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# FACTS OF FARM LIFE



Gary Shoel, right, his son Keith and Magdalena Quila, left, help pull potatoes on their farm near Alton to determine its readiness for harvest. Smaller-than-normal potatoes - caused by the summer heat - will require closer scrutiny among the Shoels.

## Farmers struggle to make living in worldwide economy

By Matt Finkbeiner  
Times-News writer

**MURLEY** - In 1854, James McBride recorded in his journal an offer of \$4 a bushel for grain he grew in Tazewell, Va. He decided to sell the grain for \$2 a bushel because people couldn't afford to pay the higher price for wheat.

In Fall 1998, 144 years after McBride cut his price in half to help his neighbors, McBride's great-great-grandson Mark Shaver and most other farmers won't even get \$2 a bushel for their grain. Some might get \$2.50 if they are federally subsidized and contracted with bigger buyers such as Cargill or J.R. Simplot Co., but in 1998 crop prices are low.

In fact, they are lower these prices in the mid-1990s, when a bushel of wheat never dipped for below \$3 for long. Most farmers will say they spread about \$350 a bushel of wheat.

But it is not just wheat prices that worry farmers. Prices for just about every crop plunged in the mid-1990s and have been lower than they were in the '80s - and some prices are hovering at or around Great Depression levels.

Most people wanting the most export at least have a good for - a rebound. But in a business where unpredictable prices are the predictable, the drop, while modest, does mean prices are also dropping to farmers.

**"It just slipped up on us"**

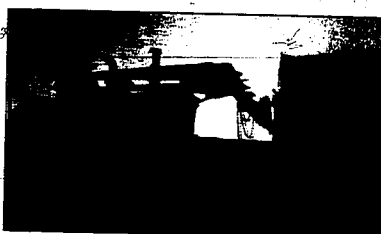
Gary Shoel has been growing potatoes in the Magic Valley since 1972 and said he hasn't known the market to be so unpredictable.

"Prices were low in the '80s, but it was different because you could predict the markets. They don't predict anymore," he said. "Think how come in those mid-1990s, prices just fell another half penny, it's going to push them out of business."

Farmers all over the Magic Valley tell a similar story; they can't make a profit on any crop they put in the ground.

"It seems quite unusual that everything is down," said Gary Harper, who farms about 2,000 acres in the Magic Valley area. "It just slipped up on us."

Harper explained that most farming is regulated by a cycle where prices dip, then rise, then



Mark Shaver, right, and his son Keith are in the field in the 1990s to check top on his farm near Alton. He said he has farmed for more than 30 years and has seen a similar drop in prices as he has seen today.

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**Price comparison**

How much are you paying for your groceries? Here's what you should be paying for some common items.

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**World market**

When wheat commodities are bought and sold on a world market, the price is set by the market. That's why farmers in Idaho and other states are seeing a drop in prices.

Their biggest concern is getting a fair price for their crops. They want to see a fair price for their crops. They want to see a fair price for their crops.

## 2nd district race may be decided in Washington

By Gregory Hahn  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Idaho House Speaker Mike Simpson wants to be in Congress next year, but his fate is tied to those already in Congress.

As the impending agriculture crisis becomes the keystone issue of his 2nd Congressional District campaign, Simpson is essentially powerless. His race might hinge on what his fellow Republicans in the 105th Congress do to solve the problem.

## The GOP's plan

A \$3.9 billion farm relief program championed by Sen. Larry Craig is expected to emerge intact from a House-Senate conference committee. The GOP plan is expected to be a major victory for the party.

Around \$2.25 billion will be shipped out in disaster-relief payments, some going to Texas ranchers in the form of "emergency livestock feed assistance," which could help Idaho hay producers unload their product, Craig said. Another \$1.65 billion will be spread among growers throughout the country as "Lost Market Compensation Payments."

The program also changes some tax laws, restoring three-year income averaging, cutting capital gains tax for farmers and allowing tax-free savings accounts, well-received by family farmers.

Democratic leadership calls the proposal an "election-year panic payment." House Speaker Newt Gingrich calls it "the kind of relief that will help family farmers survive."

Craig called it "hardly brackish" help for struggling farmers.

## Clinton tries to hold back Democrat desertions

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** - One top White House aide keeps tabs on almost 40 Democratic lawmakers, a third of whom privately say President Clinton should leave office. Just as many want him censured; remaining few are supporters.

Every day, this aide calls the Capitol Hill offices of the wavering, and, in one way or another, asks: "What can I do to keep you from bolting?"

Like a boy holding back the sea with his fingers in the dike, White House officials are scrambling to prevent Democratic defections. Two House members of Clinton's party already have called for his resignation over the Monica Lewinsky inquiry, and aides fear more desertions.

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## Millions of students go to class in bad buildings

The Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** - The 1996-97 yearbook cover at Troy Junior-Senior High School in northern Idaho showed a photograph of the 83-year-old school building plastered with orange construction tape. It read: "hard hat area" and "enter at your own risk."

A high school track team in Burnside, Ill., practices at a prison; with better facilities. At a few crowded schools in New York City, two years ago, urinals were covered with plywood to convert bathrooms into classrooms. Last February, a chimney crashed into the first floor library of West Central Junior High School, a 78-year-old school in Hartford, S.D., luckily empty because of a holiday.

Across America, millions of students Please see BUILDINGS, Page A2

## Here she comes: Miss Virginia wins pageant

The Associated Press

**ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.** - Miss Virginia Nicole Johnson, a 24-year-old diabetic who wears an insulin pump on her hip, was crowned Miss America 1999 on Saturday.

Johnson, a graduate of the University of South Florida who recently completed work on a master's degree in journalism, sang "That's Life" for her talent offering.

She plans to spotlight diabetes awareness during the 20,000-mile-a-month national speaking tour she will make as Miss America. She gasped when her name was announced and looked up at the ceiling before she accepted a crystal scepter and was crowned by outgoing Miss America Kate Shindle.

Miss North Carolina Kelli Bradshaw was first runner-up and Miss Florida Lissette Gonzalez was second runner-up. Rounding out the top five were Miss Missouri Deborah McDonald and Miss Kentucky Cheryl-Lyn Cook.

Johnson, of Roanoke, Va., works as a writer and producer for 700 Club promotions and wants to be a national news anchor and national diabetes spokeswoman.



# Political movement equals political moment

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — If ever a political movement and its message matched a political moment, it occurred here this weekend at the annual conference of the Christian Coalition.

"Spiritually, the Rev. Bill Bright, president of the Campus Crusade for Christ, said, "I believe what is happening in the White House is part of the revival. Before there is healing, there must be cleansing."

Politically, if ever a politician was poised to take advantage of the moment, it was Missouri Sen. John Ashcroft, who was center stage at the conference.

It was Ashcroft, with his call last winter for the president to resign over the scandal, who tapped in early to the sentiment among religious conservatives that morality and public character would become national political issues.

The conference made clear that those issues now define the Christian Coalition's political agenda.

"Moral issues have never been on top of the public's consciousness," said John Bass, a Christian Coalition chapter leader from Sioux City, S.D. "They are now,



U.S. Sen. John Ashcroft, R-Mo., speaks to participants during part of a two-day Christian Coalition conference Saturday. Ashcroft was one of several speakers urging the president to resign.

People see that, yes, character does matter."

Ashcroft, whose religious roots have made him a perennial

favorite of the coalition, was one of several potential Republican presidential candidates who came to court the 3,000 attendees.

## Poll shows 1-week trend against Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — A growing number of Americans think President Clinton should consider resigning, according to a Newsweek poll that also found 41 percent now believe Congress should begin impeachment hearings in the aftermath of his White House affair with Monica Lewinsky.

The survey released Saturday found that 46 percent now believe Clinton should consider resigning, compared with 39 percent who felt that way a week earlier in another Newsweek poll.

Sixty-four percent questioned in the new poll said Congress should formally reprimand or censure Clinton as well.

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## Case shrinks against Dems' fund-raisers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dismissal of most charges against a Democratic fund-raiser accused of hiding illegal contributions to the Clinton campaign could jeopardize the Justice Department's attempts to prosecute others.

A federal judge, in throwing out five of six charges against Maria Hsia earlier this month, said prosecutors did not show she knowingly deceived the Federal Election Commission. He also said her conduct was largely shielded by the First Amendment protection for political expression.

U.S. District Judge G. Allen Dale, a Washington original defense lawyer who's long involved in the case, suggested attorneys for donors Yah Lin and "Gharlie" Trie and Pauline Kanchanarak who also are accused of fund-raising irregularities will quickly file court papers asking for dismissal of charges against them.

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# On guard now, hackers turned consultants see business boom

NEW YORK (AP) — The hacker calling himself Mudge pushed his long hair back, scratched his beard and stared at the computer screen. He knew there was something wrong with the data traffic he was watching, but what was it?

A week earlier, Mudge and his fellow hackers in their hangout known as the L0pht — pronounced "loft" — had acquired soft software that was supposed to let computers talk to each other in code. But as Mudge watched the data he realized someone else was doing the same and maybe even decoding it, which shouldn't happen.

"So you are saying that you're using DES to communicate between the computers?" Mudge recalled asking representatives of the software maker. Yes, they said, they were using DES, a standard encryption method that for years was considered virtually uncrackable.

But this wasn't DES, thought Mudge. It's almost as if... "Whoa. He blinked and felt the adrenaline kick in. This wasn't secure at all. In fact, the encoding was only slightly more complex than the simple ciphers kids did in grade school — where 'A' is set to 1, 'B' is set to 2, and so on.

The company was selling this software as a secure product, charging customers up to \$10,000. And yet, it had a security hole big enough to wait through.

Instead of exploiting this knowledge, Mudge confronted the company.

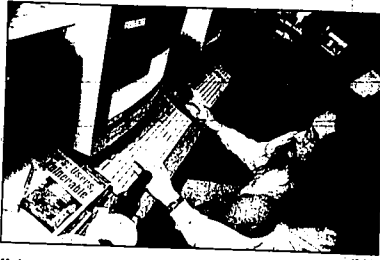
"You realize there isn't any secure or 'strong' encoding being used in your communications between the computers, don't you?" he asked.

"Well..."

"And that you encrypted you were using DES to claim the data," he pressed.

"That will go in the next revision."

Mudge is a "real" hacker — one who used to snoop around the nation's electronic infrastructure for the sheer love of knowing how it worked. His kind today are sighted about as often as the timberwolf, and society has attached to them the same level of legend.



Mudge, a computer hacker, works at a PC in the Waltham, Mass., workspace used by a group of hackers that calls itself L0pht. Many 'elite' hackers, like Mudge, are trying legitimate work, getting paid big by Fortune 500 companies to explore computer networks and find weak spots.

Like the wolf, they were once considered a scourge. Law enforcement and telecommunications companies investigated and arrested many of them during the late 1980s and early '90s.

Today, many elite hackers of the past are making a go at legitimate work, getting paid big bucks by Fortune 500 companies to explore computer networks and find the weak spots.

And none too soon. The void left by the old hackers has been filled by a new, more destructive generation.

So today, Mudge — who uses a pseudonym like others in the hacker community, a world

where anonymity keeps you out of trouble — wears a white hat.

As part of L0pht, the hacker think tank, he and six comrades hole up in a South End loft space in Boston and spend their evenings peeling open software and computer networks to see how they work.

When they find vulnerabilities in supposedly secure systems, they publish their findings on the World Wide Web in hopes of embarrassing the companies into fixing the problems.

A recent example: They posted notice via the Internet of a problem that makes Lotus Notes vulnerable to malicious hackers.

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# 72-year-old man liable for 80-year-old tax debt

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Bob Cohen wasn't even born when a previous owner of his shop allowed a property tax debt to mount from the years 1911-15.

However, he is the one obligated to pay it.

The 72-year-old man recently received a terse notice saying he owes \$1,151 in back real estate taxes... on his... downtown

Pittsburgh beauty and barber supply business.

The debt had gone undetected as the property changed hands several times since the 1920s, including Cohen's purchase of the business in 1983. Such debts didn't accrue interest at that time, so the amount hasn't increased.

"This is no way to treat peo-

ple," said Cohen, who paid \$1.134 in 1997 taxes in April.

The passage of time and ownership doesn't absolve Cohen from responsibility, said Jack Chielli, a spokesman for the Allegheny County Controller's Office.

"The law doesn't exonerate taxes upon change of ownership," Chielli said.

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# U.S. experts consider response to volatile Russian economic situation

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — As Moscow's new government of old faces searches for ways out of the country's economic crisis, a heated debate has broken out among Russia specialists in the United States about how the Clinton administration should respond.

Some experts argue that recent events have unmasked as a catastrophic failure seven years of U.S.-backed efforts to build free-market capitalism in Russia. What is needed, they argue, is swift emergency action to contain the immediate havoc and a wholesale overhaul of American policy.

"The collapse of Yeltsinism is the collapse of American policy toward Russia," said Stephen Cohen, a professor of Russian studies and history at New York University. "Everything we've recommended there has been an abject failure."

He called for the administration to lend its support to:

- An international humanitarian aid effort to ease the impact of

what he believes will be a grueling winter;

- A scheduled \$5 billion installment of a loan from the International Monetary Fund so that the Russian government can

*"I don't believe... that reform in Russia has come to an end, and therefore U.S. policy has failed."*

— Strobe Talbott, Undersecretary of State, speaking on Russia

pay back wages;

- A reworking of Russia's foreign debt.

"This is a destabilized, nuclear-armed country coming apart at the seams," Cohen said. "Our priorities should be clear."

Another group of experts —

including many within the administration — believe conditions in Russia are too fluid and the crisis too fresh to declare either the reform efforts pushed by Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin or U.S. support of those efforts a failure.

"I don't think it is either accurate or smart to say that Russia has fundamentally changed course," Undersecretary of State Strobe Talbott said in an interview. "I don't believe... that reform in Russia has come to an end, and therefore U.S. policy has failed."

Talbott added: "There's no question that Russia has hit a major slippery spot on the road to its future. It's slipping back and forth and it's not clear what direction it will be pointed when it comes through this slick spot. A crisis, yes, but what I'm cautioning (against) is proclaiming a crisis as a disaster."

Deputy Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers took a similar tack in testimony earlier this week. "It would be difficult to exaggerate the uncertainties of a moment such as this one," he said.

## Paula Jones harassment case appeal will be heard in Minnesota

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — A three-member federal appeals court panel will hear oral arguments Oct. 20 in St. Paul on the appeal of a sexual harassment

case involving President Clinton and Paula Jones. Mrs. Jones, who is appealing a U.S. District Court decision to dismiss her case, has not decided

whether she will attend the arguments, said Nisha Mohammed of the Rutherford Institute, the Virginia-based conservative law center that represents her.

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he said. "Farmers had already geared up to supply crops for export, but when those countries don't buy the market is constrained."

Minidoka County Commissioner John Remberg, who also runs a farm, said the business isn't for the weak of heart. A farmer's livelihood is directly related to what happens a continent away.

"What we are all going to have to learn is that what we do here doesn't really affect things any more," he said. "Global trade is very important, but everybody has

to be involved, we've got to watch things fall close."

Exporters say markets will rebound, but farmers must become better educated about what the rest of the world is doing.

Most already have begun learning about world trade. At stake is survival. Only the good managers continue to business. If prices continue to go down, they say, even the best managers might begin to fail.

**What experts say**

Commodity markets are going to rebound, but farmers, bankers and

economists wonder whether they will rebound soon enough.

Most farmers already have begun to cut into their available equity, and loan margins are getting smaller and smaller, said Lynn Schockie, Idaho-area credit manager for Zions Bank.

"These are the lowest prices we've seen in many years; farmers are eroding their equity position very quickly," he said. "That means the farmer doesn't have much cash for the next operating season."

Some programs help farmers get better money for their crops, such as the Federal Agriculture Mortgage Corporation or "Farmer

Mac," and the federally subsidized loan deficiency payment.

Both programs help farmers fill the gap between expenses and profits, Schockie said.

"As bankers we understand there are always highs and lows in farming; this is part of agriculture," he said. "But this year has been quite unusual though."

Wilson Gray has seen more frustration than ever over prices.

Farmers are worried about making their loan payments," said Gray, the agricultural economist with the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension office in Twin Falls. "At

this point it is more expensive to buy commodities here than to get them from other countries, and that creates a problem."

Buying overseas glutts the American market and drives prices down.

"Our turnaround will depend primarily on how fast other countries act to fix some of their financial

problems," Gray said. "Once they start buying again we should be OK."

But at the same time, if any prices don't begin to rise, things will get even worse.

"The old adage 'hungry lions company' doesn't provide much consolation at times like these," Stood said.

# Politics

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and he's a righter, Simpson calls it the right thing to do and is confident the plan will bear out.

His opponent, former Rep. Richard Stallings, isn't so sure. He bashed Republicans for extending the Democratic plan to raise loan-rate caps — government supports frozen by the 1996 Freedom Farm Act.

"This is one key difference between Stallings' 10-point plan and the Republican proposal," Simpson laments. If Idaho farmers aren't enough, Stallings isn't likely to let them forget it.

back to the subsidies Congress has been trying to send farmers away from.

"The government should not guarantee the health of anybody," Craig said.

**Is it enough?**

The difference between the two plans is significant. Raising the loan-rate caps for just one year would cost the government \$5 billion, said Mary Kay Thumber from the Washington, D.C., office of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Loan-rate raises wouldn't be an income-support tool, but a price-support tool, giving farmers time to better market their crops. And it would send a bad signal to consumers the United States competes with.

The Farm Bureau, she said, doesn't want the caps lifted.

"That's good news for Simpson, but it's not all good news," she said.

"Those direct payments won't last six months," said Dan McGuire, a Nebraska corn and soybean farmer who sits on the board for the American Corn Growers Association. "We've got people who are just going to be desperate."

Commodity groups throughout the country are pushing to get the loan-rate caps lifted. The National Farmers Organization wanted the caps lifted. The 300,000-member National Farmers Union wanted them lifted.

According to a poll commissioned by McGuire and several other farmers' groups, 73 percent of farmers across the country want the loan-rate caps lifted.

Farmers "scoot" at the direct payments, said the Farmers Union's Marlin Weiser. In fact, it feels "like a welfare program."

And a welfare program, McGuire said, that won't really help.

"The only way to get to this," he said, "is for us to go to the source."

No one in Washington claims to know the plan will be received, "we are concerned about whether it's going to be enough," said Raymond from Weiser's office. "I'm not sure these could have been enough," Thumber added.

"I don't know that we can ever determine what enough is," Craig said.

**Simpson's dilemma**

One of the few guarantees in the loan-rate debate is that it will continue in Idaho's 2nd District.

It's unlikely anyone will be able to tell by November whether the Republican proposal is working, but that doesn't mean it won't be the issue. Simpson will follow the party's lead, Stallings said last week.

"And that worries me," he said. Simpson said Idaho's strength has been its unified delegation. He agrees with GOP leaders such as Gingrich in theory, but often disagrees on particulars.

"I'm not a yes man for anybody," he said. "The only thing I'll be a yes man for is the people of Idaho."

When it comes to this year's agricultural emergency, Simpson can only hope Idahoans say yes to the Republicans' ag solution. But their answer might not come in until Election Day.

# Loan policies

Agriculture promises to shape the Senate race as well.

Democrat Bill Mack is calling for lifting loan-rate caps and asking farmers to look beyond party lines.

GOP Rep. Mike Crapo is in an admittedly different position than his party-mate Simpson. Without directly advocating a loan-rate raise, Crapo has been pushing the House to look at the idea. With the alternative plan seemingly destined to pass without ever having been tried, Crapo said, he can tell farmers he is

He supports the Republican plan, though, saying opposition for lifting the loan-rate caps came early from rural members of the House Agriculture Committee.

Opposition was even stronger in the Senate. Sen. Conrad Burns, of Mont., was the only Republican to break ranks and vote to raise the caps. Montanans, by and large, support the move, Burns' spokesman Matt Raymond said.

After 11 meetings with about 700 farmers around the state this summer, Crapo knew "hardly and wheat producers wanted the loan-rate caps lifted but said he "chose not to fight that battle."

"I opposed it because we simply didn't have the votes to get it," he said.

But some believed removing the freeze reversed the Freedom to Farm Act, he said, and was a step

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**Study**

A study commissioned by several farm organizations found about 70 percent of farmers around the country dissatisfied with current farm policy, conducted by Minnesota's Rockwell Research Corp. earlier this month.

Research also revealed few of the 1,000 farmers queried hoped to be in business in five years. The Nebraska Wheat Growers Association, the American Corn Growers Association and the Nebraska Farmers Union requested the study, but farmers from around the nation participated — including 12 wheat growers and one corn grower in Idaho.

Here's some highlights:

- 1) Percent of growers saying the U.S. States should stop importation of surplus grains into the U.S. market: 85.
- 2) Percent of farmers saying the current farm bill provides an adequate safety net during years of low commodity prices: 24.
- 3) Percent of respondents saying Congress should modify the current farm program: 77.
- 4) Percent of growers saying a farm program should allow planting flexibility and include a farm-owned and controlled grain storage: 88.
- 5) Percent of respondents indicating Congress should lift loan-rate caps and raise direct costs 25 cents per acre: 28.
- 6) Percent of corn growers who would like to be farming in five years: 48.
- 7) Percent of wheat growers who expect the same: 38.
- 8) Percent of corn growers who would encourage their children to farm: 30.
- 9) Percent of wheat growers who would: 28.

**Details**

If done without a group's political voice, Idaho Valley farmers don't see much that is in the bag.

Based on numbers available this month from the Federal Election Commission, here's how Idaho's 2nd District House members fit into the state's map: Valley just including Blaine County: 300,000. Blaine: 300,000. Blaine County: 200,000.

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# Washington state, tobacco industry prepare for court

SEATTLE (AP) — Washington state's lawsuit against the tobacco industry is expected to be the first to go all the way to a jury trial.

Washington was named in earlier cases. Washington also fought to exclude mention of taxes, but King County Superior Court Judge George A. Finkle ruled that tax revenue evidence may be offered "because such revenues are particularly relevant to the defendants' affirmative defenses and to preparation of the state's case."

*What makes this different from the other cases is that it'll be able to show that the state of Washington has an actual financial stake in the sale of cigarettes.*

—Jim McManis, attorney for Brown & Wilkinson

Washington state's impact: an \$2.5-cent excise tax — one of the highest in the nation — on each pack of cigarettes, which sell for about \$1.20 plus sales tax. The excise tax generated \$258 million in the fiscal year that ended in July, roughly 2 percent of state revenues.

Since 1995, the starting year for claims filed in the lawsuit, the state has collected about \$2.2 billion in excise taxes on cigarettes and an additional \$1.3 billion in sales and business taxes, according to state Department of Revenue figures.

# Clinton returns GOP to \$80 billion 'drawing board'

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton ordered Republicans "back to the drawing board" for tax relief Sunday, promising to veto what he said was an irresponsible \$80 billion tax-cuts package. He insisted on narrower cuts that would reserve surplus funds for Social Security.

"Fiscal responsibility has created our prosperity, and fiscal irres-

responsibility would put it at risk," he said in his weekly radio broadcast from the Oval Office.

With 12 days to go before fiscal 1998 closes out the books with a federal budget surplus, Clinton chided Congress' Republican majority for being too eager to squander that surplus on politically popular tax cuts.

"The black ink in the budget hasn't even had the chance to dry

— indeed it hasn't appeared yet — and they already want to drain the surplus to fund a tax plan before we make the most of our opportunity — to save Social Security," Clinton said.

Sen. Thad Cochran, meanwhile, used the Republican Party's weekly radio address to highlight

a \$4 billion GOP measure to aid America's farmers, who are suffering the effects of economic crises abroad and severe weather conditions at home.

"Neither the president nor his secretary of agriculture has proposed any workable programs to assist these beleaguered farmers," Cochran said.

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GRAND ISLE, La. (AP) — The town wasn't much left to the federal Sheriff's office when Grand Isle's 1,400 residents were ordered to leave for the mainland because of approaching Tropical Storm Dennis. If another federal storm comes, the town's residents will have nowhere to go.


"Just about everything's already to leave. It's a matter of the first thing. The second thing is empty. The third, you're all ready to go," Sheriff Harrison said in his first news conference.

Along with Mayor David Cochran's conviction earlier for Grand Isle, about 600 citizens of two New Orleans parishes of Louisiana Parish also were convicted.

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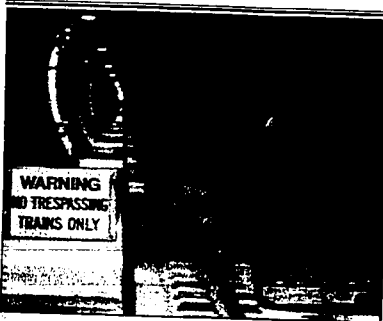
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Phom Phanthavong, a Lao Buddhist monk, shakes holy water during a ceremony inside a MAX train tunnel 280 feet underground Portland, Ore., Friday. The ceremony is an attempt by the monks to make peace with 'spirits' angered by a new commuter rail line built beneath a cemetery.

Monks attempt to pacify spirits angered by train

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Four monks ventured into a tunnel 250 feet underground to make peace with "spirits" they say are angered by a new commuter rail line built beneath a cemetery.

The Lao Buddhist monks lit incense, chanted and asked for forgiveness for the construction of the tunnel below the Finleys Sunset Hills cemetery.

"We must make peace with what is so that they're not angry, so that they're not disturbed about this train roaring through them," said L.S. Catalani, an attorney who works among the Southeast Asian American communities.

City transportation officials helped arrange Friday's ceremony.

Catalani and others think a

recent transit-center mishap and earlier construction deaths point to the need for spiritual harmony.

Vanhlang Khamsouk, secretary general of the Lao Buddharam Temple in Portland, said the gesture was important, even though most of the spirits were not from ancestors of his temple's more than 3,000 members.

"We do believe that even though we are not Christian, the Buddha can be in touch with the spirits," he said. "Even though the general community does not believe in this, we still feel we wanted to do our part."

After the ceremony, senior monk Khamsone Kaphouakham said he had detected many angry spirits, but he thought they had accepted the apology and would live in peace.

Lawmaker says open containers will be shut

BOISE (AP) — State officials oppose anyone drinking alcohol inside a vehicle.

The Legislature seems likely to approve of a prohibition against all open containers, said state Sen. Hal Burderson, R-Meridian, vice chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee.

Now, drinking and open containers are legal as long as only passengers are in the car, not drivers.

But the federal government

has threatened to strip millions in highway money from states that do not ban all open containers. Idaho stands to lose more than \$3 million over three years.

Losing cash is only one good reason to ban alcohol in cars and trucks, said Boise Police Lt. Jim Tibbs. Drinking passengers sometimes cause trouble for officers during traffic stops and can increase distractions for drivers, he said.

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# Oregon midwives become popular option

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Her feet pressed against a steel bar, Ellenbeth Matthews leaned forward and tugged at a sheet tied to the end of the sloped hospital bed. Holding her breath, she pushed — and let gravity take its course.

Matthews gave birth to a healthy baby girl, not with the help of a doctor, but under the coaching and comforting of a midwife.

"She was very patient," Matthews said. "She wasn't just someone who was there to catch the baby when it fell out."

Matthews is one of a growing number of expectant mothers in Oregon turning to midwives because of their increased visibility and inclusion in managed health care plans.

A recent study by the Oregon Health Division found that in 1996, the percentage of deliveries by certified nurse-midwives in hospitals was 13.2 percent, an increase of 5 percent over 1995 and more than double the percentage in 1988.

Oregon also leads the nation in the proportion of out-of-hospital births — 2.1 percent — nearly all in homes under the supervision of midwives.

Most women who chose midwives are looking for a natural way to give birth, without resorting to drugs. Midwives also are able to spend more time with their patients to address their concerns and their fears.

"Their bodies were made to do this, and they can have this baby without too much medical intervention," said Laurie Wilson, a certified midwife who has assisted in more than 60 births in the past four years.

Wilson carries oxygen with her and has CPR training. She knows how to control postpartum bleeding and can remove a baby that is stuck in the birthing canal.



Kristina McIlwain, center, catches as certified nurse-midwife Becky Bruns looks over her 6-week-old son Trevin, in Portland, Ore., Wednesday.

But even with experience and training, things can go wrong.

Wilson remembers a baby born with the umbilical cord wrapped tightly around its neck. She inserted her finger next to the baby's neck to alleviate the pressure and eased the baby out.

The birth went without another hitch. But two hours later, just as Wilson was about to leave, the baby stopped breathing.

She tried to resuscitate, but couldn't. An ambulance was called, and the baby was whisked away and revived by attendants.

"Most home-birth midwives know when it's appropriate to call a doctor," said Nancy Sullivan, who has been a certified midwife at Oregon Health Sciences University for 15 years. "We feel that we have the data that supports that we're safe."

The Oregon Board of Midwifery established licensing requirements and a set of standards in 1993. Lay midwives must spend three to five years assisting a mentor with examinations and

births to fulfill the requirements for the \$1,200 licenses, which are voluntary.

"Midwifery is an age-old art," said Daphne Singingtree, a member of the board. "But the licensure is a way to have a safety net of quality assurance regardless of the method of training."

Dr. Enrique De Castro, a physician who practices at Legacy Emanuel Hospital, often works alongside a certified midwife during delivery. He said at-home births with lay midwives who haven't experienced emergencies with babies in serious trouble are risky.

