it passed through town, the department said. He was pronounced dead at Elmore Memorial Hospital.

Report: People evade 'nanny tax'

NEW YORK (AP) — Despite a law making the so-called "nanny tax," the number of people paying the tax dropped dramatically since the law went into effect four years ago, The New York Times reported today.
 When Congress passed the law in 1994, nearly 500,000 people paid the tax. Over the years later, 314,000 reported paying taxes to nannies, maids and other servants.
 The Internal Revenue Service expects the number to fall further when last year's returns are filed later this

month, the Times said. The IRS estimates that as many as four million people owe nanny taxes each year, robbing the federal government of \$1.5 billion in tax revenue.
 The law also allows for Medicare and Medicaid taxes.
 After President Clinton was forced to withdraw Zoe Baird's nomination as Attorney General in 1994, Congress passed a law simplifying the reporting of wages paid to domestic help, including the employer's share of Social Security, Medicare and federal unemployment taxes.

Squalid

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 ascribed to him on a friend's tape recorder.
 Once special prosecutor Kenneth Starr learned of the Lewinsky allegations, he made her the new core of the investigation, instead of an obscure Arkansas real estate deal, or the firing of White House travel agents, or the disappearance and reappearance of Hillary Rodham Clinton's billing records, or the abuse of FBI files, or whether the Clintons pulled strings to get money to disgrace a friend, Webster Hubbell while he was in a position to give testimony damaging to the Clintons.
 On Wednesday, in Little Rock, Ark., U.S. Judge Susan Webber Wright ruled that Mrs. Jones had no sexual harassment case and threw it out.
 But by then, Mrs. Jones' lawyers had seized the opportunity to put before the country an extraordinary document: the testimony Clinton gave to questions about his sexual history, surely history's most mortifying presidential deposition.
 He sat at a long lawyers' conference table on Jan. 17, a Saturday. Opposite him sat his accuser, Paula Jones. He brought five lawyers. She brought six to question him about her claim that he crudely propositioned her

in the Excelsior Hotel on the afternoon of May 8, 1991.
 This was seamy stuff, as shabby as it could get on the subject of a former White House volunteer, later to appear on "Sixty Minutes."
 Q. Mr. President, did Kathleen Willey ever give you permission to touch her breasts?
 A. No, I never asked, and I never did.
 Q. Did she ever give you permission to kiss her on the lips?
 A. No.
 Q. Did you ever attempt to kiss her on the lips?
 A. No.
 Q. Did you ever attempt to touch her breasts?
 A. No.
 Q. Did Kathleen Willey ever give you permission to take her hand and place it on your genital?
 A. No, she didn't.
 And so it went, for a long day of the presidency. If Bill Clinton had to figure out how to answer children's uncomfortable questions.
 Monica Lewinsky became a public acquaintance, no matter that the public never heard a word from her lawyer, the omnipresent William G. Bryner, who learned to race from one network to another on Sunday mornings.
 The country buzzed about Bill Clinton's slipper. It appears to have assured him a place in history. In Congress, Republicans tossed around a hot potato named impeachment. Schoolteachers tried to figure out how to answer children's uncomfortable questions.
 The country met Matt Drudge, big Internet gossip. And Linda Tripp, who was a winner, an intervention with a friend at the behest of a prosecutor, and Monica's mom, Marcia Lewis, who raised the question whether Clinton should ever be impeached. He pulled no punches about her daughter's sex life. And Betty Currier, the president's dignified secretary who was or was not coached by high finance, she was before the grand jury.
 And Washington got accustomed to see clumps of reporters

standing outside the courthouse where Starr's grand jury sat, or the Cosmos Club, where Clinton was held up, or the Watergate, where Clinton and mom lived, near Bob Dole's apartment.
 For his part, the president endured the pain of seeing former allies distance themselves from him. Leon Panetta, former chief of staff: "At some point he's got to tell the American people the truth and what was behind this relationship."
 George Stephanopoulos, former close aide: "These are probably the most serious allegations yet leveled against the president. There is no question. If they're true, they're not only politically damaging but it could lead to impeachment proceedings."
 Even press secretary Mike McCruy went the distance route: "If it turns out what the president has said is not been fair and square with the American people, that has enormous implications."
 Through it, Clinton didn't flinch. He exhibited dazzling discipline doing public business — a State of the Union address that got his no question mark — as focused on his ideas; a press conference with the British prime minister in which most of the questions concerned a former intern, agencies with Iran, coal seen through a tour to Africa carried off with grace.
 And America glimpsed into the why of the White House machinery, trying to understand public opinion. When Mrs. Jones files a brief, Clinton's lawyers call it "garbage."
 When Ms. Starr's lawyer surprises her, she is asked to join a support group. When Bill Willey says, it is whispered that he is under stress, distraught, looking for a book deal.
 New edges: Wright has given the country a minute to catch the president's breath. Starr insists his investigation is not deterred, but some would seem to have left his side. There is more to come, maybe a lot more. But can it possibly be as sordid?

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Congratulations to Tracy Peerce of Glions Ferry, out lastest Crazer 8's winner! There are only two numbers you can't win if you don't see in your entry!

A lucky Caldwell player scored big with Monte Carlo this week, winning \$1,000. She purchased her winning ticket at Circle K in Caldwell.

Redivider Idaho's favorite game. Fast 5. You can win cash with matching two, three, four or five numbers. It's easy to play!

FAST 5
 2 13 20 21 26

SATURDAY APRIL 4 NUMBERS
POWERBALL
 3 8 23 43 46
 POWERBALL NUMBER 13

SATURDAY APRIL 4 NUMBERS
WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 6 9 18 24 28 33
 WHEEL OF FORTUNE TWO OF HEARTS
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El Niño costs less than last 2 winters

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Despite dire predictions, El Niño delivered a winter that was no costlier than either of the previous two punishing winters in the United States.

There's no doubt this winter was the least costly in California and the South, blizzards on the Plains, six ice storms in New England, tornadoes in Florida.

But it didn't quite live up to expectations, according to preliminary tallies by the nation's top disaster agency.

"Everybody was screaming that El Niño was going to be Armageddon," our data reveals that's not what it's turned out to be," said Val Bunting, a spokeswoman for the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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Jason Livesey walks away from the freezing waves of Lake Ontario behind his family's seasonal restaurant 'Rudy's' in Oswego, N.Y. Despite dire predictions, El Niño delivered a winter that was no costlier than either of the previous two punishing winters in the United States. As of Wednesday, Federal Emergency Management Agency had committed more than \$289 million for 1997-98 winter disasters as compared to \$294 million in 1996-98.

El Niño killed at least 17 people, wiped out strawberry and artichoke crops, pushed houses off hillsides and washed out highways.

Paul Kudroff and her family were spending a night in San Francisco on Feb. 7 when their home in the Russian River hamlet of Rio Nido was destroyed by a mudslide.

"We lost our home and everything in it," said Mrs. Kudroff, 37. And because a massive block of earth still threatens the site, the Kudroffs "don't know if we'll ever be able to go back there to rebuild," she said in an interview Thursday.

"El Niño has had an impact on a lot of people who never thought it would happen to them. You can go, 'why me,' but you can also say, 'why not me?'" she said.

El Niño is a phenomenon of the tropical Pacific in which the westward-blowing trade wind weakens, allowing a pool of warm water normally situated off Australia to slosh eastward toward South America. It adds moisture and energy to the atmosphere that fuels worldwide climate disturbances.

This winter's El Niño devastated parts of Peru, Ecuador and other regions of South America with torrential rain, caused drought in Indonesia and dried up swaths of central and southern Africa.

As of late March, however, satellite images showed the pool of warm water was dwindling.

From agency to agency, opinions differ about which storms the El Niño had a hand in and how big that hand was.

Study links stress, snacking in women

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Gobbling down that handful of potato chips when you're under stress may have more to do with hormones than hunger, according to a preliminary study by Yale University researchers.

The study, reported last week at a meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine in New Orleans, suggests a possible genetic answer as to why some people, especially women, eat more and gain weight during times of high stress while others eat less and lose weight.

The researchers examined the eating habits of 60 women and measured the levels of the hormone cortisol in their saliva.

Scientists have known for some time that when people experience stress, many physiological changes occur, including a change in heart rate and a flux in cortisol levels. The question is what precipitates changes in eating patterns.

"The study was really just a first step in starting to help us unravel the biology from the psychology," said psychology professor Kelly Brownell, director of the Center for Eating and Weight Disorders at Yale.

The test subjects — all healthy women ranging in age from 30 to 45 — were given a variety of stressful tasks to perform with unrealistic time constraints. The tasks included counting backwards, trying to solve an unsolvable puzzle, and giving a speech.

During the tasks, the researchers periodically measured cortisol in the women's saliva. After the exercises, the women were allowed to snack without restraint on high-fat or low-fat foods.

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Former spy's ex-wife claims CIA walked all over accused mole

WASHINGTON (AP) — The former CIA spy now charged with espionage and extortion was sometimes overzealous about his work and had policy disputes with his superiors that led to his downfall, his ex-wife said Saturday.

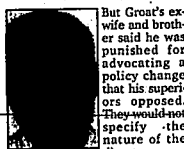
"When you go into the agency, they make you feel a part of the family," said Madeline Libre, who was married to Douglas Groat for 28 years. "When they have no more use for you, ... they throw you out the door."

Libre and Groat were separated in October 1994, 1 1/2 years after the CIA placed him on administrative leave, a status that meant he continued to collect a paycheck but was not allowed into the office.

"You can't put people in to the position of feeling like you belong and just throw you by the side," Libre said in an interview Saturday from her rural Massachusetts, Va., home.

Groat pleaded innocent Friday to four counts of espionage and one of attempting to extort more than \$500,000 from the CIA. He is accused of telling two unspecified foreign governments that U.S. intelligence had broken their secret codes after the United States refused to pay him.

Groat was fired from the CIA in 1996, five months after the alleged extortion attempt. Officials would not say why Groat was originally put on leave.



Douglas Fred Groat. It was simply because he didn't want to give up on what he felt would be better policy," said Libre, 51, who was divorced from her high school sweetheart in 1996.

The Washington Times reported Saturday that Groat's arrest followed a seven-year dispute with the agency over a botched operation in July 1990 to break into a foreign embassy overseas.

Quoting an unidentified intelligence official familiar with the case, the newspaper said the FBI started a counterintelligence investigation of Groat in 1993 after he refused to take a polygraph test about a compromised agency operation. He was fired in 1996 for refusing to take the lie detector test and for taking classified information home.

Libre agreed that the official reason Groat was fired was involvement in a compromised operation and his refusal of the polygraph test afterwards. She said he did that because he feared the results would be manipulated and used against him.

But she insists the poly dispute was at the heart of his punishment. Groat took his views through the chain of command, including to the agency's inspector general's office.

"He can be a little overzealous, and I don't mean that as a negative term," she said. On Saturday, a CIA spokesman refused comment.

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Doctor recalls Arkansas tragedy

ATLANTA (AP) — The children began arriving as soon as Dr. Warren Skaug rushed to the emergency room at St. Bernard's Regional Medical Center in Jonesboro, Ark.

The first, shot in the head, was already dead. Then came two teachers, both shot but still conscious. Then eight more children, critically wounded.

"There was just a horrendous, chaotic scene in the emergency room," Skaug, an Arkansas pediatrician, said Saturday. "I truly believe good medicine was done, or we would've lost more children."

Skaug, who was in Atlanta for the American Association of Pediatrics conference, recounted for fellow doctors the hospital scene that followed the March 24 shooting outside the Westside Middle School.

Four students and a teacher were killed, and 10 others injured. Two students, Mitchell Johnson, 13, and Errol Golden, 11, have been charged with five counts of murder for allegedly picking off fellow students outside the school.

Doctors worked for 90 frantic minutes to save the victims.

"There were torured faces and churning stomachs, including mine," Errol Golden, 11, has been charged with five counts of murder for allegedly picking off fellow students outside the school.

Skaug is treating four of the injured survivors as they recover from bullet wounds ranging from shattered knees to severed arteries to ruptured colons.

There are also psychological wounds, and Skaug predicted that many of the survivors will suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder and require extensive counseling.

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Sean Daniels, 4, tries on a sweater in the Mr. Rogers exhibit at his mother, Heather Marchando, looks on at the Pittsburgh Children's Museum in Pittsburgh, Pa., on Friday. Fifty children's museums around the country have signed up to host the exhibit after it leaves Pittsburgh.

Funerals take place for shooting spree victims

LOGOONTE, Ind. (AP) — An Amish farmer and a teen-ager with a history of run-ins with the law were buried Saturday, three days after they were killed by two gunmen on a shooting spree.

The funerals were very different — one in a tiny Amish chapel, the other in a Catholic church — but the sentiments were similar: Friends and relatives wanted an explanation for the deaths.

"The hardest part is not understanding why — there's too many questions," said Sharon Wagner, a friend of Martin Knepp, a 26-year-old farmer who was shot while driving his tractor Wednesday.

The muddy rut where the tractor went off the road is a visible reminder of the shooting spree that left four people dead and one injured over the course of 18 hours.

The Knepp farm is situated on a hilltop next door to the Oak

Grove Amish Mennonite Church, a small single story white building where Knepp's funeral service was held Saturday.

To accommodate the mostly Amish crowd of about 400, a mammoth white tent was hoisted in a field adjacent to the church.

About seven miles west in Montgomery, the Rev. Lowell Will stood over the casket of Jeremiah Miller, 18, the first victim in the shootings.

Police face scientific, legal hurdles in proving deaths

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Despite a police investigation, a hospital internal investigation, dozens of bodies and what police described as a full confession, a man who allegedly admitted he committed up to 50 mercy killings may never be charged with murder.

That's because there apparently is no evidence that a crime was committed in the "angel of death" case.



Eiren Saldívar

Glendale Adventist Medical Center worker Eiren Saldívar is not behind bars in part because of a legal concept that goes by the Latin name "corpus delicti."

It translates to "body of the crime," and in this case it means that even if you have the bodies, you may not necessarily have the crime.

The legal theory is that people sometimes falsely confess.

"Remember, 50 men confessed to the Black Dahlia murder," said Loyola University law professor Stan Goldman, referring to the unsolved 1947 mutilation slaying of an aspiring actress in Los Angeles.

"This rule is aimed at stopping nifty people from walking in and confessing to crimes that never took place and then convicting them of it," said Goldman, who as a public defender used the "corpus delicti" rule when representing clients who confessed.

It also is aimed at preventing the use of confessions that may have been beaten or in other ways coerced out of defendants, according to the state Supreme Court.

The rule does not require investigators to link a particular suspect to a particular crime, but it does require evidence that a crime really occurred.

And in the "angel of death" case, that has proven difficult.

Glendale Adventist said it conducted its own investigation after receiving a tip in April 1997. According to a statement, it reviewed patient charts and continuously monitored the respiratory unit where Saldívar worked, but found "no significant evidence."

Police were called into the case in early March when the hospital received a second tip. Saldívar was interviewed and confessed to 40 to 50 murders of terminally ill patients, police said in a court declaration. Asked by a polygraph examiner if he considered himself an "angel of death," Saldívar said yes, according to the declaration.

Impotency drug goes on market

New York Daily News

April 15 isn't just the deadline for taxes this year.

That's the date when the first-ever impotency pill — a drug called Viagra — will become available through prescription.

Raymond Rose, professor of psychiatry at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Brunswick, N.J., goes so far as to say that "Viagra may be the sexual-liberation pill of older adults."

One of those ready to be struck by the chemical love bolt is a Manhattan construction worker worried about his 24-year marriage.

"More and more ... I've been, let's say, hydraulically challenged," says Jake, 50, who wanted only his first name used.

"We don't talk about it anymore," he says. "But I was always wondering how long we can go on like this."

"I hope like hell it works."

The odds are in Jake's favor. Viagra, or sildenafil citrate, was first tested as a treatment for angina.

It failed 40 percent but did such wonders for erectile tissue that patients refused to give up their pills when the angina study was done.

In worldwide tests on 4,500 men with varying degrees of impotency stemming from physical and psychological conditions, Viagra's success rates ranged from 40 percent to 92 percent.

More than 80 percent of the diabetics in one study showed improvement.

In another, one patient was

able to achieve an erection six years after prostate surgery had rendered him impotent.

With as many as 30 million men suffering erectile problems, some analysts say Viagra sales could soon reach \$2.5 billion yearly.

Dr. J. Francois Eld, director of the Sexual Function Center at the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, ran several of the tests for Viagra's Manhattan-based manufacturer, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals.

"I was both flabbergasted and a little gloomy because the results were so phenomenal," he says with a smile. "I thought, My God, there goes my job ... Maybe it's time to go back to school for something else."

Just how does the drug work? Taken an hour or so before foreplay, Viagra simply enhances the

smooth muscle relaxant effects of a chemical that normally is released in response to sexual stimulation.

When smooth muscles are relaxed, more blood flows into certain areas of the penis and — voilà!

Doctors say Viagra also allows users to maintain erections longer.

Other good news is that the side effects — things such as flushing, stuffy nose and upset stomach — are few and minor.

Ironically, the biggest complaint — 16 percent of the men had it — was that Viagra gave them a headache.

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In rural counties, officials are split on the need for a forensic expert

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — Faced with shooting deaths of six people at a rural home in 1996, Lincoln County Sheriff Steve Southwick turned for help to Dr. Kerry Patterson, a Burley forensic pathologist.

But Patterson moved out of state in October 1997 — leaving only one forensic pathologist, Dr. Charles Garrison of Pocatello, who has tapered off on his work for counties. Southwick says a state forensic pathologist would be nice, but he wonders whether the state has the money.

"It all comes down to that dollar figure. How do you justify a medical examiner?" he said. "I don't think we have missed anything that has caused us any problems... It's tough for all of us (sheriffs) to get enough money to make our own offices function the way we want them to."

Minidoka County Coroner Arvin Hansen said Patterson was valuable to his office. His departure meant Hansen probably will have to turn to Salt Lake City for an expert the next time he invest-



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igates a homicide, Hansen said. But he also says a state forensic expert would be too costly for Idaho because the state is too spread out and too light on cases.

"We're just on the verge. We need another million people," Hansen said.

A Utah forensic expert conducted the autopsy of Steven Louder, who was shot in death in November 1997, said Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver.

Weaver suggests counties pool their money, similar to how they formed an insurance program, and fund their own forensic pathologist.

Forensic pathologists who have private practices are reluctant to

take on homicide cases, he said. County Prosecutor Steve Byrnes says Idaho should be moving toward establishing a state forensic pathologist position.

"We need more expertise and professionals in forensics, especially in our coroners' offices. I know there is a lot to be said for the coroner system we have (but) I think times have become too complex. It is time to look at a medical examiner system," he said.

"One reason is that most technology isn't accessible in small towns.

Without a state expert, law enforcement has to go hunting for out-of-town experts.

"They are very busy people and hard to get to accept cases, and they are very expensive people, but you've got to have them on complex cases," Byrnes said.

Without such specialists, evidence can be lost or overlooked.

"The risk is there, definitely," he said.

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Pathologist

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death — only in questionable ones, and especially those heading to court, experts say.

A forensic pathologist is summoned for every suspected homicide in Twin Falls County, Loehs said.

"It's essential. They have specific training in traumatic injuries and in detecting injuries and death by foul play," he said. "If he's not an expert, then it usually damages his testimony to the jury."

The Wisconsin expert will cost about \$2,700, said Turley, whose \$10,000 budget for autopsies is held in the red by about \$4,500, with almost six months left in the budget year.

Twin Falls Police Chief Lee DeVore sees the need for a state office.

"You just get professional people, trained properly and with the background and education to do what's needed," he said.

A medical examiner's office usually consists of trained investigators who gather information at the scene for a forensic pathologist's review, Sonnenberg said.

Replacing elected coroners with a state medical examiner would take a constitutional change, Loehs said. But a state-funded forensic pathologist's office could be modeled after the state forensic laboratory that processes evidence in criminal investigations and is frequently used by counties.

Loehs has talked to area legislators about such a change, but there has been no organized push for it.

Collecting evidence

Dr. Charles Garrison of Pocatello is the only forensic pathologist in Idaho. These days, after the state of Idaho does forensic work only for surrounding counties. He wants to focus on his general pathology practice.

Chances are remote evidence will be lost if a forensic pathologist isn't at the table, Garrison said. A good pathologist will consult a forensic expert when he doesn't have all the answers. The key is collecting information.

"There are a lot of qualified

pathologists in the state of Idaho, a lot who can do the job very well," he said.

An autopsy is only part of an investigation.

"An autopsy will not determine the manner of death," Turley said. "It is the circumstances surrounding the death which will determine the manner of death, and the manner of death determines if you go to court or not."

Garrison said there would be enough work to keep a forensic pathologist busy in Idaho. But Sonnenberg said a forensic pathologist's salary could start at \$100,000.

"Here in Ada County we'll have 1,600 deaths. If you look at the autopsy side probably only 25 to 30 cases would actually warrant his expertise," he said.

But Sonnenberg knows the value of a forensic pathologist in court. His office spends about \$15,000 on consultations with a forensic expert, he said.

"That still is a lot cheaper than \$100,000 to hire a medical examiner and you still get the expertise."

Working the system

Two years ago, the bodies of two gunshot victims remained in a morgue for more than six days because a forensic pathologist couldn't be located for an autopsy.

Turley then said he favored a state medical examiner to handle the growing number of violent deaths. He has changed his mind because he doesn't think the state can afford one.

He now supports a regional coroner office, an idea raised last year to little support. He envisioned an office with expert full-time people, and this

wouldn't be as expensive as a medical examiner system.

Turley supports more training for elected coroners, and better definition of their jobs, to improve accessibility to crime scenes.

"Training is the No. 1 problem for coroners in Idaho," Sonnenberg said. "And most coroners will not put the money out to do that."

But DeVore says the state is rapidly approaching the point where it could support a state forensic expert. If there is a questionable death, the specialist is an important part of solving a homicide.

"We just feel like we give the victim's family the best we can give them, regardless of the cost," he said.

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30 years later, King's dream of colorblind society still a dream

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — For many black Americans, Martin Luther King's dream of racial equity and a colorblind society is close to realization three decades after his assassination.

The black middle class has tripled in size since 1968. It's no longer news to see a black person running city halls around the country, even in southern towns such as Shreveport, La., a one-time Ku Klux Klan stronghold.

Yet, as thousands gathered in Memphis to mark the 30th anniversary of the civil rights leader, the glaring contradictions of life among black Americans remain.

One black man in three is in prison or on parole or probation. And for other blacks, King's dream has become a nightmare, scary visions of growing poverty, substandard education

and shrinking government programs that grew out of King's civil rights movement, and were designed to remedy past discrimination.

So white-black people live in a country of such stark contrasts, where exactly does King's dream stand?

"It is this same dream, we all want to wake up," said Barbara Abdul-Yahweh, a Memphis activist. "A third of black men in prison and poor people hurting all over this land. Some dream."

Yahweh is among the thousands in Memphis to commemorate the anniversary of King's April 4, 1968, death from an assassin's bullet as he stood on a Memphis money's balcony.

Panel discussions, church services and rallies for the fallen civil rights icon are giving many in Memphis time to take stock of

what has been achieved in civil rights.

The events also are giving many like Dollie Casey of Chicago a chance to vent their deep frustrations with the current state of black America.

For them, that block millionaire athletes now abound on the sporting fields and once-closed suburban neighborhoods are now open for blacks means little when so many others are mired in hopeless poverty.

More than 11 million more Americans, disproportionately black and brown, live in poverty than in 1968. "I say we're doing a little worse," said Casey, a veteran of civil rights struggles since the 1930s. "We have more vacant houses, more crime," Casey said. She also decried the lack of "dependable work" for young blacks.

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and elected black mayor, and Washington Mayor Marion Barry, a Memphis native.

The crowd, stretching for more than a half-dozen blocks, sang "We Shall Overcome," "Ain't Nobody Got Us Around" and other standards of the civil rights movement.

Many carried copies of King or signs saying, "Remember the Man and the Message."

King's last march, on March 28 in Memphis, ended in violence when a group of rowdy young protesters began breaking store windows. Police moved in with clubs and tear gas.

The National Guard was called in the following day and the city was put under a curfew. King left town vowing to return to stage another march, this one peaceful.

His march got the chance. King was killed by a single rifle slug on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel, now the National Civil Rights Museum, while preparing to go to dinner with Kyle, Jackson and other associates.

James Earl Ray, a prison escapee from Missouri, pleaded guilty to killing King and is serving a 99-year sentence at a

Nashville prison.

Jackson, addressing a rally at the end of the commemorative march, urged listeners to ask themselves what King would be doing now if he were alive.

"His focus was not merely black and white," Jackson said. "It was wrong and right."

King would be fighting still, he said, for better health care and economic equality and for "renewal rather than revenge."

In Atlanta, about 300 people gathered at King's tomb. Two wreaths were laid at the foot of the tomb at the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change.

Among those present was 16-year-old Chastee Owens, a member of a Chattanooga, Tenn., Girl Scout troop. "Martin Luther King was a very strong person who uplifted a whole bunch of spirits," she said.

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NEW ORLEANS — The panicked pilot was lost in the clouds. Frantically, he pleaded with controllers to help guide him. "I'm crashing. Oh, my God!" he screamed. Just before the plane with four Texans aboard plunged into the vast Lake Pontchartrain.

Friday, 12 hours after the crash, authorities feared that everyone on board had perished. But then helicopter crews saw Carmen Rivera-Worley, chief civil attorney for Denton County, Texas. She was alive and conscious, floating face-down in the 72-degree lake. The three others, including her 17-year-old daughter Sarah, were still missing late Friday night.



Sarah Worley, 17, of Denton, Texas, was selected to represent Texas and the U.S. as part of Global Water's Forum on youth in Ontario, Canada. Worley and two men were missing after their single-engine plane crashed into Lake Pontchartrain, La. Friday.



Carmen Rivera-Worley, 44, Denton County's chief civil attorney of Texas was rescued Friday after surviving 12 hours in Lake Pontchartrain, La., when the single-engine plane she was on crashed into the lake. In spite of multiple injuries, she was held in good condition, a hospital spokesman said. She is missing her daughter, Sarah Worley, the plane's pilot and a Denton County building maintenance supervisor.

"It's pretty amazing that she lived through this," Coast Guard Petty Officer Keith Alholm said. "To fall out of the sky and to survive 12 more hours in the water. It's simply amazing."

Sarah Worley, whose 16th birthday is Monday, and the others were headed to New Orleans on Thursday for a tour of Tulane University. It was an exciting time for the Ryan High School senior, a star student.

John Spore, 34, Denton County's public facilities director and Tulane graduate, had gone along to show off his alma mater.

Bryan Scott Taylor, 26, a Lewisville, Texas, investment broker, was a pilot of the four-seat 1969 Piper Cherokee Charger. Taylor had chartered the plane out of North American Flight Academy at Denton Municipal Airport. Federal Aviation Administration officials said.

Rivera-Worley, 44, was in good condition Friday night with multiple fractures and abrasions at West Jefferson Medical Center in Murfreesboro, La. She was lifted from the water at 10:20 a.m., about 10 miles north of New Orleans Lakefront Airport and about a mile north of where the aircraft was last seen on radar, Alholm said.

More than a dozen boats and helicopters searched for other survivors throughout the day Friday, and rescuers planned to continue through the night. They had not given up hope that they might find other survivors.

The fact that Ms. Worley read water for 11 hours, and then we've had good weather, light

winds. We're doing everything we can to help them through this difficult time."

Taylor had been flying for four or five years, co-writer Peggy Anderson said. FAA and North American Flight Academy records show that Taylor had commercial and instrument-pilot ratings on single-engine and multi-engine aircraft.

"Other than his children, it was the thrill of his life," Anderson said. The Rogers have two children, ages 7 and 12.

Taylor has been working as an investment broker at his father's company, Taylor Financial Services in Lewisville, and studying finance at the University of Southwestern in Denton.

After her rescue Friday, Rivera-Worley told a Coast Guard officer what she could remember about the crash, and she asked about her daughter, Alholm said.

"She said the last thing she remembered was that she was on approach to Lakefront Airport and they were preparing for landing—and then she blacked out," Alholm said. "The next thing she knew, she woke up and there was water coming into the plane. That's when she got out of the plane."

She hit the lake's surface, spitting out water. She recalled calling out to other passengers and not

seeing or hearing anyone, Coast Guard Cmdr. Bill Peterson said.

When the helicopter search crew saw Rivera-Worley, they assumed she was dead because she was floating face-down, Peterson said. But then they saw her come up for air.

What kept her afloat for the 12 hours in the murky water, Peterson said, was a face-down floating technique called drown-proofing that she learned as a

child in summer camp.

Rivera-Worley tucked her legs against her body to conserve body heat, Peterson said. She stretched out her arms and lifted her head to breathe in every few seconds, pushing down with her arms.

Coast Guard officials said they believe that the plane remained intact. "If it had broken up, we think we'd have found more debris," Petty Officer Spencer Hovmeier said.

Taylor had filed a flight plan with the FAA to fly from Denton to Lakefront Airport, FAA officials said. Lakefront, four miles northeast of downtown New Orleans, caters to private and business aircraft and has full instrument-landing systems for bad weather.

The plane was on final approach to Lakefront Airport in heavy clouds at an altitude of 2,000 feet when a controller at nearby New Orleans International Airport told Taylor that he had veered off course, said Leonard Farnley, the FAA's tower manager at the inter-

national airport.

FAA officials said that Taylor became lost in the clouds and veered off course.

"The controller observed the aircraft going west, away from the instrument-landing course, and asked the pilot if there was a problem," Farnley said. "The pilot said yes, that he was having problems with his flight instruments, a complete instrument failure, and she tried to give him headings and altitudes to help him out."

The controller, watching the aircraft on radar, "saw it go into a tight spiral and rapidly lose altitude," Farnley said.

As the plane disappeared from radar at an altitude of 800 feet, the controller heard Taylor scream over his radio.

"I'm crashing. Oh, my God!" were the last words the tower manager heard from Taylor.

The plane went down about three minutes after the controller told the pilot that he was off course, Farnley said.

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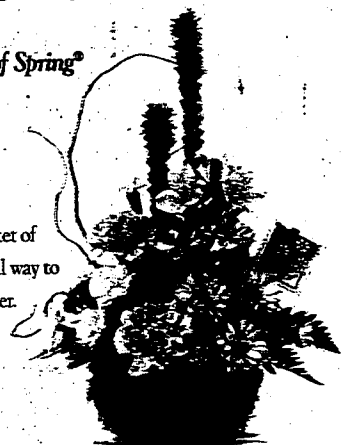
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David Salomone details a 1960 Lincoln Continental, President Kennedy's personal car, Wednesday afternoon at the Tragedy in U.S. History Museum in St. Augustine, Fla. The car was auctioned off Saturday for \$15,000.

Auction sells everything from ghastly to bizarre to historic

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. (AP) — How much would you bid for the ambulance that carried presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald to a hospital? What's the value of the rusting 1960 Buick Electra in which movie star Jayne Mansfield was killed?

Everything from the ghastly to the bizarre to the historic went up for auction Saturday at the Tragedy in U.S. History Museum. Everything from antique torture devices to bear traps to a car that happened to carry President Kennedy in Fort Worth, Texas, hours before his death in Dallas.

The museum was the passion of L.H. "Buddy" Hough, who amassed the collection over three decades. He died two years ago and his widow, Debra, closed the museum in March — it was never very successful, she said — and decided to sell the entire strange assortment.

Hough never considered his eclectic collection strange. "He didn't want it to be morbid,

'People like tragedy, it's human nature.'

— Ms. Brimmer, auction spokeswoman

It was history," Ms. Hough said.

The auction drew crowds of history buffs and the simply curious. In early bidding, old newspaper clippings were snatched up for \$7.50 to \$15. A pair of bronze busts of presidents Kennedy and Lincoln went for \$35.

Nancy Smith, of Brasher Falls, N.Y., paid \$125 for an antique rifle, though she didn't know the model or how old it was. "It'll look good over the fireplace," she said.

Also scheduled for sale was the car in which Mansfield died in a traffic accident in 1957. It was once described as "crumpled like a piece of tin foil after a cookout,"

with its roof torn off and its front end smashed.

Frank Bird of Lake Como took a look at the rusted wreckage and declared: "It's not worth nothing."

Retired farmer L.A. Braunagel of Devil's Lake, N.D., disagreed. "To me, it has some historical value," he said. Other items up for bidding: furniture from Oswald's Dallas apartment and the ambulance that took him to a hospital after he was fatally wounded, a bullet-riddled car said to have been used by bank robbers Bonnie and Clyde, a black Lincoln (fouring car used by Kennedy, and copy of Elvis Presley's will.

Hough got the idea for the museum after watching news reports of the Kennedy assassination on television, said Charlene Brimmer, a family friend and spokeswoman for the auction.

"People like tragedy, it's human nature," Ms. Brimmer said.

Air Force considers parachutes for training planes

The Air Force is considering attaching parachutes to academy training planes that have crashed three times, killing six people.

The exterior parachute, a relatively new safety device, would slow the plane's fall in a crash. It is among several options the Air Force is looking at for the troubled T-3A Firefly, which has been grounded since June.

It is unknown whether a recommendation for the parachutes will be included in a detailed Air Force report of the crashes due for release in the coming weeks. Two of the issues expected to be addressed are Firefly instructor training and the maneuvers cadets are required to make in the plane.

The parachutes were mentioned in February, when Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Michael Ryan testified before the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The parachute is one of many "lightweight safety systems" the Air Force is considering for the Firefly, said Dave Smith, spokesman for the Air Education & Training Command at Randolph Air Force Base in Texas, this week.

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Atomic museum pays tribute to pioneers

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — The Energy Department's new openness about nuclear weapons was an eye-opener even for those on the scene when the first atom bomb went off.

A group of those involved in World War II-era nuclear development gathered Friday at the National Atomic Museum on Kirtland Air Force Base to remember U.S. atomic bomb testing and to view recently declassified historical films.

Several film clips were shown in the museum's halls where the veterans sat among bomb replicas and horrifying pictures of the damage done by real A-bombs.

"This is the first time I've seen a lot of these films. And I was one of the photographers," said Ben Benjamin, who was a soldier assigned to photograph the Trinity Site in New Mexico where the first

atom bomb was detonated. The group of veterans worked in bomb testing, photography, weapons delivery methods and environmental restoration.

The group was being honored over the weekend as part of the Energy Department's move toward openness in declassifying wartime documents and films.

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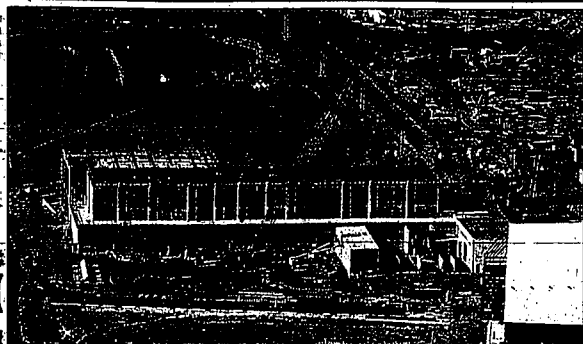
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This is an October 1996 aerial photo of the Pit 9 Lockheed Martin Advanced Environmental Systems Company treatment plant under construction miles from Yellowstone National Park in Idaho Falls.

Energy Department submits contingency plan for pit cleanup

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — The U.S. Department of Energy has delivered to the state a draft work plan for cleaning up the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory's troubled Pit 9 if the current subcontractor does not meet its obligations.

Lockheed Martin Advanced Environmental Systems has been given until April 13 to show progress on the job.

The site's managing contractor, Lockheed Martin Idaho Technologies Co., told the company it had to get back to work or face termination of its contract, awarded in 1994.

Pit 9 is an area where radioactive trash and barrels of orange and yellow sludge were dumped in the late 1960s. It is a small part of an 88-acre system of contaminated pits and trenches at the Radioactive

Waste Management Complex.

The demonstration cleanup project has been plagued by missed deadlines and cost overruns, and is currently two years behind schedule.

But Department of Energy officials said they have supplied the state and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency with a three-stage contingency plan developed concurrently with negotiations with Lockheed Martin Advanced.

"DOE remains committed to remediate Pit 9, and the submission of this work plan keeps us on target to begin field work in September should LMAES not fulfill its contractual obligations," said John Wilczynski, Energy's Idaho manager.

"I want to thank the state and EPA for their collaboration and cooperation in helping develop

this contingency plan," he said. "To date, DOE has met all of its commitments under the new Pit 9 schedule."

The first stage includes drilling into the pit to locate the best place to take waste core samples and test them. The second phase would be more excavation of waste and demonstration of a system to treat the soil for contamination. The last step would be full excavation of the pit.

The plan said the first drilling would begin in September. Estimated cost of the first phase is \$3.78 million. Core characterization would occur in January 1999 and treatability soil studies by September of that year.

The state and EPA have until May 15 to comment on the draft. The Energy Department then will issue a final plan by June 29.

Zoo rounds up fugitive wallaby

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — An Australian wallaby made its greatest escape from the Tuzigaitan Park Zoo by hopping its way out the day before the annual grand opening.

The wallaby, a small marsupial similar to a kangaroo, was captured Friday by employees within 20 minutes, zoo director Bill Gersonde said.

"Obviously, there was no threat to any human beings or anyone else," he said. "They're such good jumpers. We take every precaution to make sure animals don't get out, but they sometimes do."

The wallaby jumped over an enclosure fence at the zoo's "Land Under" exhibit and was spotted by employees at 8

a.m. The animal was caught on the park's north side.

It was the second wallaby escape in seven years, Gersonde said. The first had employees searching for a couple of hours before tracking the wallaby down by following its footprints.

"We're very fortunate that we've never had a dangerous animal escape," he said.

Officials say Montana elk nearly disease-free

DILLON, Mont. (AP) — Montana elk remain nearly free of the disease brucellosis, state wildlife officials say.

Idaho's contract, recently discovered brucellosis in at least one of its elk herds in eastern Idaho last month. The disease causes mastitis in elk, and can be transmitted to humans as undulant fever.

Idaho's winter feeding program that concentrates large numbers of elk on small areas may be the reason its elk are infected and those Montana do not appear to have the disease, said Keith Aune, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks wildlife lab supervisor.

"It's just not a common disease to see in free-ranging elk," Aune said.

Montana officials have opposed the idea of feeding elk during the winter, even during bad years. During the last legislative session, a law was passed that made it illegal to feed wildlife.

Fish, Wildlife and Parks biologist Gary Hammond said rather than feed wildlife, the state has obtained key wintering areas, purchased conservation easements and worked on block management agreements.

As subdivisions are built on or near winter ranges, seeing wildlife struggle against winter's fury becomes an emotional issue, Hammond said. Sooner or later, someone will want to feed the animals, he said.

Often the feeding grounds are in areas where wildlife didn't normally winter and once they start getting a handout, they won't leave. Hammond said. The native forage ends up being overgrazed.

"The state has resisted that approach to wildlife management," Aune said. "A little bit of vigor in the environment can be healthy for wildlife."

Difficult winter conditions can cull a herd of weakened animals and the genetically superior elk survive, said Aune.

Feeding can change all that. Not only does it allow for the weaker animals to survive and pass on their genes, it also artificially forces animals to remain close together through the winter months. It can be a recipe for the spread of disease.

For instance, for animals to be infected with the brucella organism, they have to have contact with body fluids or tissues from an infected animal, Aune said. Infected elk typically abort their pregnancies in late winter. If those elk are on feed grounds, it's possible for those fluids and tissues to fall on hay that's on the ground, he said.

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Former state counselor faces rape charge

BOISE (AP) — A former counselor for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare has been accused of the 1993 rape of a woman he was counseling.

Michael Flynn, 50, of Boise, was indicted by an Ada County grand jury, prosecutors announced Friday. They declined to disclose details about the incident, including whether

the assault occurred in Flynn's office.

He was employed by Health and Welfare from June 1978 to February 1995, when he quit to avoid being fired, agency spokesman Bill Walker said.

Flynn worked in the Region 4 office in Boise.

Walker said he knew of no other similar allegation against a state

counselor.

"It's a rare occurrence," he said. "Clinicians' duties may include psychological counseling and helping clients with housing and other needs."

Flynn is free on \$5,000 bond. He will be arraigned Wednesday.

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Council wants bilingual charter school

NAMPA (AP) — Hispanic education advocates want a bilingual charter school in Canyon County.

The Council on Hispanic Education is considering hiring a consultant to gauge interest in a charter school specializing in both English and Spanish, and to help create a curriculum.

It is the second proposed charter school in southwestern Idaho this year. A group of Boise teachers is working to start a charter school that would place children of different ages in the same classroom.

Only two charter schools could be approved in southwestern Idaho in the next year, according to the newly passed state law. Charter schools allow people to create their own public schools with taxpayer money. The concept was approved by state lawmakers last month. The law takes effect July 1.

The bilingual and bicultural school proposal grows out of frustration with language barriers that fall short of meeting needs of Hispanic students, organizers said.

"We see too many schools struggling with language," said Conchi Morales, a council member, said Friday.

Education researchers say Hispanic students stripped of their language and culture in public schools often become dropouts. The Hispanic dropout rate in Idaho is estimated to be between 35 percent and 60 percent.

The Council on Hispanic Education was formed about 18 months ago to address the Hispanic dropout rate. It has 25 members statewide. Council members envision a school where both non-Hispanic and Hispanic cultures and languages are taught together for students of both races.

"There are highly rigorous studies that show children who are bilingual do better on standardized tests and do better with problem solving," said Robert Bahruw, a Boise State University education professor specializing in bicultural education.

Opening a charter school will take at least a year, said Richard Baker, a Boise State sociology professor who has studied Hispanic education in Canyon County.

The school must reflect both cultures and both races if it has a chance of succeeding, he said. "There is an way to have any charter school for any specific group," Baker said.

Prison guard faces second trial

BOISE (AP) — Edward John Stevens will again face a first-degree murder charge for the 1990 slaying of a woman.

Stevens, 30, former prison guard, is charged with shaking the 11-month-old baby to death. A month-long trial in February ended with a jury deadlock at 9-3 to convict. Since there was no decision, he must have a new trial or the charges must be dropped.

During a hearing Friday, Ada County Deputy Prosecutors Julianne Meacham and Jim Bennett said they plan to pursue the same charges with a jury deadlock at 9-3 to convict.

David Leroy represented Stevens in the February trial, and also asked 4th District Judge Daniel Eismann to let Stevens stand on out bond so that he can earn money to pay his legal fees.

Eismann denied the motion. So Leroy, a former Idaho attorney general, will not be Stevens' primary attorney.

"The family is without resources at this current time to retain counsel to do anything necessary to prepare for August 3 trial," Leroy said. "If the family can come up with resources, I will back."

Casey's attorneys also testified that Stevens slammed Casey's head on the side of a bathtub, causing a 3-inch crack in the tub. Casey's witnesses also testified that the baby's injuries were about an hour old when paramedics arrived.



Mormon church president Gordon B. Hinckley holds a first-edition copy of the 'Book of Mormon' that was printed over 100 years ago during his opening remarks Saturday at the 158th Annual General Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Salt Lake City.

Church president reiterates distinctive Mormon beliefs

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mormon church President Gordon B. Hinckley reiterated the faith's distinctive beliefs on Saturday and said it doesn't matter that other churches don't consider Mormons to be Christians.

"Let us never forget that this (church) is a restoration of that which was instituted by the Savior of the world," Hinckley said in opening the 158th Annual General Conference of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The 87-year-old church leader also urged the faith's 10 million members to respect other religions and the good they do, and not to contend with non-Mormons over doctrinal differences.

"For instance, there are some of other faiths who do not regard us as Christians. That is not important. How we regard ourselves is what is important," he said. "We acknowledge with hesitation that there are differences between us."

"Where this is not so, there would have been no need for a restoration of the gospel."

The theme has become a common one recently among predominantly Mormon Utah pre-

pared to host 20,000 members of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Salt Lake City in June. The Nashville-based faith has been outspoken in its view that Mormons aren't Christians and has produced a video, "The Mormon Puzzle," to buttress the argument.

Mormons consider themselves "preeminent Christian," the "only true and living church" in the world. Hinckley made a point of stressing the very elements of Mormon theology that Southern Baptists and others say place Mormonism outside the Christian fold, among them that former Joseph Smith had a vision in the 1820s of God and Jesus Christ, who told him all existing churches were apostate.

Mormons believe an angel gave Smith ancient gold plates from which he translated the Book of Mormon, part of a scriptural canon that includes the Bible. And church presidents since Smith have claimed they hold the earthly prophetic and priestly authority to perform ordinances necessary to full salvation.

"We must not become disagreeable as we talk of doctrinal differ-

ences. There is no place for animosity," said Hinckley, who has been church president since 1985.

"But we can never surrender or compromise that knowledge which has come to us through revelation and the direct bestowal of keys and authority under the hands of those who held them sincerely," he said.

Hinckley drew a clear distinction between joint efforts with other religions to combat social ills and any degree of doctrinal ecumenism.

"There need not be and must not be on our part," he said. "But there is a degree of fellowship as we labor together."

Last Saturday, Elder Russell M. Nelson of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles announced that for the first time the church's Family History Department — which operates the largest genealogical library in the world — will make data available to the public on compact disc.

Idaho train engineers raise stink over sanitary conditions on board

BOISE (AP) — Union Pacific Railroad is no stranger to criticism.

It has been under the gun for over a year for severely disrupted freight service blamed on a clumsy merger with Southern Pacific that has shipped along its 36,000 miles of track steaming.

But it is not just the shippers with their even longer-standing complaints from the railroad's locomotive engineers, who say they have been forced to haul freight for years with the windows open year-round because the toilets in the multimillion-dollar engines are so small.

"It's just filthy dirty and overflowing over the floor. They expect us to work 12 1/2 hours in that," said a third-generation engineer in Idaho who declined to be identified.

State regulators have launched their own investigation.

When the trains reach their destination after a long shift, crews at the roundhouses are responsible for emptying the waste tanks, he said. But they often decline to go on the rails yards may not have a pumping facility.

The stench and the open windows to fight it with fresh air have left some with colds and worse.

"Typically in conditions like this, there are a number of ways to address that, through the union or with supervisors," Union Pacific spokesman John Bromley replied. "It's part of the everyday experience so they have avenues to pursue."

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers worked with the company on a three-year study of the problem.

'It's especially a problem in warm weather. The stench from the holding tank is obscene'

—Kent Kunz, state representative

It led to a monitoring system for sanitary maintenance as the engines make their cross-country trips, said Jim Dayton, an Oregon engineer and union officer. But monitoring is occurring on just a small part of the Union Pacific system and not in Idaho, he said.

A locomotive will start out in Seattle and goes to Houston or Chicago or New York and we won't see it for six to eight months," Dayton said. "If we don't have a way to detect problems, it just goes on and on."

He claims the company will not perform even basic maintenance on the sanitary facilities.

"Union Pacific seems to have money to buy railroads and expend billions," Dayton said. "But in this workspace where 44 percent of its employees occupy the cab, things aren't very good."

State Rep. Kent Kunz of Pocatello is a Union Pacific engineer and generally agrees with Dayton and other crewmen.

