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# Hotel may battle guest tax

## AmeriTel chain doesn't want to finance proposed convention center with taxes

By Brian Hayes  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If city leaders plan to use a hotel tax to support a proposed convention center, they ought to expect a fight from AmeriTel Inns.

The hotel chain was behind an extensive campaign against tax on Idaho Falls hotel guests to finance a convention center there.

"All things being equal, Twin Falls can expect the same kind of battle," AmeriTel Operations Manager Chuck Everett said.

But all things might not be equal.

Backers of a Twin Falls convention center hope to build it with private money, said Kent Just, executive vice president of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

Private money would be the first option, but public money might also be needed. With the convention center still in the early discussion phase, it's hard to tell where all the money would come from, Just said.

At this point, it still hasn't been

decided whether to push for a Twin Falls convention center — or not. Talk has been in the air before, most recently in 1992, when the chamber of commerce funded a study of the idea.

The idea flopped out then, but it sparked up again last year.

If Idaho Falls voters had approved, an auditorium district could have slapped a 5 percent sales tax on hotel and motel guests. Part of that money could have been used as security for bonds on a \$7 million convention center.

AmeriTel Inns vigorously campaigned against the auditorium district proposal. It got what it

wanted when about 56 percent of voters nixed the idea on Tuesday.

"We will never be behind the formation of an auditorium district," Everett said. AmeriTel doesn't oppose a convention center, he said, but it opposes shifting the cost to hotels and motels.

If necessary, backers of a Twin Falls convention center will deal with AmeriTel when the time comes.

"We'll either know what to expect going in, or we'll try to change their minds," Just said.

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# House Dems stick together

## Minority party tries hard not to get lost in GOP Statehouse

The Associated Press

BOISE — Leaders of the woefully tiny Democratic caucus in the Idaho Legislature have developed a formula of sorts for maximizing what little impact they have.

Frame the issues, pick your fights and find ways to build coalitions.

It is no substitute for the raw power of numbers. But the perennial minority hopes its ideas at least will carry enough weight to influence the debate, and perhaps someday restore a degree of balance to the Statehouse.

"Obviously, we had more people here it would be easier. It would give us more opportunity to forward the kind of things that we'd like to do rather than just playing defense all the time," Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett said.

He and House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet both are from Ketchum, and both are new to their leadership jobs, replacing veterans Marquette McLaughlin of Orofino and Jim Stoicheff and Sandpoint, respectively.

"That has made seeking unity even a higher priority than usual within caucuses of 12 in the 70-member House and just four in the 35-member Senate."

But that effort has not been entirely successful. McLaughlin, a ninth-term senator with more legislative experience than all three members of the Democratic caucus, said the change has been positive. And he said McLaughlin is still playing an important role in his position on the budget-setting Joint Finance Appropriations Committee.

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# King Hussein succumbs to cancer

## Jordan looks to untested new king

The Associated Press

AMMAN (AP) — Jordan crowned an untested new monarch Sunday and plunged into mourning for its beloved King Hussein. Distraught citizens sobbed in the streets and world leaders converged on the desert kingdom, united in grief for the statesman who built bridges for peace in the turbulent Middle East.

The deep political divides between those planning to attend Monday's elaborate state funeral served as a powerful reminder of Hussein's far-reaching abilities as a mediator and leader — a skills that lifted Jordan into a place of international prominence.

"Even the sky is crying," an announcer on Jordanian television declared as a rare, dripping fog shrouded the city after the king died at 11:52 a.m. (5:43 a.m. EST) from cancer in a hospital.

Black flags fluttered from the few taxicabs plying the streets. The wail of Koranic verses of mourning filled the country's mosques and residents wept on the sidewalks of Amman, Jordan's hilly capital.

Hussein, who survived repeat



Jordan mourners surge toward a line of police outside the King Hussein Medical Centre Sunday in Amman, Jordan, following the death of King Hussein of Jordan at the age of 63. King Hussein died of complications related to cancer and will be buried today.

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ed assassination attempts as he walked the tightrope of Mideast politics, succumbed after a seven-month battle with lymphatic cancer. He had lingered unconscious on a respirator for two days after returning home to Jordan last week to die.

Cousins, Jordanian officials and members of the royal family, including his dozen children and his wife, the American-born

Queen Noor, had kept a vigil at the king's bedside while thousands of citizens sobbed at the hospital gates.

In keeping with Islamic tradition, the funeral will be held quickly — an enormous process.

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## IMPORTANT DATES IN THE LIFE OF JORDAN'S KING

### A man of peace in turbulent times

King Hussein of Jordan, born Nov. 14, 1935, was an integral part of the history of the Middle East for five decades.

<p><b>July 20, 1951:</b> Witnesses assassination of his grandfather, King Abdullah, by a Palestinian nationalist inspired by Jordan's annexation of the West Bank</p>	<p><b>1958:</b> King Hussein's first attempt to bring army officials loyal to Egyptian Arab nationalists</p>	<p><b>June 5-10, 1967:</b> Hussein's greatest defeat was the loss of the West Bank and east Jerusalem to Israel in the Six Day War</p>	<p><b>1970 'Black September':</b> Hussein's army troops loyal to the king put down a revolt by Palestinian guerrillas, who had become almost a state within-a-state in Jordan and demanded Hussein's ouster</p>	<p><b>1974:</b> Arab summit doddled Hussein can no longer speak for the Palestinians; names the Palestine Liberation Organization, headed by Yasser Arafat, as the sole, legitimate representative</p>	<p><b>1988:</b> Soon after the start of the "intifada," the Palestinian uprising against Israel, Hussein renounces rights to the West Bank, making him a guardian of Jerusalem's Muslim holy places</p>	<p><b>1998:</b> King has second battle with cancer; first was surgery on prostate gland in 1992; in summer of 1998, begins six months of chemotherapy of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; a cancer of the lymph glands</p>
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# NASA launches Stardust mission

The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — A comet-chasing spacecraft named Stardust rocketed away Sunday on a seven-year, 3 billion-mile quest to bring back precious comet dust.

Stardust began its formidable journey one day late, soaring into a clear afternoon sky aboard a Boeing Delta rocket. A last-minute radar problem on Saturday caused the delay.

NASA's Stardust mission is the

first attempt to gather material from beyond the moon and return it to Earth.

It is also the first time NASA has sent a robot on an extraterrestrial pickup and delivery mission. The last time the agency went after samples in outer space was Apollo 17 in 1972, the last of the manned lunar landings.

"Not only do we have to get to where we're going ... but then we've got to turn around and come home again," said Carl

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# Senators look to censure

## Impachment drama may be over by end of the week

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With a perjury charge in deep trouble and acquittal virtually assured, senators on Sunday looked beyond President Clinton's impeachment trial to a censure resolution that could satisfy Republicans and Democrats in a strong condemnation of his conduct. But even censure had opposition.

The entire impeachment

drama appears certain to be over by the end of the week.

Several senators said the article alleging grand jury perjury — one of two impeachment articles approved by the House on Dec. 19 — could fail to muster even a majority, despite the Republicans' 55-45 edge in the Senate.

And almost everyone involved agreed that the remaining article charging Clinton with obstructing justice — will fall short of the two-thirds majority needed to convict Clinton and eject him from the presidency.

With videotaped images of Monica Lewinsky fresh in senators' minds, House prosecutors

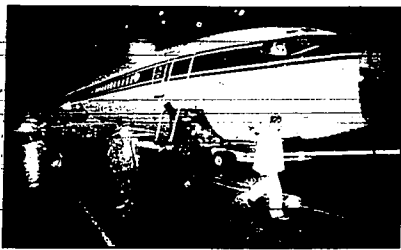
and the Clinton defense team spent the day packaging familiar evidence into closing statements to be delivered Monday.

Clinton himself will be away when closing arguments start — attending the funeral of Jordan's King Hussein along with national leaders from around the world.

When the roll is called on acquittal or conviction, likely Tuesday or Friday, about all Democrats are expected to oppose both impeachment articles. However Democrat Sen. Robert Byrd of West Virginia, sometimes called the conscience of the Senate, would not rule out voting for conviction.



NATION



Workers move a gutted Boeing 727 aircraft through the rain near Hillsboro, Ore., Saturday. The plane's new owner plans to reattach the wings and tail section, and remodel the interior as his new home.

# U.S. claims right to expand strikes

## Administration warns regimes harboring terrorists

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration now asserts the right to bomb government facilities in nations that provide sanctuary to international terrorists, a significant escalation of U.S. attempts to thwart terrorism.

"We may not just go in a strike against a terrorist facility; we may choose to retaliate against the facilities of the host country, if that host country is not providing cooperative sanctuary," Richard Clarke, President Clinton's coordinator for counterterrorism, told The Associated Press.

In an interview last week, Clarke described the policy that marks a departure from the tactics employed last August when U.S. cruise missiles struck at alleged terrorist strongholds in Afghanistan and Sudan.

Now the administration contends it could broaden such an

attack to include government buildings and assets in nations that knowingly harbor terrorists.

The Clinton administration has repeatedly warned nations that protect terrorist groups.

"Countries that persistently host terrorists have no right to be safe havens," Clinton told the nation Aug. 20, the day the United States launched scores of cruise missiles at suspected terrorist targets in Afghanistan and Sudan.

But prior to Clarke's comments, no one in the administration had made the leap from a general denunciation of harboring terrorists to an explicit threat that governments may find their own facilities attacked if they do so.

Had this tactic been employed in the Aug. 20 strikes, the United States might have, for example, targeted Sudan's government buildings or the Afghan Taliban headquarters.

In fact, the scores of cruise missiles used in that strike were targeted carefully to avoid government facilities and were aimed at the alleged terrorist assets of Osama bin Laden. The administra-

# Bachelor's dream pad moves off the runway

LAUREL, Ore. (AP) — Transporting Bruce Campbell's new home from the airport to the countryside was a cinch. Getting it up the driveway was another matter.

The 49-year-old electrical engineer who bought a used Boeing 727 to turn into a bachelor apartment saw the jet make an incredible journey Saturday — from a muddy field near the Hillsboro airport to the doorstep of his neighbor's property about 12 miles south.

Dozens of onlookers, many with bleary-eyed children, stood in the rain to watch the 127-foot-long aircraft negotiate the streets of downtown Hillsboro about 3:30 a.m.

The plane, pulled by a semi-truck rig at a top speed of 4 mph, arrived about 6:30 a.m. at the Laurel Valley general store, where workers waited for dawn to break before ascending the winding road leading to Paul and Chris Denfeld's 500-acre walnut and hazelnut groves.

The plan involved towing the fuselage, resting on wheeled dollies, into a gravel-strewn gully behind the Denfelds' barn, where it would remain until spring, when Campbell could figure out a way to get it up the steep slope to his 10-acre parcel.

But the rest of the asphalt driveway was too thin to support the

weight of the 32-ton aircraft, and the idea of crossing over a shallow ditch and winching the plane about 400 feet up a muddy side road seemed impossible.

About 20 exhausted workers went home and the plane, unable to taxi, stayed put on the driveway. They were trying again Sunday afternoon, and hoped to complete the process by nightfall.

Campbell, who had dreamed of living inside a jetliner since childhood, got his wish last Halloween when the 727 he bought for \$100,000 was decommissioned by Greece's Olympic Airways and flown to Hillsboro, a town of about 45,000 west of Portland.

Campbell will outfit the plane with a bedroom, bathroom and workshop, and possibly a deck. He'll also re-attach the wings then.

But first it had to be moved, a complex undertaking that will end up costing Campbell about \$25,000. While the plane fell short of its destination Saturday, the operation had the upbeat atmosphere of an old-fashioned barn-raising. And Campbell was thrilled just to have his new toy closer to home.

"It's going to take years to fully understand what happened here," he said. "I'm going to owe lots and lots of people spare kidneys."

# Witnesses line up for pilot's trial

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) — Twenty-two Italians who say they saw a Marine Corps jet flying too low shortly before it sent 20 people in a gondola to their deaths are expected to be the first witnesses in the court-martial of the jet's pilot.

Capt. Richard Ashby is charged with 20 counts of involuntary manslaughter in the February 1998 accident in which his EA-6B Prowler jet snipped a gondola cable over the village of Cavlese.

People from Italy, Poland, Belgium, Germany, Austria and the Netherlands were killed.

Opening arguments were to begin Monday morning, with at least 21 relatives of victims expected to attend at United States government expense.

Ashby, 31, of Mission Viejo, Calif., says he didn't know the cable was strung across the valley until seconds before hitting it.

# Gas prices drop another penny

CAMARILLO, Calif. (AP) — Gasoline prices plunged nearly a penny per gallon as retailers continued to scramble for customers in the glutted market, an industry analyst said Sunday.

The average price, including all taxes and fees, was \$1.011 per gallon on Friday, down .94 cents from two weeks earlier, according to the Lundberg Survey of 10 national gas stations.

When adjusted for inflation, that is the lowest price in the history of the retail gas market and follows months of declines linked to an oversupply of crude and refined oil products, Trilby Lundberg said.

"The bigger picture does not suggest higher prices soon. In fact, the price crash may not be over," she said.

The faltering world economy weakened demand, she said. "It had to do especially with the Asian economic crises, followed by the crisis in Russia and parts of Latin America."

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Snow brings back slippery roads

**TWIN FALLS** - Wet snow Sunday afternoon and evening sent a lot of cars and trucks sliding off Magic Valley roads.

A car sheared off a power pole along Kimberly Road east of Twin Falls. No one was injured, and no one lost power. A two-car collision at Filler and Eastland - caused by slick conditions - sent four people to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center to be checked for injuries.