"There's a tendency with lay midwives to get caught up in trying to deliver vaginally," he said. "When a doctor is finally called in, he's seen as the enemy, who doesn't want what the mother wants."

Kelly McCarthy has been taking a self-designed midwifery study course and is planning to apprentice with a seasoned lay midwife. She said her own pregnancy has been her best learning experience so far.

"The simple fact is that birth is a natural thing that happens in your life," said McCarthy, who is planning to have an at-home birth.

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## WORLD

### Faceoff looms between Iran and Taliban Afghanistan border tenses for conflict

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — These are menacing days along the border between Iran and Afghanistan.

Dozens of Iranian tanks growl across the sand, while helicopter gunships chatter in the sky and some 200,000 soldiers hold maneuvers to hone their military skills.

Even if Iran could take Herat, then what?

—Nasrullah Babaar, former minister of Pakistan

They are cheered on from Iran's cities, where people mass daily to protest the killing of Iranian diplomats by the Taliban religious army that controls much of Afghanistan. Screams of "death to the Taliban" and calls for revenge fill the air.

Across the border, an estimated 10,000 Taliban militiamen have dug in. And their leaders vow to retaliate against any assault by attacking Iranian cities with Russian-made Scud missiles—the same weapon Iraq fired at Israeli and Saudi Arabian cities during the Gulf War.

The options seem to be reduced to two: diplomacy or war. While diplomatic initiatives have been slow in coming, the military option seems the least tenable.

Iran only has to look to recent history to see the risks in invading Afghanistan. The Soviet Union's Red Army marched in to bolster a tottering Marxist regime, only to slink back out in 1989 after losing a 10-year war with Islamic militants.

Despite its sober ranting, Iran's government can't be eager to see its troops mired in a guerrilla war with Taliban soldiers hardened by four years of fighting that have put them in control of most of Afghanistan.

The Iranians could not expect much help from their Shiite Muslim allies inside Afghanistan, who are hemmed in by Taliban forces in Bamian province hundreds of miles away in the center of the country.

Even if Iran could take Herat (the eastern Afghanistan) then what? Pakistan's former interior minister, Nasrullah Babaar — the man Iran and many Western governments believe fathered the Taliban movement.

"If they then tried to move out from there, they would get bogged down like the Russians," he said. "They would be stuck trying to defend themselves in Herat. It's not possible."

Another option is to arm and supply Shiite Afghans who have sought refuge in Iran and send them home to fight the Taliban, whose soldiers are mostly Sunni Muslims.

### Hurricane Georges nears isles

FORT-DE-FRANCE, Martinique (AP) — Residents of small islands in the eastern Caribbean stocked up on food and water Saturday as Hurricane Georges grew bigger and stronger and moved closer.

Hurricane watches, already posted from St. Lucia to Anguilla, were extended Saturday to the U.S. and British Virgin Islands. People were calm, but they also were taking the growing storm seriously.

"I just pulled up two of my boats out of the water," said David Armour, a resident on Dominica, the mountainous island that lies directly in Georges' path. "The gas stations are full. People are filling their tanks."

The National Hurricane Center in Miami said on Saturday that Georges was centered about 510 miles east of the Lesser Antilles. Its winds had strengthened to 125 mph.

### 4 killed, 3 missing in aftermath of Japanese tropical storm

TOKYO (AP) — Authorities blamed a tropical storm for rough seas that left four people dead Saturday and a mudslide in which three people were missing.

The bodies of two fishermen whose boats overturned were found in Shimizu prefecture, or state, in central Japan, police said.

The storm, with 50 mph winds, was moving west of Japan across the East China Sea late Saturday. It was heading toward China, weather forecasters said.

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# Mexican crime scene paints picture of killers carrying out strict orders

EL SAUZAL, Mexico (AP) — The killers arrived in three light trucks before dawn, dressed all in black and carrying automatic rifles.

They worked quickly, professionally. And when they were done, 18 men, women and children from one extended family lay dead in bleeding mounds beside a patio wall at the ranch by the sea in northern Mexico.

"The children said that it lasted an eternity — an hour," said state Cmdr. Felipe Perez Cruz, quoting testimony of a 12-year-

old boy and 15-year-old girl who survived the Thursday morning massacre linked to drugs. "It was probably 15 or 20 minutes."

Statements by investigators and a tour of the blood-stained compound a day after the killings provide signs of a well-organized team carrying out orders to kill an alleged marijuana trafficker and his relatives for some unknown crime against rivals in the drug trade.

After driving across a dusty plain, at least nine or 10 gunmen

got out at the ranch this suburb of the Baja California resort of Ensenada. The killers broke into three teams, each assigned to one of the family's three houses.

"They must have known the family," Perez Cruz said.

First hit was the Tovar family household, headed by a sister of alleged trafficker Fermin Castro — apparently the main target. The Tovar family was the only part of the Castro clan not believed to have been involved with drugs, investigators say.

# Prosecutors may charge train techs

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — Prosecutors may charge two railway technicians who overlooked a wheel problem with negligent manslaughter in Germany's worst rail disaster, a news magazine reported Saturday.

Also Saturday, railway officials said they took four high-speed InterCity Express trains out of service after finding a cracked weld on the undercarriage.

Der Spiegel magazine said investigators have learned that two inspections just before the June 3 crash found a misshapen wheel on the ICE train, but nothing was done.

Officials suspect wheel failure was the cause of the crash, near Eschede in northern Germany, which killed 101 people.

Two nights before the crash, a wheel was measured at 0.8 millimeters out of round, and the night before at 1.1 millimeters. The standard allowance is 0.6 millimeters, the magazine reported.

Railway officials say a wheel that is not perfectly round is mainly a comfort problem because it creates more noise and vibration during high speed.

Prosecutor Juergen Wigger said the government opened an investigation into the two technicians who checked the train and was also considering charges against the railway managers.

# Israel heads into holiday with high alert

JERUSALEM (AP) — U.S. envoy Dennis Ross was wrapping up on Saturday his latest effort — fruitless so far — to end the 18-month deadlock in Israeli-Palestinian peace efforts.

And, as so often happens in Israel, tension and fear shadowed what is supposed to be a festive occasion — the Jewish New Year that begins at sundown Sunday.

In the West Bank, its border with Israel sealed off along with that of the Gaza Strip, thousands of supporters of the radical Islamic group Hamas staged a march, burning U.S. and Israeli flags and screaming, "Revenge, revenge!"

Barring a last-minute breakthrough in separate talks later Saturday with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Ross appeared poised to head back to the United States empty-handed after an 11-day visit to the region.


Arriving in Gaza for his meeting with Arafat, Ross made no comment to reporters.

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## EDITORIAL

### Forest Service promotes fees by inflating tourism numbers

The number was so astoundingly high, it had to be wrong. A million and a half people visiting the Sawtooth National Recreation Area every year? Could that be right?

No, it couldn't. As it turns out, the U.S. Forest Service has been using a false statistic to justify access fees in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. Real use of the area is less than the fee has been spring - through exactly how much less is anyone's guess.

For a year and a half, the Forest Service has been saying that fast-growing tourism has outstripped the SNRA's tightening budget. But a *Times-News* story last week revealed that the government's statistics were flawed.

The Forest Service graciously admitted the error and recalculated the stats. Yet even the recalculation stats are of questionable value. In our view, the feds continue to exaggerate SNRA use to serve their bosses' political goals.

Forest Service officials derived the 1.5 million figure from Idaho Transportation Department traffic counts. But when a *Times-News* reporter dug into the data, he found that the Forest Service had been misculating since 1995.

The Forest Service now says traffic at those counting sites increased 17 percent in a five-year period. Our own calculations, based on slightly different state data, work out to 14.4 percent. Neither number qualifies as an explosion - especially since the adjusted figures show no growth at all since 1994.

But connecting the traffic counts is only half of the picture. You also must ask, how many people are in those vehicles when they are going?

Based on surveys of vehicles and their passengers, the Forest Service assumes that each vehicle carries an average of 2.85 SNRA visitors. We can't dispute that number, but we're skeptical. For that to be true, every RV, car

and bread truck would have to be averaging almost three people - year-round.

Are they all bound for fun in the Sawtooths? That too is questionable. Consider:

• The majority of the traffic that enters the SNRA travels via Highway 75 from the south. Last year, the Transportation Department tallied 438,000 vehicles at its counting site 7 1/2 miles north of the Sun Valley Spur.

But that section of highway is heavily used by local traffic, and there's a 2-mile stretch of Highway 75 inside the Sawtooth Forest boundary but outside the SNRA that's traveled by recreationists who aren't headed to or coming from the trails and campgrounds of the SNRA.

• Of the vehicles that do actually cross Galena Summit, how many are through traffic to and from Stanley?

• To the north, 148,000 vehicles crossed the IDT's traffic counter between Challis and Stanley in 1996, the last year for which complete statistics are available. But Challis is the seat of Custer County. So most of that traffic probably had nothing to do with the SNRA.

Our conclusion: The real number of SNRA visitors is certainly smaller than the Forest Service has previously asserted, and potentially a lot smaller. And in any case, the highway figures don't demonstrate rapid growth.

Though these fees are promoted as a sorely needed revenue source to keep trails and campgrounds open, their real effect is to price local users out of our public real estate. Our previous advice to readers still stands, and we repeat it here, based on the Forest Service's distorted numbers:

Don't pay the fees, because these bureaucrats interpret every dollar collected as a sign of public approval. And tell your congressman and U.S. senators to start aggressively representing Idaho's interests on this issue.

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### Thanks for checking forest stats

If you writing this letter to thank you for allowing Niels Nollenkerv to spend the time it has taken last week and this week to work with the state on the facts involving traffic counts and visitor numbers for the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

It has been a rather long process of gathering data from the Idaho Transportation Department, facing information and cables of numbers back and forth, reviewing those numbers and, ultimately, working together to identify a variety of errors from the various sources to arrive at accurate figures. I commend Niels for his work, as it was he who was able to identify some of the key problems from our data and your data, including the fact that we each were trying to compare data from different traffic counters. These discussions have allowed us to correct errors in visitor numbers for Fiscal Year 1996, will enable us to correct our figures for FY 1997 and improve information for FY 98 and beyond.

We have been tracking visitor numbers from traffic counts since the late 1990s. Until October 1995, this task was consistently performed by the same individual. Beginning in late 1995, this task was shifted to the duties of several other people, perhaps without adequate training. What we have discovered is that they began using the wrong numbers from the traffic counter reports. As those numbers were aggregated, the visitor numbers were then developed were wrong. Since those numbers were consistent with other trends we saw, we did not catch our own error.

While we are still finalizing the numbers, I am convinced that the totals I have provided to the public based on those numbers are wrong. Our records show the rate of visitors to the SNRA to be as follows:

1993	1,081 million
1994	1,274 million
1995	1,272 million

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- 1993 1,130 million
  - 1994 1,274 million
  - 1995 1,342 million
  - 1996 1,522 million
  - 1997 1,548 million
- The numbers should be more like:
- 1991 1,081 million
  - 1992 1,212 million
  - 1993 1,130 million
  - 1994 1,274 million
  - 1995 1,270 million
  - 1996 1,268 million
  - 1997 not yet total.
- What this means is that over the five year period from 1991 through 1996, our increase in use was on the order of 20 percent rather than the 30 percent as I had thought.
- As the area ranger for the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, I bear full responsibility for this inadvertent area.
- PAUL RIES  
SNRA Area Manager  
Ketchum

### Critics should look inward first

As some inflate themselves with an indignant obsession with President Bill Clinton's sexual peccadillo, they also remind themselves of the rage Jesus reserved for the hypocrite. "Why do you look at the speck of the sawdust in your brother's eye with never a thought for the great plank in your own?"



### Clinton can help bankers by vetoing bad bill

Watch the House pass a bad bill. Watch the Senate make it worse. Watch the banking industry dig its own grave. Watch supposedly smart people set up a financial disaster. Can we see President Clinton veto this mess? Veto, Clinton, veto.

Not since Congress passed the Garn-St. Germain bill in 1981 - the one that deregulated the S&Ls and unleashed a half-a-trillion-dollar disaster, which the taxpayers of this country wound up paying for - has there been a move to match this for pure folly.

In May, the House passed (by one vote) a bill to eliminate barriers between banks, brokerage firms and insurance companies. This sets up financial holding companies that can offer all three types of services simultaneously. The most obvious risk is that a blunder in the insurance or brokerage end of the business could bring down a bank, putting insured deposits at risk. The taxpayers, of course, then wind up with the tab - as we did with the savings-and-loan mess.

The bill contains some requirements to mitigate this risk, each a branch of a financial holding company will have to maintain a separate cushion against losses, which cannot be used to shore up the other branches. Although this provision somewhat lessens the risk, it does not eliminate it.

The purpose of this bill, long sought by the financial industry, is to legalize such mergers as the proposed Citicorp-Travelers Insurance mega-merger. Many experts believe the effect will be the emergence of nine or 10 enormous institutions after the consolidation of hundreds of insurance companies,



banks and brokerage firms. Even before this consequence comes to pass, it is apparent that the bill will harm consumers. Last week - on a straight party-line vote of 12 to 10 in the Senate Banking Committee, all the Republicans against all the Democrats - consumer protections were stripped out of the bill.

The Senate version does not require the new holding companies to offer low-cost basic banking accounts. According to the Consumers Union, an estimated 10 million households currently have no bank accounts at all, and 48 million households have a balance of less than \$1,000 in their accounts.

Banks now charge substantial fees to anyone who does not maintain a minimum balance, and banks commonly raise the minimum balance required. Consumer Reports found that minimum balances required for the average checking account increased by 40 percent between 1986 and 1994. Citicorp and New York now require a minimum balance of \$2,000 to avoid fees.

The Senate committee also voted against an amendment by Chris Dodd of Connecticut that would have required banks to get a customer's permission before giving out confidential information about the customer. The committee weakened House version provisions on,

first, ensure that customers are informed when financial products are not FDIC insured or they are subject to risk and, second, to require some clear separation of insured deposit activities from non-insured deposit activities. And the Senate committee also eliminated provisions that would have required banks to disclose their deposit rates.

In addition, Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas is on a jihad against the Community Reinvestment Act, which is designed to make sure money is available to low-income business. He's trying to strip those provisions out of the bill.

Now, if you can follow this bouncing ball of news, because it's a triple calamity that sets up the aforementioned financial nightmare. According to a report released Friday by federal banking regulators, banks are lowering consumer lending standards, even though the risk that business borrowers will default on a loan is rising.

According to The Washington Post, "The five-year trend of cutting consumer lending standards that the nation's banks will be hit by a wave of subprime domestic loans over the next 18 months."

Now, how do these people feel about the decision makers? Most importantly, how do you feel if there is a president who apparently believes that American no longer can understand the difference of night from wrong?

How would you have a conscience? Write, veto, veto.

Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

## LETTERS

### Don't downplay Republican failures

It doesn't surprise me that you buried the Clinton-White House scandal way back in the local (7) section of your tabloid. I'm sure you thought by the time your readers waded that far, they would be too sleepy to notice.

Perhaps Republican sex scandals are so prevalent they don't merit front-page prominence that you so indignantly try to fool yourselves?

ROBERT NEWMAN  
Rupert

### Clinton led to closest advisers

The last few days we have heard or read the news about what has been labeled "The White House Scandal."

I have been appalled by the ease of individuals to feast on all the lurid details of this scandal. By what the news media is suggesting, our present society is mostly accepting the so-called explanations about the difference between being misled or being lied to. How would you feel if your boss or husband told you to go before the public and tell your grand jury on oath information that you later learned was totally false? Would you think you had been betrayed? Can we no longer distinguish the difference between being misled and lied to?

How amazing that after bragging about the confession of wrongdoing - now the White House is offering every kind of fabulous reasoning that there was absolutely no perjury involved in all this matter.

Let's keep in mind that a number of months ago our president pointed his finger at America and stated, "I did not do any of the things I am accused of do-

### Republicans did not belong in power

"When the last scene of his close advice goes before the grand jury and they hear his version of the scandal. About the same time, Mrs. Clinton went on a talk show and repeated the same denial. Now, how do these people feel about the decision makers? Most importantly, how do you feel if there is a president who apparently believes that American no longer can understand the difference of night from wrong?"

How would you have a conscience? Write, veto, veto.

### Republicans did not belong in power

The World Journal District 412 Board of Trustees would like to announce the decision makers of The Times-News for printing the story report in the Sept. 13, Sunday, *Times-News* edition. The single issue we raise is simply that we do not believe that it was appropriate to put to print explicit sexual details of the Clinton scandal. We believe a better approach would have been for The Times-News to print a separate column providing the reader with adult magazines which are readily placed out of reach from students.

In the future, we urge The Times-News to more strongly reporting standards by not exposing graphic sexual innuendo to young readers. We also have to the same distribution of such materials to the public as required by other similar publications.

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OPINION



# Grade inflation takes toll on American education

**I**n what can only be the affirmation of long-held suspicion, the College Board has issued a report indicating that Scholastic Aptitude Test scores have declined while grade-point averages have ascended.

For those who have labored in the vineyards of higher education, this conclusion isn't a surprise. However, systemic examination of the numbers offers stark evidence of a deep-seated American problem.

The College Board, which sponsors the SAT, contends that test takers with A averages increased from 28 percent of the total to 38 percent in the last 10 years, but the SAT scores of those students declined an average of 12 points on the verbal score and three points on math.

Moreover, these decreases have as a backdrop the norming of SAT scores so that the 490 of

year is the 510 of today, and 780 has become a "perfect" 800 score.

The president of the College Board, Donald Stewart, says, "We don't know why grades are rising." I have my suspicions, however.

First, it should be noted that in an era of radical egalitarianism that cannot accept stratification, the Lake Wobegon influence is quite evident. Everyone is above average.

As a student of mine once noted, in today's school environment, a C is tantamount to an F. So widespread is grade inflation that when I was a dean, I suspended the dean's list because it was so lacking in discrimination, it was like reading the student roster.

Second, since the psychological well-being of students has been superordinated over a display of knowledge, grades are designed to make students feel good about themselves. This is the self-esteem hoax.

In the last international exam,

HERBERT LONDON

students were asked to evaluate their prowess in math and other disciplines. American students claimed to be proficient in math, even though their aggregate score was next to last among test takers from many nations.

Americans are now routinely taught to feel good about themselves, even when their performance belies the truth.

Last is the fungibility of standards. As a legislator has pointed out to me, "High, inflexible standards will result in more dropouts and failing students. We can't tolerate that; the voters will kill us."

The evidence of continuing grade inflation comes at a time when many states are supposedly requiring schools to adopt higher standards.

Teachers, however, have responded to this requirement by arguing that high grades are consistent with high standards since students are performing better than heretofore.

Unfortunately for those who make this claim is the harsh reality of SAT scores. Just as confidence in one's performance is out of step with actual performance, are student career aspirations inconsistent with demand in the labor market and with aptitude.

U.S. Labor Department projections indicate that the top three growth occupations between now and 2006 are computer related.

Yet relatively few students (5 percent) are expressing an interest in computing and information sciences and, if declining math scores on the SAT are suggestive, many students may not have the aptitude for this field.

It should also be noted that students taking the SAT may bring calculators with them.

Presumably this concession was designed to avoid sloppy mistakes. Yet, here again, the math SAT score is declining, despite this gesture.

The dumbing down of America is in full pace as rationalizations are sought for the phenomenon from every quarter. When an objective test, despite its flaws, is used to examine student performance, the resultant picture isn't pretty.

Developing a strategy for lifting performance to the level of appearance is the great challenge ahead.

Herbert London is a professor of humanities at New York University and president of Indianapolis-based Hudson Institute.

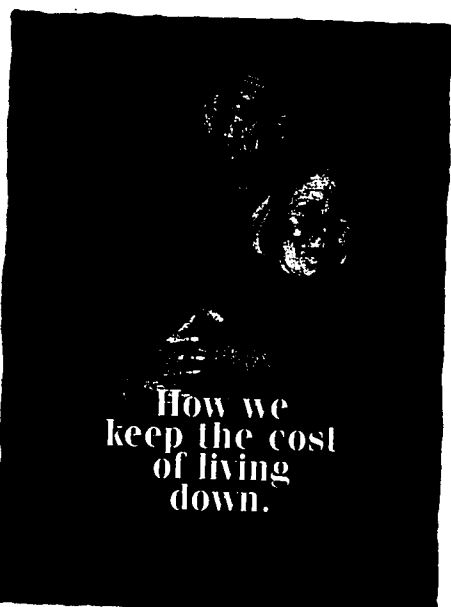
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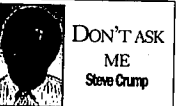


## The year the lilacs refused to die

"To be a romantic is to be often disappointed but never disillusioned."  
— F. Scott Fitzgerald

It's been a tough year for romantics. . . .  
Monicagate, with all its sorry secrets, is a fitting enough metaphor, but the notion that human affection needn't be leveraged with cynicism has been taking a beating for a long time. . . .  
Thirty-eight million Americans are veterans of busted marriages — that's more than the entire population of Australia and Canada combined — and four-tenths of 16-year-olds tell pollsters that they could live quite happy lives without ever falling in love.

Sadly but truly, the word "romance" has become synonymous with novels that depict the kinds of activities that evidently go on in the Oval Office after the pizza has been eaten. . . .  
And worst of all, Mr. Cheevers died this summer.



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump

Harlan Cheevers was our neighbor when I was growing up on a farm in eastern Idaho — a great, covered bear of a man with a cut of gray-blond curls and a smile that crinkled his whole face, like a faded-up cellophane. . . .  
Alone among ever grown-up I've ever met, that smile betrayed no sadness — not the slightest trace — though it certainly had cause. . . .  
More than three decades ago, the mother of his four children contracted viral cardiomyopathy — that's the same heart disease that killed off the Barbara Hershey character in the movie "Beaches" — and died a slow, wheezing death at age 34.

Most widowers crumble like the pedals of a rose pressed too long in a family Bible. Mr. Cheevers was different.

He raised his kids with joy — and the unspoken rule that self-pity is a weak antidote to love.

Cheevers children never trafficked in misery because their father had none to lend them. It wasn't so much that Mr. Cheevers didn't permit himself to grieve; he simply failed to see the need.

That's because Leah Cheevers, having never been taken for granted, was never really gone.

It had been so since they were 17. During a spring cloudburst, Harlan had driven his father's Ford pickup off the road and into the lilac bushes that stood next to Leah's family's mailbox at the head of the lane.

He crawled out of the wreckage, covered by fractured lilac blossoms and fragments of the Montgomery Ward catalog the postman had delivered that afternoon. Leah, doubled over with laughter, fell in love on the spot.

The justice of the peace married them the following spring. She was Mormon; he was Baptist.

The family was never unkind, but 40 years ago apostasy still went down hard among Idaho country people of faith. Inevitably, Harlan and Leah became more isolated, and as the years passed, came to depend more and more on each other.

I never remember seeing them when they weren't holding hands, even when two or three kids in tow, and what passed between them was less a quiet understanding than a triumph of clarity — the neat, almost Euclidean notion that they could never be else but together.

Mrs. Cheevers was so sick for so long, that I suppose in the conventional sense their love life ended long before their marriage. Didn't matter. He brought her flowers — lilacs, when he could find them — every day, and their kids reported that they'd often sit together deep into the night, saying "I love you."

Toward the end, breathing became so difficult that Leah



All eyes are on Monty Roberts as he demonstrates his gentle approach to get a horse to accept a rider Saturday in Twin Falls. Roberts was the inspiration for the film, 'The Horse Whisperer'.

## 'Horse Whisperer' impresses crowd

By Mark Helz Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Horses see without prejudice, and Monty Roberts makes that his advantage.

He proved Saturday how strong that advantage can be. In front of a packed arena, he got a raw, frisky young point to accept a saddle and rider in just more than half an hour.

And the point never felt the sting of a whip, nor was it forced to buck and kick its way to a humiliating submission.

Roberts is known by admirers as "The Man Who Listens to Horses," has written a book by that title and has trained horses in England. He said he has learned that persuasion — not violence — is the best way to build a

### Inspiration for movie packs Twin Falls arena

good working horse.

The demonstration of his methods impressed Sharon Sorenson of Salt Lake City, who came to Twin Falls for Roberts' show.

"That was awesome," she said, amazement on her face. Raised on a ranch near Whitehall, Mont., Sorenson remembers the traditional, often harsh ways of training horses to take riders.

Her husband, Jerry Sorenson, remembers the same thing from his youth on a southern Utah ranch. "You broke them, you didn't pamper them," he said. Roberts said his gentle method

is based on giving the horse a good first impression. It's a matter of making horses — prey animals programmed with 50 million years of flight instinct — see him as a source of security.

It apparently worked for the point. A few minutes after being placed in a small ring with Roberts, the gelding would pull close to him when spooked by a sudden movement or other perceived threat.

"He's beginning to see me as a safety zone," Roberts said. The horse's owner, Ernie McDade of Gooding, said the animal had spent only a little time with people prior to being led

into the Expo Center at the College of Southern Idaho. The gelding never had been bridled, been saddled or even had his hooves trimmed, McDade said. Yes, it soon allowed Roberts to touch its head and even grab and lift its feet one by one. Sharon Sorenson said the demonstration all but dispelled her belief in the hard-line school of horse training. "If the gentleman who owns this horse continues with Roberts' philosophy, this will be a wonderful animal," she said. Jerry Sorenson was more skeptical: "I've seen it now, but I'm still not sure I believe it."

Salt, Roberts' way seemed easier on the rider than the will-

breaking methods he had used. "I usually ended up getting dumped off," Jerry Sorenson said. Ron James of Jerome said meeting an animal on its own terms also seems to work with llamas, which he uses as pack animals. "The guy who helped us get started with our animals is like the man who listens to llamas," he said. James said Roberts' teachings should help his family with its next challenge — training its 2-year-old quarter horse. After carrying a rider around the pen for a few minutes with no apparent fear, the paint gelding was unsaddled and led out of the arena. As it passed the grandstands, its steps were light and its head was high.

## Fund raiser helps local band reach Disney goal

By David Lee Times-News writer

BURLEY — The cool wind was invigorating to those outside Saturday, but for some people it meant finding ways to keep sale items and food from blowing away.

Several organizations around town held yard sales Saturday to raise money for their causes — increasing the general fund or paying for a major trip next spring.

The latter is what Burley High School band students did as they transformed their school's front lawn into a big flea market. The 80-member band is raising



Burley High School band member Vanessa Hampton huddles in her sleeping bag Saturday as a customer looks at her sale items for sale.

money for a trip to perform in Disneyland in May, said Wendy Bingham, the band's booster president. Cost is about \$200 per student, so the band plans to have a fundraiser every month until the trip, starting with Saturday's sale.

Students brought their own collections of items to be sold, and each kept the money earned from selling his or her stuff.

Vanessa Hampton sold most of her items early. The leftovers were stacks of books her parents

were carrying pepper spray when they carry pepper spray. But the murders also have residents debating the price of justice.

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## TF debates raising taxes for murder trials

By Flynn McRoberts Chicago Tribune

TWIN FALLS — Nothing gets an Idahoan going like crime and taxes. This summer, in this town on the edge of the Snake River Canyon, those two issues have been blended to create what must be one of the nation's oddest ballot measures: Small property taxes be raised so murder defendants can get a proper trial?

The trouble is that Twin Falls County has become the Gem State's homicide capital, with nine people facing first-degree murder charges in the slayings of five victims. That makes for a crowded docket in a mountain desert county of just 61,000 people that rarely has seen murders. The unprecedented bloodshed, not surprisingly, has locals wondering how their community went from a place where people didn't lock their doors to one

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## Legacy of pollution plagues Rock Creek

By N.S. Nokkentved Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — For years, high levels of fecal bacteria have made Rock Creek unsafe for swimming.

Contamination became an issue this summer when health officials, once again, posted signs warning would-be swimmers of the problem. Fecal bacteria is common in the intertidal waters of warm-blooded animals.

Officials have been scrambling to identify the problem and have narrowed it to a broken sewer connection to one or two houses in Twin Falls, as well as livestock pastured on small acreages along Rock Creek and its tributaries.

The contamination is common in the irrigation season and during high water, when Rock Creek is popular for swimming and tubing.

### Pollution legacy

The creek that starts out gin-clear in the South Hills has been on the federal Clean Water Act list of polluted streams since 1992, according to Carla Fromm of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Boise.

The final report on a 10-year project to clean up the creek also noted problems with high bacteria levels.

The legacy of pollution isn't surprising, given that Rock Creek was long a sewer for Twin Falls — which dumped its sewage directly into the creek until the city built its first sewer plant in 1964. Before the Clean Water Act of 1972, food processing and meat packing companies dumped their wastes into the creek; the only treatment was setting out the big chunks.

Those practices have long

Help is available  
Help is available for livestock owners to identify and fix their problems with runoff that could be polluting Rock Creek. Workshops and other information from the Homestead Assessment System are available at the DEQ office on Foothill Road, or by calling 736-2190.

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since stopped, but a rural clean water project that ran through the 1960s found bacteria and other pollution problems have continued to plague Rock Creek.

"The primary source of this contamination would be from animal confinement operations and rangeland runoff," the report said.

"Given the large number of cattle in the watershed which are using pastures, rangelands or in confinement, it is unlikely the creek will ever meet current state water quality standards.

Short of public education, there is little that state or federal officials can do to halt the problem, officials say.