"To say absolutely they're not doing their job would be incorrect," he said. "But cleanliness is a real problem. The restroom facilities 90 percent of the time aren't only dirty but unhygienic. We live in a dirty environment and work in a dirty environment."

Long-haul freights may require several locomotives. The lead engine's holding tank may have been emptied but the ones in the trailing units remain full.

"It's especially a problem in warm weather," Kunz said. "The stench from the holding tank is obscene."

And conditions are not much better at layover locations where crews wait for another train to man.

In Green River, Wyo., the engineers said, the sleeping accommodations were improved only after train crews had complained for 15 years. They are still waiting for improvements at other yards like the one in Nampa.

"It's pretty stinky," Kunz said. The problem is aggravated, Kunz said, by Union Pacific continuing to downsize its work force to the point it cannot maintain the locomotives.

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has filed some complaints about the sanitation in the locomotives and is investigating, said Ron Law, head of the agency's regulated carrier division.

"If we find there isn't a problem, that will be the end of it," he said. "If there is, we'll sit down with the railroad and get the problem resolved."

But the engineers argue that the time for investigating is past. They say their health is in jeopardy and Union Pacific is not taking their complaints seriously.

"One guy in management called himself the 'Wizard of Oz,'" one veteran engineer said. "He knows everything, but he won't do anything. We've seen better days."

State misses federal pollution deadline

LEWISTON (AP) — Idaho missed the federal deadline for submitting its latest list of polluted streams, but plans to issue a draft late this month or in May, a state Division of Environmental Quality official said.

Delays caused by shifting to a new computer program were largely responsible for the missed deadline, Michael McIntyre, the agency's Water Quality Assessment and Standards Bureau chief in Boise, said Friday.

The federal Clean Water Act requires states to submit a list of polluted waters to the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency by April 1 every two years. Idaho's most recent list includes 953 segments of streams or lakes that fail to meet state standards.

The EPA compiled the list, which originally included 952 stream segments, in 1984 after conservation groups sued the agency for failing to enforce Clean Water Act protections in Idaho.

The state will issue a new list, then allow public comment for 30 days, McIntyre said. When the state file its new list with the federal agency, however, remains difficult to predict.

"We have a tremendous amount of in-house information to evaluate," McIntyre said.

Mark Solomon of Moscow, Inland Empire Public Lands Council executive director, said environmental groups are watching the state's progress.

"That was the state's opportunity to do-list streams it claimed were included erroneously on the list or to add others," he said. "Idaho keeps saying they want local control of issues and here we have the opportunity for the state to do the right thing with a state program and they cannot meet a simple deadline."

Environmental officials say veto doesn't affect aquifer shut down

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Environmental officials say a program designed to protect the Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer from pollution is in no danger of shutting down because of a veto by Gov. Phil Batt.

Batt last week shot down a bill to give \$58,000 to the Panhandle Health District to supplement federal funding for continued maintenance and monitoring of the aquifer.

Most of the region's drinking water comes from the 325-square-mile underground pool of gravel, sand and water formed by floods from the last ice age.

Batt said he made improving water quality a top issue during his administration but by implementing a prioritized, orderly plan and "abandoning the hodgepodge approach of political appropriations."

He also said state environmental regulators have been planning for the reduction of federal support for water quality programs and are reallocating resources for the aquifer.

"This money is what we needed to continue without federal funds," said Dick Martindale, the health district's water coordinator. "We are going to continue and find a way to make it work."

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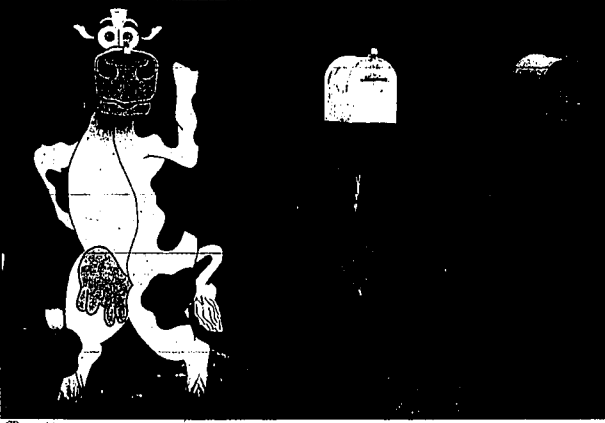
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Witness arrested on murder charge

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A man called to testify as a witness in a murder case was arrested after another witness identified him as the killer.

Dutch Renecker, 18, was subpoenaed by Kootenai County prosecutors who told him he would be called to testify Friday in a preliminary hearing for Franklin "Murdoc" Johnson, authorities said.

Johnson is charged in the slaying of Jorge Isais Gonzalez Garcia, 25, whose body was found Jan. 14 in a snowy field outside Arbon. Prosecutors say Garcia was lured to the site, then shot and robbed.

The first witness to testify was Eli Chaney, 18, Garcia's former roommate, who said he drove in the out-of-town city site with Garcia, Johnson and Renecker after leaving a party.

Chaney testified he saw Renecker shoot Garcia in the head with a .38-caliber handgun as Johnson wrestled with the victim.

New building attracts more high-tech industry

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A new million building will offer 300 square feet of space to new companies to town.

The Eastern Idaho Economic Development Council announced today it will lend \$500,000 to the Voltz Development Co. which will erect the building and when it is finished.

The council has persuaded the eXageSys software company of Salt Lake City to open a satellite operation in trying to make arrangements with a Colorado company for technical support center that will employ 300 people.

"We're trying to create jobs across the full range of the economic spectrum," said council president Dan Cudback.

Idaho Falls has suffered from a shortage of suitable, ready-to-go industrial buildings, said Tim Kimmins, chairman of the council.

The panel administers an enterprise fund, originally capitalized

by \$3 million from the Energy Department to compensate for job losses at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. The council now is using money that has been repaid from previous loans.

About 25 jobs would be created by eXageSys by the end of 1999. Several operations at the INEEL use the software, which is one reason eXageSys decided to open an office.

"The council has invested two years in wooing StarTek of Greeley, Colo., which provides over-the-phone help to software customers.

But there are economic issues to be addressed. Idaho Falls has competition for the project, and, unlike some other states, Idaho has no tax forgiveness for corporations that want to locate in the state.

"We're hopeful that it will not become an issue," Cudback said.

Yellowstone gravel must be weed-free

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Gravel used in road projects in Yellowstone National Park must be free of weeds, a condition that raises project prices considerably.

One five-mile section of the road cost \$250,000 more because the gravel had to be "cooked" to kill weed seeds before it could be brought into the park, said George Humphreys, the resident engineer during the summer at Yellowstone National Park.

Federal highway officials require gravel to be weed-free to ensure weeds are not imported into the national park, and to get rid of weed seeds, the rocks must be cooked to 300 degrees.

The heating process raises gravel costs from \$4 to \$4.50 a ton, Humphreys said.

To cook the gravel, contractors put it in an asphalt "hot plant," which is usually heated by diesel

fuel, propane or pulverized coal. The process of cooking gravel has been used in Yellowstone for at least a decade, Humphreys said.

A park official could travel to the source of the gravel, inspect it and declare it weed-free as an alternative to cooking the gravel, he said.

The gravel used for work on the Grand Loop came from Bozeman Sand and Gravel in Bozeman, Mont. The gravel must be cooked, Humphreys said.

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A Hong Kong Democratic Party supporter strikes a rally that marks the start of the party's campaign to get back into Hong Kong's legislature May 26, when the territory elects its first legislature under Chinese rule.



Hong Kong Democrats kick off new campaign

HONG KONG (AP) — Hong Kong's Democratic Party jubilantly kicked off a campaign Saturday to return to Hong Kong's legislature next month when the territory elects its first assembly under Chinese rule.

"This is the first time there are to be democratic elections on Chinese soil. This promises to be the beginning of democracy for the People's Republic of China," party chairman Martin Lee told about 150 members at a downtown park.

"We are going to ignite the flame of democracy and we wish it will spread throughout the country. Long live democracy!" The Democrats say new election rules were designed to reduce their presence in the future legislature, a claim the government denies.

Party members estimate they may get only 11 of 60 seats in the May 24 election. They are fielding 26 candidates.

which has called several of their top leaders subversives.

The new assembly will replace Hong Kong's unelected Provisional Legislature, which was installed July 1 when China took over the former British colony.

"The government will proceed systematically toward democracy" following a timetable specified in the post-handover constitution written by China, said Anson Chan, deputy to Hong Kong's leader, Tung Chee-hwa.

But the schedule does not specify a date for all 60 seats on the legislature to be elected by universal suffrage. Many Democrats want the constitution amended to allow all 60 to be elected that way in two years time.

Under the new election rules, 20 seats will be chosen by universal suffrage in five geographical constituencies, 30 will be picked by up to 140,000 people who belong to professional or business groups and 10 will be selected by an 800-member committee that was chosen Thursday by about 30,000 voters.

On the surface, confidence reigns at economic summit

LOUISIANA (AP) — Everything is going to be just fine. The Asian crisis is merely an unpleasant aberration in a fundamentally sound global economy. Europe may not be prepared to ride to the rescue, but neither will it abandon its friends.

Those were the conclusions of the 25-country Asia-Europe summit that ended Saturday.

The countless expressions of confidence uttered at the two-day meeting were aimed at comforting investors.

"One must display confidence," French President Jacques Chirac said when asked whether Asia's battered economy could be turned around, "or the signal to the outside world will be negative."

Prime Minister Tony Blair, host of the summit, put it this way: "Europe believes in the fundamental strength of the Asian economies and that they will recover and prosper in the future."

Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto saw it like this: "A clear message has been sent. Concrete measures will follow."

The Asian economic crisis, which began in July with collapsing stock and currency markets, has left Thailand, Indonesia and South Korea struggling with tough reforms demanded by the International Monetary Fund in return for its \$100 billion rescue plan for the region.

Many of their neighbors also are saddled with weak currencies and stock markets, high unemployment and rising inflation.

A feel-good atmosphere prevailed at the summit, even if Japan took a bit of outside bashing. President Clinton accused Tokyo of not doing enough to get

its economy moving again, which could stimulate others in Asia, and Sony Corp. Chairman Norio Ohga said the Japanese economy was on the brink of collapse.

Hashimoto conceded during the meeting that Japan's economy is suffering one of its worst crises since World War II. But he insisted the situation is far from terminal.

He noted Japan had \$800 billion in net overseas assets, \$220 billion in reserves and no external debt.

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Thousands of street kids eke out livings in Kabul

Years of war leave children homeless

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — At age 10, Khasbullah dreams of becoming a doctor.

His boss, Mohammed Raza, all of 15 himself, laughs as the idea there might be a good future in Afghanistan.

"This country is only fighting," says Raza, who oversees four younger boys who spend their days on the streets.

Raza and his crew are among the tens of thousands of children trying to eke out livings in Afghanistan's shattered capital. They weave carpets, shine shoes, beg, whatever they can to earn a little money.

One international aid group estimates as least 28,000 children are living on the streets.

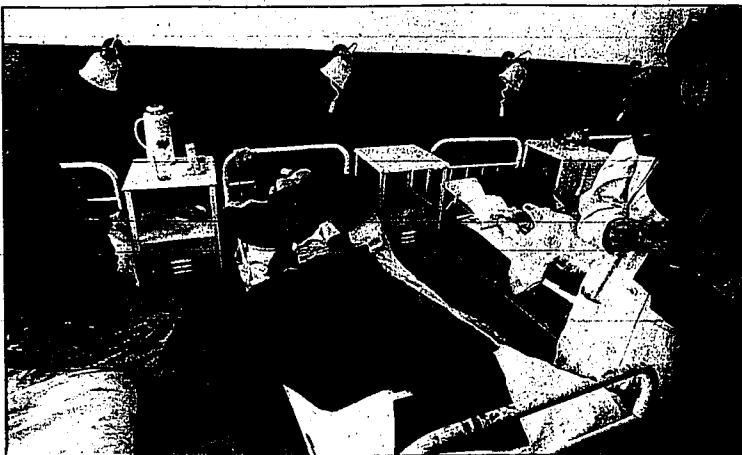
Most of them wander the city, their hands outstretched asking for "bakshash," or money. Outside streets, small child weaving crews, their workplace is a corner of an alley. To one side is a rancid garbage dump and to the other a muddy, brick-laden street.

The longer based on a silled piece of green carpet weaving strand after strand of wool, their feet warmed by ragged socks and muddied sandals.

Raza has been on the job since he was 9. He earns 300,000 Afghani for every square yard of carpet his young crew weaves. That's roughly \$10. From that he has to pay the weaver.

Ten-year-old Mubashir has been on the job 15 days and he hasn't been paid yet. His tiny fingers are raw from the wool and red from the cold.

Mubashir says he thinks he



Above left: A view of the children's ward at a local hospital in Kabul, Afghanistan, in March. Tens of thousands of children are trying to eke out a living in Afghanistan's shattered capital. They weave carpets, shine shoes, beg, whatever they can to earn a little money. Above right: An Afghan woman holds her unconscious baby.



would like to stop working and go to school, but "my father is dead — a rocket killed him — and my mother is too old."

Cynical and street smart, Raza can neither read nor write. He went to school for three years, but when the communists were still in power in Kabul and fighting in the civil war was away from the capital.

A loose alliance of Islamic groups drove the Marxists from power six years ago. Then they turned their guns on each other, devastating Kabul in years of fighting that killed 50,000 people and maimed tens of thousands.

Entire neighborhoods are littered with land mines and unexploded rockets and artillery shells.

The city's schools were closed, except for occasional attempts to reopen them. Fighting between rival factions would resume and invariably a rocket would hit a school, like the one in 1995 that killed 10 teachers who were slipping tea at Kabul again.

Schools were open again just

before the Taliban religious army seized Kabul in September 1996. But the Taliban shut them, saying the curriculum was in keeping with the strict Islamic teaching its leaders espouse.

In recent months the Taliban has allowed some schools to reopen — but only for boys. Under the religious army's rule, girls have been banished from school and women forced off the job.

During a three-day visit to Kabul this past week, UNICEF's executive director, Carol Bellamy, urged Taliban leaders to set up schools for girls. But she said Friday it was uncertain whether the Taliban would follow through on promises to give women equality in education.

Even for boys, there are few official schools open.

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Iran detains Tehran's mayor in probe

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Tehran's mayor, who played a major role in the election of moderate President Mohammad Khatami, was detained Saturday after he showed up for a court session in a corruption probe.

The detention of Gholamhossein Karbaschi is expected to increase the power struggle between Khatami's supporters and hard-liners opposed to his moderate policies.

The Interior Ministry said Karbaschi was detained by the public prosecutor's office when he appeared in court, the official Islamic Republic News Agency reported. It did not elaborate.

The Reuters newspaper, which opposes the mayor, said Karbaschi was "arrested on a charge of wasting public funds, embezzlement of billions of state dollars and corruption and mismanagement while in office."

But a judicial official said Karbaschi has not been charged with anything. The official speaking to Reuters said the municipality said the detention was "aimed at making sure he is available for probable charges against him."

In November, the 44-year-old mayor was barred from leaving the country after being questioned in court about allegations that members of his administration were involved in a corruption scandal.

Nigerian boat capsizes; 280 missing

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Army divers scoured Nigeria's southern coastline Saturday, searching for 280 people missing from a passenger boat that capsized in rough waters.

Only 20 of the ship's 300 passengers are known to have survived. The overloaded boat was en route to the west African country of Gabon when it was caught in heavy seas and overturned Wednesday, said assistant police superintendent Bode Akhinbiloye.

Authorities believed as many as

280 passengers were dead, but few bodies had been recovered by Saturday, he said.

Military speed boats and police cruisers were called in to patrol the area for victims, the government-owned Daily Times newspaper quoted unidentified police officials in the area as saying.

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EDITORIAL

Anyone care about apathy?

The list of things about which Americans care too little is lengthy. Dental hygiene. Retirement planning. The future of NATO. Dietary fiber. Public-school test scores. And so on.

Add one more: presidential morality.

Elsewhere on this page, Robert J. Samuelson speculates that Bill Clinton remains popular because Americans are content with the country's economic situation. With the Dow pushing 9,000, they don't want a political crisis to ruin things. That's as good an explanation as any.

Meanwhile, public interest in the presidential libido dipped even further last week, after a judge threw out the Paula Jones lawsuit.

It's significant to note what Judge

Susan Webber Wright did not say. She did not say that Clinton didn't do the awful things that Paula Jones and other women accuse him of doing. Wright merely said that Jones can't prove that the president's behavior (whatever it was) did her any harm.

The ruling is probably correct. As they say in basketball, "no harm, no foul."

But the moral and political questions remain. Should Americans care whether their president is a ruthless bully? Should they care whether he commits crimes in the course of covering his trail?

They should, but apparently they don't.

No statehood for Puerto Rico

What is a nation? The question begs an answer as the U.S. Senate considers admitting Puerto Rico to statehood.

The United States is a vast and diverse country, containing people of countless heritages and skin hues. Despite these variations, Idahoans have much in common with Mainers and Floridians. We share a culture, a history, an economy and (more or less) a language.

Puerto Rico shares none of these things. It is a chunk of Latin America, artificially attached to the United States as a prize of the Spanish-American War. Few of its 4 million residents speak English, and its culture probably has more in common with Haiti than with Kansas.

Can a nation be constructed out of peoples who are so different and so

Close vote
The House of Representatives voted 209-210 on March 4 to make Puerto Rico the 51st state.

different from one another? The Soviet Union was such a nation, while it lasted.

Statehood supporters contend - correctly - that Puerto Rico languishes unfairly as a dependent territory. Its citizens, disenfranchised, are powerless to influence a government they are obliged to obey.

A better remedy to this unfairness would be independence. A century of colonial rule has not turned the residents of Puerto Rico into Americans. An act of Congress won't do either.

Sorry is as sorry does

President Clinton's global travels allowed him to expand his role as national weeper. He patted the entire continent of Africa on the hand and apologized for past U.S. indifference to Africa's welfare.

Clinton's gesture was a barely disguised sop to African-American activists who want to hear a national apology for slavery. Clinton may be warming up for just such an apology.

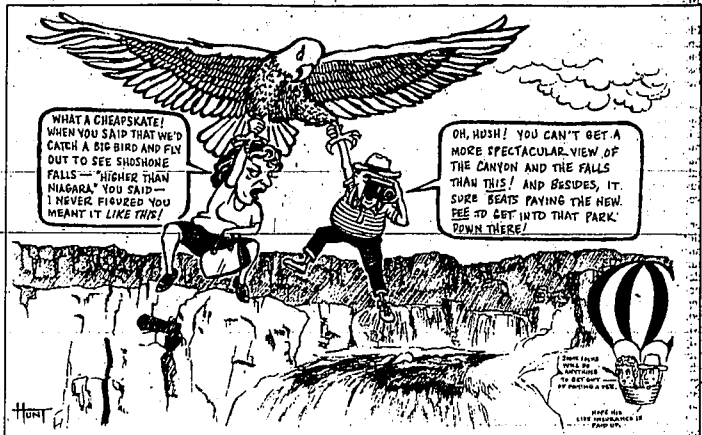
If he is, it will be an odd message. A president, elected to represent all Americans, apologizing to some Americans on behalf of some other Americans.

Clinton presumably would be apolo-

gizing to the descendants of slaves on behalf of the descendants of Southern slave owners. Would he also apologize to the descendants of white Southerners who were too poor to own slaves? Would he apologize to the descendants of Union troops whose spilled blood helped to free the slaves?

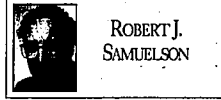
What about Americans of mixed racial heritage? Would they be apologized to, or for?

Ah, no matter. Apologizing is good for the soul. Maybe we should have a National Apology Day. Let everyone apologize to everyone else. And then get on with our lives.



Americans' optimism, dislike of politics protect Clinton from collapse

When in the press constantly constructed dubious theories to explain what we don't understand. Our latest frenzy is to solve the mystery of how Bill Clinton's high approval ratings defy scandal. Last week, The Wall Street Journal advanced a new theory: America loves a stud.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

Look, Clinton's a handsome guy, the most powerful man in the world," said one lady. "Women are throwing themselves at him." Before that, we were told that people credit Clinton for the economy and separate his public policies from his private behavior. Or we're too tolerant. "We still feel uncomfortable," writes Newsweek's Jonathan Alter, "passing judgment on... adultery and promiscuity."

Maybe. But all these theories miss the most obvious truth: Most Americans simply can't be bothered. The thriving economy has sent consumer confidence sky-high. By and large, Americans don't want to separate their own well-being - or the country's - with a full-blown political crisis. They don't trust Clinton, or the Republican Congress, but they like the power balance between them. Would the country be healthier with President Gore?

Would we be happier if impeachment pre-empted prime-time TV for hours of blathering from Peter Jennings? The prospect appalls most Americans.

The only solid conclusion that can be drawn from Clinton's high approval ratings (56 percent in late March) is that most Americans are in a generous mood toward almost anyone. Even Newt Gingrich's ratings have risen. In mid-February, about 37 percent of Americans had a "favorable" view of him, up from 25 percent a year earlier. Nor is it just Gingrich. Gallup now finds that 57 percent of Americans approve "of the way congress is handling its job." That is the highest rating since Gallup first asked the question in 1974.

Should we go on? A recent CNN-USA Today poll asked for approval ratings of former presidents. Both Presidents Bush (74 percent) and Reagan (69 percent) outscored Clinton, President Carter (65 percent) came close. "Public opinion took a dramatic turn toward optimism in 1997," concludes a study by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press.

The political class - politicians, pundits, junkies - routinely overinterprets. If Clinton's approval ratings are high while people believe (as they do) that his morals are low, then we assume that the public is wrestling to reconcile the inconsistencies. Who should they favor, likely, most Americans ignore or abide the inconsistencies. We project onto the public a greater interest in politics than it actually has. Most Americans consider the freedom from politics to be part of their well-being. This is not new. Visiting America in 1881, the English author James Bryce observed:

"I never once heard American politics discussed except when, for some other European brought the subject on the carpet... (The American) has been heavily pressed by his own business concerns during the day, and - when the hour of relaxation arrives he gladly turns to lighter topics than the state of the nation." In the modern context, Americans prefer "The Simpsons" to the "NewsHour With Jim Lehrer." In 1997, the top 20 news stories in terms of public interest included only three from the Washington, Social Security reform (No. 13), criticism of the Internal Revenue Service (No. 16) and Medicare

(No. 19), reports the Pew center. Princess Diana died last week.

Some Clinton theories disregard evidence. True, Clinton benefits from the buoyant economy. But it's less true that Americans credit him for making it buoyant. Americans like a stud, it's not obvious. In January, "Who deserves the most credit for the American's strong economy?" The answer: American business, 51 percent; Clinton, 22 percent; Congress, 14 percent. And if Americans like a stud, it's not obvious. In a CNN-USA Today poll, respondents were asked to compare their moral standards with Clinton's: 69 percent said theirs were higher, 22 percent said the same and only 3 percent said theirs lower.

It is mainly Americans' present optimism and their dislike of politics that now protect Clinton, not a deep respect for the man. "Public opinion about Clinton has changed," notes Andrew Kohut of the Pew Center. In early 1997, almost half of Americans thought him "honest and trustworthy." Now, that's plunged to a third. But disapproval is not yet vengeance. You can condemn popular forbearance as apathetic. Or you can label it pragmatic. ("Clinton's flaws over impeachment?") What you cannot know is whether it will last. Political analyst Thomas Galagher of Lehman Brothers points out that Richard Nixon's political fortunes declined with the economy. Between early 1973 and August 1974 (when Nixon resigned), inflation went from 4 percent to 11 percent. Unemployment rose, consumer confidence fell. Any economic setback now could hurt Clinton.

We can't predict this crisis or public opinion. Precisely because Americans dislike politics - and want less of it - they will gravitate toward anything that seems inevitable, says Kohut. If he were alive, Bryce would agree. Americans, he wrote, "are liable to swift and vehement outbursts of feeling."

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LETTERS

Put 'Enough is Enough' into action

The March 27 editorial, titled "After the revival meeting, real anti-drug work begins," was right on the mark. It was also great timing, for work has just begun on the alcohol and drug-free all-night graduation party for the Twin Falls High School Senior Class of 1998.

In the next few weeks, hundreds of our area businesses and parents will be asked to donate money, prizes and time to provide a safe celebration that reduces injury and deaths due to alcohol and drug use on graduation night.

As our generous community is asked again to give, we want to say thank you in advance to those who will be contributing and helping put words like "Enough is Enough" into action.

DEB ANNEST
DENISE TERASHI
Co-chairs of Grad-Night 1998
Twin Falls High School PTSO
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Believe, and you'll succeed

Until the time of Socrates, people had a one-sided view of the law of causality, or the law of cause and effect. They believed that there was a reason for everything, that after the unexpected happened, a cause could be found. Then Socrates proposed that a given cause must always be followed by given effect, or in other words, the effect or result could be determined in advance.

The political leaders of the time were so concerned about the "effect" this new way of thinking would have on the people that they had the great philosopher executed. "He of good cheer," he told his sorrowing friends, "and say that you are burying my body only."

Over time, the students of Socrates developed the law of causality into at least three more laws: 1. The law of belief, which we believe with emotion be-

comes our reality. 2. The law of expectations: what we expect with confidence becomes our self-fulfilling prophecy. 3. The law of correspondence: as within, so without. William James of Harvard explains that our outer-world is merely a reflection of our inner world; therefore we can change our outer world by changing our inner world.

Why are some people more successful than others? If we do the things other successful people have done, can we expect the same results?

According to Brian Tracy, many of our beliefs are based on "irrelevant" data accidentally programmed in." Mr. Tracy has proposed seven "keys of success":

1. Clear, written goals with deadlines.
2. A detailed plan of action with a listing of things to do.
3. An intense orientation: do what is hard and necessary instead of easy and fun.
- 4.

Creativity and imagination along with an attitude of infinite flexibility and adaptability. 5. A habit of continuous learning. 6. A positive mental attitude: concentrate on solutions, not problems. 7. Persistence and the courage to continue: 95 percent of all goals can be achieved if we don't quit.

Mr. Tracy concludes by saying that "discipline is the foundation of character. There are no limits except those which are self-imposed."

J.C. Penny once said, "Our creator endowed us with the ability to change ourselves. It is up to us to determine what our reality will be. We must never let our environment or other people's perception of us determine our reality."

KEVIN GLENN
Kimberly

Fast-food workers deserve courtesy

I have something to say in defense of

all the cashiers and fast-food workers out there.

We are not everyone's punching bag. We have families to care for, bills to pay, and too many responsibilities to get done in too little time, just like everyone else. Our jobs are for your convenience to purchase items, gas and anything else available to purchase.

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We may have low-paying jobs that demand a call for college degrees, but we serve courtesy and respect, just like you do, and for all of you who have been patient and kind. It does not go unnoticed or unappreciated. You make our jobs more fun.

Have a nice day,
RACHELE JOHNSON
Jerome

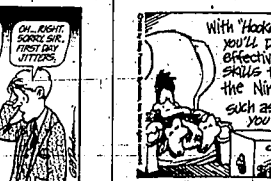
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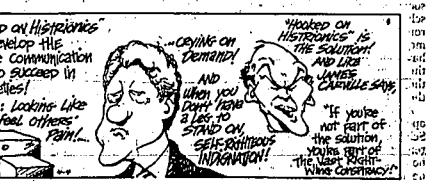
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OPINION

Join in on the complaining

Bicker, bicker, bicker. Idahoan vs. Californian. Anti-abortion vs. free choice. Sexual harassment and editorial slams—issues of the day. Makes me want to live in Idaho. **To Rachel Tucker, Twin Falls, ex-Californian:** Don't get upset by inter-talk. Idahoan is merely a brand name, not generic for human being, and some people have stuck-on, non-removable labels that read bigot. So, best just ignore 'em and carry on as you are a citizen of the world. **Tim Baker, Halloway, defender of unborn:** Does your definition of morality include abuse and neglect of millions of unwanted children? Small wonder there are so many loose cannons out there. Frankly, our legislators deserve to be insulted, so to all of them: Panderer wimp! It won't be long, if the wimps and pimps have their way, that they will be wearing chains. I can see it now: the 11th commandment: "Thou Shalt Have Babies" written into secular law.

To sexual harassment buff: If you seem men are damned if they do, damned if they don't. After 50 years of marriage, Dorothy Jean is threatening to sue me for sexual non-harassment. Why don't women wear ugly, baggy clothes to hide their assets instead of those eye bending IMagnins, and keep their hair rolled up in frizzes? Did you not study at the academy? Why would you? What is this woman trying to say? Don't harass me, or come up and see me sometime? Oh, I know, women look the way they do so they can get away with it. I'll be a bundle and take a winter spin in Bermuda with another dummy.

Come on, men, face it. Women are on the high side of cruffy. How with their coarse ladder style and all. They only allow us gullible males enough rope to hang ourselves, sniggering all the while behind their makeup. Wake up, men, smell the real lower, I don't mean Genieff.

To Hollywood, aka obscenity, guns and sex: This smut-palace oughta be nuked. Sometimes the smut gets so bad that even America make me yearn for a new life in some faraway place, like Katchemfucian, Alaska, where I can sit my weary butt down on some old Russian pylon and watch it rusted and mackerled, just fishing life away in a pelican costume.

BERT JAMES
Burley

Jerome vote hurts kids

Jerome County residents should hang their heads in shame, mainly the residents who voted no on the proposed new school and also the ones who didn't even vote at all. What is wrong with us? Not that we are letting the future of our children slip away but also the community's future. These kids that we are letting down by not passing this proposed bill will be the leaders of our town. They will be our policemen, our lawyers and teachers; they will be our chamber of commerce and our bankers. They will be our leaders and we need a good education. Do you want partially educated people running our community?

To "Partially educating the children in this community": Excuse what we are doing. We are suckers. These children don't just deserve an education, they deserve a good education. "An increase in our taxes is a small price to pay for a good education. You can't put a price on education. By trying to put a price on it, we are not being fair to the children whose future depends on us. Did someone put a price on your education? Chances are that no one did. So please don't start doing that now. These children deserve a fair hand at a good education.

There have been many suggestions as to how to solve the overcrowding problem without building a new school, i.e., year-round school. These kids will soon enough be graduated from school and have to work year round, and they deserve a summer break while they can still have one. We have to allow these children to be kids while they can and we have to give them the time to do that. Another suggestion was to reopen the old Washington School. It is not in the best of shape, it is not capable of holding the facilities that we need to deliver a good education that these kids deserve.

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Second, it is just simply not big enough to accommodate all of the students that would need to be moved there.

If in the future there is another school bond election, ask yourself if you care about your community and the children that live in it. If you answer is yes and you truly care, then you will vote yes. No more excuses, Jerome County residents, do the right and fair thing, vote "yes."

Jerome's future is in your hands.
DAVID LUPER
Jerome

Commissioner makes defense

To Bill Price: I am deeply upset at your March 23 letter attacking my integrity regarding past discussions involving Murtagh Ski and Murtagh Ski Association. I wish you had come to me with your concerns so that I could have given you my perspective. First, Twin Falls County has, on numerous occasions, thanked the Murtagh Ski Association for the countless hours and dollars that you have spent to make Dean's Cove a better place. We sincerely appreciate the fact that you care for this area so much. Why do we do this as donated labor and dollars, just like we view it in other parks in the county. We have had similar volunteers give of their dollars and labor at Genesial Park, Balanced Rock Park and Rock Creek Park.

Secondly, you refer to the meeting that you and I had in June to discuss an agreement. I don't recall that meeting. I drafted the agreement, which I did, and then present it to the Parks Board chairman and Commissioners Reed and Hempelman.

I am sorry that you took that draft agreement as an end to the process. As you may remember, the Parks Board had reservations about some details and decided that it would be best to first draft guidelines to be used with all future agreements. Apparently this has not happened as quickly as you may have thought, but it is final that the citizens on this advisory board be involved in the process.

Next, you mention that rather than discuss the agreement, I now deny any such agreement can take place. This is totally false. I have never made such a denial. I even supplied you with a copy of the agreement.

Finally, you know from past meetings with me that I am willing to meet with you anytime to discuss issues. However, I must look at things from a broad sense and do what is best for every resident as a whole. I am, again, sorry that you feel that I do not have the necessary integrity to bring your issues to a close. But I am willing to work to that end. Let us keep the emotion out of the problem resolution, and I believe that we can come to a conclusion of our differences.
COMMISSIONER DENNIS MCGILLI
Twin Falls

Blaine plan locks up land

After reading the article in the Sunday *Times-News* about rezoning the south end of the Wood River Valley, we feel we must make a few comments concerning the actions of the Blaine County Planning and Zoning.

A statement was made in the plan to change all A-10 and A-20 land to A-150. This would be an action of segregation and discrimination. These people want to maintain the beauty and scenery of the lower end of the valley while they contin-

ue to build and mess up the upper end; also these people want this accomplished at the expense of the landowners in the south end of the valley.

Until now, we have always understood that the landowner owned and controlled their land, but it seems that the only thing the landowner owns in Blaine County is the tax bill, and those with more money and influence own the rights.

We truly feel there are ways of controlling housing developments without locking up the south end of the valley.

We do hope that some other south-end landowners will read this and express their views in a letter to the editor.
BERNARD AND JEANNE SCOTT
Heyburn

City must not ignore petition

So somebody wrote Conway and gave him a gift certificate to visit Dr. Jack Kevorkian! Very foolish; however, it does show there is some very strong feeling regarding Conway in this town, and it is continuing to the point where the City Council should not ignore it.

When the petition was given to the City Council with 500 or more names against Conway, he and friends and relatives have persisted in painting him as a saint. So he continues on his inflated ego trip. They distort the facts and the meeting. None of us against Conway wanted no traffic control or unrealistic changes. We all realize we deserve tickets at times, but we don't like Conway's attitude. He wants respect but he does not act to earn it. He owes respect to us taxpayers and voters; all 500 petitioners did not feel we deserve respect from him or politeness. And complaining to Chief Dahl is a waste of time!

At the end of the meeting, Councilman Joe Skaug said, "My objection is that Conway is a public problem and it's not going to go away." And the Northside News chastised him for having said that! He was telling the truth in an unbiased way! Mayor Moore ended by saying the council would have to make a decision.

So far, I haven't heard of any decision. Except Conway is on night duty, I understand (probably with more pay). Apparently the council is ignoring the situation in hopes it will go away. And I hope they don't end up with egg on their faces or recall to be faced. After all, we voters will have the final say.

I am disappointed that some of the council members sat throughout the meeting giving the appearance of boredom and disinterest, making no comment whatever and have not since made any effort or comment to resolve the problem before the public. They said nothing, and Mr. Skaug was criticized for saying anything.

XENIA WILLIAMS
Jerome

Thanks to elk bill supporters
An open letter to the sports men and women of Idaho:
On March 24, Gov. Batt

signed into law HB 629, which increases deer and elk tag fees by \$6 this year and provides the basis for a comprehensive fee adjustment in 1999 allowing "the best public involvement effort the Idaho Department of Fish and Game has ever made."

HB 629 received a great deal of attention in both the House and the Senate. Senate debate of the bill took more than an hour and a half. There were many important messages in the Legislature's debates, to which we sometimes contentious, but the most powerful message I took away was how deeply Idahoans care about preserving our great wildlife legacy and what an important responsibility the commission and the department have in doing that.

On behalf of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission and the Department, I want to express my appreciation and thanks to those who supported the bill. As the sponsor, I want to express my respect for those who did not. I believe that the most important part of HB 629 is the mandate for the department to carry out an extensive public dialogue about the department's future and the future of our wildlife heritage.

I see the coming year and the public involvement process we will complete as a way for all to come together through constructive discussion to resolve differences about department operation and management. Our specific task is to identify "the comprehensive long-term needs of the department and appropriate funding methods." It is my sincere hope that everyone will have strong views about the department's future and concerns about the department's past and present management will become involved in this dialogue in a positive way so that all Idahoans, especially sports men and women, can help set direction for future programs and priorities. Within a few weeks, I'll be naming an advisory committee of sports men and women and other interested parties to help us outline our public involvement process.

I'm looking forward to this coming year and the great opportunity it presents to all of us to work together harmoniously to define the department's future. If we do it well, perhaps we can make the job for our elected representative easier next year and create a stronger unity of Idahoans committed to preserving, protecting and perpetuating Idaho's wildlife.
STEPHEN F. MEALEY
Director
Boise

Sandy takes job seriously

Early in March, you published an editorial criticizing state Sen. John Sandy for being unavailable to his constituents. My experience as a member of Wendell School District's Safe and Drug-Free Schools and State Tobacco Funds grant-writing committee has been just the opposite.

Last June, we were preparing our grant application for State Tobacco Funds. We wanted to try a new approach to curbing drug abuse in our dis-

trict, but the narrow requirements restricted school districts to old ideas which weren't working.

We called John Sandy at his listed Hagerman number. He was outside working on his farm, but called us back almost immediately. He listened to our ideas, asked intelligent questions and agreed to help us. The following day, he met with state officials to discuss issues concerning State Tobacco Funds.

Our plan was subsequently approved. We are grateful for the help from John Sandy, who seems to take his responsibilities as state senator seriously.
KATHRYN M. COOPER
Wendell

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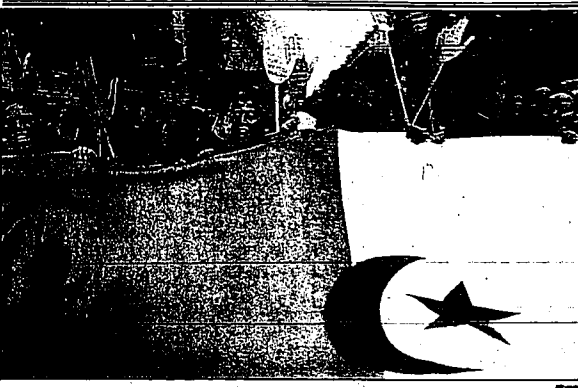
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Demonstrators hold a giant Algerian flag and carry cardboard bands reading 'Peace for our path in Algeria' as they march to demand an end to the violence in Algeria in Paris on Saturday. Similar demonstrations gathered thousands of people throughout France.

Algerian forces kill Islamic militants

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — An army-led operation against armed Muslim groups in western Algeria has left more than 200 Islamic militants dead in the last 12 days, a pro-government newspaper reported Saturday.

The offensive, backed by air force helicopters, has dealt "serious blows" to the groups, the daily El Moudjahid said.

The newspaper did not say whether the government security forces suffered any losses, or whether the operation led to the arrest of any alleged Islamic activists.

Government offensives against the militants are rarely reported, but the most recent one was among the largest of those that have been.

Similar operations in the past

have failed to quell an Islamic insurgency that has ravaged Algeria since 1992. The violence, which has killed 75,000 people, began after the government canceled parliamentary elections that the now-banned Islamic Salvation Front was poised to win.

International human rights groups as well as the United Nations have called for an independent inquiry into the violence, but so far the Algerian government has refused, saying such an investigation would amount to interference in the country's domestic affairs.

El Moudjahid reported that the recent operation is continuing in the regions of Mascara, Relizane,

Saida, Tiaret and Tlemcen. Meanwhile, the daily Liberte reported Saturday that two bomb attacks east of the capital, Algiers, on Thursday and Friday killed two people and wounded nine others.

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Rain sets off landslide in Iran; 60 feared dead

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — All 60 residents of a remote Iranian village were feared dead Saturday after torrential rain set off a landslide that blanketed the town.

A helicopter rescue team that made it to the area Saturday was unable to find the village of Akhmarneh. Relief officials said they feared it may have been completely covered by mud on Wednesday.

The helicopter could not spend much time searching because of strong winds, which earlier forced several other helicopters to turn back before making it to the area. Heavy rains have turned roads into mud and relief workers traveling by foot to Akhmarneh called off their efforts at nightfall.

officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity. "The guess is that there are no survivors in the village," said Nourallah Mousavi, an aide to the governor of Chahmahal-va-

Bakhtiari province. Iranian television said the landslide occurred Wednesday but government officials learned about it Friday. Relief efforts began Saturday.

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Methane explosion kills 31 people in Ukrainian mine

KIEV/ Ukraine (AP) — A methane gas explosion and fire tore through a deep Ukrainian coal mine Saturday, killing at least 31 miners and injuring 48 others, emergency officials said.

At least 30 miners were missing, and the death toll was expected to rise, said Mykola Neshko, a spokesman for the Donetsk region Emergency Ministry.

Neshko said it was Ukraine's worst coal mine accident since the country gained independence from the Soviet Union in 1991.

The blast occurred at a depth of more than 3,600 feet in the Skachinko mine in the eastern Ukrainian city of Donetsk, said Ivan Dunayev, a spokesman for Ukraine's Emergency Ministry. There were 269 miners at work at the time, Dunayev said.

"Unfortunately, we expect more victims because the explosion was followed by a fire," he said.

Neshko said 43 miners had been hospitalized and another

five were seriously injured but still inside the mine. Twenty-nine bodies had been recovered by Saturday evening.

Television broadcast footage of rescues giving oxygen to injured miners on stretchers, all coated thickly with black coal dust. Lines of yellow ambulances waited to take them to nearby hospitals.

The Skachinko mine, about 400 miles southeast of Kiev, was also the site of independent Ukraine's worst previous coal accident. Seventeen people — six miners and 11 rescue workers — died in a methane gas explosion in Aug. 1992.

Vice Premier Mykola Bilobitskiy called for a national day of mourning on Monday.

Emergency officials said they had not determined what caused Saturday's blast.

Accidents have become endemic in the Ukrainian coal industry, part of an overall pattern of post-Soviet deterioration.

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Acting minister promises wage payment

MOSCOW (AP) — Acting Prime Minister Sergei Kiriyenko said Saturday that the government has found money to begin paying back wages owed to workers.

Kiriyenko, presiding over a meeting with regional and union leaders, said cash transfers could begin as early as Monday — before nationwide labor protests planned for Thursday, the ITAR-Tass news agency said.

"Reasons that make people take to streets and join in the protest action are understandable, and the situation where people conscientiously work and do not get paid honestly earned money is humiliating," Kiriyenko was quoted as saying.

Most of the wages are owed by regional governments, but the federal government has offered to loan them money covering up to 50 percent of what they need.

Kiriyenko, who was chosen by President Boris Yeltsin two weeks ago to head a new government, said that although the federal government owed only a small proportion of unpaid wages, that "does not abolish the responsibility of federal power." Millions of state workers have not been paid for months.

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School rules Butthead and Beavis were right

Author Robert Fulghum has sold 4 million copies of a book titled, "All I Ever Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten." I must respectfully disagree.

Seems to me that the true crucible of life is junior high school (or middle school for those of you who insisted upon hanging out with sixth-graders). Tilt benches that junior high correctly predicts adult behavior in 14 cases out of 15.

Imagine, if you will, Bill Clinton as an eighth-grader at Hot Springs Junior High School in Arkansas in 1960. What do you suppose he was talking about in the locker room, anyway?

Junior high is the collision zone between the adolescent ego and the vice principal. It's the last point in life when "no" means "what time's the party?"

And it's not really the kids' fault. If an adult had to deal with the same level of raging hormones as their nine- or tenth-grade child, he or she would behave like Tickle Me Elmo hooked up to a car battery.

What you really learn in junior high is how to survive on the edge of unimaginable calamities - nerdery, acne, rejection and cheating the seventh grade. The 50-cent word for all that is puberty, and puberty is hell.

Puberty is waking up every morning and wondering whether you'll be able to get out the door before Mom thrusts a Buzz Lightyear lunch box into your hand. It's the fear that the news that you're going to ask Amanda Digglebeed will get to Amanda before you do.

And if she says yes, it's dread that your parents will drive you to the mall and wait outside in a police protector at 15 and 17. That's a lot of stress; it does things to a kid.

1. Nerds tend to overcompensate. Show me a kid with a pocket protector at 15 and I'll show you a man with a bad toupee at 50.

2. Skaters cop an attitude that, while cool at 12, loses its considerable charm by age 14. You can't be your brother-in-law was a skater; your neighbor, Ernie, who drives a 280Z with mud flaps, certainly was.

3. Cowboys buy ever tighter Wranglers and smaller boots, and they turn into grown-ups who can't stand up without leaning on a pickup.

4. Free spirits at 14 repent by 21. Scratch a middle-aged accountant, and you'll find a kid who read "Catcher in the Rye" under the covers.

5. Scholars fall into two groups: The A-minuses are destined for professional schools, the Rotary Club and Republican precinct committees. The A-pluses go on to liberal-arts colleges, major in either art history or gender studies, and wind up selling insurance.

6. Swingers end up with two kids by 21, five grandchildren by age 40 and a scrupulous puritanical streak: "I want you home by 7!"

7. Jocks at 15 grow up to buy satellite dishes, eat an incandescent amount of snack food and talk a lot about obscure junior varsity games by age 45.

8. Saints - and by that I mean morally upright Mormons and non-Mormons - grow up to raise children who act just like they once did. And the scary part is that they look just like their parents, too.

9. Slackers live in their folks' homes until Mom and Dad sell the house and buy an RV. The youngsters' lives invariably come to focus after they discover that - after taxes - \$5.25 an hour won't cover even one large bag of Cheesies.

10. Wallflowers grow up, marry someone even quieter than themselves and get stuck in a lot of PTA committees.

11. Politicians never get elected to anything after they get out of school, but they do sell a lot of Amway products.

12. Class clowns grow into the principal's office - become interested in office supplies and are destined to deal paper clips in bulk at Price Club.

13. Teacher's pets, ostracized by their peers, ultimately find redemption either in stand-up comedy or in the U.S. Congress.

14. Bullies, having administered hundreds of wedgies, usually become Monster Truck repairmen or become a whole new generation.

15. As far as I can tell, the only kids who never change are the smokers, who merely swap the junior high for the workplace. You can still find them hanging out behind the building, trying to fish their Zippos out of a snowdrift.

Times-News features editor Steve Crump, whose teachers once hoped he had a bright future in the exciting field of lobster repair, turned out to be a journalist instead.



U.S. Rep. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, left, inspects a call during a tour of Idaho's new Juvenile Detention Center on Saturday. The center's director, Paul Frick, conducted the tour to show Crapo some of the ways federal money has been used for juvenile corrections in Twin Falls County.

CRAPO TOURS CENTER

Lawmaker pledges to make federal funding easier to get

By William Brock
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The wheels of juvenile corrections sometimes squeak as they turn, and Congressman Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, spent part of Saturday learning where to aim the grease gun. Crapo toured the Snake River Juvenile Detention Center and told his staff that he wants to make federal money easier to obtain.

"One of the things we deal with in Washington is how to use federal resources," Crapo said. "We need to be flexible with these resources."

"Definitely," Frick replied. Crapo, who is running for the U.S. Senate seat occupied by Dirk

Kempthorne, said The Times-News that "we don't want to micromanage, but provide the necessary support."

After the tour, Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections Director Brent

"People in Idaho don't like federal dollars because they don't like all the strings attached."

— Brent Reinke, director of Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections

Reinke said some of county leaders often shy away from using federal money.