On Interstate 86 east of Burley the Idaho State Police reported a semi-truck on its side. No details were available Sunday night.

Elsewhere, police dispatchers reported lots of slide-offs but no serious injuries.

### Gun owners to submit proposal to TF council

**TWIN FALLS** - Pawn shop owner and gun dealer Randy Ostrom plans today to present the Twin Falls City Council with a proposal to ban any further destruction of seized and abandoned firearms.

The proposal will be presented with the supporting signatures of more than 600 gun owners, said a letter sent by Ostrom to City Hall. The council meets at 5 p.m. in City Hall, and the public is welcome.

Ostrom and others were upset when the city recently destroyed about 54,000 worth of weapons.

In other business, the council will consider raising recreation fees to fund a part-time recreation coordinator position and to expand recreation programs. The council also will consider leasing two new patrol cars for the police department.

### Buhl to look at armory septic, well bids

**BUHL** - The Buhl City Council will meet at 7 p.m. today at 203 N. Broadway.

New business includes bids for the septic and well at the armory; the Buhl Housing Authority; leases of water shares for 1999; a change in the policy manual for uniforms; the weed ordinance; a resolution on emergency response; and an update on the Enough is Enough drug-prevention program.

The public is welcome.

### Shoshone schools take up campus issue

**SHOSHONE** - The Shoshone School Board will again discuss an open or closed campus at its 7:30 p.m. meeting today.

The public is welcome. The board will consider a proposal to change the admission process report on the new gym; make a decision regarding superintendent hiring; and hold a 7 p.m. policy session. Policies up for adoption are: professional staff compensation plans and contracts; rules on use of school facilities; kitchen use; production requirements; student suspension and in-school suspension; and student expulsion.

### Applications to come before commission

**KETCHUM** - The Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission will receive two applications today. It meets at 5:30 p.m. today at City Hall.

Lynda Britton applied to subdivide its lots 1211 and 1212 on Warm Springs Road into three lots. James Robinson and Julie Shinn applied to subdivide two units at 146 Belmont Drive into two townhome lots.

Design reviews on the agenda include:

- A new mixed-use building - 43,044 square feet with underground parking and 12 residential units - at 680 Sun Valley Road E.

- A new single-family residence in the Floodplain at 315 Broadway Blvd.

- An addition to a single-family residence for a hair salon at 260 Second St.

- Two items are set for pre-application design review:

- A new city street equipment building at 200 10th St. E.

- Additional of 41 townhome residential units at 225 Picabo St.

The meeting is open to the public.

Compiled from staff reports.

## DOE releases final study, proposes waste incineration

By N.S. Wickham  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Despite public concerns about incinerating radioactive waste, plans for a treatment plant at INEEL include burning some waste.

The Energy Department has released its final environmental impact statement for treating plutonium-contaminated waste at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

The Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project would treat:

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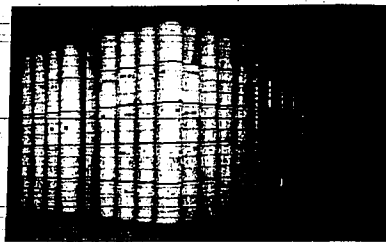
at INEEL and 120,000 cubic meters of additional waste from INEEL and other federal sites over about 30 years.

Critics of the proposal are disappointed. The Snake River Alliance had hoped the Energy Department would re-do the statement to do a better job of justifying the proposal, said Beatrice Brailford of the Alliance's Procello office.

"We are doing this," she said.

The Energy Department has

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A proposed plant at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory would treat radioactive waste from a nuclear bomb factory in Colorado - a portion of it stored in steel barrels, such as these at a storage facility at INEEL.

## Explorer program teams youths with law officers

By Rachel Denney  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** - Keeshaan Khanavally vividly remembers being in a patrol car as Sheriff's deputies presented a man with a parole-violation warrant, raided his house and arrested him.

Khanavally wouldn't have had that experience without the Twin Falls County Sheriff Department's Explorer Post program.

The program, which operates under the auspices of Boy Scouts of America and the sheriff's department, gives ages 15 to 21 a taste of law enforcement. Participants don't have to be Boy Scouts.

"The purpose of the Explorer program is to educate teenagers," program adviser Mark Burgess said. "They learn some basic law enforcement training, go on ride-alongs, they assist officers, and part of their training is they learn how to assist in traffic accidents, how to assist in crowd control and crime scene control."

"The youths, who fill out applications and have background checks before joining, get a chance to do things they wouldn't be allowed to otherwise."

One youth involved, Garth York, said officers make the program fun and interesting.

"They let you get involved a lot," he said. "I've been in stings, like buying beer for the cops. You can't ask for a better program."

But especially true of law enforcement is the teen-ager's career choice.

"The reason I joined is because of the future I plan on being a law-enforcement officer. I thought it would give me some good experience," York said. "It gives you a chance to get into law enforcement."



Jessy Baker and Tom English, along with other Explorers in their post, await inspection from the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department.

will be to work and willing to take the physical challenge. I recommend this program."

Even people not interested in law-enforcement careers could benefit, Burgess said.

"I think the kids learn a greater appreciation for what law enforcement is about and what law-enforcement officers go through," Burgess said. "But they also learn human-relations skills and how to turn volatile situations around. They learn the fine art of people skills and crime-prevention skills that can help them in their lives and they

can pass on to their friends."

The program has been chartered since 1953, but in the past year the officers have taken a different approach in teaching the teens.

"We have begun doing more hands-on training," Burgess said. "Across the board the kids are excited, and we've seen an increase in their participation. Some have really improved in not only their personal appearance but also in the way they approach people."

But the program is not for those without commitment and

endurance, Burgess said.

Participants have been drilled for six hours on how to post the colors, in addition to their training on cardiopulmonary resuscitation, dusting for fingerprints, filling out reports and proper procedure for traffic stops - to name a few.

"We try to give them a feel of what it is like in the field," main adviser Brent Hillard said. "We give them a scaled-down version of an academy. We want them to be an asset to the officer; we try to make it fun but educational. It's not all business to where they

lose interest."

With 15 Magic Valley youth people in the program, and the number rapidly expanding, officers are excited to see the interest, Burgess said.

"The kids are excited and are looking for opportunities to show others and themselves that they've earned a level of professionalism and respect. They're being seen for doing something positive," he said.

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## Lawmakers look into identity theft, and snowmobile DUIs

The Times-News

**BOISE** - With any luck, state lawmakers had a restful weekend because there's a pile of work to consider today.

By Friday, 175 bills were heaped in the Idaho House, and 112 other were simmering in the Senate.

No doubt about it, things are picking up in the Stanzhous.

Lawmakers are seeing everything from proposals to change desert wine regulations to a measure to combat "identity theft." Snowmobile drivers may soon face penalties for riding by the same alcohol restrictions as car drivers. And there's bad

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news for Elvis and Mickey Mouse because the filing date for women candidates may be moved up.

Elsewhere around the Stanzhous:

- Rep. Paul Kjellander, R-Boise, a newly appointed com-

missioner on the Public Utilities Conservation (and he and new father of twins), is leaving an opening in the House Republican leadership. Interest appears to be running strong for his Caucus Chair spot, but no Magic Valley lawmakers are being mentioned as possible successors. Another House opening, tragically created by the car crash death of Rep. Patrick Bieser, D-Boise, was filled by his son David.

Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Deco, introduced his bill to take the Board of Pardons and Paroles out from under the

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## Fish and Game to consider big cat hunt

By Margot Higgins  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** - The Wood River Valley is one of the few areas of Idaho without a mountain lion hunting season. That may change.

The Idaho Fish and Game Commission will consider allowing a mountain lion hunt from Sept. 15 to March 31 next year. Labeled as Unit 48, the area involved stretches north of

**Your chance to roar**  
Want to win your opinion about a mountain lion hunting season? An open house will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Old House, County Courthouse in Hailey.

Highway 20 and west of Highway 75, then crosses east of Highway 75 from Trail Creek north to Galena.

Officials expect opposition to the hunting season. Conservation officer Lee Frost said the issue will be approached from biological and sociological viewpoints.

From a biological viewpoint, there's probably an adequate number of mountain lions to sustain a hunt," Frost said. "But some people of Blaine County feel it's not an appropriate activity for this valley. People up here

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## Vanishing pride

### Fading membership spells end for Malta's Lions Club

By Heidi Tuttle  
Times-News correspondent

**MALTA** - The Lions nor so more.

For 47 years, the Malta Lions Club has been a dedicated service organization, donating to local schools and offering help when the community needed it.

But age and failing health have weakened the club, and the old cats have had poor luck in recruiting clubs.

"We hated to see it happen," said member Alvin "Lindy" Neddo. "But there was nothing more we could do."

Kevin Tracy, the club's president and youngest member, is 46.

"Young families are pulled too many ways," Tracy said. "They are involved with school, church and work. There are just too many demands placed on young families, I guess."

The \$35 yearly membership dues also seemed to be a deterrent, Tracy said. But age was the biggest issue.

Only two members were younger than 70 in the club's final year. A roster of six or seven finally wasn't enough to

keep the club going.

"We are just getting too old to do it," said Leonard Morris, 89.

The Malta Lions Club isn't alone. Every Lions club in the Mini-Cassini area has noticed a membership decline. Three clubs are on the brink of closure, said Gordon Blair, a past president of the Burley Lions Club and the district governor for the organization.

"I can appreciate what they are up against," Blair said. "If you don't get new blood in there to keep it going, it will fold eventually. I've seen a lot of Lions come and a lot of Lions go."

The Burley Lions Club still has a strong membership of about 50 people, but in the past that number was up to 90.

The Malta club performed one last act of service before disbanding.

The club's meeting place south of Malta will be sold, with the proceeds going to charity, Tracy said. Members recently cleaned out the building and donated tables, chairs and dishes to Red River High School.

For Morris, the cleanup brought a sense of closure.

"The fact is, it'd been going the badly that I was glad to see it go," he said.

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# Don't even think of parking here

## Burley may put more teeth into parking laws

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - The Burley City Council is considering an ordinance to allow the city engineer to regulate parking.

The ordinance went through its first reading at the council meeting last week. The ordinance would give City Engineer Leon Bedke authority to mark parking zones, street markings, curb markings or post signs designating parking regulations in Burley.

The proposal for a parking ordinance comes amid growing concern from residents about the city's parking situation.

"People take up too much space," said D.J. Markley, 18, who was hustling for a parking spot off Overland Avenue Thursday. "There's not enough room any more. I had to fight for this space."

Markley's friend Emily Rose, 16, agreed.

"The city should put up more 'No Parking' signs," Rose said.



Joanna Pearson attempts to turn into traffic from a parking lot at the corner of Overland Avenue and Main Street in Burley. The city has proposed a parking ordinance that could add more parking signs in and around the city.

"It's too crowded," Joanna Pearson said public parking on the block to be placed around Overland Avenue and in other parts of Burley.

"Sometimes I have to drive around the block to find a place to park," she said. "People do take up too much space."

Only a few parking signs are posted around the city. Most of them are on private property, city attorney Randy Stone said.

"This ordinance creates a regulated and routine marking provision in the city," Stone said. "It requires some further thought. We're looking for input from the

sheriff's office and local citizens.

But people don't always park in accordance with the signs already posted in the city. If this ordinance passes, violators could face a \$25 ticket.

"The ordinance puts a little more teeth on the parking issue and laws," Bedke said. "I don't think it will make a big impact, but it might help a bit."

Some parking signs and curb markings may be installed if the ordinance is passed. The cost of the signs is minimal - around \$100 apiece, Bedke said.

The city's current parking ordinance gives the City Council power to regulate parking zones. In order to regulate or adopt a new zone, the city would have to create a resolution. This takes too much time and energy, Stone said.

The new ordinance would cut back on the paperwork, Stone said.

"We're trying to catch up with things that are long overdue," City Council member Dave Ringle said. "We've been so gentle with the parking laws. Now we're finding that there is a need for more parking ordinances."

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## VALLEY IN BRIEF

### Dietrich School Board will meet at 7:30

**DIETRICH** - The Dietrich School Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. today in the business room.

Presentations include a staff proposal to change to a nine-week grading period, and the Volunteer Management Program.

The superintendent's report covers the senior trip, ICRMP-Y2K, an article on "Use and Misuse of Test Scores," reform of the policy manual, the proposed public school budget, a report on the District history book, an accreditation report for 1998-99, the plant facilities levy and the Pepsico agreement.

Unfinished business discussion includes the Facilities Design Committee Report, donations to the building fund and a \$2,000 certificate of deposit for the building fund; driver's education and the Idaho School Board Association. New-business discussion will focus on policy regarding the parent involvement plan; financial administration; administration of medication; and the building and grounds.

An executive session will conclude the meeting.

### Hagerman schools will look at vo-tech

**HAGERMAN** - The Hagerman School Board will meet at 7 p.m. today at 324 N. Second St.

Vo-tech, a kitchen, schematics and the school calendar are first on the agenda. The superintendent's report includes the driver's education program, summer youth activities, park utilization, School-To-Work and technology testing. An advanced placement program, Future Farmers of America update, a high school reform conference, the student body constitution and a "Write on Idaho" year-end for English teachers are among items on the principal's report.

During old business, the board will talk about student desks, a tank rental, the boiler room and vault, and - in executive sessions - an excessive-absences appeal and student discipline.

New business will cover student discipline and accreditation reports, first reading of an attendance policy, senior class funds procedure, goals for the technology director, a meeting with the city planning and zoning for the vo-tech variance, cellular phones, the high school prom, a Child Behavior At-Risk survey, a resignation, a savings account for a bond interest redemption fund, and athletic schedules, coaching assignments and state playoff guidelines.