"It's really a social problem," said Doug Howard, regional administrator of the state Division of Environmental Quality in Twin Falls. It is one of the downsides of

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Scientists fly over western fires to gain perspective

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — Scientists are flying over large wildfires in the West this month to determine how these blazes work.

"We need to be able to predict the course of a dangerous fire to develop the most effective strategy for suppressing it," said Lawrence Radke, a co-investigator with the National Center for Atmospheric Research, which is conducting the "Wildfire Experiment."

What they are learning is especially important because controlled burns — or fire set on purpose to huge, uncontrolled infernos do not occur — are being used more often as a management tool on public land.

In an average year, wildfires burn 5 million acres in the country, with a price tag reaching in the hundreds of millions of dollars. An average 26,500 fires each year result in 14 deaths and 90 injuries.

At the research center's plane, a C-130 Sheba, took off earlier this month to electronically probe wildfires, there were five burning in Idaho.

Wildfire activity in the Northern Rockies has been below average this season, said officials at the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise. But the facility predicts a busy late fire season because of expected dry fall weather.

The C-130 is packed with control panels and thick bundles of wires. Seven computer work stations collect data from sensors on the plane's wings and nose, including particulates in the air, aerosols, temperature and global positioning information.

About 250 samples are taken each second. Owned by the National Science Foundation, the plane costs \$3,000 an hour to fly.

The C-130 heads to fires burning in Montana near Glacier National Park. Deep valleys are carpeted with conifer trees, or "fuel load."

Scientists take that information and compare it with an advanced computer model of fire behavior created by the

research center's Terry Clark, co-leader of the experiment.

The researchers measure the fuel load, wind and humidity, then check whether the actual fires behave in the same way as the model predicted.

Large wildfires create their own weather. The heat released into the atmosphere can spawn thunderstorms with dangerous winds. Fire whirls — heat-generated tornadoes — can throw burning debris for miles, causing new blazes.

Radke said he has flown over 20 large fires in the last two years, 12 of which generated their own hailstorms.

Clark's model was developed for fires in relatively flat terrain, where they are more

predictable. Making a model for mountain peaks and valleys is more difficult.

Clark watches a monitor with images from the Thermancam, the technological star of the study. A heat-sensitive digital video camera, it can see through the smoke to take infrared images of the flames.

It senses a range between minus 40 degrees to 3,600 degrees. The device can see the glowing tip of a candle, 1,300 degrees, from the C-130's height of three miles above the ground.

Clark shows a digitized film of a July 1997 fire in Canada. A vast column of flame suddenly lurches, curls onto itself like a tongue and leaps out and above the tops of trees.

SERVICES

George P. McGonigal of La Center, Wash., family will pray the rosary at 5:30 p.m. today at St. Charles Church with vigil at 6 p.m.; Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Monday at the church (Wood River Chapel in Halley).

Melvin Milo Lamun of Hazelton, 11 a.m. Monday at the First Christian Church in Rupert; viewing will be from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the service at the church (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Leonard H. Pospall of Boise and formerly of Buhl, 1 p.m. Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls; friends may

call from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday at the funeral chapel.

Dale H. Cooper of Twin Falls, graveside service at 3 p.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

Marvlin Tilley of Burley, friends and family may call

between noon and 5 p.m. Monday at 1227 Yale Ave. in Burley.

Paul B. Chusey of Twin Falls, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Mayhew Community Baptist Church, 3401 Roubier Road, Sacramento, Calif. (local arrangements by White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

DEATH NOTICES

C. F. ROSSMAN

SHOSHONE C.F. "Ross" Rossman, 90, of Shoshone, died Thursday, Sept. 17, 1998, at the Shoshone Elder Care Center.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Shoshone Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Demary's Shoshone Chapel.

HOSPITALS

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Harvey Beaver, Anna Ortega, Michelle Tripp and Justine Weesch, all of Burley; Jeanne Judy of Rupert; Tonya Ward of Elba; and Jerry Ashby of Renton, Wash.

Babies were born to Ruben and Michelle Tripp and to Anna Ortega, all of Burley; and Steven and Tonya Ward of Elba.

MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Heather Jarvis and baby boy of Burley. Released: Edgar Rodriguez of Burley.

BIRTHS A son was born to Jamal and Heather Jarvis of Burley.

Released Howard Brown, William Schaefer and Anna Ortega, all of Burley; Florencio Artega of Rupert; Norma Durrant of Hoyburn; and Pauline Paulson of Rockland.

BIRTHS

OBITUARIES

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TWIN FALLS



Helen M. Fox

Helen Mildred Anderson Fox, 92, of Glendale, Calif., and former Twin Falls resident, died Thursday, Sept. 17, 1998, in Glendale, Calif. She was born April 22, 1906, in Edon, Minn., the daughter of Hans Marinex and Milla Helen Anderson. Helen was raised in Juanita, N.D. She attended State Teachers College in Valley City, N.D., during her marriage to Joseph J. Fox in 1934. She taught school in North Dakota, in 1946, she moved to Twin Falls with her family after spending the World War II years in Oregon and Washington. Joe Fox was a printer with The Times-News from 1946 to 1969. Mrs. Fox taught fifth and sixth grades at Lincoln School in Twin Falls from 1954 to 1970, when she was given a commendation by Gov. Don Samuelsen for her 16 years of service to the schools. In 1957, she received her Bachelor's degree from Idaho State College in Pocatello. Earlier, Helen Fox worked for Blue Cross. She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star, the Twin Falls Business and Professional Women's Club and a president of the Magic Valley Home Club. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. Surviving are two daughters, Sharie Fox Schmeidler of Bernardsville, N.J., and Mary Jo Fox Poltze of North Pasadena, Calif.; six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and three sisters. Burial will be in the First Presbyterian Church.

FILER

Eldor (AJ) Orville Ulrich

Filor, (AJ) Orville Ulrich, 75, of Flor, entered into eternal life on Friday, Sept. 18, 1998, at his home. He was born Nov. 21, 1921, at home in Idaho, the son of Edmund and Mary Baucker. He was raised on the Clover Luthern Church. In 1938, he joined the Navy. He served in the Pacific during World War II and was a radio man on the USS AYLWIN DD355 on Dec. 7, 1941, in Pearl Harbor. Eldor was a member of the Great Harbor Survivors and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. On Jan. 12, 1946, he married Julia Ferguson in Yuma, Ariz. He worked for the Mica for the Fisher Body Plant. They later moved to Malta, Idaho, to help his father raise bees and later went into farming. He retired from United Parcel Frozen Foods in 1987. He was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Fisher and enjoyed hunting, fishing and boating.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Julia of Flor; four children and son-in-law, Anita (Kath) Birchack of Salina, Kan.; Ruth (Ann) Dorman of Post Falls, Idaho; Melba (Loretta) Hikal of Jerome; Paula (Charles) Row of Boise and Karen (Greg) Houston of Twin Falls; one son and daughter-in-law, Paul (Diane) Ulrich of Pasco, Wash.; 16 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; five brothers, Wilbur, Milton, Roland, Raymond and Marvin; and two sisters, Loretta and Enola. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Alfred; one granddaughter, Vera Dorman; and one great-grandchild, Nancy Dorman.

A service for Eldor will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1998, at Peace Lutheran Church in Flor with Pastor Gary L. Sells officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1998, at White Mercury. The family suggests memorials be given to the Luthern Hour Radio program or to the Magic Valley Foundation, 1410 Vista Ave., Boise, ID 83705, or to the donor's choice.

GOODING

Kenneth J. Lee

Kenneth James "Jim" Lee, 51, died peacefully at home Thursday, Sept. 17, 1998. He was a beloved husband, father and grandfather. Jim was born Nov. 10, 1946, in Yerington, Nev., to Harry and Alice Lee. Jim moved to Idaho in 1971, where he was known as an avid outdoorsman, devoted family man, and a respected and respected member of the community. He is survived by his wife, Dawn; his son, Ken; his daughter, Alicia; and his husband, his brother, Bill and Ed Lee; his sister, Francis

JEROME

Roger LaCombe

Roger "Pork" LaCombe, 54, of Wendover, Nev., and formerly of Jerome, died Friday, Sept. 18, 1998, at Wendover following a long illness. Roger was born May 31, 1944, at Wendover, Nev., the son of Wendell and Phyllis and Barbara Hinton LaCombe and was the fourth of nine children. Pork was raised and educated in Jerome. He enjoyed bull riding, horses, spending time with his family and grandchildren, camping, fishing and hunting. On Oct. 2, 1966, he married Irene Rebecca Trujillo at Jerome. He worked for Tupperware for some time, drove truck and after moving to Wendover, worked for Silver Smith Casino. He was a member of the West Wendover City Council and was the police department liaison. He was also a volunteer fireman in search and rescue. He helped in getting a Little League field built and this was recently dedicated to him. Pork devoted his life to his grandchildren and helping the kids of Wendover.

Pork will be greatly missed by all who knew him, but most of all by his family. Survivors include his wife, Irene of Wendover; his children, Roger "Buddy" LaCombe, Gabriel and Christian LaCombe, Dwayne and Marlene Bru LaCombe, Phillip LaCombe and Becky LaCombe, all of West Wendover; Teresa and Bernard Williams of Magrath, Okla.; and Glade "Bono" LaCombe, Elko. Also surviving are two brothers, Phil (Elaine) LaCombe and Robert "Coke" (Gina) LaCombe; five sisters, Alice (Dale) Vinson, Frances Litch, Jewel Stone, Barbara (Brian) Barry and Kathy (Jo) Montiel; 10 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Byron; and two nephews, Troy and Tiston LaCombe.

The funeral will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1998, at the West Wendover LDS Church with a viewing one hour before the service. A graveside service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, at the Jerome Cemetery under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Friends may gather at the cemetery shortly before a service time.

Close call on charter shakes BYU team

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Brigham Young's football team was shaken up, but nobody was hurt when their charter plane was forced to make an evasive dive to dodge a military jet near Boise.

"I know how close cars can be, but this is the closest I've ever seen two airplanes," said BYU defensive tackle Daren Yancey.

The pilot of the WinAir 727 told the team a cockpit radar alarm alerted him to dive 500 feet to dodge an A-10 Warthog as the plane was preparing to land for refueling in Boise on Friday. All the players were wearing seatbelts.

Offensive lineman Matt Johnson, who was sitting by a portside window next to Yancey, said the military plane turned and headed toward BYU's charter.

"You could see the shadow of the jet on the wing as it also turned and peeled off," said junior linebacker Rob Morris. The plane was late leaving Salt Lake City because it exceeded weight limits. Fuel was removed before the charter was allowed to make an unscheduled stop in Boise for additional fuel before heading to Seattle.

The additional stop meant the charter had to travel near the Mountain Home Air Force Base and the Boise National Guard's Gowen Field.

"Mountain Home command post officials said Friday there are no A-10 Warthogs at the base, but that the planes are flown by the National Guard. "By the time this hits the paper, it will be a full-fledged dogfight in the skies," said BYU athletic director Rondo Fehlberg. "It was no big deal," said coach LaVell Edwards.

"As fans, we're going to hear stories of how we could see the whites of the pilot's eyes and how many stripes he had on his flight suit," said team physician Keith Edwards. "But when we took the dive, I looked down and we were already close to the ground. We were so close, I could see cow biscuits in a field."

Batt supports inspection of Canadian trucks

BOISE (AP) — Canada closely inspects American commodities coming into that country, says Gov. Phil Batt, who announced he will examine stepped-up efforts to check Canadian trucks arriving in the Panhandle.

All trucks bearing Canadian grain and livestock may be fully inspected.

"We in Idaho are faced with a complex issue," he said. "On one hand, our commodities are subject to extensive Canadian quarantine import restrictions, while on the other hand, Canadian commodities are allowed to freely enter the United States by the federal government. Batt has requested the Idaho departments of Agriculture, Transportation and Law Enforcement to look into a process to monitor the state's trade corridors to ensure the truck meets state food safety, highway safety, weight, licensing, plant and animal health, ownership and North American Free Trade Equipment Act requirements necessary to bring in products."

"We will utilize the full authority of Idaho law to inspect trucks crossing the Canadian border into Idaho," Batt said.

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# Lilacs

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couldn't speak at all, which was all right. They didn't die.

She died on the longest day of 1968 and was buried in the Robin cemetery.

For the next 30 years, one or two blossoms always floated in a juice glass that sat on Harlan's kitchen table. Lilacs in the spring, plastic flowers in the winter — until the day he died.

After the funeral one sitting afternoon last July, Mr. Cheevers' children and grandchildren resided to the old frame farmhouse to begin writing the mysteries of life to the power of two.

There they found the lilacs, which cannot survive the summer solstice, blooming still.

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# Officials to stop salmon fishing on Columbia River next week

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Citing negative impacts on protected Snake River wild chinook, state fishery managers will close the sport salmon fishing season on the Columbia River beginning Monday.

The decision, announced Friday, was based on sport and tribal commercial catch data and run size information, officials said.

To keep with our conservation mandate, we agreed with Washington that the fishery needed to close at the end of the day Sunday," said Don McKee of

the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Tribal fishing, permitted under an 1865 treaty, will continue through Sept. 26. Sport steelhead fishing in the Columbia and tributaries will also continue, as will salmon fishing in the tributaries, officials said.

The White Salmon and Klickitat rivers and Deschutes will also remain open.

The closure affects the main stem Columbia from the mouth to the Oregon-Washington border above McNary Dam.

# HISTORIC MAIL RUN



Robert Wonderscheck of Carlie, Wyo., pulls the Overland Stage Coach up to the Wyoming Transportation Museum Saturday in Cheyenne, Wyo., prior to taking on mail and beginning the six-day journey to Deadwood, S.D. The trip will trace the original Cheyenne to Deadwood stage trail used in the 1860s-1880s.

# Creek

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rural residential development, which allows folks to move onto a well parcel of rural land and raise a few head of livestock, Howard said.

When they irrigate their pastures, the water can carry off manure from their animals.

"I'm going to end up someplace I wouldn't want it," Howard said. "When state officials investigated the problem this summer, they found at least 10 small pastures — each with three to 10 head of livestock, mostly cattle. Irrigation water probably washed the animal manure from pastures into the creek."

Livestock on smaller parcels of hill from a drainage south of Five Lakes Boulevard South probably contributed to high fecal levels, he said. Testing shows fecal coliform at 15,000 parts per 100 milliliters. Cattle make up most of the livestock on the land, along with horses and some sheep.

A brief study conducted this week showed that a few animals on a small pasture can produce concentrations of fecal bacteria similar to those found in tribu-

tries to Rock Creek earlier this summer, said Mike McManis of DEQ's Twin Falls office.

The best tool is educating the public, Howard said.

## Cleanup plans

In 1981, state and federal agencies embarked on a 10-year, multi-million dollar project to improve the water quality of Rock Creek. Educating and encouraging property owners to reduce the amount of pollutants going into the creek was a fundamental goal.

Sediment pollution dropped by 75 percent, but officials now say solving the creek's water quality problems hasn't been as successful.

In 1995, U.S. District Judge William Dwyer said the state was moving at an unreasonably slow pace in complying with provisions of the Clean Water Act. Dwyer's ruling stemmed from a lawsuit filed by the Idaho Conservation League.

Officials eventually agreed to an eight-year schedule to assess and design cleanup priorities for 962 Idaho stream segments. The list was later pared to 728

segments, but Rock Creek — from the head of the South Hills to the Snake River — is listed among those streams.

Rock Creek has some turbidities just below the dam. Other problems include sediment, ammonia, nutrients, oil, and flow alterations, said Scott Bensen of DCL.

Under Dwyer's decision, the state is required to develop cleanup plans that limit the total discharge of pollutants; such plans are known as "total maximum daily loads." The plans also include recommended practices to reduce pollutants from fields and pastures.

The heart of the problem, Bensen said, is that complying with water quality standards is voluntary for agriculture. Under state law, the IDEQ can't take any enforcement action against such "point sources."

IDEQ officials can identify sources and ask the landowners to institute "best management practices," which are designed to minimize pollution. Beyond that, officials can file charges, but they would have to show an imminent threat to public health and safety, McManis said.

Enforcement would require a change in state law.

## Other sources

Small rural acreages aren't the only source of contamination. Discharge from dairies and feedlots also could be contributing, McManis said.

Around July 17, an inspector for the state Department of Agriculture noticed irrigation water running from a dairy south-west of Twin Falls into a ditch that drains into Deadwood Gulch.

When he stopped to test the water for contamination, the inspector was run off by the dairy's owner, said Missy Paten, chief of the state's dairy bureau.

Paten's office treated the incident as an illegal discharge, so the dairy was cited and its permit to sell milk was revoked.

A few hours after he ran the inspector off, the dairyman agreed to an inspection. When the inspector returned, there was no evidence of a problem, Paten said.

State officials found no direct evidence that the dairy had discharged waste water, Paten said, "but we are watching that one very close."

# The Minidoka County Fairboard

would like to thank all of the individuals, businesses, and organizations who helped to make our 50<sup>th</sup> Fair & Rodeo a memorable event.

Your support and participation were greatly appreciated.

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# Taxes

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trial with multiple defendants, so the county has to pay the private lawyers in such cases.

With so many murder cases on the docket in Twin Falls, county commissioners expect to pay \$1 million over the next two years to cover such legal expenses, a significant amount for a county whose annual operating budget is \$19 million.

"We have a homicide line item on our budget," said Commissioner Carls Reed. But "there were a number of us could have foreseen that we would have had this large number of murders."

Authorities have struggled to figure out what is happening. "Our growth is not that great, 1 or 2 percent," Hempleman said. "We think in each case it has something to do with drugs — a bad deal or the aftermath of something they were doing."

The last crime spurt in Twin Falls — it really has only one fall since the other one was damped up years ago for hydroelectric power — was in the summer of 1974. That's when a torrent of

Ellis' Angels stumbled into town to watch Essel Knevel's unsuccessful canyon jump.

"That was the last big thing to hit Twin Falls," said Judy Elser, a bookkeeper with the local chamber of commerce. Her spouse of the child that the recent crime wave has brought.

"Here we were this little farming community," Elser said. "Now you can't even easily walk with-out carrying pepper spray."

Many residents also feel hit hard by a slump in the local farm economy, including poor weather conditions that make it tough for barley growers to sell to Cores, a major customer around here, said Elser, whose husband has farmed for five decades.

So she and Hempleman think the personnel will go down faster than a hot potato salad of grain. "I suspect it will be no exceptional one," Hempleman said, because of water abundance to pay private electric attorneys. "I want no prosecution, but not at those prices."

Just as many respondents, about 4 in 10, said they would support overriding a cap on 3 percent property tax cap as they would not, to pay the defendants' legal bills. The rest were undecided.

The attorney for a defendant in one case said he saw the survey results as evidence that "Twin Falls is a pretty law-and-order type of place."

"They'll pay for their police and prosecution," said Rob Epstein, a Boise attorney who is representing Junior Delacruz, who is accused with two others in the murder of a 19-year-old and the young man's female acquaintance. "To achieve justice, you have to pay for both sides of it."

Twin Falls County Prosecuting Attorney Grant Loebis is convinced that the survey results will prove to be misleading and the hike won't pass.

"People in Idaho, and particularly Twin Falls, are not very excited about raising their property taxes," he said. "And they're even less excited about raising their property taxes to pay defense attorneys."

Without state help, County Commissioner Marvin Hempleman isn't sure where the money would come from. But he and other commissioners are hoping that, by placing the measure on the November ballot, they will prove to legislators that they have done everything to raise the money elsewhere.

The most recent murder occurred on July 30, when a 14-year-old boy allegedly killed a man in a drive-by shooting. The county crime rate has jumped 30 percent in each of the last two years; by comparison,

Rock Creek earlier this summer, said Mike McManis of DEQ's Twin Falls office.

The best tool is educating the public, Howard said.

In 1981, state and federal agencies embarked on a 10-year, multi-million dollar project to improve the water quality of Rock Creek. Educating and encouraging property owners to reduce the amount of pollutants going into the creek was a fundamental goal.

Sediment pollution dropped by 75 percent, but officials now say solving the creek's water quality problems hasn't been as successful.

In 1995, U.S. District Judge William Dwyer said the state was moving at an unreasonably slow pace in complying with provisions of the Clean Water Act. Dwyer's ruling stemmed from a lawsuit filed by the Idaho Conservation League.

Officials eventually agreed to an eight-year schedule to assess and design cleanup priorities for 962 Idaho stream segments. The list was later pared to 728

segments, but Rock Creek — from the head of the South Hills to the Snake River — is listed among those streams.

Rock Creek has some turbidities just below the dam. Other problems include sediment, ammonia, nutrients, oil, and flow alterations, said Scott Bensen of DCL.

Under Dwyer's decision, the state is required to develop cleanup plans that limit the total discharge of pollutants; such plans are known as "total maximum daily loads." The plans also include recommended practices to reduce pollutants from fields and pastures.

The heart of the problem, Bensen said, is that complying with water quality standards is voluntary for agriculture. Under state law, the IDEQ can't take any enforcement action against such "point sources."

IDEQ officials can identify sources and ask the landowners to institute "best management practices," which are designed to minimize pollution. Beyond that, officials can file charges, but they would have to show an imminent threat to public health and safety, McManis said.

Enforcement would require a change in state law.

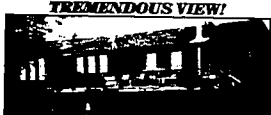
Small rural acreages aren't the only source of contamination. Discharge from dairies and feedlots also could be contributing, McManis said.

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TIME MACHINE

Fair dealer's exotic birds under quarantine

The Birdwatchers

At least 20 birds from an exotic pet dealer are under quarantine after health officials discovered some were infected with the West Nile virus, a disease which is potentially fatal in humans.

An insect team of the Idaho Department of Health Services, based in Boise, discovered the birds were infected by about 80 percent of all birds, said Paul Stoenig, environmental health specialist with the Spaulding Health District.

Western Idaho have been diagnosed with the illness, although one case was identified recently in southern Idaho, said Steve W. Wilson, a Pocatello Health District environmental health specialist.

The birds were sold at last month's event by Mike Matson, owner of Jungle Exotics in Sigona, Idaho, who has sold such pets for 25 years, said the team. No evidence the birds were

sickened by pesticides. "They just want to scare everybody in Idaho," said Matson, who said he sold four birds at the fair. "We are completely, 100 percent cooperative in this matter. But we know 100 percent that the birds don't have a disease." "If the birds come back positive, we will gladly exchange the birds at no cost. I'm not running from anybody." In the meantime, about 20 of his birds will remain quarantined until Oct. 25, receiving preventative antibiotics in their food.



Margaret Meehan waits as her husband, Pat, turns the crank to start the engine of their 1915 Model T Ford Spangler before leaving the Cowitt County Historical Museum Friday in Kelso, Wash. The Meehans, of Victoria, British Columbia, are traveling with other members of the Canadian-American Model T Car Club. They have taken an annual trip each year for the past 20 years. They stopped in Kelso to see a Model T Ford pickup on display.

Winds spread blaze south of Provo

WEST MOUNTAIN, Utah (AP) — Fire crews spent Friday night and Saturday fighting an erratic 1,000-acre fire, that was fanned by high winds and threatened several homes.

Utah County Sheriff's Lt. Ron Fernstedt said the fire began at 6 p.m. It had burned just 100 acres when the first units arrived, but high winds quickly pushed the brush, blackening 1,000 acres by Friday night.

The cause of the fire is under investigation, Fernstedt said.

Several homes were threatened and one family was evacuated, but fire fighters were able to save the homes.

Loyal Clark, spokesman for Uinta National Forest, said about 100 fire fighters and two air tankers and helicopters were fighting the blaze Saturday.

She said the blaze had moved to the south, away from homes on West Mountain, and winds had died down Saturday, but there was still no estimated time for containment.

The fire was burning in grass, sage and piñon juniper. She said the south end of the fire, where the blaze was the strongest, was thick with juniper.

Three 20-man crews from Idaho were expected to arrive Saturday to relieve fire fighters who fought the blaze all night

Friday. One fire fighter suffered a minor injury when a cylinder landed in his eye. He was taken to the hospital, but was not seriously hurt. Clark said the fire is not the worst in the area this year, but is significant because of the danger to people and homes.

Utah County Sheriff's deputies blocked off roads leading toward West Mountain to keep firefighters away.

Band

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read, an old answering machine system and a cosmetic mirror from her "primping" years.

She laid out her items on a quilt her grandmother made and huddled in a sleeping bag on a lawn chair as people walked around.

Several people offered to buy the quilt or sleeping bag, but Hampton declined.

Hampton didn't mind the chilly air as long as she was making money.

"It's worth it if we get to go to Disneyland," said Hampton, who never has been there before. "My mom helped put this all together for me, because she wants to go to Disneyland as a chaperone."

Steve Floyd, Burley High band director, said even if the students make enough money they aren't guaranteed to go. The band must send in an audition tape and prove it's good enough to perform.

"Disneyland is about being very well done. You never see things go wrong," Floyd said. "You can't do a half job. Part of the process is preparing."

The band last made a trip to Disneyland in 1995, and Floyd said the process of practicing and auditioning will be the biggest learning experience for the students.

The reward would be performing in Disneyland, in front of 60,000 people.

"You don't get that around here," Floyd said.

Down the street Saturday, the Little Flower Catholic Church held its own yard sale.

Parishioners donated used

items and served lunch to those who stopped by to shop, said Clara Linzy, a church member and organizer for the event.

The church hoped to raise \$600 with the sale, she said, but "we just take what we can get."

The biggest benefactor of these sales is the customer, of course.

Miguel Magana of Almo, who has a newborn daughter, purchased a crib for only a few dollars at the Burley band's sale.

"We like garage sales because we can buy a lot of good things here," Magana said. "There are always good deals."



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TWIN FALLS - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included:

Drunk-driving sentences
Elder Ruiz-Carmona, 20, 421 N. Cherry, Shoshone, driving under the influence (DUI) pleaded guilty to driving privileges suspended for 365 days; \$100 fine with 375 suspended; \$750 court costs, attend court at local school; Magistrate Judge Michael Rodman.

Misdemeanor sentences

Steve Wayne Caldwell, 33, 451 Third Ave. W., Twin Falls, aggravated assault; sentenced 180 days in jail with 750 suspended; cost \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; cost \$200 probation; 12 months' probation; 300 fine for probation; present 26-month domestic violence program; no contact with victim; Magistrate Judge Michael Rodman.

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Misdemeanor dismissals

Twin Falls County
Terry F. Lyday, 24, 1525 S. 600 W., Oakley, misdemeanor; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Michael Rodman.
John Kenneth Engstrom, 19, 1389 W. 2nd St., Twin Falls, DUI; driving under the influence and Court 2, driving while intoxicated; Magistrate Judge Michael Rodman; Magistrate Judge Michael Rodman.

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Felony dismissals

State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare vs. Christian Thomas Swenson, Seeking declaration of parentage, both children born to Swenson; 5275 attorney's fees and costs.
State of Idaho, Child Support Services vs. Bobby Gomez Johnson, Seeking declaration of parentage; 5275 attorney's fees and costs.

Juvenile arrangements

Nicole A. Babby, 14, 141 3rd Ave. N., Twin Falls, battery; public defender appointed; 1000 monthly support; 1000 attorney's fees and costs.

Child support cases

State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare vs. David E. Edmund, Seeking 1500 monthly support plus 6 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; 5302 attorney's fees and costs.
State of Idaho, Child Support Services vs. Cory Aldham, Seeking declaration of parentage; 5347 monthly support; provide medical insurance; 5275 attorney's fees and costs.

Other filings

Dan Reed vs. Fund A Magic Valley Bank, a Delaware corporation, defendant, to bring Plaintiff's claim for breach of contract to court.
Sally Hall, and John Dery I through V, Seeking the court order defendant to bring the expense machine over to plaintiff, damage in an amount to the plaintiff of 200, attorney's fees and costs to be paid by the defendant; 2000 monthly support; 2000 attorney's fees and costs.

the case, resulting in various oral permanent orders. Plaintiff demands jury trial.

Divorces

Heidi Joy Vialle vs. David Mini Vialle
Michael McArthur vs. Darryl H. McArthur
Kerney L. Vance vs. James L. Vance
Pamela R. Hayslip vs. Robert M. Hayslip
Donald Gene Lerner vs. N. Barry Jo. Janssen

Legal separation

Frankie Earl Doohe vs. Alan Reed

Divorce

Arrangements and appearances
Margaret Alana, L. 1501 North Ave. 1, Twin Falls, seeking in marriage; full-time care of children; preliminary hearing; public defender appointed; 5100 attorney's fees and costs.
Armando Keta Arambula, 48, 221 Riverside St., Twin Falls, two counts of driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated; preliminary hearing; public defender appointed; 5100 attorney's fees and costs.

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# Car-sharing project offers savings, time and environmental benefits

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Arjuna Veeravagu's red mountain bike can take him to his classes at a naturapathic college, but for shopping, hauling his drum set or picking up someone at the airport, he needs a car.

With a quick phone call to his car-sharing service, the 25-year-old student can get one for a few hours.

The car is just a three-minute bike ride away — and as a member of the service Veeravagu has his own key that puts him behind the wheel of a tidy white Dodge Neon.

"Tonight, I have a cousin in town at the airport for a few hours," Veeravagu said. "Any time I need to go farther than I can bicycle, that's my main method of transportation."

Car sharing has drawn a huge following in Europe over the past decade, but it's still a relatively new concept in the United States, where the very idea of a communal car flies in the face of the cherished American notion — you are what you drive.