"People in Idaho don't like federal dollars because they don't like all the

strings attached," Reinke said. More money never hurts, Frick conceded, but the real need is for people who care enough to volunteer their time and talents.

Operating a juvenile detention center is difficult, he told Crapo, because the kids who pass through rarely have problems that fit into a single, neatly defined category. Instead, many of the center's residents are beset by a tangle of problems - often involving drug abuse, domestic violence and mental illnesses.

"It's not nice and neat," Frick said. Dozens of pairs of eyes followed Crapo and Frick as they strolled through the building. The eyes belonged to kids who were locked in their rooms; some

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Public can see plans for Jerome's downtown

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The proposed new-and-improved look for downtown Jerome will be on display for public scrutiny Monday evening.

The public is invited to talk to Idaho Transportation Department representatives, city government representatives, city employees, consulting engineers and affected downtown property owners. Representatives can look at maps of the area and design elements of the proposed improvements. Questions and comments are invited.

Improving the safety, attractiveness and function of the downtown business area has been discussed informally for years, said Mike Pepper, Local Improvement District coordinator. The Jerome Downtown Improvement Committee was formed early in 1996.

The City Council hired Pepper as project coordinator in April 1997. The project has gained momentum since Pepper came on board to usher it through government regulations and other hurdles and keep downtown business owners informed.

Pepper said the public hearing is a requirement of the ITD process for grants. Dale Riedesel Engineers, the lead project engineer, is hosting the hearing.

Aaron Wert of Dale Riedesel Engineers said the project includes construction along Main Street from Birch Street to Buchanan Street, and on Lincoln Street from Avenue B to Second Avenue. South Lincoln is part of state Highway 75, and Main is part of state Highway 29.

Work to the area will include: street leveling, resurfacing and widening; a new traffic signal at Main and Lincoln with a designated left-turn

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Minidoka eyes reading to help students

New programs boast litany of successes

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Since the beginning of the school year, 8-year-old Brian Christiansen has bettered his reading ability by almost two full grades.

His classroom Shelby Coats has read more than 200 books in the same few months.

Kindergartner Emily Caywood is reading at a fifth-grade level.

Ninth-grader A.J. Tinner, who never liked to read and really couldn't very well, now carries a novel around with him at school. He reads for fun almost every night.

They're all students at Minidoka County schools - in a district that has been struggling with low test scores, student enrollment drops and giving children a better education.

With the help of a few exciting programs and a lot of excited teachers and principals, it is starting to do just that.

"We've really got some things s-bopping over here to improve our situation," said the district's operations head, Lew Roberts.

The AR discovery

One of the most noticeable is Accelerated Reader.

The program was adopted first at Heyburn Elementary in 1996. Principal Greg Lowe and the teachers and staff there had put together a program called "Reader's Mission," which provided incentives for students to read. The problem was, Lowe said, that they couldn't really tell whether it was working.

"He started looking at other schools in the state, trying to discover which reading programs worked, and why. That's when he found "AR" at a school in



Minidoka Elementary School student Brian Christiansen has had a recent onslaught at the school. The Accelerated Reader program has helped make these literacy goals a common sight at Minidoka, and Nelson loves it.

Minidoka, and he was sold as soon as he saw it in action.

"Not only does it build their reading level - something - but it builds their math scores as well," he said.

The program is simple: Give students books they can read, and will like. Test them about what they've read. Give them incentives to read more.

Every book in the library is marked by its reading level. Computer systems in the schools give the

teachers - one each for thousands of books - and keep track of each student's progress. AR allows individual students to keep track. Lowe said, and provides constant assessment.

"At the same time," he added,

"they're reading the best literature we've got."

Incentives and excitement

Lowe had to speak loudly as he explained the program's success at Heyburn. He was at the bowling alley with six boisterous students who each have scored more than 100 points in the AR program.

The bowling excursion followed a lunch at the A&W and six frosty mugs of root beer. The trip is just one of the many incentives Lowe wholeheartedly believes in.

"Hard work brings success," he said. "When we work hard on something, we deserve a reward."

Lowe peppers the school year with bonus opportunities. During National Book Week, he challenged each of the

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School wants reading programs to help older kids, test scores

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Reading programs' successes at a couple of Minidoka County elementary schools are exciting news for the rest of the district.

Junior and senior high teachers can look forward to the coming classes of students who love to read.

But today's teen-agers finished grade school too soon, and a good number of Minidoka County students have trouble keeping up in their classes and end up getting frustrated. They score low, act up and many eventually drop out.

At the Minidoka Junior High, a couple of English teachers decided they needed to do something about it. Dianne Payne and Dana Gunnell pieced together a few reading programs from around the nation and created an afternoon class that brings up to 20 students at a time up to their appropriate reading levels.

The two teach the course together, giving each student much more individual help than ever before. It was a risky step putting two certified teachers in one classroom, but Principal David Borden said it was worth it - adding that any time parents call and thank you, you must be doing a good thing.

"The teachers thought of it," he said. "That's how things get done. Somebody sees the need for something."

The course breaks down the reading process to its fundamentals, the teachers said last week. Their cooperation shows - they practically finish each other's sentences.

"These kids didn't learn long vowels and short vowels," Payne said. "We bring in the phonics and the

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OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays or Ext. 282 between 2 and 5 p.m. Saturdays. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



Mary M. Plumlee Feil

Mary Marlene Plumlee Feil, 66-year-old Twin Falls resident and former resident of... Mary was born March 11, 1922, in White Swan, Wash., the daughter of Floyd L. and Leona Orlina Plumlee...

Lundgren

The funeral for Edmund Barker will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 3, 1990, at the Jerome 2nd Ward LDS Chapel on North Lincoln by Bishop Garth...

God saw you were getting tired So he put his arms around you And whispered 'Come To Me'...

We saw you pass away Although we loved you dearly, We could not make you stay. A golden hour stopped beating, Hardworking hands at rest. So broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

KETCHUM

Joanne S. Doering

Joanne S. 'Anna' Doering, 102, longtime resident of Ketchum, died Thursday, April 2, 1990, at her home. She was born Nov. 17, 1895, at Sullivan Hot Springs near Clayton, Idaho...

BUHL

Genny Lee Popplewell

Genny Lee Popplewell, 47, of Buhl, passed away Friday, April 3, 1990, at her home. She was born May 30, 1950, in Twin Falls, to Lee and Geneva Popplewell...

Kimberly

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, 1990, at the Buhl Methodist Church in Buhl. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, April 6, 1990, at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl...

WENDELL

Darwin Lee Clark

Darwin Lee Clark, 52, of Wendell, passed away at his home, Thursday evening, April 2, 1990, after a long battle with multiple illnesses. He was born March 10, 1946, in Burley, to Raymond Aubrey and Kadellia Dietrich Thomas...

John C. Thomas

John C. Thomas, 86, of Kimberly, died Friday, April 3, 1990, at home with his family. He was born May 2, 1911, in Collier, Kan., to Harry Monroe and Kadellia Dietrich Thomas. He was one of seven children. At the age of 13, he left home. John was 21 when he met Violet Grant, the love of his life. John and Violet were married in Sharon Springs, Kan., on Sept. 5, 1932...

Edmund Smith Barker

Edmund Smith Barker, 55, of Jerome, died Wednesday, April 1, 1990, at Mesa, Ariz., following a sudden illness. He was born April 3, 1942, at Jerome, the son of Arto O. and Emma Smith Barker. The family moved to Oakley, where he was reared and educated. He then attended Brigham Young University until he was called on an LDS Mission to the Central Atlantic states in November of 1963. He married Penelope Mary Warren in the London, England, LDS Temple on March 18, 1968...

Survivors include his wife, Penelope of Twin Falls; and six children: Alexander (Joseph) Laura (Christopher) Greaves, Valorie Barker, both of Provo, Utah; David Barker of Durham, N.C.; James and Joel Barker, both of Twin Falls. Also surviving are two sisters, Doris Barker of Mesa, Ariz., and Cheryl Barker of Westcliffe, Mo., and one grandson, Daniel...

SERVICES

Mary Marlene Plumlee Feil of Twin Falls and formerly of Rupert, 11 a.m. today at the Rupert First Christian Church. Friends may call one hour before the service today at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel.

John C. Thomas of Kimberly, 1 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls; friends may call one hour before the service today at the funeral chapel.

Winona Wilcox Rosa of Paul, 11 a.m. today at the Grace Christian Center, 100 N. Meridian Road in Rupert; friends may call one hour before the funeral today at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Edna Smith Barker of Jerome, 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Jerome 2nd Ward LDS Chapel on North Lincoln; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel and one hour before the service Tuesday at the church.

Darwin Lee Clark of Wendell, 11 a.m. today at the Buhl LDS 1st Ward building on Main Street; friends may call from 10 to 11 a.m. before the service at 11 a.m.

Genny Lee Popplewell of Buhl, 2 p.m. Tuesday at the United Methodist Church in Buhl; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

See Witherspoon of Heyburn, memorial service at 11 a.m. April 18 at Payne Memorial Chapel in Burley; graveside memorial service at 1 p.m. April 19 at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

- DEATH NOTICE -

Rob Hackett TWIN FALLS - Rob Hackett, 36, of Twin Falls, died Friday, April 3, 1990, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

HOSPITALS

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Some names are omitted as patients' request. Admitted Betty Clough of Twin Falls.

Released Patricia Olson of Filer.

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Admitted William Barkhill of Burley; Gerald Erickson of Albion; and Thomas Waldron of Mountain Home.

Released Ina Marie Moffitt and Alexandria Rangel, both of Heyburn; Ellen Holmes of Burley; Noel England of Rupert; Ellen Livingston of Malin; Bernice Fries of Declo; and David Dooley of Greenville, Texas.

Twin Falls police seek fugitive teen-ager

The Teton News - Local law officers were on the lookout Saturday for an escapee from Magic Hot Springs Youth Camp. Ian Higgins, 17, from Plummer is listed as an escapee, according to the Twin Falls Police Department. Plummer got away from authorities around noon Friday, when he was in Twin Falls to get an X-ray on his finger. Higgins was in custody on burglary charges and had been at Magic Hot Springs Youth Camp, near the Nevada state line, since Feb. 2. He is described as 6 feet tall, with brown hair and brown eyes. He was last seen wearing blue jeans, a brown coat and a baseball hat. Anyone with information about Higgins can call 733-1911. Escapes from Magic Hot Springs Youth Camp - In December - which weren't its first - prompted a review of Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department policies about escapes from the center.

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Twin Falls girl stabilizes after being hit by truck

The Teton News - A 13-year-old Twin Falls girl was in stable condition Saturday after being hit by a small pickup truck Friday afternoon.

Laura Lorena Larocome Todd was hit while walking across U.S. Highway 30 about a mile east of Buhl. She suffered head injuries in the accident and was taken to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The driver of the truck wasn't speeding, and he won't be cited for the accident, said the Idaho State Police.



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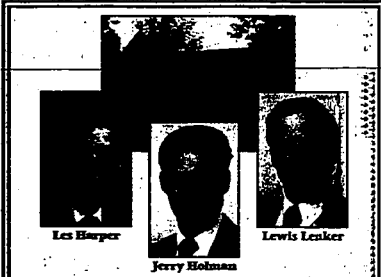
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Hailey agenda includes approvals

The Teton News - HAILEY - Preliminary plat approval for a 10-unit townhome project on Woodside Boulevard and preliminary development approval for the Fox Moor Subdivision highlight the Hailey City Council's April 13 agenda. The meeting locks off at 6 p.m. and is open to the public. In other business, the council will consider adoption of the 1997 Uniform Fire Code and urban wildlife interface code. An ordinance for sale of alternative school property also is on the agenda.

He is survived by his wife, Diana; four children and spouses; nine grandchildren; and eight brothers and sisters. Sylvan (Georgia) Clark of Hagerman, Don (Barbara) Clark, Glen (LaDawn) Clark, Joe (Janice) Clark, Vaudis Hawkins and Ruby (Frisco) Clark, all of Buhl, Nile (Pat) Clark and Doreno Clark of Boise; many nieces, nephews and extended family; and many, many more wonderful friends whom he loved dearly. He was preceded in death by his beloved daughter, Leslie; his wonderful parents; older brother, Clinton; and some nieces and nephews. His strong will, humorous attitude, pleasant personality and outgoing warmth will be greatly missed by many. We love you, Dad!

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 6, 1990, at the Buhl LDS 1st Ward building on North Lincoln in Buhl. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, April 5, 1990, at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl and from 10 to 11 a.m. before the service at the Buhl LDS 1st Ward building. Instead of flowers, memorials may be made to the Darwin Lee Clark Memorial Trust in care of First Federal Savings in Buhl.



Les Harper Jerry Holzman Lewis Lenker

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Loans launch teen farmers

By Kurt Frieledmann
Times-News writer

BURLEY — When Annette Bedke was a teen-ager, she made enough money in agriculture to consider buying a house of her own.

Now 23, she lives in Pasco, Wash., and doesn't work with cattle much anymore. But she hopes to start again sometime.

Her passion for agriculture started when she was 16 and applied for her first youth loan from the Federal Farm Service Agency. She used it to buy heifers out of Des Moines, Iowa.

Bedke realized that to be milk cows on her parent's feed lot in Oakley.

"It was a lot of hard work," she said. "But that's what I loved."

That first loan started Bedke on a path that led to a career in agriculture. She graduated to regular bank loans when she was 18.

For Bedke and for other aspiring farmers, FSA was a head start toward an agriculture career.

"Getting a loan from FSA is not easy. There is a ton of red tape to wade through, said Bonnie Fenion, and FSA agriculture credit officer in Rupert.

"This is meant to be a learning process," she said. "The kids that come in have to fill out the same paperwork that any other farmer would have to."



Steve Smith plants grain for another farmer near Paul. As a teen-ager, Smith borrowed money through the Farm Service Agency to finance his fledgling agricultural projects.

The aspiring farmer must fill out an application and a budget of expected income and expenses. A co-signer is not required, Fenion says, but loan hopefuls must have an adviser's signature and permission from their parents.

"We will loan up to \$5,000," she said. "But it depends on the project. We only loan as much as they need and the funds are put into a supervised bank account."

Fenion estimated that of those who were approved for loans, about 99 percent of them paid them back.

"The program, which also lends to farmers, has run out of money in Idaho for the current fiscal year. The agency is awaiting word on whether Congress will approve additional money requested by the secretary of agriculture or behalf of FSA, accord to Michele Proctor, a U.S. Department of Agriculture legislative analyst in Washington, D.C.

Steve Smith was also part of FSA's program to help youth in agriculture. He started with a \$1,400 loan when he was a high school freshman.

Smith raised sweet corn, some sugar beets and a few acres of beans. The next year he borrowed \$5,000 and bought a few dairy cows.

He earned enough to buy a truck of his own.

Smith said the loans he got from FSA helped cement his love for agriculture.

"You just do it step by step," he said. "I kind of always thought I'd be a farmer. This just helped me do it."

Reading

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School's 21 classes to read a certain number of books. All 21 made it, and Lowe had to play 21 quarters of basketball — one against a team from each class.

And he kissed a girl at half-time.

Heyburn holds pizza parties and gives away cotton candy. The school's hallways have been transformed into a miniature golf course. All to get students to read.

For many, it works terrifically. Little Emily Caywood can barely get the lightest bowling ball at Bonanza, so to rest the pinsetter with bumpers in the gutters. But when asked by a psychologist to sound out the written word pneumonia, Lowe said, she smiled, "I have to know that's a silent 'y'."

She held her own Friday with the five older boys. During a short break, she had trouble pinning down her favorite book to read first one. She mentioned the Boxcar Children series, "Secret Castle" and "Henry Huggins" — her mom read it to her once.

"I like 'The Frog Prince,'" she

continued. "I like Berenstain Bear."

"And my favorite basketball team is the Jazz," she added, for good measure.

Awesome progress

In the mornings between 8:30 and 9, the halls at Memorial Elementary School teem with students. Every one of them is carrying a book.

The half-hour is devoted to reading. Students sit on big pillows and read, walk down to the library for more books and head over to the new computer lab to take the AR tests.

More than 700 children there are participating, said librarian Linda Nelson, essentially every first- and second-grader and a good number of kindergartners. Collectively, they've read 13,000 books since October.

"We've ordered new books all year," Nelson said. "We've constantly been ordering books."

The library also periodically has checked out 600-700 books each month, Nelson said. This year, the average is more than 2,500.

"You see kids all the time now

with books in their hands," she said. "Even when they're supposed to be doing something else."

That's a by-product that first-grade teacher Candace Jones can live with.

"These first-graders are getting so into it," she said. "I have some kids taking five tests a day and that's awesome. Awesome."

The program helps students at both ends of the learning spectrum. Second-grade teacher Jana Thompson saw a young girl who barely spoke English, let alone read it, improve dramatically before she moved away with her family.

Several students such as Brian Christiansen have jumped more than a grade level. Meanwhile other, more advanced, readers such as second-grader Shelby Coats — are rewarded for satisfying their voracious reading appetites. His 219th book was "My Father's Dragon," rated at grade 6.9.

Gregory Hahn is the Times-News' Mini-Cassia bureau chief and can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

Crapo

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were friendly and curious, others were snide and mistrustful.

"Though it looks brand-new, the secure wing of the detention center is filled to the rafters these days. On Saturday, 27 kids were confined in a space designed for 23; four must sleep on mattresses on the floor.

The average stay at the Snake River Detention Center is two weeks.

"Frick said he and his staff do their best to reward good behavior and try to keep punishment to a minimum. Good deeds are repaid with snacks and extra liberties, he said, explaining that

the deeper goal is to teach personal responsibility and cooperation.

"I can have them stand on their head for 24 hours a day, but that isn't going to carry over when they leave here," Frick told Crapo. "What changes behavior is not punishment, but a relationship."

Rather than estranging them, guiding youthful offenders back toward righteousness is the district's goal for rehabilitation, Frick said.

Toward that end, he said, the center does not employ any outside jailhouse help. Instead, the center's residents are invited to apply for the \$1-an-hour jobs —

and can be fired if they perform poorly.

Detention center residents also attend school without leaving the building. The sessions are taught in classrooms like rooms in a normal school — right down to the multiplication tables tacked on the walls.

All pencils are collected at the end of every session — to prevent snatching, Frick explained — but high achievers are honored with "Student of the Week" certificates prominently posted near the doorways.

Times-News staff writer William Brock can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 264.

Help

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sighted words," Gunnell added. "Some of them have increased two or three grade levels."

The program has brought more than 100 students up to speed, they said. But more than that, it has given them a gift many take for granted.

"We just had one leave," Gunnell said. "He didn't like to read. Now he carries a book around."

The book, A.J. Tamez explained, is World War II novel "On Deadly Ground." It's part of a series.

Besides the new hobby, Tamez's time with Payne and Gunnell has boosted his performance in every class.

Before, he just didn't want to read. Time for science or math assignment is easy.

"It helped me a lot," he said. Borden quotes a study that shows at-school reading has steady parity content since 1900. But reading at home has dropped dramatically.

"Now there's so many things to do," he said.

In a typical evening, Tamez spends some time with homework, tries to get outside for a while and usually watches some television. But he almost always reads time for reading, he said. Something his mother — a native Spanish-speaker who never learned to read English enough to enjoy it — and his father are excited about.

"He's always bought me some books," Tamez said of his father.

it's too soon to tell. But Heyburn Elementary Principal Greg Lowe said Heyburn's three years with the AR program bode well.

In 1995, the school's core test scores ranked in the 38th percentile nationally. After one year of the program, they jumped to the 45th. Last fall, the move con-

'This has just sparked something fun in us.'

— Dana Gunnell, English teacher

tinued to the 46th — just four percentile points below the national average. In reading comprehension, he said, the students scored at the 50th percentile. One more point, and they reach Lowe's goal.

"We'll at least do that," he said, "and never go below that once we get there."

The promised success is something the district is banking on. Thousands of dollars will be

spent over the next few years on similar programs throughout the county, said the district's operations head, Lew Roberts. A good portion of that will be paid with grants.

The district expects to see improvements in everything from test scores to discipline.

"That's the spill-off when you start reading better," Roberts said.

And if those programs start to need help, there should be teachers ready to make those changes.

"This has just sparked something fun in us," Gunnell gushed, as 18 junior high students read quietly behind her.

"It is so rewarding," Payne quickly added.

"A lot of people say it's a disability if you don't read," Gunnell said. "I don't like to call it that. If you can't learn one way, you try another."

Gregory Hahn is the Times-News' Mini-Cassia bureau chief and can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

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Regular services will be:
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at 11:00 A.M.
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Worship
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910 Shoshone St. E.
733-2936

Valley Christian Church
Welcomes You!
April 9th - 6 PM
Maundy Thursday
Communion
April 12th - 11 AM
Easter Celebration
Valley Christian Church
1708 Heyburn Ave.
733-3222

Thursday, April 9, 1998
7:00pm Maundy Thursday
Communion Service
Easter Sunday, April 12, 1998
7:00am Sunrise Service in church
sanctuary with message by
Pastor Andrew Boettcher - "It's
Not Over"
8:00am Youth Fund Raising
Breakfast
9:45am Sunday School for all ages
11:00am Worship Service including
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Friday, April 10, 1998, 7:00 PM - Joint GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
with Christ Episcopal Church and Shoshone United Methodist
Church
Sunday, April 12, 1998, 7:00 AM - EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE
on our new property just south of town. Look for the balloons
to lead you to worship! Bring a lawn chair! In case of extreme
inclement weather, this service will be held at Christ Episcopal
Church.
Sunday, April 12, 1998, 10:30 AM - FESTIVE EASTER WORSHIP
with Holy Communion.
We worship at Christ Episcopal Church, Hwy. 93 & West B Street, Shoshone.
Rev. Fred E. Westerhold, Pastor. 886-7000

Rupert First Christian Church
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Easter Services
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship - 10:45 a.m. (including a
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BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH
175-2nd Ave. - W. - Wendell
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April 12th
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I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE. John 11:25

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Sunday, April 5: Easter Musical by the Adult Choir
Thursday, April 9: Maundy Thursday Fellowship and Service
7:00 pm
Please make reservations through the church office
Sunday, April 12: Sunrise Service in the Rose Garden across
from church 8:00 a.m.
Sunday, April 12: Easter Breakfast 8:30 a.m.
Please call for more details: 733-2936
Sunday, April 12: Sunday School for all Ages 9:30 a.m.
Sunday, April 12: Worship Service 10:50 a.m.

Gooding First Christian Church
334 4th Ave W., Gooding • 934-4542
Pastor Andy Morris
April 10th - Good Friday
Service - 7:00 P.M.
April 12th - Easter Sunday
Worship Service -
8:30 A.M. & 10:55 A.M.
Bible School for all ages
- 9:45 A.M.

Community Christian Church
303 Grandview Drive, South, Twin Falls
Robert Adams, Pastor 733-2886
Easter Sunday, April 12, 10:30 am - Worship Service
Celebrating the resurrection of our Lord!
Regular Services:
Sunday Bible School - 9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service - 10:30 am
Wednesday Night Out - meal, 5:30-6:30 pm
Study & Activity Groups for all ages, 7-8 pm;
Kids Choir; call for information
"In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, love"

April 5 - Palm Sunday
"We Wept When We
Remembered Zion"
10:00 AM - Christian Education
11:00 AM - Rejoice!

April 7 - Prayer Gathering,
9:30 AM
April 8 - Rally Nite - 7:30 PM
Guest Speaker - Pastor Jay Greenwall,
Grace Christian Center, Rupert

April 9 - Prayer Gathering,
12:00 (noon)
April 10 - "In Remembrance
of Him" - 6:00 PM
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HAPPY EASTER
From
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St. Peter's, Shoshone
St. Anthony's, Wendell
Holy Thursday, April 9th:
6:00 pm St. Anthony's, Wendell
7:00 pm St. Peter's, Shoshone
7:30 pm St. Elizabeth's, Gooding
Good Friday, April 10th:
6:30 pm St. Elizabeth's, Gooding
English
7:00 pm St. Anthony's, Wendell
7:00 pm St. Peter's, Shoshone
8:00 pm St. Elizabeth's, Gooding
Spanish
Easter Vigil, April 11th:
6:00 pm St. Peter's, Shoshone
7:00 pm St. Anthony's, Wendell
8:30 pm St. Elizabeth's, Gooding
Easter Sunday, April 12th:
8:30 am St. Peter's, Shoshone
10:00 am St. Elizabeth's,
Gooding
English
11:30 am St. Anthony's, Wendell
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Spanish
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Sun - April 12 - 10 a.m.
All Music - Don Jester - Dale Finley -
Dancers of the Sunday School
Special Coffee Fellowship
Dear Dale Metzger - Preaching on
"First Rock from the Son"
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**St. Jerome's
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216 2nd Ave. E., Jerome
324-8794
Holy Week and Easter Celebration
Semana Santa y Pascua
Holy Thursday, April 9, 1998
7:00 pm (Eng)
8:30 pm (Span)
Our Lord's Passion
Easter Sunday, April 12, 1998
Domingo de Pascua
Sun - April 12
9:30 a.m. Mass (Eng)
12:00 p.m. Misa (Span)
The Parish of St. Jerome's welcomes everyone to be with
us as we celebrate the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord.
Si usted desea celebrar con nosotros la Resurrección del Señor!

**Celebrate The
Risen Christ**
HOLY WEEK
Holy Thursday, April 9, 1998
Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass until 11 p.m.
Good Friday, April 10, 1998
Stations of the Cross - 12:10 p.m. & 3 p.m.
Processions - After Stations
Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 7:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday, April 11, 1998
Solemn Paschal Vigil - 8:00 p.m.
Celebration after Mass in the Parish Hall to welcome
new members into our Catholic Family.
NO 6:00 P.M. MASS
Easter Sunday, April 12, 1998
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
NO 4:00 P.M. MASS
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April 12, 1998
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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES OF THE MAGIC VALLEY
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Celebrating the Risen Christ
Easter Sunday, April 12
Breakfast • 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.
Children's Egg Hunt • 9:30 a.m.
Easter Worship • 10:00 a.m.
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Maundy, Thursday, April 9
Soup Dinner • 6:00 p.m.
Worship and Communion • 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 12
Pancake Breakfast • 8:30 a.m.
Children's Easter Egg Hunt • 10:00 a.m.
Worship Celebration • 10:30 a.m.
Child Care Available
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Rev. Kevin Anderson, Pastor
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Celebrate Holy Week With Us
Maundy, Thursday, April 9
Palestinian Dinner
and Communion • 6:30 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 12
Family Worship • 11:00 a.m.
Child Care Available
2110 Burton Avenue
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678-5131
Hollister
Community Presbyterian Church
2461 Contact Ave. 655-4357
Good Friday, April 10 • 7:00 p.m.
Saturday Morning Easter Egg Hunt
Easter Sunrise • 7:00 a.m.
Breakfast to follow
Easter Worship • 11:00 a.m.
Jerome
First Presbyterian Church
Celebrate the Resurrection with Us
Maundy, Thursday, April 9
Tonebore Service • 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 12
Continental Breakfast • 9:30 a.m.
Easter Worship • 10:30 a.m.
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Child Care Available
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Wendell
United Presbyterian Church
Come Experience the Love of God!
Maundy, Thursday, April 9
Worship & Communion • 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 12
Easter Worship - 1st • 8:30 a.m.
Easter Brunch • 9:30 a.m.
(with children's movie)
Easter Worship - 2nd • 11:00 a.m.
Nursery Care Available
380 First Avenue East
Rev. Mark Cox, Pastor
536-6270
Buhl
First Presbyterian Church
Palm Sunday, April 5
Pancake Breakfast • 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Worship • 11:00 a.m.
Maundy, Thursday, April 9
Passover Seder • 6:30 p.m.
(RSVP 543-8593)
Easter Sunday, April 12
Worship • 11:00 a.m.
516 Main Street
Rev. John Kerr, Pastor
543-8593
He is not here; he has risen!
Luke 24:6
Come Celebrate the Miracle of Easter!

Resurrection Service at Calvary Baptist Church
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 April 12th
 9:00 a.m. Breakfast
 Pot Luck
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 April 9 7pm Maundy Thursday. **SERMON: "Peter"**
 April 12 9:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
 10:30 a.m. Easter Worship Service
SERMON: "He Is Risen Indeed"
 Special music by Mr. Burt Hulsh

MURTAUGH 4th St. N.
 April 5 9am • Children's Palm Processional.
SERMON: "The Thief's Father"
 April 12 9am Easter Worship
SERMON: "He Is Risen Indeed"
 10am Easter Egg Hunt

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April 10th 7 p.m. Good Friday Service
 April 11th 7 p.m. Saturday Vigil
 April 12th 10 a.m. Easter Sunday Morning Service
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Palm Sunday Services
 Rejoice Service 8:30 a.m.
 Rev. Susan Staley preaches at 11 a.m.

Maundy Thursday
 Communion Service, 7 p.m.
Good Friday
 Cantata, 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday:
 Sunrise Service, 7 a.m., Shoshone Falls
 Easter Breakfast, Church Fellowship Hall, 7:30 - 9:45 a.m.
 First Service of Worship, 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School For All Ages, 9:45 a.m.
 Second Service of Worship, 11 a.m.
 Sermon: "The Last Laugh" by Pastor Jim Frisbie

GOODING Calvary
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 934-5355

Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:00 p.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 8:15 a.m.
 Easter Worship - 10:00 a.m.

JEROME St. Paul's
 1301 N. Davis • 324-2842

Maundy Thursday Potluck Dinner - 6:00 p.m.
 Maundy Thursday Services - 7:30 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:30 p.m.
 Easter Sunrise Service - 7:00 a.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 8:00 a.m.
 Easter Sunday School Special - 9:00 a.m.
 Communion Festival Service - 10:30 a.m.

HAILEY Valley of Peace
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Good Friday - 7:00 p.m.
 Easter Worship - 10:00 a.m.

RUPERT Trinity
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Maundy Thursday - 7:30 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:30 p.m.
 Easter Sunrise Service - 7:15 a.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
 Easter Worship - 10:30 a.m.

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 Matthew 28:5-6

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Maundy Thursday - 7:30 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:30 p.m.
 Easter Sunrise Service - 7:00 a.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 8:00 a.m.
 Easter Worship - 10:30 a.m.

BUHL St. John's
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Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:00 p.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 8:00 a.m.
 Easter Worship - 9:30 a.m.

TWIN FALLS Immanuel
 2055 Filer Ave. E. • 733-7820

Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:00 p.m.
 Easter Contemporary Service - 8:30 a.m.
 Easter Breakfast by Boy Scouts
 Easter Festival Worship - 10:30 a.m.

FILER Peace
 Stevens & 6th • 326-5450

Maundy Thursday - 7:30 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:30 p.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 7:30 a.m.
 Easter Worship - 9:00 a.m.

BURLEY Zion
 2410 Miller • 678-9621

Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:00 p.m.
 Easter Sunrise Service - 6:30 a.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 7:30 a.m.
 Easter Worship - 10:30 a.m.

CLOVER Trinity
 3552 N. 1825 E. • 326-4950

Maundy Thursday - 7:30 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:30 p.m.
 Easter Vigil - April 11 - 10 p.m.
 Easter Youth Sunrise Service - 8:00 a.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 9:00 a.m.
 Easter Worship - 11:00 a.m.

JACKPOT Hope Community Church
 (Next to swimming pool)
 702-755-2351
 Easter Worship - 2:00 p.m.

KIMBERLY Redeemer
 Irene & Washington
 423-5139

Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
 Good Friday - 7:30 p.m.
 Easter Sunrise Service - 6:30 a.m.
 Easter Breakfast - 7:30 a.m.
 Easter Worship - 9:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - 10:45 a.m.
 Egg Hunt - 11:30 a.m.

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SPORTSQUOTE

“The Broncos are still trying to figure out when they’re going to the White House. Evidently, they’re having a hard time finding a date when nothing is going on in the Oval Office.”

—Jim Armstrong
in the Denver Post

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

College baseball
Treasure Valley at CSI, 1 p.m.

IN BRIEF

High school all-stars give glimpse of future

HARTFORD, Conn. — Stanford basketball/volleyball recruit Lindsey Yamasaki scored 16 points to win the MVP of the annual Nike/WBCA All-America high school game on Saturday. Yamasaki's "White" team beat the "Red" all-stars 76-75. Swintyla Cash of McKeesport, Pa., had 14 points and 11 rebounds and was named MVP of the "Red" team. Tamara Moore of Minneapolis, who will attend Wisconsin in the fall, had 13 points for the Red Team. Tasha Lewis, of Lisbon, La., a Louisiana Tech recruit, added 12 points and 11 rebounds in the losing effort. Nalshim Award winner Tamika Williams of Dayton, Ohio, finished with eight points and nine rebounds for the "White" team.

Michigan hockey team pays homage to wrestler

BOSTON — The Michigan hockey team, which played Boston College for the NCAA championship on Saturday night, paid tribute to Jeff Reese, a Wolverines wrestler who died trying to make weight for a match.

Michigan players wore the name "Jeff" on the back of their helmets, as they have since shortly after Reese died Dec. 9 trying to lose weight too quickly.

Three wrestlers, including the 21-year-old Reese, died last year after wearing plastic suits while vigorously exercising in hot rooms. All were severely dehydrated and had cut back on food and fluids.

In January, the NCAA ordered all weigh-ins held no more than two hours before a match and banned rubber suits and diuretics for any reason and saunas for water loss.

Miller leads Women's

Professional after 1st day

LOWELL, Mass. — Shannon Miller edged fellow Olympian Amy Chow on Saturday night to take a slim lead after the first day in the Women's Professional Gymnastics Championship.

Miller's 5.9 in the final event of the night — the floor exercise — gave her a total of 39.85 after four events, while Chow headed into today with 39.75 points.

The two-day event features eight women, including five from the U.S. 1996 Olympic gold medal squad — Miller, Chow, Dominique Moceanu, Amanda Borden and Dominique Dawes.

American Kim Zmeskal, a 1992 Olympic bronze medalist, was joined by 1996 Olympic silver medalists Svetlana Bakhitina and Eugenia Rochina of Russia to round out the field.

Each gymnast participated in four events — the vault, the uneven bars, the balance beam and floor exercise.

Zmeskal enters the second day in third place and is followed by Moceanu (38.95), Rochina (38.50), Dawes (38.40), Borden (38.05), and Bakhitina (37.70).

Zmeskal scored a 9.7 on the uneven bars in her first competitive performance since she won the 1992 Olympics. It was her lowest score of the night.

Today's scores will be weighted as 60 percent of the two-day total.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

STEALING SECOND



Twin Falls' Kirk Blackwood places a late tag on Eagle's John Rostl, who stole second base in Saturday's opener. The Bruins lost the first game, 13-11, but won the second, 13-3.

TF, Eagle split doubleheader

By Francis Davis
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Thirteen was the lucky number Saturday when the Bruins met the Eagle Mustangs in A-1 doubleheader baseball action.

Eagle won the first game 13-11, before the Bruins came back for a 13-3 nightcap victory on a day dominated by foul, wet weather.

"Our focus was better in the second

game," explained Twin Falls coach Mike Federico. "We're a good second-game team, but in a lot of our doubleheaders this year we haven't been there in the first game. We're going to have to improve on that."

Eagle took control of the first game with six unearned runs in the third inning. The Mustangs went into the third trailing 7-2, but rallied for all their runs when a two-out error by the Bruins opened the floodgates.

"Chad (starting pitcher Wilcox) did everything right in that inning. And, without that dropped ball we win by four runs," Federico said.

Wilcox lasted three innings for the Bruins and gave up eight hits, two walks, and two earned runs. In all, the Bruins used five pitchers, each of whom had trouble finding the plate. Collectively, they walked ten batters.

Eagle opened up leads of 12-7 and 13-9, but Twin Falls was never out of the

game. The Bruins had a chance to tie the game in the bottom of the sixth when Brandon Miller came to the plate with his team trailing 13-11 and runners on second and third. However, Steve Sinder, who was stellar in relief for winning pitcher Bob Wright, fanned Miller. In all, Sinder struck out seven in his three innings of relief.

In game two, the Bruins won behind

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Agassi rallies U.S. team after Courier's loss

The Associated Press

STONE MOUNTAIN, Ga. — After Jim Courier's disheartening five-set loss, Andre Agassi brightened the mood for the United States with a historic Davis Cup victory Saturday against Russia. Agassi won his 16th straight Davis Cup singles match with a 6-3, 6-3, 6-3 rout of 18-year-old Russian Marat Safin, tying the American record for consecutive victories set by Bill Tilden from 1920-26.

"That's a great accomplishment," Agassi said after evening the best-of-five after the first day. "I'm very proud of it. The Davis Cup has meant a lot to me and I've given a lot to it."

Earlier, Yevgeny Kafelnikov rallied from a set down in a must-win match for the Russians to beat Courier 6-2, 5-7, 6-7, 6-4, 6-4 on a cold, blustery day that had many fans at Stone Mountain's International Tennis Center huddled under blankets.

Agassi needed only one hour, 35 minutes to finish off Safin, the world's 170th-ranked player and a Davis Cup rookie. The Russian had 50 unearned errors and seven double faults.

Agassi's easy set-up over the first time in Davis Cup, said Agassi, who has a 25-4 career record in the international competition. "You're talking about a guy who has not played much on the professional level, much less the international level. He made a lot of errors today. The way he played, he had no chance."

In the first singles, Courier missed a chance to give the Americans a commanding lead against the country they



American Jim Courier returns a volley from Russian Yevgeny Kafelnikov during their Davis Cup tennis match Saturday.

beat in a classic final three years ago in Moscow.

Kafelnikov won the 3-hour, 42-minute match when Courier fell apart in the fifth set. Down 5-4, the American served to a 40-love lead before double-faulting, hitting two shots into the net and losing the deciding point when his forehand clipped the top of the net and landed about a foot wide of the line.

"I just got lucky that game," said Kafelnikov, the world's sixth-ranked singles player. "Basically, Jim lost the

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match. I didn't win."

"That's a fair assessment," Courier said. "I made a bunch of errors that were unforgotten and unnecessary."

"The U.S.-Russia match began Tuesday after heavy rain Friday forced a postponement. That threw the schedule into turmoil, since the Russians are expected to use Kafelnikov and perhaps Safin in the doubles Sunday.

They don't have to announce their team until one hour before the 10 a.m. match against Americans Richey Reneberg and Todd Martin. If either of the singles players takes part in the doubles and the match goes at least 30 games — a strong possibility — the Russians could put off at least one of the reverse singles until Monday.

"If the doubles goes 30 games, they have indicated they will not play singles until Monday morning," said Alan Mills, referee for the International Tennis Federation. "It's a very complicated scenario."

Kafelnikov, one of the world's top 10 players in both singles and doubles, will likely need to play three matches for his country's win — especially with Safin's dismal effort Saturday.

Agassi, meanwhile, continued his resurgence from a slump which left him with a No. 141 ranking in November. He is now 22nd.

"I can honestly say I didn't really expect it to happen this quickly," he said. "I was prepared for a very long

CSI Eagles take 2 from Chukars

By Damon Glow
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A day after a humbling and humiliating 13-6 defeat to Treasure Valley Community College, the College of Southern Idaho baseball team rallied for two wins against the Chukars Saturday afternoon.

Nick Grotz homed twice and drove in seven runs on the day — four in an 11-0 win in the opener followed by three in CSIs 4-1 victory.

CSI (26-5, 6-1 in conference) takes on Treasure Valley (19-19, 3-4) in the final game of the series today at 1 p.m. at Frontier Field.

The pain of being struck by the ball is minor compared to letting it slip by for a goal, said player Ginger Guymon, representing the Umh Schools for the Deaf and Blind.

"After all I haven't broken anything, I'm OK," said Guymon, 19.

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CSI baseball

Saturday: CSI 11, TVCC 1; CSI 4, TVCC 1
Today: CSI (26-5) vs. Treasure Valley (19-19)
When: Frontier Field
When: 1 p.m.

Silence prevails in goalball contest among visually impaired

The Associated Press

SANDY, Utah — Except for the occasional thud of bodies falling to the floor to block a jangling ball from crossing the goal line, the gymnasium was silent.

No cheers from the crowd. No pep band blaring in the background. Not even a peep from a proud parent.

Just quiet. And that's how goalball is played among the visually impaired. The game ball is equipped with bells to help competitors pinpoint its location. Players use tactile floor markers to determine their place on the court.

Unlike athletes who are urged on by the roar of the crowd, goalball fans assist by biting their tongues.

"It's so hard sometimes," said Pam Williams, whose son Quintin competes for the Jordan School District. "Sometimes I cheat and say something like 'Way to go!' You're not supposed to say anything."

That may be the greatest challenge of all when players are diving to stop the ball or manage to roll it so smoothly that the jangling of the bells is barely audible. The ball hits hard. Once a player retrieves it, he or a teammate has only



Rich Spurrier and his brother, Rob, play goalball in a journey Friday in Sandy, Utah. Except for the occasional thud of bodies falling to the floor to block a jangling ball from crossing the goal line, the gymnasium was still. That's how goalball is played among the visually impaired.

eight seconds to roll it again.

Parents and coaches praise the little-known European sport for enabling visually impaired students to develop teamwork skills and boost their self-esteem.

Williams said her son has five brothers who compete in team sports.

"He doesn't ask any more why he can't play with his brothers or have to feel

state tournament, which was swept by three teams representing the Jordan School District.

Each competitor is blindfolded to even the playing field since their visual disabilities vary in severity.

Players roll the ball — roughly the size of a basketball — to the opposite side of the court, where defenders attempt to keep it from crossing the goal line. Teams consist of three players, a center and left and right wings. Defenders deploy a numbers of strategies, some squinting like hockey goalies, others lying on their sides to form human barriers in an attempt to stop the ball.

The ball is punishing as it hurtles across the playing surface, sometimes pounding players in their chests and extremities.

"I've seen kids get their noses broken," said Jaylene Jernam, a national goalball coach who teaches visually impaired students in the Alpine School District.

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SPORTS

Cities vying for Olympics face tough requirements

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - The U.S. cities bidding for the 2007 Pan American Games and 2012 Olympic Games face strict new requirements in contracts they must sign with the U.S. Olympic Committee.

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Cleanup hitter Chris Westbrook ended the big act of second baseman Kirk Blackwood, who went 2-for-3 and had three RBIs. For the day, Blackwood was 5-for-8 with six RBIs and three doubles.

and four for the Pan Am Games must sign the first phase of the contract before they submit their bids. A second, even tougher, contract that must be signed later includes a promise that the city, county or state government involved cover any deficit incurred in putting on the games.

The contracts are intended to avoid the problems the USOC encountered with the organizing committee of the Atlanta Olympics of 1996 and the Salt Lake City Winter Games scheduled for 2002.

Eagles

Continued from C1 head coach Jim Walker. "That (second) game was a great game. (Treasure Valley) just ran into a guy who threw the ball very well."

Boys' CSI pitchers went the distance Saturday - Justin Nakajima picked up his sixth win of the season in five innings and Cameron Reimers pitched a seven-inning two-hitter and struck out nine in only his second game appearance after a back injury.

"Cameron was so sharp," Walker said. "It was our best outing of the year, and he's far and away above the rest of our staff right now."

Treasure Valley's only consistent hitting came from former Minico Spartan Dan Price, who had the team's only hits in the second game and two doubles in the opener.

Grets scored but Gillet's fly ball to right ended the inning. "That took a lot of pressure off us," Walker said of the seven-run second inning. "We had a pleasant day and Grets and I were dug, and we just scored a lot of runs. We just didn't get help the whole day from the bottom of the lineup."

The Lou Chuker run came in the third when Price sent teammate Anthony Dunn to third with a double, and Dunn scored on a ground-out.

The Golden Eagles scored two more runs in the fourth after loading the bases on Dutch pitcher Michiel van Kampen, who then hit Dan Radcliffe and walked Guerrero.

CSI ended the game in the bottom of the fifth with the 10-run mercy rule when it closed off with a walk. Silver was hit by a pitch and Grets scored both runners with a double to right-center.

CSI 11, Treasure Valley 1. The Golden Eagles sent 13 batters to the plate in the second inning, scoring just three earned runs but finishing the frame ahead, 7-0.

Eddie Guerrero and James Close had run-scoring singles, Mike Gillies scored a run on a fielder's choice, Casey Nelson and Matt Silvey had RBI-doubles, and Grets hit a two-out, two-run homer.

The Eagles loaded the bases after

"The second game was all Cameron Reimers," Walker said. "And Matt Silvey and Nick Grets. The other seven might just have well stayed home." CSI pitcher Matt Moorhouse struck out the first two Golden Eagles he faced, but Silvey singled and scored a Grets double. Silvey doubled in a run in the third and scored on Grets' double homer of the day for the final Golden Eagle runs.

Reimers threw shut-out ball until the seventh, when Price led off with a groundout to third and took second on a throwing error. A groundout put Price at third and he scored on Jason Brown's groundout to first base.

Reimers finished the game by getting pinch-hitter and fellow Montana Mid-Schwartz to ground out to second base. "I'd love to be a catcher in a game. Reimers is pitching," Walker said. "I just set up wherever, and he hits his spots. The two hottest guys out there today were Cameron and Grets (catcher Merritt)."

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"He was all over the place," said Federico. "But when he needed the pitch he got it."

Cleanup hitter Chris Westbrook ended the big act of second baseman Kirk Blackwood, who went 2-for-3 and had three RBIs. For the day, Blackwood was 5-for-8 with six RBIs and three doubles.

"It was seeing the ball well," Blackwood said. "He looked almost like a softball." Chris Sherbinkne went the distance for the Bruins, collecting his second win of the season against one loss. Sherbinkne wasn't spectacular - walking six hitters in his five innings of work - but he batted tough all day.

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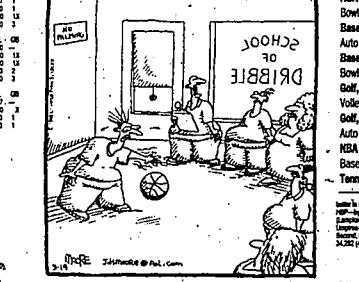
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IN THE BLEACHERS

By Steve Moore



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ON THE AIR TELEVISION

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Baseball, Phillies at Braves. Auto racing, NASCAR Texas 500. ESPN 12:30 p.m.

Baseball, Expos at Cubs. Bowling, The Eliminator. Golf, The Tradition. ABC 1:30 p.m.

Volleyball, AVF Tucson Open. Golf, Freeport-McDermott Classic. NBC 1:30 p.m.

Auto racing, CART Grand Prix of Long Beach. ESPN 2 p.m.

NSA basketball, Bulls at Rockets. Baseball, Athletics at Diamondbacks. ESPN 6:30 p.m.

Tennis, Davis Cup. ESPN 10:30 p.m.

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Spirlea upsets Seles in Family Circle

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (AP)—The Family Circle upset Seles with a win over Monica Seles on Saturday.

Seles, the biggest star left in the draw, was upset by Irina Spirlea 6-4, 7-6 (7/5).

Seles had rallied from 4-1 in the third set and twice served for the match, but she couldn't hold off the ninth-seeded Spirlea.