The public is welcome. But executive sessions will be held for a meeting with the city about the football field athletic stipend; the student resource officer; and superintendent and principal evaluations.

### Hailey council to take plat application

**HAILEY** - A public hearing is set before the Hailey City Council at 6 p.m. today in the City Town Center meeting room.

Dave Manookian's application for final plat of the Myrtle Court Subdivision would allow construction of two duplexes and a single-family residence on .46 acres. The property is at about 111 W. Myrtle - generally west of the Johnson McMurdo Business Area and east of Norister Avenue.

The meeting is open to the public.

Also on the agenda: a resolution setting goals for parks and recreation; second reading of a subdivision ordinance's section on parks; a towing ordinance; a meeting addendum and accreditation reports; second reading of a subdivision ordinance's section on parks; a towing ordinance; a meeting addendum and accreditation reports; and several financial matters.

### Aid applications will be discussed

**RUPERT** - Minidoka County commissioners will meet at 8:30 a.m. today to discuss applications for county aid, a tax appeal decision, a possible health care plan and animal-control matters.

The public is welcome to attend.

### Cassia County will accept phone bids

**BURLEY** - Cassia County commissioners will take bids for a new county telephone system at 10 a.m. today.

The commissioners also will take bids on a new 911 system for the county. Kelly Adams, chairman for the Cassia County Public Lands Committee, will discuss public lands matters. The meeting is open to the public.

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## ON THE AGENDA

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Following is a list of governmental meetings that are scheduled this week in the Magic Valley. This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

### TODAY

- Buhl City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Blaine County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Camas County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
- Camas County School Board, 7 p.m., high school.
- Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
- Cassia County School Board, 7 p.m., central office, 237 E. 19th St., Burley.
- Dietrich School Board, 7:30 p.m., school business room.
- Eden City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Elmore County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
- Hagerman School Board, 8 p.m., elementary school.
- Hailey City Council, 6 p.m., Hailey Town Center.
- Hansen City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
- Hansen Community Library

- Board of Trustees, 7 p.m., Hansen Community Library, 120 W. Maple.
- Hollister City Council, 7 p.m., School Hall.
- Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Council chambers.
- Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
- Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall.
- Lincoln County City Hall.
- Lincoln County Medical Center board, 6 p.m., Sage Room, MVRMC Education Center.
- Malta City Council, 5 p.m., Rafi River Electric Co-op conference room.
- Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
- Richfield City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 180 W. Lincoln.
- Shoshone School Board, 8 p.m., high school.
- Shoshone School Board, 7:30 p.m., Lincoln Elementary School.
- Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Twin Falls County Parks and Waterways Advisory Board, 7:30 p.m., Parks and Waterways building, 450 Sixth Ave. W.
- Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency, 7:30 a.m., City Hall.
- Valley School Board (Eden-

- Hazelton), 7 p.m., high school superintendent's office.

### TUESDAY

- Blaine School Board, 7:30 p.m., school on the district office.
- Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., school district office.
- Kimberly City Council, 7 p.m., community center.
- Murtaugh City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
- Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 8:30 a.m., City Hall.
- Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Twin Falls School Board, 7 p.m., administrative office, 201 Main Ave. W.

### WEDNESDAY

- Castelford City Council, 7:30 p.m., J & D Printing Enterprise.
- Declo City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Idaho Regional Board meeting, 7:30 p.m., dispatch center, 915 E. Ave. H, Jerome.
- Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Glenns Ferry School Board, 7 p.m., administration office, 820 Old Highway 30.
- Heyburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Murtaugh Highway District, 7 p.m., highway district office.

- Murtaugh School Board, 2:30 p.m., elementary school library.
- Paul City Council, 7:30 p.m., city office.
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Twin Falls Public Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m., library board room.
- Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Wendell School Board, 7 p.m., high school board room.

### THURSDAY

- Belleuve City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Castelford School Board, 5:30 p.m., school library.
- Hagerman Chamber of Commerce, noon, Hagerman Senior Center.
- Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce, noon, Rupert Elks Lodge.
- Minidoka City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
- Rupert, DeMay Memorial Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m., library, 417 Seventh St.
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., Twin Falls County office building, 246 Third Ave. E.

### FRIDAY

- Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

## Hunt

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have a compensation for natural resources."

To gather public sentiment on the issue, the Fish and Game Department will hold a series of meetings this week throughout central Idaho.

Frost said each meeting will be structured like an open house, with people dropping in as they please. The state will provide reading material and exhibits about mountain lions, and Fish and Game representatives will be present to take questions and comments.

"We get far more information

from the public under this format," Frost said.

The public comments will be sent to the Idaho Fish and Game Commission, which will meet on March 4 and 5 in Idaho Falls to set big-game seasons for this fall.

Mountain lion sightings have been a hot topic in the Wood River Valley this winter. Lions have been spotted in several locations, though Frost said most sightings have been from Deer Creek south through Bellevue in the Lower Broadford area.

"The prey base is a little high-

er in the lower end of the valley. There are probably more deer and elk available than up north," he said.

Frost said rumors are flying up and down the valley about domestic cats and dogs falling prey to mountain lions. But Frost said only three domestic cat attacks have been reported so far this season.

"Mountain lions are opportunistic creatures," he said. "If a house cat is in the wrong place at the wrong time, lions will take advantage." He noted that the lions hunt at night.

But Frost said the disappear-

ances of domestic animals didn't prompt the hunting season.

The hunting season will simply allow hunting opportunities for those who want to hunt lions," he said. He also explained that a hunting season would have nothing to do with population control.

"If you don't hunt lions, they will fill in the existing habitat. Once they reach that point their numbers remain static. Lions are self-regulating animals."

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## Searchers find last 2 boys

**SANDPOINT (AP)** - Searchers on snowmobiles found two teen-age brothers in good condition Sunday afternoon after they were stuck overnight when a howling snowstorm raked Schweizer Mountain ski resort.

Another three boys - also lost in the storm - trekked through deep snow to safety Sunday morning.

The two brothers appeared to be in good condition when they were located about 3:40 p.m. Sunday.

"They appear to be fine. The younger boy possibly has frostbitten hands," one searcher said over two-way radio.

Earlier Sunday, three 15-year-

old boys walked down from the mountain after being stuck overnight in the storm at the northern Idaho ski resort.

The three, whose identities were not released, had spent the night inside a snow cave they had built and started walking down hill around dawn, said Bonner County sheriff's Cpl. Bob Howard.

The trio were suffering from frostbite and one was "pretty ill," Howard said. They were treated at Bonner General Hospital in Sandpoint and released.

When heavy snowfall lifted Sunday afternoon, searchers on snowmobiles and skis went out looking for the two boys who were still missing.

## Waste

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signed a \$1 billion contract with BNFL Inc., the American wholly-owned subsidiary of British Nuclear Fuels Ltd. owned by the British government. If the department decides to go ahead with the project, BNFL would build and operate the plant, which would sort, characterize, treat and package waste stored at INEEL for disposal outside Idaho.

The department proposes to burn about 25 percent of the waste, then mix the plutonium-contaminated ash in a glass-like substance for disposal. The rest of the boxes and barrels would be smashed, compacted and encased in cement-like grout.

A 1995 agreement between the federal government and the state called for the development of the treatment plant for waste stored

at INEEL.

The agreement also calls for the removal of 65,000 cubic meters of stored plutonium-contaminated waste, with shipments to begin by the end of April and at least 3,100 cubic meters of waste shipped out by the end of 2002.

But a disposal site in New Mexico has not yet opened because of the dispute over per-

mitting between the state and the federal government. INEEL officials concede they have no other place to send the waste.

Failure to meet the April deadline would mean a halt of some shipments of high-level waste to Idaho for storage.

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## Legislature

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Department of Corrections. The move will give the agency, which reviews parole applications for all Idaho inmates, the autonomy needed to do its job correctly, he said.

\* In yet-another response to term limits, a group of senators including Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, introduced a bill that would extend legislative terms

from two years to four, and stagger the election dates. The measure wouldn't alter the eight-year limit imposed by the term-limit initiative, but staggered terms would ensure that some experienced lawmakers are always on hand.

\* Head Start advocates from both sides of the aisle pledged their resolve last week to keep pushing for state funding for the federal preschool program. Only

21 percent of Idaho's eligible children can participate now. Lawmakers hope to capitalize on Gov. Dirk Cota's new-term commitment to early childhood development, although he did not include state money for the program in his budget proposal.

\* Also on Ketchum's wish list is a reading program outlined in four bills introduced by House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet,

D-Ketchum, and others on a bipartisan committee that's been researching the idea for two years. Though the programs have been pure law for just \$4.4 million, observers expect lively discussion on where that money should come from.

Legislation: Extras is compiled by Times-News political writer Gregory Hahn.



## MORNING LINE

### SPORTSQUOTE

“One eyes it, the other freeze dries it.”

—Peter Vessy, writing in the New York Post, seeing the possibility of Dennis Rodman playing for Miami's Pat Riley as a study in hair

### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**Men's college basketball**

Idaho at New Mexico State, 7:05 p.m.

Idaho State at Montana, 7:35 p.m.

**Girls' basketball**

A-1 Region III tournament

• Twin Falls at Jensen 7 p.m.

A-2 District 4 tournament at Gooding

• Kimberly vs. Buhl, 7:30 p.m.

A-4 Southside sub-district tournament at Decko

• Oakley vs. Hageman 8 p.m.

**High school bowling**

District team event at Twin Falls Bowladrome

# Bronco-powered AFC rolls over NFC

### Jets' Johnson, Pats' Law share MVP honors

The Associated Press

HONOLULU — If the Pro Bowl was John Elway's final game, he went out with a brief but shining performance.

Elway, a nine-time All-Star selection, played only the first series Sunday, but threw a touchdown pass that started the AFC toward a 23-10 victory over the NFC. The 38-year-old Elway nimbly sidestepped a pair of pass rushers and lobbed a 3-yard TD pass to Buffalo fullback Sam Gash to put the AFC ahead to stay.

The MVP of the Broncos' 34-19 Super Bowl win over Atlanta a week earlier, Elway watched the rest of the game from the sidelines: He plans to announce with the next couple of months whether he'll return to the Broncos for another season — and a shot at three consecutive NFL titles.

Broncos players accounted for 16 of the AFC's 23 Pro Bowl points — Denver's Jason Elam was perfect on field goals of 23, 46 and 26 yards.

New England's Ty Law returned an interception 67 yards for the other AFC score.

Each team had three interceptions, with the New York Jets' Vinny Tosaware throwing three for the AFC, all in the first half, and Minnesota's Randall Cunningham throwing two for the NFC.

Law stepped in front of Green Bay wide receiver Antonio Freeman in the fourth quarter, picked off Cunningham's throw and had clear sailing to the end zone.

Law's TD gave the AFC a short-lived 14-point lead. Emmitt Smith of Dallas found a large hole up the middle on



Minnesota Vikings wide receiver Randy Moss shows off his leaping ability by hauling in a pass over Seattle Seahawks cornerback Shawn Springs Sunday in Honolulu at the annual NFL Pro Bowl game. The AFC won the contest 23-10.

fourth down and ran for a 2-yard TD to narrow the gap to 17-10 midway through the fourth quarter.

Elam's 46-yard field goal stretched the lead back to 10 points, then he added his 26-yarder early in the fourth quarter.

Minnesota rookie Randy Moss was the game's leading receiver with 108 yards on seven catches. The NFL great he's already being compared to, Jerry Rice of San Francisco, had five catches for 60 yards.

For the AFC, the Jets' Keyshawn Johnson caught seven passes for 87 yards.

Each member of the winning AFC squad received \$25,000, with the NFL players getting \$12,500 apiece.

### IN BRIEF

## Jerome's McDowell wins Most Appealing Car

POMONA, Calif. — His 1998 Dodge Avenger may have been ousted in the first round of the NHTSA Winter Nationals, but Jerome professional drag racer Mitch McDowell still walked away with some hardware.

McDowell's car beat out over 750 entries from Australia, Asia, North America and Europe for the Best Appearing Car award.

In Sunday's action, McDowell fell to No. 2 qualifier Cleveland's Dennis Suen, who ran the quarterfinals in 28 seconds.

McDowell had just made his hole shot on the quarter-mile track when his tires began to smoke and he lost traction, he soon shut the engine down.

Rain postponed all final elimination races at the event.

McDowell will be in action in three weeks at the NHRA national meet in Phoenix.

## Buhl grapples take Weiser tournament crown

WEISER — The Buhl Indians wrestling squad won the 12-team Weiser Invitational Saturday night, getting titles from Luke Chivers at 145 pounds, Tyke Sonner at 189 and heavyweight Dusty Owen.

That was a big step leading up to districts, said Buhl coach Joel Avers. "It came down to the wire."

Second-place awards went to Brannon Crumer (119), Eric Bitterworth (140) and Robin Hunsaker and Josh Goedhart placed fourth at 152 pounds.

Team scores: 1. Buhl 152.5 pts.; 2. Weiser 148.3; Homedale 143.5; 4. Mountain Home 127.5; 5. Poyette 124.5.

## American Legion meets at TFHS today at 6 p.m.

TWIN FALLS — An important informational meeting of the American Legion Baseball Boosters is planned for today at Twin Falls High School. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in Coach Mike Federico's room at the high school.

## Twin Falls AAU will meet at 7:30 today at TFHS

TWIN FALLS — Anyone interested in learning more about Twin Falls AAU Basketball — participating, coaching or signing up — is encouraged to attend an informational session today at Twin Falls High School.

AAU Basketball is open to both boys and girls. Monday's meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Coach Dan Vogt's room at the high school (21).