Still, with a few fledgling programs — mostly in the Northwest — car sharing is starting to catch on for short-term errands where mass transit is inconvenient and daylong car rental too costly.

"This offers an alternative to everyday transportation, for those occasions when a car is most appropriate," said Russell Martin, general manager of CarSharing Portland, which has six cars and a truck in its fleet.

While borrowing cars reduces traffic congestion and is good for the environment, those who are joining up say the real attraction is the bottom line.



Arjuna Veeravagu, a naturapathic medicine student who usually rides a mountain bike, stands ready in Portland, Ore., this past June to use a car he shares with other people for a hour for and on a pay-as-you-go basis. Veeravagu is one of about 40 people using the car-sharing service.

"I'm saving an incredible amount of money," said CarSharing member Dave Moser, a 28-year-old mechanical engineer who picks up his drawings and gear five times a month for a tour of areas building sites.

At 30 cents a mile, plus \$1.50 an hour, Moser figures it ends up costing about \$12 every time he uses the car — far less than the \$30 daily rate for a rental car.

Since Moser is reimbursed for mileage by his employer, his personal cost drops to practically nothing.

# Report tells why INEEL contract was reopened

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A U.S. Department of Energy report indicates a lack of support from corporate headquarters played a role in the Department of Energy's decision to rebid a contract to run the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

The Department of Energy announced Wednesday that other companies would be allowed to bid on managing the lab, which is currently being run by Lockheed Martin Idaho Technologies Co.

Support for the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory at Lockheed Martin Corp. headquarters in Bethesda, Md., has been "consistently poor and at times improper," according to the report that outlines why the Department of Energy decided to let other companies bid for the multimillion-dollar contract to run the site.

The report, signed by Department of Energy-Idaho manager John Wilczynski, said the company's overall performance was acceptable but not excellent.

It also said Lockheed Martin Idaho, which has held the contract since 1994, had not put in place effective environmental and safety programs across the site.

It mentions three major accidents, two fatalities and \$2 million in fines for missing cleanup deadlines, hazardous waste violations and accidents where workers were exposed to radioactive material.

However, it said Lockheed Martin Idaho had done a good job in integrating the five original contracts at the lab, lowering costs and softening the economic blow to Idaho Falls from layoffs.

It also said the department had generally been satisfied with

the environmental cleanup programs.

The report said Lockheed Martin Idaho "has not been fully successful in rallying around the overall agenda for change."

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# Police arrest suspect in rape, kidnapping case

BOISE (AP) — A 45-year-old transient suspected of kidnapping and raping a Nampa girl has been arrested and faces an arraignment hearing Monday in Canyon County.

Boise Police Department officers arrested Stephen Floyd Ulrich Friday after a resident reported seeing him near Warm Springs Golf Club.

He has a criminal background that includes pending rape and kidnapping charges in Salt Lake County, said Alan Creech, Nampa police Department's assistant chief of police.

"We consider him extremely dangerous," he said. Wednesday, the 12-year-old victim met Ulrich, whom she did not know, at about 8:30 p.m. near a Nampa park. Police said he kidnapped her and held her until about 4 p.m. Thursday. During that time, he allegedly assaulted and raped her.

The victim escaped while Ulrich's attention was diverted and ran to a home, where an adult contacted her parents and police.

The girl was treated for bruises, scrapes and abrasions at Mercy Medical Center. She is now recovering at home.

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—See the IFC A-43 page.

#### IN BRIEF

##### Signups are open for NW Ladies Amateur

**TWIN FALLS**—Signups for women's weekly Magic Valley Ladies Amateur at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course are still underway.

The two-day event is scheduled for Sept. 24-25 with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Sign-up will be from 8:30 a.m. to noon on the 18th hole. The clubhouse will be open for lunch on Friday. The entry also includes all green fees. Course available for \$20 including.

There will be a special green cart for the club house at 2283-2626. Send entries to: Miami you Mike, 2283-2626, P.O. Box 1000, Twin Falls, Idaho, 83436-1000.

##### CSI will host golf tourney to benefit athletes

**TWIN FALLS**—The College of Southern Idaho is the only college in the state that will host a 36-hole golf tournament on Oct. 3 with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start at the Magic Valley Golf Course. The field is limited to 32 players. Green fee is \$20 per five-person team and includes club fees and lunch. There will be a golf club drawing contest as well as a putting contest.

Following play, there will be an auction with items such as a shotgun, apparel, golf clubs and golf shoes. Donations will be accepted for the CSI Athletic Department.

For more information or to register, call 228-2626, Ext. 251.

##### Saltwater tournament on tap in Colliad

**CALDWELL**—The Special Salt Triple Down Fall Saltwater Tournament is set for Sept. 26-27, both days from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The two-day, double-tournament tackle tournament will be held in Colliad, Idaho. The tournament is for all ages. For more information, call Triple Down at (800) 204-2286.

##### Winograd Groves announces additions

**CLEGGED HERRY**—Winograd Groves Golf Course is adding a new hole to the 18-hole course. The new hole will be 45 yards. The hole will be added back to add an extra 15 yards, and the new fairway and green will be 150 yards. The hole will be added to the back of the course, and the new 45-yard hole will be added to the back of the course.

##### Make Stockdale sign

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# Golden Eagles improve to 22-0

**SALT LAKE CITY**—The College of Southern Idaho improved its mark to 22-0 with a three-game sweep of Salt Lake Community College Saturday, 15-0, 15-7, 15-9.

The victory, along with Friday's win over Utah Valley, improved CSI's conference record to 5-0 and gave the Golden Eagles a leg up on the scenic West Athletic Conference regular season title and the rights to host the regional tourney.

“The two wins were huge in terms of hosting,” said CSI coach Ben Stroud. “I don't see Ricks coming down here and sweeping.”

Stroud said the Golden Eagles suffered a bit of a letdown against SLCC.

“I think we were fired up after yesterday's win and maybe we didn't have any fear of SLCC,” Stroud said. “We weren't ready to play mentally and some of that could be my fault. We played good enough to get by which is alright, I guess.”



Stroud was happy to have Roberto Robert back in the lineup after the freshman from Brazil missed last weekend's action due to an illness.

Robert had 12 kills against SLCC, but Stroud was disappointed with the team's overall performance against the Bruins as the Golden Eagles had 21 errors to their 44 kills.

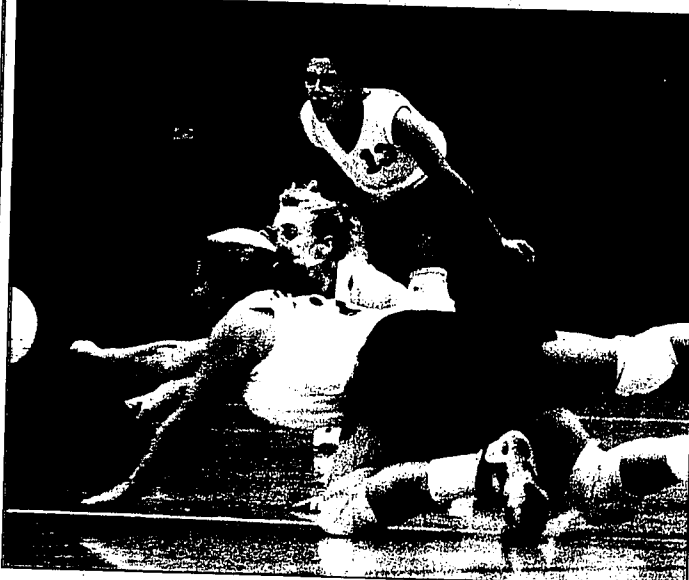
Stroud said SLCC attacked the Golden Eagles from the outside, as he

expected, in the first two games, but switched things up in the third game by coming at the Golden Eagles from the middle.

“I wasn't happy with our blocking,” Stroud explained. “We weren't getting our hands over the net and we weren't setting the block in the right place.”

The Golden Eagles stay on the road this weekend, heading to Phoenix on Thursday to participate in the three-day Valley of the Sun Tournament.

## ALL-OUT EFFORT



Brigman's Blaine Burley pulls encouragement to two teammates as they try to dig a ball against Burley on Saturday. Burley pulled out a clean victory in the third game of the match, winning 17-15.

# Bruins outlast Weiser

## Midfielder breaks tie for soccer win

By Jeff Rosen  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS**— Sometimes, one is plenty—especially on a high school soccer field.

Just ask Twin Falls midfielder Emily Schmid. Her team locked in a scoreless stalemate with visiting Weiser late in the 77th minute, but the Bruins junior midfielder from midfield, shuffled in Elicanor Jones, caught a return pass and sent a line drive screaming into the back of the Wolverines' net.

Her shot gave the Bruins a 1-0 win. “That was a perfect give-and-go,” Twin Falls assistant coach Paul Morgan said. “Emily is a clean shooter.”

Both teams showed ample fight in the field on one, but a swarm of Bruins couldn't pull it down on goal. Head coach Steve Schmid lamented at halftime that Weiser was enjoying its way with his team's goal kicks.

Jones, a junior, collected the score off the day in the 30th minute, jumping from goal to deny a wicked Weiser shot from 20 yards out. Eyes trained on the ball as it rose in the second then died mid-air, she caught it as it scurried toward her in a devilish malign.

The Bruins mounted several scoring drives late in the period, but full-back coach Debbie Dodds booted a half-eye corner kick to the middle of the field on one, but a swarm of Bruins couldn't pull it down on goal.

Head coach Steve Schmid lamented at halftime that Weiser was enjoying its way with his team's goal kicks.

“They're getting more than half of them,” he said as the team gathered on the sideline. “You need more around and give whoever's kicking a target.”

The Bruins ignited on their coach's advice, nearly doubling Weiser's share on goal in the final 45 minutes. Of the shots the visitors did manage, none flew past second-half Bruin goalie Amanda Bird.

The Twin Falls senior who played as a sophomore but skipped her junior season made one leaping save after another.

# TF rules volleyball tourney

## Squad finishes day undefeated

By Mike Ross  
Times-News writer

**JEROME**—When the day was done, the Twin Falls Bruins were the only team to finish undefeated at the Lady Tiger Volleyball tournament Saturday.

The tournament featured a different format from most. Twelve teams from all four classifications were invited and each was guaranteed four games. Each match was played with rally scoring, meaning that a point was scored on each serve. The format also allows coaches to possible more playing time and experiment with different strategies with out the pressure of a title.

“The coaches think it is great and the kids come here and have fun,” said tournament director and Jerome athletic director Skip Anzaw. “It shows the value of defense. We have a waiting list of other teams that would like to come.”

The Bruins finished the day 5-0, playing an extra match after Hagerman refused to be excused from its last match since the Pirates football team had a 4-00 kickoff.

Minico, Burley, Sugar-Salem and Skyview from Nampa finished with 3-1 records. Spring Creek, Nev. and Aberdeen finished with 2-2 records while Jerome and Kimberly ended with 1-3 marks. Elko, Nev. and Bishop Kelly of Boise went home without a win.

Hagerman played just three games and finished 1-2. The Bruins had their tough match early as A-Hagerman gave them all they could handle. Bruin sophomore Keri Coats got into the act early with a pair of blocks and a kill for the early Twin Falls advantage. Hagerman, behind the hitting of Tess Allen, rallied

to tie the game at 14-14. Lisa Levins smacked two kills as Twin Falls escaped with a 16-14 win.

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# Washington player's heroics lift Huskies over BYU, 20-10

**SEATTLE**—Little Toure Butler's speed saved the day for the Huskies on a day when quarterback Brock Huard looked ordinary.

Huard scored two touchdowns, a 98-yard kickoff return and a 35-yard fumble return, and the Huskies won their home opener 20-10 over BYU on Saturday.

“We know he's able to make a big play for us,” offensive line coach Jerry Jurgens said. “We know we can count on the football.”

Washington coach Jim Latham: “He's one of those little guys who want to play big.”

Washington (2-0) won its 13th consecutive home opener and beat the Cougars (1-2) for the fifth straight time.

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In the fourth quarter, the Huskies failed to score on four downs after getting to the BYU 2. They ended the game at the Cougars 5.

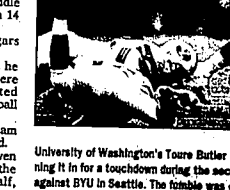
Huard, a junior who considered entering the NFL draft after his sophomore season, was 16-for-33 for 178 yards and one touchdown with two interceptions.

Today, they struggled offensively because our front seven was so physical,” said middle linebacker Rob Morris, who led BYU with 14 tackles.

Free safety Jason Walker of the Cougars didn't think much of Huard. “You can watch his eyes and then once he turns his shoulders you know exactly where he's going,” said Walker, who intercepted Huard's pass in the first quarter after the ball went off Anthony Minin.

“I strongly believe we're a lot better than the one we lost to today,” Walker added.

The Huskies led 14-0 at halftime. After Owen Pochman kicked a 23-yard field goal for the Cougars with 2:10 gone in the second half, Butler ran the ensuing kickoff back for a score.



University of Washington's Toure Butler (10) rushes for a fumble before returning it in for a touchdown during the second quarter of Saturday's game against BYU in Seattle. The fumble was committed by BYU running back Ronney Jenkins.

SPORTS

Soccer

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er, denying the Wolverines a single strike.

The Bruins came within inches of lighting the scorebook twice following the break. Dodd put the ball in play on a corner kick, but Jones just missed on a header. Twin Falls came knocking again in the 18th minute, but right wing Rachel Welch's shot off Schmidt's head flew wide.

Patterson slid to block Weiser's driving Jonna Border and set up the Bruins' payoff play 10 minutes later. Schmidt hit her at fullburners at midfield, passed off to Jones, caught Jones' kick back on the fly and penetrated for the point.

Sophomore Welch nearly duplicated her feat twice in the home team, but couldn't reach the net on either try. The Bruins rebuffed three straight corner kicks from Weiser in the final three minutes, however, to ice the victory.

"It's really come in the second (half)," coach Schmidt said. "Our defense is doing well, but our offense wasn't much better today.

The Bruins are young this year, with only eight return-

ing players, but Schmidt's squad is fast developing a knack for finding ways to win.

Saturday, running the living daylights out of the competition worked dandy. Schmidt was happy with energetic play of newcomers forwards Megan Cockrell, Lisa Ward, Juliana Pogob, and Wilback Dorothy Dixon.

"We're an inexperienced team," he said. "We have to make up for it with conditioning."

If Weiser lagged in the second half, their fatigue was understandable. Coach Jay Edwards explained that his squad had battled to an exhausting 4-0 defeat that morning at the hands of Wood River.

Then enjoyed lunch out afterwards. "Too much pasta," he quipped. "Really, we didn't have time to recuperate. But we have fun every place we go."

The win improved Twin Falls' record to 1-1 in A-2 play and 4-1-2 overall. The Bruins play Burley Tuesday at 5 p.m. on Ascension Field.

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Hagerman puts together ground game, defeats Marsing

WENDELL - The Pirates gathered 305 yards on the ground Saturday at visiting Marsing's expense, leading the Broncos to a dismal 139 yards overall to post their third win in as many tries.

Sophomore Jason Durfee punched Marsing on touchdown scampers from 53 and five yards out in the first quarter, and senior quarterback Tyson Clark connected with Taneer Esterbrook on passes of 19 and nine yards en route to the legged victory.

Hagerman coach Jason Warr alluded to the fact that after his team rolled to a 21-0 first-quarter lead, Marsing was unable to connect on 15-yard passes for a touchdown in the second.

Esterbrook and Clark paired up

for one of their touchdowns in the period, however, setting their coach's mind at ease. The Pirates padded their winning margin in the third on the duo's final collaboration.

Hagerman plays at Mackay next week. The Broncos (1-1) will be coming off a bye - they did not play this weekend.

Other games (Friday) Blackfoot 28, Burley 0

Boys' soccer

Wood River 3, Twin Falls 2

HAILLEY - Twin Falls jumped to a first-half 2-0 lead that did not last against Wood River Saturday, as the Wolverines found their groove in the second to blank off three goals thanks for an impressive home win.

The match was scoreless nearly until the half. That's when Bruin senior Greg Kester man unmoored down the field to split the net with an unassisted shot from his sweeper position. Erick Martinez added to the Twin Falls tally moments later, booting an assist from Denis Cajigas, the Wolverine keeper, just before the break.

In the second half, as Bruin assistant and junior varsity coach George Midburn said, the visitors "squared it out."

Wood River scored on goals from

junior midfielder James Corda, junior forward Graham Watanabe and sophomore Jason Southward to ice the come-from-behind victory.

Jerome, now 4-0-1 with a recent win Saturday night figured in, plays Saturday in Ketchum. The Bruins, meanwhile, even across the board at Ascension Field at 6 p.m.

Midburn indicated the best is yet to come for the Bruins, whose season under first-year head coach Trent Felton is just beginning.

Declo competes at volleyball tourney

DECLO - Declo held a volleyball tournament Saturday and took fifth out of six teams. The order of finish was Grace, West Jefferson, Fayette, Napa Christian, Declo, and Butte County.

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Volleyball

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break, they struggled in the afternoon. They slipped past Kimberly, before falling to A-2 Sugar Salem in their final match.

"I don't think we improved as the day went on and we didn't play to our potential," said Burley coach Gordon Kerbs, whose team defeat-

ed the defending state champion Highland on Thursday.

Jerome, who joined the A-1 ranks this year, captured their first victory of the season as they topped Elko in three games.

Cynthia Bell's pace paced the Tigers to a 5-1 lead in Game 1, Julie Ercson added a kill for Jerome, but Elko rallied to take the lead 11-9. The Tigers regained the lead with a kill by Sheri Bingham, but had passing errors and could not hold the lead.

Again Jerome took an early lead in Game 2, but this time they held it as Bingham, Ercson and setter Becky Thibault all recorded kills for a 15-10 win, forcing a third game.

The third game was close throughout with the teams tied at 12-12 late. This time, Jerome took

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# N.C. State falls short of victory Colorado pushes past Utah State

## Baylor barely holds on against No. 20 Wolfpack

The Associated Press

After opening the season with two amazing victories, North Carolina State nearly pulled off another one Saturday. This time, though, the Wolfpack fell just short.

Baylor's James Calvin blocked Kent Fassingham's 39-yard field goal attempt with four seconds left and the Bears held on for a 33-30 victory over the 20th-ranked Wolfpack.

"I thought we'd score a TD late and win the game," said N.C. State coach Mike O'Connell, whose team overcame a 17-point deficit in its opener to beat Ohio University 21 and shocked then-No. 2 Florida State 24-7 last week.

N.C. State trailed Baylor 26-0 at halftime

College football

completed two fourth-down passes on the final drive to get the Wolfpack in position to get overtime, but Fassingham's field goal attempt was blocked.

Barnette threw for 465 yards and three touchdowns. His favorite target was Terry Holt, who caught 11 passes for 255 yards and two scores.

In other Top 25 games, it was No. 1 Ohio State 35, No. 21 Missouri 14; No. 4 UCLA 42, Houston 24; No. 5 Kansas State 48, Texas 7; No. 7 LSU 31, Auburn 15; No. 8 Penn State 20, Pittsburgh 13; No. 9 Washington 20, BYU 10; No. 10 Virginia 20, Clemson 18; No. 11 Florida State 62, Duke 13; No. 12 Georgia 16, Wyoming 9; No. 13 Syracuse 70, Rutgers 14; No. 14 Wisconsin 52, UNLV 7; No. 15 Colorado 25, Utah State 6; No. 17 Texas A&M 24, Southern Miss 7; No. 19 West Virginia 42, Maryland 20; No. 22 Oregon 58, San Jose State 35; Oklahoma State 42, No. 25 Mississippi State 23.

Michigan, which dropped out of the Top 25 after an 0-2 start, got its first victory by routing Eastern Michigan 59-20.

In late games, it was No. 2 Florida at No. 6 Tennessee, Iowa at No. 16 Arizona, and Oregon State at No. 18 Southern California.

No. 1 Ohio St. 35,

No. 21 Missouri 14

At Columbus, Ohio, Michigan Wiley rushed for a career-best 209 yards and two TDs as Ohio State (3-0) rolled past Missouri (2-1).

First-half fumbles by quarterback Joe Germaine and wide receiver David Boston set up both Missouri touchdowns, but Ohio State rebounded from a 14-13 halftime deficit to shut down the Tigers' option directed by Corby Jones.

No. 4 UCLA 42, Houston 24

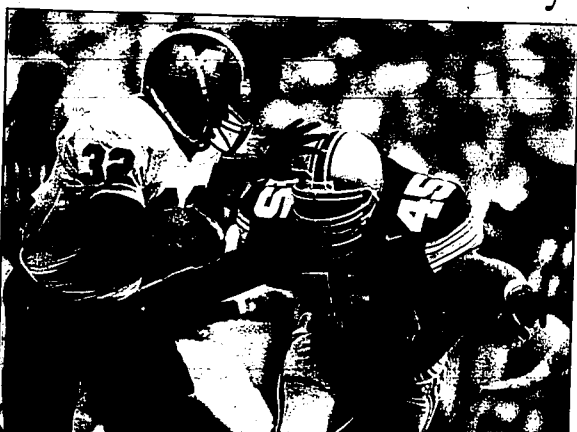
At Houston, Jermaine Lewis ran for four touchdowns and Washington State (3-0) beat UCLA to win its school-record 12th in a row.

Lewis scored on runs of 1, 8, 1 yards, while McNown completed 17 of 32 passes for 315 yards with one interception. UCLA improved to 2-0, while Houston fell to 0-3.

No. 5 Kansas St. 48,

Texas 7

At Manhattan, Kan., David



Missouri tailback Devin West (32) tries to push away Ohio State linebacker Andy Katzenmoyer during the second quarter Saturday in Columbus, Ohio.

## Regional scores

Washington St. 24, Idaho 16  
 Weber St. 6, Idaho State 3  
 Boise State 42, Portland St. 24 (4th)  
 Utah 23, Hawaii 21 (4th)  
 McNeese St. 66, S. Utah 17 (4th)  
 CS Northridge 27, N. Ariz. 10 (4th)  
 UC Davis 35, Sacramento St. 17 (4th)  
 New Mexico 14, New Mexico St. 14 (4th)  
 Arizona St. 21, North Texas 3 (3rd)  
 Redlands 7, San Diego 7 (3rd)  
 Southern Cal 17, Oregon St. 10 (4th)  
 Arizona 14, Iowa 3 (2nd)  
 Colorado 25, Utah St. 6  
 E. Oregon 28, Canisli, Mont. 7  
 Fort Hays St. 59, Colorado Mines 21  
 Lakota 20, Occidental 0  
 Lehigh 22, St. Mary's, Cal. 18  
 UNLV 22, W. Oregon 17  
 Montana 37, Cal Poly-SLO 14  
 Montana St. 41, W. Washington 12  
 N. Colorado 58, Augustana, S.D. 9  
 Oregon 58, San Jose St. 35  
 S. Oregon 58, Pacific Lutheran 21  
 Stanford 37, North Carolina 34  
 Washington 20, Brigham Young 10  
 Western St., Colo. 42, Idaho, Colo. 6  
 Whitworth 28, Montana Tech 15

Allen's 93-yard punt return keyed a 28-point second-quarter outburst and Kansas State held Ricky Williams to 43 yards.

Darnell McDonald caught 11 passes from Michael Bishop for 159 yards and two TDs as Kansas State (3-0, 1-0 Big 12) won its 11th in a row and handed the Longhorns (1-0, 2-1) their most lopsided defeat since last year's 66-3 loss to UCLA.

No. 7 LSU 31, Auburn 19

At Auburn, Ala., Herb Tyler drew a 6-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Kipps with 5:27 left and LSU capitalized on four Auburn turnovers.

With LSU leading 25-19, Chris Cummings intercepted a pass by Auburn quarterback Ben Leonard on Auburn's 46-yard line. Kevin Faulk then gained 26 yards on five carries to set up the clinching touchdown for LSU (2-0, 1-0 SEC).

No. 8 Penn St. 20,

Pittsburgh 13

At Pittsburgh, Kevin Thompson threw a 60-yard scoring pass to Charlie Fields in the third quarter to help Penn State (3-0) beat the Panthers (1-1). It was the Penn State's sixth consecutive victory in a 105-year

old series that was interrupted from 1993-96, but Pitt put up a better fight than expected.

No. 10 Virginia 20,

Clemson 18

At Charlottesville, Va., Todd Raverman kicked a 30-yard field goal with 49 seconds left to lift Virginia (3-0, 1-0 ACC) over Clemson (1-2, 0-1).

The Cavaliers beat the Tigers for the fifth time in the 1990s after losing 29 straight in the series before then.

No. 11 Florida St. 62,

Duke 13

At Tallahassee, Fla., Florida State rebounded from last week's loss to N.C. State by routing Duke.

Chris Weinke, who was intercepted six times by N.C. State, threw three TD passes and Laveranese Coles scored on a 57-yard kickoff return for Florida State (2-1, 1-1 ACC). Jeff Channey, Travis Minor and Peter Warrick each scored two touchdowns for the Seminoles.

No. 12 Georgia 16,

Wyoming 9

At Athens, Ga., Champ Bailey made a short pass into a 51-yard touchdown and made a spectacular, one-handed interception as the Bulldogs struggled to beat Wyoming.

Freshman Quincy Carter completed 18 of 25 passes for 271 yards but was responsible for two of the four turnovers by Georgia (3-0). The turnovers allowed Wyoming, an 18-point underdog, to keep it close.

No. 13 Syracuse 70,

Rutgers 14

At Syracuse, N.Y., Rob Konrad ran for three touchdowns and Donovan McNabb tied the Big East career record for TD passes as the Orangemen (2-1, 1-0) ran up the second-highest point total in their history.

McNabb's 50-yard toss to Kevin Johnson in the second quarter gave him 61 career TD passes, tying Boston College's Glenn Foley for the league record.

No. 14 Wisconsin 52,

UNLV 7

At Madison, Wis., Ron Dwyer

became Wisconsin's career rushing leader by gaining 108 yards on 13 carries.

The junior tailback broke Billy Marek's school record of 3,709 yards set 23 years ago. He played only about half the game because of a tender right ankle.

No. 17 Texas A&M 24,

Southern Miss 6

At Hattiesburg, Miss., Dante Hall scored two TDs for Texas A&M (2-1) even though he didn't start because of back spasms.

Two plays after entering the game for the first time late in the first half, Hall broke four tackles and then sidestepped one last defender on a 44-yard TD run that gave A&M a 14-0 lead.

No. 19 West Virginia 42,

Maryland 20

At Morgantown, W.Va., Marc Bulger passed for 293 yards and three touchdowns and Amos Zereoue rushed for 135 yards and two scores to lead West Virginia (1-1) over Maryland.

Zereoue, the nation's third-leading rusher last season, was playing the role of a season-opener to lead to Ohio State. He had 91 yards by halftime against Maryland (1-2) and went over 100 on his first carry of the third quarter.

No. 22 Oregon 58, San

Jose St. 3

At Eugene, Ore., Akili Smith threw three TD passes and Michael Fletcher and Rashad Bauman scored on long returns as Oregon handed San Jose State its worst loss in 30 years.

Oregon (3-0) had the ball for only 71 seconds in the first quarter, but scored three touchdowns on Fletcher's 70-yard punt return and a 55-yard pass from Smith to Jed Weaver and Bauman's 80-yard interception return.

Oklahoma St. 42,

No. 25 Mississippi St. 23

At Stillwater, Okla., Tony Lindsay ran for two touchdowns and threw for 201 yards as Oklahoma State beat Mississippi State.

The Cowboys (2-1) gained 561 yards, their most since 1988.

Arslanian was impressed by Kelly.

"Any time you have a player of his ability, his versatility, you've got a powerful weapon," he said. "He makes a wide variety of plays, and he's a big boost to their team."

Kelly returned a punt 68 yards for a touchdown, had another punt return for 38 yards, made an end zone interception, returned three kickoffs for 63 yards and downed a Colorado punt at the Utah State 1-yard line as the Buffaloes prevailed 25-6 Saturday.

"Kelly was a sensational performer today," Colorado coach Perick Neuheisel said. "He ran that punt back for a touchdown. He made a great play to save that punt from going into end zone. He had another magnificent return and an interception."

Kelly, who also made a wide deflection to prevent a third-down completion and separated the ball from another receiver with a jarring hit, said it was all in his own mind.

"I like doing punt returns," he said. "It's like freestyle. It's a lot of fun for me. On that (scoring) return, the ball was rolling and I just tried to get behind it. I got lucky and it popped up for me and I picked up a couple of good blocks."

Of his interception, he said: "I was playing the deep guy and he was well covered. I just jumped up for it and got it. Our defense played hard the whole game. It was definitely the defense's best game ever. We got our best two field goals and not much yardage."

Mike Moschetti threw two touchdown passes to Darrin Ingram to account for most of Colorado's offense in the penalty-marred game.

The Buffaloes (3-0) also overcame eight sacks of Moschetti, who was playing with torn cartilage in his right knee. Colorado finished with minus-2 yards rushing on 39 carries and 230 total yards.

"Our running game was nonexistent today, it was terrible," Neuheisel said.

Utah State (0-3) had 15 penalties for 118 yards and finished with just 141 total yards, the bulk coming on the Aggies' 17 sustained drives of the game, one of which ended on Kelly's interception.