"The victory by Spirlea was beyond in a row over one of the game's top players in a final-set tiebreaker."

Spirlea had saved three match points to beat No. 1 Lindsay Davenport on Friday. She did almost the same against Seles. She trailed 5-4 in the tiebreaker before pulling out the victory.

"It's a great feeling to know you're doing well," Spirlea said.

"This week, I wasn't looking so far ahead to know that I was going to do this."

Spirlea will face No. 4 Amanda Coetzer, a 6-4, 6-1 winner over 15th-seeded Lisa Raymond, for the title today. It will be the first time in the 26-year history of the event someone other than a No. 1, 2 or 3 seed will win.

"For the moment, the women's game is very exciting with a lot of people who can play," Spirlea said. "It makes it fun to watch."

Seles survived three match points in her third-set tiebreaker with Patty Schnyder in the quarterfinals Friday. But her serve abandoned her down the stretch against Spirlea.

"I was dropping all my service games and that shouldn't be happening," said Seles, playing only her second tournament this year.

The packed stadium erupted when Seles' crossover forehand

winner tied the final set 4-4. They became even more excited when she took a 5-4 lead on Spirlea's double fault.

But Spirlea hit three crisp forehand winners to make it 5-5, and got a pair of Seles errors for another tiebreaker.

Seles came from 4-1 down in points to lead 5-4. But she put a backhand wide to set up match point, but she couldn't get a forehand into the deep right corner for the winner.

As Seles watched the ball go by, Spirlea threw her arms up in the air. It was her first true occasion in the two-four match.

She hadn't played well this year — her best showing being a round of 16 loss to Natalia Pietrangeli at Inna Wicks last month — but said her confidence has grown from her tiebreaker heroics.

The current best queen phenoms — defending Family Circle champion Martina Hingis, Anna Kournikova and the Williams sisters, Venus and Serena — skipped the tournament.

In the Tradition: Wargo keeps 2-shot lead

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP)—Tom Wargo shot his highest score in three days, a 3-under 68 on Saturday but it was still good enough to maintain a two-shot lead over defending champion Gil Morgan in The Tradition.

Wargo, looking for his fourth win on the PGA Senior Tour, was at 12-under 204 heading into today's final round of the \$1.4 million event.

Morgan, who has already won three events this season, kept the pressure on by carding a birdie at the 18th hole for a 69.

Floyd, Bruce Summerhays, John Morgan and Vicente Fernandez of Argentina were six shots behind at 6-under 210.

"It wasn't as pretty as the first two, but we managed to get it in," said Wargo, who has been the leader after all three rounds on the Cochie course. "We were focused and we managed to do that."

When Morgan rolled in birdie putts at the 13th and 15th, Wargo tightened them to keep a three-shot lead.

"Morgan finally narrowed it to two when he knocked in a 20-foot putt at the par-5 18th."

"I've been pleased with my position," Morgan said. "I feel like I'm in a position to go forward. If I play well, I have the opportunity to win."

Wargo held on to win the second victory in a senior major for Wargo, who won the 1993 PGA Seniors Championship.



Carl Koch of Sweden watches his shot at the 13th hole Saturday during the LPGA Longs Drugs Challenge near Lincoln, Calif.

Last year's Tradition was Morgan's first major victory.

Jack Nicklaus, a four-time winner of The Tradition and designer of Desert Mountain, stepped out to a 74, putting him 12 shots out of the lead.

Westwood takes lead in Freepoint-McDemott

NEW ORLEANS — Lee Westwood, a 24-year-old British golfer, shot a 5-under-par 67 Saturday despite two bogeys to take a one-shot lead in the Freepoint-McDemott Classic.

Westwood, who started playing at 13 after watching Jack Nicklaus on television, had seven birdies, putting him at 12-under

204 after three rounds, one stroke ahead of Steve Flesch and two ahead of Duffy Waldorf.

"It's a good feeling to get into contention and get the advantage going," Westwood said.

Westwood, who earned \$1.7 million and posted 12 top-10 finishes around the world last year, improved his score by a stroke each day of the tournament, shooting rounds of 69, 68 and 67.

Westwood has yet to win in the United States but closed with a 68 and a 69 to finish fifth in The Florida Dodge Dealers 400.

Westwood had four birdies on the front nine, including a chip-in from 90 feet on No. 7. He went into the bunker on No. 8 and picked up his first bogey, then

Earnhardt Jr. earns 1st racing title at Coca-Cola

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP)—Dale Earnhardt choked up again Saturday.

The stone-faced intimidator, who became emotional in February when he finally won the Daytona 500, turned soft-hearted at a time when he was on the two-way rack shortly after taking the checkered flag at the Texas Motor Speedway.

Dale Jr.'s victory was a family classic. He gave up the lead to make a pit stop with 15 laps left to take four new tires, returned in third place, then nuzzled up behind leader Joe Nemechek and squeezed out of the way with one lap to go.

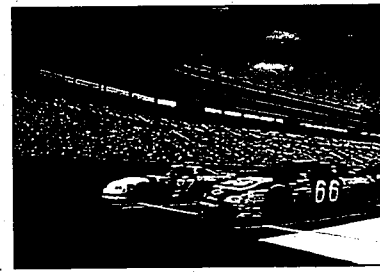
"It was awesome," said the proud father and car owner. "I can't believe it."

The victory was worth \$66,075, but the significance was priceless. It made the Earnhardt family a three-generation winner on the circuit. Earnhardt Sr. won the 1978 Old Dale Jr. can carry on the tradition begun by grandfather Ralph Earnhardt and continued by his father. "I'm proud of my father and glad he's together with me," Earnhardt Sr. said. "I'm just glad that I'm able to be successful at it, too."

Dale Jr. started 16th, was still 12th with 60 laps to go, then had a pit stop to second with 20 laps left. He moved into first on the 181st lap and stayed there for four laps until the sixth caution flag of the race came out.

That's when Dale Sr. stepped in and decided to give up the lead and get some new wheels. Dale Jr. didn't question the move. "I was getting four tires called as a chance to win," he said.

Dale Jr. left the pit in third with 11 laps to go. He moved into second behind Joe Nemechek on the next lap when Nemechek bumped leader Glenn Allen, spinning Allen off the track and bringing



Elliott Sadler (86) of Esports, Va., the NASCAR Busch Series Coca-Cola 300 pole sitter, and Joe Nemechek of Lakeland, Fla., lead the pack from the pits to open the second session of racing at the Texas Motor Speedway Saturday.

out the seventh and final caution flag.

The green flag returned with five laps left in the 200-lap race. On lap 190, Dale Jr. jammed the nose of the No. 3 Chevrolet like a father has made famous just inches behind Nemechek's lead, essentially daring Nemechek to make a move.

He did. He blinked. Nemechek drifted up, allowing Earnhardt to slide under and past him to the checkered flag.

"We'd be passing cars like that all day long," Earnhardt said. "He was just the last one in line."

Nemechek was so bewildered that he ended up drifting to third, behind pole-sitter Elliott Sadler. Phil Parsons was fourth. Lefty Korch fifth and defending Busch champion Randy LaJoie, who started last, finished sixth.

The second-place finish moved Sadler to second in the series standings. Incoming series finisher Mike McLaughlin finished 11th and fell to third in the points race.

Crawford wins 1st NASCAR trucks race

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Rick Crawford led off a late charge from Jack Sprague on Saturday to win his first NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series race.

The 12th-straight Crawford, who had never finished higher than third, pushed his Ford truck past Ron Barfield on the 137th lap around the 1.5-mile superspeedway to take the lead of the Florida Dodge Dealers 400.

That set up a final, 30-lap duel with pole-sitter Sprague, whose Chevrolet led four times. The defending NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series champion got to within a truck-length of Crawford with five laps left, then fell 2.408 seconds behind when his engine broke a valve spring.

Sozi leads NHRA top fuel qualifying

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — Warren Sozi, Crm Pedregno, Warren Johnson and Angelle Seeling topped qualifying Saturday in Rockingham Dragway's 10th annual Winternationals.

NHRA's \$520,000 all-star race. Sozi, from Fresno, Calif., showed a flair for the dramatic in top fuel, qualifying atop the field

on his final attempt of the week-end. The defending top fuel champion covered the quarter-mile in a track-record 4.585 seconds at 316.45 mph. Joe Amato was second in a track-record speed at 320.97 mph, covering the distance in 4.620 seconds.

Pedregno, of Moorpark, Calif., drove a Proton to a track-record of 4.884 seconds at 307.79 mph to pace the funny car order. Wm Bazzorez set a track speed record at 312.47 mph and qualified third, just behind John Force, who posted a 4.894 run at 311.41.

Mayfield conquering Texas Motor Speedway

FORT WORTH, Texas — Jeremy Mayfield doesn't seem bothered by all the problems many of his fellow drivers are having at the Texas Motor Speedway. Mayfield continued his week-long mystery of the tricky track in qualifying Saturday, securing the pole position for today's Texas 500 Winston Cup race. He clocked 185.96 mph, more than 1 mph faster than the rest of the field.

Pro golf

looked his shot on the No. 9, sending his ball off the edge of the trap and under some branches. He took a drop and settled for a second bogey.

Westwood made three more birdies on the back nine.

"I putted better today," Westwood said. "That's just what I was waiting for. I putted good yesterday, but they didn't go in today. They dropped."

Koch falls into tie with Andrews after 3rd round

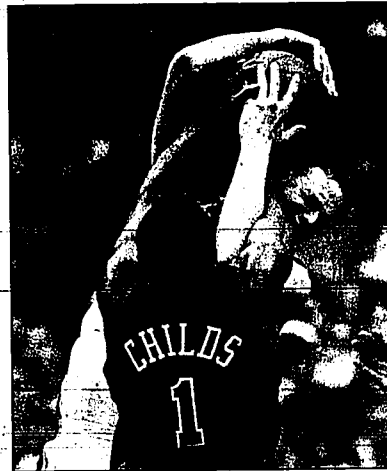
LINCOLN, Calif. — Unheralded Swede Carl Koch, the leader the first two days, slipped to a 73 Saturday and dropped back into a tie with Donna Andrews after three rounds of the LPGA Longs Drugs Challenge.

Koch, seeking her first tour victory, had 15 pars, one birdie and two bogeys en route to a 7-under-par 209 total on the 6,412-yard Twelve Bridges Golf Club.

Andrews, a five-time winner, shot her third straight sub-par round, a 70, on a Saturday featuring warmer temperatures and only periodic slight morning rain.

Despite the improved conditions, only eight players were under par after three rounds.

Sweden's Annika Sorenstam, the reigning LPGA player of year who's seeking her first title of the season, shot a 6-under-par 66 to trail the leaders by three strokes.



New York Knick Chris Childs ties up New Jersey Net Keith Van Horn Saturday in East Rutherford, N.J.

Cassell, ex-Ute pace New Jersey

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP)—Sam Cassell had 30 points, seven rebounds and seven assists, and former Utah Ute Keith Van Horn added 25 points as the New Jersey Nets beat the New York Knicks 97-94 Saturday night to boost their playoff chances.

Kerry Kittles blocked Charlotte Ward's 3-point attempt as time ran out to preserve the victory for the Nets, who held on to eighth place in the Eastern Conference, one game ahead of Orlando and Washington on the final playoff spot.

The Knicks, who had their two-game winning streak snapped, are seventh in the East, 14 games behind Cleveland.

The Nets, coming off an 11-point loss to the Los Angeles Lakers on Thursday night in which Shaquille O'Neal scored 50 points, trailed most of the game before rallying to take a 94-87 on Kendall Gill's jumper with 1:25 left in the game.

The Knicks cut the Nets' lead to 94-92 on a 3-pointer by Allan Houston with 1:05 left and Larry Johnson's layup with 37.9 seconds remaining.

The Nets made it 96-92 with 21.2 seconds left when Kittles got a layup off a pass from Cassell. Ward's driving layup pulled the Knicks within two points with 13 seconds remaining, but Kittles was fouled and sank one of two free throws to put the Nets up 97-94 with 1:11 seconds left.

Houston then brought the ball upcourt for the Knicks and swung the ball to Johnson, who then passed it to Ward for the potential game-tying 3-pointer. But Kittles stayed close to Ward and swatted the shot away as time expired.

Houston led the Knicks with 29 points. Chris Mills added 18 points and Ward finished with 16.

Trailing 73-66, New Jersey came back to tie it 77-77 on a jump hook by David Vaughn with 8:15 left in the game.

The Nets trailed 49-42 at the half-time before rallying to tie the game at 56 early in the third quarter. But the Knicks then went

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on a 17-10 run to take a 73-66 lead.

Heat 101, Hornets 88

MIAMI — Tim Hardaway scored 25 points as the undermanned Miami Heat beat the Charlotte Hornets 101-88 Saturday night.

It was Miami's first victory over Charlotte in four meetings this season.

Mark Strickland, filling in for injured Miami forward P.J. Brown, scored 15 points. Duane Cassell, starting for injured center Alonzo Mourning, grabbed a season-high 14 rebounds for the Heat.

Charlotte's Glen Rice, who had been averaging 32 points against his former team this year, scored 21 just two on 1-of-6 shooting from the field. Vlade Divac led the Hornets with 18 points, while Anthony Mason added 13 points and 10 rebounds.

Charlotte trailed by 40 points in the third quarter before going on a 27-5 run that cut Miami's lead to 86-68 with 9:52 left in the game. Vernon Maxwell scored 12 points during the Hornets' rally.

Hornets guard Del Curry hit three late baskets to reduce the margin to 99-88 in the final minute, but Charlotte ran out of time.

Miami, which has already clinched the Atlantic Division title and holds the No. 2 seed in the East, has won eight of its last nine games.

Charlotte, which lost for only the fourth time in its last 21 games, is currently the No. 4 seed in the East.

Reserve center Marty Conlon made consecutive three-point plays to spark a 17-6 run that helped Miami take a 60-32 halftime lead. The 32 points were a season low for the Hornets in a first half.

Two dunks and two jumpers by Strickland keyed a 13-5 Miami run to bring the third quarter, boosting Miami's lead to 77-37 with 6:30 left.

Dolan, Tappin win 3rd titles at national swimming championships

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Tom Dolan nearly ran out of steam Sunday. Tappin counted on a come-from-behind strategy. The result Saturday was the same for both swimmers — they each won their third titles in the national swimming championships.

They will try for their fourth titles today when the competition wraps up at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center.

Dolan jumped to a big lead in the 400-meter freestyle and struggled down the stretch, but held on to win with a time of 3:52.75, edging Eric Galt by nearly two seconds. The Olympic gold medalist added that championship to wins in the 800 freestyle and 400 individual medley.

"I'm getting really tired, the events are a lot of dragging on me a bit," said Dolan, who goes for his fourth championship today in the 200-meter IM.

Dolan is trying to become the first man to win four titles in two different nationals. He first did it in 1994. The only other men to capture four championships in a national meet are Mark Spitz (1972) and Chad Carlson (1997).

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Mets edge out Pirates in marathon 13-inning game

NEW YORK (AP) — Another one-run game, and another win in extra innings. Four games into a new season, and the New York Mets are up to their old tricks. Rich Becker's single over a drawn-in outfield in the 13th inning Saturday gave New York a 7-6 win over Pittsburgh, the Mets' third win in their final at-bat this season.

"We were down 6-3 and they didn't think of stopping," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said. "They still thought they would win. That's why we had such a good come-from-behind record last year and it's going to continue this year."

New York, which scored once in the eighth and three times in the ninth to tie it 6-6, has played four straight one-run games to start the year with two going to extras.

Trailing 6-3, New York tied it in the ninth inning on John Olerud's two-run double and Burch Huskey's RBI ground-out.

Becker, who went 3-for-5 with a home run, two walks and three RBIs, also made a diving catch to save two runs in the second inning and threw out a runner at the plate in the first.

Cardinals 8, Padres 6

ST. LOUIS — Mark McGwire remains on his 102 home run pace. McGwire became only the second player in NL history to homer in the first four games of the season, tying Willie Mays' record with a towering three-run shot in the St. Louis Cardinals' 8-6 victory over the San Diego Padres Saturday.

McGwire has 12 RBIs, all on home runs, and has homered in six consecutive games dating to last season, when he fell only three short of tying Mays' record of 61 in 1951. Mays was 39 years old when he homered in four consecutive games for San Francisco in 1971.

The Cardinals led 3-2 heading into the sixth when Royce Clayton and Delino DeShields hit singled before McGwire homered over the center-field fence off Don Wengert.

Reds 3, Dodgers 1

CINCINNATI — Brett Tomko, one of the league's best pitchers during spring training, pitched a career-high eight innings and singled home a run as the Dodgers remained winless.

At 0-4, the Dodgers are off to their worst start in franchise history. The team's worst start since they moved to Los Angeles is 0-5, a mark they reached in 1970, 1976 and 1987.



St. Louis Cardinal Tom Lampkin is safe at the plate, avoiding the tag by San Diego Padres catcher Carlos Hernandez in St. Louis Saturday.

Tomko, who missed three weeks of spring training because of shoulder tendinitis, had little trouble with the weak-hitting Dodgers in his season debut, allowing only three hits — a single, double and triple — while striking out seven.

Los Angeles came into the game with a .178 team batting average, second-worst in the National League.

Cubs 3, Expos 1

CHICAGO — Sammy Sosa hit his first homer and Terry Mulholland got his first win since last July 4 as Chicago won its fourth straight.

Mulholland, the Cubs' opening day starter last season before being picked up on waivers by the Giants in August, allowed four hits and one unearned run in 5 2/3 innings on another cold day at Wrigley Field.

Sosa, the Cubs' home run leader the last five years, hit a solo, go-ahead shot to

right in the bottom of the third off Marc Valdes.

The Expos are 0-4, their worst start since losing their first five in 1987.

Giants 5, Diamondbacks 3

PHOENIX — Artime dropped to 0-5 when San Francisco called for four runs in the seventh inning.

The Diamondbacks, who dropped a three-game series to start the season against Colorado, are off to the worst start for an expansion team since the 1962 New York Mets went 0-2.

Brian Johnson homered and Rich Aurilia had an RBI single in the seventh when the Giants overcame a 3-1 deficit.

Brewers 6, Marlins 2

MIAMI — Marlins killer Jeff Juden pitched six strong innings and Milwaukee pounded out to lead Florida in its fourth consecutive loss.

Juden, who allowed six hits and two runs in his debut with the Brewers, improved to 4-0 lifetime against Florida with an ERA of 3.15.

Milwaukee's Jose Valentin, who hit three homers Friday, singled twice and walked twice before he flied out in the ninth. Marquis Grissom had a pair of RBIs doubles, and Jesse Lewis had three singles and two RBIs.

The Marlins, who will receive their World Series championship rings before Sunday's game, remained winless since their opening-day victory against Chicago.

Braves 5, Phillies 4

ATLANTA — Dennis Marzary won for the first time in nearly a year and

moved within one victory of Juan Marichal's record for Latin American pitchers after Atlanta scored four runs in the eighth.

Marzary, 43 next month, allowed one run and five hits in two innings, improving his career record to 242-187. He struck out four and walked one in his first win since beating Cleveland for Seattle last April 14.

Mark Wohlers pitched a hitless ninth, striking out two, for his first save.

The Braves led off the bases on Billy Brewer's 0-1 in the eighth before Chipper Jones walked on a full count to force in a run. Lenny Reiter relieved and hit Andres Gallarraga with a pitch, pulling the Braves to 4-3. Sacrifice flies by Ryan Klecko and Jerry Lopez put Atlanta ahead.

Rockies 5, Astros 3

HOUSTON — Ellis Burks and Dante Richette hit run-scoring doubles in a four-run fifth inning as the Colorado Rockies beat the Houston Astros 5-3 Saturday night.

Colorado, which was four off its first five games, trailed 2-1 going into the fifth. Ellis Burks and Mike Lansing doubled off Sean Bergman (0-1) to tie it. Larry Walker was hit by a pitch and Richette hit a go-ahead double.

Vinny Castilla's infield boncer was misplayed by Bergman for an error, allowing Walker to score from San Diego, gave up five runs and six hits in 4 1/3 innings.

Colorado went ahead in the third when second baseman Craig Biggio threw wildly for an error on a potential double-play grounder, allowing Kirk Mansueto to score from third.

Moises Alou's second homer for the Astros tied the score in the fourth, and Brad Amos hit a run-scoring grounder later in the inning.

Jeff Bagwell hit his second homer of the season in the fifth.

Scott Spiezio puts icing on Cone

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — An 0-3 record. David Cone losing in Oakland.

It can't be long until George Steinbrenner shakes up the Yankees.

"We had a good spring training and felt we were ready to go. Now we're 0-3, and nobody feels happy about it," Cone said after Saturday's 7-

3 loss to the Athletics in his first start since shoulder surgery.

Scott Spiezio hit a grand slam off Cone during a five-run sixth inning, and the Athletics kept New York the AL's only winless team.

The Yankees are 0-3 for the first time since 1985 — that was the year Steinbrenner fired Yogi Berra after a 6-10 start.

"I don't know that after three losses you can worry about pressure," manager Joe Torre said. "We're still not swinging the bats. We just couldn't get anything going. We will. It's just a matter of time."

Cone (0-1) had pitched 18 scoreless innings in Oakland over three seasons, including seven no-hit innings two years ago in his return following surgery to repair an aneurysm.

He gave up seven runs and seven hits in 5 1/3 innings, but said his shoulder felt fine.

"I really felt that," he said. "After we got the early lead, I felt three runs might have been enough."

Rafael Doubled leading off the sixth inning, and Mike Timlin, Mitchel and Jason Gimble, leading the bases with one out. Spiezio followed with his second career grand slam for a 6-3 lead.

"I really think I've got a bit off of him in two games," Spiezio said. "That was the first time I've ever hit the ball solidly (off of Cone)."

Cone said he "made a huge mistake" at the wrong time. "I was trying to throw a cutter in there and get to the next pitch. Obviously, I didn't get there."



Oakland Athletic Scott Spiezio swings for a grand slam off New York Yankee David Cone Saturday at the Oakland Coliseum.

The A's loaded the bases again off Darren Holmes on a single by Bourjain and walk to Henderson. Graeme Lloyd relieved Holmes and threw a wild pitch that scored Hinch, giving the A's a 7-3 lead.

Jimmy Haynes (1-0) gave up three runs in six innings. The Yankees scored all their runs in the third on Chuck Knoblauch's RBI single, Derek Jeter's run-scoring hit and Paul O'Neill's RBI double.

Oyer the last three innings, the Yankees mounted just one infield hit against two relievers.

"I think if this wasn't happening at the beginning of the season, it would be no big deal," Jeter said. "But now it's magnified."

"They are going to be all right," Spiezio said. "Don't worry about your hitting. It's panic time until you get the first win. For us, it's great."

and Mike Stanley hit consecutive solo homers in the sixth, and Woody Williams (1-0) allowed both runs and four hits in seven innings, striking out five.

Darren Oliver (0-1), who gave up four runs and seven hits in six innings. The homers were the first Oliver gave up in his last 51 innings against Toronto.

Juan Gonzalez hit a two-run homer for the Rangers.

Orioles 2, Tigers 1

BALTIMORE — Scott Kamieniecki (1-0) allowed four hits in six shutout innings, and three relievers combined on one-hit relief. Cal Ripken drove in the go-ahead run in the sixth, helping Baltimore win its fourth straight.

Detroit dropped to 1-4 and has scored only four runs in its last 28 innings.

Greg Knapke (0-1) gave up two runs and four hits in 5 1/3 innings, striking out five.

Acunedo Ramirez got two outs for his first save, allowing a home run to Dennis Easley.

Devil Rays 8, White Sox 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Knuckleballer Dennis Springer held Chicago to six hits in 7 1/3 innings and Fred McGriff, Rich Buntley and Mike Delfino all homered for Tampa Bay.

The expansion Devil Rays played the game under protest after Chicago's Frank Thomas hit a disputed fourth-inning home run that struck a carroll in left field before coming down in foul territory.

Delfino hit a three-run homer in the seventh and had four RBIs. Ozzie Guillen and Dave Martinez each had three hits and an RBI for Tampa Bay, which became the first expansion team to open its inaugural season with five straight games of 10-plus hits.

Thomas went 3-for-4 and drove in both Chicago runs.

4 games, 4 home runs for Mark McGwire

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mark McGwire tied Willie Mays' National League record by hitting a home run in each of his first four games on Saturday.

McGwire lunched a towering three-run shot in the sixth inning of the St. Louis Cardinals' game against the San Diego Padres.

McGwire, who homered over the center field wall against Don Wengert, and Mays are the only players to hit homers in the first four games of the season. Mays did it in 1971.

The American League has no record for home runs in consecutive games to start a season.



Mark McGwire

McGwire has 12 RBIs, all on home runs, and has homered in six consecutive games dating to last season's 1-3 loss to the Yankees when he threatened Roger Maris' record with 58.

McGwire's grand slam broke a fifth-inning scoreless tie in the opener. He hit a three-run homer in the 12th inning to win the second game, and he hit a two-run homer in Friday night's 13-5 loss to San Diego.

Reds first baseman's vision improves; surgery is likely

CINCINNATI (AP) — Sean Casey's vision in his right eye is slowly coming back, but the Cincinnati Reds first baseman probably will need surgery to repair a broken bone below the eye.

Casey was hit by a thrown ball during batting practice Thursday. He wound up with the broken bone, two gashes that required 20 stitches and blood in the eyeball.

Reds officials and team doctors initially feared it could be a career-threatening injury, but Casey's vision has improved dramatically in each of the past two days.

"His visual acuity is about normal," Dr. Timothy Kremenchek said Saturday.

The swelling around the eye has subsided, and Casey is expected to be released from Good Samaritan Hospital Sunday, Kremenchek said.

Casey probably will have surgery next week to stabilize the broken bone below the eye socket with a plate. A bone fragment is interfering with muscles that

"His visual acuity is about normal."

— Dr. Timothy Kremenchek

move the eye.

"I don't allow him to look up all the way," Kremenchek said. "That can cause double vision."

Even with the surgery, Casey is expected to be able to play again in three to six weeks, Kremenchek said. He'll have to wear a protective flap on his hitting helmet to shield the cheek.

The Reds got Casey, one of the top hitting prospects in the Cleveland area, in a trade Monday for pitcher Dave Burba. Casey appeared in two games for the Reds and batted three times with two strikeouts and no hits in 1 1/3 innings.

While practicing training double plays before a game Thursday, Casey looked away when teammate Damian Jackson made a three-run ground ball. The ball hit him squarely on the eye socket, and he had to be taken off the field on a stretcher.

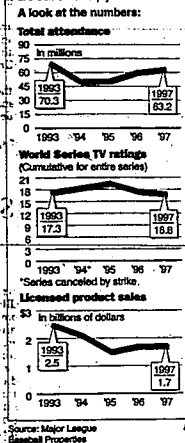


Detroit Tiger Damon Esley is out at third by Baltimore Oriole Cal Ripken as he tries to steal third in the seventh inning of the Orioles' 2-1 win Saturday in Baltimore. The Orioles own the dubious distinction of fielding the most expensive team in the history of baseball.

As salaries escalate, future labor strife seems inevitable

Pitching baseball

Major-league baseball has found it hard to recover from the 1994 player's strike. Attendance, TV ratings and merchandise sales are still off sharply.



The Baltimore Sun

Money talks, and it is speaking louder every year. The Baltimore Orioles now own the dubious distinction of fielding the most expensive team in the history of baseball, and the gap between the richest and poorest clubs is wider than ever.

What does all this mean? It means that — for the most part — the same teams are going to be in the postseason year after year, and, more ominously, it means that the next labor dispute between the owners and players could be as bitter as the last.

If anyone thought that the 60-day players strike and the cancellation of the 1994 World Series was the war to end all labor wars, think again. There is a new set of high-profile owners who are going to fall into the same trap that nearly consumed the sport during the three-year labor standoff in the early 1990s.

Arizona Diamondbacks Owner Jerry Colangelo, or someone like him, is going to pull a bunch of influential owners together and con them that the game's economic crisis has reached critical mass. The result will be another hardball attempt by the owners to knock some economic sense into the Major League Baseball Players Association.

Will it work? History says no. The union has rebuffed every attempt by ownership to put real constraints on rising payrolls, but

there again will be a call for some kind of salary cap and there again will be a major showdown.

Somebody's going to point out that if the owners had just stuck to their guns after they implemented new working conditions during the last labor dispute, they would have succeeded in putting the brakes on the game's deteriorating financial condition.

Let anyone forget, the three-judge panel of the National Labor Relations Board told the owners after they had withdrawn the implementation that it probably would have withstood a legal challenge from the union. How long is it going to take to convince a pack of disgruntled small- and middle-market owners to try it again?

Not very long, especially when influential owners such as interim Commissioner Bud Selig see that the rapid growth of payrolls is swallowing up much of the revenue gain that some middle-market teams hoped to realize with the opening of several new stadiums at the turn of the century.

The luxury tax has done nothing to bridge the gap between the major's richest and poorest teams. In fact, that gap is decidedly wider than it was the day that the enhanced revenue-sharing arrangement went into effect.

Where will it be in three years, when the time comes to hammer out a new labor agreement?

Perhaps beyond repair, which does not bode well for baseball in the 21st century.

Thanks to the DH, Ron Blomberg became a part of baseball history

Blomberg

At the time, Ron Blomberg sure didn't feel as if he were firmly rooted in baseball history. After chugging a walk, he was adrift at first base. The New York Yankees' half of the inning was over, the Boston Red Sox were ruzzing off the field. "I was waiting for somebody to come over and throw me my glove," Blomberg said of April 6, 1973, the day he became the first designated hitter.

The Yankees were playing the first game that opening day, and they happened to do well enough against Luis Tiant in the top of the first that they reached the sixth spot in the order. Blomberg was thrust into a spotlight that still shines on him in his Atlanta office, and whenever he goes 25 years later.

He drew a bases-loaded walk. But after the side was retired, he felt lost.

"The Howard came over to me and I asked him, 'What do I do?' Blomberg said, referring to the Yankees' first-base coach. "He said, 'Why don't you come and sit on the pines with me.' He knew I liked to sit on the pines. 'Why don't you go back in the clubhouse and get some food?'"

Blomberg tried that, then still had time on his hands. "Vince, the clubhouse guy in Boston, told me, 'I wouldn't go out there if I were you. It's too cold.' So I stayed in

'I remember thinking (Blomberg's bat) was probably the only bat to make it to the Hall of Fame for a base on balls.'

—Marty Appel, former Yankees' public relations director

there, stretched, swung the bat, ran back and forth in the runway," he said.

"Well, he might exaggerate some of that. We did have the DH in spring training that year," said Marty Appel, who was public relations director at the time. It is no exaggeration when Blomberg talks about being represented in the Hall of Fame. His bat is there because Appel sent it right away. "I remember thinking it was probably the only bat to make it to the Hall of Fame for a base on balls," Appel said.

Neither man remembered that Blomberg's career 293 hitter in eight major-league seasons, broke a bat later that game on an infield single (so maybe the one in Cooperstown was a spare). No matter. What most others don't remember is that Felipe Alou often was the DH in spring train-

ing and Blomberg was a first baseman. But the latter had a pulled hamstring and Manager Ralph Houk didn't want him playing the field that day.

"I never thought it would be such a big deal," said Blomberg, 49, who runs a career consulting firm, USA Career Marketing.

It's such a big deal that baseball people still argue whether there should be a DH. "I love it," Blomberg told a reporter. "Because otherwise, people like yourself would never call me."

He has been a question on Jeopardy, an answer in Trivial Pursuit. When he checks into a hotel, people ask, "Aren't you so included him on his list of top 50 moments in baseball history. "How in the world do you get to be in the top 50 with one hit?" It's really, really amazing when you come to think about it," he said. "Dick Scapp told me many years ago, Remember one thing. You're never going to find too many 'firsts' anymore."

His wife, Beth, son Adam (a pre-med student at Miami) and daughter Chelsea, 12, all get a kick-out of the fuss. His kids don't even remember him as a player. But media people do. "He's got 60 to 80 calls every year. This year, the phone has been ringing off the book," he said. "It's a big one, this year. Hey, they never can forget me."

Harry Caray notwithstanding, why do we stretch in the 7th inning?

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — OK, Cubs fans. Yeah, you. The ones who have yawned so passionately about how to handle the seventh-inning stretch with Harry Caray. Quick question for you.

Why? By which we do not mean, "Why worry about what to do with Harry Caray on Opening Day Broadcast South in the Sky?" But simply, "Why do we stretch in the seventh inning at all, ever?"

Though the stretch has become a ballpark tradition, if not a pop-culture staple, nobody knows where it started or why it is done. Baseball legend is it that the stretch began on Opening Day 1910 with pitcher Fredding William Howard Taft, sometime after he became the first president to throw out the first pitch and before he set his Cub hat dog of the afternoon. Taft rose, the legend goes, and the crowd stood in deference to him.

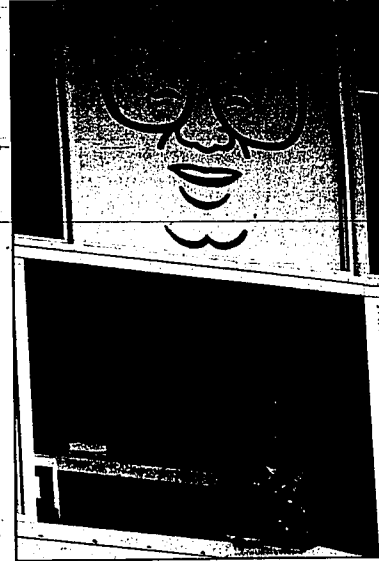
Though many fans accept the Taft story, it is truly a stretch. "There is no question he did it," baseball historian Paul Dickson says. But "he didn't invent it."

Who did? "I have no idea," says author Roger Appel, the New Yorker's baseball sage. "I would be amazed if anybody knows how it started. Or why it is done. The stretch won't help anybody work out of extra order of racks."

"We debated it back and forth and decided there really is no benefit in the seventh-inning stretch," says Tricia Salita, a physical therapist at the University of Illinois Medical Center. As far as "circulation in the baseball," it does help stretch-out-the-back. We do encourage people with back problems to change positions. Especially in watching the Cubs, who tend to stand up and cheer that often."

Because its origins are unknown, and few can explain its relevance, perhaps it is time to solve. But was definitively, can say that "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" was written by two guys who thought a wild pitch was a crazy way to sell something.

Jack's first stretch had been to a baseball game when he penned the lyrics in 1908, and it would be years before he became a fan. Albert von Tilzer, who supplied the music, once had his foot in a ball-park. But eventually, their song was played on the organ in the middle of the sev-



Dutchie Caray, widow of longtime Chicago Cubs broadcaster Harry Caray, directs the crowd at Wrigley Field in "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" during the seventh-inning stretch at the first home Cubs game of the season Friday.

and sometimes walk about." Wright wrote. "In so doing they enjoy the relief afforded by relaxation from a long posture upon hard benches."

A long posture upon hard benches? To whom was he writing? Dick Wright? Or Harry Wright, who would end up in the Hall of Fame, didn't reveal why the seventh inning was chosen. But his letter contains the earliest known mention of the seventh-inning stretch. It was written 40 years before Taft became president and 100 years before Harry Caray came to Chicago.

Caray is gone now, and the Cubs have asked his widow, Dutchie, to lead singing of the song at their home opener Friday. Throughout the season the Cubs will invite various celebrities to sing during the stretch. After this year, the ritual certainly will live on. Perhaps other methods will be needed to shorten the games.

"How about speeding up the (singing of the national anthem)?" Anzell asks. "Everyone makes the anthems slower and slower and slower." Speed up the anthems? But that would be messing with a good thing...

BASEBALL'S LEADERS 1997

Batting average	
T. Gwynn San Diego	.372
D. Walker Colorado	.368
M. Piazza Los Angeles	.362
F. Thomas Chicago	.347
E. Martinez Seattle	.330
D. Justice Cleveland	.329
Home runs	
L. Walker Colorado	49
J. Bagwell Houston	43
A. Galarraga Colorado	41
AL K. Griffey Jr. Seattle	58
T. Martinez New York	44
J. Gonzalez Texas	42
Runs batted in	
A. Galarraga Colorado	140
J. Bagwell Houston	135
L. Walker Colorado	130
AL K. Griffey Jr. Seattle	147
T. Martinez New York	141
J. Gonzalez Texas	131
Stolen bases	
T. Woitack Pittsburgh	60
D. Sanders Cincinnati	58
D. DeStefano St. Louis	55
AL B. Hunter Detroit	74
C. Knoblauch Minnesota	62
T. Goodwin Texas	50

Earned run average	
P. Martinez Montreal	1.20
G. Maddux Atlanta	1.90
D. Kile Houston	2.57
AL R. Clemens Boston	2.05
R. Johnson Seattle	2.28
D. Cone New York	2.82
Wins	
D. Neagle Atlanta	20
S. Estes San Francisco	19
D. Kile Houston	19
G. Maddux Atlanta	21
R. Clemens Boston	21
B. Redden Minnesota	20
R. Johnson Seattle	20
Saves	
J. Shaw Cincinnati	42
R. Beck San Francisco	37
T. Hoffman San Diego	37
J. Smoltz Atlanta	241
AL R. Myers Baltimore	45
M. Rivera New York	43
D. Jones Milwaukee	38
Strikeouts	
C. Schilling Philadelphia	319
P. Martinez Montreal	305
J. Smoltz Atlanta	241
AL R. Clemens Boston	292
R. Johnson Seattle	291
D. Cone New York	222

THE MASTERS

Ernie Els heads group of top golfers vying at Masters

By Ron Sitrak
The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — A capsule look at the top 30 players in the 62nd Masters held April 9-12 at Augusta National Golf Club. Listed in order of predicted finish:

ERNIE ELS

Masters played: 4.
Best finish: T8 (1994).
Last year: T17.
Tea Talk: Has two firsts, two seconds and two thirds worldwide this year. Has power and patience to play this course. Loves major championships, finishing in the top 10 nine times in 22 career starts. Also loves rivalry with Woods. Wants this one — and gets it.

TIGER WOODS

Masters played: 3.
Best finish: 1 (1997).
Last year: 1.
Tea Talk: Played the final 63 holes last year 22 under par in shooting a record 270 and winning by 12 strokes. Hard to match near-perfect performance when he has no three-putt greens, but can win with a lesser effort.

JOHN DALY

Masters played: 5.
Best finish: 3 (1993).
Last year: DNP.
Tea Talk: Missed last year because of alcohol rehab. Playing most consistent golf of career. Perfect for Augusta — long and great touch around the greens (1st in putting). More patience than ever. A great dark horse pick.

DAVIS LOVE III

Masters played: 8.
Best finish: 2 (1995).
Last year: T7.
Tea Talk: Got first major at PGA last year. Playing with more confidence than ever. Has been in the hunt here before. Could come down to how he puts on back nine on Sunday.

TOM WATSON

Masters played: 24.
Best finish: 1 (1977/81).
Last year: 4.
Tea Talk: If anyone could break Nicklaus' record as oldest winner at age 46, it is the 48-year-old Watson. Playing 25th Masters. Is 10th in greens hit and a surprising 11th in putting. That's a winning combination at Augusta.

SCOTT HOCH

Masters played: 12.
Best finish: 2 (1989).
Last year: 38.
Tea Talk: Most under-appreciated game in golf. Is 13th in driving accuracy, 33rd in greens hit and 23rd in putting. One of best from 100 yards in, which is where the Masters is won. Lost in play-off to Faldo in 1989 when he missed a 30-inch putt. Augusta owes him one.

DAVID DUVAL

Masters played: 3.
Best finish: 18 (1996).
Last year: MC.
Tea Talk: Has won four of his last 10 events. Comes into Augusta 19th in greens hit and 2nd in

The Masters Golf Tournament

Augusta National Golf Club, Augusta, Ga., April 9-12, 1998

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT
YARDS	400	555	380	205	435	180	380	535	435	3,465
PAR	4	5	4	3	4	3	4	5	4	38

HOLE	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
YARDS	485	455	185	485	405	500	170	400	405	3,460	6,925
PAR	4	4	3	5	4	5	3	4	4	38	72

Tiger Woods
1997 Masters champion

Tiger Woods, all age 21, was the youngest player to win the Masters. He set a Tournament record with a 270, 18-under-par total.

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putting, the two most important statistical categories at Augusta. Could be ready for a major.

TOM LEHMAN

Masters played: 5.
Best finish: 2 (1994).
Last year: T12.
Tea Talk: Hasn't won on PGA Tour since taking British Open and Tour Championship in 1996. Closed with very strong 68 at Players Championship to get share of second place. Hits a ton of greens (4th), but needs good week with the putter (89th).

COLIN MONTGOMERIE

Masters played: 6.
Best finish: 17 (1995).
Last year: T30.
Tea Talk: Playing more in U.S. this year in effort to win first major. New right-to-left ball flight if the scores don't go real low.

NICK FALDO

Masters played: 14.
Best finish: 1 (1989-90/96).
Last year: MC.
Tea Talk: Hasn't putted well (134th) since he missed several short ones in the last round of the 1996 British Open. Still the most determined grinder in golf. A threat if he gets to the weekend in contention.

JIM FURRY

Masters played: 2.
Best finish: 28 (1997).
Last year: 28.
Tea Talk: Shows more maturity every time out. Puts with the best of them. Strong, all around game: 25th in driving accuracy, 8th in greens hit, 25th in putting. May need a few more years here to get the patience to win.

BILLY MAYFAIR

Masters played: 5.
Best finish: 12 (1991).

LEE WESTWOOD

Masters played: 1.
Best finish: 24 (1997).
Last year: T24.
Tea Talk: At age 24 deserves to be in the group with Mickelson, Duval and Furyk right behind Woods, Els and Leonard among best young players in the world. Closed with a 68 and a 69 to finish fifth at The Players Championship.

LEE JANZEN

Masters played: 6.
Best finish: 12 (1995, 96).
Last year: T26.
Tea Talk: Hits a lot of greens (13th) and makes a lot of putts (14th). Will be bounce back after final-round collapse in Players Championship?

MARK CALCAVECHIA

Masters played: 11.
Best finish: 2 (1988).
Last year: T17.
Tea Talk: Hard work with Butch Harmon has paid off. His hitting crisp irons (11th in greens hit). If he can raise putting slightly (50th) could contend.

GREG NORMAN

Masters played: 17.
Best finish: 2 (1986-87/96).
Last year: MC.
Tea Talk: Has played only 17 1/2 competitive rounds this year and only six on the PGA Tour. Withdrew at Players Championship because of sore left shoulder. Does the fire still burn?

BERNHARD LANGER

Masters played: 15.
Best finish: 1 (1985, 93).
Last year: T17.
Tea Talk: Has the imagination around the greens that characterizes the European game and explains why they do so well at Augusta. Might have one more run left in him.

JOSE MARIA OLAZABAL

Masters played: 10.
Best finish: 1 (1994).
Last year: T12.
Tea Talk: Continues remarkable comeback after missing 18 months with foot problems. Second on 1998 European money. List behind Els. Has all the shots and at 32 should have lots of good golf ahead if him.

PHIL MICKELSON

Masters played: 5.
Best finish: 3 (1996).
Last year: MC.
Tea Talk: A dozen victories and still no 28. Hasn't proven himself in a major championship. Can be inconsistent off the tee (67th). Fascination with job short around the greens not a plus at Augusta which demands more variety.

FRED COUPLES

Masters played: 13.
Best finish: 1 (1992).
Last year: T7.
Tea Talk: Still one of the best when his back is healthy. Swamped by personal problems last year, including death of his

father. Time is running out for another major championship, but it's not gone yet.

STEVE ELKINGTON

Masters played: 7.
Best finish: 3 (1993).
Last year: T12.
Tea Talk: Not likely to be sharp. Pulled out of Players Championship following surgery to remove polyps from sinuses. Has the iron play to win at Augusta but perhaps not the putting.

FRANK NOBLO

Masters played: 3.
Best finish: 4 (1996).
Last year: 25.
Tea Talk: Has had at least one top-10 in a major the last four years. Smart and patient. Don't be surprised if he's on the leader board on Sunday.

JESPER PARNEVIK

Masters played: 1.
Best finish: 21 (1997).
Last year: 27.
Tea Talk: After five seconds last year got his first PGA Tour victory in January. Twice a runner-up in the British Open. Strong player who could be one win away from the big time.

NICK PRICE

Masters played: 12.
Best finish: 5 (1986).
Last year: T24.
Tea Talk: Played well at The Players Championship, covering final 36 holes four under par. Has equipment hassles and frenzy from his great 1994 season finally behind him. Another guy playing with renewed enjoyment.

JACK NICKLAUS

Masters played: 39.
Best finish: 1 (1963, '65-66, '72, '75, '85).
Last year: T39.
Tea Talk: Made the cut in three of four majors last year. Played well at Doral earlier this year and says his sore hip is feeling best in years. There are some who feel that at 58 he has one more run left in him.

PAUL STANKOWSKI

Masters played: 2.
Best finish: 5 (1997).
Last year: 5.
Tea Talk: Steady young player who hits a lot of greens (6th). Has the composure to handle Sunday pressure. Kind of guy who could sneak into the picture while everyone is focused on the big names.

PAUL ZINGER

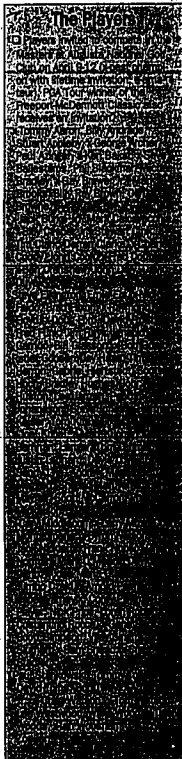
Masters played: 10.
Best finish: 14 (1989).
Last year: T28.
Tea Talk: Game comes back in his and pieces. Still hasn't won since being diagnosed with cancer shortly after taking PGA Championship in 1993. Seems to have trouble keeping the fire burning for four rounds. Augusta is a bad place to be tentative.

TOMMY TOLLES

Masters played: 1.
Best finish: 3 (1997).
Last year: 3.



Source: Augusta National Golf Club



Tea Talk: Closed with a 67 last year to finish third. Solid putter (24th) but may miss too many greens (94th) to contend. Foy never had a three-putt on the day and says his sore hip is feeling best in years. There are some who feel that at 58 he has one more run left in him.

VJAY SINGH

Masters played: 4.
Best finish: 17 (1997).
Last year: 17.
Tea Talk: Any advantage his length gives him at Augusta is taken away by his putter, although at 67 he is rolling the ball better this year than in the past.

Tiger sets up camp in Champions Locker Room at Augusta



Tiger Woods celebrates as he wins the 1997 Masters with a record-breaking 18-under-par for the tournament at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga.

By Ron Sitrak
The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Two years ago, Tiger Woods walked through the Augusta National clubhouse, turned left and went up steep, narrow stairs to the Crow's Nest, the cozy quarters where amateurs stay during the Masters.

A year earlier, a teen-age Woods and fellow amateur Trip Kuchins eased down those steps and sneaked into the Champions Locker Room to take a look around.