For more information, call 733-4780 evenings.

## Former BSU coach to talk tennis today at YFCA

TWIN FALLS — Former Boise State University men's tennis coach Greg Patton, now a national junior coach with the United States Tennis Association, is coming to Twin Falls.

Patton will speak today at the USA Tennis community rally at the Maple Valley YFCA from 6 to 8 p.m. Admission is free and there will be food and prizes.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

# Golden Eagles to face in-state rivals

By Domen Clow

Times-News writer

The two scenic West Athletic Conference men's basketball teams with the biggest victories last week are the two that are coming to the College of Southern Idaho this week.

On Saturday night, Ricks College defeated Dixie College 65-63 and North Idaho College shocked conference leader Snow by 41 points, 118-80.

CSI (7-5) is a game out of third place after splitting its weekend-round games and hosts Ricks (8-5) Friday and NIC (4-9) Saturday.

The Rebels' loss in Rexburg kept Dixie (10-3) from grabbing a share of the conference lead.

And kept Snow (11-2) in sole possession of the lead.

Utah Valley (8-4) travels to take on the conference leaders Friday and Saturday after winning its sole game last week against travel partner Salt Lake Community College.

Colorado Northwest beat Treasure Valley (4-8) for its first conference win but remains in last place, three games behind Eastern Utah and NIC.

The CSC Sports Center of the CSI women pushed the Golden Eagles a half-game out of the conference lead

## Scenic West Athletic Conference standings

Team	Conf.	All.
Snow College	11-2	23-2
Dixie College	10-3	20-5
Utah Valley	8-4	19-6
Ricks College	8-5	18-7
North Idaho	7-5	15-9
Salt Lake CC	6-6	17-7
Eastern Utah	5-7	13-5
North Idaho	4-9	9-13
Eastern Utah	3-10	10-15
Colorado NW	1-12	7-16
Utah Valley	1-13	11-13
North Idaho	1-13	11-13
SNOW def. RICKS 92-85, last to NIC 111-80		
DIXIE def. NIC 79-63, last to RICKS 95-83		
CSI def. TVC 74-62, def. CSI 84-73		
SNOW def. RICKS 74-69, last to CSI 77-69		
UVC def. ECU 56-73		

behind Dixie (11-2), which beat NIC and Ricks last weekend.

With two victories last week, the Spartans (6-7) are one win away from securing a spot in the regional tournament in Twin Falls.

NIC (5-8) upset Snow (8-5), knocking the Badgers two games behind in the fourth quarter when the Jazz rallied to beat the Lakers.

The Jazz swept the Lakers in four games, denying Los Angeles its first trip to the NBA finals since 1991. Utah went on to lose to Chicago in the finals.

Malone, limited to 19 minutes in the first half because of three fouls, and Stockton, who struggled with 4-of-9 shooting in that half, were unresolvable in the final 12 minutes.

Utah got back into the game on a basket by Stockton that tied it at 79 moments after Malone picked up his fourth foul with 8:39 remaining.

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Stockton finished with 28 points, and Malone added 26 points and 11 assists. Bryon Russell had 15 points for the Jazz, who trailed by 13 in the first half.

Shanquille O'Neal followed up his strong opening night performance Friday with his second 30-plus-point effort, getting 37 points and 14 rebounds. Kobe Bryant added 16 points and a career-high 12 rebounds.

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SPORTS

Scandal and all, it's 3 years to Salt Lake Games

Scrutiny has only begun for beleaguered city.

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — If the Olympic bid was a bomb, Salt Lake, it's nothing like the scrutiny the city will face three years from now.

That's when the 2002 Winter Games themselves begin and Utah's capital will be striving to stop the world if it is worthy Olympic host.

Will the city be ready? "The commitment has never been higher," Gov. Mike Leavitt says.

Indeed, by most measures, Salt Lake is well on its way in preparing for the winter athletes and the competition from Feb. 8-24, 2002.

Many of its venues — bobsled, luge, figure skating, slalom, freestyle skiing and snowboarding — already are state, national and international competitions.

The Ice for men's hockey in West Valley City and curling in Ogden have been in use for 13 consecutive years and the women's hockey rink in Provo will be finished in March.

The University of Utah stadium that will hold 56,000 people for the opening and closing ceremonies has been re-modified. The stadium's new main venues gets under way this spring.

The last venues — a covered speed-skating oval in Kearns, ski jumps at the Utah Winter Sports Park, cross-country trails at Wasatch State Park, downhill and super-G runs at Snowbasin and the Olympic Village — are on a schedule to be finished no later than 18 months ahead of the games.

"We are exactly where we need

to be," says Grant Thomas, the managing director of games venues.

About the only thing delayed by the scandal is the debut of the games mascot, which will have been unveiled Monday.

Salt Lake is in good shape in part because it was building venues even before it won the bid, the bid committee gave more than \$1 million in cash, free medical care, travel and scholarships to IOC members.

It also helps that the Salt Lake Organizing Committee last fall finally finished a detailed budget, which the bid committee approved as it is a projection of revenue and expenses.

"What encourages me the most is that through all this craziness, the venue people and sports people have stayed at work and the projects are still on track," said Jim Page, assistant executive director for sports at the U.S. Olympic Committee.

But the IOC is even confident about sponsor and volunteer support, the two aspects most at risk in the Olympic movement's biggest corruption scandal.

Investigators will be across the Olympic world are looking at whether Salt Lake's bid committee was especially in IOC members' land.

Frank Joklik, who resigned as SLOC president and is awaiting a

successor, thinks wary corporate sponsors will come around once the scandal fades.

SLOC has commitments for 70 percent of its budgeted \$1.4 billion in revenue, and needs \$350 million more in commitments from corporate sponsors.

Joklik expects the goal will be reached within only a few months of the August target date. Ticket sales are counted as commitments because SLOC has little doubt they will sell out.

"To sponsor the Olympics is an investment that has been tried and proven to be worthwhile," Joklik said. "There are few people who doubt the Olympics in Salt Lake are going to be very successful. Sponsors have to take that into account."

The SLOC continues to get 20 phone calls a day from people interested in joining the 8,000 volunteers needed for test events, 18,000 for the games themselves and 6,000 who will be working in the Fairplay Winter Games.

If volunteer enthusiasm is not eroded by the scandal, that's a good sign, said John Lucas, a retired Penn State professor and Olympics expert.

"I would think people deeper into it are not just pouring coffee for people lost on Peachtree Street," Lucas said.

"They are essential to any huge international sporting event."

The SLOC, for instance, will be using — and training — 1,500 volunteer athletes at figure skating's week-long U.S. Nationals, which began Sunday.

"It is the successful staging of such test events that will assure athletes and the Olympic committee that Salt Lake, though bruised is capable of putting on world-class competitions."

And that's particularly important since the city does not have a tradition of holding international events, says Page.

He points to the World Cup bobsled and skeleton races in December at the Utah Winter Sports Park near Park City.

"You have to convince the world that you know what you're doing. If you don't, they want to get involved, they want to tell you how to prepare the ice for the bob run. We were frankly worried about that," Page said. "The Europeans went away saying, 'Well, OK, you can handle it.'"

The scandal is far from over, however. Investigations by the Justice Department and a USOC ethics panel are continuing, and an independent Salt Lake ethics panel will issue its report Tuesday at the bid committee's misconduct.

But, the governor says, the state's residents seem more determined than ever to put on a good show.

"The defining moment of the games will not be in February, but in the days following the opening moment of the games will be in February 2002."

UI women fend off Nevada

The Vandals' 12-9, 5-4 Big West, winners of three of their last four games, led by 7-7-74 with 20 seconds left. Her starting partner, Rikki Jackson and Seamus Wood each had two free throws in the final 17 seconds to secure the victory. Nevada (14-3-36) dropped its 13th consecutive game.

"We knew they were going to be a good game," first-seed Idaho coach Elroy Beckler said. "We came out in the second half and got a little complacent."

The Vandals had a 48-33 lead with 19:25 left in the game, but the Wolf Pack climbed back into the game with a 26-19 run over the next five minutes. Most of Nevada's points came in the second half. Nevada's points came in the second half. Nevada's points came in the second half.

Beckler's Bryant led with 16 points in a career high. Nevada's starting scorers with 16 points in a career high. Nevada's starting scorers with 16 points in a career high.

Idaho men will play at New Mexico State on Thursday at 6 p.m. then at Nevada on Sunday.

Jazz

Outlined from 87 4:15 to play. O'Neal made just two of six free throws in that span while the rest of the Lakers missed shots.

It was the only time O'Neal made a run in the final 3:57 as Malone and Stockton traded trips to the free-throw line. Stockton had Utah's only double-digit lead in the fourth quarter. He had 10 points in the second quarter. He had 10 points in the second quarter.

Notes: Stockton grabbed his 3,000th career rebound in the second quarter. He had 10 points in the second quarter.

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## OTHER VIEWS

### Go slow and do it right when writing exit standards

From The Idaho Statesman (Boise)

State education leaders deserve a lot of credit. As they approached a decision over high school exit standards, they realized Idaho just wasn't ready and that more work has to be done. Now it appears they have a much better plan for everyone involved.

Idaho is right to look at exiting standards. The concept is sound, and students eventually will benefit from having to master basic skills and knowledge before receiving diplomas. But the timing was way off.

The proposed standards were too low. They didn't deliver the high standard of excellence they should.

At the same time, the standards were too high. Some critics worried that nearly half of Idaho students couldn't pass the test, leaving the state open to lawsuits from parents.

Earlier this month, officials applied the brakes. Now they will refine the high school standards and develop a clear road map in earlier grades on how to get there. This is a plan that multi-late of sense.

Work on statewide standards for kindergarten through eighth grade will begin this fall. Those standards will be used to prepare students for high school, where they will have to meet another set of guidelines.

There are a couple of reasons this is a smart move: Students won't come up to the end of their high school careers without having every opportunity to accumulate the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful.

Educators, parents and students now will be able to work together early in a child's education to spot weaknesses and offer extra assistance when necessary. The standards now can be rigorous.

Idaho students should graduate from high school able to compete with students from around the world for the best jobs and admission to the best colleges. By starting earlier with everybody working toward a common goal, we can make this process both fair and challenging.

Education leaders were right to refine the process. Now they have a much better plan that should help every Idaho student achieve his or her fullest potential.

State education leaders are wise to go slow on school exit standards because Idaho isn't ready for them yet.

### EDEN ON THE POTOMAC...



## Snake River dams threaten Idaho water

Keeping salmon in the Salmon River while keeping southern Idaho water from getting flushed down the Columbia River is by far the biggest natural resource challenge Idaho currently faces. Perhaps it is only appropriate that the fate of southern Idaho irrigation water hinges on our willingness as a state to make the sacrifices that irrigators say are necessary to save salmon.

Should Idahoans choose to heed The Times-News editorial of Jan. 31 (Dam breaching is a red herring; in quest to save Idaho's salmon), we would likely lose both.



READER COMMENT  
Scott Bosse

By bypassing the lower Snake River dams is unnecessary because the true cause of salmon and steelhead declines in Idaho is overfishing and predation by seals, sea lions and fish-eating birds. In a particularly nasty if not racist swipe, The Times-News placed an advertisement for tribally-caught salmon below its editorial as if to say, "There's the real culprit!"

While sport, commercial and tribal fishers make a convenient scapegoat for those who lack the courage to tackle salmon recovery, a closer examination of the facts shows that overfishing is relatively insignificant compared to the damage done by dams.

While the eight mainstem dams between Lewiston and Portland have about 80 percent of Idaho's ocean-bound salmon and steelhead smolts and 40 percent of the returning adults, all fishers combined catch less than 10 percent of the Snake River's wild spring-summer chinook. And despite the fact that harvest rates are one-sixth of what they were when the lower Snake dams were built, spring-summer chinook returns have crashed by 90 percent during that

time. Harvest rates on fall chinook and steelhead also have been sharply curtailed to no avail.

Predation on Idaho salmon by seals, sea lions and fish-eating birds has been occurring for time immemorial and is not responsible for sending Snake River salmon and steelhead onto the endangered species list. Historically, between 10-16 million salmon and steelhead ran up the Columbia River every year, despite the fact that marine predator populations were almost certainly much higher than they are now. The colony of 20,000 gulls that currently resides on Rice Island in the Columbia River estuary may take a heavy toll on juvenile salmonids, but that colony didn't even exist until long after Snake River salmon populations had already crashed.

The most compelling reason why both Idaho fisheries scientists and the Process for Analyzing and Testing Hypotheses (PATI) team concluded that the dams are the chief culprit in salmon declines is because downriver salmon stocks are performing far better than their upriver cousins here in Idaho. Lower Columbia stocks leave their home rivers at the same time as Idaho stocks, at the same age, they face the same predators and the same gillnets, must contend with the same killer ocean and re-enter the Columbia River at the same time as Idaho's fish. The only major dif-

ference between the two stocks is the number of dams they must cross. While downriver stocks face four or less dams, Idaho's fish face eight.

So what, says The Times-News. Even if the best available science tells us, the dams must go to save Idaho's fish, it ain't gonna happen because it's too difficult politically. And should Idaho's salmon disappear, well, we should be consoled by the fact that their close cousins will continue to flourish in streams from California to Alaska.

The problem with this screw-em attitude is that it could very well come back to bite southern Idaho farmers. And I'm not just referring to the fact that if the dams stay, the federal government will almost certainly demand a million or more acre-feet of southern Idaho water for flow augmentation.

