



GOOD MORNING

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Low tonight 17.

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WILD & WINDY



Admitting he has thought once or twice of moving to another climate, Bob Williams — a Ketchum resident since 1948 — says he is "keeping at it" as he shovels an accumulation of snow off his roof Tuesday.

Winter weather wallops southern Idaho

By Barb Neiwert
Times-News correspondent
and Brian Haynes
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — Carrying heavy snow and powered by gusty winds, winter weather packed a wallop across southern Idaho Tuesday.

The storm dropped nearly a foot and a half of snow in the Wood River Valley, closing schools, causing avalanches that destroyed one home and damaged another, closing Idaho Highway 75 over Colson Summit, and creating havoc for motorists.

Then the stormy weather shifted south. Blustery but mild conditions gave way to a fast-moving storm that carried afternoon

gusts of more than 50 mph. The winds were responsible for fallen trees and several power outages across the valley.

Between 3,000 and 4,000 customers were without power at times.

Afternoon rain became snow as temperatures plummeted rapidly. At 2:53 p.m., the National Weather Service reported a high in Twin Falls of 54 degrees. By 4:06 p.m., 75 minutes later, the temperature had plummeted to 36 degrees.

The heavy precipitation might be linked to flooding in northeast Jerome, where an irrigation ditch overflowed and flooded several homes, Jerome police officer Justin Kendall said.

Crews set up sandbags Tuesday night to stop the water

as they tried to find out where the water was coming from, he said.

Snow and rain slickened many Magic Valley roads Tuesday evening, sending motorists sliding into the shoulders.

icy roads and poor visibility were so bad on Interstate 84, the Idaho Department closed the highway from the Interstate-86 junction to the Utah border. Sections of U.S. Highway 30 also were closed overnight.

Tuesday morning, Wood River Valley residents woke to see the snow. A rare school closure in Blaine County gave students a chance to sleep in — or hit the slopes.

"The snow was powerful," said Michael Gariepy, a Wood River

High School sophomore who made his way to Baldy.

Gariepy was among dozens of students who braved winds that gusted to 46 mph, fog, hail and snow that turned to rain in late afternoon, for a chance to ride some of the best powder Baldy has seen this season.

The storm brought 17 inches of snow to Ketchum Monday night and Tuesday morning, with 12 inches reported in Hailey.

Blaine County schools were closed, as were schools in Camas County.

Camas County sheriff's dispatcher Vickie Tracy said the snow was followed by a heavy thunder and lightning storm around 3:30 p.m. Tuesday.

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Mountain lion kills dog, changes mind

Cougar attacks
1 mile from
downtown Ketchum

By Margot Higgins
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — The mountain lion that attacked Gary Vinagre's dog over the weekend also changed the Ketchum man's viewpoint.

"I'm not a big-game hunter, but seeing how defiant and ferocious that animal was in my backyard, I've realized these creatures are dangerous," Vinagre said. "A hunting season might cause the animals to learn that humans are one of their enemies. Right now I don't think local cats are afraid."

Vinagre, who lives less than a mile from downtown Ketchum, was awakened Sunday morning by the sound of a lion killing his spaniel. He said he fired a shot to scare the lion away from the dog's carcass, but the shot accidentally killed the 11 1/2-pound, 5-year-old male cougar.

Officials say Vinagre won't be cited for the unlawful kill.

Vinagre's dog was the fourth Wood River Valley pet reportedly attacked by lions this winter, according to the Idaho Fish and Game Department. Whether the lions have sworn out their local welcome may be tested this evening, when the department holds an open house to hear local opinions on a proposed lion-hunting season.

The Wood River Valley, known

for its liberal sensibilities, is the only area of Idaho with no mountain-lion season.

"A lion hunting season has been fairly socially unacceptable in this area," said Lee Frost, a Fish and Game officer. "Blaine County is a bit of an abnormality compared to the rest of the state."

The prospect of lion hunting already has some local people concerned. Ketchum film producer Jim Ducher, whose 1990 film "Cougar Goes to the Rockies" helped stop trophy hunting of mountain lions in the state of California, contends that mountain lion hunting is not sporting.

"Putting trained dogs on a trail to track cats is no chase. It's really cruel," he said. "I am not opposed

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Cleanup crews work on a section of beach near Coos Bay, Ore., Monday, where a tanker began leaking fuel oil.