This year, sneaking will not be necessary. Woods will walk past the Crow's Nest stairs and into the private Champions' Locker Room, where he will see "Tiger Woods" engraved on a gold plate on the first locker on the left, right above the name "Jack Burke Jr.," the 1956 champion.

"I've thought about it because actually I muck in there one night when I was in the Crow's Nest," Woods said. "Tripper and I were, just hanging out and we got bored and decided to walk down there and check out the Champions Locker Room."
He was surprised to find a com-

puter there, "you know, with the average age being kind of old."
Woods brings down that average age.

At 22, Woods will be the youngest champion ever to walk into the room where Greg Norman, Lee Trevino, Davis Love III and Colin Montgomerie can't go unless invited.

"With his Masters victory, Woods gained not only one of the most coveted titles in golf but also access to an exclusive club with benefits for the rest of his life.

Don't underestimate how much it means to players to win the Masters.

"If there was one tournament a Greg Norman could pick to win, it would be the Masters without a doubt," said a confidante of Norman's who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

"It kills him that he can't go into the Champions' Locker Room. It kills him that he can't go to the Champions' Dinner. It kills him that (Nick) Faldo can play in the Masters for the rest of his life and he can't."

"It kills him that he does not have a green jacket."

In his first try as a professional, Woods joined a group including

Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer, Ben Hogan, Sam Snead and Gene Sarazen who have won the green Masters champion jacket.

When the tournament begins Thursday, Faldo will try to snag an even more exclusive group. Only Nicklaus in 1965-66 and Faldo in 1989-90 have won consecutive Masters.

"This year will be different in the fact that the big spotlight will be on me," Woods said. "It was on me last year but I think the intensity — will be a little more than it was last year."

That's because of what Woods accomplished at Augusta — winning by a record 12 strokes at a record 18-under-par and doing it all on a course that for years symbolized racial separation in golf.

"I wouldn't be surprised to see him go in there and do it again," said Nicklaus, who thinks Woods could win six in a row, surpassing the record set by Tiger.

Despite not having won on the PGA Tour this year, Woods is playing better than he did last year. Certainly, he is more consistent.

"It's a maturing process," his coach, Butch Harmon, said. "He is so much more patient, so much more mature than last year, and

he is only going to get better."
Topping last year will be difficult. After opening with a 40 on the first nine, Woods played the next 63 holes 22-under-par. He never had a three-putt on the day, six Augusta greens in 72 holes.

"That was because of how well he placed his iron shots," Harmon said.

The one difference over last year is that Woods will take no one by surprise. Not only do the best players believe how good Woods is, most have responded by raising the level of their own games.

Ernie Els, in particular, appears to relish his rivalry. At 28, Els already has two U.S. Open championships and he and Woods are virtually deadlocked for No. 1 in the World Golf Rankings.

"I feel like my game is there," Els said.

The silky smooth South African, known as "The Big Easy" for his fluid swing, also is playing with more intensity than ever.

"I just have to keep it going," said Els, who is among the many players who started exercise programs to get fit enough to meet the Tiger challenge.

"This is the best I've played going into Augusta," he said.

THE MASTERS

Changes fail to 'Tigerize' Augusta

By Ron Strak
The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Even before Tiger Woods finished his 12-stroke victory at the Masters the cry was echoing through the towering Georgia pines to "Tigerize" Augusta National Golf Club.

Grow rough, was a suggestion. Sink fairway bunkers all over the place to swallow up tee shots. Lengthen the par-5 holes. Hide Tiger's driver.

Woods so completely dominated the diabolical old course in shooting 18-under-par, it seemed something had to be done to keep him from winning the Masters every year until he lost interest.

But as Woods returns to the scene of one of the most overwhelming performances in major championship golf, the response of the men in green jackets who run Augusta National has been very much in character.

"There are always ongoing discussions regarding possible changes to our golf course. However, we would never make any changes because of one player or one tournament," said Augusta National chairman Jack Stephens.

There were some tweaks to the course over the last year. Three greens — Nos. 6, 8 and 14 — were recontoured slightly to give more options for pin positions.

A tall pine that protected the right side of the 11th fairway fell down a few years ago so the tee was moved 20 feet to the right to make the drive more demanding.

Trees were planted on the right side of the dogleg on No. 13 and on the right side of No. 18 to narrow the ballout areas on those holes. But the basic attitude of the men in charge is that Augusta National is a masterpiece, and that while the Moon List may require restoration work now and then, you don't draw a muschache on it.

"In fact, last year's scoring was the highest it had been in the last eight tournaments, and higher than when Jack Nicklaus set the record in 1965, and Raymond Floyd tied it in 1976," Stephens said. "All changes are the result of long-range planning."

In many ways, the call to radically alter Augusta underestimates what Woods accomplished last year. A great golfer played 32 rounds of near-perfect golf. It was Bill Walton shooting 21-0-22 in the NCAA championship

game. It was Bob Beamon's record long jump in the 1968 Olympics that lasted 23 years.

It was the kind of performance that comes along only once in a lifetime. There is only one flaw in that reasoning — Tiger Woods.

He just might be capable of more than one once-in-a-lifetime performance.

Jack Nicklaus thinks so. So does Woods' coach, Butch Harmon, who says his student might go into the 50s someday at Augusta.

A little more than 30 years ago several changes were made to Augusta after a long litter won the tournament in 1963 and 1964-66.

"They changed the golf course in the mid-1960s because of me," Nicklaus said. "I won the tournament three out of four years. They put in bunkers and tried to restrict where I could hit the ball. Now those bunkers are obsolete."

"Nicklaus, who won a record six Masters, thinks Augusta fits Woods' game as well as it fits his own and predicted Woods could win the tournament 10 times.

"I felt if I played well I would really have to have some bad breaks to lose at Augusta," Nicklaus said. "With my length, the hazards weren't there. I hit it over

everything, same as he does. I see no reason why he won't do it again."

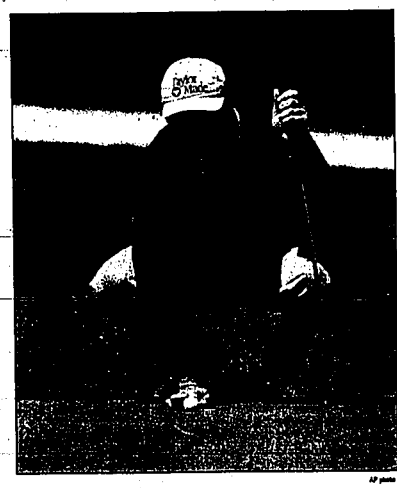
Nicklaus opposes growing rough to make courses more difficult, saying it takes away from the beauty of the recovery shot. He advocates par golf rolling back by 10 or 20 percent how far the golf ball will go.

Certainly, the fact that Woods hit short irons into even par-5 holes meant that it was much easier for him to place his approach shots in the best spots on the dangerous greens with their severe contours. "The most I hit into any green all week was a 6-iron on No. 10 on Sunday," Woods said.

Harmon, who can barely contain his glee when he talks about how hard Woods works, says Woods will get better and better.

"Tiger will go into the 50s someday and it just might be at Augusta," Harmon said, referring to the all-time PGA Tour scoring record of 59.

And it just might be this year. Then what would happen to Augusta? "If they are going to change the golf course because of one performance, I think that says it all right there," Woods said. It does say it all.



Elna Elis lines up a putt at the Bay Hill Invitational in March. Elis is expected to be one of the front-runners at this year's Masters.

1998 Masters

Augusta National Golf Club, Augusta, Ga. April 9-14

A hole-by-hole description of the 6,925-yard, par-72 Augusta National Golf Club, site of the 82nd Masters Tournament.



4
Par 3
205 yards

Very wide green is about 20 yards below tee, but even long hitters may need a wood. Large bunker front-right.

5
Par 4
435 yards

Drive is across a valley to an uphill landing area on the slight dogleg right. Green is open at front, allowing a run-up approach to a two-level green.

6
Par 3
180 yards

An elevated tee looks down on a two-level green that has a large hump on right.

7
Par 4
360 yards

One of Augusta National's lightest fairways. Approach is uphill to small, elevated green.

8
Par 5
535 yards

Uphill drive must avoid bunker in right portions of fairway. Can be reached in two. Green nestled between high mounds.

9
Par 4
435 yards

Downhill, dogleg left. Second shot is uphill to a green that slopes sharply to the front.

10
Par 4
445 yards

Hill on the right and severe downhill slope compensates for extreme length. A well-placed, green tee shot can set up short-iron approach to shaded green. Second shot is among the fastest on the course.

11
Par 4
455 yards

Tee shot is out of narrow chute to open fairway. Approach from the right gives better view of green, which has water on the left.

12
Par 5
185 yards

The narrow, canted green is guarded in front by Rae's Creek. Sand shot from bunker in back of green, toward the creek, is one of the most intimidating in golf.

13
Par 5
485 yards

Rae's Creek runs along the left side of the fairway and crosses in front of the green. Can be reached in two. Hooked drive around the corner on dogleg left can set up mid-iron second shot.

14
Par 4
405 yards

Straightaway hole, with leavers green the dominant feature. Ridge at front, with 8-foot depression that must be avoided.

15
Par 5
500 yards

Mounds on right side of fairway can rob drive of distance. If mounds are avoided, the straightaway hole can be reached in two, but second shot over a pond fronts the green.

16
Par 3
170 yards

Carry is all over water to green that provides some treacherous pin positions.

17
Par 4
400 yards

Landing area is uphill to green fronted by two bunkers and has a slight crown that makes it difficult to hold.

18
Par 4
405 yards

Slight dogleg right. Fairway bunkers on left. Second shot is uphill to two-level green.

A look at Augusta National

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Hole-by-hole description of the Augusta National Golf Club course, site of the 82nd Masters, April 9-14.



No. 1, 400 yards, par 4: One of the two par-4 holes favoring a left-to-right tee shot. Fairway bunker on right is in play off the tee. Landing area for tee shot is on an up-slope. Bunker guards left-front of green.

No. 2, 555 yards, par 5: Dogleg left. Fairway drops sharply in landing area of drive, setting up downhill lie for second shot. Fairway bunker on right. Two bunkers in front of green.

No. 3, 360 yards, par 4: Drive is uphill. Second shot is short iron to L-shaped, plateau green.

No. 4, 205 yards, par 3: Very wide green is about 20 yards below tee, but even long hitters may need a wood. Large bunker front-right.

No. 5, 435 yards, par 4: Drive is across a valley to an uphill landing area on the slight dogleg right. Green is open at front, allowing a run-up approach to a two-level green.

No. 6, 180 yards, par 3: An elevated tee looks down on a two-level green that has a large hump on right.

No. 7, 360 yards, par 4: One of Augusta National's lightest fairways. Approach is uphill to small, elevated green.

No. 8, 535 yards, par 5: Uphill drive must avoid bunker in right portions of fairway. Can be reached in two. Green nestled between high mounds.

No. 9, 435 yards, par 4: Downhill, dogleg left. Second shot is uphill to a green that slopes sharply to the front.

No. 10, 445 yards, par 4: Hill on the right and severe downhill slope compensates for extreme length. A well-placed, drawn tee shot can set up short-iron approach to shaded green that often is among the fastest on the course.

No. 11, 455 yards, par 4: Tee shot is out of narrow chute to open fairway. Approach from the right gives better view of green, which has water on the left.

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No. 18, 405 yards, par 4: Slight dogleg right. Fairway bunkers on left. Second shot is uphill to two-level green.

Source: Augusta National Golf Club

SPORTS

EASY COME, EASY GO

Ex-champion Mike Tyson spent his money almost as quickly as it came in

By Tim Dahlberg
The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS - Mike Tyson had been out of the Indiana Youth Center only a few hours and already he was a rich man. In his pocket, the former heavyweight champion had two checks, each made out to him for \$10 million.

Most Indiana prisoners are given \$75 in spending money to ease their transition back into society. Tyson needed no such help.

The three years he served for rape hardly did anything to diminish his appeal. If anything, he was bigger than ever, and multimillion-dollar deals already had been struck for his return to the ring.

In the next few weeks Tyson would get another \$12 million for the rights to future fights and television. A few months later, he earned the most money ever given to a boxer - \$25 million - to fight a stiff named Peter McNeely.

He was the first of \$140 million in purses Tyson earned during the next two years.

Today, much of that money is gone and Tyson is banned from boxing for biting Evander Holyfield's ears.

The fighter who once terrorized the heavyweight division and became its youngest champ in history at 20 fighters away, millions on mansions, Bentleys, jewelry, and even Bengal tigers while buying extravagant gifts for his entourage. Don King also took a huge chunk.

Tyson not only has cash flow problems but reportedly owes the government millions in back taxes.

And for the second time in his career - in lawsuits nearly identical to the ones he filed against former managers a decade ago - Tyson claims promoters and managers ripped him off by taking advantage of his lack of business knowledge. This time, he says, King and his two co-managers took him for more than \$100 million.

Stories of boxes earning and then blowing fortunes are nothing new. Neither are stories of others who profit from them.

But never has it happened on such a grand scale. And never has it happened to larger-than-life figures such as Tyson and King.

"Everyone in boxing makes out but the fighters," Tyson said last year, perhaps forgetting for a moment that he was the richest fighter ever.

As the biggest draw in boxing history, Tyson figured to get rich following his release from prison. And he did.

His offers included huge sums to be boss for his fights and fans eagerly paid \$50 to watch Tyson on television. Celebrities and high rollers thought nothing of laying out \$1 million for ring-side seats.

Tyson's fights generated enormous revenues, far beyond those of any other fighters. His second bout with Holyfield was the biggest grossing fight ever, and seven of his fights were among the top 10 pay-per-view events ever.

But Tyson wasn't the only one making millions.

For example, \$2.5 million each was given to pals Rory Holloway and John Horne. The bombastic, spiky-haired King profited even more.

Court records show King had contracts that not only made him Tyson's promoter, but gave him 30 percent of his earnings - technically against Nevada law.

What Nevada boxing officials didn't know was the check King gave them to give to Tyson for both Holyfield fights wasn't entirely Tyson's to keep. The \$30 million paydays would be cut in half by the time Tyson wrote checks for \$9 million to King and \$3 million each to Horne and Holloway.

"After we give him a check for \$30 million, we don't know where the money goes," Nevada Athletic Commission executive director Marc Ratner said.

King made at least \$65 million from his cut of Tyson's purses and TV and casino deals, according to contracts signed by King, Tyson, Horne and Holloway. Tyson lawyers claim the promoter made millions more from foreign broadcast rights and expenses he charged to the boxer.

King was even selling Tyson's likeness. When the World Wrestling Federation needed Tyson's picture for its



A house that boxer Mike Tyson eventually purchased for \$3.7 million sits with an open view in 1995 in Las Vegas. The 13,000-sq-ft home included seven bedrooms, a wine cellar, tennis court, swimming pool, and a guest house. Currently, Tyson has built a high fence around his property.



Mike Tyson thrives on a punch at Peter McNeely during their bout in 1995 in Las Vegas. Tyson was paid the most money ever given a boxer, \$25 million.

Wrestlemania ads, the rights were credited to Don King Productions.

Though Tyson signed the checks for Mike Tyson Productions, his financial records were ripped from King's office by an accountant the promoter selected. Tyson seemed oblivious as to where the money was going.

"I think sometimes he signed blank checks," said Jeff Wald, a Hollywood agent who is Tyson's top adviser. "Mike was not told exactly what was going on. Yes, he signed checks and yes, he spent money. But he was entitled to that money."

And even after giving half of everything he made to King and his managers, there was plenty left over. Tyson's 50 percent of the purses and contracts with Showtime television and the

ing escalated. "I'm not tight with a dollar," Tyson acknowledged. "I'm very frivolous at times."

Then, with two bites, the money dried up. But the spending didn't stop.

Even while Nevada boxing regulators were meeting to revoke his license and fine him \$3 million last July for biting Holyfield's ears in the ring, Tyson showed up at a car dealership just outside New York to buy another car. He bought a Ferrari for \$300,000, declining a test drive because he already had one just like it.

Tyson hardly needed the wheels. At his Ohio mansion alone, he kept a 1995 Rolls Royce, a new Range Rover and a Mercedes-Benz 500. He had Lamborghini and BMWs in his stable, along with nearly every type of luxury or play vehicle.

Over the years, Tyson reportedly bought 110 cars either for himself or as gifts. At one Las Vegas dealership alone, he purchased 20 cars.

One day Tyson and some members of his entourage walked into Jim Chaisson Motors, a luxury dealership in Las Vegas. In the showroom was a \$320,000 Bentley Azure, the most expensive production car in the world.

Tyson bought it, and ordered four more. In the space of a few minutes, he had spent more than \$1.5 million.

"It was mainly for him and his business associates," owner Jim Chaisson Jr. said. "We usually stock one or two. We had to scramble quite a bit to get the rest from Rolls-Royce."

Cars weren't the only things he liked. Tyson spent millions on baubles for his friends and himself, running up huge bills at his

favorite jeweler, The Jewelers of Las Vegas. Store owner Mordchai Yerushalmi always extended credit, but finally sued after a bill for \$805,350 went unpaid.

"He was a very good customer," said Yerushalmi, adding that Tyson preferred gold and diamonds. "I always advanced him credit and never had a problem before. To extend \$800,000 in credit, you have to be a good customer."

Others also gladly advanced credit and treated Tyson like a casino high-roller. The doors were shut at the Versace store in the tony Caesars Palace mall one day so Tyson and his friends could go on a \$250,000 spending spree.

"I spend that on a weekend for a good time," Tyson said.

On top of the \$3.7 million Tyson spent for his Las Vegas home around the corner from singer Wayne Newton, millions more went into remodeling the 11,000

square feet to fit his lifestyle. He spent \$70,000 apiece for two white Bengal tigers, then tens of thousands more for a habitat for African and African lion in his backyard. He hired animal trainer Carl Mitchell for another \$125,000 a year to be on call whenever he flew into Las Vegas to be with the animals.

Mitchell recalled a "constant barrage of people" at Tyson's Las Vegas home, most of whom were paid and wanted his ear. Walking through the woods with Tyson and the tigers one day, Mitchell, who later sued Tyson for unpaid bills, said he told the fighter that the interruptions were interfering with the training.

"They don't give a (expletive) about me," Tyson responded. "They're just here for the money and to be with Mike Tyson."

Running his other homes in Ohio, Connecticut and Maryland was just as draining. Gardening bills alone amounted to \$100,000. Then there were the cooks, bodyguards and the chauffeurs on the payroll - and Tyson was more than generous to them.

A camp aide named Crocodile - whose sole function was to dress in fatigues and repeatedly shout "guerrilla warfare" at Tyson news conferences - was paid \$300,000 in 1996.

Tyson was in the process of closing on another house, this one for \$6.95 million just outside of Beverly Hills, when he lost to Holyfield the second time. A few weeks later he backed out of the contract.

King could only smirk when talk swirled during Tyson's prison stay that the fighter he had lured away from Bill Cayton in 1988 would desert him for a new promoter.

What those supposedly in the know didn't know was that King had an inside track on getting his fighter back. He had Horne and Holloway, who were being paid \$5,000 a week while Tyson was in prison to visit him weekly.

It wasn't long before the attention was off.

On Aug. 16, 1994, Tyson signed a contract in a prison visiting room making Horne and Holloway his official managers.

"They have my complete trust and faith to represent my best interest with anything concerning my boxing interests," Tyson wrote. "You have the absolute right to negotiate on my behalf. No desirable commitment on my behalf will be completed without John K. Horne and Rory Holloway's consent and agreement."

The baby-faced Holloway was a buddy of Tyson's from his teenage years in Albany, N.Y., where trainer Gus D'Amato molded him into a fierce fighter. The volatile Horne, a show salesman and failed standup comic, made his way into the Tyson inner circle through a friendship with Horne's brother.

Horne and Holloway had worked for Tyson since 1986, working in his training camp and earning his loyalty. Now, they would be his managers, each rewarded with 10 percent of whatever Tyson earned from his purses and Showtime and casino deals King put together.

It didn't take long for Horne and Holloway to deliver the fighter to King. In fact, they already had signed an agreement two months before formally becoming Tyson's managers, giving King exclusive rights to promote Tyson through 1995.

Then, two weeks before Tyson was to be released from prison, he signed the definitive agreement to give King 30 percent of all his earnings and Horne and Holloway 10 percent each. In return, Tyson got signing bonuses worth about \$35 million from contracts King had negotiated with Showtime and MGM Grand.

Tyson, who boasted of reading the teachings of Mao and great philosophers while in prison, now claims that he never understood the contract. His new lawyers claim in court documents that Horne and Holloway were "puppets" who never performed any serious management services and existed as "little more than window dressing for King."

"Mike put his trust in people who he made filthy rich," said Wald, the agent. "Mike made a lot of people rich but they weren't satisfied with just that. They wanted more. They could have made a fortune legally without double-dipping on this guy."

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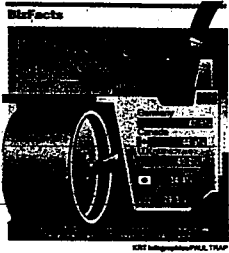
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The Times-News

Sunday, April 5, 1998

Section D



BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Skillpath Seminars sets 2 local workshops

TWIN FALLS — SkillPath Seminars is presenting two workshops in Twin Falls this month.

• First Things First is planned for 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 14 at the Canyon Springs Park Hotel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

The seminar emphasizes a new approach to time management taken from Dr. Stephen Covey's book.

Participants will learn how to close the gap between how time is spent and what's important in life, how to recognize the difference between what can and cannot be controlled, how to set goals and priorities that form the basis of a personal action plan and more. The cost is \$195.

• Fundamentals of Personnel Law for Managers and Supervisors is set for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 21 at the Weston Plaza Hotel, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

The workshop focuses on fair hiring laws, best practices, legally proper discipline and discharge, employee privacy rights, discrimination and sexual harassment, wage and hour laws, workplace safety regulations and more. The cost is \$159.

For more information or to enroll in either workshop, call (800) 873-7545.

Creekside Steakhouse wins 3-diamond rating

TWIN FALLS — Creekside Steakhouse will receive a three-diamond rating in the next edition of the AAA travel publication for this area.

The informational listing includes such details as cuisine type, specialties offered, price ranges and hours of operation, the AAA said.

Last year, some 38 million TourBook guides were distributed free of charge to 40 million AAA members, the organization said.

Total sales increase 6.1% for Albertson's store chain

BOISE — Albertson's Inc. reports sales trends for the four-week period ended March 26.

Total sales increased 6.1 percent. For the eight-week period ending March 26, total sales increased 6.4 percent over the similar eight-week period last year.

Albertson's Inc. calls itself one of the largest retail food-drug chains in the United States. The Boise-based company operates 894 retail stores in 21 Western, Midwestern and Southern states.

College freshmen think earlier about financial future

Today's college freshmen are already thinking about what kinds of investments they need for a secure financial future, according to a survey commissioned by Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co.

In the poll of 2,000 freshmen, 81 percent said owning a home is very important to them, 74 percent said life insurance is important and 46 percent said individual retirement accounts and pensions are important.

But it appears many freshmen may be concerned about volatility in the financial markets. Only 30 percent said stocks, bonds and mutual funds are very important for their security.

New system eradicates computer viruses via Internet

Viruses are one of the biggest concerns of computer users, but according to Popular Science magazine, a new system can detect and eradicate viruses using the Internet.

The magazine reports that under the system, a computer in a local area network can detect a possible virus and send a copy of the problem code or file to an administrator PC.

The administrator in turn sends the possible troublemaker to an analysis lab that can identify it as a "virus" and come up with a way to eliminate it.

A "prescription" is then sent back to the administrator, which can fix the PC with the virus. According to the magazine, this can all be accomplished in a matter of minutes.

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ROLLING — the — DICE

Idaho Indian tribe takes chance on Internet gambling

The Associated Press

WORLEY — The Coeur d'Alene Indian tribe, whose casino has netted \$22 million in five years, is taking its biggest gamble yet: that its Internet gambling operation will survive beyond its first birthday.

The deck is stacked against the 1,550-member tribe in northern Idaho's Panhandle, the only tribe in America offering gambling in cyberspace beyond bingo.

Attorneys general in 36 states have asked the National Indian Gaming Commission to shut down the US Lottery, the tribe's phone and Internet games. And lawsuits against Unistar Entertainment, the company managing the lottery, are pending in federal courts in Missouri and Wisconsin.

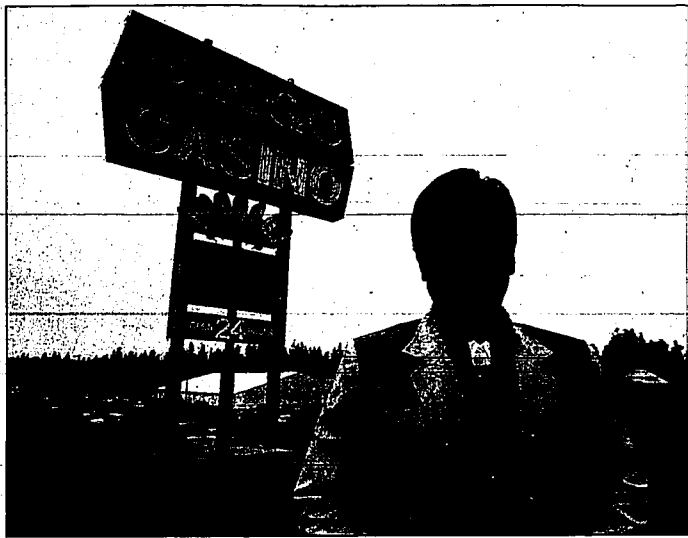
But perhaps most threatening of all to the Coeur d'Alene's Internet games is legislation proposed by Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., that would ban all gambling over the Internet. The bill is expected to reach the Senate floor this month and a similar bill has been proposed in the House.

"We're worried about it," concedes Dave Matheson, a former deputy commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs who returned to the reservation in 1993 to head up his tribe's gaming operations.

Worried, sure, but not willing to pull the plug.

Ernest Stensgar, the tribal chairman who has a Purple Heart from Vietnam, said the tribe was convinced of its games' legality when it began US Lottery, that hasn't changed.

"We knew it was going to be a chal-



David J. Matheson, chief executive officer of gambling for the Coeur d'Alene Indian tribe's bingo and casino operations, says the tribe isn't willing to pull the plug on its Internet gambling operation, despite the controversy it has generated.

lenge, a fight," Stensgar said. "But what hasn't been a challenge? It wasn't that hard of a decision."

Since last May, US Lottery has been offering pull-tab or scratch-off games that simulate lottery tickets. In January it began a weekly six-number draw game that can be played from 33 states with the phone or Internet.

"They're real trailblazers," said Sebastian Sinclair, a gambling analyst with Christians, Cummings Associates in New York.

Unistar has picked up most of the tab, so far amounting to \$13 million for the legal battles, 25 staffers and a new computer center next to the tribe's 5-year-old casino along the two-lane U.S. Highway 95 here.

Neither the tribe nor Unistar has yet made a dime. Only about 4,000 play regularly and just 1,300 play the weekly draw game for a minimum jackpot of \$1 million.

Public suspicion that the games are not legal, combined with the refusal of

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Computer operator William Big Man checks systems program at the US Lottery. The center houses the Coeur d'Alene Indian tribe's Internet gambling operation, which has caused much controversy among attorneys general throughout the country.

How the Internet game is played

The Associated Press

The US Lottery, owned by the Coeur d'Alene tribe in northern Idaho, has four instant-win games that work like lottery tickets on the Internet.

A weekly six-number draw game — determined by blowing ping pong balls — can be played by phone or by Internet.

The minimum guaranteed win is \$1 million, although no one has yet hit the jackpot.

Gamblers in 33 states and overseas are able to register their names,

addresses and credit card numbers on the tribe's Website. Residents of the 17 other states where such lotteries are not legal cannot register.

Once registered, a player clicks his way through the game, using the mouse to choose the size of bet and to "scratch" off the ticket in one game or to click on a bingo card in another.

The amount gambled is charged to the player's credit card, but not more than \$500 per month per card. All winnings are credited to the player's account, and the player can ask for a check to be sent at any time.

Firms use offbeat ad messages to target Generation Xers

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Atcall, a Vienna, Va., advertising phone company, just came out with a series of ads that send a simple, straightforward message, a sign to customers that yes, we feel your pain.

"Because the mess, we're marketing," reads an ad featuring a splotchy, what-it-is that drawing. The pitch follows: "12 cents a minute for businesses, to anywhere in the country at any time ... simple bills, no dialing codes and no disclaimers."

Another ad in the same genre pro-

claims, "Studies show that most Americans have seen 4,317 long distance ads in the last year. So here's a picture of a letter."

The cat also showed up in a 15-second spot on the World Wide Web. This time, though, the kitty coughed up a hairball. It's the ultimate truth in advertising, quite, but with a serious message. It's all about attitude.

If you don't get these ads, chances are you're not supposed to. Atcall and other consumer-oriented companies are increasingly using such offbeat images and slogans — and new technology — to appeal to members of the Generation

X, a supposedly angst-ridden group of 45 million Americans between the ages of 20 and 33. It's a world where realism and attitude are in, pretense is out.

In the five or so years since marketers discovered Generation X's buying power — an estimated \$125 billion a year — they have had created television commercials featuring twentysomethings with grunge-like wardrobes who sit around and grouse about their lot in life. They've authored newspaper ads saturated with hip words such as "suck."

The cynic, the slacker, the drifter — advertisers have called on these models

to attract this population. Marketers thought that by using the Xers' language and by trying to act like one of them — or how they viewed them to be — they could cajole this market into believing that "we understand you."

The theory was put a slacker in a commercial and sales will soar. They didn't. "It was kind of the Beavis and Butthead view of how to advertise to Gen X," said J. Walker Smith, managing partner at YankeeDoll Partners Inc., a Norwalk, Conn., market research and consulting firm. He is also author of "Rocking the Ages: The YankeeDoll

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CD-ROM tutorials help satisfy need for entry-level information

By Joe Kishelmer

The Orlando Sentinel

Online

If there's one thing I've learned in four years of writing about computers, it's that the appetite never dies for how-to-get-started stories.

There's such a constant need for entry-level information that I feel like I could write the same column every week. Of course, how many different ways are there to talk about how to cut and paste text?

You could keep one of those fat computer books on hand, but I have yet to read one I would recommend. Most contain more information than one person can absorb. They also tend to be filled with more jargon than the average newbie can understand.

Training-oriented software packages are far better, because they do what books can't: Teach you how to use your computer while you're using your computer.

Two new programs fit that bill: Peter Norton's PC Guru, published by MediaX Corp. of Culver City, Calif., and Internet Tutorial, published by Expert Software of Gora, Ga.

Of the two, PC Guru is the most well-rounded, covering topics ranging from the inner workings of a personal computer to the basics of the Internet. It's also more expensive, selling for a suggested \$29.95 at most computer retail outlets.

The program is slickly produced, featuring numerous videos by Peter

Norton.

In the 1980s, Norton became one of personal computing's nationally recognized experts after selling 5 million copies of "Inside the IBM PC." He also helped write the immensely popular Norton Utilities software — now owned by Symantec Corp. — which helps you manage the health of your hard drive.

PC Guru excels in teaching beginners the possibilities of personal computing. A section titled "All you can do" covers the basics of personal finance soft-

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IRA sets up a win, win, win deal

NEW YORK (AP)—Millions of people can lower their withholding tax liability, and then enhance the amount of money saved by contributing it to their Individual Investment Account or their 401(k).

By taking that step, they may also lower their taxable income and thus qualify for lower withholding amounts, or to state in another way, they raise their take-home pay.

All any taxpayer needs to do is raise the number of deductions claimed, thus lowering the amount withheld from their paychecks. To reap this benefit is as easy as merely advise your employer — it is surprising millions don't avail themselves of it. But they don't.

Instead, says Dave Engstrom, whose Winning Publications, Inc. has sold more than a half-million books on how to deal with the Internal Revenue Service, these workers allow themselves to be overwithheld, and then wait perhaps 18 months for the money to be refunded.

It gets worse. The money they could have had up front could have been invested in their tax-deferred savings plan, and might have been matched by their employer. Many companies equal at least a percentage of employee contributions.

Let's see: They could have had money to save, plus matching money from their employer, lower withholding tax and thus more

take-home pay. Instead, they opted to owe the IRS, and their employer to overwithhold taxes, then wait up to 18 months for its return.

The awful irony of this, says Engstrom, is that after waiting so long for their own money to be returned, a consequence of having overpaid the IRS, "They consider it a gift." Well, he says, it is a gift — a gift to the federal and perhaps state government.

Most people cannot afford this sort of charity, and they can quickly end it by reducing their paycheck withholding to the proper amount. "But they don't," says Engstrom, in a bad and very costly habit which the IRS seems to encourage.

New tax world opens up when you are self-employed

BALTIMORE (AP)— Being your own boss opens up a whole new world when it comes time to file your taxes, one fraught with substantial complexity. Just ask Gene and Linda Autry.

The Wilmington, Del., couple had a seven-year struggle with the Internal Revenue Service over what they described an honest mistake involving taxes for her husband, a long-haul truck driver.

"We filed the taxes. I just filed them incorrectly," Linda Autry said. She didn't file a Schedule C for her husband's income, which is required for independent contractors.

In the ensuing dispute, the IRS garnished Gene Autry's wages. It took several trips to the IRS to resolve the issue, and it was finally settled in November at an IRS problem-solving day.

Linda Autry brought a tin of cookies to an IRS agent who handed out the case, and the couple was expecting a refund check.

While the outcome of the Autry's case was positive, the fact that the dispute lingered for seven years points to the seriousness of mistakes in independent contractors' taxes.

Almost one in three workers has what the government calls a business. On a personal basis, income taxes, you're limited to certain expenses that total at least 2 percent of your adjusted gross income.

People who have a regular 9-to-5 job can also use Schedule C to report part-time income from their home business.

Other issues for independent contractors include:

- Self-employment taxes. You have to set aside taxes for Social Security and Medicare. The 15.3 percent tax is levied on net earnings.

The Schedule C is where self-employed people report their income and expenses from their business. You deduct all of your business expenses from your business income.

If you bought a car or computer for business purposes in 1997, complete Form 4562 to determine your deduction.

For small businesses, such as a one-person home painting operation working on a cash basis, you can file a simplified version called Schedule CEZ, so long as you are not reporting a loss. You have to meet several requirements, chiefly that your gross receipts are \$25,000 or less and business expenses are \$2,000 or less. See Publication 334 for details.

There's a big difference in treatment of expenses with a Schedule C from treatment on personal income taxes. You can deduct all expenses related to the business. On a personal basis, income taxes, you're limited to certain expenses that total at least 2 percent of your adjusted gross income.

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ings of \$65,400 or less in 1997, and an additional 2.9 percent applies to earnings above that amount.

You have to prepare Schedule SE to determine your liability for self-employment tax. You can also deduct half of your self-employment taxes in Line 25 of the Form 1040, but in doing so may affect your deduction for Keogh retirement plans. See Publication 550 for details.

Business expenses. One of the most vexing problems for many self-employed workers is determining your business mileage as opposed to your commuting mileage.

Consider the case of a printer with a small office in a shopping center. The printer can deduct the miles from the office to deliver goods to clients. But he can't deduct the miles driving from his home to the office; that's considered personal commuting expenses.

Home office deduction. The rules generally permit a deduction for business-related expenses in operating the portion of your home used for business, such as a share of the rent or depreciation. To qualify, your home office must be the principal place of business, a place where you meet customers, or a structure apart from the living quarters. See Publication 587 and Form 8829 for details.

Gambling

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phone companies, so far, to provide 800 numbers for phone sales, are dampening interest, Matheson said.

But if the legal hurdles — including the one specifically aimed against AT&T for phone lines — can be overcome, the tribe and Unistar believe the market will be huge.

"I think it could be a big success, justifying our investment in it," said Mike Yacenta, president of Unistar, a subsidiary of Executive Information Systems.

Lottery players buy \$114 billion worth of lottery tickets worldwide each year, \$40 billion in the United States, Yacenta notes. The Coeur d'Alene tribe wants to slice several hundred million dollars a year from that pie.

"The vision was the self-sufficiency of the Coeur d'Alene tribe, the American dream if you will," said Stensgar.

"There was a period of apathy, doubt, anxiety, skepticism," Stensgar said. "Now people are happy. They're working and it's because of gaming dollars. We can't go back to where we were."

The \$2 million the casino has made since it began in 1993 has already gone to education, land purchases, elders' programs, law enforcement and tribal members.

Children benefit the reservation. Unemployment has fallen from 35 percent to 15 percent.

As he says, the casino money has "jump-started the tribal economy, from the dependent on the federal, agricultural and forestry markets. Internet gambling could give the tribe real money to start other industries, he says.

"Between the tribe and the pot of gold, however, stands some formidable opposition.

Two attorneys general who last summer said the Indian Gaming Commission to prohibit tribes from offering Internet gambling say the games are not allowed under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. The Commission previously authorized the Coeur d'Alene tribe's lottery.

Gambling operation sees success

The Associated Press

The Coeur d'Alenes have already earned \$22 million since they launched their casino along U.S. Highway 95 in Worley, Idaho, five years ago.

Since 1993, the tribe has built a \$3 million school for grades K-8. The tribe has and has put hundreds of thousands of dollars into both the tribal and Plummer-Worley public schools. The tribal and public schools will cost \$20,000,000.

Teachers are now using computers and other modern teaching tools to learn the tribe's native language.

Thousands of dollars go to college scholarships, and the tribe sets prize the way for a girl who

is now a basketball standout at Gonzaga Preparatory School in Spokane, 35 miles to the northwest.

The tribe also bought a new bus for outings for the elderly, and has purchased nearly 2,100 acres of land within reservation boundaries. They are building a wellness center with an Olympic-sized swimming pool on an 86-acre site in Worley.

A new police department and court system with judge, prosecutor and public defender are all under way. Each tribal member gets \$500 each August, so families can buy school clothes, and \$500 in December for Christmas shopping. Most of each child's allotment goes into a trust fund.

Haney says. The Coeur d'Alenes point to several layers of regulation, including the tribe's own regulators, who have a budget of \$350,000 this year.

"They probably think we still live in teepees, too," scoffs Stensgar. "We consider ourselves to be the most regulated people in America."

Nelson Rose, a Whittier College law professor and expert on gambling law, says the Coeur d'Alene is taking some good legal arguments — for the moment.

But the Kyl bill would likely kill US Lottery. Even with the threat of the new law, other tribes are preparing to offer gaming online. Two of them — the St. Regis Mohawk and the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Chippewa Indians of Michigan — have websites nearly ready to go, said Don Harris, president of an Ohio-based company that is helping tribes go online. Native American Interactive Gaming Inc.

Rose, however, contends that the market will remain small until the public has confidence the games are run honestly.

Just last month, the U.S. Attorney in New York announced the indictments of 20 U.S. operators of Internet gambling sites in the Caribbean.

Says Rose: "Having arrests made by the Department of Justice is not going to help."

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ware, computer games, word processing packages and home publishing programs. If you want to know everything your computer can do, check this section out first.

The second disk of this two-disk set contains trial versions of more than 20 different software programs. You can get an idea of how Adobe PageMaker or Lotus Organizer works before you shell out the money for those two expensive programs.

PC Guru is a drawback, however. It doesn't teach users enough about Windows 95. Knowing how to navigate through Windows is half the battle in learning to use a PC.

Once you learn, for example, that everything you program can do is contained within the drop-down menus, then you can experiment.

MediaX says it plans to produce another four CDs featuring Norton. Here's hoping a Windows primer is included in each of them.

Expert Software's Internet Tutorial, \$14.99 at most computer stores, doesn't have the same broad scope of PC Guru, but that is a plus. You probably can learn what you need from Internet Tutorial in two or three sittings, whereas you can spend a lot of time with PC Guru and still not see everything it has to offer.

Internet Tutorials takes you on a step-by-step tour of cyberspace, covering the basics, such as the history of the Internet, how to send e-mail, and the differences between an online service and

an Internet Service provider.

If you already have an Internet provider, the program will connect you to the sites it mentions in the tutorial. If you don't have a provider, it can help you sign up with AT&T's WorldNet service.

PC Guru and Internet Tutorial are in the same price range as many of the computer books on the market. But because they come in the form of CD-ROMs, they'll occupy less space on your bookshelf than anything in the For Dummies series.

Q. How did the mouse get its name?

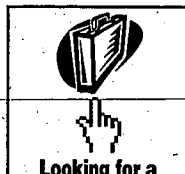
A. In the 1970s, scientists at Xerox's Palo Alto Research Center sought a way to give people command over computers using graphical icons instead of text. That was the beginning of the Graphical User Interface, GUI, which is at the heart of today's Windows 95 and Macintosh operating systems.

Needing a way to control a computer screen cursor, PARC's

scientists turned to a device Douglas Engelbart invented in 1963.

The device had small wheels on the bottom that controlled a cursor's up-and-down and side-to-side movement. In his patent application, Engelbart called it an "XY Position Indicator for a Display System."

Given its small palm-sized shape and connection wire, the device looked like a rodent. In a recent interview, Engelbart said he doesn't remember which scientist first called the device a mouse. "We all agreed it looked like a mouse," he said.



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Report on Generational Marketing.

Xers, by and large, found their home in the marketplace. Experts point to notable failures, including a Subaru TV commercial that bragged that its cars are like "punk rock" and Coca-Cola Co.'s latest campaign for its new soda aimed at twentysomethings.

The soda, called OK, used slogans such as "Don't be fooled into thinking that OK is a reason for everything" and "What's the point of OK soda? Well, what's the point of anything?" Coke ended up shelving the product.

Five years after these bluffs, some marketers have wised up and are now trying a trying a fresh tack: honesty, or a new brand of realism.

"Image is nothing. There is

everything," proclaims Sprite's new TV commercials. A new Miller Gemme Draft commercial features a beer deliveryman who, after sweating through a hot 12-hour day, admits, "It's a tough job."

This new emphasis on telling it like it is comes as more Gen Xers rebel against the labels pinned on them. Many rue Douglas Coupland's 1993 book, "Generation X," which immortalized them as a generation of dazed and confused nihilists.

There are more grating to many young consumers is that media and marketing types — most of whom are baby boomers — perpetuate those stereotypes.

The Atrial campaign, created by Williams Whittle Associates, an Alexandria, Va., ad agency, tries to avoid those earlier mis-

steps. The \$1 million campaign includes ads on the radio and in newspapers such as the Washington City Paper, a local alternative weekly, as well as posters on the backs of buses. Its most provocative print ads show a dog or a mostly naked man or woman, with a phone strategically superimposed over certain body parts.

At the same time, simply put, is "No B.S." Atrial, a four-year-old company with about 40,000 subscribers and \$14.5 million in revenue last year, even markets a

calling card program by that name.

What set the Atrial campaign apart was its initial reliance on the Internet, including a unique spot on the "Jenni Show" on the Web, which the company recently ended when its contract expired. Jenni, if you recall, is the 21-year-old Washington resident who is living her life over the Internet. A camera in her apartment captures her every move, much to the delight of her thousands of fans around the globe.

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TWIN FALLS - W. Lane Starin is the managing editor of *Entrepreneur*, a bimonthly trade periodical dealing with issues in vocational education at the kindergarten through 12th-grade and post-secondary levels. LRP specializes in publications geared toward the legal and educational professions and also has offices in West Palm Beach, Fla., and Alexandria, Va.

Starin is a 1991 graduate of Twin Falls High School and a 1996 graduate of Idaho State University. At ISU, he was a staff writer for the "Bengal" student newspaper from 1993 to 1995 and published his own student newspaper, "University Voice," during the 1995-96 school year. His wife is a graduate of the University of Idaho.

TWIN FALLS - Robert J. Atkins has joined First Security Bank as vice president and relationship manager at the Twin Falls Business Financial Center. Atkins is responsible for providing First Security products and services to business clients. He was previously employed as vice president in commercial lending at Pacific One bank in Pasco, Wash. He is a graduate of the University of Idaho.

ALBION - Sue Ellen Keller has been named 1997 D.L. Evans Bank Employee of the Year. Keller began working with the D.L. Evans Bank as a teller, was later promoted to new account representative and then became loan secretary. Keller's dedication, team work and drive during the past 17 years has helped the bank expand from one small branch in Albion where she began her banking career to six offices, bank executives said. Keller also provides community service to the Albion Museum,



Robert J. Atkins



Sue Ellen Keller



Alan Heck

business banking activities in the Magic Valley. He began his banking career in 1969 as a trainee in the Fayette branch and was promoted to assistant manager of the Parma branch in 1971. He also has served as branch manager in St. Maries, Emmett, Rupert and Idaho Falls. Bryant is a graduate of the University of Idaho and the Pacific Coast Banking School at the University of Washington. He is a member of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, past president of the St. Maries Chamber of Commerce, past president of the Rupert Rotary Chapter and past board member of the Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

Albion Campus plays, various political events and served as chairperson for the Albion Fourth of July celebration for several years.

Other service awards announced at D.L. Evans Bank's annual employee banquet were Kaylene Peterson-Jones, 15 years; Megan Payne, 10 years; Julie Miller and Lorraine Rogers, 5 years; and Angie Hendrix, top seller for credit and check debit cards, with Nicole Harms second and Heidi Spencer third.

TWIN FALLS - Waddell & Reed announces that Alan Heck has been hired as a financial adviser at the Twin Falls office.

Before joining Waddell & Reed last October, Heck owned Alan Heck Construction in Twin Falls. He specializes in retirement and education planning. He earned a bachelor of business administration degree in finance and management from Idaho State University in 1995.

Waddell & Reed is based in Overland Park, Kan. It has been a leading financial services business for more than 60 years with more than 200 offices nationwide. It said it offers a wide array of investment products and services and insurance products.

The company can be found on the Internet at <http://www.waddell.com> or call 736-6563.

TWIN FALLS - U.S. Bank has named William Bryant as vice president and team leader of its Magic Valley Business Banking Center. Bryant will oversee the bank's

TWIN FALLS - Two Magic Valley businessmen were elected to positions at the Better Business Bureau's annual membership meeting Feb. 25.

Norm Skinner of Skinner Sewing in Twin Falls will serve on the board of directors. Tom Soltman-Hamilton of the Walker Center in Gooding will serve on the advisory council.

The Better Business Bureau said it is a nonprofit organization striving to promote and foster the "highest ethical" relationship between businesses and the public through voluntary self-regulation, consumer and business education and service excellence.

TWIN FALLS - "Lil" Harding recently joined Canyonville Realty's branch office in Twin Falls.

Harding says she is excited about her move to Canyonville Realty, which has offices in Twin Falls, Jerome, Buhl and Gooding. She has been a realtor since 1992. She can be reached at 735-0590.

Misinformation fails to dampen popularity of investment club

Chicago Tribune

BEARDSTOWN, Ill. — If the box full of books sitting next to Donna Strieker's desk is any indication, the controversy swirling around the Beardstown Ladies will not have much of an impact on the investment group's popularity. Strieker, executive director of the Beardstown Chamber of Commerce, keeps a stock of autographed copies of the various Beardstown Ladies books handy to sell to visitors who drop by her office.