No one referring to public sentiment toward farmers. What if the public had the same attitude toward farmers that some farmers have toward salmon? What if the next time Idaho farmers asked the government for a bailout due to low crop prices, the public said, "Screw 'em." If they disappear, there are plenty of farmers in the East or Midwest who are doing just fine without public subsidies.

If Idaho is to save both its salmon and its agricultural economy, we need to start acting like a community instead of a bunch of rival religious factions. The reality we face is that one of three things—salmon, dams, or water—has to give. The nation and the federal courts aren't going to let Idaho's salmon run go extinct. The only question that remains is, how much are we willing to pay to keep the dams?

Scott Bosse is a conservation scientist with Idaho Rivers United in Boise.

## The Times-News

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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Stephen Hartigan, William Brock, Clark Walworth, Steve Crump, Kevin Richards and David Lee.

## GOP radicals still imperil effectiveness of the party

What is the point of electing "moderate" Republicans if they don't act like moderates?

A lot of voters in predominantly Democratic and swing-state regions are asking this question. The assumption was that their "moderate" Republicans would stand as a bulwark of good sense against the extreme elements in the party.

But with a few notable exceptions, the GOP "moderates" have continually indulged the radicals in their relentless efforts to remove the president from office. Why are our elected officials more afraid of Henry Hyde than of us? A movement is now afoot in Silicon Valley to dis-elect so-called moderate Republican Tom Campbell, who voted for impeachment. Ominous for his political future is the creation of a group named "Republicans against Campbell."

Several staunchly Republican DuPage County, Ill., home of Henry Hyde, the people are angry. The Chicago Tribune reports that voters have been carried off by U.S. Rep. Henry Hyde's performance as head of the House prosecution team, and more than a third of them say they now have a lower opinion of the veteran congressman as a result.

Some say they voted for impeachment because "moderate" House Republicans tried to calm the folks back home. The quartet jointly announced that they didn't really want to remove the president. They sure have a funny way of saying it.

Perhaps nowhere is the sense of betrayal greater than in New England, where fine "moderate" Republican senators immediately caved in to the demands of House conservatives to show proper respect for their slappy handwork. The great majority of New Englanders have long wanted to use Hyde's apt word, "dismissed" the case against the president as a bizarre ex-

### FROM A HARROP

ample of political warfare.

Yet New England's "moderates" voted to depose witnesses and thus prolong the trial.

John Chafee of Rhode Island, the dean of Republican "moderates," proved to be the biggest disappointment of all. Once the conservative Southerners understood they had Mr. Moderation and the other chumps from Yankee land under control, they knew there was mileage left in the impeachment game.

Chafee then participated in the party line vote callousness, a position that ran very counter to the wishes of his constituency. Afterward, one of his aides confidently told the media that the senator had no need to worry about the voters back home in Rhode Island: They keep electing him anyway.

What a remarkable thing to say.

Chafee's defenders have now turned their guns on House Democrat Patrick Kennedy. They accuse the Rhode Island congressman of making inflammatory statements about their man, Kennedy had the temerity to say that Chafee is not a real moderate. Those are lightning words in New England.

Well, Kennedy is absolutely right. If Chafee and other Republican "moderates" cannot be counted on to end the witch hunt that has tied up Congress for more than a year, what makes them moderate? Chafee aide Nicholas Graham retaliated by calling Kennedy "the Pied Piper of partisan politics."

Is saying that the campaign to remove the president has been polluted by partisan politics? Well, I never.

From a Harrop is a Providence Journal editorial writer and columnist.

### How about a bit of perspective?

Oh, well. I am in almost terminal shock at the revelation by the Republican Party that a politician lied to the public. And it was such an important lie.

So much more important than Jack Kennedy's statement that the USA was not involved in the Bay of Pigs invasion. So much more important than Dwight Eisenhower's denial that the U.S. spy planes were passing over Russia. So much more important than Lyndon Johnson's statement that a U.S. ship had been attacked by a North Vietnamese torpedo boat. So much more important than Richard Nixon's denial of any involvement with the Watergate burglary.

And how about those big tobacco company chief executive officers raising their right hands and swearing that their knowledge of the nicotine in tobacco is not addictive.

All of that is trivia. The Republicans

have nailed Clinton on something that really matters: a sex act. An act that threatens the national security of the United States of America. I always thought a gentleman was supposed to lie about such things.

Surely, you wonder what impression all this is creating in other countries. The whole thing has been summed up by a letter to the editor in Australia. In a letter to the Sydney Morning Herald, a writer nailed it in one line: Thank God we got the convicts and they got the Puritans.

KENNETH P. GOLLER  
Twin Falls

### Animal shelter on wrong mission

The object of a Humane Society director is to impound stray animals, find homes for as many as possible and ensure that those animals are spayed or neutered.

Through personal experience, I can assure you that at the Twin Falls facility, the object is to prevent animals

from going to homes and put them to sleep. The director seems far more interested in carrying on a crusade to spay or neuter every animal in her jurisdiction. Whether or not owners choose to neuter is none of her damn business.

So I say to the genius that wrote the editorial on Feb. 2, Times-News, get your facts straight and put your own money where your mouth is.

SUE STROBEL  
Twin Falls

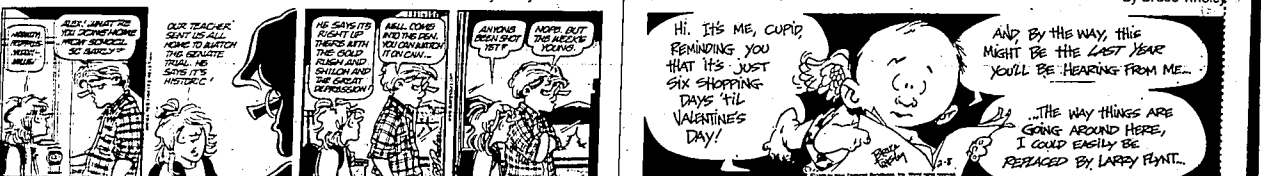
### Don't mix Larry Flynt and the pope

Of course you are entitled to your opinion in reference to the breaching of the dams, but what sick person would dare associate the name of Larry Flynt with the pope?

You must have received an extraordinary late the day you wrote that editorial.

VIC BOZZUTO  
Shoshone

### Doonesbury



### By Garry Trudeau

### Mallard Fillmore

### By Bruce Tinsley

# Crackdown reveals China's true colors

During his last trip to China, President Clinton praised President Jiang Zemin as a "visionary" providing the "right leadership at the right time." How has the Chinese leader repaid the compliment? By launching the most severe crackdown on democracy in a decade. While in China, the president called on Jiang to release political prisoners and expand the experiments in democracy taking place in villages throughout the country. To appease the West, the Chinese government agreed to sign the U.N. International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

The ruse is over. During a Christmas Eve address, Jiang—who came to power in the wake of the 1989 Tiananmen Square Massacre—warned: "Any factors that could jeopardize our stability must be annihilated in the early stages." Of course, nothing threatens stability like

STEPHEN J. YATES

democracy, so government officials promptly sentenced key organizers of the Chinese Democracy Party to prison terms of 11 to 13 years.

The alternative to the president's policy is not isolation and containment, but an engagement founded on more than mere words.

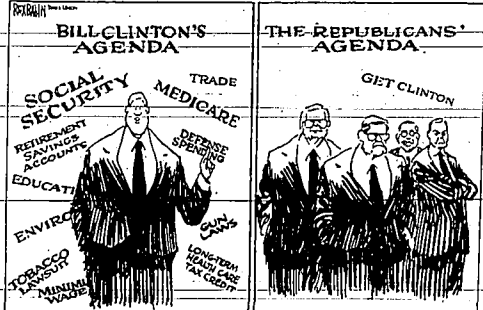
A new policy should start with a condemnation of China's abuse of human rights, which violate China's own 1982 constitution and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. The United States must also strengthen its democracy-promoting activities, organizations such as the National Endowment for Democracy, Voice of America and Radio Free Asia work hard to promote political freedom in China.

They should receive greater recognition and financial support.

Of course, to credibly advocate democracy on the Chinese mainland, the United States must recognize and reward the people of Taiwan for their success in establishing a vibrant democracy. They deserve better than threats from Beijing and exile from the international community.

Because Clinton publicly heaped such generous praise on the Chinese leader who is now calling for the suppression of dissent, it should be Clinton who leads the international community in issuing a strong response. He must act—before the government in Beijing creates a new generation of martyrs in China's long march toward democracy.

Stephen J. Yates is a senior policy analyst in the Asian Studies Center of The Heritage Foundation.



## LETTERS

### Take a look around before you criticize Arco

I am writing in response to the column published in your newspaper on Jan. 10 and written by Mr. Steve Crump.

I am in my eighth year here. I read anything about a section of our state so arrogant, prejudicial and vindictive as this column. I'm not sure what motivated Mr. Crump to write in this manner. Possibly he thinks he's funny. He's about as funny as a broken leg. What he managed to do was insult and malign more than 3,000 people who live in the Big Lost River Valley. He doesn't even know the geography of Idaho, but for his and your information, Arco is in Butte County, Atomic City is in Bingham County and Mackay is in Custer County. They are tied together by a couple of things—the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory and a clean, clear Big Lost River.

Why you as the editor of a paper like the Twin Falls Times-News should allow a self-serving column such as Mr. Crump's to be printed in your newspaper is beyond imagination. If I were the editor, I would ignore the column, but I think it goes beyond just his writing. We constantly hear criticism coming from Twin Falls about the INEEL and the possible pollution of the aquifer, yet dairy farms and fish farms are allowed to pollute the Snake River to the point that there are places in the Magic Valley where it looks like a sewer. I think the people of Twin Falls, the Times-News and Mr. Crump need to look in your own back yard for the "one-only" man-made disasters.

As a boy, I was a paper carrier for the Times-News, and at that time I thought it was a pretty good newspaper. I have recently changed my mind, and I'd have a hard time taking any criticism seriously that I see printed in your newspaper.

BILL BABCOCK  
Arco

### education policy. Mr. Morley will be paid more than our elected superintendent of public instruction. This is a slap in the face.

When it comes to public policy decisions, however, the issue, The Times-News editorial board seems to this reader to make fiscal fragility a No. 1 priority above all other considerations. Here we have a governor siphoning money from other departments to pay for additional bureaucracy with no new funding source, while the departments themselves suffer skintight budgets, none more so than our Department of Education.

And speaking of loose change, how can you fail to be sincerely outraged by the possibility of tobacco-settlement money going not purposely into public health, for which it was intended, but into a nebulous, general "rainy day" fund. This is treachery.

The Times-News rightly rails against administrative bloat, but nothing, nothing seems to interrupt its political lapdog act. Remember, it is the press to a goodly chunk of southern Idaho. Though you may mark your opposition to new spending, how—no matter the long-term costs to Idaho's children, adults, businesses, wildlife—you are merely chasing your tail when you fail to warn us that our governor is draining dollars pointlessly from the public purse.

As His Excellency the Governor's term unfolds, perhaps the time finally has arrived to change Boise's name to Shovestown and yours to Pravda. I did not intend this to be a political attack, but really, you have a Siberia-sized double

### standard. LAWRENCE SCHOEN Believev

### T-N is anti-Democrat but does provide good delivery

Your paper is so prejudiced regarding Republicans that I find it dull and not interesting. I have tried to understand, but after living here now for six months, we Democrats don't stand a chance. So after living in 40 of the states and other parts of the world, you people take the political cake (a world all your own).

Also, it would have been nice to have had the TV Weekly with color code.

As to the delivery, it is the best I have ever had.

DORIS A. HEYLER  
Eagle

Editor's note: The Jan. 29 edition of TV Weekly was printed in black and white because of a technical malfunction.

### All this millennium stuff is a bunch of hoey

What difference does it make, really, whether the 21st century begins on Jan. 1 in the year 2000 or on Jan. 1, 2001? It's all a matter of what one wants to believe, how he looks at the calendar and what he considers to be technically correct. Yet whether we celebrate the beginning of the new century next Jan. 1 or on Jan. 1, 2001, isn't going to make one iota of difference in when time began or when it will end. The fact is that nobody knows when the zero year was. It has been calculated all the way from 4 B.C. to A.D. 1.

Astronomers, astrologists and many others tell us we must wait until the year 2001 to celebrate the beginning of the 21st century, but from countless news reports, it appears that

most people prefer to look to Jan. 1, 2000, as the beginning of the new millennium. So be it.

New York City is planning for a million revelers on Times Square for the year-end party to get to that spot (the night of Dec. 31, 1999). They seem not to care what the rest of the world thinks—except the fact that the year 2000 will have already begun across all of Asia, Africa and Europe by that time. If people were to celebrate, they are going to celebrate, and the beginning of the 2000s seems as good an excuse as any, whether or not that is the beginning of a new millennium or the last year of the departing millennium.

This is not the first time the question of the beginning of a new hundred years will have been debated, nor will it be the last. As the 19th century was winding down, the debate was hot as the fact that the ending of a national magazine saying there was one "disquieting" thought: "but in a hundred years it will all be forgotten" except that some letter writer might "start the whole whirl going again."

Already it has started, and we're not going to come to a consensus this time either, even though it is the beginning of a new millennium rather than the beginning of a new century.

RALPH W. MAUGHAN  
Rupert

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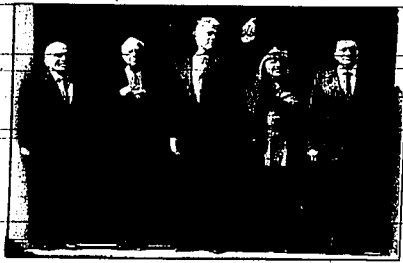
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President Clinton stands with Middle Eastern leaders outside the White House, Sept. 28, 1995, prior to signing a Mideast accord. From left are, King Hussein of Jordan, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, the president, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. Hussein died Sunday.