"Too many penalties, way too many penalties," Utah State coach Dave Arslanian said. "I think we lost our pulse out there. We were atrocious from that standpoint."

## Grizzlies diversify in big win over Cal Poly-SLO

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Arslanian was impressed by Kelly.

"Any time you have a player of his ability, his versatility, you've got a powerful weapon," he said. "He makes a wide variety of plays, and he's a big boost to their team."

Kelly returned a punt 68 yards for a touchdown, had another punt return for 38 yards, made an end zone interception, returned three kickoffs for 63 yards and downed a Colorado punt at the Utah State 1-yard line as the Buffaloes prevailed 25-6 Saturday.

"Kelly was a sensational performer today," Colorado coach Perick Neuheisel said. "He ran that punt back for a touchdown. He made a great play to save that punt from going into end zone. He had another magnificent return and an interception."

Kelly, who also made a wide deflection to prevent a third-down completion and separated the ball from another receiver with a jarring hit, said it was all in his own mind.

"I like doing punt returns," he said. "It's like freestyle. It's a lot of fun for me. On that (scoring) return, the ball was rolling and I just tried to get behind it. I got lucky and it popped up for me and I picked up a couple of good blocks."

Of his interception, he said: "I was playing the deep guy and he was well covered. I just jumped up for it and got it. Our defense played hard the whole game. It was definitely the defense's best game ever. We got our best two field goals and not much yardage."

Mike Moschetti threw two touchdown passes to Darrin Ingram to account for most of Colorado's offense in the penalty-marred game.

The Buffaloes (3-0) also overcame eight sacks of Moschetti, who was playing with torn cartilage in his right knee. Colorado finished with minus-2 yards rushing on 39 carries and 230 total yards.

"Our running game was nonexistent today, it was terrible," Neuheisel said.

Utah State (0-3) had 15 penalties for 118 yards and finished with just 141 total yards, the bulk coming on the Aggies' 17 sustained drives of the game, one of which ended on Kelly's interception.

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## Battle of the Palouse goes to Washington St.

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Nian Taylor caught passes for 254 yards and three touchdowns as Washington State (3-0) beat Idaho 24-16 in the 80th Battle of the Palouse.

The back-breaker was a school record 97-yard pass from Steve Birnbaum to Taylor, who caught the ball at his 40 and threw outman Idaho cornerback Andrew Utoko to give WSU a 24-0 lead early in the third.

Taylor was the only one of the Fab Five receivers from last year's Rose Bowl team who is back this season. He had been challenged during practice last week by Coach Mike Price to step up his game after a pair of lackluster performances against Illinois and Boise State.



Idaho running back Joel Thomas, bottom, is brought down by several Washington State defenders Saturday in Pullman, Wash.

of 33 passes for 299 yards and two touchdowns, said Taylor had made some mental mistakes the first two games. "He turned it around," Birnbaum said. "Taylor's 254 yards were one short of the school record of 255 in a game set by Deron Pointer

SPORTS

# Ramirez ties home run record

## Cleveland fails to hold onto lead

CLEVELAND (AP) — Manny Ramirez hit his 44th and 45th homers, but the Cleveland bullpen failed to hold a six-run lead as the Indians snapped a 7-6 decision to the Kansas City Royals 7-6 on Saturday.

Ramirez's homers gave him a major league record of eight in five games, tying the mark reached twice by Washington's Frank Howard in 1968.

The Royals scratched out the winning run in the ninth off Paul Shuey (5-3) to snap Cleveland's streak of winning the game in the eighth inning and Jeff Montgomery worked the ninth for his 35th save.

### White Sox 5, Red Sox 2

CHICAGO — Mike Cameron hit a three-run homer as Chicago beat Boston despite getting only five hits.

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**Baltimore 3, Yankees 3**

BALTIMORE — Baltimore rookie Sidney Ponson ruined New York star David Cone's second try at his 20th victory.

Ponson (8-4) allowed six hits and 7-3 scoreless innings, striking two and striking out five. In his previous start against New York, the right-hander allowed two hits



Texas Ranger Royce Clayton, left, can't handle a bad throw as Oakland Athletic Rickey Henderson is safe at second base during the third inning in Arlington, Texas, Saturday.

over 6 2-3 shutout innings on June 16 for his first major league victory.

Cone (19-7), looking to match his career high in victories, allowed 12 hits and five runs in eight innings.

Alan Mills got the last three outs for his second save.

**Tigers 8, Twins 7, 10 Inn.**

DETROIT — Darnell Easley hit a game-winning homer for the second time in three days, a two-run shot in the 10th inning, as Detroit won its third straight.

Easley followed Tony Clark's leadoff single with his 26th

homer off Rick Aguilera (3-9).

He went 3-for-5 with two doubles, two RBIs and three runs scored.

Minnesota's Paul Molitor was 3-for-5 with a homer and three RBIs, extending his hitting streak to 16 games.

The loss extended the Twins' losing streak to 10 games.

A.J. Sager (4-1) got the win.

**Rays 7, Blue Jays 5**

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Bubba Trammell hit a pinch three-run homer during a four-inning eighth inning as Tampa Bay

beat Toronto.

The Rays remained five games behind Boston in the AL wild-card race.

Bon Van Ryn (0-1) and allowed Fred McGriff's RBI single before Trammell, hitting for Paul Sorrento, homered off Carlos Almanzar.

Albie Lopez (7-3) worked a scoreless eighth for the victory, and Roberto Hernandez got the final three outs for his 26th save.

McGriff also homered for the Devils Rays. Toronto's Jose Canseco hit his 44th homer, matching his career high.

# Cubs lose, Sosa and McGwire go homerless

CHICAGO (AP) — As Sammy Sosa stepped to the plate in the seventh inning, the numbers on a Waveland Avenue rooftop changed from "63" to "64."

Sorry, folks. No. 64 is only wishful thinking for now.

"Not every day is going to be a good day for me," Sosa said. "If I was Superman, I'd hit a home run every day. But I'm a human being."



Very human. Sosa went 0-for-4 Saturday — striking out three times and grounding into a double play to end the game — as the Cubs lost 7-2 to the Cincinnati Reds. The loss dropped the Cubs into a tie for the NL wild-card lead with the New York Mets, who beat Florida 4-3.

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Montreal Expo Miguel Batista throws against the Philadelphia Phillies in the first inning Saturday in Philadelphia.

New York held off Florida. Mark Kotz's two-run homer in the seventh had pulled the Marlins within a run and chased Masato Yoshii (6-8). Turk Wendell pitched 1-2-3 innings, and Erico worked the ninth for his 38th save.

Jesus Sanchez (7-9) took the loss.

New York's John Olerud went 3-for-3 to raise his average to .352. He has an RBI single in the second inning.

**Giants 18, Dodgers 4**

SAN FRANCISCO — Bill Mueller and Jeff Kent hit grand slams as San Francisco beat Los Angeles to move within three games of the leaders in the NL wild-card race.

McGuire's first career slam capped a seven-run inning. Kent's seventh career slam, his second of the season, completed a six-run fourth. He tied his career high set last season with his 29th homer.

Brian Johnson and Doug Mirabeli also homered for the Giants.

Raul Ortiz (3-4) allowed four runs in 11 hits in 6.13 innings for the loser.

**Phillies 4, Expos 3**

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MILWAUKEE — Mark McGwire went 0-for-4 in the St. Louis Cardinals' 7-4 win over the Milwaukee Brewers on Saturday night, striking out four times and getting hit by a pitch.

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McGwire has left the plate without making contact 31 times this season: an NL record 156 walks, 149 strikeouts and six times when he was hit by a pitch.

McGwire was plunked in the first inning by Steve Wood (10-2) in the first, right after Brian Jordan hit his 24th homer.

Fernando Tatis hit his seventh homer and pinch-hitter John Mabry had a two-run double to put the Cardinals ahead 5-4 in the fifth. Delino DeShields had a run-scoring single and Jordan had an RBI single in the sixth.

Jose Jimenez (9-0) was the winner, and Juan Acevedo got his 12th save.

**Mets 4, Marlins 3**

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# Yankee fans have difficulty enjoying the wins

NEW YORK (AP) — Even during this magnificent season, things haven't been easy for New York Yankees fans.

They worry about their beloved, historic ballpark. They get embarrassed by the Bleacher Creatures. They can't even seem to enjoy all the wins they are getting. It will stop before the World Series.

"If it was the Braves we were beating out here, the Astros, then you'd hear me yelling," said Emil Santor, a house painter from Newark, N.J., who sat quietly in the high seats as the Yankees beat the Toronto Blue Jays for their 103rd win of the season.

"Don't misunderstand, I'm here, ain't I? I love this team. But with the Yanks, you can't say it's a real good year if they don't win the Series."

It's a tough standard, but it's the burden of history. The Yankees have won 23 world championships, and if you're a fan in the Bob Costas-Billy Crystal age group you remember when it was a strange year indeed if the Yankees weren't playing in October.

"Forget it," said Bronx resident James Moran, who was standing in line for beer and cheese fries under the stands when I was a shot at the team and league records for wins in a season. There isn't a superstar on the



Henry Moran of Bayshore, N.Y., flashes four tickets he bought for the Yankees' first-round playoff series at Yankee Stadium. Although the Yankees have put together a spectacular season this year, many of the team's fans have had difficulty enjoying it.

and the run let you listen to the game. It was always the Yankees."

That feeling is almost back. The Yankees, Series champions in 1996, are in the playoffs for the fourth straight year. Despite a late-season slump, they still have a shot at the team and league records for wins in a season.

There isn't a superstar on the roster; no one is likely to hit even half as many home runs as Mark McGwire or Sammy Sosa, and the loss of Roger Maris' record just as they began Lou Gehrig's consecutive games mark when it was broken by Cal Ripken.

"Oh, McGwire can have the record for a while, I suppose," said Jason Bello of Manhattan.

"But things won't feel right until it's back in Yankee pinstripes." The home-run derby has somewhat overshadowed the Yanks in what has been a big year for baseball, but they have endeared themselves to their followers with team-first play and unselfish comments.

Bernie Williams, who might win the batting championship; Tino Martinez and Paul O'Neill, the left-handed sluggers; and Derek Jeter, the heartthrob and shortstop, all seem to be self-effacing straight arrows.

"If we lose the Series, I'm not just going to feel bad for myself, I'm going to feel bad for them," said Agostino Colon of Manhattan.

The fans have set a Yankees attendance record, which would seem to contradict the oft-stated belief of owner George Steinbrenner that they're afraid to visit the Bronx.

They have set a new stadium and has talked about moving the Bronx Bombers to Manhattan, a notion that amounts to sacrifice to many fans.

"Look around," said Steve Horowitz of Ridgewood, N.J., gesturing at the deep blue stands, the emerald field and a fiery sky celebrate Sosa's every move. "There is nothing more beautiful. Nothing in the world. Why would you want to move?"

# McGwire grows accustomed to road

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Mark McGwire has been the center of attention for so long, the home run king has grown accustomed to the feeling.

The St. Louis Cardinals are on their final trip of the season, and again he's playing in front of throngs of adoring fans who jetted to their team whenever he comes to the plate and demands a curtain call when he hits No. 64.

Friday was a typical night at the park for the St. Louis Cardinals' first baseman, as he took the home run in the first. Sammy Sosa, his rival on the Chicago Cubs, his bat looked as lively as ever with drives that just knocked foul, but it appeared as if the euphoria had suddenly left McGwire.

"At first it was very overwhelming, but I got used to it," McGwire said after his fourth-inning, two-run homer off Milwaukee rookie left-hander Rafael Roque. "At the beginning maybe I was stressing out about it; because that's not what the game is supposed to be. But I've



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learned to accept it." The Brewers are averaging about 21,000 in attendance in their first year in the National League. However, McGwire is helping in packing an ancient County Stadium, where a record 154,000 was anticipated for this weekend's three-game series.

"There are fans probably coming to watch games that haven't watched games in years, and they get to see other talented players," McGwire said. "That's one big reason why baseball is on the rise."

A large percentage of Friday night's packed home boomed Brewers catcher Bobby Hughes for snaring McGwire's foul popup in the eighth, thus depriving them of seeing another possible long ball.

"The second half on the road, there's been a lot of stuff that none of us would ever believe," McGwire or Sammy Sosa, said. "They're here to see Mac do something special."

The home team is having fun with it, just like everyone else. "It's the first time I've ever seen a game where the entire stadium is standing to watch a guy at bat when the game wasn't on the line," Brewers manager Phil Garner said. "That part was unusual, and he certainly delivered."

"The thrill hasn't worn off for those around McGwire, either. "He's putting on a great show," general manager Walt Jocketty said. "It's amazing how fast the balls get out of the park."

But McGwire doesn't want to be the whole show anymore. On Friday, he urged the media to write more about Sosa and the players who are protecting him in the lineup, Ray Lankford and Brian Jordan. Lankford hit his 30th home run Friday and has 101 RBIs.

# Sosa's summer finds lost generation

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Before Kara Roddy reached Wrigley Field for her very first baseball game, before she could first discover what can happen when the sun shines on the corner of Clark and Addison, the purpose of her trip was clear.

"Who are you going to see?" her aunt, Marilyn Kirby, asked. "Sammy" Kara said. She is 3 1/2 years old, and already she understands.

Multiply that one conversation early Friday afternoon by how many others that have been inspired by Sammy Sosa's summer. This is why someone from the Commissioner's office should sit next to the dugout to celebrate Sosa's every move.

For most of the last two decades, in its desperate pursuit of higher TV ratings and the wine-and-quirch crowd, baseball has consistently disregarded two of its most loyal groups of customers — the youngest and the oldest. The general admission seat — that is, one with a decent view — has all



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# Marino may get chance to pass

By Dave Goldberg  
The Associated Press

There's some bad news for Jimmy Johnson and his Miami Dolphins defense as they prepare to welcome the Pittsburgh Steelers.

After a meeting with Steelers coach Bill Cowher and new offensive coordinator Ray Sherman, quarterback Kordell Stewart is ready to improvise more, the way he did when Chan Gailey had Sherman's job.

"I think I'm OK," said Stewart, ranked fourth from the bottom among NFL quarterbacks after two games. "You want to go 10-for-10 on 30 yards and two or three touchdowns, but it's not always going to happen."

If Stewart reaches his numbers, it means that Miami's Dan Marino, who has passed for only 294 yards in wins over Indianapolis and Buffalo, is liable to get more work. Because if Pittsburgh scores, the Dolphins will call more often on Marino, who has thrown only 50 passes in two games, about 30 fewer than normal.

Stewart's problems adjusting to Sherman's conservative style is probably the main reason for the Steelers slow offensive start — even if they are 2-0.

"Kordell's putting a lot of pressure on himself, because he knows how much is expected of him," Sherman said. "All I want him to do is relax, because he'll be fine."

Marino's defense has capitalized so far on the inexperience of opposing quarterbacks Peyton Manning and Rob Johnson. Stewart is more mobile and comparatively more experienced. He threw 13 NFL passes compared to three for Johnson and two for Manning.

But they're all novices compared to Marino, who will be starting his 216th game and isn't ready to take a second year.

"I think we're a team that is going to the playoffs," he said. "And I believe I'm going to be one of the main reasons for that."

In other games NFL Sunday, Detroit is at Minnesota, Green Bay, at Cincinnati, Indianapolis at the New York Jets, St. Louis at Buffalo, San Diego at Kansas City, Tennessee at Carolina, England, Washington at Seattle, Chicago at Tampa Bay, Baltimore at Jacksonville, Denver at Oakland, and Philadelphia at Arizona.

Dallas is at the New York Giants Monday night. Atlanta, Carolina, New Orleans and San Francisco are off.

**Detroit (0-2) at Minnesota (2-0)**  
Are the Lions tossing in the season by replacing starter Matt Mitchell with rookie Charlie Batch at quarterback?

The way Mitchell was playing they weren't going anywhere, the way. But even Batch didn't think he'd be put into this position so early.

Think Charlie's ahead of his time," said Bobby Ross, who demoted Mitchell all the way to third string behind Frank Reich. "Frankly, that's why we're doing this."

Batch has one advantage: Barry Sanders running against a defense that allowed 31 points at St. Louis last week. Another plus for Detroit: Not only will Randall Cunningham replace Brad Johnson at quarterback, but Chris Carter could be out, giving Randy Moss his first start as a pro.

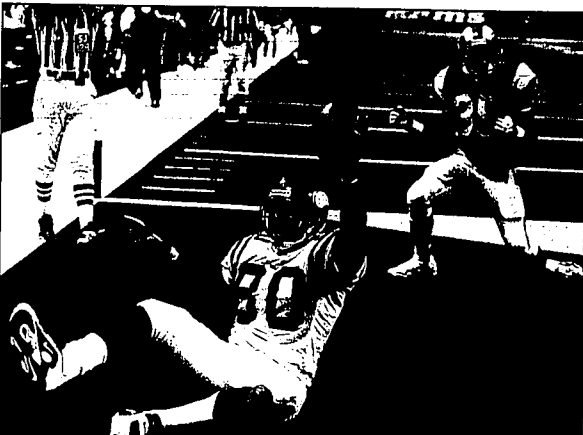
**St. Louis (1-1) at Baltimore (1-1)**  
Jeff Danish with a cut on his left arm requiring 13 stitches. They were among five rookies who had pillow cases put over their heads and were forced to run a gauntlet of veteran players.

Victims of the hazing said they were hit with a bag of colts.

The Saints had not been able to punt by the 20 to 25 players who formed the gauntlet and had not been able to fine or punish them.

Both the rookies and veterans involved have closed ranks and refused to discuss details.

Only one player, veteran linebacker Andre Royal, admitted he took part in the hazing, striking the rookie players with his elbows and shoulders as they ran through the double



Minnesota Viking Chris Carter celebrates after scoring the winning touchdown in the fourth quarter against the St. Louis Rams Sept. 13. Undefeated Minnesota will face 0-2 Detroit today.

## Dallas (1-1) at New York Giants (1-1) (Monday night)

Jason Garrett starts at quarterback for the Cowboys in place of Troy Aikman, out 4-8 weeks with a broken left shoulder. The Giants bring 13 sacks in their two games.

Not to worry, said owner Jerry Jones, back in his "coach" mode. Jones claims the Cowboys will win at least half the games Aikman misses.

The Giants have won three straight from the Cowboys, scoring 20 points in each. Their loss to the Raiders last week was their fifth in the last six games against AFC teams, but they're unbeaten in their last nine against the NFC East.

**Denver (2-0) at Oakland (1-1)**  
The first road game for the Broncos, and quarterback John Elway, who was considered doubtful during the week because of a sore hamstring, said he'll be ready to play.

The Raiders hope for a repeat of last season, when Denver's first loss came at Oakland, 28-25, as Napoleon Kaufman ran for 227 yards. Kaufman had an 89-yard TD run last week against the Giants as Jon Gruden won his first game as an NFL coach.

**San Diego (2-0) at Kansas City (1-1)**  
This is Ryan Leaf's first major test, against one of the NFL's toughest defenses in one of the NFL's loudest and most difficult venues. Leaf was hospitalized during the week with a viral infection.

Kansas City outplayed the Jaguars from scrimmage at Jacksonville last Sunday, even without Steve Bisson and with Rich Gannon at quarterback in place of Elvis Grbac. But the Chiefs couldn't get the ball into the end zone until late and the special teams gave up two big plays that beat them.

**Baltimore (1-1) at Jacksonville (2-0)**  
The Ravens are likely to be a factor in the AFC Central. Their underdog defense stopped the Jets three times in their last game, and also produced a TD on an interception return by Rod Woodson.

The Jaguars, on the other hand, will be a factor in the AFC as a whole. However, they're worried that running backs James Stewart and Fred Taylor have carried the offensive load rather than quarterback Mark Brunell and the passing game.

**Indianapolis (0-2) at New York Jets (0-2)**  
Chapter III for Peyton Manning, who has six interceptions and a fumble in his first two NFL games.



Seattle Seahawk Warren Moon (1) looks for an open receiver last week in Seattle's game against Arizona. Seattle, which is now 2-0, faces the Washington Redskins today.

## Chicago (0-2) at Tampa Bay (0-2)

Two teams with 0-2 records open the Bucs' new stadium.

The Bucs have lost at Minnesota and Green Bay, losses that would hardly be noticeable if they came, say, in Weeks 6 and 12. But their last week against the Giants, who offense ranks 25th and a lot of what they did came at the end of games that got out of hand early.

The Bears, on the other hand, were supposed to get blown away by Jacksonville and Pittsburgh and lost instead by a total of six points. Curtis Enis, their rookie running back, hasn't started yet, but has 174 yards and a 5-yard average.

**Green Bay (2-0) at Cincinnati (1-1)**  
The Bengals, who have awful stats this decade, were ecstatic to get an overtime win at Detroit in Week 2, the game that got Mitchell benched.

The Packers are tougher. Although they're without Dorsey Levens, their top running back, Raymont Harris and Travis Jaye are good enough to share the load. Reggie White demonstrated he can play as well as talk with three sacks last week, and rookie Vonnie Holliday provides pressure on the other side of the line.

**Philadelphia (0-2) at Arizona (0-2)**  
Arguably the two worst teams in the NFL in this nationally televised Sunday night game.

One reason is the two young quarterbacks, Arizona's Jake Plummer and Philadelphia's Bobby Hoying-Plummer, whom Arizona thought was about to become the next Joe Montana, is last in the NFL in passing, and Hoying is sixth from the bottom. Both can blame bad offensive lines.

**Lack of sellout crowds concerns team**  
The Baltimore Sun

There were a lot of eyebrows raised when Jack Sunjovic was awarded the second expansion team in 1993.

Jacksonville is the second-smallest NFL market with a metropolitan area of about 1 million. Only Green Bay is smaller.

On the field, the Jaguars have been a smash success. But off the field, the questions about the size of the market remain.

Jacksonville sold season tickets on a three-year basis when it got the team, and several thousand ticket holders didn't renew this year. The city's Sunday game with the Ravens isn't a sellout, with 1,000 to 2,000 still available.

The TV blackout will be lifted because the remaining tickets are premium seats.

# Bucs build on Jones' credo: Get stadium, cash will come

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — The Tampa Bay Buccaneers christen their new stadium Sunday against the Chicago Bears. You can christen them as contenders as well because the Bucs can now afford to play the money game.

NFL franchises are engaged in a game of survival. Cash is king, and the teams that have it flourish. The teams that don't, we'll. That's why you see a sprint toward new, football-only stadiums in the NFL. The Baltimore Ravens also moved into a new stadium this season. The Washington Redskins moved into a new building in 1997. The Cleveland Browns enter the NFL with a new stadium in Cleveland, Cincinnati, Denver, Detroit, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, Seattle and Tennessee all have new buildings on the books or in the works.

Blame Jerry Jones. He turned stadium into cash cows in the 1990s with his stacks of suites and club seats.

"Jerry took a football-only stadium and blew it up," Bucs' general manager Rich McKay said. "He upped the revenue game tremendously. He did things ahead of everyone else. So we went in to get our own stadium. We had to."

The revenue Jones generated from Texas Stadium gave him cash flow and allowed him to pay lavish signing bonuses to extend the contracts of his best players long term. Last December, he gave his best blocker, Larry Allen, a \$6 million bonus for the right to sign him to a six-year contract. Allen, Aikman, Michael Irvin, Leon Lett, Deion Sanders, Emmitt Smith and Kevin Smith also aren't going anywhere anytime soon. All have cash-stuffed pockets from Jones.

You can be the best football architect in the world, but if you don't have the money to keep your team intact, you can't survive in today's NFL.

The Bucs already figured out the architectural part of it. Since the arrival of Tony Dungy as coach in 1996, the Bucs have been among the NFL's best drafters. They've selected Pro Bowlers Mike Alstott and Warwick Knott plus five other starters. At least three members of the Class of '98 project as starters in the near future.

When the city and county voted to build a new stadium for the season in August 1997, the franchise suddenly had the cash flow to keep those players in Tampa. In the 13 months since then, McKay has extended the contracts of 10 veterans, including four of his Pro Bowlers: Alstott, linebacker Derrick Brooks, safety John Lynch and defensive tackle Warren Sapp. The team gave Sapp a franchise record \$8 million signing bonus and Alstott \$4 million.

It's simple mathematics. At the old Sun Life Stadium, the Bucs had 58 suites and no club seats. Each suite cost an average of \$40,000 per year. In the new building, the Bucs have 160 suites averaging \$75,000 per year. They also have 1,000 club seats that sell for \$950 to \$2,500 per year.

Add parking and concessions, which the Bucs didn't have for years at Tampa Stadium, plus any fees generated from naming rights (Raymond James Stadium) and pouring rites in the new building.

McKay estimates that teams in new stadiums generate revenue between \$15 million and \$20 million more than what they did in their old buildings.

## Eye week

The NFC West takes the week off to savor a historical first: three teams at 2-0 after two weeks. The Atlanta Falcons, New Orleans Saints and San Francisco 49ers all are unbeaten heading into their bye.

The NFC West had never had three teams start 2-0 since the current divisional format was implemented in 1970. It's only the fourth time in Atlanta's 32-year history that the Falcons have started 2-0, and the first time since 1986. It's only the third time in New Orleans' 31-year history that the Saints have done it and the first time since 1983.

The 49ers have done it 15 times in their 49-year history, including three of the last four years.

Only one NFC West team scheduled to play Sunday is the

## Rankings

- Ranking, previous ranking and comments:
1. Tampa Bay 1. Favors must stay healthy.
  2. Pittsburgh 2. A little Bettis goes a long way.
  3. Denver 5. Now the Broncos must hit the road.
  4. Jacksonville 3. Not playing up to press clippings.
  5. San Fran. 8. Forever Young.
  6. Kansas City 4. NFL's deepest bench is graded.
  7. Miami 7. Ground Jimmy.
  8. Minnesota 8. It's now Randall's team.
  9. N.Y. Giants 9. No competition in East.
  10. Seattle 12. No sun in dome but plenty of Moon.
  11. Baltimore 18. Defense and crab cakes.
  12. New England 16. Pats beat up on the patriots.
  13. Tennessee 10. Better on the road.
  14. Tampa Bay 11. Forgotten how to win.
  15. Atlanta 19. Surprise challenger in West.
  16. San Diego 20. Gibraltar off the hot seat.
  17. New Orleans 26. NFL's biggest surprise.
  18. Detroit 15. New quarterback, new message.
  19. N.Y. Jets 17. No sneaking up on teams in '98.
  20. Dallas 13. No Aikman, no problem.
  21. Cincinnati 22. Packers to test young D.
  22. Chicago 27. O-2 could easily be 2-0.
  23. Arizona 23. A lack of blocking.
  24. Washington 14. September could undo Nov/Turner.
  25. Buffalo 25. Finally, a break!
  26. Indianapolis 11. Manning learns, Colts lose.
  27. Oakland 23. Defense still shaky.
  28. St. Louis 29. Already 0-2 at home.
  29. Philadelphia 30. No light at end of this tunnel.
  30. Carolina 24. Free agency isn't the answer.

winless St. Louis Rams, who visit the Buffalo Bills.

## Observation deck

Here are some Week 3 observations and opinions by NFL writer Rick Gosselin:

1. The NFL honeymoon is over in Carolina and Jacksonville. The Panthers are still empty seats for Atlanta on Sept. 6 and Jacksonville had 3,100 spectators for Kansas City on Sept. 13. Carolina's shortfall is explainable. The Panthers are coming off a 7-9 season in 1997 with reduced expectations in 1998. But Jacksonville's is inexplicable. The Jaguars have been touted as Super Bowl contenders and the Chiefs are among the NFL's best drawing cards. If they can't sell out the Chiefs, how are the Jaguars going to sell out in Kansas City and Tennessee later in the year?

2. The Washington Redskins benched their starting quarterback after the first game of the season and cut their kicker after the second game. If the winless Redskins keep losing, they'll run out of either excuses or players. The Redskins are at Seattle this week and then home against Denver next week. So an 0-4 start is likely.

3. The NFL took 1,590 players into the season. It's hard to believe Dan Williams isn't one of them. He posted 10 1/2 sacks for the Chiefs in 1997 in a contract year. So Kansas City slipped a franchise tag on him, which means he'll receive the average salary of the NFL's top five defensive tackles. That's \$2.88 million. But Williams wants more, so he's holding out. In the meantime, he's leaving \$600,000 on the table each week that he misses.

And the two sides aren't even talking. Williams must be strong defense man, convictions or in his pocketbook.

## Stat of the week

There have been 18 100-yard receiving games in the NFL through two weeks, and AFC defenses have allowed 15 of them. The San Francisco 49ers have given up three 100-yard games by receivers, and the Detroit Lions and New Orleans Saints two each.

Eleven of the NFC teams already have been victimized for 100-yard days. Isn't this the conference with Deion Sanders, Darrell Green and some of the other best cornerbacks in football? Not a defense in the AFC Central or AFC West has allowed a 100-yard receiving game yet.

SPORTS

'Easy target' Tyson promises to behave

Psychiatrist will gauge mental fitness

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Mike Tyson apologized once again Saturday for biting Evander Holyfield's ears in a title bout and promised the Nevada Athletic Commission that he would behave if he is allowed to return to the ring.

At the hearing to determine whether he will regain his boxing license, Tyson said he always seems to get into trouble because he's "an easy target."

"I'm belligerent sometimes when I'm provoked," he told the commissioners. "I'm tired of people trying to take advantage of me, trying to bully me around and antagonize me. It's been pervasive for so many years that I'm a bad seed."