The Beardstown Business and Professional Women's Investment Club, aka the Beardstown Ladies, approach an industry in this town of about 6,200 people. Beardstown typifies agricultural Illinois, and its largest employer is Excel Corp., a pork slaughterhouse. Beardstown's other claim to fame is its historic status. It was the site of a Lincoln-Douglas debate in 1858, and the town boasts the country's only courtroom still in use in which President Abraham Lincoln once practiced law.

But this is now, and Beardstown has found international fame with its homegrown investment advisers, a group of no-nonsense, older ladies who struck a chord with their practical suggestions on buying stocks. They and their town appreciate their fans — every now and then, an admirer will send in a Beardstown Ladies book, and Strieker will call the club members to stop by and sign their names. Sometimes out-of-town visitors will just drop by the Chamber unexpectedly, hoping to get a glimpse of a real Beardstown Lady.

"Some people will drive down from Chicago just to meet them," Strieker said. "I had a policeman from London come into town recently, and I called up one of the ladies and she came down just to meet him."

Sure enough, one of the ladies walked in just then — and of

course, the topic came up. The unpleasantness. The audit that showed the ladies' famous investment club did not make much of a killing in the stock market at all, that their vaunted 23.4 percent, ten-year average annual rate of return was a measly 9.1 percent. The ladies misspoke themselves.

Do they feel they have brought shame upon Beardstown? Are they bickering among themselves about how the mistake came to be made? Pointing fingers?

"It was just a mistake. What more can we do?"

— Carol McCombs, on investment club's misstated rate of return

"Absolutely not," said Carol McCombs, 48, one of the youngest members of the group. "It was just a mistake. What more can we do?"

Nothing, say folks in Beardstown. Here, the ladies are not celebrities; they're just regular neighbors, friends and coworkers. Despite all the hubbub about the Beardstown Ladies' sloppy accounting practices, one thing is still true: People in this small town on the banks of the Illinois River and across the country love the Beardstown Ladies.

"As far as we're concerned, there is nothing that has changed about our attitudes toward the Beardstown Ladies," said

Michael Bonansinga. "They've lived here all their lives, and they're a beloved part of the community."

The women, who found international fame with their first book, "The Beardstown Ladies' Common-Sense Investment Guide," asked for a recalculation of their storied double-digit returns after questions were raised, starting with a Chicago magazine report questioning the accuracy of their claims.

Betsy Sinnock, longtime treasurer of the Beardstown Business and Professional Women's Investment Club, attributed the mistake to an error in recording data in a computer program the club uses to track their financial dealings.

"The ladies were very concerned that the public would think we had purposely misrepresented results in any of our books," Sinnock said in a statement.

"We shared this original rate of return in good faith and are terribly sorry for the error and any confusion it may have caused."

Although they are not as rich as they figured, none of the Beardstown Ladies say they are disappointed. Their message, after all, was about learning how to invest in the stock market, and forming an investment club was just another excuse to get together with pals.

Still Carnell Korameyer, 70, another club member, said the group should have been more careful in checking their numbers before sending anything to the publisher.

Pros shrug off importance of 9,000 mark

NEW YORK (AP) — So the Dow twice rose above 9,000 Friday, and each time fell back down. This must mean something, right?

Not so, say the market's scared of making a big commitment on the upside? Maybe traders are trying to tell us something about first-quarter profits.

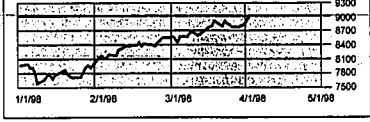
Or, he says, despite the attention the Dow Jones Industrial average tends to get when it reaches a round number like 9,000, investors and traders are just doing business as usual.

"From a technical standpoint, 9,000 doesn't really mean anything more than 8,900," said Anthony O'Bryan, a market analyst at J.P. Morgan, Edwards & Sons Inc. in St. Louis.

"Nobody takes them terribly seriously," he said of the Dow's milestones. "But numbers like 8,000 or 9,000 can by themselves some prompt trading up or down. On Friday, one reason why the Dow couldn't hold its gains is because computer-programmed sell orders kicked in."

"Some money managers were holding off and waiting to see if we crossed 9,000," said Eugene Thomas, a market analyst at Janney Montgomery Scott in Philadelphia. When the Dow hit the mark, they began to sell to take their profits.

Dow Jones		8983.41	High 9085.79	Low 8896.22	April 3, 1998
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But managers who sold had made the decision to do so well in advance — just as they probably did at 8,300 or 8,600, or maybe when the Standard & Poor's 500 index reached some milestones of its own (the S&P and other broad market indicators all reached new highs Friday). So it wasn't a matter of traders believing the market was too high because the Dow had reached 9,000, or of investors sensing some trouble ahead.

Anyone who reads the financial pages or market newsletters is sure to see predictions of when the Dow will reach its next milestone — the lead article in Salomon Smith Barney's latest market analysis is called "A Step Closer to Dow 12,000." O'Bryan noted that market pros do use the big numbers as a way to explain how much potential they

see in the market. But both analysts said it was largely the media that are concerned with the 9,000.

One reason why market pros tend to shrug off the arrival of 9,000 is that when it comes to the Dow, 1,000 points is like the way one-time oilman Nelson Bunker Hunt described a billion dollars: "It's not what it used to be."

When the Dow first closed above 1,000 in November 1972, it took a percentage gain of 100 percent to reach the next milestone. So the fact that it took another 14-plus years to get there was understandable. But at 8,000 it only meant another 12.5 percent to get to the next level, and with a Dow rising at more than 20 percent a year the past few years, many people expect to see another 1,000-mark roll within a few months.

Anheuser-Busch markets beer for women

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Beer giant Anheuser-Busch is offering the ladies a drink.

The St. Louis-based brewery is testing the company's new Eugene, a low-calorie, low-alcohol beer aimed primarily at women.

A bottle of the brew has 86 calories, about 10 fewer than the company's other light beers. Its alcohol content by volume is 2.5 percent, much less than Bud Light's 4.2 percent and Budweiser's 5 percent.

Gary Hemphill, a consultant to the beer industry, said he knew of no other brewer marketing a beer mainly to women.

"I really think this is about trying to leverage every conceivable edge in the marketplace," said Hemphill, vice president of Beverage Marketing Corp. of New York.

The name of the beer is supposed to make drinkers think of a vacation on Catalina Island, off the coast of California. An egret graces the label.

The beer is being tested in St. Louis, Jacksonville, Fla., and Albany, N.Y.

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Seniors sue after being evicted for guests' drug use

Tenants take stand, allege rights violations

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — From his cramped living room 13 floors up from the midday growl of downtown traffic, 75-year-old Herman Walker wonders what he'll do if he's thrown out of his public housing apartment.

He didn't do anything wrong. He's facing eviction because his former caretaker was arrested on drug charges.

Under tough federal "one-strike" anti-drug laws, tenants can be evicted for the wrongdoing of visitors or relatives.

Walker and three other elderly residents of Oakland public housing are up from the city and federal housing officials for a court order to stop the evictions and claim the evictions violate their civil rights.

Walker, Willie Lee, 71, Barbara Hill and Pearl Rucker, both 63, claim it's not fair to punish them for alleged drug activity they knew nothing about and couldn't have prevented. Their lawsuit was filed in federal district court.

"They're standing up," says Donna Teshima, one of the attorneys representing the quartet. "It's about time that the seniors and all the elderly people that are just getting thrown out and ... treated like garbage."

The apartment is 13 floors above the midday growl of downtown traffic. The painted walls are barely big enough to hold his collection of family photos and Mahalia Jackson covers. But for \$175 a month — with a view of Oakland's charming Lake Merritt thrown in — it's a bargain.



Herman Walker is one of four tenants of an Oakland, Calif., public housing apartment who have filed suit after being evicted because they had guests who were arrested on drug charges.

And it's a lot better than the street, which is where Walker predicts he could end up if he is forced out.

"I hate to be moving. It's a job to be moving," he says.

Oakland Housing Authority officials deny they've picked the wrong targets in the war on drugs.

"The authority believes ... we have probable cause to move to

evict the people notwithstanding the fact of their age," said Randolph Hall, the assistant city attorney defending the housing authority.

The "one strike and you're out," policy under which tenants can be evicted if they or their guests are arrested — no conviction required — was announced by President Clinton in 1996. Oakland evictions were based,

on a previous local policy, Hall said.

"The one strike policy basically to us is a 5 o'clock political soundbite," he said. "The real issue is whether or not there is sufficient legal basis to uphold the eviction."

Ms. Rucker supports efforts to sweep drugs out of public housing. But she doesn't think throwing her out along with them is

going to help. "No, not that way."

Ms. Rucker received an eviction notice after police cited her mentally-disabled daughter for possession of cocaine about three blocks away from their home. Housing officials later dropped the eviction threat, but Ms. Rucker is pursuing her suit.

Ms. Rucker, who also takes care of two grandchildren and one great-grandchild, said she

searches the apartment regularly and hasn't found drugs. But she can't control what may happen when her 42-year-old daughter is outside.

She and Walker also are seeking protection under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Ms. Rucker because of her daughter's condition and Walker because he is partially paralyzed from a stroke.

Walker, an ex-serviceman and retired warehouse worker, got an eviction notice after his caretaker and a friend were caught with crack and a crack pipe in his apartment, according to the lawsuit. Officials say they found crack or crack pipes on three visits to the apartment.

Walker has since fired his caretaker, but he says it's unreasonable to expect him to quiz guests about drug use.

"If a man's sick ... you'll be glad to see help," he said.

In the other two cases, Ms. Lee's grandson was cited for possession of a marijuana cigarette in the parking lot. Ms. Hill also is in trouble because of a grandson getting caught smoking marijuana in the parking lot of her complex.

Nationwide, 3,847 public housing tenants were ousted in the first six months of the new policy, an 84 percent increase over the number evicted for drugs and other crimes in the previous six months, according to a 1997 survey of about 50 percent of the nation's housing authorities.

Oakland, which owns about 3,300 units, evicted 18 tenants during the policy's first year.

"Anybody who says that throwing out an 85-year-old grandmother is going to do anything meaningful about the drug problem is fooling themselves," said Ira Jacobowitz, one of the attorneys representing the Oakland tenants.

Congressmen move to block reburial plans

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Despite congressional opposition, the Army Corps of Engineers is set to proceed Monday with reburying the site where the 9,200-year-old bones of Kennewick Man were found, a spokesman said Friday.

Barring a court order to halt the project, crews will begin dumping dirt, rocks and plants on about 200 feet of Columbia River shoreline at Kennewick, in southwestern Washington, corps spokesman Dutch Meier said.

Also on Friday, two Republican members of Congress from Washington state who sponsored legislation aimed at blocking the reburial wrote Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, asking him to intervene.

Son, Slade Gorton and Rep. Doc Hastings, whose Eastern Washington district includes the Kennewick Man site, asked Babbitt to suspend the project until the Interior Department can draw up guidelines for studying the site. The letter called the reburial work "unnecessary and destructive."

A phone message left Friday at the Interior Department's Washington office was not returned.

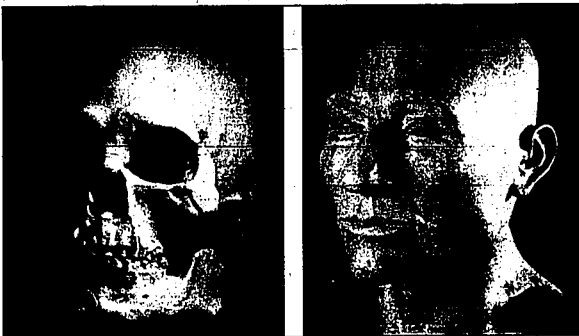
Both the Senate and the House have approved amendments barring the shoreline work. On Friday, the measure was awaiting President Clinton's signature.

Ownership of the bones, among the oldest complete skeletons ever found in North America, has become a legal and political wrangle between area Indian tribes and scientists.

The Indians claim the bones date in 1996 belong to an ancestor and want them reburied. Scientists and members of a religious group contend the bones must be studied to determine their history.

Initial examinations of the bones indicated they may have caucasoid features not found in present-day Indians, and the skull may more closely resemble people who live in central and southern Asia.

The corps initially planned to turn the bones over the tribes, but a lawsuit by the scientists blocked the move.



A plastic casting, left, of a controversial 9,200-year-old skull from the bones known as Kennewick Man. Right, a clay model of the Kennewick Man at the Columbia Basin College in Richland, Wash.

The bones are being held in a federal laboratory in Richland, pending a decision about their disposition from U.S. Magistrate John Jelders of Portland, Ore.

Meier, a spokesman for the corps' district office in Walla Walla, had said Tuesday that the work was being suspended.

The corps said at that time that it had asked the Interior Department to decide what to do with the bones, because Interior is the agency with the greatest expertise concerning disposition of ancient remains.

The next day, Lt. Gen. Joe Barrard, the corps' chief of engineers, wrote Gorton and Hastings, notifying them of his conclusion that the reburial was necessary to prevent erosion and protect the site from scavengers, Meier said.

The work has received the approval of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, which reviews federal actions that could harm significant archaeological sites or resources.

A lawyer for the scientists, Paula Barran, said Friday from her Portland office that the corps was "thumbing its nose" at

Congress by moving ahead with the project.

"I think they are really playing with fire" said Barran, noting that Congress sets the corps' budget.

Barran and Michael Clinton, a Portland attorney representing the Nevada City, Calif.-based Asatru Folk Assembly, said they did not plan to seek a court order to block the shoreline work.

Barran said she might have asked that step had she learned earlier that the corps' prior decision to suspend the project had been reversed.

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Legislator: Bum ban will hurt farmers

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho — A northern Idaho grass seed farmer and legislator says the Washington State Department of Ecology is out to stop grass burning without regard to whether an affordable alternative exists.

The department last week recommended field burning should be replaced with mechanical removal of stubble, such as raking and baling. The farmers burn the stubble in August and September in part to improve the next year's crop yield.

But several groups have formed to halt the practice, saying it is annoying and physically harmful for people in the Spokane-Coeur d'Alene area.

Field burning will be banned in Washington this year wherever the state agency certifies an alternative is effective.

"They are not even concerned about the economic cost to farmers," said Rep. Wayne Meyer, R-Rathdrum. He predicted there will be no grass seed industry in Spokane County in the next five years.

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Washington fort offers view of early settler life

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — The historical cradle of Euro-American settlement of the Pacific Northwest was not Seattle, Portland or even Oregon City, the original capital of the Oregon Territory.

Each of these cities played important roles in the region's development, but they might never have existed without the impact of Fort Vancouver on the Columbia River. With a population of up to 900, it was a metropolis in the wilderness.

Built in 1825 and closed in 1860, this British fur-trading post was owned and operated by the London-based Hudson's Bay Company. During its most important years, the fort's chief factor (administrator) was Dr. John McLoughlin, who defied company policy and aided immigrating American pioneers.

Had it not been for McLoughlin's generosity, the United States' conquest of the Northwest could have been delayed for up to 20 years, and what now is Washington state might have been ceded to Canada.

What little remains of the fort's original, sprawling grounds now is surrounded by the city of Vancouver. But all is not lost.

The Fort Vancouver National Historic Site is just a stroll away from the downtown area and offers the most authentic representation possible of fort life in 1845. Based on historical and archeological research, its hand-hewn buildings, period garden, exhibits, demonstrations and interpretive tours are enjoyed by everyone from children to scholars.

Entering the gates and into the soon-to-be-blossoming garden, one steps into another world. A brief pause and a little imagination can call up scenes of men leading beaver pelts into the fur room, Native Americans bargaining at the trading post, gardeners bent over hoses and sweaty blacksmiths hammering next to white-hot forges.

Run by the National Park Service, the site is open year-round. Its 10-acre National Historic Site — Vancouver Barracks, Officers' Row and the waterfront — this is a splendid place to



Rick Edwards, park ranger and special public events coordinator at Fort Vancouver National Historic Site in Vancouver, Wash., demonstrates how to cook over a fire Feb. 11. Edward often wears authentic period-style clothing while explaining the history of the fort.

experience the Northwest's historical roots.

This year marks Fort Vancouver's 50th anniversary as a national historic site, and special public events are being planned for the celebration.

"We do some of the best living history in the country here," said Rick Edwards, park ranger and special events coordinator. Site employees and volunteers "are passionate about authenticity. We even debate about what kind of whitewash to use."

"It just felt right when I got out and do these things," he said. "I get the feeling that I've been here before."

Edwards, a Woodland native, said being an antique collector "put me at a great advantage in knowing me and understanding all these historical items."

A specialist in historical gardening and food preparation and packaging, Edwards was a consultant for the movie "Amadeus." Some of his tools appear in the film.

At Fort Vancouver, Edwards

and other volunteers and personnel don authentic period-style clothing and play roles of actual people who lived and worked here. These interpreters are carefully trained and evaluated so they can be true to their characters and their time.

One of the interpreters is 12-year volunteer Bob Chase, who arrives dressed as one of Fort Vancouver's French-Canadians. His tasseled wool cap and "fly-front" trousers were made according to patterns on file at the site.

The "fly front" is a forerunner of the modern pant fly. Instead of being vertical, it's a long, horizontal slit below the belt and is held in place by five buttons.

When nature calls, "You can get by unbuttoning about three," Chase said.

Site interpreters are faced with correcting misconceptions about the role of Fort Vancouver, Edwards said. "A lot of what we do is explain what we aren't." For example, "People ask,

'Where did the soldiers live?'"

Fort Vancouver was a fort in name only, Edwards tells them. There never was a garrison of troops stationed here, even when border tensions were running high between the United States and Great Britain.

The spiked-log wall surrounding the main fort never resisted an attack. Relations with Native Americans generally were smooth because most of HBC's energies were concentrated on the fur trade and not on settling land.

In the beginning, every effort was made to discourage American settlers from coming to the Oregon Territory, but to no avail. McLoughlin knew that immigration was inevitable and decided not to resist it, despite orders to the contrary. He kept the fort's doors and food stores open.

Fort Vancouver was a well-run, prosperous community, Edward said. The Canadian-born McLoughlin (pronounced McLoekin) and his staff "were so

good at what they did that they put themselves out of business...."

"The Hudson's Bay Company came here and identified the natural resources and used them. Then you had the missionaries coming in, and they wrote home about the fish, the land and the forests."

Once the word got out, the move was on. When American and European settlers began arriving in numbers in 1843, "They had it made. Here was one of the largest corporations in the world right at the end of the Oregon Trail."

Fort facts

What? Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, a living history museum presenting the history of the Company for trading community in 1845. Site includes fort hospital, Indian trading shop, blacksmith shop, pecked garden and home of chief factor (administrator) Dr. John McLoughlin. All facilities except lower are wheelchair accessible. Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Take Mill Plain Boulevard east off I-5 freeway, turn east and follow signs. Begin with orientation video at Visitor Center and gift shop. When: Winter hours 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily through Feb. 28; Summer hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 5 to Oct. 31. Closed: Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas and New Year's Day. Guided tours begin on the hours; orientation holds inside fort gates below Visitor Center. Blacksmithing demonstrations daily except Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Pottery and cultural demonstrations during summer months. For all information, including group tour arrangements, call 509/765-4444. Web site: <http://www.nps.gov/fove>. Admission: Free through May 1. Regular admission: \$2 general; \$4 families; ages 16 and under, free.

Special events: Queen Victoria's Birthday, May 24; 50th anniversary of Fort Vancouver, June 18-21; Brigade Encampment and trappers' rendezvous, July 18 and 19; Founders Day (Christmas Eve), Aug. 25; Celebrating Fort, Oct. 2 and 3; and Christmas at Fort Vancouver, Dec. 13. Nearby attractions: Clatsop County (population 140), century U.S. Army residences, including Grant House with Park Art Center and gift shop (202-8255) and Sheldon's Cafe, specializing in American regional cuisine (939-1213); Marshall House with gift shop (202-8255); and the National Vancouver Barracks, now headquarters of U.S. Army Reserve.

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Each room reveals something about fort

The Associated Press

Walking through the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, one senses that each room reveals something about the fort's people and the times they were living in.

"The dimly lit balling room 'really tells the story of the fur trade,'" said Rick Edwards, park ranger. It was here that beaver pelts were cleaned and shipped to England to make the fashionable, expensive hats that gave rise to the fur trade. During the summer, demonstrations on fur cleaning and processing are held here.

With its two forges, huge bellows and row-upon-row of tools, the blacksmith shop represents another important hub. Here, metals and other materials imported by sea were fashioned into tools and implements, and needed repairs were made. Today's fort blacksmiths carry on the tradition. Winter demonstrations are held daily except Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

• In the Indian Trade Shop, shelves are stacked with wide-wale corduroy trousers, billed woolen caps, Hudson's Bay blankets, steel knives and other merchandise. A row of rifles and packages of tobacco twists hang from the hand-hewn beams.

"This is a strong statement of 'people are people,' regardless of their culture," Edwards said. "The natives traded for the same things that European settlers did" and "welcomed technology with open arms."

However, no alcohol was traded here, and Europeans patronized another shop.

The crudeness of 19th-century medicine can be seen in the fort hospital, where a mean-looking bone saw with a pistol grip lies on a surgeon's table. Somewhere, Edwards said, there's a "penile syringe" that was used for treating venereal infections.

• In the white frame house reserved for the fort's chief factor, Dr. John McLoughlin, and his assistant are examples of the elegance enjoyed by the management class.

Lengthy dinners with meat and fish dishes were washed down with Chateau Margaux wines. Spode china is everywhere.

Interpreters operate the house's kitchen almost daily during the summer. Here, Edwards demonstrates how to

cook in a fireplace: "Get a good pile of ashes, put coals on the ashes, and it's just like an element on a stove."

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Many find book shops as cluttered boxes of treasure

MOSCOW (AP) — Used book stores. They are the literary equivalent of a junk drawer: organized clutter with clumps of books nosed on shelves and racks. On a used bookstore counter, you can find the superlative black author Alice Walker smuggling up to sci-fi guru Philip K. Dick. A tome about Christian Identity can be smothered by an Argosy from 1948. Anything and everything is fair game. Lost is the antiseptic law and order of the chain bookstore. For neatness freaks, abandon all hope when you enter.

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"There's no waxy Barnes and Nobles can handle the stock I got. They handle top sellers. Their stuff lasts six months on the shelves. Here, books can last for two years."

— Betty Smith, book store owner

Two stores in the area are solely devoted to what some book snobs call "already read books," but what book lovers call heaven. One is Brused Books in Pullman, Wash. and the other is Sussos's Twice Sold Tales, both casual and comfortable and crammed with books. Whatever can't fit on a shelf rides the carpet. Whatever is in the way on the carpet finds a home on a counter. Volume is an understatement, and a key to deciphering how used books find success.

"There's no way Barnes and Nobles can handle the stock I got. They handle top sellers. Their stuff lasts six months on the shelves. Here, books can last for two years," said Betty Smith, owner of Twice Sold Tales.

And there's the hook of used bookstores. Somewhere, in the shelves, can be a book unavailable at libraries and in first-run book stores. They're also cheaper, allowing people to get a real bargain, as long as they don't mind that someone else read it first.

But books in used stores also

find a second chance at life. Gone in these stores are the push to sell popular authors you'll find in mall bookstores or at airports. In their place is a sprawl of literary opportunity.

Actually, the chaos in a used bookstore is only superficial. Upon closer examination, readers

the titles they carry. Jokingly, Twice Sold Tales employee Livada Woodford guesses at a million. A quick glance does little to doubt the numbers. But after a moment, Smith quotes a number more down to earth: 75,000 books.

Bruce Calkins, owner of Brused Books, slugged when asked, estimating over 40,000 books, referring to only the inventory done at the beginning of the year for tax purposes.

But neither store has a database they can call on. It's all in their heads what they carry. By memory, and perusing the stacks, can they tell a customer what's on hand.

"It's the common stuff you need to check for. The odd stuff, like machinist manuals, that's the stuff you remember," said Smith.

Ninety percent of Twice Sold Tales' business is in trade. Someone comes in off the streets and swaps books Smith thinks she can sell.

Brused Books gets half their inventory from people off the street. While the number may be larger, the stores couldn't survive on the books brought in by people. But Calkin and Smith aren't in it for the money.

Occasionally, something comes in off the street that is actually valuable, but the dealer is completely oblivious. Stories crop up from time to time about the rare first edition that sold for a fraction of its worth.

While Calkins can't think of an incident, Smith easily recalls hers: a copy of Steinbeck's "Cannery Row," signed by the author himself. But what she would love to get her hands on is the Holy Grail of acquisition, the poem "Tamarlane."

People duck in and out of aisles, making their way to different genres. History is a literally a step away from general fiction. Horror is an arm length from science fiction.

Calkin calls the store "a treasure hunt" with people looking for anything of interest or finding something they weren't looking for at all.

"The trick is to put out what you think you can sell and what people want," Calkin said.

Neither store has a firm total of

Judge quits after lying under oath

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — A Davis County Justice Court judge has pleaded guilty to perjury charges, admitting he lied to judges in reporting his assets and income during two separate divorce proceedings.

Under terms of a plea bargain, David Young Payne, 48, resigned Friday. He had served as the North Salt Lake's Justice Court Judge for almost 10 years.

The two counts of second-degree felony perjury were reduced to class A misdemeanors in return for his guilty plea.

Sentencing is scheduled May 9 before 2nd District Judge Roger Dunson. Payne faces a fine of up to \$5,000.

"We felt this was a good resolution of the matter, given the complexity of the case," said deputy Davis County attorney Bill McGuire.

Prosecutors have not requested any jail time for Payne. The defrocked judge also is hoping to avoid probation so he can run his business as a real estate agent.

"I made a mistake," said Payne after the hearing in 2nd District Court. "The attitude is one of remorse."

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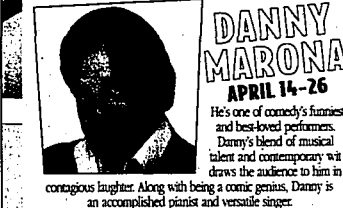
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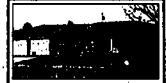
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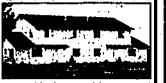
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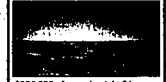
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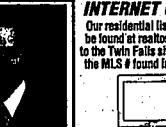
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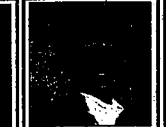
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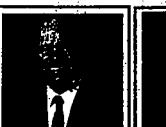
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Bobby Wolff

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Today's South would probably have made his game against lesser opponents... but not against West. West's careless play did South make to give the defenders their opportunity?

South put up dummy's heart jack at trick one. East covered, and South returned to hearts. East continued with his 10, and South held up again. However, West was more alert than South. He recognized there was no future in hearts...

South was correct to play dummy's heart jack at trick one — West may have undercut his K-Q. He was also correct to refuse his ace at trick one. However, he was incorrect to duck at trick two.

West takes his heart ace at trick two, he virtually guarantees his contract whether or not it loses diamond finesse losses. If the diamonds and East can lead a heart, hearts must be 4-3, and South will win only three hearts and a diamond. If it wins, South will make an over-trick.

The second holdup in hearts can gain nothing and only match losses against competent defenders. They open the door, inviting them to defend well?

NORTH ♠A-K-Q
♥J 5 4
♦A 10 7
♣K 10 8

WEST ♠Q J 3
♥Q 9 8 6
♦K 6 5 4
♣9 7 4

EAST ♠K 4 2
♥K 10 2
♦K 6 4
♣5 3 2

SOUTH ♠A 9 8 6
♥A 7 3
♦J 8
♣A Q J 6

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South
The bidding:
South West North East
1NT Pass 3NT All pass

Opening lead: Heart six

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:
♠: K 1 2
♥: K 10 2
♦: K 6 5 4
♣: 5 3 2

ANSWER: Four diamonds. Partner knows about the heart support. Tell him about diamonds and bid by his future decisions.

Send him questions to The Aces, P.O. Box 1262, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814, with SASE for reply.
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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

Dear Mr. Wolff: I open one spade and partner raises to two spades, opponents passing. Please rate my possible actions, holding ♠A-K-Q, 7-5, ♣K-6, ♠A-10-6-2, ♣7. Is a pass in the ball game?

Dropped Ball, Albuquerque, N.M.

ANSWER: I rate a jump to four spades 100, three diamonds 50, and a pass zero. After the fine spade suit is supported, I hand re-evaluates to about 10 points — enough to blast to game. Three diamonds, though forcing, wastes time and can only help the defense.

Dear Mr. Wolff: At duplicate, our side vulnerable, RH opens one spade, and I overcall two hearts. LH and R both spades, followed by two passes. Should I bid again with ♣K-7, ♣K-Q-10-6-7-5, ♠A-5, ♠K-10-6?

Dangerous Curve, Chapel Hill, N.C.

ANSWER: No doubt you're in dangerous territory, but you may lose as much by passing as by bidding. Therefore, I would bid 3♥, choosing three hearts rather than doubling. Some might doubt; however, it's better to put emphasis on the good heart suit.

Dear Mr. Wolff: At duplicate, partner opens one spade and next hand doubles. Should I bid with ♣A-7, ♣7-6-5, ♠J-9-8-7-5, ♠A-Q-10-7? If so, what?

Wresting Spot, Pueblo, Colo.

ANSWER: There are two reasonable candidates: one no-trump or two diamonds. (A pass is not appealing.) Since the diamond suit is weak, I prefer a one-no-trump response.

Dear Mr. Wolff: At duplicate, partner opens one heart and I bid two clubs. If partner rebids two no-trump, have I promised another bid, or may I pass? I had a bare 10 HCP.

Freemire Revere, Salt Lake City, Utah

ANSWER: It depends upon your system agreements. Most agree to use the two-no-trump rebid to show minimum values (12-14 HCP). And unless your two-over-one responses systemically promise another bid, you should pass and hope to get a plus score.

Dear Mr. Wolff: If partner opens in a minor suit, what is the prevailing interpretation of a two-of-a-kind response?

Dean Counter, Sioux Falls, S.D.

ANSWER: The standard range is 12-15 HCP with a four-card major. The trend for some duplicate players is to bid two no-trump with 11-12 HCP and three no-trump with 12-15 HCP, in neither case with a four-card major. At duplicate, players are in search of overtricks, and in theory these non-revealing jumps tend to conceal distributions from defenders.

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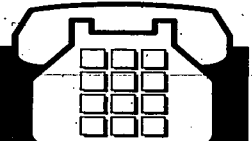
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Rituals are just 1 thing after another

Easter baskets are one of life's constants, one of those family rituals that makes everyone feel warm - and sugary.

I just received a press release, from the National Confectioners Association, identifying Easter as the third sweetest holiday for confectionery sales. It's just barely trailing Halloween and Christmas, and Americans are expected to spend \$340 million on candy treats for Easter this year.

Visions of peanut butter-filled eggs, marshmallow chickens and chocolate bunnies are already dancing through my head. If the 15 billion jelly beans that will be sold this Easter were lined up end to end, the confectioners association reported, they would circle the earth nearly 4.5 times.

Are you getting that sugar overloaded feeling yet?

LIFE AND TIMES
Dense Turner

But wait. The confectioners insists that there is no such thing as honest. Your mom was talking old wives' tales again.

According to the press release, recent studies conducted at Vanderbilt University and the University of Iowa School of Medicine found no evidence that sugar causes hyperactivity in children.

You've got to be kidding! You mean I have to find something else to blame my kids' hyper behavior on?

The press release further states that repeated studies have shown that chocolate neither causes acne nor makes existing conditions worse.

I think I'm beginning to get skeptical. But I'll withhold judgment until I see what they say about tooth decay.

"Many foods contribute to the formation of cavities. How often certain foods are eaten, the sequence in which they are eaten and the amount of time foods remain in the mouth all affect the formation of cavities."

Try navigating that maze of double speak. Am I crazy, or is this beginning to sound more like a political disclaimer than a simple news release about candy?

Oh well. Whether it's good or bad for you, baskets of Easter goodies and rousing Easter egg hunts are great memory-makers at Easter time.

At least they have become quite the tradition in my life.

When I was a toddler, my grandmother decorated our Easter eggs - with elaborate and decorative trim that no one else was ever able to duplicate. Eventually, my mother took on the egg decorating job, but she hated crafts - and cooking. When she tried to color hard-boiled eggs, she usually ended up collecting about a half-dozen.

I always figured it was the thought that counted.

When my own children came along, I took the coward's way out and bought plastic eggs with candy inside. Every year, I shoot videos of my kids hunting those eggs, even though they have gotten too old to enjoy these kid-style Easter hunts. I just force them to continue hunting so I can have the videos.

Sometimes, Mom has to be humored.

I also used to dress my kids in brand new - and much too elaborate - Easter outfits, until I realized I was spending way too much money on uncomfortable clothing that was being worn two or three times at best.

The clothes never became a family ritual, but the Easter egg hunts, and especially the Easter candy, did.

It's amazing how important rituals become. I have a friend in Ohio whose 20-year-old son threw a fit one Thanksgiving when he came home to oyster, instead of the traditional cornbread, stuffing. My friend was amazed. She thought her son had never even noticed that he was eating.

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NEVER TOO YOUNG

Read to babies today, they'll be smarter for it tomorrow

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - When it comes to getting a head start on reading, Stan Steiner figures there's always womb for improvement.

"You start reading to a child before it's born," said Steiner, assistant professor of elementary education and specialized studies at Boise State University and a specialist in early childhood reading. "The sooner the child hears the sound of your voice, the sooner they'll get used to having you read to them - and that starts in the womb."

Study after study has shown that kids whose parents read to them sooner do better in school later, and the freshest evidence points out that the earlier parents start, the better children tend to do in life.

"I read to my oldest son since he was very young," said Patty Harney of Hansen, Md., in the fourth grade now, and his reading level is above average for his age.

"And it really doesn't matter what you read," said Harney, who's doing the same with her 4-year-old son, T.J. "I could read the newspaper to him, and he'd still be interested. Well, as long as it's the comics."

"Although children won't fully understand the story or the poem, they will simply enjoy hearing the parent's voice," said Lisa McMurtry, Extension educator for the College of Education Sciences at the University of Illinois. "It's more than just saying words. It's a sharing activity with a caring adult."

Parents reading aloud teach very young children both about the importance and about its structure and cadence, Steiner said. For that reason, he favors kids' stories like "Brown Brown" by Bill Martin Jr. and "Green Eggs and Ham" by Dr. Seuss.

"Stories in which words are repeated are valuable because they reinforce how words are used," he said.

"That's significant," Steiner added, because reading is the cornerstone of all other learning.

"To me, the importance of reading to a child is that turns them into readers later on," said Tony Lanza of Jerome, whose 29-year-old son is now an Army intelligence officer in the Middle East. "That's the basis for their success."

The Lanzas read to Joe "as soon as he was old enough to sit up," Tony said, and they didn't stop until he was old enough to read by himself.

"What reading to a young child does is tell them that this skill is important," Steiner said. "It becomes part of their life."

It's vital, though, for parents to be as enthusiastic about reading, McMurtry said, and to remember that the activity is directed toward the child, not the adult.

Give kids time to look at the pictures and encourage them to hunt for objects

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Studies show that the earlier a child is read to, the better the youngster will perform in school.

Bookworms: Moms, daughters read and bond

The Washington Post

The young Bookworms devour words. Avid readers, all, they munch through the monthly selection for their mother-daughter book club once, twice, even three times, before meeting to discuss the story.

After they share reflections on the sustenance taken from the pages, they bolt to the kitchen for the real food, the junkier the better. Tortilla chips and cookies, washed down with soda. These are growing 10-year-olds, after all, and expressing their thoughts and feelings about literature and life for an hour makes them hungry.

The Bookworm girls who recently gathered at the home of Jane and Jessie Martello in Columbia, Md., are enthusiastic and civil. In forming the club, their mothers help the meetings will help keep bonds strong and lines of communication open between parent and child. Since their first gathering in August, the girls have become less reticent to speak their mind, which is another goal the moms had in mind.

The book discussion one recent Sunday concerned "Bridge to Terabithia," a Newbery award-winning story by Katherine Paterson, about two friends who create their own magical

kingdom in the woods. While talk show host Oprah Winfrey has spurred interest in adult book clubs with her monthly on-air parleys, author Shireen Dodson, of Washington, has done the same for mother-daughter groups. Book-loving moms have picked up Dodson's "The Mother-Daughter Book Club," a how-to manual, and quiet-

"It's really a grass-roots movement out there."

-Shireen Dodson

ly founded small clubs. "It's really a grass-roots movement out there," said Dodson, who gets e-mail from all over the country.

As bookstores learn of the groups, some start registries and offer club members discounts. The Cheshire Cat children's bookstore, in Chevy Chase, Md., has at least a half-dozen clubs on file; Junior Editions, a Columbia, Md., store, has two.

Mothers and daughters accustomed to hectic lives say they appreciate these times with each other and friends. "It's been wonderful to have a set time when these terrific girls and mothers will get together to see each other," said Marsha Shaines, of Kensington, Md. Her book

club consists of girls from her daughter's middle school who now attend various high schools.

At every meeting, Shaines' daughter, Emily Loesch, 14, dashes upstairs with her friends for the first hour while mothers have a "support session" downstairs, Shaines said. Then they regroup to talk about the book.

At the Martellos, since "Bridge to Terabithia" centered on a best girl friendship, the fourth-grade Bookworms discuss their own friendships with boys.

Jessie Martello, 10, said she enjoys boys as companions. To make friends with boys at school, she said, she may sit with them at lunch, or look them in the eye and say, "Can I play with you?"

"Breathe deeply," said mother Loretta Federine, jokingly to Jessie's mother.

Then Megan Ryan, 9, of Laurel, Md., breaks the semi-serious mood when she shyly reveals her best friend is a male - but it's a dog.

The girls turn quiet for a while as the moms reveal how "Terabithia" sent them sobbing into multiple tissues when the plot took its tragic turn.

Caroline Killian, 9, of Columbia, Md., advises the adults: "I have this method I use. If the book has a sad part, I tell myself it didn't really happen."

Barney reigns as king of kids' entertainment

The Dallas Morning News

His television show has been nominated for two Emmy Awards. He has rubbed elbows with the president and recently donated a pair of overalls from his latest movie to Planet Hollywood.

Wait a minute. Planet Hollywood - whose stockholders have included the likes of Bruce Willis, Sylvester Stallone, Arnold Schwarzenegger and Demi Moore - is featuring memorabilia from Barney, the purple dinosaur?

Ten years after a Dallas mom created Barney as a way to entertain her restless 2-year-old, he's bigger than ever with the munchkin bunch and about to scale new heights: "Barney's Great Adventure," the stuffed theropod's first feature-length film, opens nationwide Friday.

The film is the latest testimony to Barney's survival skills. As late as 1994, entertainment industry analysts were predicting the dino's imminent demise from overexposure and labeling his creators "bumpkins" and "inexperienced."

Even Captain Kangaroo wondered about the entertainment savvy of Barney's creators. "From a producer's point of view, the show needs a lot more depth and must be well-rounded to ensure longevity. They're not TV people, and I don't think they really understand the business," Bob Keshian once told Newsday.



Barney, created 10 years ago, is as popular as ever with children.

"I remember my first week with the company in September 1994, Forbes magazine did an obituary on Barney," says Tim Clout, chief executive officer of Lyric Studios, the Richardson, Texas-based company that owns the Barney trademark and copyright.

"Last year (Forbes) reported an obituary retraction. It's the first time they've ever done that. It just shows that the

industry realizes that Barney is a strong business."

Indeed, "Barney & Friends" straddles the world. The show airs in more than 50 countries on six continents. Barney receives more than 2,000 fan letters a month from as far away as Australia, Japan, Africa and England.

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Barney trivia quiz

- 1. What were some of the names tossed around before the name Barney was decided on?
a) Cosby
b) Colby
c) All of the above
2. Who played the mother in the original video series?
a) Pamela Anderson
b) Shirley Temple
c) Rosie O'Donnell
d) Sandy Duncan
3. What is Barney's least favorite food?
a) Fruits
b) Vegetables
c) Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches with the crust cut off
d) Jerry Springer
4. Why did Michael (Briten Eppes) leave the show?
a) Barney snapped at him after Michael accidentally stepped on his tail.
b) He grew too big for his school desk.
c) He stepped in cat vomit without demanding bottled mineral water on the set.
d) He could no longer hit the high notes on the "I Love You" song due to his voice changing and knowing it was time to move on.
The answers to all three above are d).
Particularly number 3, since Barney's favorite foods are fruits, vegetables and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and it's commonly known that he's a vegetarian. So answer d) - Jerry Springer - isn't an option.

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Planning an Easter egg hunt, or some other youth-oriented Easter event?

Tell us, and we'll spread the word. The Times-News will publish a roundup of kids' Easter events on Friday. If you'd like your event included, let us know by Wednesday noon.

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FAMILY LIFE

With spring, the magic of circus returns

The Washington Post

Why do we love the circus, that glitzy traveling collection of clowns, acrobats, animals and acrobats?

Tim Holst, vice president of product and talent for Ringling Bros., says the circus offers the audience "a chance to

be entertained without being asked to judge, decipher and understand all the messages that television and movies pose to their viewers."

Not all circuses are so uncomplicated, however. Consider the critically acclaimed Cirque du Soleil, a Quebec-born troupe that blends traditional circus arts

with acrobatic trapeze acts and clowns with magical lighting and sound effects. Cirque's new production, "Quintessence," says director Franco Dragone, "highlights our frailties and our strengths in the face of the millennium that lies before us. It also underlines differences, conveys positive feelings and resentment,

and confronts our dreams with our nightmares."

Change is inevitable, of course. Jim Foster, editor of the White Tops, the bimonthly publication of the 72-year-old Circus Fans Association of America, says circuses have evolved a lot over the past three decades.

Interracial couples focus on common goals

Knight Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA — The brunch had ended, and Katharine M. Penn was elbow-deep in soap suds, her eyes glancing now and then at the man, a non-stranger, standing next to her in a friend's kitchen.

She's white. He's black. But working together, suddenly, the work with all its dirty little hates, seemed a bit cleaner, a small measure more kind.

Twelve years after that encounter turned into an interracial marriage, Katharine and Michael L. Penn say they remain convinced that their love is larger than their differences and that strong relationships rely less on common backgrounds than on shared values.

"Our upbringings were so different," says Katharine Penn, 41, a graphics designer who grew up in a decidedly middle class, predominantly white Stratford. Her husband was raised in his mother's home in Bedford-Stuyvesant, a mostly poor, mostly African American section of Brooklyn, N.Y.

"We didn't have a lot in common," Katharine continues. "We didn't even have the same likes and dislikes as far as music and food. But when we considered the big things, how we share our goals in life, we realized that we could get married."

In the 30 years since the Supreme Court ruled that state and local laws banning interracial marriages are unconstitutional, growing numbers of men and women have defied the dictates of custom, culture and politics and have taken spouses outside their own race.

In 1970, census figures showed that there were 310,000 interracial couples in the United States. By 1991, they had increased to 594,000. Some experts predict that the number will eventually exceed 1 million couples by 2000.

Despite the increase, the vast

majority of Americans continue to marry people of their own race. Only 1.9 percent of all marriages are interracial and since the early 1980s, the percentage has remained virtually unchanged, according to census figures.

In their sweeping 1996 study of interracial marriage and dating, UCLA behavioralists M. Belinda Tucker and Claudia Mitchell-Kernan cited the residual effects of enforced racial segregation and the presumption that marriage "is central to the socialization of children," as the primary reasons for the widespread resistance to intermarriage.

That shouldn't comfort opponents of such marriages. The researchers also found that historically interracial dating has been far more accepted than intermarriage and that as dating across racial lines becomes commonplace, marriages between people of different races are likely to follow in larger numbers.

Some aspects of interracial marriage have already calcified. Marriages of Native American and Asian American women (especially Japanese) to white men are now considered statistically "normative," say the researchers, meaning that they are as common as marriages to men of their own ethnic or racial group.

And while black women have apparently begun marrying white males in increasing numbers (up from 0.8 percent of all black marriages in 1980 to 1.7 percent in 1990), census figures show that black men continue to marry outside their race at more than twice the rate of black women.

That disparity did not escape Michael Penn.

A professor of psychology at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa., Penn said that his marriage to Katharine provoked tears that he was betraying African American women, virtually leaving them alone at the altar while he ran off to wed and bed the white man's woman.

A guide to circuses of 1998

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus
• **What is it?** The Missouri, West Disney and McDermott's of Circus.
• **History:** This circus can trace its 127-year-old roots to two of the biggest names in the business: P.T. Barnum and his partner James A. Bailey and the Ringling brothers (Oss and Henry), all founders of legendary circuses in the late 19th century.
• **Claim to fame:** The highest floating circus became "The Greatest Show on Earth" when the two competitors merged.
• **Shows:** 14 elephants, 11 tigers, 11 lions, 1 leopard, 24 horses, 4 zebras, 3 baboons, 2 sea lions.
• **Where:** The Circus, a spectacular performance on the high seas, and Dunes Larkle, Circus of Clowns.
• **Open quarters:** 5 percent (10 shows in a cast of 104).
• **Other acts:** "The Queen of the Nile," a performing Hippopotamus, "Clyde Beauty-Only Bess," Circus of the Stars, and a circus presented by Norman Rockwell.
• **History:** CBS, as it's known in the trade, is in its 114th year, with a heritage that includes famous animal trainer Phyllis Diller and imports W.C. Coby.
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Reading

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in the pictures, she said. Use an index finger underneath words so that children can track the print to the story.

And by all means, help kids identify letters and words and talk about their meaning.

"Phonics—learning how to sound out words—is important, but that comes with reading to them," Steiner said. "When they see the word and hear the word read, they learn to identify it."

For that reason, parents should read the same stories over and over.

Barney has sold loves to have a book read to him every night," Harney said. "Afterwards he goes through the book again and (tries) to read the book himself."

And if you think it's too early to start reading to your newborn, Steiner advises a chat with a kindergarten teacher.

"Kids who have been read to have longer attention spans," he said. "On the first day of kindergarten, any teacher can tell you which children have been read to and which haven't. I know, because I used to be a kindergarten teacher."

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Reading to the very young

For toddlers (18 months-3)
Even babies can begin to learn the pages of a cloth or cardboard book while sitting in the high chair. The book should be large enough to help turn the pages, they're learning simple concepts about reading.

These include counting to know which is the first and last of the book, how the pages turn and that the text on a page may be related to the pictures that are seen.

For toddlers (3-5)
As children get older, they may still want to sit in your high chair or on the floor as they read to them. As toddlers, though, they may want to help a little more often, by turning the pages and pointing out the pictures.

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Diagrams of people and events that are important to the kids, or books containing magazine pictures of animals and everyday objects that the children see and enjoy.

Preschoolers (5-6)
Three-, 4- and 5-year-olds are growing in their interest in words, both spoken and written. They may love books that they want you to read over and over. Many preschoolers begin to recognize the letters of their names on the letters on a store window and may ask parents what the words say.

Preschoolers will often pretend to write letters to people and may fill an entire page with scribbles arranged in lines and resemble adult writing. This early, pretend writing comes before children actually begin to print letters in a more formal way. Get an important stage in learning to read and write.