### Serbs, Albanians agree on basic principles for Kosovo

RAMBOUILLET, France (AP) — Serb officials and Kosovo Albanians agreed on principles that would keep the embattled province inside Yugoslavia for at least three more years as they met separately Sunday with international mediators at a French chateau.

Getting down to serious work after Saturday's ceremonial opening, international mediators presented the warring factions with a framework agreement worked out by the Contact Group, made up of six outside nations trying to arrange a settlement.

The mediators also presented a set of 10 non-negotiable principles for the talks, including a guarantee of Yugoslavia's territorial integrity.

That means Kosovo's ethnic Albanians have to give up their

demand for independence for their province — at least during a three-year interim period. Both a Serb negotiator and a Western mediator said all sides had accepted those principles.

"The atmosphere was constructive, businesslike and serious," said conference spokesman Philip Reeker.

The peace negotiations are being held in seclusion at the 14th-century Chateau de Rambouillet, the official summer home of French presidents, and it was not possible to confirm the Albanian acceptance directly.

Hard-line Kosovo Liberation Army guerrillas have previously said they would never accept anything short of independence for Kosovo, a province in Serbia. The province is 90 percent ethnic Albanian.

### King Hussein had deep ties to the U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush took Jordan's King Hussein power boating in Maine. President Clinton let the monarch, an avid pilot, sit in the cockpit of Air Force One en route to a peace conference in Egypt.

During almost 46 years on the throne, Hussein nurtured close ties with the United States, dealing with nine U.S. presidents and even lobbying members of Congress in behalf of his Hashemite kingdom.

His ties to America extended beyond the official. Queen Noor, his widow, was born in the United States. He sent his children to American schools and maintained a home in suburban Potomac, Md. And when attacked by the cancer that eventually would kill him, he went to Minnesota's Mayo Clinic.

Hussein died Sunday, two days after he left the clinic and returned to his homeland. Clinton turned to Hussein last fall to salvage deadlocked Israeli-Palestinian peace talks at the Wye Plantation in eastern Maryland.

"Every time he was in the room, he made us all become a little closer to the people we all would like to ourselves as being," Clinton said then.

But U.S. relations weren't always rosy with the Arab world's

senior statesman. In 1986, when congressional opposition forced President Reagan to withdraw a plan to sell Jordan \$1.9 billion in military hardware, Hussein turned to the Soviet Union and other countries for it.

For more seriously, the king drew wrath from the United States and many of his neighbors when he became the only major Arab leader who stayed out of the coalition against Iraq during the early 1990s Persian Gulf crisis.

It was the monarch's darkest hour, said Wayne Owens, a former congressman long associated with the king.

Owens, a Utah Democrat who served as Hussein's Washington representative in 1993-94, said he visited Hussein in his palace in Amman during the Persian Gulf War.

"He was not at peace with himself," said Owens. Jordan has only a small shoreline on the Gulf of Aqaba and is impoverished, with few natural resources. Despite decades of U.S. aid and friendship, the cautious monarch decided in 1990 not to antagonize his powerful neighbor, Saddam Hussein, who had just sent his Iraqi troops into another neighboring country, Kuwait.

### Russian minister warns against NATO expansion

MUNICH, Germany (AP) — A weekend of cordial talks among allied officials looking ahead to NATO's 50th anniversary could not hide one mood spoiler: Russia.

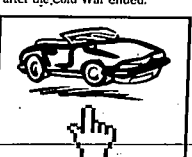
Led by the United States, NATO is intent on "destruction of the existing world order," a senior Russian official declared in Sunday's gloomy close to an otherwise celebratory European conference.

Yevgeny Gussarov, the deputy foreign minister of Russia, told the Munich Conference on Security Policy that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization should not even think of expanding after it induces Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic at an April summit in Washington.

He said Moscow had drawn a "red line" on further eastward expansion of NATO into lands of the former Soviet Union, such as the Baltic states of Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia. "Expansion to the east will inevitably lead to emergence of new dividing lines," Gussarov said.

None of what he said was new, but it served as a timely reminder that for all the self-con-

gratulatory talk in Munich this weekend, the NATO alliance that was created in 1949 as a bulwark against the Soviet empire still has a "Russia problem" years after the Cold War ended.



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Section B

## Your dog deserves TV that smells

Do dogs understand television? This is a question that has puzzled humanity since the days of the ancient Greeks. It is also the topic of an article sent in by alert reader Gwen Larrigan from the February issue of Dog Fancy magazine (suggested motion: "For People Who Take Dogs Way Too Seriously.")

According to the article, headlined "Can They Really Watch TV?" some dog owners claim their dogs watch television, especially when it is showing "other dogs, wolves or horses, large cats, birds and deer," and that often "the dogs respond by "wagging behind the set to see if the animals are there." The article states that some owners "described their dogs as disliking commercials or talk shows, responding to these broadcasts by growling, head-butting or biting the screen."

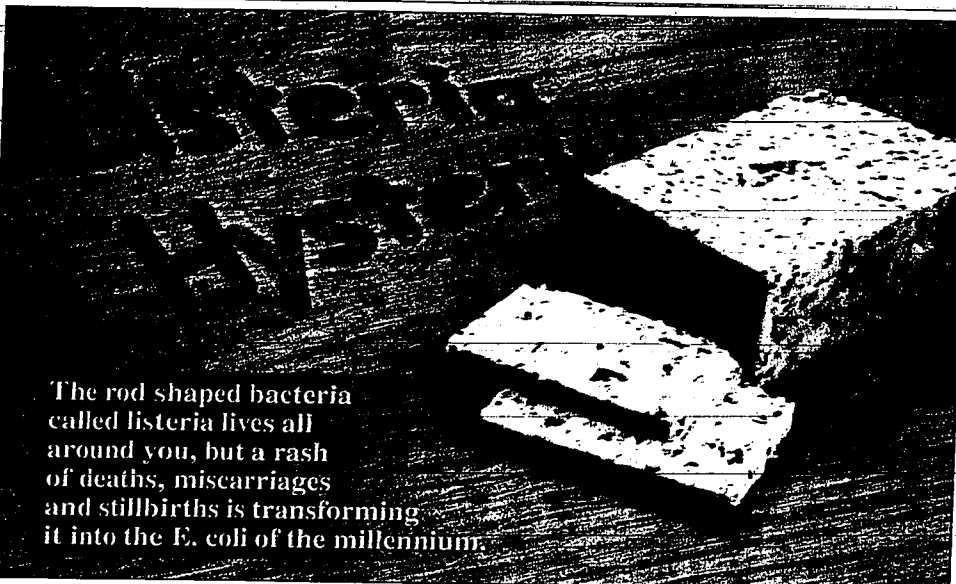
I can relate to dogs on this issue. I react in a similar manner, especially to the following type of commercial: "Hi, I'm a trusted celebrity such as Dennis Miller, Michael Jordan or the late Jimmy Stewart. I make millions of dollars, so you can be sure I spend a lot of time analyzing long-distance telephone rates. Did you know what my dialing number is? 10-10-23-34994-0955687054645, you can save as much as 37 percent if you call on Thursday evenings during peak time and a joint taxpayer filing singly? Well it's true! At least that's what my script says. I have a phone on 12 wires. Remember, to save money, simply dial 10, followed by 10, followed by 23, followed by 34994-0955687054645. Or, maybe, it's 3499404955687054646. It's something like that. A humorous remark goes here. Where's my check?"

One of these commercials — which is always followed almost immediately by ANOTHER trusted celebrity pushing ANOTHER big-baiting-the-TV-screen. As you can imagine, this upsets the wolverine. But getting back to the issue. It seems to me that for dogs to become truly interested in TV, the programming would have to include the element of smell. Smelling is very big for dogs. If you're walking your dog, sniffing a spot on the ground where another dog, any time in the history of the world, has left a smell, your dog will want to sniff it for approximately the rest of his life. You will not recall the actual fact that pty your dog off that spot. Why? Because your dog's nose is an amazingly complex organ. Why? Because the dog can simply be sniffing the same stuff, smell over and over again, but in fact its nose is performing a sophisticated olfactory analysis, then transmitting the results data to your dog's brain, thus producing a pattern of neural firings that can be translated, roughly as follows:

"Hey! A smell!"  
"Hey! A smell!" I spent a week dog-sitting my in-laws' dog, Daisy, who is a beagle, which means she is, biologically, a nose wide fiend. She spent the entire week trying to locate a cat that hangs out in our yard. Every time I took her outside, she'd race around the yard, nose to the ground, whimpering, detecting cat smells. Meanwhile, the actual cat, in person, would be sitting on a low wall, very cool, watching Daisy. Sometimes Daisy would be within three feet of the cat, wildly excited, sniffing the ground, but the cat would just suck its tail and say "LOOK, Daisy! There it is the cat!" But Daisy ignores me. Her attitude was, "I have nothing to look at at cat, you idiot! I'm hot on the trail of a cat!" Meanwhile, the cat is shaking its head, thinking "What wonder they get in dogs' heads!"

So if television is going to really reach dogs, particularly the beagle demographic, it needs more odor. I don't see why we haven't developed TV that, in addition to picture and sound, emitted smells through a hole at the bottom of the set. That way, if you're watching, say, a puppy being mated, there's a whiffing, and one of the good guys is lying on the sidewalk, critically wounded, whispering his last, deeply touching words to his partner, you'd smell the hole in the hole and find out how the sidewalk smelled. There could even be dog-oriented commercials, whereby advertisers would reward dog owners who respond to their ads with simple comments ("Now the receiver off the hook! Good boy! Now press 10-10-..."). In conducting this research, dog lovers should write to the TV industry and DEMAND programming with a higher smell content (insert your Jerry Springer joke here). I also want to stress, though, that I'm just kidding about putting cold cuts into the VCR. You should use cream. Otherwise Bambi will die. Thank you.

Dave Barry is a humor columnist for the Miami Herald.



## The rod shaped bacteria called listeria lives all around you, but a rash of deaths, miscarriages and stillbirths is transforming it into the E. coli of the millennium.

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — "Listeriosis" may not be a household word, but it probably should be.

It's an infection caused by eating food contaminated with the bacterium listeria. Commonplace in soil, vegetation, animal fodder and human and animal feces, listeria can be big trouble for the un lucky or the unwary.

According to the federal Centers for Disease Control, listeriosis sickens 3,850 people a year in this country and kills 423.

Pretty remarkable for a disease that was relatively rare in humans before the 1980s.

According to the Pennsylvania State University-Cooperative Extension Service, public health authorities didn't even require that listeriosis be reported until 1996. That followed several outbreaks in foods such as cole slaw, soft cheese, shellfish and milk.

More recently, listeria-tainted meat from a plant in Michigan has been linked to 11 deaths, five miscarriages and stillbirths and about 72 illnesses in 14 states, according to the CDC.

The Sara Lee Corp., the company that owns the plant, has recalled 15 million pounds of hot dogs and other packaged meat products sold under a variety of names. The plant remains closed during the investigation.

At greatest risk are folks whose immune systems have been compromised, such as those who are in cancer therapy, according to Cheryl Becker, epidemiologist for the South Central Health District.

"Also at high risk are very young infants, the elderly and pregnant women," she said. "Pregnant women because their developing babies can be infected, and (the women) may actually lose their babies."

The children may be stillborn as a result of the infection that they develop. Becker said most people just have mild, flu-like symptoms with listeriosis. The severe cases are more unusual.

DEAR PAULA: My experience with ColorStay lipstick, foundation (original formula) and eye shadow has been disastrous. The shadow "crabs" before you can blend it. Subsequent applications are impossible when the color sets, efforts to blend result in lumps and caked-up eye-fingerprints. The foundation leaves a chalky mask, and the lipstick peels inward from the lip line—most annoying.

—D.S., VIA E-MAIL

DEAR D.S.: I found the same to be true for the blush as well. However, that is the downside of ColorStays incredible staying power. These products really do stay. The real winner in this group is the ColorStay Lite SPF 15. It is an excellent foundation for oily skin and it provides all the sun protection you need.

DEAR PAULA: I find your description of foundations in terms of wearability, coverage, and textures pretty much hit the nail right on the head. But the colors you say are too peach or pink I

### Did you know?

❑ The bacteria has been found in uncooked meats and raw vegetables, as well as in processed foods that become contaminated after processing, such as soft cheeses and cold cuts at the deli counter. Unpasteurized milk or foods made from it may contain the bacterium.

❑ Symptoms include fever, muscle aches and sometimes nausea or diarrhea. If infection spreads to the nervous system, symptoms such as headache, stiff neck, confusion, loss of balance or convulsions can occur.

❑ A blood or spinal fluid test will show if listeriosis is present.

❑ Antibiotics are given to combat listeriosis — not always successfully for those with serious meningitis or brain infections.

❑ The federal Food and Drug Administration and the U.S. Department of Agriculture monitor food regularly. When a processed food is found to be contaminated, monitoring and plant inspections are intensified and, if necessary, the implicated food is recalled.



Listeria monocytogenes, which sometimes infects domestic animals, has found its way into a variety of ready-to-eat foods.

Soft cheeses — feta, brie, camembert, blue-veined and Mexican-style — pose a particular risk of listeriosis. Hard cheese, processed cheese, cream cheese, cottage cheese and yogurt are relatively safe, though.

Fruits and vegetables should be washed before eating. Becker said. People in high-risk groups should peel the fruits and vegetables as an extra precaution.