Acquittal appears certain

President may get off without even a censure

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Senate shut its doors Tuesday to debate its verdict on the impeachment of Bill Clinton, with the outcome so evident that one Republican said "bipartisan acquittal" was possible by week's end for the second president in history to be put on trial for his job.

After a month and a day spent listening in silence to opposing legal arguments, senators spent four hours in private deliberations in a Senate chamber cleared of House prosecutors, presidential lawyers and gallery spectators.

Censure, meanwhile, began to lose ground as several Republicans expressed a willingness to let President Clinton walk away from his ordeal with an acquittal, leaving judgment of his conduct to history rather than any Senate-approved rebuke.

The censure idea is "a rose that is beginning to wilt," said Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, a Senate Republican leadership. Some Democrats, he said, want a censure because they're "seeking cover" for their expected acquittal votes.

The notion of censuring Clinton arose immediately following his trial or later, but strong Republican opposition but remains on life support with backing of most Democrats and a handful of GOP senators.

But to have such a measure considered in the 100-member Senate, supporters would need 60 votes to hurdle expected stalling action by Republican

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Private session angers watchers

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Imagine you're curled up on the couch watching "Inherit the Wind" — a very long version of "Inherit the Wind" — and just when it gets to the part where Spencer Tracy is about to make his big courtroom speech, the screen goes black.

This is essentially what happened Tuesday in the U.S. Senate as the lively viewing public — or lines up to hear lawmakers debate the future of President Clinton in Impeachment Trial Week 5, only to have the camera cut to black at 1:52 p.m., just when it was getting to the good part.

"This stinks," one man from Bakersfield, Calif., grumbled as he marched into the Senate gallery with his little blue pass in hand, only to be marched out again as a motion to open the proceedings failed in defeat.

"They are going to run right outside and tell reporters what they said anyway," Joann Singer, a schoolteacher from

Portland, Ore., protested as she joined the long, snaking professional out of the gallery.

Oregon mess

Hull cracks widen; oil streaks beaches

The Associated Press

COOS BAY, Ore. — Battered by six days of pounding surf, cracks widened in the hull of a stuck freighter Tuesday, unleashing potentially thousands of gallons of fuel oil onto southern Oregon's pristine beaches.

Streaks of gooey, tarlike oil streaked the coastline for six miles around the 639-foot New Carissa. As many as 300 workers in yellow slickers and hard hats were called in to mop up

the mess with shovels, squeegees and absorbent pom-poms.

Coast Guard officials said they were doing everything possible to contain the oil seeping from ruptured fuel tanks, but salvage crews could not say when they would be able to remove the mired ship from the beach.

"We're skating on the edge here, hoping, praying, working hard to avoid a disaster," said

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NATION

Medicare makes progress curbing waste

WASHINGTON (AP) — Medicare lost about 7 cents of every dollar spent to fraud, waste and mistakes in 1998, government auditors said Tuesday. That amounts to more than \$12 billion — but it's only about half of what was lost by the health insurance program for the elderly and disabled just two years ago. "It shows a very significant turnaround," said Health and Human Services Department Inspector-General Juro Gibbs. Brown, who attributed the improvement to stricter government supervision.

"People are taking it seriously that someone is going to check on what's going on," she said. The inspector general's audit looked at the medical bills submitted to Medicare on behalf of 600 beneficiaries nationwide during the government's fiscal year 1998, which ended Sept. 30. Of those 5,540 bills, auditors discovered problems with \$15.1 billion. Based on the dollar value of the sample bills, auditors estimate that overall, Medicare paid out \$12.6 billion it shouldn't have last year. That's 7.1 percent of the total \$176.1 billion Medicare

paid directly to health care providers, including doctors and hospitals. By comparison, in 1996 — the first year such estimates were made — improper Medicare payments were pegged at \$23.2 billion, or 14 percent. In 1997, they fell to 11 percent, but auditors hesitated to call the improvement significant. This time, Brown said, "we've turned a corner." A government crackdown on Medicare waste that began in 1993 with new money and power granted by Congress seems to be

paying off, she said. Since then, the percentage of the program's 860 million bills a year that are reviewed by auditors has risen from 5 percent to 14 percent. Also, the Justice Department is working more closely with Medicare auditors to investigate suspicious claims and prosecute cases of suspected fraud — including one against the nation's largest hospital chain, Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corp. "Now they know that we're watching," said Medicare Administrator Nancy-Ann Min DeParle.