Some Family Communications Inc. which produces PBS's "Mr. Rogers

Barney

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And the new movie is certain to give a boost to merchandising sales, which have cycled up and down the past several years, according to toy industry analysts.

"We're looking for as good results as we've converted anyone in the past. Right now we're the market leader in children's books and videos," says Debbie Ries, Lyric's vice president of sales.

"This is really amazing considering that we are a small company here in Texas going against all of the big studios."

Barney has also managed to survive intense competition from some 50 preschool television programs, including "Sesame Street," "Arthur," "Thomas the Tank Engine" and "Winnie the Pooh."

"When we started Barney, there were only three preschool programs on television at that time," says Sheryl Leach, the show's executive producer. "The thinking of the day — this goes back to 1987 — was that the children's market

was really 6 to 12 years old. The whole preschool market was just not cared about or deemed important." The preschoolers were important.

In 1988, Leach teamed up with her father-in-law, Richard Leach, to produce and fund the first three videos at his television production company with a team headed by Dennis DeShazer.

Initial video sales proved lackluster. But the Leach's big breakthrough came in 1991 when Lucy Rifkin, an executive with Communicator Public Television, noticed how mesmerized his 4-year-old daughter, Leona, was by a Barney video he had rented at a local store. Rifkin immediately called the Leachs, and the rest is well, prehistoric.

"I so thought that my daughter had the love of those tapes, and I had the presence to sit down with her and see what made her so special," Rifkin says.

Barney's appeal, like that of other classic children's charac-

ters, is that he conveys a sense of loving, caring and giving. Rifkin says, "Plus, he added an element to children's television that had not been there. He allowed the dreamers to start dreaming again, causing more wonderful programs to surface."

Still, no one associated with the early Barney programming would have predicted his resounding success. Former cast member Brian Eppe played Michael, one of the original Backyard Gang members, and is now a 30-year-old senior at Arlington High School.

"When we first started, there was no way that anyone could have told me that Barney video he was where it is now," Eppe says. "But when you start experiencing and seeing it, when you get the fan letters in the mail — that's when it starts to hit."

Barney's creator claims not to be surprised by his success.

"My role was to clear the way for it. I was just the person running the show, and let me know if the way's coming through!" Leuch says, laughing.

a woman who loved the way she turned out, and decided to raise her daughter differently. The woman was living all the opposite she had chosen to stress ("my mother was possessive; it encouraged independence"). Then, at the end of the cartoon,

the woman explained that her daughter grew up and became "the exact image of my mother."

Let's have some candy.

Dorise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

Ritual

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Rituals are powerful. Even psychologists will tell you, if you want to convert anyone, anything, use ritual. It becomes a part of us. It transcends the conscious mind.

I mean, what would Super Bowl Sunday be without Nachos and dip. It would just be a bunch of big guys running around the TV taunting your empty stomach.

Easter rituals, and Easter candy, is the kind of stuff that is passed down from generation to generation. We might toss some minor changes into the mix, but a lot of who we are — and where we came from — never really changes that much.

I once saw a cartoon depicting

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BURLEY — Mr. and Mrs. Lowell (Sandy) Sandmann of Burley will be honored at an open house today for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 27th and Alamo Avenue.

Sandmann and Marguerite Kearns were married April 11, 1948, at the Methodist Church in Oakland, Calif.

They lived in Oakland and Lafayette, Calif., before moving to Burley in 1959.

He served four years as an Army engineer in the World War II European Theater. He has been self-employed as a landscaper, head gardener for C & H Sugar Company and the City of Crockett, Calif., maintenance engineer at Rhodes — Denton Store in Concord, Calif., and engineer at Cass Memorial Hospital in Burley.

She worked as a public health nurse in southern Utah and served four years as a Navy nurse at Mare Island, Los Angeles, Calif., Seattle, Wash., New Guinea and the Grand Island in the South Pacific during World War II. She also worked at Los



THE STRAUCHS

TWIN FALLS — Mr. and Mrs. Walter Strauch of Twin Falls celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on April 1.

Strauch and Lillian Johnston were married April 1, 1936, in Buffalo, N.Y.

They lived in Buffalo, N.Y., two years in California and 15 years in Nevada, before moving to Twin Falls two years ago.

He was self-employed in the service station business. She worked as a homemaker.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge for 30 years.



Walter and Lillian Strauch

Their children are son, Gene Strauch (deceased) and daughter, Carol Clark of Twin Falls. The couple has six grandchildren.

THE KRAHNS

GOODING — Mr. and Mrs. Bill Krahn of Gooding will be honored at an open house Saturday for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 3 to 6 p.m. at the War Memorial Hall in Gooding, So. Idaho.

Krahn and Minnie Simis were married March 27, 1948, in Gooding.

He worked for Modern Dairy and 28 years at the Gooding Seed Company.

The event is being given by their children and spouses, Carol (Rusty) Boyer of Boise, Ken



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Tucker and Betty Collins were married April 30, 1948, in Shoshone. They have lived in Hagerman and Wendell, before moving to Twin Falls in 1963.

He worked at Idaho Power Co. as a power plant operator at Hagerman and Thousand Springs and as a dispatcher in Twin Falls. He has been active in the Masonic Lodge and El Korah Shrine activities.

She worked as a homemaker and part time at Rogers Brothers



Donald and Betty Tucker

and Hazy Seed Co. She has been active in Order of the Eastern Star and Senior Bowling League.

The event is being given by their children, Joanne Blackler of Jerome, Donna Tennant of Pocatello, Ore., Virginia Albert of Meeker, Colo., and Stephen Tucker of South Weber, Utah.

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SHERRILL-SCHROEDER

TWIN FALLS — Deydree Faye Sherrill and Kyle Lynn Schroeder were married July 12, 1997, at the College of Southern Idaho lawn in Twin Falls.

Officiating was the Rev. Mark Christ.

The bride is the daughter of Gary and Pamela Sherrill of Twin Falls.

Parents of the bridegroom are Roger and Lorene Schroeder of Buhl.

Cori Beesley, friend of the bride, served as the maid of honor.

Bridesmaid was Macie Blackwood, friend of the bride.

Kurt Schroeder, brother of the groom, served as best man.

Groomsmen was Zach Sherrill, brother of the bride.

Usher was Kent Schroeder, brother of the groom.

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, Deana and Fay Clifford of Washington, Utah, and grandparents of the bridegroom, Herman and Irma Martens of Twin Falls and Arnold and Lucile Schroeder of Buhl.



Jaclyn and Marc Ehrlich

THAIN-EHRlich

HEYBURN — Jaclyn A. Thain and Marc Ehrlich were married Feb. 5 in Casper, St. Lucia, in the West Indies.

Officiating was Josephine Mathurin. The organist played favorite medleys.

The bride is the daughter of John and Sherie Thain of Heyburn. Grandparents of the bride are Clark and Nola Higley of Kimberly, John and Mildred Thain of Rupert and the late Colleen Higley from Kimberly.

Parents of the bridegroom are Ronald and Sheila Ehrlich of Staten Island, N.Y.

The bride is a graduate of Minico High School.

She is employed at Children's Health Fund in New York City.

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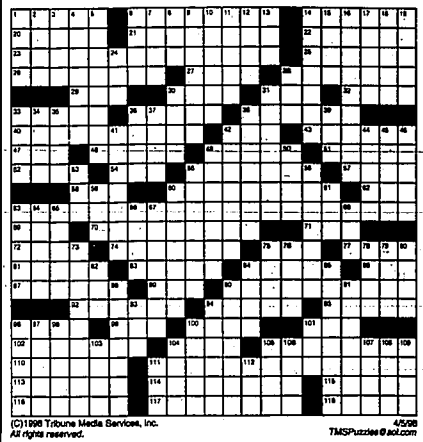
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Conquering the drug habit

Teen-age addicts face a special set of challenges

Knight Ridder News Service

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. — The floppy-eared puppy romping across the field in front of Lucas Selph's home seems an unlikely warrior in the fight against drugs, but Lucas says the dog, named Topgus, is just that.

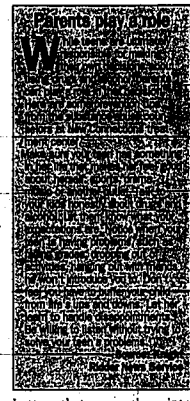
"She's part of my recovery strategy," says Lucas, 18, rubbing Topgus's round belly. "Playing with her keeps me busy."

More than three months have passed since the Knightsen teen walked into his first group meeting at New Connections treatment center in Concord, Calif. It wasn't his idea; he had to go as a condition of probation after he was arrested for forging checks and possession of methamphetamine.

But he's proud of his progress, even though it's sometimes painful. "A couple of weeks ago I was having a hard time. In the past, I would have gotten high so I wouldn't have to feel anything," he says matter-of-factly. "Now I have to deal with my pain."

Conquering addiction is never easy, but teens face special challenges, says Merry Ross, a substance abuse counselor at New Connections.

Their youthful optimism often keeps them from realizing their habit is life-threatening, she says. Moreover, they are less likely than adults to have hit the kind of rock



bottom that scares them into changing.

"If you are an adult and they take away your kids and you lose your job, it is easier to say 'Oh, my god, I have a problem,'" says Ross. "But with kids, they see other kids who are using and aren't being

caught, and they say 'My friends do this every day, so why do I have a problem?'"

Some kids do seek treatment on their own, but they're the exception, says New Connections executive director Jim Bouquin. Most come because they're required to do so by the courts, schools or their parents. Once there, they are often successful. Of the 79 teen addicts who went through New Connections' 16-week program last year, 87 percent were clean and sober after three months, says Bouquin.

To stay that way, they often face tremendous peer pressure.

"My boyfriend kept bringing me a drugs like a cat bringing you a mouse to show that it loves you," says D.J., 16, of Concord, who's nearing her 50th day of sobriety.

Complicating matters was the fact that D.J.'s house was known as the "klick-it spot," where teens could come to get high there as the "klick-it" spot, "where teens could come to get high there as the 'klick-it' spot," where teens could come to get high there as the "klick-it" spot.

But once she quit using, it was hard to persuade her former friends to stay away.

"They'd sit on my porch, 10 or 20 people getting high," she says. "It was hard not to join them some days. I finally told them, 'If you show up at my house and smoke pot, I'm going to call the police.'"

ON THE JOB

Corporate decisions

When thousands were fired in the late 1980s and early 1990s, many of them decided to start their own businesses. But last year, just 6.5 percent of dismissed managers and executives struck out on their own, compared to 20.3 percent in 1989, says the Challenger, Gray & Christmas employment consulting firm. It says the better job market and more provisions like flex time and help with child care make corporations a more attractive alternative to entrepreneurship.

overlooked for promotions or new assignments. Val Arnold of the Personnel Decisions International consulting firm says telecommuters must keep their managers apprised of and involved in their work and publicize their accom-

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Many parents maintain having a single child was the right choice

The Dallas Morning News

When Karen Russell of Fort Worth, Texas, considers having a second child, she thought she would have several. Certainly more than one. But she had a hard time arriving and when motherhood conceived, she was not prepared.

Now at 42, Russell and her husband, Greg, are fairly certain that is an only child. She knows what some say about only children: They're spoiled. Lonely: Unable to share. "Of course, you get defensive with that kind of stuff," says the former elementary school counselor.

While Russell says her toddler son "gets a lot more of everything because he's an only child," she sees that as an asset.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, families like the Russells are growing. The number of single-child families has been moving upward, increasing from 16 percent in 1985 to 18.6 percent in 1995.

The increase, experts say, has been caused by several factors. With more women building careers, delaying marriage and childbearing, there are larger numbers of older first-time mothers.

Like Russell, some find that they have trouble conceiving a second child.

Divorce may lead others to have just one. And others make the choice because they feel better equipped to nurture and financially provide for one child in today's fast-paced society.

"I don't think I knew I just wanted one, but after I had one, I knew that was what I wanted."

—Kellie Williamson

is the possibility that only children have characteristics that will carry over into adulthood," he says.

Those tendencies include a close parent-child bond that makes it difficult for many only children to separate from their parents.

Only children usually have a strong sense of individuality. They may have superior social skills from mimicking what they

socialized differently than a child in a multiple-sibling family," says Dr. Carl Pickhardt, an Austin, Texas, psychologist and author of "Keys to Parenting the Only Child" (Barron's Educational Services, \$6.95).

"We can't talk about certain-ly, but we do know that there

see in their parents' lives, but are still not emotionally mature.

They also need to develop collaborative skills normally gained in the rough-and-tumble interactions with siblings in other social settings, such as school or on the job.

The characteristics, say Pickhardt and other psychologists, don't mean that only children become ill-equipped adults. In fact, they say, many of the characteristics are positive ones.

"Historically, the only child has been seen as spoiled, indulged and with poor social skills," says Diane Eversmatt, a psychologist and author of "Spoiling Childhood: How Well-Meaning Parents Are Giving Children Too Much — But Not What They Need" (Guilford Press, \$18.95).

"But you can raise healthy children in many family forms, including only-child families. So the question becomes how do you raise a healthy child when there is only one," she says.

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Angry kids

Lack of bonding can cause children to become aggressive

Walnut Creek, Calif. — Rage is a mighty big emotion — too big, one would think, to pack into the compact body of a preschooler. But as Linda Duesler rubs the crescent-shaped gouges on her bruised left hand, she knows better. The gouges, says the Walnut Creek preschool director, were made by the tiny fingernails of a student who has already been expelled from five preschools in his short life. Duesler says she has seen an increase in extremely angry young children over the last 10 years.

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"These children have no respect for authority at a very young age. They don't bond," says Duesler, who has worked in preschools for nearly 30 years. It frustrates Duesler to see them hurting so much. "And they are hurting," she says, "even as they try to hurt others."

Duesler is not the only one seeing more rage in the preschools. "I am profoundly concerned," says Ronald Garcia, deputy director of the Contra Costa Child Care Council and an early childhood-development instructor. "What I am hearing is that the kids today are different than even three years ago. They have shorter fuses, go from zero to 60 in a faster time."

or the stress of single-parent-hood; but infants still need responsive, consistent care, says Robin Karr-Morse, co-author of "Ghosts from the Nursery: Tracing the Roots of Violence" (Atlantic Monthly Press, \$25).

In "Ghosts from the Nursery," authors Karr-Morse and Meredith S. Wiley describe how an infant's interactions with parents and caregivers form neurological connections in the baby's brain that guide his or her future relationships and emotions.

"But instead of blaming the child, Duesler and Garcia say, society needs to take a hard look at how it is treating its youngest members. In the rush-rush pace of the '90s, many little children are being out on the one-on-one nurturing they need if they are going to learn how to connect with others, they say.

Children deprived of those connections are less likely to care about others, says Karr-Morse. "Empathy seems to be an endangered characteristic, not just in the children from the underclass, but from all ethnicities and incomes."

There is no end to stories about the long-term emotional scarring of kids who were shunted from one foster home to another, or left to languish in overseas orphanages with little human contact during their infancy.

Similarly, young children who experience multiple emotional losses by being moved from one day-care situation to another during their first few years might have more difficulty bonding, says Karr-Morse. She recalls one 4-year-old boy whose mother brought him to see Karr-Morse after he had been kicked out of another preschool.

"He literally took my office apart and let his mother have it in front of me, pulling her hair and kicking her," says Karr-Morse.

The child had been cared for by a rapidly changing series of nannies since birth, she says. "Neither of the parents were there for him when he was a baby. He had no consistency, no ability to trust that the same set of arms would be there for him."

"These aren't children of rage," Garcia says. "They are children who are trying to let us know it is getting to be too much. They are raising their voices and wringing their little bodies in a way that is trying to get us to wake up."

While our social structure has changed dramatically in past decades, the needs of babies have not. Adults may have adapted to demanding careers

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Day cares fail family-friendly standards

Five years ago, I wrote a series of columns in which I contended that group day care is disadvantageous for children under age 3. Specifically, I said it's time we "cut the grips with the fact that care by a stranger is qualitatively different — and significantly so — than care in the home by a concerned parent. Therefore, the outcomes are bound to be consequently different as well."

Pseudofeminists got up in arms, claiming furiously that I (to quote one hysterical) had "set the liberation of women back 20 years" (single-handedly). A large Midwestern daily newspaper, before canceling my column, attacked me (yes, it got quite personal) in editorials and feature articles.

With the Clinton administration preparing to unveil a major child-care initiative aimed at increasing the availability of institutions for day care for working parents, it seems prudent to examine what the experts are currently saying. In the Jan. 25 issue of National Review, Maggie Gallagher, a syndicated

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columnist and affiliate scholar for the nonpartisan research group Institute for American Values, performed that exact service.

She reports: A 1996 review of day-care literature by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development found that non-parental care often leads to aggression, increased noncompliance and other behavior problems. The type of care that mitigates such problems — involving strong attachment between child and caregiver — is not provided in group settings.

The fact that a day-care center meets government licensing requirements does not mean the quality of care is what infants and toddlers need for healthy

psychological development. A 1995 University of Colorado study found that only 8 percent of centers serving children under age 3 provide care of high quality, where emotional nurturing is concerned.

A 1997 study published in Pediatrics found that children in group care are more prone to chronic ear infections, which are associated with hearing loss, lower scores on measures of IQ and poor school performance. Preschoolers with chronic ear infections also play less with other children.

A 1994 international meta-analysis by researchers at the University of Calgary concludes that mother-infant attachment is significantly threatened when the child is in group day care.

The above study supports the general finding that children who have been in group day care since infancy or early toddlerhood tend to exhibit more behavior problems than children cared for at home or by an extended family member.

Extended day care seems to effect negative parental behav-

ior. One study found that very young children whose mothers work full time tend to have poorer relations with both their mothers and their fathers. Gallagher points out that not all studies confirm the negative effects; however, positive or neutral results tend to be associated with centers providing a quality of care that is extremely rare in the industry.

The good news is that eight out of 10 young children are still cared for by family members. The bad news is that the Clinton administration plans on extending a tax credit only to parents who put their children in commercial group care. In light of the evidence, this hardly qualifies as "family-friendly" legislation. "It is," Gallagher says, "the kind of social policy that only Washington could love."

John Rosemond is a family psychologist in North Carolina. Questions of general interest may be sent to him at P.O. Box 4124, Gastonia, NC 28054 and at <http://www.rosemond.com/parenting> on the Internet's World Wide Web.

Life becomes series of yawns for reved-up '90s kids

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Roller coasters shooting through the air at 80 miles an hour? Big deal. Giant-screen movies so realistic the blood almost spatters your clothes? So what.

But therapists, teachers and parents want a time out. They're concerned about whether this ongoing sensory salvo — and the subsequent lack of down time — has consequences that no one has yet thoroughly studied or understands.

"My concern is that children are being swept up into a faster and faster pace," says Ronald Dahl, associate professor of psychiatry and pediatrics at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center.

Sure, baby boomers grew up

with television, fast cars and loud music. But the level of intensity, the speed of delivery and the constant bombardment by myriad forms of media have reached a peak. Studies show that by 12, the average child is spending three hours a day in front of the TV set.

Many of these same children then watch their own parents tear through life at break-neck speed. The message becomes "the good life equals the fast life."

"It's mind boggling, the speed of life today," says marriage and family counselor Julie Anne Thomas of the Adult and Child Guidance Center in Santa Clara, Calif. "Over-stimulated children need to be removed from the situation so they can calm down. You have to take them by the hand, or unplug whatever appliances they are attached to. As adults, we know we need quiet time," she adds, "although sometimes we don't have the common sense to take it. Children have to be taught."

For psychiatrist Dahl, the revelation came when he stepped off one of the fastest roller coasters

in the world, which his 3-year-old son had finally grown tall enough to ride. To Dahl, the face-stretching velocity was breathtaking, so he was taken aback when his son commented in a ho-hum voice, "I've been on more exciting rides."

It is the children suffering from the extremes of constant over-stimulation and lack of quiet time who end up in Dahl's office with such symptoms as insomnia, anxiety, irritability and hyperactivity. While there are not yet any studies quantifying these children, Dahl and his colleagues at Stanford University and the University of California-San Francisco agree it's worthwhile and worth researching.

"No one paid much attention to down time," notes Stanford professor of communications Don Roberts. "Until they noticed we didn't have it anymore."

Even his own children, Dahl observes, seem immune to the constant stimulation that's an integral part of American culture — from increasingly fantastic video games to rocket-paced movies, Pentium chip computers and ever-more sophisticated high-

tech toys that "use up as many batteries as it would take to power a small village," Dahl notes.

Kids say they just want to have some fun.

Danny Nissenbaum, 11, plays Nintendo 64 games such as "Starfox" and "Turlock" on his home machine whenever he gets the chance. But he'll still opt for the video arcade on weekends. "Maybe I'd get bored after a while," he says. "You have to keep playing different ones."

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FAMILY LIFE

20 years later, Grease still provides good time

Dallas Morning News

"Grease" (PG) gets to see if it can cash in the "Star Wars" teen-winning over a new generation of youngsters and teens after non-stop video rental and 20 years of near-cult status.

Nobody expects this re-release to do "\$5 million" dollars, but it should make out OK. The songs are still hummable, and John Travolta is at the peak of his new incarnation.

Parents should be aware of a few sexual moments and bits of the dialogue, but most of the cheeky hormones-run-amok in the '50s routine flies by in the form of innuendo, and the film is still a great time. Just don't fill 'em in on the lyrics to "Greased Lightning." (Twin Cinema, Jerome Cinema, Ski Time 4 Cinemas of Ketchum)



Also...

- "The Man in the Iron Mask" (PG-13) — This adaptation of the Alexander Dumas novel will probably attract fans of Leonardo DiCaprio, but it's not stirring enough to make your library cardholders check out the book. Although the film contains scenes of violence and sensuality, the young teen idol remains angel-faced. He plays both an evil king and his noble twin. Niceness triumphs. (Twin Cinema, Century Cinema of Burley, Ski Time 4 Cinemas of Ketchum)
- "Kiss the Bride" (PG) — A child's enjoyment of this film

will be directly related to his love of flautage jokes. The messages of this film are: Good surfing is more important than schooling, the stupid (but cute) guy gets the girl. (90 minutes) (Twin Cinema)

"Titanic" (PG-13) — Teens should love this spectacular, romantic tale of the infamous 1912 shipboard disaster, and it has a winning performance by teen fave Leonardo DiCaprio.

Younger viewers will grow restless with its 124-minute running time, aside from being disturbed at scenes of imperiled or doomed children. (Twin Cinema, Jerome Cinema, Century Cinema of Burley, Gooding Cinema, Sun Valley Cinema)

"U.S. Marshals" (PG-13) — Maybe if your teens love video games, they'll get a bang from the action mechanics of "U.S. Marshals." And if they're heavy

into sarcasm, as most teens are, they'll enjoy Tommy Lee Jones' way with a one-liner. Everything about the follow-up to 1993's "The Fugitive" works with assembly-line proficiency. But moviegoers of any age will sense the new film's inferiority to "The Fugitive."

The rating is for language and violence. (Twin Cinema, Century Cinema of Burley)

"The Wedding Singer" (PG-13) — Eighties kitsch is in, and chances are you didn't have to grow up with it to laugh at it now. Adam Sandler's humor is as tearfully as ever, and his charm should appeal to some adults as well. Sexual references and some naughty language come and go quickly, but for the most part it's no worse than most of what you see on TV every night. (Shoshone Showhouse)

Mothers, daughters seek better relationships

Knight Ridder News Service

Getting to know each other is not something that many mothers and pre-teen daughters spend time doing.

But clinical psychologist Lynda Madison learned that many really would like to do just that.

"A lot of time, it's the girls who present with depression or emotional issues," said Madison, director of Family Support and Psychological Services at Children's Hospital in Omaha, Neb.

She's even counseled young girls who have come through the emergency room after attempting suicide.

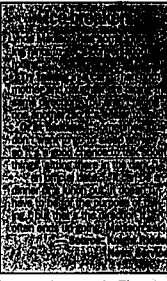
In many of those cases, she said, "The truck by the fact that when you talk to daughters alone, they say very much that relationship with their parents. And when you talk to daughters, they say very much want that relationship with their children."

"Somewhere that communication breaks down. It's especially when she wrote Keep Talking: A Mother-Daughter Guide to the Pre-Teen Years (Andrew McMeel, \$19.95).

It's especially important for mothers and daughters to establish a strong bond because young girls look to their mothers to learn how to be a woman — a complicated task.

"There's so much information out there that says girls have to be thin and pretty and attached to a boy in order to be a whole person," Madison said. "In the media, in advertising, on television and in movies, there are some really damaging messages" for youngsters who haven't quite figured out how to interpret those images.

A subtle uneasiness between a mother and daughter may begin



innocently enough. There's a "natural pulling back," Madison said, as a preadolescent establishes her identity separate from her family.

If her mother approaches for a friendly chat — "So, how, how is your day going?" — a girl might roll her eyes or retreat to her bedroom to telephone a pal.

"Don't assume," Madison advised mothers, "that your daughter always needs you or want to have interchanges with you."

It's also easy for a daughter to interpret her mother's caring concern — "Who's that friend you've been spending so much time on the phone with?" — as an intrusion into her privacy or an attempt at restriction.

During those 11- and 12-year-old's awkward moments, "it's a real mistake to back off. That's when the kids seem to need parents the most."

The main stumbling block to communication seems to be the opening of dialogue. Mothers and daughters want to talk but simply don't know how to begin.

Teen abstinence rings as key to message championed by program

Knight Ridder News Service

SAN JOSE, CALIF. — At Joseph George Middle School in San Jose, Anna Santos recalls hearing lectures on sexually transmitted diseases and watching a graphic movie of a baby being delivered. When she got to James Lick High School, she remembers discussions about contraceptives. But she also remembers being handed a pamphlet about alternatives to having sex.

"It was called something like, '101 Ways to Make Love Without Doing It,'" she says, a laugh catching in her throat. "It suggested stuff like making dinner together or washing the dog."

The message that Santos got was this: You should not have sex, but if you can't help yourself there are measures you can take so you won't get pregnant or find yourself with a deadly disease.

It's the standard message that most adolescents have been getting for years. But critics say this is a mixed message — one that stresses abstinence but assumes teens will eventually give in to their hormones. What they support is revamping the lessons so that the loudest and clearest message is: Say no to premarital sex.

Despite court-criticism that this approach is flawed as well as the champion of abstinence, only education for the federal government behind them. Congress, spurred by studies that showed 50 percent of mothers on birth control but not pregnant, approved spending \$250 million over five years on abstinence-only education with a barely noticed provision in the welfare reform law.

The federal money is to go to states to help run community programs that meet a strict set of guidelines. Organizations receiving the funds — churches, youth groups and some schools among them — cannot provide family planning, contraceptive or abortion services with the money, according to the law.

"For the first time, the feds have taken a stance on the content of sex education," says Dan Ely, public policy director for the Family Information Council and Education Council of the United States, a group that promotes sex education that includes discussion about contraceptives. "It is money with strings attached and it gives the federal government authority

Guidelines for teaching abstinence

Federal guidelines define abstinence education as a program that teaches:

- 1. The social, psychological and health gains realized by abstaining from sexual activity.
- 2. That abstinence from sex is the expected standard for all school-age children.
- 3. The message that abstinence is the only sure way to avoid out-of-wedlock pregnancy and prevent sexual diseases.
- 4. That a mutually faithful, monogamous marital relationship is the expected standard of human sexual activity.
- 5. That sexual activity outside of marriage is likely to have harmful psychological and physical effects.
- 6. That alcohol and drug use increases a person's likelihood of engaging in sexual activity.
- 7. That young people know how to reject sexual advances; also, that abstinence is the only way to ensure fidelity to sexual partners.
- 8. That it is important to attain self-sufficiency before engaging in sexual activity.

and takes away flexibility from the communities."

The law does not specify what form the lessons should take, but it does say the only programs qualifying for the federal money will be those whose exclusive purpose is to teach teens "the social, psychological and health gains to be realized by abstaining from sexual activity." For every \$4 of federal aid, states are to throw in \$3 in state or local assistance or in-kind services.

Groups such as SIECUS, Planned Parenthood and many public schools view abstinence-only education as incomplete and irresponsible. But proponents argue it's the only way to lower teen pregnancies and the spread of sexual disease.

"There is an ambiguous message being given out today that abstinence is best, but here's some information anyway on how to use contraceptives if you're going to be sexually active," says Peter Brandt of Focus on the Family, a Colorado Springs, Colo.-based conservative organization advocating abstinence-only education

The group is monitoring how states spend the federal money.

"It's a social problem that's grown as we've lost consensus on what is acceptable teen sexual activity," says Brandt.

In California, the 112 sex education programs the state helps fund, only two adhere to a strict abstinence-only philosophy, says Catherine Camacho, assistant to the deputy director of the primary care and family health division.

The Teen Awareness Project in Fulton is one; Await & Find in Union City is the other.

"Amid the MTV, the rap lyrics, 'Melrose Place' and movies, we want to empower kids to think for themselves when it comes to sex," says Angela Griffith, director of Await & Find. "We believe that they are human beings, and if we assume they are going to have sex, we need to give them the tools."

The program provides teachers and youth organizers with a curriculum and guest speakers who give presentations in grades six through 12. Some of the speakers are teens who tell their own stories of having a baby at 15 or who now face infertility caused by a sexual disease.

Await & Find also sponsors a peer program called CATS — Concerned About Teen Sexuality — a group of high school students committed to abstinence who give their own talks and offer assistance through skits and by serving as mentors.

"I walked away from my senior year having been taught in school that abstinence was the great choice, but most of us can't live by that choice, so we need to protect ourselves," says Lauren Clark, 18, a freshman at the University of California-San Diego. "It's like telling a kid that he can't have cookies before dinner but showing him how to get the cookies."

A graduate of Moreau Catholic High School in Hayward, Clark was a member of the CATS team that her mom, Connie, helped start. Abstinence education, she says, is not about religious values or moralistic preaching and it's not just embraced by "nerds" and "losers."

"It is about self-respect and providing help when you're not old enough to understand the significance of a sexual relationship," she says, adding that she has lost girlfriends who weren't willing to abide by her wish to say a virgin until marriage.

How to get pregnant: A primer

The Washington Post

By the time partners start looking for books on infertility, they probably suspect — or even know for sure — that it will not be easy for them to have children. They have already experienced shock and sadness, anger and confusion. It may be painful just to approach the appropriate section of the library or bookstore.

And when they peruse the stacks for information, they are not merely browsing. The book they select, just like the doctor they ultimately choose to help them, must feel "right." It has to address their particular situation, recognize their emotional needs and, above all, treat them with respect.

In "Overcoming Infertility: A Compassionate Resource for Getting Pregnant" (W.H. Freeman, \$24.95), Robert Jansen, director of an infertility clinic in Sydney, Australia, presents a sure-footed, thoughtful, and, indeed, compassionate book on the myriad aspects of infertility and its treatment.

Offering a supportive but not oversentimental tone, he has created a handbook that in its self-contained chapters and detailed boxes allows the reader to take control of his or her own destiny. And in giving his medical opinions, Jansen has avoided the posture of many infertility specialists who write as though they are your personal doctor. "You're your friend — and can 'solve' your infertility if only you follow their detailed advice on high-tech treatments."

Jansen's book is a marvel of organization. Reproductive endocrinology is a fast-moving, competitive and lucrative field, where the options for treatment can change overnight, though attentive of patients. It is not enough to bring lists of questions to a gynecologist or gather clinic brochures. After the consultation, when the numbing effect of bad test results fades, question after question arises about what has happened and what will happen. Here, that's where Jansen helps. He manages to be comprehensive without burying the reader in detail. And he moves progressively through choices, from diagnosis to treatment, allowing the reader to bypass other people's problems.

Relay game for canines gains popularity among dog owners

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Secret is confused. She just jumped over her handler's feet and is standing in front of a wooden box. If she presses a lever on the box, it will release a ball for her to catch. But where's the lever?

She walks around-the-box looks behind it. The expression on her face asks, "What now?"

Voices around her shout, "Come on, Secret. Get over here!"

Finally, Secret decides to cheat — just a little. She nuzzles the ball in its slot with her mouth, then grabs it. She is a black and white blur as she runs back over two hurdles. Then she balks, and runs around the last two into the arms of her owner.

This is flyball, a relay sport for dogs. In the past few years, it has hit big.

Dog owners from all walks of life who have followed traditional routes of obedience training and show dog competitions say flyball is a doggie sport with no equal. What's not to love?

For the dog, it's play time, incorporating everything the animal enjoys, from running to jumping to retrieving. And any dog, mutt or purebred, can participate. For the dog owners, it's a way to bond with other dog lovers and get a vicarious thrill from a team sport that's not football. It can also mean bragging

rights if the dog accumulates enough points to earn champion titles.

For the spectator, watching dogs play a team sport is hilarious. Watching them learn can be side-splitting.

Take the Top Dog Racers of California. They're part of the North-American Flyball Association Inc., and they have the top three teams in Texas. They're practicing in a field across from the Top Dog Obedience school on a recent weekend.

Russin, an English shepherd and experienced racer, is watching practice from the bed of a pickup truck. She barks continuously, eager to show those other pups how it's done. Only her good breeding keeps her on the track. Today she's the club's rookie, including Secret, practice first.

For Julie Stanek, a veterinarian, is owner of Secret, a 4-year-old border collie and flyball dog in training. As a veterinarian, Stanek, 30, says it's not a sport for all dogs. But if the dog wants to play, have a vet give it a checkup first.

As for Secret, "it keeps her joy alive," says Stanek. Before, Secret wouldn't play with a toy, she says. But that's changing. Today Stanek is using a soft Frisbee as incentive for Secret's jumps.

FAMILY NEWS YOU CAN USE

A delicate affair

You're a teen-age girl who thinks your father's having an affair. You also think your mother doesn't know. Show us your confrontation? Not if Dad has a temper, says the love-advice column in Jump magazine. Whether he's having an affair or not, the magazine says, such a confrontation is sure to hit him hard. But if the daughter has an open relationship with her father, Jump adds, she can raise the question — as long as she keeps in mind that whatever he's doing isn't her fault.

Growing old

"If you're a senior citizen, the sky isn't the limit. So says the Rev. Richard Morgan, a Presbyterian minister who's written five books on aging and a regular journey. He applauds 77-year-old John Glenn's taking a space journey. "He is a role

model for the new elder.... He's saying just because you're older doesn't mean you're over the hill. You can go into space."

Still in its infancy

Children with sickle cell disease are less likely to die of complications in the first few years of life if they are identified at birth as having the blood disorder, reports the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which says: "Early identification of infants with sickle cell disease saves lives."

No place like home

Maybe they couldn't wait to get out of your house, but today's college freshmen also want very strongly to get into their own house. According to a survey of 2,000 freshmen commissioned last year by Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., 81 percent said owning a home is very impor-

tant to them.

Imbalance of payments

Under Social Security, some of you are more secure than others. Social Security is biased against married, working women and often pays them smaller benefits than it does homemakers, says Anna M. Rappaport, president of the National Council on Aging, a principal at the William M. Mercer human resource and ben-

efits consulting company. Social Security discriminates against women in family life, paying them significantly smaller benefits than it gives families of the same income in which only the husband worked outside the home, says Rappaport. She says this costs retired widows millions of dollars in lost benefits every year.

—Compiled from wire service reports

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'Relay for Life' teams begin to form

FILER - The American Cancer Society Relay for Life, a team event to fight cancer, is set to begin at 6:30 p.m. May 29 at the Filer Middle School track, rain or shine.

The relay is an 18-hour fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Individuals and teams collect sponsorship donations before the event. The average team consists of 10 walkers, rockers, volunteers unable to walk or run who rock in a rocking chair, chairs are provided) or runners. Team registration fee is \$150. Early bird registration, paid by May 1, is \$100.

A variety of activities are planned throughout the evening. Cancer survivors, including those currently battling cancer, are invited to be guests of the Magic Valley unit during the event to help promote the positive theme that more and more people are surviving cancer today. To help make this point, cancer survivors are invited to walk the first lap to kick off the event.

Live entertainment, contests and music will continue throughout the night. Free food for participants will be available, hot soup and drinks during the evening, an early morning pancake breakfast and a closing barbecue at 1 p.m. May 30.

Hamburgers and hot dogs be available for purchase throughout the night.

Locker room facilities, showers and free massages will be available to all participants. A medical tent and personnel will be at the track.

A pajama parade is scheduled for midnight. Funds raised will further research, education and patient services programs in the Magic Valley and Mini-Cassia area. Participants collect money prior to the relay, rather than basing donations on laps completed. Each team member is asked to raise \$100 in donations (ten friends at \$10 equals \$100) and will be given an event T-shirt for their efforts.



The American Cancer Society Relay for Life committee is preparing for this year's relay. The event is scheduled for May 29 and 30 at the Filer Middle School track.

asked to raise \$100 in donations (ten friends at \$10 equals \$100) and will be given an event T-shirt for their efforts. Team trophies and individual plaques will be awarded as well as a special prize for the most money raised. Captain meetings will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Perkins Restaurant in Burley at 5:30 p.m. May 7 at the First Baptist Church, Shoshone St. in Twin Falls.

Bank Night, when volunteers turn in their money, will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. May 21 at First Security Bank, Lyncwood in Twin Falls. For more information or to volunteer, call Vicki at 438-5238 or Pat at 733-1777 or 733-5132.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Only main dishes are listed. All schools serve milk with meals.

BUEHL
Breakfast: Juice served everyday.
Monday: Cereal and toast
Tuesday: Waffles
Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy
Thursday: Donuts
Friday: Cereal and cinnamon toast

CASTLEFORD
Breakfast: Pancakes
Tuesday: Muffin
Wednesday: McMuffin
Thursday: Pancakes
Friday: Donuts
Lunch: Self-serve salad bar everyday.
Monday: Cheeseburger
Tuesday: Ham and cheese hoagie
Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce
Thursday: Oven baked chicken
Friday: Potato soup with toasted cheese

HANSEN
Breakfast: Pancakes with ham slices
Tuesday: Cereal and toast
Wednesday: Bagels and fruit
Thursday: Ham and cheese croissant
Friday: Cereal and donuts
Lunch: Chicken imagers
Tuesday: Soft tarts
Wednesday: Chili
Thursday: Toasted cheese sandwich
Friday: Little smokies with angriplant potatoes

DEMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL
Monday: Chili fries
Tuesday: Soft flour taco
Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce
Thursday: Baked ham
Friday: No school

KIMBERLY
Breakfast served everyday.
Lunch: At elementary school, main line trays is served each day; fifth grade will be offered salad bar on Tuesdays; fourth grade will be offered salad bar on Thursdays. At middle school and high school, a wide variety of main line meals or chef salad each day.
Monday: Chicken imagers
Tuesday: Chicken wrap
Wednesday: Baked ham
Thursday: Hamburgers
Friday: Tacos

MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
Monday: Chicken sandwich
Tuesday: Nachos supreme
Wednesday: Chef's salad
Thursday: Baked ham
Friday: Fish sandwich

MURTAUGH
Monday: Hamburger
Tuesday: Pig-in-a-blanket
Wednesday: Potato bar
Thursday: Fish sticks
Friday: Deli sandwich

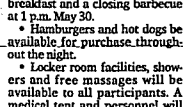
TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
Breakfast served everyday.
Monday: Cereal and apple slices
Tuesday: Pancake on a stick
Wednesday: Cereal and pears
Thursday: Breakfast combo
Friday: Cereal and fruit cocktail
Lunch: Chicken sandwich
Monday: Chicken sandwich
Tuesday: Nachos supreme
Wednesday: Chef's salad
Thursday: Baked ham
Friday: Fish muggers

TWIN FALLS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS
Breakfast served everyday.
Lunch: Junior highs have a choice of main line or second line menu. Salad bar, soup and sandwich bar, taco bar and potato bar available on alternate days.
Monday: Chicken sandwich
Tuesday: Nachos supreme
Wednesday: Chef's salad
Thursday: Baked ham
Friday: Fish muggers

TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL
Breakfast served everyday.
Lunch: The high school has a choice of main line, hamburger bar and salad bar each day, taco bar on Wednesdays and potato bar on Fridays. Main line menu varies everyday.

VALLEY
Breakfast served everyday.
Lunch: Chicken burger
Tuesday: Barbecue beef on bun
Wednesday: Spaghetti
Thursday: Pizza
Friday: Baked cheese sandwich

WALTON
School lunch menu: Monday: Chicken sandwich Tuesday: Nachos supreme Wednesday: Chef's salad Thursday: Baked ham Friday: Fish sandwich



Buhl scouts trade in derby cars for rocket ships

BUEHL - Cub Scout Pack #4 of Buhl recently held their annual derby race at St. John's Lutheran Church. This year's derby was designated as a Space Derby, with 38 rocket ships ready for take off.

Best of Show was awarded to Fernando Morales. In addition to the derby, the following scouts were honored: Calum Thom, the family badge and a ski belt loop; Luke Alexander, the handyman badge and basketball belt loop; Nathan Fechner, the handyman badge; Broc Draney, dancer badge; and Quinn Evans, music belt loop and pinewood derby.

Other awards given were 10 field trip segments, eight fire station segments, four basketball belt loops and five soccer belt loops. The pack also celebrated 51 years of service.



Scouts show off their rocket entries for the Cub Scout Pack #4 Space Derby. Pictured are, from left, Trent Pond, Christopher Pond, Camron Sobotka and Vaughn Sobotka.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Harley riders to meet

TWIN FALLS - The Harley Davidson Riders will hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the Royal Restaurant. For more information, call Roger or Brenda at 733-0151.

Youth volunteers needed

TWIN FALLS - An introductory meeting for all youth ages 14 to 20 who are interested in joining a community service-oriented co-ed Explorer post is planned for 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Carter-Insurance Agency/Charity anywhere office, 1746 Addison Ave. E.

Wanted: Your news

Wanted: Your news. We are looking for news items, photos, and letters from our readers. Send them to the Community Editor, April Crouch, at 733-0931.

Bassmasters gather

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Bassmasters have planned a meeting at 8 p.m. Monday at the Creekside Steak House, 253 Fifth Ave. S. Call Dave Withers at 543-6863 or Jim Dutt at 734-6950 for more information.

Planning continues

TWIN FALLS - The Western Days Committee will meet at noon Wednesday at the Oberlin Insurance conference room, 254 Main Ave. S. (use the back door). For more information, call Laurie Seamon at 733-3892.

New officers elected

TWIN FALLS - An election of officers is on the agenda when the Ladies of the Elks meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Elks Lodge. Dr. Spencer Williams will speak on back pain and help at 8 p.m. Those attending are encouraged to wear an Easter hat for a chance at a prize.

Anyone interested in helping the community and neighbors through service are encouraged to attend and bring a friend. Adults who would like to be advisers are welcome. For more information, call 733-2067.

WNET meets Thursday

TWIN FALLS - The monthly general meeting of the Magic Valley WNET Chapter is set for 12:30 to 2 p.m. Thursday at Jaker's Restaurant. The Women's Network for Entrepreneurial Training is an organization that promotes business and mentoring. All women businessowners, managers, entrepreneurs and interested individuals are encouraged to become active in the organization designed for networking and training. No membership fees are paid; the only cost is for lunch.

Those planning to attend are asked to call 733-9554, Ext. 2450, by Tuesday. RSVP lunches will be charged \$6. For more information, call Lanette Higley at 423-5101.

Basement gater

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Basement Gaters will meet at 8 p.m. Monday at the Creekside Steak House, 253 Fifth Ave. S. Call Dave Withers at 543-6863 or Jim Dutt at 734-6950 for more information.

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CLASSES

Classes start in Buhl

BUEHL - The Buhl Community Education and Recreation Association is offering three new classes that start soon. Introduction to Rock Climbing and Rappelling will include a brief history of the sport, safety, gear for the new-crawler, top-rope, essential knots, rappelling and training. Participants under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to the first class. Two classroom sessions will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. April 14 and 21 in Room 122 at the Buhl High School. Two outdoor sessions are planned, depending on the weather at the end of the second week. Rental shoes are available but not essential. Space is limited to 10 students. Cost is \$26.

Resume Writing and Interviewing will help the students prepare their resumes using Windows 95. The product will be saved on a disk and can be modified or kept up to date at the Buhl Public Library. The course includes a review of qualifications, instruction on using Microsoft Word, help with correct format and language tips on interviewing and job-seeking etiquette. Class will meet from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, April 14 through May 5 in the Buhl High School business computer lab, Room 106. Cost is \$16.

Secret causes of illnesses that are life-threatening and natural ways of preventing them is planned for 7 to 8 p.m. April 15 in the library at the Buhl High School. Cost is \$5.

Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call Connie Glanier at 543-6553 after 4 p.m.

EVENTS

Elks meet

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Quilt expert visits Hailey

HAILEY - Quilt expert Sharon Tandy will be speaking at two locations in Hailey this week. Tandy will give a presentation on "Historic Quilts of Idaho" at 1 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday at the Blaine County Senior Center, 731 Third Ave. S. The presentation includes a slide show of more than 30 quilts collected through years of examining, researching and traveling Idaho. Questions are welcome. Participants are encouraged to bring their own quilts for discussion.

Designs, Dyes and Damage in Dating Historic Quilts is set for 7 p.m. Thursday in the living room of the Hailey Public Library. The presentation is aimed at an audience of collectors and those who have inherited quilts. Tandy will discuss techniques for the non-quilt historian to date their own quilts and those they are considering purchasing. Those attending are asked to bring their quilts and questions.

Tandy has lived in Idaho for 20 years and is a lifelong resident of the Pacific Northwest. She received a bachelor of arts degree in Fine Arts from Boise State University and is working on an interdisciplinary master of arts degree in applied history. She is a published quilt designer and author on quilt history who loves to talk about quilts and quilting. She has given presentations on quilting for seven years. The programs in Hailey are sponsored by the Idaho Heritage Trust, Idaho Humanities Council and Blaine County Senior Center. For more information, call the Idaho Heritage Trust at 788-7529.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Christensen celebrates

Mary Christensen of Murtagh was honored by friends, family, and neighbors at an open house for her 80th birthday. Christensen greeted guests from all over the Magic Valley and drew a noisy crowd. The celebration was held at the Murtagh school lunch room. The decorations were in multi-color, which Mary said were her favorite colors, "Because they are all pretty." Mary estimated that she welcomed over 70 guests that Sunday afternoon. Mary Vizie was born Feb. 8, 1918, in Coalgate, Co. County, Okla. She lived in that area until she moved to Idaho. She is the first person she knew were the Sun

Thornston family. Mrs. Thornton was sick and Mary helped care for her and her family. It was through the Thornton family that she met her husband, Roy Christensen.

Mary and Roy were married June 1, 1947. They have lived around the Murtagh area since then. They had three children, Keith who lived and passed away in Glenns Ferry; Mary Eula Thomas of Boise; and Carla Christina of Murtagh. She also has four stepchildren. She is proud of her 13 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and several step grandchildren.

Mary earned the praises of the school faculty and children with the many meals she served at the Murtagh hot lunch cafeteria for 18 years. She was one of the last cooks to use the old Murtagh High School lunch room facilities. Previous to Murtagh, she worked as a cook at a nursing home and at a hospital in Oklahoma. She has also a steady hand in the potato fields around Murtagh.