Prevention, Becker said, is the same as for any foodborne illness. Take care to cook meat adequately. If you are at risk, you should cook hot dogs until they are steaming (165 degrees) to kill the bacteria.

## USDA defends response to food poisoning outbreak

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal food safety officials last week defended their handling of an outbreak of food poisoning traced to tainted meat from a Michigan processing plant.

Meat from a Bill Mar plant in Zeeland, Mich., that may have been infected with listeria monocytogenes bacteria has been linked to a series of deaths and illnesses in a number of states.

Bill Mar, a division of Chicago-based Sara Lee Corp., on Dec. 22 recalled 15 million pounds of hot dogs and other packaged meat products sold under a variety of names.

Officials from the Agriculture Department's Food Safety and Inspection Service began investigating the plant Dec. 15 after consulting with the CDC on a rash of illnesses but did not have evidence of an "intact" contaminated product until several days later, said Margaret Glavin, associate FSIS administrator.

"There was a lack of an absolutely firm link with the plant," Glavin said.

Keep the kitchen clean, too. Listeria can be spread by contact with a tainted counter top, cutting board or kitchen knife, and unlike most harmful bacteria, listeria will grow slowly in foods being stored in the refrigerator.

Wash your hands well when handling raw meat. Cook meat completely, until juices are running clear.

"Those kinds of things will go a long way to preventing foodborne illness," Becker said.

Becker said when listeria is discovered in a product, the company that processed it releases the information nationwide. This is given to suppliers

Still, Glavin said the agency met with company officials Dec. 18 and asked them to consider taking the product off the market. USDA does not have recall authority.

"They ultimately did do it," Glavin said.

Sara Lee spokeswoman Theresa Herlesen denied there was any such meeting.

"We've not aware of any recommendations of a market withdrawal or a recall," Herlesen said. "It was a voluntary action... in the absence of any recommendations."

It is not the first food safety issue at the plant. Officials said. In 1997, the plant was closed for several days after inspectors found a series of sanitation discrepancies, Glavin said.

In July, company officials found evidence of listeria during environmental testing, but at that time, there was no evidence of listeria in the product, officials said.

After the July testing, the company underwent "very aggressive sanitizing and cleaning of all areas," Herlesen said.

who must then notify whoever received the product.

In cases in which processed meats have become contaminated, Becker said, the cause is not always known.

"If you have a small amount of contamination, it can contaminate a large number of products just because they do these things in large batches," she said. "and it can contaminate a larger amount of the product and cause problems with lots of people."

Times-News correspondent Joan Bean can be reached at 733-0832.

## HEALTH NOTES

### Getting your vitamins

More and more of you are complementing your diets with supplements. Sales of vitamins and dietary supplements in the United States, Britain and other nations more than 50 percent between 1994 and 1998, reports Euro-monitor, a firm that does market research analysis. It says growth in the United States, where sales topped \$6.76 billion in 1998, was driven by strong demand for herbal dietary supplements prompted by growing media interest in the subject.

### Flu hasn't flown

Speaking of supplements, keep popping that Vitamin C. The winter flu season has been mild so far, but threatens to worsen in the next few weeks, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says.

### Heal your head

Maybe the inside of your head doesn't

### strike you as a problem area, but who

looks good with puffy eyes and a runny nose? Dr. David Edelberg, an internist and founder of American WholeHealth, a country-wide chain of holistic medical centers, recommends alternating weekly between immunity-boosting herbs such as echinacea, astragalus and pau d'arco, which ward off colds and boost energy.

### Stressed for success?

Have a job? How about headaches? Sleep disturbances? Difficulty in concentrating? These are some of the early warning signs of job stress, a problem for up to 40 percent of the work force. If you suffer from on-the-job stress, a new booklet by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health titled "Stress At Work" may help. It provides tips on stress management and prevention, as well as a page of resources. For a free copy, call NIOSH at 1-800-356-4674.

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## Despite downside, ColorStay products really do stay put



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don't agree with you. List Clinique Stay True Oil-Free Makeup in Stay Beige and Stay Neutral as being great, but I found them way too peachy for my skin tones.

—WANDA, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

DEAR WANDA: I can only give general impressions about foundation colors, given the huge range of skin tones and personal preferences relating to what consults a perfect match. This is why I am insistent about everyone trying on a foundation and checking it in daylight before making a final decision. My recommendations are guidelines not absolutes.

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# Mothers should have say in debate

**Newsday**

Stuck around long enough in the world of medicine and you will often watch the pendulum swing back to a position you thought long abandoned because of "hard science" or enlightened social views.

This is the case with Cesarean section deliveries. Ten years ago, natural childbirth was lauded as a woman's inalienable right—C-sections were often portrayed as a conspiracy by the male-dominated medical establishment to wield high-tech power and undercut the natural bond between mother and newborn.

Now an article by four doctors in a recent New England Journal of Medicine is using many of the same arguments to propose the opposite: Women are being forced to have vaginal deliveries even when they don't want to or when it may jeopardize the health of mother and baby. The doctors are "economic forces" — managed care — and government.

The Health and Human Services' Healthy People 2000 initiative in 1990 set a goal of reducing C-section rates to 15 percent, but that level "may have a detrimental effect on fetal and infant health," four Boston-based obstetricians wrote in the Jan. 7 article. "Consumers' choice" must be considered.

Vaginal deliveries are associated with fewer maternal and baby complications and are considered cheaper, because mother and baby usually go home sooner. The Cesarean rate peaked at 25 percent in 1988. In 1995, the rate of first Cesareans was 15 percent. But because many women who have had one C-section end up with another (35 percent of women who have had a C-section had a prior Cesarean), the overall C-section rate in 1995 was 21 percent.

The doctors report in the journal that the effort to reduce the number of Cesareans has led to an increase in ruptures in the uterus, which can lead to brain damage or death for the baby and a hysterectomy or death for the mother. Women who have had a previous C-section are especially vulnerable to uterine ruptures because of scar tissue. Four states showed an increase in uterine ruptures, according to the article.

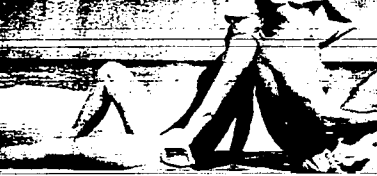
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- **"Improving Relationships Through Better Communication and Conflict Resolution Skills"** \* Wednesday, February 10, 7 p.m., KMYT Community Room (1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. North, Twin Falls). This community education presentation is free, provided by Canyon View Psychology and Addiction Services of MVMRC. Registration is requested but not required. To sign up or for additional information call 734-6760 or 1-800-657-8000.
- **Infant CPR Class** \* Wednesday, February 10, 7-9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration is not required.
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# Fashion styles for women afflicted with osteoporosis

The Hartford Courant

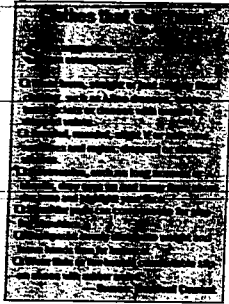
Think finding attractive, well-fitting clothing is a challenge because you gained a few pounds over the holidays? Imagine you've shrunk in height, stooped over and have to watch. For the 23 million women in this country who suffer from osteoporosis, a disease that causes bones to thin, weaken and break easily, the simple act of getting dressed is a daily ordeal.

Body changes from osteoporosis include loss of as much as 3 inches in height, rounding of shoulders, a larger waist and protruding belly, all of which can make clothes shopping a nightmare. Jackets and blouses pull across the back and shoulders. Collars gape. Skirts and dresses don't hang properly.

Martha Paszek, director of the National Osteoporosis Foundation's New York Regional Office, says the expert advice gives a whole new meaning to the old cliché, "I have nothing to wear."

"Once physical changes are noticeable, the disease strips women of their self-esteem as well as their figures," says Paszek. "You just can't buy clothes off the rack. And not being able to find even the most basic clothing, let alone outfits for special occasions, can lead to depression, withdrawal and isolation."

In the past, many women suffering from the effects of osteoporosis have had clothing specially made or made due with ill-fitting, unstylish wardrobes, although not all women with the disease suffer extensive body changes. To ease suffering, the foundation called in the experts at the Fashion Institute of Technology. Together they created "Beauty for All Seasons," a project



designed to raise awareness of the emotional toll of osteoporosis and provide practical solutions. For the past two years, the program's centerpiece has been an annual incident design competition and fashion show, where women with the disease, ages 50 to 85, model one-of-a-kind creations specially designed for them. Last month, the project published "Style Wise: A Fashion Guide for Women With Osteoporosis," a clothing resource for women with osteoporosis and their families.

For free a copy of "Style Wise: A Fashion Guide for Women With Osteoporosis," call the National Osteoporosis Foundation at (800) 231-4222.



Dresses with jackets and shoulder pads are flattering on most women. This black tailored suit with white stripes was shown at the Yves Saint Laurent 1999 spring/summer Haute Couture fashion show in Paris. Look for similar styles locally.

## Kathy Ireland models for practical style

The Orlando Sentinel

ORLANDO, Fla. — It takes a lot to upstage Kathy Ireland, the model who for 13 years graced the pages — and three covers — of the Sports Illustrated swimsuit issue. But Lily Marie, Ireland's 2-1/2-month-old daughter, did precisely that during a visit to Orlando.

Ireland — with her baby, parents and manager in tow — was here to lead the cheering at a Kmart Kids Race Against Drugs contest, held recently at the company's Hunter's Creek. Ireland and actor Paul Newman are honorary chairpersons of the organization, which raises awareness and funds for the fight against drug abuse.

All eyes were on a Lily when Ireland arrived for an interview and lunch at Disney-MGM's Brown Derby restaurant. Not only does the baby have her mother's good looks, she also has her sweet, calm disposition — dropping off to sleep without fussing, waking without crying, and — after nursing — burping without spitting up.

But enough of Lily Marie. Kathy is the focus of our story — along with the new collections of maternity wear and golf apparel that she has helped design for Kmart.

In 1994, Ireland's association with Kmart started at the bottom — so to speak — when she put her name on a line of socks. From there, she worked her way up — consulting on the design of swimwear, athletic wear, sportswear, lingerie, shoes, maternity and golf apparel. She will top these off with a line of hair accessories this spring.

Her roots are in the mainstream, she said. Along with two sisters, she grew up in Santa Barbara, Calif., the daughter of a nurse and a labor union organizer. She had a paper route at age 11 and worked each summer during her high school years. She still lives in Santa Barbara, with



Model Kathy Ireland chooses clothing suitable for a busy lifestyle, for her Kmart fashion line and for herself.

husband Greg Olsen, an emergency-room physician, their 4-year-old son, Erik, and Lily.

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# Pushing 80 and still working on the night shift

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Gladys Raper, 79, reckons she retired from nursing in 1982, and Rundy Hamblen, 77, figures she hung up her stethoscope around the same time.

This is how the pair chose to spend a recent Sunday night: About 1 a.m. at D.C. General Hospital in Southeast Washington, a man with a bloody right hand came into the triage unit. Raper asked him a series of questions, checked his vital signs and sent him to the minor-trauma unit for treatment. "He said he cut it on a piece of glass while lifting a bag of trash," Raper said, adding nonchalantly: "He also said he was HIV-positive. Sometimes that'll tell you that to give you some warning."

In the emergency room one door over, Hamblen quickly but carefully connected an oxygen tube to the nose of a young man who had come in complaining of chest pains. "He couldn't breathe," she said. "We had to get his blood pressure down."



Rundy Hamblen, 77, comforts a patient who was having trouble breathing.

Raper and Hamblen may have retired "officially" more than a decade ago, but they have been volunteering for part-time duty ever since. And it's not just the number of hours they put in that amazes colleagues at D.C. General. It's also when they work: Usually they volunteer to

help the understaffed overnight crew, punching in at 11 p.m. and leaving at 7:30 a.m.

"So many times, middle-age nurses getting into their late 30s, 40s, 50s—get curious about what keeps me going into my 70s," Hamblen said, her eyes starting through a pair of, believe it or

not, rose-colored glasses. "The only thing I tell them is my good genes, and the fact that I have inherited good health. But, my Lord, you have got to like this kind of work. You could never, ever do nursing and not like it. It just wouldn't last."

For doctors such as Donald Marshall, the emergency room's assistant director, Hamblen and Raper are a treat in a profession that he said has a high rate of early burnout. It's stressful work: In a typical year, the hospital treats about 2,000 major trauma cases — the bulk of serious trauma in the Washington area. In 1996, for example, 523 gunshot wounds and 370 stabblings. Additionally, there were 16,000 lesser-serious emergencies — every night, people come in for treatment of ulcers and diabetes and stomach aches and dizzy spells because they know of nowhere else to go.

Hamblen and Raper don't shy away from this challenge. "It's just the energy they bring, both of them," Marshall said. "The emergency room is probably the most hectic place to work

in the hospital. It's very unpredictable and it's very active. Lots of people come in. You have to be not only physically sharp, but mentally sharp, and both of these ladies can do the job."

At first glance, they are an odd couple. Raper is black and married and lives in Washington. Hamblen is white and divorced and lives in Arlington, Va. But in

the rhythm of the hospital's emergency wing, these details melt away under the high-pressure, high-stress business of saving lives.

"Strangely enough, people call her 'Raper' and they call me 'Hamblen,'" Raper said. "That's because of the age. They just know we're the oldest ones here."

## Study claims less sweaty workouts are healthy for the heart

Knight Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA — In recent years, public health officials have been preaching a kinder, gentler philosophy of getting and staying in shape. Instead of the long-soaked workout three times a week, simply build 30 minutes of moderate physical activity into your daily life.