Tyson, who arrived on a red motorcycle wearing a leather jacket and jeans, seemed tense at times and at other times buried his head in his hands as if he were disgusted. At one point he said he was being "humiliated."

His lawyer, Dale Kinsella, opened the hearing by reading a letter from the former heavyweight champ addressed to commission chairman Dr. Elias Chazem.

"I acknowledge that I made a mistake and again I apologize for it," Tyson said in the letter. "I assure you this kind of behavior will not repeat itself. Let's put this behind us and allow



Former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson listens along with his lawyer, Shelby Finkel, during the final moments of a reinstatement hearing of Tyson's boxing license before the Nevada Athletic Commission Saturday in Las Vegas.

boxing to be what it should be, the best sport in the world."

Tyson sat at a table in front of the commissioners as his lawyer read the letter. Sitting with Tyson were his wife, Monica, and other lawyers and advisers, and the audience included celebrities such as Magic Johnson and Karl Malone. Kinsella told the commission

that Tyson was a changed man who has suffered "financially, massively" in the 14 months he hasn't been allowed to fight. The boxer has surrounded himself with a new set of advisers and advisers, Kinsella said, meaning that he is no longer associated with Don King and others Tyson feels cheated him.

"He has significantly changed

his life," the lawyer said.

Tyson is nearly broke and can't afford to wait another year to return to the ring, his advisers say.

The commission's ban last year has cost the fighter \$50 million to \$65 million, and he may be forced to box outside the country if the commission rejects his request.

Kinsella presented a chart to the commission that showed Tyson got just \$5.2 million of the \$30 million he was supposed to earn from the last Holyfield fight. Most of it was lost to taxes, Kinsella said, and he was fine for being the champion.

In addition, the Internal Revenue Service has placed a \$13 million lien on Tyson for back taxes, and the boxer is facing an \$8 million judgment on former trainer Kevin Rooney, which is being appealed.

During the discussion of Tyson's finances, the boxer interrupted the commissioner, saying, "My life is on trial, so to speak. I'm not going to allow other people to have more things and my kids no more. You've got to understand I care about my kids."

Commissioner Luther Mack then asked him how many contracts he had signed in his career, and Tyson snapped, "Do you really think I leave, sir? Do you know any fighter who can actually say that?"

Mack said he wasn't trying to humiliate him.

"You are humiliating me," Tyson said.

When Tyson may have suffered financially, his character is also a central issue.

He's accused of assaulting two men, including a former brother-in-law in a Washington, D.C., suburb. A preliminary hearing is set for Oct. 2.

Because the matter is pending, Kinsella said Tyson would not answer questions about it and asked the commissioner not the raise the issue.

Pat Rafter threatens to quit team

BREKEMAR, Australia (AP) — U.S. Open champion Pat Rafter is threatening to quit the Australian Davis Cup team if captain John Hineson or coach Tony Roche step down because of a feud with fellow finalist Mark Philippoussis.

"If those guys go I'm going to resign too," Rafter told the media Sunday after his 7-5 victory over Philippoussis.

The world's No. 7 player also called his rival Phil "Sausage" "a s---," noting that Sausage had taken his last two defeats by the Australian.

"It's become a bit of a crybaby but it doesn't worry me," Rafter said.

Sausage had said that the feud between he and Rafter was "100 percent Australian" because he was beaten by the Australian in last year's Open.

"It's only once more," Rafter said. Rafter, who has said he always would be available to play Davis Cup for Australia, dedicated his U.S. Open win to Roche and Phil.

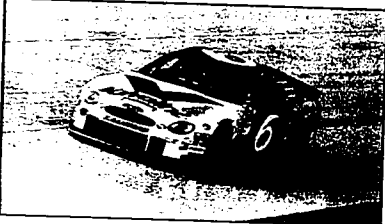
Roche indicated this week he might resign after Philadelphia, who has declined recently to play Davis Cup for Australia, accused Rafter of showing bias against a former player by giving it a bye during the Open final.

Philippoussis responded by saying that if Roche and Rafter were on the U.S. Open team, he would be available to play.

"We all value Marky and the respect he's shown in the past," Rafter said. "It's never come out before to take them like this."

Rafter said he and Philippoussis were trying to resolve their feud.

"Mark and I are starting to patch things up — we are a lot better than we were," Rafter said. "It's not about to defend him when he also offends another great friend of mine."



Mark Mattheis of Babcock, Ark., who the pole for today's MBNA 400 during qualifying at Dover Downs International Speedway in Dover, Del., Friday. Matt Kenseth was the MBNA Gold 200 race Saturday.

Kenseth claims Dover Busch race

DOVER, Del. (AP) — Matt Kenseth tuned up for his first Winston Cup start by leading 158 of 200 laps and holding off determined rookie Kevin Grubb to win the MBNA Gold 200 Saturday.

The victory enabled Kenseth to pick up 43 points on Busch series leader Dale Earnhardt Jr., who now has a 97-point lead after 26 of 31 races. Earnhardt, who won at Dover Downs May 30 and got his sixth victory last weekend at Richmond, Va., finished eighth.

"That's going to be tough," Kenseth said of his prospects of catching Earnhardt. "But this is the only way you can do it."

Kenseth conceded that he had the best car, something he proved by establishing huge leads. But he slowed down after his final change of tires, allowing Grubb to make a contest out of the last 30 laps.

"It's a good thing I had the lead after that third tire change, because I don't think I could have gotten around Kevin," Kenseth said.

Grubb, 20, who set a Dover Busch qualifying record Friday with a fast lap of 152.498 mph,

had the best finish of his career. "We came off the trailer and ran the same springs and ran the same shocks," he said. "We didn't change a thing."

Despite Kenseth's dominance, it was not easy for him. "We made wholesale changes this morning, and they all worked out," he said.

It was the third victory of the year and in the career of Kenseth, making his 48th start in Busch Grand National competition. He collected \$40,275 from a purse of \$485,068.

Kenseth started fourth, took the lead from Grubb on the 19th lap and dominated most of the time thereafter.

His advantage was a half-mile until a spin by Dave Rezendes on lap 159 allowed the field to close in.

Kenseth stayed in front of Grubb on the restart and held a five-length advantage when a three-car spin brought out the final caution on lap 173.

Grubb stayed close when the green flag came out for the final time on lap 179, but Kenseth re-established his lead and held him off to the checkered flag.

Jimenez fires a 67, leads O'Meara

SAINT-NOM-LA-BRETCHE, France (AP) — Spain's Miguel Angel Jimenez fired a 4-under 67 Saturday for the third-round lead in the \$1.32 million Lancome Trophy, two shots ahead of defending champion Mark O'Meara.

Jimenez began the day two shots behind halfway leader Ian Woosnam, but made an eagle and five birdies — one a vital 8-foot putt at the 14th — to finish at 9-under 204 over the par-71, 6,903-yard course.

"I am confident of winning. I have been around a long time and I think eventually a victory has to come," Jimenez said.

O'Meara, one of three players two shots behind Jimenez, demonstrated the form that has brought him two major titles this year, firing a 69 for 206.

New Zealander Greg Turner and Colin Montgomerie also were at 7-under.

At the 18th, Montgomerie hit a shot into the crowd, but after a spectator stole the ball, he was allowed to place the ball.

The Scotsman then rolled in a 45-foot putt for par.

Fred Couples fired five birdies in his first eight holes, but fell back with four late bogeys to end at 208.

Also at 208 was David Duval, the world's top money winner this year.

"The game is very different here and I am still figuring things out," said Duval, playing in only his second European tournament.

Sumnerhays in 5-way tie at Kroger Senior Classic

MASON, Ohio — Bruce Sumnerhays landed one drive on a cart path and the next in a creek, but managed to salvage a share of the \$1.1 million Kroger Senior Classic.



Mark O'Meara of the United States links up a putt on the third day of the Lancome Trophy golf tournament Saturday.

"It was a Jockel and Hyde type of round," said Sumnerhays, who shot 69 over the 6,639-yard, par-70 Grizzly Course at The Golf Center just north of Cincinnati.

That dropped Sumnerhays, who took a two-stroke lead into Saturday's round, into a fireway tie at 7-under 133 with Bob Charles, Frank Conner, Larry Nelson and Hugh Baiocchi. Five other players were one stroke behind.

Sumnerhays had three bogeys in a five-hole stretch on the back side.

"At Sunday, I really felt comfortable with my swing at the turn," he said. "Let's just keep cruising, hitting those greens and fairways." But he didn't maintain my rhythm.

He had to take a free drop off the cart path on No. 13, which put him behind a tree and led to a bogey. The drop after hitting into a creek on the right side of the 14th fairway cost him a stroke.

"My glass is half full, not half empty," he said. "I'm very happy to be where I am."

Sumnerhays, 54, won the State Farm Senior Classic in July at Columbia, Md., for his second senior tour title. The former club pro and

Pro golfer

golf coach at Stanford University was the first round leader last week in Indianapolis. He ended up second behind Elgh Baiocchi.

Feister takes B.C. Open lead

ENIDHOPE, N.Y. — Bruce Feister said time had passed him by. One month shy of his 50th birthday, maybe it has, but not on Saturday at the B.C. Open.

Feister briefly put any thoughts of graduating to the Senior PGA Tour on hold with a 5-under 63 and gained the third round lead at 12-under 204. That was one shot better than Nolan Henke, who shot at 67 Saturday.

Chris Perry, second here last year, had a 69 and was alone in third at 206, while rookie Richard Coughlin of Ireland and R.W. Eales were tied for fourth, another shot back.

Third-round leader Bruce Barr of Canada had an off day with a 73 and led a group of six players at 208. Defending B.C. Open champion Gabriel Hjertqvist of Sweden

also was in contention, ahead a 66 moved him within five strokes of the lead.

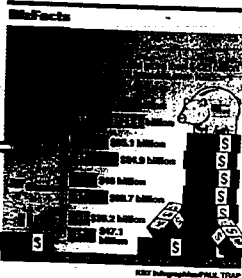
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Advertisement for Bonanza Motors: "Bonanza Motors in Bentley is accepting resumes for two people who want to be part of the high tech automobile industry in sales."

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Idaho's small businesses improve in August

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — Conditions for Idaho's small businesses improved during August from the previous month. The Zacks Small Business Index for August climbed to 102.4 during August compared to a revised 95.6 for July. The index measures business conditions from the viewpoint of the small business owner or manager.

The index was primarily impacted by a sharp increase in Idaho's year-over-year net job growth to 20,300 jobs in the 12-months ended in August compared to 13,500 jobs in the 12-months ended in July, estimated by the Idaho Department of Labor.

Increasingly tight labor markets continue to constrain Idaho's economic growth during the third quarter as employers have found it difficult to attract and retain workers.

Idaho's small businesses have also been impacted by a slowdown of the Rocky Mountain economy. Neighboring states of Oregon, Utah and Washington have seen their economies slow during the past 18 months, a factor that also impacts the index.

Jerome Sleep Inn makes finalist for hotel award

JEROME — The Awards Committee for Choice Hotels International announced that Sleep Inn in Jerome has been named a finalist for the 1998 Sleep Inn of the Year.

All finalists will be recognized and the line of the Year awarded during the final gala event at Choice Hotels International's 46th Annual Convention, Nov. 4-3 in Washington, D.C. There are more than 600 Sleep Inns nationwide.

MV Credit Professionals host conference in Jackpot

JACKPOT, Nev. — The Magic Valley Chapter of Credit Professionals International will host the Credit Association of Idaho 1998 State Credit Conference Sept. 24-25 in Jackpot, Nev.

The conference agenda topics which include seminars on credit management, credit analysis, the Fair Credit Reporting Act & bankruptcy forum featuring Judge J. Pappas, Trustee of the Nevada and attorneys Dick Greenwood and Joe Miller.

Registration will be taken Thursday evening and Friday morning between 7:30-9 a.m. Early registration is \$15, and must be received by Sept. 15. Admission is \$15. Cost for the golf scramble is \$20 and includes a golf cart. For more information, call Terry Rowe at 748-8811, Kay Ochsle at 733-3001 or Patrick Hughes at 733-9226.

Leaders of Business Plus II committee have been chosen

TWIN FALLS — The leaders of the Business Plus II committee have been selected.

With pledges to raise \$1.68 million, the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce said it was time to get down to the business of managing the area's economic future. The committee includes development of 1,000 new jobs over the next five years and improving the labor force through work-force development efforts.

The project is under the leadership of the Board of Directors selected a team of community leaders, all contributors to Business Plus II, to lead this effort. The panel will determine how the money will be spent within the guidelines outlined by the board. No funds will be expended unless both the Business Plus II committee and the chamber board agree.

The committee members have committed to serving for five years. Lee Wagner, KMVI, has been selected chairman. Vice chairman is Stephen Hargren, The Times Mirror, executive director is Dave Cooper, Cooper Herman & Co., and treasurer is Jeff Gooding, Intermountain Development Commission. Other members are: Brent Jossel, Magic Valley Bank, Ken Becker, Solo Corp, Clear Skies! Director, Hanesdry, Committee Chairman, Mary Lou Passenkowski, First American Title, Doug Volkmann, American Real Estate, Apparel, Curtis Arsen, First Security Bank, Rick Allen, First Tech, First Security Bank, Jeff Williams, Avoncare West Inc., and James Harrison, Theresa Motors/Jules Thermostat Ford.

PROFESSIONAL ROMANCE

Personnel directors: Workplace relationships don't turn out well

By Pat Marcantonio Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In song, love is many-splendored thing. But at the office, love is a management headache. Workplace romances have received increased attention since the revelations about President Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinsky — both of whom were at work in the White House.

The ideal situation is to have no personal relationships among coworkers, but that's not human nature, said Barbara Knudson of Filer, a long-time human-development consultant and former employment-relations manager for the Morrison Knudsen company in Boise.

"We fall in love with people that are around. That doesn't mean that most companies from a legal standpoint," she said.

The trouble starts, local personnel managers say, when personal relationships start to affect business.

Romance vs. productivity

The risk with labor in love is



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whether doors of opportunity have opened or closed because of it, Knudson said.

For example, if a supervisor is involved with one of his or her workers, does that affect promotions or raises? Or if a lover falls out of love, will be the fallout at work?

A survey of more than 600 personnel managers nationwide by the Society of Human Resource Managers found 72 percent of the companies they worked for didn't have written policies on workplace romances.

But a majority also said there are written or unwritten rules are in place regarding a supervisor and subordinate.

Those surveyed also reported that more than half the cases of office romances in the past five

years resulted in marriage. But there also were complaints of favoritism and decreased productivity by the workers involved.

Fear of sexual harassment allegations was cited by more than 88 percent of the managers as the reason for discouraging or prohibiting office liaisons.

When a relationship breaks up is often when problems arise, said Rosemary Bara, senior manager at Southern Idaho human resources director and now a business management instructor. A typical scenario is when coworkers sever their love relationship and don't want to work together anymore.

"That's how bad it gets," she said.

"A lot of companies don't condone consensual sexual relations, even though they are not expressly against the law," Bara said. That's because such relationships can be a short slide to sexual harassment claims.

"At the pit of the break is where it can switch," she said. One partner may become angry at the other or feel he or she has been treated unfairly.

Take Monica Lewinsky. The implication from her testimony is that she felt the president owed her something after the affair, Bara said.

There also is third-party harassment. That's where coworkers may be carrying on and offending other workers with their public displays.

"It makes the other people uncomfortable," she said.

No ER

ER, the hit television program, portrays dedicated doctors and nurses working hard to save lives under hectic conditions.

But there also is a lot of failing around. That show is not based in reality, said the vice president of human resources at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

"We've been very fortunate in health care there in very little of that," said Dennis Carbeck, who has 25 years' experience in the industry. He credits a leadership team's commitment toward the patient and a standard of ethics and professionalism.

"The employee's personal business and private life is just

not unless it becomes part of the work environment," he said.

But hospital settings aren't immune to romance. Carbeck said whether hospital or not, an old boyfriend coming to the hospital to pick a fight with a new boyfriend who also was the woman's coworker. There was some tension for the behavior.

"We're here for the patient and not to interfere personal relationships," he said.

Forgot Capital

Carbeck doesn't expect companies to start adopting new policies against workplace liaisons as a result of the Clinton-Lewinsky relationship, but it may cause companies to look closer at their values and mission, he said.

"I will certainly take the values of the organization and what the ethics are that support them," Carbeck said. By that, Carbeck means values such as honesty, integrity and respect — "and how they conduct themselves and others."

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CBS, Fox give satellite users more time

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — CBS and Fox networks are willing to let one million satellite customers continue receiving their programs for at least four more months.

Those customers are supposed to be cut off from CBS and Fox signals by Oct. 8 under a nationwide preliminary injunction the court obtained in July from a federal court in Miami.

But National Association of Broadcasters President Edward Fritts in a letter Thursday evening to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said the networks "are prepared to agree to delay the effective date of the preliminary injunction until Feb. 28, 1999."

The letter was made public Friday. Previously, CBS and Fox had said they would be willing to let satellite customers get the programs through the end of 1998.

"The Feb. 28 date is in Senate legislation that Congress is expected to pass and turn into law before Oct. 8. The legislation is supported by Senate Commerce Committee Chairman John McCain, R-Ariz., Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, and its top Democrat, Patrick Leahy of Vermont. Lott's office has been working closely with them on the matter.

"We are trying to get these bills passed in the next couple of weeks," Leahy said.

The satellite TV industry had no immediate comment on the suggested Feb. 28 date.

Among other things, the legislation would require the Federal Communications Commission to have new rules in place to improve the situation by Feb. 28.

A 1998 law bars satellite companies from providing net-

Satellite dish setups and costs

Table with columns for Level, Service, and various providers (TCL, Big dish, PRIMESTAR, d'sh, DIRECTV) listing installation fees, hardware costs, and service details.

work programs to customers if network-affiliated TV stations already serve their markets. But the legal standard for determining whether a market

is served by an affiliated station is technical and complicated. The legislation, should it become law, would supersede the 1998 law.

The injunction against larger satellite TV distributors was announced in July. The court said the companies were violating the copyright law by selling the network programming to satellite viewers.

After March 31, 1998, CBS and Fox announced the companies were withdrawing the injunction. The court said the companies were violating the copyright law by selling the network programming to satellite viewers.

ADSL: Make your connection 10 times faster

By Mike Mangrove The Washington Post

It sounds too cool to be true — an Internet connection that downloads up to 10 times faster than a 56-kbps modem, and that works over your current phone line while still allowing you to make voice calls as you surf the Web.

It's called ADSL, which stands for Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line. Bell Atlantic is introducing the service. ADSL works by transmitting data from your computer on an area of bandwidth that is used during voice calls. It requires a special modem and

ed with ADSL using an Internet service provider other than Bell Atlantic.net. However, subscribe to Bell Atlantic's service for a year under their current special offer and that installation cost comes to just under \$200, with monthly ADSL service with Bell Atlantic.net costing \$60. For \$40 a month, after the startup fees, you can buy Bell Atlantic's speedy ADSL service without Bell Atlantic.net's Internet access, but for the moment there's no information available about what other ISPs you can use this service with.

This has some ISPs, who would like to provide their customers with ADSL service, in a real mood. Although Bell Atlantic's ADSL Web site (http://www.bell.adsl.com) offers a friendly introduction to ADSL service, Bell Atlantic's president of Bell Information Services, an ISP based in Rockville, Md., complains that Bell Atlantic is not being forthcoming enough with information about how ISPs can offer this service to their customers. Howard Leachman of ADSLnet Internet Services feels the same way. "We've chased (Bell Atlantic) and right," in an effort to

find out about how to get ADSL service. Leachman says the Bell Atlantic "was a pretty good company despite his efforts." For Bell Atlantic's part, spokesman Larry Elms said the sales force responsible for selling to ISPs really started responding to ISP requests for information last week. While Leachman, the managing director of marketing for ADSLnet, says ADSLnet is not a Bell Atlantic company, he says ADSLnet is "in the marketplace." "From where I sit, I want to see more ADSL service being sold," he says. "The more the merrier," he says.

MONEY

# Asian crisis helps keep consumer prices down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anne Marie Sanders has noticed that clothes and electronics have been more affordable lately, but she hasn't the slightest idea if it's due to Asia's financial crisis.

"As a consumer, you just want to see prices lower," said Sanders, 31, a government worker in Washington. "You don't care what causes it."

Economists credit the crisis that began last year, along with related economic elements such as a unusual summertime drop in oil prices, with helping inflation lower than it has been in decades. But they're warning the good times won't last forever.

"We're really around the major part of the recovery," said chief economist at J.C. Penney in Plano, Texas.

When Asia went into recession, the continent's demand for oil dropped off substantially. A resulting oversupply accelerated an already-emerging trend toward declining oil prices.

The result: U.S. motorists, among the world's biggest energy consumers, are enjoying benefits of cheap fuel prices. A survey last week put the average pump price, including all grades and taxes, at something over

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\$1.80 a gallon. In addition, armed with a strong dollar, Americans are paying less for imports. The price index of imports from east Asia was down 8.8 percent over the June 1997-June 1998 period, according to the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics. Prices for imports from Japan declined by 4.5 percent over the same period.

These developments came as prices of computers and electronics declined with advancements in technology.

What does this mean for the consumer? Gordon Richards, director of economic policy for the National Association of Manufacturers, said the association conducted a survey early this year that calculated the impact of the price index for imported goods on the gross domestic product index, the economy's overall price index.

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of inflation that would have occurred in the absence of any decrease in import prices would be about 1.8 percent this year. But it found the combined effect of lower prices for Asian goods and lower oil prices was to lower the inflation rate to 1.5 percent.

Richards said some shoppers have not felt the decline, and that's not surprising. In the early 1980s, when inflation dropped from 9 percent to 3 percent in two years, shoppers responded with "No" when asked by pollsters if they believed the inflation rate had declined, he said.

"The ability of shoppers even to understand what's happening to the inflation rate is negligible," Richards said. In addition, companies like Honda, Hewlett Packard and Sears manufacture most of their products in a United States with some components from Asia.

"Our manufacturing costs have

gone down, but that doesn't necessarily mean that the consumer sees those price reductions," said Michael Cabot, manager of corporate public relations for Sony in Park Ridge, N.J. "Our costs have also gone up in many cases, obviously."

Kurt Barnard, president of Barnard's Retail Trend Report, a retail forecaster in Upper Montclair, N.J., said most general merchandise retailers import roughly 25 percent of their goods from Asia.

"That 25 percent is likely as a result of the Asian crisis to be available to these retailers at somewhat lower prices because of the favorable exchange," said Barnard.

"That very simply means they can buy it for less, but it is not anything that is monumental or colossal," he said. "It is a small reduction in price, and it clearly helps retailers keep prices down and at the same time have reasonably good gross margins."

Barnard said price reductions are more noticeable in big-ticket items. A one-percent difference on a \$20,000 car amounts to \$200, but on a \$15 teakettle the savings are very small.

What does the future hold? Because a strong dollar means higher-priced U.S. products that will be less affordable by Asians, and because of the recession in Asia, American manufacturers are already facing difficulties.

The U.S. trade deficit has hit record highs this year because of the loss of Asian markets and the increase of cheaper imports from Asia. This has been reflected in a slew of job layoffs in industries heavily dependent on the Asian markets, among them high-tech-

nology companies. And for weeks the specter of Asia's economic weakness hanging over Wall Street has inspired wild fluctuations that have slowed down a bull market.

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# Lynch: Still bullish after all these years

By James K. Chacewicz Special to The Washington Post

Peter Lynch's flame continues to glow even though he retired as manager of the Fidelity Magellan Fund in May 1991, after 13 years of brilliant stock-picking. During his run, Magellan's average annual return was a stunning 25.2 percent compared with 15.8 percent for the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index.

The vast majority of fund managers don't beat the market, and Lynch can't beat it by one or two points in a major accomplishment. Lynch's record is so safe, say, will never be forgotten. He is a legend.

I caught up with Lynch on a day when market meltdowns was the operative metaphor, but as usual, he was bullish. He was especially high on small-company stocks, which after being ignored in the rallies of the past two years, had gained 25 percent.

Lynch is the man who discovered Dunkin' Donuts, Pier 1 Imports, General Electric, La Quinta Motor Inns and Taco Bell, who bought \$100 million when an unwary friend told him 12 times his money in Fannie Mae and, never despite taking lots of risks, never lost a losing year — not even in the crash of 1987.

Lynch is also the greatest of investing popularizers, arguing in his first book, "One Up on Wall Street," that individual investors, if they keep their eyes open to great new products (like L'Etige post-hose), actually have an edge on Wall Street money managers.

Since Lynch's departure, Magellan has been just another large growth fund, trailing in a performance slightly below the S&P. But Lynch's record on average stands, despite his absence since

## Commentary

1990, Magellan's average annual return for the 20 years ended June 30, 1995, was still 24.5 percent. If you had put \$100,000 into Magellan in 1975 and then added \$100 per month, then, according to calculations by Value Line, you would today be a millionaire.

Lynch stopped managing Magellan the year he was fired with his kids. He became vice chairman of Fidelity Management & Research Co., which may have seemed a done deal, but, at last, the Fidelity folks realized what an asset they had on their hands, so he is now managing with Liv Tomlin, in an ad campaign that's breaking this week.

The campaign stresses a simple and important concept: "Know what you own and know why you own it." You cannot, for example, know when to sell a stock unless you know why you bought it, and Fidelity funded a survey that only 45 percent of investors could list their investments.

The poll turned up more alarming news, including that 40 percent of investors believe that to pay for a wedding a year from now, they "should invest primarily in an aggressive stock fund." (The correct answer is a money-market fund or short-term bonds.)

When I talked with Lynch at the Millennium last week, the Dow was dropping 100 points. It would be down 5 percent for the week, 11 percent for the fortnight and 18 percent for the preceding month and a half.

But Lynch was optimistic. He was not the least interested in a) what was happening in the world economy, and b) what the market was doing. "It's the same thing whether stocks are going down 20 percent or up 20 percent," he told me.

He was interested, as usual, in owning great companies at good prices and in figuring out ways to make Americans more-sensible investors.

He wouldn't lay any specific stock tips on me (sorry), but he did say he was attracted by the imbalance between small-caps and large-caps. For example, over the past

three years, the Russell 2000 index, which tracks small stocks, has returned a total of only 15 percent while the Standard & Poor's 500 Index, which tracks large-caps, has returned 80 percent. "I would not be buying index (i.e., S&P) funds in that scenario," he said. "I would be buying small-cap stocks."

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# TRADEWINDS

The Times-News

**JEROME** - Con Paulos Chevrolet-Pontiac-GMC employee C. Hamner has graduated from the College of Southern Idaho's Automotive Service Educational Program.

Hamner earned the Highest Grade Point Average Award in his class.

**TWIN FALLS** - Members of the Magic Valley Builders Association recently attended the Tri-State Builders Convention in Coeur d'Alene.

Builders and associate members attending were Chuck and Francis Clifton, Glen and

Stephanie Cramrine, John and Rose Devine, Jeff and Paula Gooding, Kevin and Irene Bradshaw, Dwight and Maria Sandmark, Lauren Novak and Cynlike Woods, executive officer.

Receiving recognition at the convention were Kevin Bradshaw, who chaired the local president's council; Chris Whitten, who chaired the state public relations committee; and John Devine, who chaired the state legislative committee. Devine was also recognized with a sapphire award which represents five years of service at the state level.

Novak was installed as second



Shannon Widmeyer

vice president for the Idaho Builders Contractors Association and will head the state association in two years.

Novak is a registered master builder and past president of the Magic Valley Builders Association.

**TWIN FALLS** - Sawtooth Dental announces a new associate has joined the practice.

Shannon Widmeyer, D.D.S. was

born in Burley and raised in Murtaugh. He graduated from Murtaugh High School and attended Utah State University.

Widmeyer graduated from the University of Oklahoma School of Dentistry.

**TWIN FALLS** - Allen Eastering, Jensen Jewellers in the Lynwood Shopping Center in Twin Falls, has completed the "Diamonds," a 22-week course, through the Gemological Institute of America.

The course includes the up-to-date information on diamonds, including history, formation, gem identification, world diamond trade and pricing.

# Volatility ripples reach money funds

**NEW YORK (AP)** - In these turbulent financial times, even investors in money-market mutual funds may find themselves a bit unsettled again.

If recent declines in short-term interest rates continue, individual and family money-managers will soon notice money fund yields slipping as well.

Millions of those people have grown accustomed over the past several years to stable credit conditions, in which good money funds have steadily returned 5 percent to 5.5 percent on their money.

But now conditions aren't so serene. As stock prices have tumbled worldwide, a lot of money has flowed into the market for long-term interest-bearing securities, pushing rates on Treasury bonds below 5.25 percent to 30-year lows.

The actual experience of shrinking yields may seem unfamiliar to many investors, who really haven't had to deal with anything like this since 1993, when money-fund yields fell below 4 percent.

As in stocks and bonds, experienced advisers urge people not to panic or make sudden changes in their strategies when faced with a shift in market conditions.

If you switch out of a strong, conservatively managed money fund to some other investment seeking to keep the yield you realize from going down, you are putting your money at increased risk.

Many investors learned that lesson painfully in 1993-94, when they switched into longer-term bond funds, only to find that bond-fund net asset values are vulnerable to declines when interest rates turn upward again.