Mary and Roy were married in the Salt Lake Temple and had their three children sealed to them. Mary enjoys being a member of the Murtagh ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. One of her hobbies is doing genealogy work. She is staying close to her family and her friends. Mary often has a special loaf of bread or buns she gives away to say "thanks" for the special favors people do for her. Mary have had their hearts lifted with a special greeting card or call on the phone.

Mary is now making an 80th birthday scrap book with the cards and pictures taken at the open house.

SERVICE NEWS

Assignment received

Air Force Senior Airman Matthew Montgomery has arrived for duty at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, N.M. Montgomery is a weapons maintenance team member assigned to the 88th Maintenance Squadron. He is the son of Lois J. Davison of Mountain Home and a 1991 graduate of Mountain Home High School.

SENIORS

She prints all the news that fits

When the round-robin family letter hits my mailbox, I dump the contents on my desk and set up the stapulators in a circle. I laugh, I sigh, I cry. Only three such missives arrive in a year because some members of the clan (you know who you are) are pakey about adding their news. Some handwriting is hard to read. Ah, well. It's a touch of home.

Imagine my chagrin when I see yet another family produce—a 5-inch-thick collection of family letters in a three-ring notebook. All are neatly typed and circulated monthly to more than 41 Wolf-family descendants of Florence Martinez, 82.

"Dear Family Members," the World Pack Press announces. There's a lot of news, so pour yourself a cup of coffee, put your feet up, and start looking for your name."

A recent 12-pager is augmented with six pages of photos gathered by spunky new-found and self-appointed editor in chief Karen Neiderer, known as Aunt Karen. She first punched herself down at the computer in her Basco Park home in July 1992. She missed only one issue — to celebrate her 50th birthday and



AGING
Lucille S. deView

her 10th wedding anniversary. Absence excused.

In the first issue, she warned: "I don't want this returned with spelling, grammatical or punctuation errors corrected, Aunt Lorraine!! I am probably the least computer-literate person in the family."

Not anymore. Color photos dazzle. Illustrations amuse. Wedding news and baby pictures — some from previous generations — delight. And children get their own sections, "For the Young Ones," with puzzles and drawings.

Deputed nephew Tom Shanklin Jr. of Chino Hills says: "Be careful what you say around Aunt Karen. It might end up in print." When a subscriber teased that he never saw his name in the newsletter, he suddenly saw it dropped into the most unlikely sentences!

Jealous? Perhaps you imagine Aunt Karen, 51, has nothing else to do. Wrong. She works full time for a mortgage underwriting firm. But evenings and weekends, the printer's ink in her veins sizzles. When she learned her first grandchild was born, she stopped the presses and added the news.

Karen's sister, JoAnn Rogge of Fork, Md., serves as East Coast editor. When sensitive issues arise, Aunt Lorraine is consulted. Each issue costs \$45 for printing and postage. Aunt Karen relies on donations.

"The saddest story I wrote was when my best friend passed away," Aunt Karen recalls. "I could hardly type without crying. The happiest was when a nephew trying to adopt a child received word that a match had been made."

The Wolf clan is lucky. Hope you have an Aunt Karen in your family to keep the news going. Wish I had one, too.

Lucille S. deView, the writing coach for *The Orange County Register*, writes a weekly column on aging. Write to her at *The Orange County Register*, P.O. Box 11626, Santa Ana, Calif. 92711.

Medicare requires your effort

The Healthful Consultant

If you're old enough to qualify for Medicare, you probably remember when health insurance came in a one-size-fits-all package. When you got sick, you called your doctor and your gatekeeper. When you went into the office for a visit, you were a patient, not a member. And when the bill came, you paid the difference, if any, between what your insurance covered and the total cost.

But times and the way health care is administered are changing. Increasing numbers of Medicare recipients are switching from traditional fee-for-service health care to Medicare managed care programs offered by health maintenance organizations, or HMOs.

And while Medicare managed care plans which offer low or no-fee premiums, prescription coverage and reduced paperwork, can be the right choice for many older adults, some individuals may be making the switch without fully understanding the long-term implications, said Gayle Karaja, a health administrator for Connecticut Community Care.

"The world of managed care can be very different from what people have known in the past. We're seeing a lot of confusion and misunderstanding on the part of people who have switched before they fully understand how the changes would affect their health care," Karaja said.

SOCIAL SECURITY Q&A

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Q. Can you tell me about the new Medicare benefits? I heard some were effective January 1998 and that more will be available in July 1998.

A. Medicare has added benefits to help people stay healthy. The benefits that were effective January 1998 include yearly mammograms, pap smears which include pelvic and breast examinations, and colorectal cancer screening. Effective in July 1998, diabetes glucose monitoring and diabetes education for people with diabetes will be available. And remember, Medicare pays 100 percent of costs for flu and pneumonia shots.

Q. I receive Social Security disability benefits and my stepdaughter also receives benefits on my record. If my wife and I divorce, will my stepdaughter continue to receive benefits?

A. If you and your stepchild's mother divorce, your stepchild's benefits will end the month following the month the divorce becomes final. You must tell Social Security as soon as the divorce becomes final.

This column was prepared by the Social Security Administration. For fast answers to specific Social Security questions, contact Social Security toll-free at 800-772-1213.

We need a better way to protect kids

DEAR ABBY: Why is there no place for people to safely leave unwanted children and babies? Shouldn't there be a law stating that a child left at a police station or hospital would be immediately available for adoption?

Abby, so many children need time, effort, prayer, money, and visible, vocal adults to help them. I'm referring to the many little ones who are abused, maimed, brutally tortured or left to die horribly alone every year. This happens often with unwanted, resented or hated children. The parents or other legal guardians feel there is no other way to get rid of them. The deaths are not always intentional, but the abuse is.

The stories haunt me: a baby girl, unwanted by both parents, whose burned body was left in a garbage dump in the desert; a well-dressed baby pulled out of San Francisco Bay; a newborn infant left beside an infrequently traveled road; mother baby left in bushes near a playground. And a mother who buckled her children into car seats and rolled the car into a lake!

These are not predators who take children from their homes, out of yards or off the streets. They are mothers, fathers, or the lovers of the legal guardians who do these terrible things.

What of the teen mother who can't cope with being a child herself, let alone being a mother? The abusive father who can't cope with his own life, let alone the demands of a child? The grandparents who, having raised their own children, find themselves in the twilight of their lives trying to raise a grandchild? These are people who don't want to admit to themselves or to society at large that it's easier, sometimes even a relief, to destroy the baby in their care.

If parents or caregivers could leave these children at a "safe



DEAR ABBY
Abby Cadaver

place" with no questions asked — and no effort to prosecute them for abandonment — perhaps fewer children would die.

As it is now, law enforcement is compelled by law to track these people down. It's left for strangers to grieve for these children.

I know this letter is unprintable, but I just had to give vent to the. The burned baby left in the desert haunts me like no other.

— DOROTHY L. MILLER, FITTSBURG, CALIF.

DEAR DOROTHY: Thank you for your heartfelt letter. Crisis nurseries that provide respite care for stressed-out caregivers exist in some cities, and I'm told a small percentage of the children left in them are abandoned each year.

Before the laws can be changed, society's attitude toward parents who relinquish children needs to change, so that parents and caregivers are not perceived as "bad" for placing children for adoption. There are ways to safely surrender children — adoption placement services; however, until people are no longer stigmatized for doing so, a percentage of these children will be abused, and some will die.

I know that a number of people who work with battered and traumatized children quietly agree with your proposed solution. However, until parents who are unable to fulfill the idealized role of parenting are no longer condemned for admitting it, nothing will change.

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William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense since 1997, is leading the U.S. military to the millennium, while his wife, Janet Langhart, a communications consultant, is providing a public platform for the needs of soldiers.

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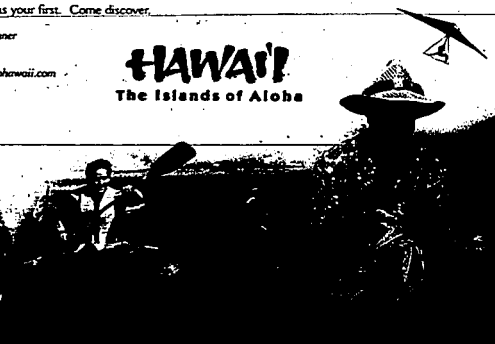


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Secretary of Defense William S.

Cohen talks about action to combat new threats, the U.S. presence around the world, race relations, sexual tensions in the armed forces and more:

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HE HAS BEEN CALLED A maverick and a loner. He is a soft-spoken intellectual born in a town in Bangor, Maine. He is a Republican who rose to national prominence at 33 when he broke with his party and voted in Congress to impeach President Richard Nixon. When he became Defense Secretary in January 1997, some Washington insiders predicted he'd be gone in a year over policy differences with the Clinton Administration. But today William S. Cohen, 57, is still on the job, the civilian leader of America's 1.4 million men and women in uniform.

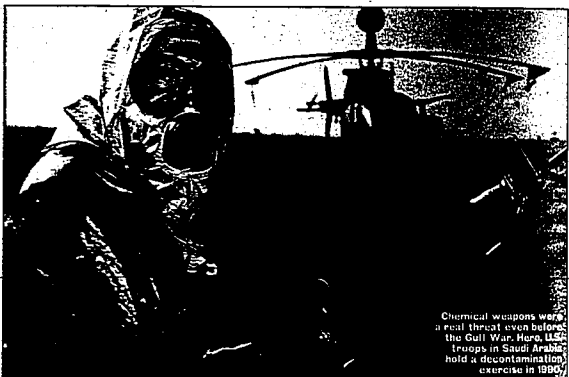
From the start he has been challenged—by escalating tensions abroad, military sex scandals, questions about military strength and even Presidential scandals. Now the man who describes himself as "passionately moderate" faces tough choices where moderation may not be possible. As Bill Cohen stressed, "We live in a very dangerous world."

Cohen is stark in assessing the threats we face. They range from chemical and biological weapons unleashed in American cities to cyber-terrorism, where our own computers could be

turned against us, even shutting down the stock market. "These things are out there for terrorists, regional aggressors, even... religious cults," he said.

"Right now, the Pentagon is helping U.S. cities prepare for a chemical or biological weapons attack." Cohen told me as we flew to Bosnia to visit the troops. "The real challenge of the future is: How do you balance the technology coming into our lives with the terror that can be wreaked by that technology?"

But while Cohen talks tough when it comes to biological terror (he was widely praised for boldly holding up a 5-pound bag of sugar on TV to show how little anthrax Saddam Hussein would need to annihilate one U.S. city), he has been hesitant to take the lead on other issues.



Chemical weapons were a real threat even before the Gulf War. Here, U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia hold a decontamination exercise in 1990.



To show how little anthrax it takes to annihilate a city, Secretary Cohen holds up a 5-pound bag of sugar on ABC's *This Week*.

The man who speaks boldly about chemical warfare and cyber-terrorism also vacillated for months over separating male and female barracks during basic training. These issues underscore Secretary Cohen's own contradictions.

He vacillated for months over separating male and female barracks during basic training to prevent disciplinary problems and sexual abuse. Last January, he indicated that the sexes should be separated, saying: "This is not a dormitory. Why are we running dormitories? They don't live together when they are in Bosnia." In March, Cohen stressed and did not require separate barracks for each sex, as recommended by a top commission that he'd created. Instead, he asked the military to ensure that men and women live "in separate areas if not separate

buildings." Managing such divergent issues has tested every Defense Secretary this decade, but Cohen's approach also highlights his own personal contradictions.

Just who is Bill Cohen? His fluid speech, tailored clothes and penchant for quoting Greek historians mask his modest beginnings as the son of a working-class Russian-Jewish father and an Irish-Protestant mother. He was a basketball star in school. "I used to spend nights outside in the winter, shooting baskets," he recalled. "I would go home in tears because my ears ached and my hands were frozen." He remembers the cold shoulders he got too, of "not being accepted" because of his Jewish name. Once, while he pitched a baseball game, a beer can was hurled on the field, and a spectator shouted, "Send the Jew-boy home!"

After college and law school, Cohen returned to Bangor and entered Congress in 1973. He won a Senate seat in 1978 and was retiring in 1996 when President Clinton offered him the Defense Secretary job (current salary: \$151,800). Cohen—who spent 18 years on the Senate Armed Services Committee and has written nine books, two of them poetry—accepted and moved his 3000-volume library into the Pentagon. Thus he and his wife,

BY LYRIC WALLWORK WINIK

Dangerous World

Cohen and his wife, Janet Langhart, greet U.S. troops in Bosnia on a Christmas trip. "Every person who puts on a uniform is my hero," she says.

"Chemical and biological weapons are out there for terrorists, regional aggressors, even religious cults."

"Developing warriors does not exclude developing diplomats. I tell troops they're there not only to engage in war if attacked but also to shape people's opinions about them."

"We're drawing upon a society which has grown softer. But we're going to put greater emphasis on physical training."

Janet Langhart, 56, a TV personality and president of a media-consulting firm, became the first interracial couple to represent the Pentagon. (They wed in 1996. Cohen has two grown sons by a previous marriage.)

When they step into a crowd, Cohen and Langhart, whom he calls "a pillar of support," make a statement about race in America. "Bill and I reflect the diversity of our military," said Langhart. She called their union "a manifestation of the possible," while adding soberly, "It took a lot of courage for Bill to marry me." But their combined presence clearly strikes a chord with America's multiracial troops. On the U.S.S. *Guam* last December, African-American sailors clamored for photos with Langhart rather than Cohen. Mostly, though, the two are a contrast in styles. Langhart exudes passion, whether she is two-stepping with a soldier in Bosnia or declaring that "every person who puts on a uniform is my hero." Cohen puts his passion into his poetry and tends to be cerebral in person. He does not dominate a room. Indeed, 10 percent of him seems to be somewhere else.

This detached style is a hallmark of Cohen's decision-making. He is a reluctant risk-taker. He can be provocative when discussing biological attacks, cyberwarfare, even enemies targeting our electric-power grids, noting that "the words 'weapons of mass destruction' don't have much meaning to the average person." But with U.S. military threats against Saddam Hussein, Cohen is far more cautious. He did not compare Iraq to crises like the U.S.-Soviet struggles or the invasion of Kuwait and even resisted calling Iraq a "crisis."

He said, "It is my belief that the United Nations and its credibility are at stake here." Any military action will be "limited and a last resort," he declared. "There are no guarantees. While Saddam is there, he will be a problem."

But Cohen strongly supports a "forward-deployed military," where our forces are spread across many potential hot spots. (Since the end of the Cold War, the number of hot spots has grown.) He believes this

military presence is vital to shaping the world environment "in ways friendly to us." He explained: "From my own experience, you shape people's judgments about you by interacting with

"I have not seen that the allegations against the President have had any detectable impact upon the troops. What they might think privately, I don't know. The President has denied the allegations, and we should accept his statements until they are proved otherwise."

them, by showing the force and showing the flag." Today's troops can have "a multiplicity of roles," he added. "To say you're developing warriors does not exclude developing diplomats. How our troops conduct themselves at home or abroad reflects America's posture. I tell troops they're there not only to engage in war if attacked but also to shape people's opinions about them."

To critics who have said we're overcommitted abroad, with 250,000 U.S. troops, he replied: "Well, what would you like to give up—the Persian Gulf? Korea?" He



contends that U.S. withdrawals would be unwise, while acknowledging that, in an age of military cutbacks, "now seven people are doing the work of 10, with greater pressure being placed on fewer individuals."

At home, the military is struggling. Sex scandals have hurt reputations, re-enlistments are down, one-third of recruits quit during their first tour of duty, and the Army has not met recruitment quotas. Of the scandals, Cohen said flatly: "Those headlines don't portray accurately what's taking place in the military." On morale, he responded: "If you go out into the field, morale is pretty high." What the military must compete with, he said, is an economy that also wants top people and can offer more compensation. "When I turn on the morning talk shows and see all the problems discussed in society, I know the military is doing something right. It has dealt with drug abuse, alcoholism, racism and workforce integration, probably in a superior fashion to any other segment of society."

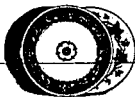
But what Cohen knows about the military comes only from observation. He is the sixth of 20 Defense Secretaries without military experience. He received a draft deferment in 1962 and said he has never "second-guessed" his decision not to serve. And Cohen—who

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barely raises his modulated voice and prefers *The Tonight Show* to the Washington staple *Nightline*—has tried to avoid controversy over issues like co-ed training, women in combat and lower standards, which plagued his recent predecessors. He waited for multiple reports before adding 24-hour supervision to co-ed basic training. And while he said that "society has not reached the point where it believes women should be in ground combat,"



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until they are proved otherwise." He added, "My focus is defense issues."

One of Cohen's top goals is to equip the military with advanced technology. Already, in mock battles, Marines have ordered air strikes with palm-top computers. The future may see pilotless planes and battlefield robots. But many defense experts fear that the Pentagon is not modernizing fast enough. Andrew Krepinevich, a former National Defense Panel member, is worried by Pentagon decisions to use money meant for new technologies to pay for costly peacekeeping missions. "We are sacrificing future needs to pay for today," he said. "That decision may come back to haunt us. A Defense Secretary in 2008 may

"When I see all the problems in society, I know that the military is doing something right. It has dealt with [issues such as] racism and workforce integration in a superior fashion."

—Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen

he pointed out that, due to their smaller size, female pilots are "better able to cope with G-forces in an airplane" than most men and that "women are fully integrated into the Bosnia operation." About complaints, some from recruits, that basic training is too easy, Cohen responded: "We're drawing upon a society which has grown softer. But we're going to put greater emphasis on physical training."

Cohen cannot avoid fallout from the allegations of legal and sexual misconduct embroiling the Commander-in-Chief, President Clinton. "I have not seen that the allegations have had any detectable impact upon the troops," he said. "What they might think privately, I don't know." Concerning the sexual allegations, he stated that the Pentagon was clarifying its own policy on adultery. (The military has strong prohibitions against adultery and can treat it as a crime.) "Adultery is only punishable if it undermines morale and breaks unit cohesion, and no one has been singled out for punishment otherwise."

Overall, Cohen said, somewhat uncomfortably: "What I can say is that the President has denied the allegations, and we should accept his statements

face greater challenges because we failed to make tough choices now."

Secretary Cohen has a personal priority—to remind Americans that "we're enjoying freedom by virtue of what our troops are doing." He added, "People don't get a chance to see the contribution the military makes to their lives." Here, he was joined by Langhant, who echoed: "Americans get their money's worth from our troops."

While Cohen the Republican and Langhant the Democrat prefer to be known "as a couple rather than an interracial couple," they also have joined the racial debate in this country. Langhant said pointedly, "African-Americans may be out of bondage, but intolerant people are still enslaved. If we leave somebody behind for something as ridiculous as skin color, we all lose."

Cohen is more circumspect. The hardest lesson he has learned, he said, is "that there are penalties associated with committing yourself to the truth." He added, "The abyss of contemporary life is when people who are conscious of their powers are denied their chance." But Bill Cohen now has the power and the chance to shape our security in a new world. The question is: What will be made of his chance? ■

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Ask Marilyn



I've read that the IQs of adults in the Western world are steadily rising. Do you believe this is true?

—Dr. Horace Bramm, Huntsville, Ala.
No: An IQ (intelligence quotient) is a measurement of one's intellectual performance compared to the rest of the population. It is not an academic achievement test, and it doesn't measure anything quantitative like height or weight. So saying that IQs are rising is a lot like saying that people are getting smarter than average. It just can't be!

But maybe someone is merely saying that people are getting more test questions correct these days. If so, it wouldn't be meaningful as far as intelligence is concerned. Instead, it would imply that kids are becoming more skilled at taking tests, which would come as no surprise in this competitive modern world.

Or maybe someone is saying that IQs of adults in the Western world are rising compared to adults everywhere else. But it probably isn't biologically possible. After all, the Western world barely existed until recently, and evolution can't occur that fast. If it could, we'd be seeing changes in other kinds of "fit-

Are kids smarter today—or are they just more skilled at taking tests?

ness," like increased resistance to disease. That is, the brain wouldn't evolve alone.

And even if the brain alone were changing, wouldn't an improving brain also manifest itself within its own environment and not just in the outside world of intelligent behavior? That is, wouldn't we be seeing less organic brain disease and mental illness? Well, we aren't.

Here's a funny puzzle for you:

- 1) Pick a number from 1 through 9.
- 2) Subtract 5 from the number. (Negative results are okay.)
- 3) Multiply the result by 3.
- 4) Square the result. (Multiply the number by itself.)
- 5) Add the digits of the result until there's only one digit. (Example: $64, 6+4=10, 1+0=1$.)
- 6) If the result is less than 5, add 5; if not, subtract 4.
- 7) Multiply the result by 2.
- 8) Subtract 6 from the result.
- 9) Locate the corresponding letter in the alphabet. (Examples: $1=A, 2=B$.)
- 10) Pick a country that begins with that letter.
- 11) Note the second letter in that country's name. Think of a mammal that begins with that letter.
- 12) Now think of the color of that mammal. What do you have?

—Walter McKay, Columbus, Miss.

Try it, readers, and you'll be surprised! The answer appears in the column to the right.

If you avoid walking under ladders, does that make you a "fool"?

I'm continually amazed at how many people go out of their way not to walk under a ladder. Any reasonable person should know that walking under a ladder isn't bad luck. How do you account for this? Personally, I think the world is populated by fools. I always walk under ladders.

—George G., New York, N.Y.

Reasonable people know that walking under a ladder isn't bad luck. But they know it is bad judgment. After all, what would you expect to find up on that ladder? A guy with a box of tools or a bucket of paint, right? And you purposely walk right under him?!

from Denmark!

Answer: It works almost every time. Most readers will be thinking of a gray elephant.

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S WORDTEASER

The word was **worm**. The correct definition is **a sudden surprise**.



The EW.com link is **http://ew.com**.

If you have a question or comment for Marilyn vos Savant, who is listed in the "Business Book of World Records" Hall of Fame for "Highest IQ," send it to Ask Marilyn, PARADE, 711 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017. Or you can send e-mail to marvos@parade.com (please include name, city and state). Due to volume of mail, personal replies are not possible.



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HOW TO AVOID A TAX AUDIT

DO YOU FEAR AN IRS TAX audit this year? The good news is that you *probably* don't have to: Out of the 118 million individual tax returns filed in 1997, just 1.5 million were audited. Of these, more than half were merely "correspondence audits," requesting more information or documents.

The bad news is that certain groups of taxpayers—among them anyone in a "cash business," such as owners of restaurants or beauty shops—are audited more frequently than the rest of us. For example, if your unincorporated business earns less than \$25,000, you are more than twice as likely to be audited as a salaried worker earning less than \$25,000.

How does the IRS pick the unlucky few?

The decision to audit is made after a tax return is evaluated using a secret process: When you submit your return, an IRS clerk enters the information into a computer. The computer scores each return using a "discriminant function" (known as the DIP), which red-flags those returns with possible problems. A "classifier"—who may or may not be an accountant—reviews those returns and decides whether to audit.

"There has never been any hard evidence as to how the IRS does discriminant-function factoring," says Martin Nissenbaum, director of income-tax planning at Ernst & Young, the accounting firm. "It's like the *X-Files*. We know it's out there, but we've never seen it."

The best news is that you can avoid an audit. From the experts, here's how:

- **File a neat return.** "The surest way to be audited is to submit a return that can't be read," says Ed Slott, a certified



The basics are the same: File on time and document your deductions. But filing by computer can get your refund deposited electronically in your bank in two weeks.

public accountant (CPA) and the author of *Your Tax Questions Answered*. "No machine can process bad handwriting. The logic is, 'Is it merely bad handwriting—or is it written that way to conceal something?'"

If you don't have enough room to list your deductions, write them neatly on a separate sheet and attach it to the return.

- **List all reportable income.** Anyone who pays you more than \$600 is required to report it to the IRS on a W-2 or a 1099 form. And banks report all interest above \$10. "These are easy pickings for the IRS," says Kathy Burlison, a tax research and training specialist at H&R Block. "If you don't report these earnings, the IRS finds out quickly."

Income includes money from real-estate rentals, sales of stocks and bonds, state tax refunds, even winnings from lotteries and casino gambling.

Nontaxable transactions.

Chances are that if you have a 401(k) plan or an IRA, you roll over the money when you change jobs. Did you know that your employer or bank reports the rollover to the IRS? And that you, therefore, also have to report these transactions on your tax return, even if you did not withdraw a penny and owe no tax on the money?

- **Be judicious with deductions.** "Ninety percent of audits are triggered by the size of deductions relative to the person's

income," says Amir Azzel, a statistics professor at Bentley College and author of *How To Beat the IRS*. Azzel studied 1,300 tax returns that were filed between 1990 and 1993 to arrive at these conclusions: If you itemize, use caution when the deductions total 35% of gross income. "When deductions hit 44%, it may trigger an audit," Azzel adds. "If you own a business, the danger zone includes deductions between 52% and 63% of gross income on your Schedule C."

"People don't claim large deductions because they're afraid of being audited, and that's wrong," Azzel continues. "If you have legitimate deductions, take them. Just be able to provide an explanation."

Attach documents to support an especially large write-off. For example, if you

lost your Alabama home in Hurricane Duxxy, include a statement that the President declared your community a federal disaster area. The computer will still flag the return, but the classifier can see the validity of your claim.

- **Submit proof of large medical deductions.** "Large" generally means medical bills that add up to more than 10% of gross income.

Attach documents, including statements from doctors or a brief medical history.

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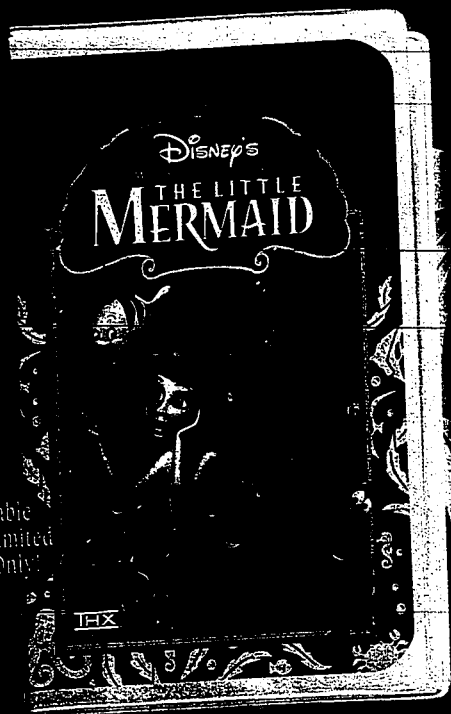
- **File a neat return on the IRS may think you're "hiding something."**
- **List all reportable income—including nontaxable transactions, such as 401(k) rollovers.**
- **Submit proof of large medical deductions.**
- **Hold onto canceled checks, bank statements and earnings records. Good financial records are your best defense.**

Attach documents, including statements from doctors or a brief medical history.

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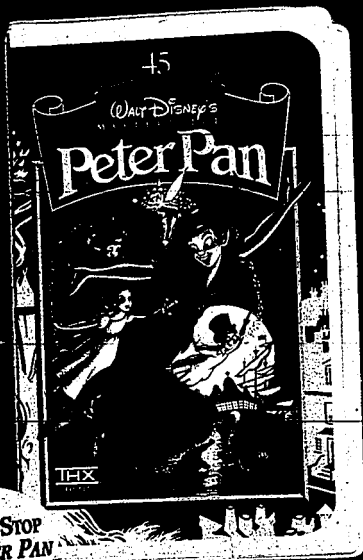
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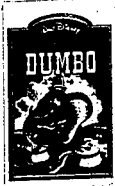
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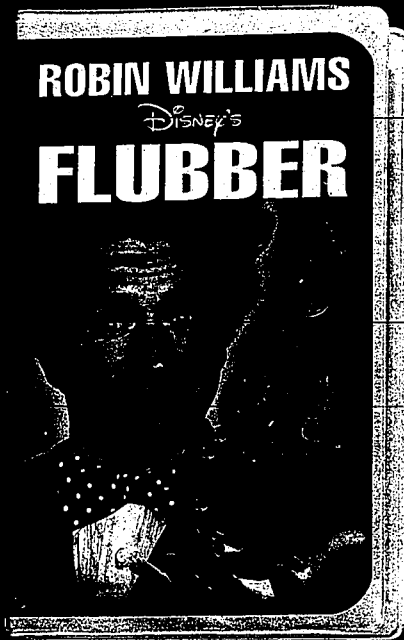
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Says the CPA Ed Slott: "I have a client with a rare breathing disorder who deducts \$30,000 in medical bills. I attach the doctors' notes and a medical history of a few pages. I'm waiting for the return to be flagged, but the IRS believes it. Likewise, if you need a special air conditioner because of emphysema, let the IRS know."

• Submit only what you have to. "Filing certain forms is like saying, 'I'm not sure of something—please audit me,'" says the CPA Martin Kaplan, author of *What the IRS Doesn't Want You To Know*. He cites two examples: Form 8275 (the Disclosure Statement), which is for people who have questionable tax positions; and Form SS-8 (Determination of Employee Work Status for Purposes of Federal Employment Taxes and Income Tax Withholding), which helps in determine if you are an independent contractor or an employee.

"Leave out such forms," says Kaplan. "If you're audited, you can put forth the same defense you'd have used on the form." • If you own a business, keep great records. The IRS will pay closer attention to you if you file a Schedule C (for self-employment income), because it looks for hidden income. No wonder: The tax gap—the difference between taxes owed and taxes paid—was \$95.3 billion in 1992 (the latest figures).

Home-office deductions are an audit magnet. About 1.6 million people claimed deductions for running a business from home in 1995 (such as a portion of the rent, utilities, property taxes), totaling \$3.3 billion. To qualify for home-office deductions, you must be able to prove that you used a specific part of your home exclusively and regularly for business. This means that the room cannot be used even occasionally for any personal or

family activities.

Martin Kaplan advises self-employed people to consider incorporating as a way to avoid an audit. Others say you don't have to go that far. "If you have a cash business, keep as many records as possible to show where the money came from and where it went," says Martin Nissenbaum of Ernst & Young. "Good records won't stop an audit, but they will make any audit a less-anxious process, if that's possible."

• Use tax software if you have a computer. Tax-prep-

ELECTRONIC FILING IS A BETTER WAY TO GO



How do you compare the speed of e-file?

in 1997, more than 19 million returns were filed electronically. The Internal Revenue Service encourages e-filing and has offered it since 1996. The returns are not sent over the Internet but over phone lines to an IRS-certified company that encodes each return and sends it by modem to IRS computers.

"Filing taxes electronically is easier, more accurate and faster," says Jodi Patterson of the IRS, who points out that returns prepared by hand have a 15% to 20% error rate, compared to less than 1% for those that are e-filed.

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You also can find tax information on the Internet at www.securetax.com. This Web site, created by Universal Tax Systems of Rome, Ga., enables you to fill out and file your return online for \$14.95, payable electronically with a major credit card. For \$1 extra, the company provides an audit analysis of your return using Professor Aczel's formula. You receive an identification number and a password for security.

• Hold onto your records. If you are ever audited, good financial records are your best defense. Bank statements, canceled checks and earnings receipts should be kept a minimum of six years after you file the respective returns. Keep all property records until four years after the asset is sold. And never throw out your tax returns.

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'It Was The Most Exhilarating Experience In My Life'

Kathryn Dillard (second from left), a graduate of the Laubach program, now encourages other women to improve their literacy by writing their life stories.



LITERACY CAN BE A THREAT," said Jane Hugo, the coordinator of Laubach's Women in Literacy/USA project. "To some people, if you become literate, it somehow means, 'You're becoming better than I am.' A lot of families and friends don't support a woman who tries to become literate."

"I wanted reading, writing and getting into books again. It's very valuable in my life, and I'm trying to give this information to all my friends."

—Kathryn Dillard, Truckee, Calif.

I went to Syracuse, N.Y. to visit the world headquarters of Laubach Literacy—a nonprofit educational corporation that has helped millions of people worldwide to achieve literacy—to find out why, after decades of effort by Laubach and other organizations, the problem still exists not just abroad but here in the U.S. as well.

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Please read this Court ordered Class Action Notice carefully.

In the Circuit Court for the First Judicial Circuit, Williamson County, Illinois, a lawsuit is now pending titled: *Tommy Snider and Michael Avery, on behalf of themselves and all other similarly situated, Plaintiffs, vs. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, Defendant, No. 97-L-114*. This Notice is directed to all members of the Plaintiff Class, defined as: All persons in the United States, except those residing in Arkansas and Tennessee who (1) were injured by a vehicle casualty insurance policy issued by Defendant State Farm and (2) made a claim for vehicle repair or replacement for their policy and did not factory-authorized and/or non-OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturer) "crash parts." Installed these "crash parts" and/or received monetary compensation determined in relation to the cost of such parts. Excluded from this class are employees of Defendant State Farm, its officers, its subsidiaries, its franchisees or its affiliates. In addition, the following persons are excluded from the Class: (1) persons who resided or paraded their vehicles in Illinois and whose Illinois insurance policies were issued/ executed prior to April 16, 1994, and (2) persons who resided in California and whose policies were issued/executed prior to September 26, 1996.

Notice of this lawsuit is given pursuant to Illinois statutes, and by order of the Court, to inform you of the Court's decision to certify a Plaintiff Class, the nature of Plaintiff Class, and your right to participate in or to exclude yourself from the Class.

Individual and representative Plaintiffs Tommy Snider and Michael Avery have been appointed by the Court to function as representatives of the Plaintiff Class. Plaintiffs' claims concern the contractual language contained in standard form State Farm automobile insurance policies issued nationwide, which obligate State Farm to restore a policyholder's vehicle to "its pre-loss condition" after an accident, or to "try to repair or replace the property or part with like kind and quality." While State Farm has accepted form policies specific to each state, the contractual obligations at issue in this case are stated in substantially identical form in State Farm policies issued nationwide.

Under this contractual language, State Farm uniformly applies the same "like kind and quality" non-original equipment manufacturer ("non-OEM") replacement parts (referred to as "quality replacement parts") as State Farm and "imitation parts" by Plaintiff class. In these parts are available and priced lower than original equipment manufacturer's (OEM) parts. Plaintiffs contend that non-OEM crash parts are neither of "like kind and quality," nor are they sufficient to restore a policyholder's vehicle to its "pre-loss condition." For this reason, Plaintiffs contend that State Farm has breached its contract with its policyholders. Plaintiffs also contend that State Farm's use of non-OEM crash parts and the term "quality replacement parts" in violation of the Illinois Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act (815 ILCS 505/1 et seq.) Plaintiffs request compensatory damages and injunctive relief against State Farm.

State Farm denies any wrongdoing and contends that non-OEM parts are of "like kind and quality" to OEM crash parts, and that they fully restore a policyholder's vehicle to its "pre-loss condition." State Farm also contends that its policyholders are informed whenever non-OEM crash parts are used and that its use of the term "quality replacement parts" is not misleading.

The Court has certified for litigation and trial the Plaintiff Class of State Farm policy holders described above. The Court's class certification order does not decide the merits of Plaintiffs' claims or State Farm's defenses. Plaintiffs will be required to prove the Class claims at trial set to commence on February 2, 1999.

Class Counsel has been appointed by the Court to represent the interests of the Class. Class Counsel include G. Patrick Murphy, Barry Law Offices, the Rose Law Firm, Much Shellen Freed Denenberg Asselt & Rubenstein, P.C., and Leff, Calabrese, Heilmann & Benninger, P.L.L.C. You will not be charged for Class Counsel's services. Instead, if they obtain a recovery for the Class, Class Counsel may apply to the Court for payment of their reasonable attorneys' fees and costs by State Farm or out of any funds recovered before distribution of the net proceeds to the Class. You have the right to hire your own attorney. If you hire your own attorney, you will be responsible for paying that attorney's fee (as well as the right to seek to intervene or appear in the action with the Court's permission).

If you wish to remain a member of the Class, YOU NEED NOT DO ANYTHING AT THIS TIME. As Class members, you will be bound by all orders and judgments of the Court, and your rights will be terminated by the judgment in this case.

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Date: February 25, 1998. Honorable John Sproul, Associate Circuit Judge.

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LITERACY PROGRAM/continued

"There isn't one thing you can point to as the cause," said Hugo. "There's poverty. There are health issues. Sometimes a family needs a child to help around the house, and the child slips through the cracks in the system. We allow whole groups of people to come out of school without the skills they want and need."

According to a survey conducted for the U.S. Department of Education, about 90 million American adults read at a level described as "quite limited," and at least 40 million can barely read. For many of them, a literacy program like Laubach can be a godsend.

Founded in 1955 by Frank Laubach, an American missionary, Laubach Literacy Helps introduce 150,000 Americans to reading each year and has grown to embrace 34 developing countries. An estimated 2.7 million people worldwide are learning to read through Laubach-affiliated programs. In this decade, the majority of those people have been women.

"At the end of the 1980s, we noticed that 75% to 80% of all our learners were women," said Sandra Stanice, the director of Laubach's Global Women in Literacy Initiative. Laubach administrators discovered that 70% of the world's 1.3 billion people now living in poverty are women. "One out of every three women in the world cannot read or write," added Stanice. The Global Women in Literacy program is seeking to change that by devoting itself to giving women not only reading skills but also job skills and a basic education.

"I was in a dilemma," Valerie Morris of Brooklyn, N.Y., told me. "I was on public assistance for a number of years. I felt that this was my last resort." Morris, 42, enrolled in the Child Care Provider Program at Brooklyn College—a Laubach-assisted program—and everything changed for her. "It had a

beautiful impact on my life," she said. In addition to learning how to read and write, Morris learned about early-childhood development and child psychology. "I realized that it was something I wanted to do," she said. Today, Morris owns and operates a licensed day-care center that has made her a successful small businesswoman. "This is the best thing that could have ever happened to me," she said.



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—Valerie Morris
Brooklyn, N.Y.

very valuable in my life, and I'm trying to give this information to all my friends," Dillard said.

After leaving an unhappy marriage, Charlotte Hix of Houston found herself living on food stamps and emergency relief. She decided to enroll in classes at the Houston READ Commission, a Laubach affiliate. "It was the greatest thing, the most exhilarating experience in my life," said Hix, 44, who became a volunteer tutor for other women and has gone on to attend a junior college. She tells her students: "If I can do it, anyone can do it."

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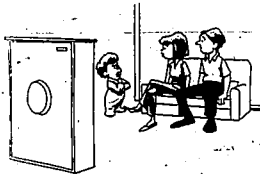


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Budd Friedman (l) with comedy's "Mr. Clean," Jay Leno

The cleanest comics? Jerry Seinfeld and Jay Leno, says Friedman: "You can't ask for better examples of how to be funny without four-letter words." Jerry might be back doing stand-up at L.A.'s Improv after the final *Seinfeld* airs in May. Jay appears Sunday nights at a club in Hermosa Beach, Calif.

There was a period in the early '90s when comedy was just filthy," says Budd Friedman, 65, who founded the Improv comedy club 35 years ago in New York. The dirtiest comics? "Andrew Dice Clay and Eddie Murphy," says Friedman. "Eddie used four-letter words as adjectives, nouns and adverbs. No rhyme or reason."

Parade's Special Intelligence Report



Artist's drawing of the lighthouse in Orlando, Fla.: Will it guide tourists to Universal's new theme park?

New Park Features Old Wonder

A replica of the Pharos Lighthouse at Alcazar, Egypt—one of the seven wonders of the ancient world and for centuries second in height only to the Great Pyramid—is the centerpiece of Universal's Islands of Adventure theme park in Orlando, to open in 1999. The 131-foot replica is due to be up this summer. The original was 400 feet tall and stood from 279 B.C. until an earthquake struck in 1303 A.D. Some accounts say it guided seafarers with a giant mirror at the top that reflected a bonfire at night and the sun by day.

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Brady's Bits



At 23, Jack is having another busy year, with a CBS movie called *The Long Way Home* last month, his new *Old Couple* film and discussions with *Showtime* to do that great courtroom drama *Lawyer*.

The Wind this fall with George C. Scott. Jack has eight Oscar nominations and two wins—

Best Picture in *Mister Roberts* and *Best Actor* in *The Sandlot*. I know David Wayne played *Purver* on Broadway. How did young Lemmon do the movie job?

John Ford (the director) thought Wayne was too old for *Purver*, and Jack. Or maybe Ford liked the idea that Jack actually had some sex duty as a Navy ensign. Jack then told me how he and his girl partner were 17 under par at the Public Links previous tournament and "could have won this thing" after years of frustration. When 17 hits

around out play. These Jacks sure can find you — about once going back to Harvard for a reunion, where he was supplied with a driver. This kid, he said, talked of being a stand-up comic and one day making it in L.A. — and maybe living near you. You're a Jack, sure he'd answer the kid again. "My Lemmon's got a drive out doors from us."

In Step With

BY JAMES BRADY

JACK LEMMON

IT'S NATURAL THAT A guy who attended Harvard and served as a naval officer would be a fellow of considerable range. So you are not surprised that Jack

Lemmon is a gracious gent, a splendid actor, a competitive sportsman and a very funny man. What you don't expect is to have him sounding like a Hollywood mogul, talking up his latest film.

This was in Manhattan at the Hotel Carlyle, where I met Lemmon for breakfast. Between bites, he told me about his new movie—a reprise of *The Old Couple*, co-starring Jack as prissy Felix Unger and Walter Matthau as grumpy Oscar Madison in what Jack assured me is a typically funny Neil Simon story where "everything that can go wrong goes wrong." But are they just talking an old hat?

"We are delirious about this," he said. "The screenings are coming in with the highest numbers Paramount ever got." The plot has Felix and Oscar head off for a wedding in California. They arrive at the L.A. airport, get a rental car and take off. From there, let Jack take it:

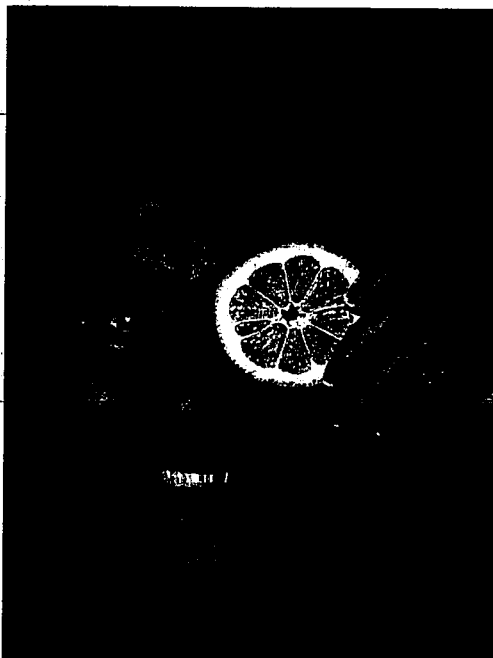
"It's part of the joke that we're looking for a 'San Malina' or something, and Oscar complains that every place in the

Paranoid: Bore Feb. 5, 1925, in Boston. Married to Cynthia Stone, 1950-58; one son, Christopher, 43. Married to Faldicia Ford since 1962; one daughter, Courtney, 32.

Film: *Include It Should Happen to You*, 1954 (best); *Mister Roberts*, 1955; *Some Like It Hot*, 1959; *The Apartment*, 1960; *Days of Wine and Roses*, 1962; *Juno and Paycock*, 1963; *The Fortune Cookie*, 1966; *The Odd Couple*, 1968; *Save the Tiger*, 1973; *The China Syndrome*, 1979; *Trilogy*, 1980; *Missing*, 1982; *Mass Appeal*, 1984; *Out 1080*; *Gangster Glen Ross*, 1992; *Gunsey Old Man*, 1993; *Grumpy Old Men*, 1995; *Out to Sea*, 1997; *The Odd Couple II*, 1998.

Television: *Includes The Long Way Home*, 1996.

Theater: *Includes Room Service*, 1953; *Long Day's Journey Into Night*, 1958.



state is San Something. We get lost in the desert, the car blows up, we hitchhike, we run into illegal aliens and get arrested. We check into a cheap hotel, and Oscar picks up a couple of floozies, who of course are called Thelma and Louise! And we go dancing. We're in a bus with Thelma and Louise when two guys with guns stop the bus and threaten to shoot us. They're the husbands. The same sheriff arrests us three times."

At the wedding, when they

These madly inspired roommates, Felix and Oscar, are back this week in another *Old Couple* movie. Jack Lemmon tells us all about it.

finally get there, "his son and my daughter are getting married," said Jack. "It all ends happily." It's 30 years since the original film was released. Jack told me what inspired the sequel: "Doc [Simon] had done about 50 pages. Felicia [Jack's wife] said, 'Why don't you get Doc to finish it and call Sherry [Paramount chief Sherry Lansing]?' Sherry was very amenable, so we said, 'Doc, write!' He said, 'I can finish this in four weeks.' And Sherry said, 'Let's do it!'" ■

Lynn Minton Reports
**Fresh
Voices**

WHY WOULDN'T A GUY TELL HIS FRIENDS YOU'RE HIS GIRL?

Three California teens—Julian Duhé, 17, of Oakland, Megan Reinhardt, 17, of El Cerrito and Monica Henestroca, 16, of Albany—respond to a question sent in by a reader:



Julian

Q: "Why doesn't a guy like you whom it's just you and him—but in front of his friends, suddenly you're not his woman anymore?"

—Beth Blanchard, 23, St. Ann, Mo.



Julian

A: Why do girls want public affection anyway? How come it's not enough just to have it be?

M: Because it feels like you want to keep this a secret—meaning there's something wrong with it.



Megan

M: Because if you're together, then there should be some sort of acknowledgment

that you're together.

A: Why is it so important that the whole school knows you're together? How come it can't just be your relationship—and not your relationship plus the school?

M: Sometimes girls don't trust guys so much, and it's like, "Why wouldn't you want people to know?" Because you have someone else, and you don't want her to find out?

A: Why would a girl have a boyfriend she doesn't trust?

M: Because everybody wants a girlfriend or a boyfriend. And a lot of times, at the high school level, boyfriends and girlfriends aren't, like, deep and close friends. They're experimenting. They just want to go out with the person and see.

TEENS: WHY WOULDN'T A GUY TELL HIS FRIENDS YOU'RE HIS GIRL?
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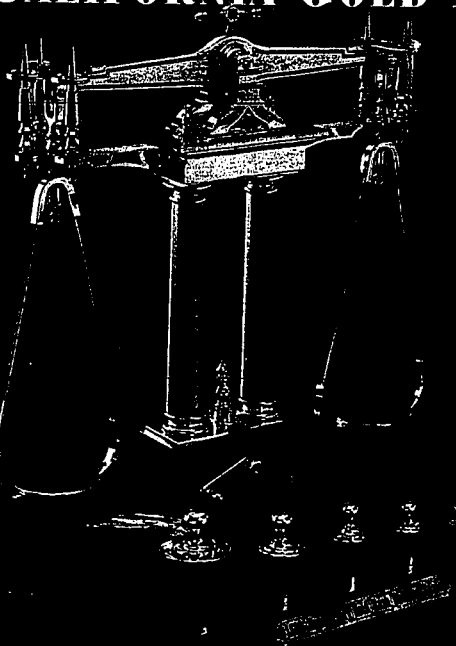
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