Two studies in today's Journal of the American Medical Association report it works. "Lifestyle" activity such as short, brisk walks turned out to be as effective as going to the gym in improving respiratory fitness, reducing heart-disease risks, and controlling weight.

"It turns out you don't have to get your heart rate up as high as the exercise mafia used to believe," said University of Pennsylvania psychologist Thomas Wadden, coauthor of one of the studies. "It's the shift from being totally sedentary to being moderately active that is the real key."

The take-home message, experts say, is that meaningful exercise does not have to be inconvenient or intimidating.

For sedentary persons whose barriers to physical activity include lack of time, dislike of vigorous exercise or lack of access to facilities, this is good news," wrote Andrew Dunn and his colleagues at the Cooper Institute for Aerobic Research in Dallas in today's other JAMA article.

The research bolsters a shift in thinking about what constitutes a beneficial level of exercise. For decades, experts advocated a workout that pushed the heart to 60 to 90 percent of its maximum heart rate for 20 to 60 minutes, at least three times a week. Aerobics classes were based on that standard.

But in 1995, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the American College of Sports Medicine reviewed the scientific evidence and issued new advice: Every adult should accumulate at least 30 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity on most, if not all, days. This could be achieved by walking two miles at a brisk pace of 4 miles per hour.

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**TWIN FALLS - A prepared childbirth course will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning this Tuesday through March 2, in the Education Center at MVRMC.**

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**BURLEY - The Cassia Regional Medical Center Winter Lecture Series will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Rocketeers Beach and Fitness. A local doctor will make a presentation on a different aspect of health at each session.**

Dr. Terry Johnson will discuss osteoporosis prevention and treatment at the series this Tuesday.

**TWIN FALLS - Bridgeview Estates Alzheimer's-Dementia Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Day Room of the Assisted Living facility, 1828 Bridgeview Drive.**

For more information, call Jane Rice at 736-3933.

**TWIN FALLS - A free presentation, "Improving Relationships Through Better Communication and Conflict Resolution Skills," will be offered at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Community Room at KMVT, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.**

The program is provided by Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services of MVRMC. Registration is requested but not required. To register or for more information, call 734-6760 or 1-800-657-8000.

**TWIN FALLS - An infant CPR class will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Education Center at MVRMC.**

Preregistration is not required.

**TWIN FALLS - A Community First Aid and Safety (infant, child and adult CPR and first aid) nine-hour course will be offered at 8 a.m. Wednesday at the American Red Cross.**

Fee is \$42. To register or for more information, call 733-6464 or stop by the office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

**TWIN FALLS - A cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday at MVRMC.**

Preregistration is not required.

**TWIN FALLS - The Cancer Support Group will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday at the Cancer Center reception area.**

**TWIN FALLS - A CPR class will be offered from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in the doctors' meeting room at MVRMC.**

To register, call 737-2007.

**TWIN FALLS - A childbirth refresher course will be offered from 7 to 10 p.m. Feb. 16 in the Education Center at MVRMC.**

Preregistration is required, call 737-2000.

**TWIN FALLS - A Community First Aid and Safety (infant, child and adult CPR and first aid) nine-hour course will be offered at 8 a.m. Feb. 17 at the American Red Cross.**

Fee is \$42. To register or for more information, call 733-6464 or stop by the office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

**TWIN FALLS - A blood draw for a lipid profile will be held from 7 to 8:30 a.m. Feb. 16 in the Fellowship Hall downstairs at the First Baptist Church. The test requires fasting, so those who will have their blood drawn should not eat or drink after bedtime the night before. A continental breakfast will be available. Fee for the lab work is \$5.**

Lab results can be picked up at a motivational talk will be presented from 12:10 to 12:50 p.m. Feb. 17 at the First Baptist Church. Deb Annett, fitness and nutrition instructor at the College of Southern Idaho, will discuss the impact that choices of foods, exercise and spiritual well-being have on the heart and cardiovascular system. Bring along a bag lunch; beverage will be provided.

For more information, call 734-1212 or 734-7316.

**TWIN FALLS - The American Red Cross Kids will meet at 7 p.m. Feb. 18 at the Red Cross office. All young people, ages 5 through 18, are welcome to attend.**

**SALT LAKE CITY - The Arthritis Foundation is seeking volunteers to lead local self-help courses and support groups.**

A free training session will be held Feb. 25-27. Training will include fibromyalgia and arthritis self-help courses, and education and support groups leader certification.

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Tooth your expanding middle and feel the American panic. You were "thin," you "cheated" on the diet, the miracle that was going to help you shed 25 pounds by Thanksgiving, by Christmas, by New Year's Day.

Diet-book authors, health-club gurus and loved capitalists tell you it can be done. They grab at your body, promising — demanding — to remake you in the image of a fantasy ideal, a glowing deity from a Diet Coke commercial. Step on the scale and hear the

disapproving voices, bouncing off the bathroom tile with the single, ricocheting message:

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In the cold light of January, America vows to lose weight. It can be the simplest, hardest thing in the world to do.

The country that became a world power in the last century also became one of the fattest, having invented the Big Mac and the Ding Dong, and having perfected an unparalleled pizza-delivery system.

George Blackburn, director of Harvard's Center of Nutrition and Medicine, believes that what he calls the American epidemic of overweight is 40 percent genetic, 60 percent environmental. "Genetics load the gun," he says, "but environment pulls the trigger."

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**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I went to Pennsylvania the last week of December and slept in a motel room that we noticed had an unpleasant odor. It was not from smoke. We had requested a smoke-free room and got one. However, I had an allergic reaction to something, and had a difficult night.

The next day I mentioned it to the maid, and she told me there had been a "cute little doggie" in the room the night before. Lohan told the manager about my allergy to dogs. She did not apologize.

She said, "Well, we like our pets." Needless to say, we will never frequent that motel chain again. My husband and I do not hate animals, Abby, but we don't want to eat or sleep with them. Maybe others feel as we do. We know that people who eat and sleep with their dogs would smuggle them into a motel any way they could. The few motels that



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abby VanBuren

enforce the "No-Pets" rule should be commended. Thanks for listening, and for printing this.

— ABBY FAN, FAYETTEVILLE, N.C.

**DEAR FAN:** Your mistake was in not mentioning the fact that you have an allergy to dogs when you requested the smoke-free room. Just as there are smoke-free rooms reserved for guests who suffer from a sensitivity to cigarette smoke, there should be rooms available upon request for those who have pet allergies. Try it next time you are traveling.

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HJ Johns  
February, 1999

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The Times-News proposes a project that looks at life in the 20th century and what the 21st century may bring to the Magic Valley. In February, The Times-News will publish the first of four special sections planned for 1999.

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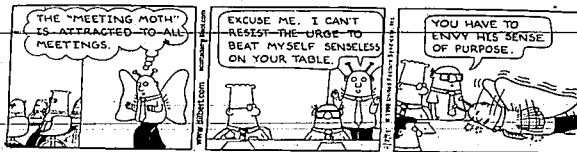
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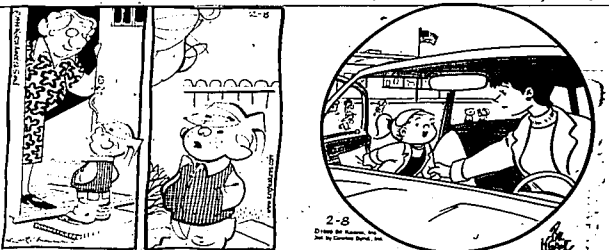


Dennis the Menace

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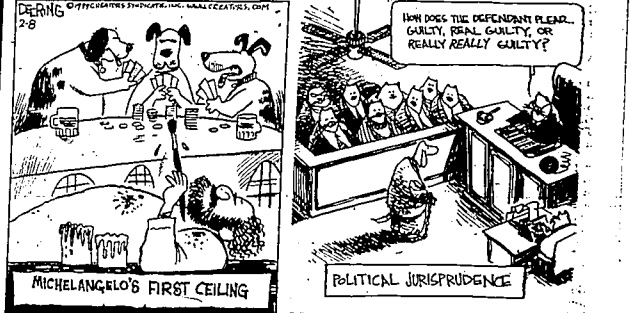


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**THE Daily Computer Puzzle** Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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# Virgo has a chance to hit the jackpot

**IF FEBRUARY 8 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You have knack for finding projects which others ignore. Your investment program has been successful — keep it up. Cancer, Capricorn persons playing leading roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names: H, Q, Z. In March your intuitive intellect is honed to razor-sharpness. Follow hunch, deal gingerly with stock broker who might have legitimate information. Marital status figures prominently this year.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Exhibit your magic — blend of sophistication, naiveive, humor. Precise comment, "You can get anything you go after." This is precursor to a winning streak.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Your kind of day. You'll multiply note hidden clause in legal agreement. Scorpio and another financial jackpot. Overtime assignment necessary. Lament it to be completed. Cancer native involved.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Give full play to nose for news. Make inquiries, put puzzle pieces together — they will tell the story. What seems to be a task easily ignored proves to be key to success.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Suddenly you have something to smile about. Spotlight on diplomatic, domestic adjustment, marital status. Funding will be made available. Taurus, Libra persons play top roles.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Lunar position draws your attention to durable goods, household appliances, real estate. Define terms, perfect technique, streamline procedures. Pisces plays noble role.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Spotlight on investment. Make virgosity, chance to hit

## HOROSCOPE: Sydney Omarr

**financial jackpot.** Overtime assignment necessary. Lament it to be completed. Cancer native involved.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Look beyond the immediate trust vision. You are on brink of fame, fortune. Libra charm surges forth — people fall in love with you. Deal with foreign emissary.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Your time is valuable, be sure others realize it. You could be in throes of scenario highlighting two lovers, you are a third wheel. Wear bright colors, begin or end relationship.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** What you left behind will be returned — offer thanks, reward, legal papers, including lease, part of what was missing. Questions concerning partnership, marriage

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Don't permit others to take you for granted. Your talent as entertainer, humorist will become obvious. You're in demand as result. Sagittarius plays instrumental role.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** People said it cannot be done. It's impossible. You do it and point that Napoleon declared that "impossible" is a word used by fools. Scorpio proves to be valuable helper.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** True talents could be disrupted. Have alternatives at hand. Promotional tour necessary, don't cancel. Written word important, make notes, record dreams. Gemini involved.

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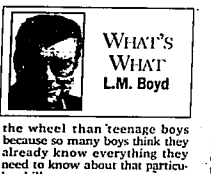
**Saturday's Puzzle Solved!**

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## Catherine the Great stood about 5 feet tall

Many of the streets in Lake Jackson, Texas, curve most gracefully. The architect didn't like right angles. And they're named appropriately. "This is Key Line Way." "Winding Way." So on.

Q: What gives "Key Line pie" its name — a special recipe or a special time?



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

A: A special time. Its tree went from Asia to Spain to the Caribbean. Finally, to the Florida Keys because the "Key" in "Key Line."

According to a Spanish national-in-San Francisco, prostitution is not prevalent in Spain as has been reported here and elsewhere. This observer contends the usual secrecy surrounding the activity anywhere can result in flawed statistical findings. The point is well taken.

the wheel than teenage boys because so many boys think they already know everything they need to know about that particular skill.

Not all old masterpiece paintings show that fine system of cracks on their surfaces, but all forgeries of old masterpiece paintings do.

William Shakespeare coined more than 1,700 words. Presumably, their first known use was in his poems and plays. Staus researchers found he used 20,138 different words in all his works. So 8.5 percent of his entire written vocabulary were words he made up. That's creative.

A slush of small ice crystals formed in water too turbulent to freeze is called "vinegar."

Q: Why doesn't champagne carry the name of its vineyard or chateau?

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As because it's a blend from grapes from many vineyards. It passes through several fermentations: Why Russia's Catherine was called "The Great" remains open to conjecture. She only stood about five feet tall.

Doctors make the surprising claim that a nine-week-old human fetus can hiccup.

Driving instructor Trisha Yearwood to be better students at

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## Whoopi likes her new role

NEW YORK (AP) — Whoopi Goldberg doesn't want to hear trash talk from people who aren't her doing. "Hollywood Squares" is a major comedown for the Academy Award-winning actress. "I do not need to have three films coming out and watch my hair fall out worrying about the opening weekend gross," Goldberg says in the Feb. 13-19 Rosie O'Donnell. "I like this schedule and the money is good."

Through her clout, the "Hollywood Squares" center square and executive producer has been able to get such guests as Robin Williams, Billy Crystal, Danny Glover, Melanie Griffith, Rosie O'Donnell, Trisha Yearwood and Garth Brooks.

"Some of them are doing this as a favor to me. Some figure it can't hurt their careers," Goldberg said. "I cherish all the people who have said yes because they don't care what the perception is."

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## Red Cross honors Newton-John

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Singer Olivia Newton-John will receive the American Red Cross' Humanitarian Award for her dedication to community education and to helping people in need.

"Newton-John, a breast cancer survivor who underwent a mastectomy in 1992, has chosen by 10 local chapters of the American Red Cross.

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**Mighty Joe Young**  
(M) 7:10, 9:20, 5:45, 7:55, 9:40

**Virus**  
(M) 11:15, 2:25, 4:40, 7:15, 9:20

**At First Sight**  
(M) 10:10, 12:30, 3:00, 7:00, 9:30

**Something About Mary**  
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Today 11:15-3:25-7:30-9:45

**Elizabeth** (M) Today 9:00  
**Enemy of the State** (M) 9:45  
**Private Ryan** (M) **Thin Red Line** (M)  
Today 12:30-3:45-7:00-10:15

**She's All That** (M) **Payback** (M)  
Today 12:30-2:45-6:50-9:15  
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**Dennis S. Blackmer**

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