Grip strength may predict disability

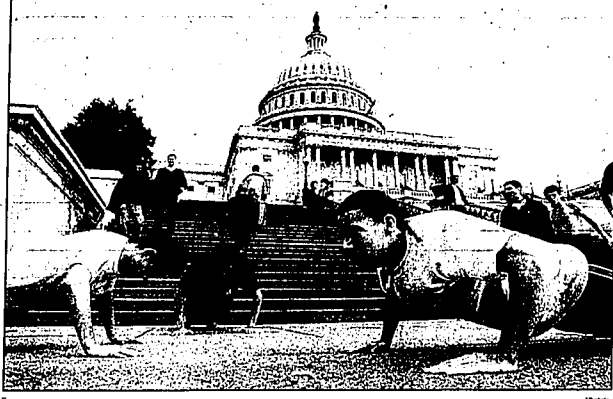
CHICAGO (AP) — A firm handshake may make a good first impression, but its real importance might not be felt for years. A study found that middle-aged men with strong grips are less likely to develop disabilities in old age.

The researchers said in today's Journal of the American Medical Association. The study followed 3,218 men over a 25-year period, beginning in 1965, when they were 45 to 69.

Good muscle strength in middle age can give people a margin of safety in later years, when they may face long periods of inactivity after surgery or illness.

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PUSH-UP PUNISHMENT



Jason Leasher, left, and Franklin Miller, right, sophomores at Washington's Gonzaga High School, do push-ups at the foot of the Capitol steps Tuesday as closed-door deliberations in the Senate impeachment trial began inside. They did their pushups after losing a race with fellow students on the Capitol stairs during a workout. The student at center is unidentified.

Clinton moves ahead with Holbrooke nomination

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton moved ahead with plans to nominate Richard Holbrooke to be ambassador to the United Nations after Holbrooke agreed Tuesday to pay \$5,000 to settle civil charges that he violated federal ethics laws. "I will soon send to the Senate my nomination of Richard G. Holbrooke," Clinton said in a statement issued from the White House shortly after the federal lawsuit and settlement were filed simultaneously in U.S. District Court here.

The veteran 57-year-old diplomat moved to settle the Justice Department's allegations that he improperly contacted a U.S. diplomat on behalf of his employer. Instead, Holbrooke said he was acting as a special government employee asked to explain U.S. policy to Asian officials.

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Appeals court demotes Miranda ruling

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A federal appeals court has ruled that despite the Supreme Court's landmark 1966 Miranda ruling, prosecutors can use a confession from a suspect who opens his mouth before he has been read his rights. In a 2-1 ruling Monday, a three-judge panel of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said a 1968 federal law on voluntary confessions takes precedence over the Miranda ruling in federal cases. The decision could touch off a

new Supreme Court battle over the rights of criminal suspects. In the meantime, the new ruling is law in five states — Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina and West Virginia. The 1966 ruling in *Miranda vs. Arizona*, handed down by the Supreme Court far more liberal than it is today, is known to generations of Americans from TV cop shows. The high court said police who question suspects must first tell

them of their right to remain silent and warn them that anything they say can be used against them. They must be told of their right to a lawyer, and informed that one will be appointed for them if they cannot afford one. In federal and state prosecutions ever since, failure to recite such warnings most often resulted in a valuable piece of evidence — a confession or some incriminating statement — being lost to prosecutors.

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Commander: Pilot's maneuver was risky

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C. (AP) — A Marine pilot took a risk by doing a 360-degree roll in his jet the night the plane cut an Italian ski gondola cable and killed 20 people, the pilot's former commander testified Tuesday. "It's not very safe," Lt. Col. Richard Muegge, told jurors. "It doesn't take much to lose altitude. It can be disorienting. It's not commonplace and it's never been condoned." Prosecutors in the court-martial of Capt. Richard Ashby say the corkswear maneuver, called a flaperon, occurred just before the collision. The defense says the roll was normally used to cross mountain ridges.

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Ethics report targets top officials

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The top two officials of Salt Lake Olympic bid were condemned Tuesday for ethical violations by an internal investigation of the biggest corruption scandal in the history of the games.

The report focused on Tom Welch, who directed the successful bid for the 2002 Winter Olympics, and Dave Johnson, his top lieutenant. It also singled out Craig Peterson, the former finance chief for the Salt Lake Organizing Committee.