Even if you stay within the world of money funds themselves, switching to a racier, higher-yielding fund may not be the best plan. "Since the overall goal of investing in a money fund is preservation of capital, investors need to look for funds that don't take unreasonable risks," says Bill Klipp, president of Charles Schwab Investment Management in San Francisco.

# \$3.9 billion comes as welcome disaster relief

The Times-News

**Disaster relief** in the form of \$3.9 billion dollars came as welcome word to U.S. producers suffering through one of the worst years in agriculture in recent history.

But it's not as good as it could have been, according to Cullender wheat grower Bill Flory, who also serves as president of the National Association of Wheat Growers.

Thursday's announcement that Congress intends to push disaster relief through with the Agriculture Appropriations Bill means the measure will bypass the voting process in both the Senate and House, making immediate cash assistance available when the bill is signed.

While \$3.9 billion sounds like a lot of money, the funding includes payments for 1998 crop losses, multi-year crop losses, livestock feed assistance and lost market payments, falling woefully short in its allocation of lost market payments, Flory said.

Here in Idaho, growers are mostly concerned with those lost market payments, which are meant to compensate them for lost sales lost due to unilateral economic sanctions. Funding allocated for those payments is \$1.65 billion, making the wheat payment 15 cents per bushel.

"It's significantly less than what they were talking about early on," said Steve Johnson, executive director of the Idaho Grain Producers Association.

According to a NAWG analysis of the effects of the sanctions, producers lost 42 cents per bushel last year and are estimated to lose 53 cents per bushel this year.

**Chamber thinks hog farm is just what TF needs**

**TWIN FALLS** - A large hog farm south of Twin Falls is just the kind of shot in the arm the Magic Valley needs, according to Kent Just, executive director of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. At a time when agriculture is reeling from some of the worst commodity prices in 20 years, a value-added ag business



## Farmbeat

is a perfect fit for this farm-based community.

The operation, Idaho Supreme Pork, is proposed for 558.5 acres 9 miles south of the city. The "state-of-the-art" facility will house three 1,200 sow units to produce about 72,000 pigs a year, according to Brent Dame, general manager.

Despite rising concerns in the Valley over livestock feeding operations and the bad press surrounding corporate hog farms, Just said the proposal defies both the perception of corporate indifference and a multiple operation.

"This isn't a hog farm; this is a high tech facility that's decided to locate in our community. It's just as high tech as Micron," Just said. The business offers employment and a good use of local products and focuses on adding value to ag products, he said.

"It's a perfect thing for us to be supportive of in our Valley," Just added. "This is the high-tech industry that's going to be good for the Valley. We're not going to have 21log and Micron locating in the Valley."

The company is expected to generate 53 new jobs, 23 at the facility and an additional 30 at Independent Meat - which will process the pork - a payroll of \$1 million annually, and a construction cost of \$14.2 million. In addition, the operation will purchase 800,000 bushels of grain annually and plant to build a feed processing facility, Dame said.

The family-owned company will be affiliated with Independent Meat of Twin Falls in a venture to supply Pacific Rim countries, in particular,

Japan, with specialty cuts of pork, according to Dame.

## 5,000 cattle wait in line on border for permit

Five thousand head of Australian cattle are on the line - literally, the borderline between Mexico and the United States - waiting for a permit from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to enter the United States.

It's a situation that has both U.S. and Mexican cattlemen concerned, according to Sara Brausch, executive vice president of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association. The cattle are currently being penned and grazed near Santa Teresa, N.M., and are reportedly destined for a Texas feedyard.

"The bottom line is we think it's absolutely ridiculous that the Australians are trying to take advantage of our trade rules to

get cattle into the United States," she said.

Brausch said the cattle were imported into Mexico as "slaughter only" cattle, and "once they got there they were reclassified as feeder cattle."

The distinction and a plan to move the cattle across the border brings up a myriad of concerns, including health risks to U.S. cattle, circumventing importation requirements, and an influx of cattle when supplies are already high and prices low.

"They're claiming they didn't realize the drought conditions in Mexico and they need to send them to the U.S.," she said. "But the southern tier states (of the United States) are experiencing the same drought. We've all been aware of that for months. This is not a new phenomena." If the cattle cannot stay in Mexico, she added, they should be sent back to Australia.

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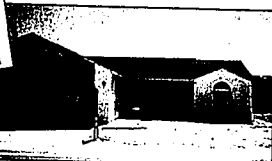
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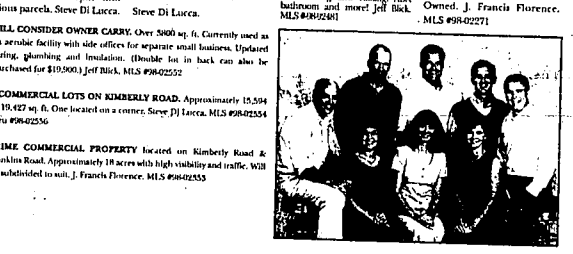
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With the kids back in school, we parents can kick back and relax.

Right?  
Are you kidding?  
Now that our offspring have fewer hours a day to do as we wish, they are sure to work overtime after school and on weekends to accomplish the task.

Last week, I received a news release about a writer who travels around and speaks on "What it's really like to be a parent."

Susan Reimer, who wrote "Motherhood is a Contact Sport," knows how hard our children work to add spice to our lives.

"As soon as you find your children's favorite convenience food on sale and buy it, it will no longer be their favorite convenience food," she says, "and as soon as you enter the hardware, your child will come from miles away, either with a serious injury or a burning need to discuss an upcoming social studies project with you."



LIFE AND TIMES  
Denise Turner

Reimer also says the number of times you serve spaghetti for supper can be directly correlated with the number of activities in which your child participates, and no matter how much laundry you do, the outfit your child chooses to wear is not clean.

Someday, I hope to have a friend who had "been there, done that" warned me to buy a good planner.

"There is it in it for an hour every afternoon," she said.

I didn't need to hear that.  
I had already seen my baby cousin crawl around one whole summer with his feet stuck in the dirt because he had burned the soles of shoes so badly on the hot register.

And I had seen the kids I babysat feed staring contests with their girlfriends.

Nevertheless, in a money-hungry company that everyone spends more than willing to reduce their paychecks with me, I'm not my friend Sally could see she couldn't believe how much boys eat when they are growing up.

I can't remember the last time I saw a spot of milk in the refrigerator.

And my friend Mary told me I had just signed up for a kickbox gym, even after my kids had a choice.

"I can't remember how many times I have remembered my home, with one or more of my grown children always coming home to live for a while," she explained.

After my kids were born, wishing to my friend because about my toddlers' troubles turned into a favorite hobby.

"You think you know what parenting means?" Jennie would inform me. Then she'd start to laugh hysterically.

At the time, Jennie was the mother of three teenagers.

Today's young parents appear to be doing more "scientific" preparation for parenthood than any generation did, but I don't know how much difference it's going to make.

A friend in Ohio told me that a couple in a pregnancy class had come up with a plan to postpone their child's bedtime.

Every night, the couple would play an hour of classical music near the mother's feet. At least, she said, the husband would read for an hour to the baby in the womb.

It is at this exact time they hoped the child would go to bed every night, and they were sure the baby would be ready to come out as soon as the sun rose.

I haven't heard how that one turned out, but I'm keeping a closer eye on another similar scenario.

My friend John has a daughter who just gave birth to her first. During the pregnancy, the mother-to-be walked the beloved dog every day next to an empty baby carriage every day to get the pet used to having a baby soon.

I can't wait to hear if that one worked.

Of course, even if all of these kinds of preparation are successful, there is no way to guarantee in going to avoid "those days" of parenthood.

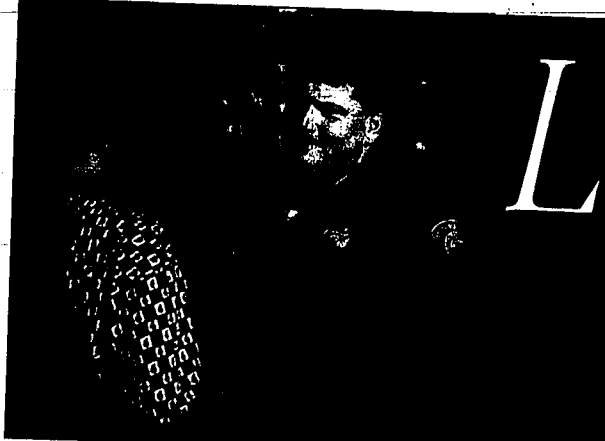
The key is to figure out how to diffuse the pressure before everything explodes.

"Don't Panic," as defined by a family life instructor from Loyola College in Baltimore, is "a state of physical, emotional and sometimes spiritual exhaustion resulting from chronic high stress and perceived lack of control."

Joseph P. Brinkley said U.S. News & World Report magazine that parents could bypass this moment if they would accept the fact that they are not perfect and if they would find ways to cope with their stress and anger.

You have to realize that many things are beyond your control. Procrastinate, control, and making a family is often like "trying to hit a moving target."

Denise Turner is a freelance writer at The Times-News.



Kids who run into trouble as teenagers often make poor choices much earlier.

## That's when kids make the decision about whether or not to use drugs

Few 12-year-olds know how to buy marijuana or know someone who has used hard drugs. But that changes just one year later.

According to a just-released national survey, the transition from 12 to 13 is the critical time in the battle against teen drug use. Just as children are becoming more exposed to drugs, their parents are becoming more influenced over their lives, argues the survey from Columbia University's National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse. "Unfortunately, pre-adolescence in many families is a time when limiting-setting begins to break down," said John Rosemond, North Carolina psychologist, syndicated newspaper columnist and author of "Parent Power!" (Andrews & McMeel, \$11.95). "It is easy for parents to let themselves be intimidated by the child's emotional upheavals and begin allowing him or her more responsibility than he or she can handle in order to avoid confrontations."

"Exactly the opposite is called for," he said. "Twice as many 13-year-olds as 12-year-olds have no adult at home after school, according to the Columbia survey. "Let us teach our children right from wrong in school, but after the courses are over, and the therapeutic sessions end, their questions ought to be ours," said Robert Cole, the author of "The Moral Intelligence of Children" (Random House, \$21). "The Columbia survey found that teens think the drug problem is considerably worse than their teachers and especially their principals do. For instance, 78 percent of teens say their schools are not drug free; just 18 percent of principals agree. And while only 15 percent of high school principals say the school drug problem is getting worse, half of

### Trouble signs

The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse concludes:

- Q Teens who regularly attend religious services are much less likely to smoke cigarettes, use marijuana or harden up with pot, and use drugs.
- Q Teens who have never smoked marijuana are more likely to always eat dinner with their parents and to rely on their parents' opinions, not smoke or do more school, but get along with friends after school and less likely to learn to read or do homework after school.
- Q Teens who use the substance abuse more likely to use another. Smokers are more likely to drink and use marijuana; pot users are more likely drink.

—Source: Columbia University

students and 41 percent of teachers think the same. Principals make monkeys of themselves as they reveal their see-no-evil, hear-no-evil, speak-no-evil posture," said Joseph Califano, former secretary of health, education and welfare and director of the Columbia center. The annual survey, conducted last May and released Sept. 1, found that for the fourth consecutive year, teens said drugs were the most important problem they face. And the number of high school students who report that drugs are used, sold and kept at their schools continued to inch up, rising from 72 percent in 1996 to 78 percent this year. Overall, 41 percent of 17-year-olds said they had smoked marijuana, while 39 percent said they drank and 23 percent said they smoked in the previous 30 days. Among 12-year-olds, 9 percent reported drinking in

# Lucky 13

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the past month, while just 6 percent say they'd smoked recently and 2 percent reported using marijuana. The survey found those rates increased most sharply between ages 14 and 16, year attitudes and exposure to drugs change earlier, with the most dramatic differences between ages 12 and 13. A 13-year-old is about three times as likely to know a teen who uses hard drugs and to know how to buy drugs. More than three times as many 13-year-olds say they would hit a drug store than they would not. "In no other year do teens' perceptions and attitudes shift so markedly," the center concluded. "During this critical period, the child transfers most of his or her sense of right and wrong from parents to peers," Rosemond said. "During these peer-group bridge-building childhood and adolescent years, it is a social behavior whose rules and rules can be practiced, reinforced and internalized."

A 13-year-old is less likely of getting caught using illegal drugs and less likely to get caught — and more confident — in making important decisions. "What a dizzy think it is to be 13!" Rosemond said. "You aren't a child. You aren't an adult. You need your parents, and you with them. You know how to be a friend. You want to be one of the crowd. You want to be different. You're the owner of your own body, protecting a fragile sense of who you are and your own way of life. You're in the middle. But there's one way out."

## Smart travelers pare carry-on valuables to bare necessities

According to an April survey by American Express, about three-quarters of us worry about the safety of our personal belongings while we're on the road. With good reason, apparently. "It's almost anywhere that you would go today, there may be certain risks in traveling," says Richard Lefler, vice president of worldwide security for American Express in New York.

And there's no shortage of advice on how to stay safe. The trick is getting people to follow it. Lefler, a former Secret Service agent, says the first thing he advises travelers to do is unpack — before they leave. In other words, leave the jewelry, the valuables, the extra credit cards behind.

Parse down to the essentials. And make photocopies of everything. Lefler photocopies all of his travel documents — passport, airline tickets, traveler's checks — and tucks the copies

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into his suitcase or carry-on. Contrary to advice sometimes given in guidebooks, Lefler never carries all of his valuables in one place. He believes in "distributing your risk." "I carry cash and traveler's checks in one pocket, credit cards in a wallet in another pocket and my passport in a third pocket. In the event I'm victimized, it's unlikely I'll lose all three." Women, who may be pocket-challenged by virtue of their gender, should carry a purse with the flap facing inward, Lefler says. It's just one more

## This week families

two hours. Some of the crew members will be asked to stay for a rehearsal immediately following the audition.

Can roles include Barney and his sisters, Daisy and Shilo the farmhands, Huckleberry the dog, the Country Folk and the Harvest of Grains.

Students, ages kindergarten through 12th grade, are encouraged to audition. No advance preparation is necessary. Auditions will be held to add in rehearsals throughout the week and to make an essential backstage responsibility.

Missoula Children's Theatre touring productions are complete with costumes, scenery, props and makeup. The tour starts/finishes will consist of rehearsals throughout the week from 3:30 to 8:30 p.m. each day.

"Early on and the Country Folk" will be presented Oct. 9 at the Roper Amphitheater. The theatre residency in Twin Falls is presented locally by the Magic Valley Arts Council with support from New 100.5, Florence National Bank and Wells Fargo.

Heavy Scheduling. The two new Fallville Fair family-oriented courses throughout southern Idaho. To get an item listed in the calendar, send it to Florence Magazine, The Times-News, P.O. Box 500, Twin Falls, Idaho 83436, or call 733-0931.

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FAMILY LIFE

Clinton brings sex talks out into the open

Knight Ridder News Service

Guy walks up to the water cooler to tell his male and female co-workers a lurid sex story involving his married buddy, the buddy's girlfriend and a cigar.

What a pig! Same guy walks up to the water cooler and relates a lurid sex story involving President Clinton, Monica Lewinsky and a cigar, and he becomes a celebrated citizen discussing an issue of national importance.

Just a few months ago, graphic sexual discussion was, at best, inappropriate and embarrassing. At worst, it was illegal in the workplace.

But ever since Lewinsky entered the American consciousness, we've been talking about sex — not just sex — with our own brand of immunity. It's not sex. It's politics. It's not sexual harassment, it's news.

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These unusually vivid conversations are occurring here and there. While talking about sex is nothing new, discussing it in vivid, explicit detail is. News reports of the Clinton-Lewinsky affair has Americans broaching usually taboo topics such as semen, masturbation, penis shape and breast fondling.

And they're using language that typically has been taboo. The looser atmosphere surrounding this subject has permitted the use of words that, for instance, the act of oral sex. "It's not personal. It's politicalized sex," said one Center City lawyer. "It's now a polite way to talk and move on when circumstances change."

"So long, with such details," said Davra D. Bennett-Alexander, a University of Georgia law professor and an expert in sexual harassment laws.

"That puts it in a category all by itself," she said. "This is so unprecedented."

It has taken some people by surprise to have unusually frank discussions with each other about explicit topics that once embarrassed them.

Those who would never — ever — have had a conversation about, for example, semen stains have felt more comfortable than ever in a discussion after the story of Lewinsky's soiled dress was deemed appropriate by the newspapers and TV news broadcasts that reported it.

William Lutz, a Rutgers University-Camden English professor, said the use of explicit language has been creeping into our lives through movies and cable TV. The sex scandal just pushed it over the edge.

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Furniture negotiations with girlfriend begin

As my girlfriend shopped, I took a break. A guy next to me offered some advice on how he handles himself on these excursions with his wife.

"I don't ask her any questions like, 'Why are you looking for things we don't need?' She always says, 'Why are you fighting me on this?'"

We laugh. Two strangers bonded by the fact that we're both involved in something neither of us understands shopping.

He tried to tell me it's best to get out of the way because the guys are stuck against men in this arena. Sometimes I forget that.

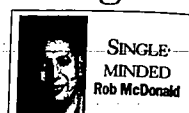
Case in point: Browse through the September issue of American Style & Gardening. The magazine shows trimmings in redesigned bathrooms and kitchens. Inside are little reminders of how men don't mean it anything.

One photo shows a corner chair that's used as a step. The designer explains how that chair was just one piece of furniture I allowed my husband to bring into the marriage."

I know that feeling. I feel like I'm next. Now that my girlfriend and I are considering living in together, she's already decided what to do with my furniture. She'll joke by saying things like, "I haven't gone as far as to put Post-it notes on all the things I want you to throw away."

Even her sister got in on the action when she called to say, "You've got to admit you don't have any taste." Being reassured, I hung up on her. She called back to explain that she didn't mean it personally — all men lack taste.

Well, this guy with no taste decided to take the challenge head-on. First off, I established that because we will be sharing space, we both need veto power over the other. I can keep out flowery curtain patterns or large portraits



SINGLE-MINDED Rob McDonald

featuring baskets of cranberries, she'll rule out any posters of Ken Griffey Jr.

With that settled, our biggest dilemma concerns whose couch will be in the living room and whose dresser will be donated to the spare room.

Negotiations are about to begin. In one corner, I have the fellas who are telling me to just give up now. The furniture is her domain. Do I know the difference between a cranberry couch and a red chair? Is brown that much different than oatmeal?

As a guy, I always had the eight-pack of Crayola crayons. I'm sure she had the super 64-pack with a sharpener in back. Let's just say I'm in over my head.

How would you handle this? How should a guy handle this? I don't think I have pristine taste, but I don't think I should be belittled into tossing my beloved couch.

She describes it as big, slouchy and comfortable with a loud denim-esque fabric you'd just find in a conversion van — just perfect for three guys to sprawl out on while watching football.

I think it's comfortable, over-stuffed and quality. It's light teal with flecks of colors on a corduroy-like material. I bought it just after landing my first job.

How do I handle this? Reply, and I'll report on your responses.

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Psychologist insists affairs have an upside

The Dallas Morning News

From Dr. Laura to Billy Graham, from Kathie Lee Gifford to Hillary Clinton, a lot of people may not like to hear it.

Extramarital affairs can be good for you. Thus proclaims Luana Linquist, a San Diego psychologist who has been taking heat or praise since she wrote "Secret Lovers — Affairs Happen... How to Cope" in 1989. The book never really

took off as a best seller — but Schuster is rushing a new edition into bookstores.

"As far as I know, it's still the only book that takes a look at long-term extramarital affairs from a nonjudgmental perspective," Linquist says.

"The cynical to point out that 'nonjudgmental' doesn't mean endorsement. Mention any mean

A fine romance

And the truth, psychologist Luana Linquist contends, is "a successful, satisfying relationship" offers case histories, testimonials and some advice.

1. Be disappointed — but be ready to face the consequences if you're found out.

2. Both parties need to have similar expectations and goals for the relationship. Be prepared to end the affair and move on when circumstances change.

3. Don't let the affair take over your life, or become too dependent on your partner. Get comfortable living in separate worlds, so you're not just on or lonely when your partner spends time with his or her family.

If you can handle all this, Linquist says, affairs can offer benefits, from enhancing your sexuality to boosting your self-esteem by providing an outlet from everyday stress and hassles.

"Some people need some loving care no matter where it comes from," she says.

— Source: Dallas Morning News

having an affair," she says. "But this has been around for a long time, and just saying how bad it is isn't going to make it go away. If people are keeping something that's bad, they must think there's something good about it."

So she set out to research the subject, interviewing and counseling several hundred people in various stages of affairs. The results don't have to be politically correct. But "I'm not interested in truth."

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Parents need to monitor computer posture

Los Angeles Times

The odds are pretty good that the computer station your child is huddled over — at home, school or even at a friend's house — was not intended for a kid-sized being.

With the new school year comes increased use of computers for homework. But bad posture at the desk and screen — the result of poor wrists, eye fatigue, neck strain and even back pain. A couple of hours of computer games

can do more to compound the problem, ergonomists say. And don't assume that correct

computer posture is drummed into kids at school. Many elementary school students sit at a computer for about an hour or so a week. Most schools try to provide special computer furniture

low tables and chairs, but rarely are they fully adjustable, so many students still work with their arms, legs and heads in potentially harmful positions.

It's at home where repetitive stress injuries are more likely to occur and where workstation modifications should be made, say computer and ergonomic experts.

Knight Ridder News Services

Fatty Sullivan is going back to school with new books, new clothes and new breasts.

Sullivan, 19, is one of an increasing number of teenagers who have had their breasts surgically enlarged.

While disturbing to some, the cosmetic procedure has its defenders, including the doctors who perform them and the satisfied customers who receive them.

"I've wanted them since I was 13 years old," said Sullivan, who said she stopped developing naturally when she was 15. Last month the pair to have her breasts enlarged by two full cup sizes, to a modest 34C. Before the procedure, "a Miracle Bra was my best friend," said the waitress and beauty who has lived on her own since January.

Sullivan didn't consult her parents before having the implants and she said the \$6,000 cost herself by paying with money she'd been saving for years.

"Why do girls go on diets, and why do they lie on the beach? Because they want to be thin and want to be famous," she said during a break from her job as a waitress at Grotto's Pizzeria in Rehoboth Beach, Del. "Well, girls with small chests can't do anything to make their breasts grow."

"A girl may come in and tell me her boyfriend wants her breasts to be bigger. That's not the right reason to get them done."

— Dr. Kirk Brandow

Enter the man Cosmopolitan magazine has called "The Body God." Dr. Kirk Brandow, who did Sullivan's breast augmentation, is a Philadelphia area plastic surgeon who has performed the procedure on patients as young as 17. (Girls under 18 must be accompanied by a parent.)

Brandow doesn't accept every patient seeking breast augmentation — he rejects 15 to 20 percent of the women who want the procedure. Many of these are teens.

To determine whether a woman is a good candidate for the surgery, Brandow and at least one other staff member interviews each prospective patient.

Who gets rejected? "A girl may come in and tell me her boyfriend wants her breasts to be bigger," said Brandow. "That's not the right reason to get them done."

Brandow estimates that 10 to 15 percent of the 150 or so breast

enhancements he performs each year are for patients 18 or younger — a phenomenon that has been possible in part because of changes in the way implant surgery is done.

"Four years ago, five years ago, I don't think I would have agreed to do this," said Brandow, who did a minor in art as an undergraduate at Colgate University and considered himself an artist as well as a surgeon. "Back then, implants were made under the breast, there was scarring, there were hardness problems, loss of sensation, leakage."

"Technology and medical advancements have made this a much safer procedure."

Today, implants are filled with a harmless saline solution. The incisions through which the implants are inserted are made in the armpit or belly button, eliminating breast scars. And the implants are positioned under, instead of on top of the pectoral muscle, which not only results in a more natural appearance but also preserves the option of breastfeeding an infant, Brandow said.

Brandow predicts that the decreased risks associated with breast enhancement could make it as common as nose jobs, which are almost a rite of passage for upper-middle-class girls.



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little thing that could thwart a pickpocket.

Travel isn't a fan of fanny packs or even money belts, which he or she can be uncomfortable and give signals that you are packing a lot of cash or valuables.

"If we've heard it from these organizers that a knife blade or sharp knife can bump and jostle you and cut away a fanny pack, he says. While he admits that can't happen with money belts, he says travelers might have to go into them, and so thieves "know where to target you."

He prefers to stow his valuables in the hotel safe, carrying only what he needs for the day's activities.

The time when you are most vulnerable, he says, is when you're in a public area making a monetary transaction. People are watching where you put your wallet, how you carry your purse and whether you look like an easy mark.

Laffer, whose company sells traveler's checks, isn't alone when he advises travelers to minimize the amount of cash they carry. He calls it "nuggetable money."

"If you lose it, it's gone forever," he says. "If you're carrying charge cards or traveler's checks, you can get them replaced."

But sales of traveler's checks have been declining as people turn to credit cards and ATMs as an easy way to access currency abroad. Still, many experts advise keeping traveler's checks. They are readily cashed in many parts of the world, though you should check before you set out whether to expect problems in the country you plan to visit.

Perhaps the most important advice Laffer has for travelers is to stay alert. This isn't easy to do when you are in new, highly stim-

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ulating surroundings. Your eyes — and your attention — are anywhere but on your purse or pocket.

Professional pickpockets are very, very skilled. If you watch them committing a theft, it's like watching a ballet," he says.

The mustard scam is one of the current ruses, Laffer says. In a fast-food restaurant or at the airport, a ring of thieves picks out a victim. One squirts the person with mustard or ketchup as if by accident. A second thief comes to the traveler's aid but makes the stain worse by rubbing it with a napkin. In the meantime, the traveler's pocket is picked or his or her bag swiped.

Another scam happens at the airport security check-in. Laffer says it works this way: Just before you step through the magnetometer, someone stops you and points to a ticket envelope on the ground. You pick it up and look at it, but it's not yours. You step through the magnetometer. By then, the items you placed on the conveyor belt are gone.

If you find yourself in a sticky situation abroad, Laffer says you should work hard to resolve the matter on the spot — and if necessary, be a loud voice.

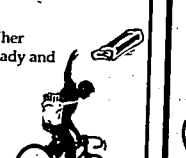
"Get situated and get as quick a resolution to the situation as possible," he says.

"Unfortunately there are people in the world who attempt to profit by victimizing others. You need to be constantly aware of what is around us."

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# Stepchildren saw rain on stepmom's sunny vacation

## PUN AND GAMES

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**DEAR ABBY:** This summer my husband's four children by a previous marriage spent their vacation with us. They are 16, 15, 13 and 11. I have a 13-year-old daughter.

Abby, I spent months planning their holiday so that everything would go well. I did all the shopping, cooking, cleaning and laundry for them during their visit. I bought tickets for all of us to do interesting things while they were here. We had just put in a new pool, and they could swim every day if they wanted. We hosted two picnics so they could see everyone in the family. There wasn't a day that they didn't have something to do, and they seemed to have a good time. There were a few arguments between the kids, but nothing major.

After they left, my husband called to make sure they had made it home OK. He was told his children had a terrible time; they had nothing positive to say about their vacation. They totally trashed me and my daughter. My husband knew they were lying, but he still took their side. I am crushed. I worked hard to give his kids a great vacation. I'm so angry with my husband. I'm seeing red. What should I do?

**— FURIOUS WIFE AND STEPMOTHER**



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abby VanBuren

small town of 7,000 who lost his wife four years ago. He's very eligible and, to my knowledge, has never dated since her death.

Abby called him about four months ago to ask if he'd be interested in going to dinner with me sometime. He owns a business, and he said he was very busy, but he had thought about calling me.

About a month ago, he had a new grandson, so just to make contact, I sent a congratulatory card, adding if he ever needed any company, I'd enjoy going to a movie with him sometime. I gave him both my home and work numbers. I have still not heard from him.

Abby, I think about him every day. He's a good, hard-working man and seems like a good catch. It took me 10 years to really become interested in dating again, and I'm disappointed that I haven't heard from him.

Should I make any further attempts to let him know I'm interested, or just wait it out?

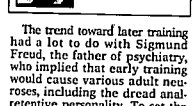
**— POISED TO POUNCE**

# Early potty training calls for experience

Q. My mother tells me she and her siblings were potty trained by age 18 months, but doesn't know how. My mother is the happiest, most well-adjusted person I know, so it's obvious early training didn't harm her in any way. Do you recommend this?

A. A good number of women my mother's age (74) and older, including my mother's grandmother, have told me their children were completely trained by 18 months, some earlier.

It suggests the average age at which children are trained has nearly doubled since the turn of the century.



**PARENTING**  
John Rosemond

The trend toward later training had a lot to do with Sigmund Freud, the father of psychiatry, who implied that early training would cause various adult neuroses, including the dread anal-retentive personality. To set the record straight, none of Freud's theories have been scientifically confirmed, and there is no evidence that early training is in any way harmful.

If early training appeals to you, don't let anyone find an older woman who has success with it. If you decide to go with it, ask if she'd be willing to serve as your first training consultant.

I don't know how they did it, but I would suggest: First, these mothers did not work outside the home. Early training requires keeping a child under constant supervision. Second, the approach was patient, not punitive. Grandma did not expect to "build Rome" in a day or even a month. Third, early training wasn't always successful. When it became obvious the child wasn't "getting it," Grandma dropped back and waited—probably until the child was around 24 months—before trying again.

In short, the idea that early training was driven by parental anxiety and unrealistic expectations is not necessarily so.

I recently received a letter from a woman who reported that she started toilet training with each of her five children around 12 months and that in every case, training was successfully culminated by 18 months. She freely admitted that she had to first train herself to be aware of signals from her child that elimination was imminent.

It all began one morning when she discovered her 7-month-old had a clean diaper. She sat on him and patted his bottom. She started the potty, gave him a piece of toast, and he had a bowel movement.

"I learned his rhythms," she wrote. "He learned my vocabulary and came to understand that I was talking to him when he had to go."

She and her husband praised, let him watch them using the toilet, and helped him when he signaled he needed help. By age 18 months, he was standing to urinate.

She concluded that toilet training is primarily a matter of communication, not control. She's convinced that starting training early increases the likelihood the child will become quickly independent of messy diapers and, consequently, will become more cooperative.

She closes by writing, "Certainly not all children will be as cooperative as mine were, but I'll bet that many, if not most, would be if someone taught them the language, knew their routines and cared enough to give them sufficient attention and praise."

In fact, that sounds like an excellent prescription for a lot of parenting matters.

John Rosemond is a family psychologist in North Carolina. Questions of general interest may be sent to him at P.O. Box 4124, Gastonia, N.C. 28054 and at <http://www.rosemond.com/parenting> on the Internet's World Wide Web.

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# FAMILY NEWS YOU CAN USE

**They've earned it**

The women and mothers who work outside the home have accounted for the bulk of the increase in household income in recent decades. A new Census Bureau analysis shows that the incomes of married couples with children increased by 25.3 percent between 1950 and 1996. But if women's income is not counted, the increase is just 1.5 percent.

**Good scouts**

Scouting around for activities to instill family values? Staying away from drugs, building self-confidence, helping at home, and a strong sense of self-worth and ethical values are all results tied directly to participating in the programs of the Boy Scouts of America. So says a Louis Harris study of Scouts and their parents conducted for the Boy

Scouts of America.

**Drawn from life**

Speaking of family values, "the most realistic family on TV

is — a cartoon, "King of the Hill," USA Weekend says. It cites TV Guide critic Matt Roush, who says: "No matter how weird things get, at the end of the show, everything is OK.

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— Compiled from wire service reports

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Students in Murtaugh are in need of musical instruments

**MURTAUGH** - The Murtaugh School District's elementary music program needs donated instruments for the new fifth-grade program. Donations will allow children to borrow instruments for the school year. Trumpets, clarinets and trombones are especially needed, but any instrument will be utilized. To make a donation, call Richard Eisele at 432-9451.

### Meetings for substance abuse efforts begin today in Burley

**BURLEY** - Substance Abuse Volunteer Efforts support meetings in the Mini-Cassia area are starting today. Meetings will be held from 8 to 9 p.m. at the Mountain View Elementary School Library, 333 W. 27th St. SAVE helps substance abusers and concerned family members and friends cope with and recover from addiction and co-dependency. The organization

received formal permission from Alcoholics Anonymous World Service Center to adapt the 12 steps and traditions to a format respecting the spiritual principles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. For more information, call Jan at 678-7447.

### Idaho Herb Group hosts fair in Meridian; space open for rent

**MERIDIAN** - The 1998 Idaho Herb Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Storey Park on the corner of Franklin and First Street in Meridian. The event, hosted by the Idaho Herb Group, will feature lectures on herbal topics, vendors selling herb plants, herbal products and garden-related crafts and items. Children's activities from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. include herb prints, crayon rubbings and herb identification coloring sheets. Admission is free. Space is still available for vendors interested in selling herb and garden products. Booths are \$30. For more information, call Lisa Doll at 887-1784.

## CLASSES

### Hospital offers Breastfeeding Before Delivery class Tuesday

**BURLEY** - Cassia Regional Medical Center is offering a Breastfeeding Before Delivery class from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the hospital board room, 1501 Hilland Ave. Class will cover the advantages, physiology and common problems and solutions of breast feeding. A certified lactation educator is the instructor. Participants need to bring a doll or stuffed animal. Cost is 20, which includes several other childbirth classes. For registration information, call 677-6500.

### Fabric store offers class in silk ribbon embroidery

**BURLEY** - A Silk Ribbon Embroidery class will be held from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday in the classroom at Carleen's Fabrics and Crafts in the Snake River Plaza. Participants will have a finished picture using many of the popular flowers. The fee is \$22, including a kit. Frames are extra. Class size is limited and early registration is recommended. Call 677-3573 for more information.



Anna May Benke, left, and Elaine Head check refreshments before the Minidoka Hospital Guild's recent style show.

## Auxiliary holds style show

**RUPERT** - The Minidoka Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Guild recently held its annual style show at the Rupert Elks Lodge. Cliff Barbocka, guild advocate, acted as the master of ceremonies. Annette Hansen played the piano and the Snake River Flans entertained with songs.



Patsy Osburn is pictured with the hand-crafted articles and the handmade chest she recently won at the Minidoka Hospital Guild's Style Show.

Patsy Osburn was the winner of the hand-made chest filled with hand-crafted items. Other winners included Marge Albertson, a meal from the Pancake House; Anna Mae Benke, meal at George K's; Juanita Kerbs and Olga Fisher, dinners at Steve's; Lucy Knos, mauve afghan crocheted by Barbara Rodgers; and Christie Toolson, two nights lodging and dinner show at Cactus Pete's.

Ropers, Tots to Texas, Mayfair, J.C. Penney, K-Mart, Corral West and Wal-Mart supplied clothing for the models, Karen Serr, Matt Hanson, Dean Miller, Brandon Miller, Betty Martin, Emily Wysona, Rachel Wysona, Tiffany German, Juan Castaneda, Misty Durfee, Roanne Fowler, Daryl Ammon, Adam Johnson, Jennifer Ricondo, Jackie Heinrichs, Jana Parks, Stephanie Lebsack, Jamie, Courtney and Jennick.

## SERVICE NEWS

### Bays reports for duty on refueler

Marine Staff Sgt. Donald W. Bays whose wife, Laura is the daughter of Phyllis and Edward R. Bays of Rupert, recently reported for duty with Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron 252, 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station in Cherry Point, N.C.

The rotation to a new duty station exemplifies the worldwide assignability of Marines and Sailors. This flexibility allows naval forces to protect U.S. national interests around the world while providing visible deterrence for regional conflicts.

Bays graduated from Minico High School and joined the Marine Corps in 1986. His wife, Laura, is the daughter of Phyllis and Edward R. Bays Sr. of Rupert.

### Kidd finishes cadet training

Sam C. Kidd has completed basic cadet training and received the rank of Cadet 4th Class at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Cadets who complete the five-week orientation program are accepted into the cadet wing. Upon completion of basic training, they are prepared to enter their first academic year as "doolies" at the academy and graduate as the Class of 2002.

The cadets complete the training in two phases - one consisting of military and physical preparedness focusing on the transition from civilian to military life, and one that involves a two-week outdoor stay on the academy grounds to participate in activities that extend their physical limitations and build self- and group confidence.

Kidd, the son of Dan C. and Terri Kidd of Declo, is a 1998 graduate of Declo High School.

### Kartchner completes Navy basic

Navy Seaman Vickie A. Kartchner recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Cook and Francis completed a variety of training

that included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first-aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. Recruits received instruction on the Navy's core values of honor, courage and commitment and how to apply them in their military performance and personal conduct.

Kartchner is the daughter of Ann Rasmussen of Paul and a 1993 graduate of Box Elder High School in Brigham City, Utah.

### Artega receives promotion

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Francisco A. Artega was promoted to his current rank while serving with Marine Wing Support Squadron 174, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station in Iwakuni, Japan. He was promoted based on sustained superior job performance and proficiency in his designated specialty.

Artega graduated from Minico High School in 1995. He is the son of Francisco and Guadalupe Artega of Burley.

## EVENTS ELSEWHERE

### Foundation's support group will meet to discuss diabetes

**TWIN FALLS** - The Diabetes Center Foundation's support group will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the South Central District Health Department, located on the College of Southern Idaho campus (use Washington Street North entrance to the campus and the doors on the north side of the building).

Andrew Boettcher, a nationally recognized and inspired seminar leader, will be the guest speaker. He will present "Attitude Determines Altitude," a program designed to help people find successful ways to manage life and diabetes.

For more information, call Ann Bybee at 733-3700, Ext. 174, or Barbara Holloway at 736-8836.

### Sons of Norway offers chance to learn more about heritage

**TWIN FALLS** - The Sons of Norway will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the KMYT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Anyone who has a Norwegian heritage or who wants to learn more about Norway and its culture is invited. For more information, call Janet Bennett at 733-5944.

### Mental Health Support Group plans gathering at TF clinic

**TWIN FALLS** - The Mental Health Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the conference room at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital.

The group is a grassroots, self-help, support and advocacy organization for families, friends and people suffering from mental illness.

For more information, call (800) 572-9940 or Marsha at 423-5011 or 733-3467.



Ted Dean of Hazelton cleans a massive skillet used to prepare breakfast for nearly 40 members of the Murtaugh Lake Ski Association. The group recently held the annual end of summer 'Pig Feed' followed the next day by a huge ham and egg omelet breakfast. Dean is one of the four founding members of the association that has developed the Dean's Cove area at the lake since 1981.

## We want your news

Send us news from the life of the community that is important to our readers. Please send your news and photos to: Community Editor Katrina Brumbach, The Times-News, P.O. Box 848, Twin Falls, Idaho 83403, 733-0931, Ext. 288, or Joey Bryant, The Times-News.

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# ENGAGEMENTS

## STOREY-MOORE

**TWIN FALLS** - Gerald and Christine Storey of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Marie (Thomas) Storey, to Lucas Hueter Moore, son of Dan Edward and Kelley Moore of Rogerson.

Storey attended Twin Falls High School. She is employed at Weston Plaza Hotel in Twin Falls. Moore attended schools in Twin Falls. He is employed by Muggers Brewpub in Twin Falls. The wedding is planned for Saturday.



Lucas Moore and Jessica Storey

## GRINSTEAD-OLSON

**TWIN FALLS** - Carl and Bobette Grinstead of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Tamarie Grinstead, to Dale Olson, son of Grace and Marilyn Olson of Grand Falls, Montana, and Carol Spradlin of Centerville, Va.

Grinstead is a graduate of Flair High School and received an associate of applied science in business and office management with a bookkeeping emphasis from Boise State University. She worked four years as a human resource manager for K-mart.

## TAYLOR-HARRISON

**JEROME** - Scott and Melanie Taylor of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Courtney Lynn Taylor, to Shane Harrison, son of Tina and Stephanie Harrison of Jerome.

Taylor is a 1996 graduate of Jerome High School and is attending the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at Mongytree in Twin Falls. Harrison is a 1993 graduate of Jerome High School and is employed by Banner Furniture in Twin Falls. The wedding is planned for



Dale Olson and Tamarie Grinstead  
The wedding is planned for Saturday in Twin Falls.



Courtney Taylor and Shane Harrison  
Friday at the First Baptist Church in Jerome.

## BENDER-PIERSON

**TWIN FALLS** - William Bender of Yolo, Calif., and Linda Bender of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Lynn Bender, to Jeff Pierson, son of John and Edna Pierson of Jerome.

Bender is a graduate of Hesperia High School in Hesperia, Calif. She is employed at Radio Shack in Jerome. Pierson is employed in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Saturday.



Jeff Pierson and Amy Bender

## HUFF-KIDD

**PAUL** - Larry and Janet Huff of Paul announce the engagement of their daughter, Trina Huff, to Travis Kidd, son of Jim and Peggy Clark of Idaho Falls and Jim and Vicki Kidd of Boise.

Huff is a 1994 graduate of Minico High School. She is employed at Century 21 Riverside Realty in Burley.

Kidd is a 1991 graduate of Bonneville High School in Idaho Falls. He is employed by Gaylon's Autobody in Rupert.

The wedding is planned for 7 p.m. Oct. 3 at the Rupert Elks Lodge. A reception will follow the ceremony.



Trina Huff and Travis Kidd  
Lodge. A reception will follow the ceremony.

## TERPSTRA-BRANDSMA

**WENDELL** - Larry and Judy Terpstra of Central Lake, Mich., announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Kathleen Terpstra, to Christopher William Brandsma, son of Hill and Ann Brandsma of Wendell.

Terpstra is a graduate of Central Lake Public High School in Central Lake, Mich. She is a 1997 graduate of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Mich., with a liberal arts degree, majoring in English.

Brandsma is a graduate of Wendell High School and a 1997 graduate of Calvin College in Grand Rapids with a degree in computer science. He is employed as a programmer analyst at CMI-Competitive Solutions Inc. in Grand Rapids. The wedding is planned for Oct. 3 at the Seventh Reformed Church in Grand Rapids.



Christopher Brandsma and Jennifer Terpstra  
employed as a programmer analyst at CMI-Competitive Solutions Inc. in Grand Rapids. The wedding is planned for Oct. 3 at the Seventh Reformed Church in Grand Rapids.

## WHITE-BRECHWALD

**BUHL** - Mary White and Terry White, both of Buhl, announce the engagement of their daughter, Autumn White, to Matthew Brechwald, son of Doug Brechwald of Modesto, Calif., and Janie and Chuck Womack of Waterford, Calif.

White is a graduate of Buhl High School and Boise State University. She is employed at Stanislaus County Department of Education - Head Start in Modesto, Calif.

Brechwald is a graduate of Montana State University. He is employed as a peace officer in



Matthew Brechwald and Autumn White  
Tracy, Calif.  
The wedding is planned for Saturday.

# WEDDINGS

## SMITH-McBRIDE

**TWIN FALLS** - Betty Lockerby and Earl and Wanda McBride announce the marriage of their son, Eric McBride, to Shannon Smith, on Aug. 26 at the Historic Little Wedding Chapel in Elkton, Md., with families and friends as guests.

The bride is the daughter of Rick and Sandy Romanowski of Phoenix, Ariz. She graduated in 1994 from Bee Be School of Nursing in Lewes, Del., and is a registered nurse. She is currently employed by Maricopa County Health System at Glendale Family Health Center in Glendale, Ariz.

The groom graduated in 1993 from Twin Falls and is a part-time student at Glendale Community



Shannon and Eric McBride  
College. He also is a certified nursing assistant and psychiatric technician, currently employed by Health Exchange and Nurses Plus Health Care in Phoenix. The couple honeymooned at Mt. Airey Lodge in Mt. Pocono, Pa. They reside in Phoenix.

## JOY-LAUZIER

**MOSES LAKE, Wash.** - Steven and Margaret Joy of Moses Lake, Wash., and formerly of Twin Falls, announce the engagement of their daughter, Theresa Ann Joy, to Ron W. Lauzier, son of Wayne and Rose Lauzier of Ephrata, Wash.

Joy is a graduate of Moses Lake Christian School in Moses Lake, Wash., and is employed at K-mart in Moses Lake.

Lauzier is a graduate of Ephrata High School in Ephrata, Wash., and is employed by Nexus Ag in Quincy, Wash.



Ron Lauzier and Theresa Joy  
The wedding is planned for November.

**Anniversary or wedding planned? Let us know soon!**  
The Times-News welcomes anniversary, engagement and wedding announcements. Deadline to get them into Sunday's Family Life section is noon on Wednesdays, although we also publish them on other days of the week.  
Due to space on the weekly Family Life pages is limited, can't guarantee to get engagements and anniversaries into the paper before the event unless we receive the information at least four days in advance. For example, if you have a Saturday wedding or anniversary planned, please let us know by 5 p.m. Tuesday.  
Questions? Call Ramona Jones at 733-0931, Ext. 282.

## FAMILY NEWS - YOU CAN USE

### Groomed for success

Here comes the bridegroom. Because he's often overlooked and outshone by the bride, Bridegroom magazine is giving bridegrooms a magazine of their own. The first 32-page issue of Groom's will appear with the October member issue of Bride's, and will have articles on gifts for groomsmen and how to wear a tuxedo. But Groom's has a long way to go to catch up with Bride's in pages and poundage - Bride's runs well over 1,000 pages and weighs more than four pounds.

### Working vacations

So you think life's a bowl a cherries if you're a corporate big shot. Well, some CEOs say they just can't get a break. For the second summer in a row, the Wall Street Journal reports, Aetna Inc. CEO Richard Hilder had to skip vacation, this year to wrap up \$1 billion-plus acquisition of New York Life's health-insurance unit. Impatient, Hilder's wife took off on her own for a 10-day jaunt to South America, a company spokesman says.

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## GARBER-HUTCHINS

**TWIN FALLS** - Virginia Sue Garber and Jonathan Mark Hutchins were married Sept. 4 in Twin Falls.

Officiating was the Rev. A.C. Steen. Liz Hanchey was the pianist. Jan Steen was the organist.

Other music was performed by Rachel Hanchey, Adam Hutchins and Chantal Steen.

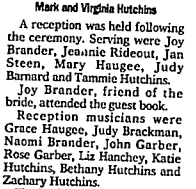
The bride is the daughter of John and Edith Garber of Twin Falls.

Parents of the bridegroom are David "Hutch" and Geri Hutchins of Twin Falls. Rose Garber, sister of the bride, served as the bride's maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Danette Hutchins, sister-in-law of the bride, and Naomi Brander, friend of the bride.

Bethany Hutchins, sister of the groom, was the candle lighter. Sam Hutchins, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen included Steve Hutchins and Adam Hutchins, brothers of the groom.

Ushers were Nathan Steen, cousin of the groom, and Teg Hanchey, friend of the groom.

Special guests included grandparents of the bridegroom, Clarence and Margaret Wyan of Twin Falls.



Mark and Virginia Hutchins  
A reception was held following the ceremony. Serving were Joy Brander, Jeanette Rideout, Jan Steen, Mary Haysen, Judy Barnard and Tammie Hutchins. Joy Brander, friend of the bride, attended the guest book. Reception musicians were Grace Hauges, Judy Brackman, Naomi Brander, John Garber, Rose Garber, Liz Hanchey, Kate Hutchins, Bethany Hutchins and Zachary Hutchins.

The bride is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and Albertson College of Idaho. She is employed at The Times-News.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Twin Falls High School. He is employed at Idaho Power Co. in Jerome.

The newlyweds reside in Twin Falls.

## The special day really deserves a DJ

Knight Rider News Service

**SAN JOSE, Calif.** - The cake, with four tiers, has achieved vertical harmony and purpose. The place settings scream color theme. The guests, perched on folding chairs and dressed in their finest and frocks, stand early sips of champagne poured from mugnum-sized bottles. Others pocket miniature bottles of Presidente brandy, each harnessed with a lavender ribbon celebrating the joining of Archie and Miste Griego in holy matrimony. Showtime.

The Wedding DJ - the master of ceremonies, the lion tamer of nuptials, the monarch of matrimony - stands ready. His index finger hovers nanometers from the pause button of his CD player as he awaits his cue.

"You'll be ready for this?" Netherlands rapper Ray Slinggaard of 2 Unlimited asks rhetorically.

The Wedding DJ has a curious genesis. People are coming to DJ, they just kind of fall into it. Three months ago, the strange evolutionary process of becoming a DJ became a bit more direct.

That's when Marcus Salomon opened the doors to his DJ School, the only one of its kind in San Jose, and quite possibly anywhere.

The need for a Mobile DJ School seemed obvious to Salomon. Though work requests were coming in, there was a desperate lack of qualified DJs to fill positions.

"There's more work than there are qualified DJs," says Salomon. "We, and other companies, are forced to turn down jobs because of the limited supply of good DJs."

Blame it, perhaps, on the immaculate conception that birthed Wedding DJs in the past. The trade isn't passed down to later generations. It makes the Wedding DJ a prime candidate for extinction.

And so are the nuptial-minded. Without the Wedding DJ, there would be no affordable option to the live band. There would be no one to introduce the bride and groom. There would be no one to hand over the microphone to the Best Man. There would be no one to lead the Chicken Dance.

## Who are we, really?

A part of a song sung by slaves in the early 1800s went like this: "I've got one face for the world to see — another one for what I know is me."

I have often thought about that song and wondered how many faces all of us show the world while keeping private the one we really are. Are we really who we seem to be?

### AGING Gay Petersen

I watched a special on television one night in which a news team followed a Little League ball team throughout their summer season, and I listened as one father threatened a son whom he didn't think was putting forth enough effort, although the son was doing his best to please. Another father took great pleasure in beating up the coach when his son was cut from the team. I felt that those two men were showing their "true faces" to the world.

Most of us, in my opinion, want those we know to think well of us. We put on what they see to call our "best front." You're deep inside, we are often still the children of our past lives. We are not as positive, as knowledgeable, as successful as we make ourselves out to be. Almost everyone tries to make a good impression on those we are trying to influence positively in our direction, and often we succeed in doing just that. The only time we feel we can let down our guard is with our immediate family. Yet, even there, we do not want them to know how truly vulnerable most of us really are. So often, like those Little League fathers, we treat those we care most about with scant respect and sometimes, even, with cruelty.

Why is this the case? Do we feel, as did the father of the Little League boy, that if our children do not perform up to our expectations they are a reflection of our own abilities? If a child is not a perfect student, a perfect athlete — a perfect child, for that matter — does that mean that the world will view us as parents "less than perfect?"

I sometimes think that our children need to know, as we grow up, that it is all right to be vulnerable, to be able to show emotion, to be "less than perfect." And, though I think it is necessary to help our children to overcome their problems and to strive to do the best they can, I think it is also necessary to let them be able to show "their true faces" to the world, that is if, as parents, we have helped shape that "true face" as a kind, loving and caring one.

The most important job we as parents and grandparents have is that of shaping our children's lives so that they will become good adults — adults who can attain a positive and happy picture to the world — and to themselves.

Gay Petersen is a retired school teacher who lives in Warwick.

### SOCIAL -SECURITY Q&A-

Q. How much will I need to live comfortably when I retire? How can I find out how much I'll receive from Social Security?

A. Financial planners say you'll need between 60 to 80 percent of your current income in retirement. Of course, you'll have to make those calculations for yourself. But to find out how much you'll receive from Social Security, it's easy. Just call 1-800-772-1213 for a "Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement."

Q. Can you tell me about Social Security's FAX line?

A. Social Security has a FAX line at 1-888-475-7000 that anyone can access using a touch-tone phone. Anyone may call this number and have material faxed to their fax machine. A voice menu leads you through steps you need to follow. You can also request the complete, 11-page FAX catalogue. Social Security's fax line operates 24 hours a day and you can request up to three documents each time you call.

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.

# Does test anxiety ever end?

## Study: Elderly women stress out over breast cancer testing

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A study says doctors need to do a better job of explaining to elderly women that a suspicious mammogram does not necessarily mean they have breast cancer. For every 1,000 women aged 65 to 69 who had a mammogram, 85 were sent for additional testing or biopsies — and only seven were ultimately found to have cancer, the study reports in last week's *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*. For women 70 or over, 81 per 1,000 needed additional testing or biopsies and 10 had cancer.

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*"Elderly women need to be prepared for the fact that undergoing screening mammography is likely to involve follow-up testing, and that doesn't necessarily mean you have cancer."*

— Dr. H. Gilbert Welch, study author from Dartmouth Medical School

doesn't necessarily mean you have cancer," said study author Dr. H. Gilbert Welch of Dartmouth Medical School. But Welch's study raises a bigger question: At what age are women too old to benefit from regular mammograms? Doctors agree that women must start having mammograms in their 40s and definitely should get one every year from age 50 to 69. After that, the question gets murky. Because they've never studied them, scientists have no proof that mammograms benefit women over 70.

But Welch's findings show the tests have a definite downside, Dr. Karla Kerlikowicz of the University of California, San Francisco, wrote in an accompanying editorial.

Women 70 and older are at an age where they're much more likely to die of heart disease than breast cancer, she explained.

When to stop mammograms is "a tough question," said Dr. Robert Smith of the American Cancer Society, which has never set an upper age limit and warns better research. "There are hundreds of thousands of very vibrant 70-year-olds," Smith said, and those women are likely to live many years and thus need mammograms. But sickly 70-year-olds and women who pass 85 may not need the tests. They might not withstand the mammogram if cancer occurred, or the doctors may be guessing too slowly to bother, Kerlikowicz said.



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## Busy lives cause people to forget pills, not old age

The Washington Post

A busy schedule is more likely than mere old age to make people forget to take their medications, a University of Michigan study suggests.

Researchers studied 121 arthritis patients between the ages of 34 and 84 for eight weeks. The patients took an average of four types of pills daily.

Older patients were more likely than younger ones to take their medications exactly as prescribed, the study found. Some 47 percent of those over age 55 made no mistakes, compared with only 28 percent of those between 34 and 54. For the study, participants used special medication bottles whose caps contained tiny electronic monitoring chips that recorded exactly when the containers were opened.

What usually led to the mistakes, researchers said, was a high degree of chaos and busyness in the patients' daily lives. They based that conclusion on an analysis of questionnaires as well as tests on their memory, attitudes and levels of depression.

The study was led by the University of Michigan psychologist Denise C. Park, who presented her findings last month before the International Congress of Applied Psychology.

# Seniors turn wood into joy for needy children

The Orange County Register

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. — A dozen silver-haired men wearing aprons seem to dance between workbenches. They debate the design of a wooden dump truck, add to stacks of old crates, push choo-choos across crowded counter tops. When the hammering stops, you can hear someone whistling.

What makes this flurry of activity so remarkable is that it isn't Christmas time at all, just another Tuesday at Huntington Beach's Landmark senior community.

ternity of retirees who share a penchant for a piece of pine and a strong belief in the value of play.

"We don't do real well sitting still," Joe Guarnini, an agronomist half observing his Shaggy T-shirt.

"And we all lived during the Depression. We know what that's like, not to have a toy."

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Seniors at Landmark Senior Community, Huntington Beach, Calif., make toys for needy children.

# When they tell you to act your age, do they mean mentally or physically?

Knight Ridder News Service

FORT WORTH, Texas — Darwin Mendoza is in love, and it has worked magic on his soul. But he is not Muzil, Darwin didn't know he was a Renaissance poet, painter, artist, composer, organizer. But at 53, and newly coupled, he blossomed.

But now 29 years ago — not that Darwin's counting. Chronological age means nothing compared to how he feels. "When I'm doing something creative, I have no feeling of age at all," he says.

Most of us experience moments when our birth date seems historically irrelevant. An old friend visits, and the next thing you know you're making crank calls to your former gym teacher. Or your significant other leaves a mess in the kitchen, and suddenly you sound like your mother.

But some people seem genetically predisposed to thinking and acting "young" — like the 68-year-old grandfather who wears miniskirts, or the 10-year-old with a vocabulary to rival that of William Shakespeare.

Attitude can make all the difference between a Darwin Mendoza and an Archie Bunker. Difficult childhoods, pushy parents and exceptional intelligence can produce kids who mature much faster than their peers.

"My family has endured a great deal of tragedy," says Ken Seifert, a 17-year-old Mansfield High School senior. At 15, Seifert assumed the responsibilities of the "man of the house," he says — making meals for his mother and sister every day, cleaning the house and caring for the dog and yard.

"I've been able to develop a maturity level because I understand what it means to feel immense pain and take on responsibilities not normally given to people my age," he says.

Kenny Cooper knew in second grade that he didn't quite belong with his schoolmates. His mother, Debbie, knew even sooner. Kenny would come home from kindergarten quite frustrated. "Mom," he'd say, "those kids gave me a headache again today."

"He's 13 going on 45 in most areas," Debbie Cooper says. "He really is more comfortable talking to adults than to kids his own age."

Kenny, a movie buff since age 2 when he learned to work the VCR, enjoys being different from his peers, but it has made him a target for bullies at times. He has switched schools twice, and now attends eighth grade at Morning Middle School. "In class, I'll give an answer and kids will give me a look like, 'Whoa,'" Kenny says.

America Online recently spied his Web site and asked him to act as an occasional host for its all-ages movie chat rooms. They didn't know he was 13.

Mom is cautiously optimistic. "I am concerned at times he's going to be lonely," she admits.

Kids who grow up too fast are sometimes the product of parents pushing them to "age older behavior patterns," says Fort Worth psychologist David Welch. He has heard of 7-year-olds attending rituals and ball games to demand "ethnic"-themed fetes, where ginger ale "champagne" and bubble-gum cigars are passed around.

Coercing children to act older is "very unhealthy and destructive and damaging," Welch says.

For seniors, maintaining a "young" outlook on life — keeping an open mind, pursuing hobbies, fun and dates — depends on attitude, stress levels, physical health and relationships, says Elizabeth Citrin, a psychologist at Latria Inc. in Fort Worth.

# RIM TO RIM 1998 SEPTEMBER 26

Trophies awarded to the fastest man and woman finisher. Additional prizes in each age group for men and women with separate divisions for men and women.

**DASH FOR CASH:** \$100 Cash prize to the first male and female runner to reach the top of the Blue Lakes Gade. \$100 Cash prize to the first male and female overall winner.

**COKE:** \$100 Pre-registered by Sept. 25 = \$200 Race Day. All proceeds help support local High School track and cross country teams.

**RACE DAY REGISTRATION:** 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. T-shirts for non-racing participants MAY NOT be available on race day and will have to be ordered. To be guaranteed a T-shirt on race day, pre-registration is required.

**STARTING TIME:** 10:00 a.m. at Blue Lakes Country Club, Twin Falls, Idaho.

**PARKING:** Top of North Rim, Western States Bus Co. will transport participants to BLCC.

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