The investigation by the independent panel, headed by a former Utah Supreme Court justice, found no evidence of criminal conduct, said SLOC attorney Beth Wilkinson.

"It is an ethical dilemma, and we did find several instances



Tom Welch Dave Johnson

in which individuals stepped over the line," she said.

"The impetus for the Salt Lake bid committee's misconduct was traced to 1991, when the city was beaten by Nagano, Japan, for the 1998 Games, according to the report.

It quoted witnesses as saying that Nagano had won with a

"more sophisticated and extravagant" effort. For example, the Japanese gave International Olympic Committee members video cameras while Salt Lake was giving away disposable cameras prior to the 1991 vote.

"The behavior of some IOC members was eye-opening as well," the report said. Welch was approached by two representatives of unidentified IOC members asking for cash-in-exchange for votes, but he turned them down, it said.

In summarizing the more than 300-page report, SLOC chairman Robert Garff said Johnson and Welch made unauthorized payments to IOC members and their relatives and then hid their actions from the bid committee's board.

Nobody disputed that the mission of the bid committee was to secure IOC votes, Garff said, but "what was not part of the plan was Mr. Welch and Mr. Johnson's direct payments to IOC members."

As the bid committee's chief financial officer, Peterson was responsible for signing every check. The ethics panel found that many large disbursements lacked complete documentation, and payments by wire transfers seldom included the required paperwork and approvals.

Welch and Johnson have denied wrongdoing, and Welch last week said Gov. Mike Levitt and others knew what was going on. Levitt and others named by Welch have repeatedly denied knowledge of detail of the gift plan.

High school drops block scheduling

EAGLE (AP) — The city has scrapped plans to implement a block scheduling program in its high school for the 1999-2000 school year.

Officials announced the decision Monday at Meridian School Board meeting, where several parents had planned to speak out against the policy.

The proposed schedule would have divided the school day into four 93-minute blocks, instead of the traditional six 50-minute periods. In this manner, students can complete four yearlong courses in one semester rather than two.

Gestrin, along with Director of

Secondary Education Bev Bradford, reached the decision to table the planned conversion after a heated meeting last week attended by about 250 parents. Gestrin plans to continue with the modified block scheduling already being used on a trial basis at the school, while continuing to collect data on the effectiveness of the alternate scheduling program.

Board Chairman Wally Hedrick encouraged Bradford and Gestrin to continue researching block scheduling. And Gestrin said he is not yet giving up.

Lawmakers reject bid for extra cash for Fish & Game

BOISE (AP) — A House committee heard overwrought public testimony on Tuesday for bailing out the financially beleaguered Department of Fish and Game, then flatly rejected the idea.

Embattled Fish and Game Director Steve Mealey was prepared for the additional grilling hours before the vote that it was unlikely lawmakers would increase sportsmen's fees for an agency that engenders so much public ambivalence.

"The issue here is really whether we support adequate management of this tremendous resource for the people of Idaho," Democratic Rep. Ken Robison said, urging fellow Resources and Conservation Committee members to present "a serious erosion of this agency's ability to manage fish and wildlife."

Legislators instead voted 11-6 against endorsing fee increases totaling \$4 million and 9-8 against a plan to index future fee rates to the department's expenses.

Salt at issue, but even less likely to win approval than those two measures were, is a move to tap general tax revenues for \$2 million to put Fish and Game back on a solid financial footing.

Mealey told the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee earl-



er Tuesday that he still had the approval of a skeptical Gov. Dirk Kempthorne to try to make a convincing case for the help.

"Obviously, he's not convinced yet," Mealey told budget writers. "If we're not successful with a fee increase, and it appears we will not be, then we have to make a decision."

He later warned the Resources and Conservation Committee what it did would determine the agency's future.

"We're at a decision point. With no change, the department will be different in the future," Mealey said.

Testimony ran more than 10 to 1 in support of the fee increase and indexing. But the broader public has been much more evenly divided on the issue.

"The department has not been forthcoming with where it spends its money. It's got a lot of slack in it still, and it needs to narrow its focus," said Ed Lindahl of Moscow, president of Concerned Sportsmen of Idaho.

Delegation, Guinn to speak against Nevada nuke storage

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Calling the issue a problem created by the nuclear power industry, Nevada's congressional delegation plans to join Gov. Kenny Guinn today in testifying against storage of nuclear waste in Nevada.

Guinn is scheduled to join Sens. Harry Reid and Richard Bryan, and Reps. Jim Gibbons and Shelley Berkley in testimony before the House Commerce Committee's Energy and Power Subcommittee.

Subcommittee chairman Joe Barton, R-Texas, has made the temporary storage bill a priority in his Congress.

"For the past five years, the nuclear power industry has attempted to create a false sense of crisis about nuclear waste storage in this country," said Reid. "This bill is designed to solve a problem solely of their own making."

"There is no need to jeopardize millions of American citizens by needlessly moving 70,000 tons of nuclear poison across America's heartland just so the utilities can clear out their bottom line profit and loss sheets," Reid said.

Bryan called the plan to place the waste in the Nevada Test Site "a multi-billion dollar bailout of a

dyng industry that is on its last breath."

Bryan said the entire delegation should prepare to battle what he called "Mobile Chernobyl" and stop it in its tracks.

A move is on in Congress to use the test site, 65 miles northwest of Las Vegas, as a temporary storage facility for radioactive waste accumulating at nuclear power plants across the country. The site would be used until a permanent repository is licensed, with Yucca Mountain, 100 miles northwest of Las Vegas, the lone candidate now being considered.

Guinn and the congressional delegation plan to focus on what opponents see as the danger of nuclear waste-laden trucks passing through 43 states on the way to the Nevada dump.

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NATION

GOP members push for Bush in 2000 race

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — A top New York Republican is throwing his muscle behind an effort to persuade Texas Gov. George W. Bush to get into the race for the GOP presidential nomination in 2000.

"He has his own network and he inherits the network of his dad," said Guy Molinari, the Staten Island borough president and a former congressman. "He represents our best opportunity for taking back the presidency."

Molinari said he would be joining with about four dozen other Republicans in Washington today to press the effort.

Molinari, whose daughter Susan gave a promising career in Congress for a short time in television, has been close to former President Bush for years and served as the elder Bush's New York presidential campaign



George W. Bush

chairman in 1988. Molinari said he has not talked with the Texas governor nor whether he will run for the GOP nomination. The younger Bush has said he will make a decision within a few months.

Molinari also said that New York Gov. George Pataki is hurting his chances of being on the ticket as vice presidential candidate by warring with New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani. The two have been at odds over everything from how the city school system is run to how much state aid the city receives.

Georgia governor blocks liability suits against gun makers

ATLANTA (AP) — Gov. Roy Barnes wasted no time Tuesday signing into law a bill blocking Atlanta's lawsuit against gun manufacturers, which was propelled through the Legislature by the lobbying muscle of the National Rifle Association.

Barnes signed the measure within hours after it won final passage in the House. By a 44-11 vote,

the state Senate on Monday had approved the legislation that would prohibit local governments from suing gun makers. The House had already approved a similar measure last month; this morning's final 142-24 vote was to approve minor changes made in the Senate.

The votes followed an intense lobbying effort by the NRA and the

Senate's Democratic leadership. The gun industry is lobbying other states to pass similar legislation.

Atlanta filed its lawsuit against 17 gun manufacturers last week as the city was host of the nation's largest gun show. It joined four other municipalities — Chicago, New Orleans, Bridgeport, Conn., and the unified Miami-Dade County government in Florida —

in seeking reimbursement for the costs of gun-related violence.

The Chicago suit claims gun makers and dealers purposely flood the suburbs with guns, making it easier for criminals in Chicago, which has tougher anti-gun laws, to bring one into the city. Other suits seek compensation for costs incurred from gun violence.

Ag commission criticizes USDA on small farms

WASHINGTON (AP) — A commission appointed by Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman to look at ways to help small farmers is giving the department poor grades for its efforts.

Twenty-four of 29 commissioners on USDA's National Commission on Small Farms issued a report card Tuesday grading the agency's efforts to implement a January 1998 commission report on small farms. The commissioners have organized themselves as the Time to Act Campaign, an independent effort to get implementation of the report.

Out of 10 categories rated, the agency received higher than a C in three areas. The agency rated

a "D" for its efforts to ensure fair market access for those farmers and reach out to farmworkers.

The agency's highest scores, three "Bs", were for its efforts to bolster marketing opportunities for small farms, reach out to beginning farmers as well as make changes to the crop insurance program.

"In some cases, USDA has acted quickly and decisively," the report said. "But in most areas, real change is slow to come."

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman defended the agency saying that while there is still work to do, improvements such as better loan programs for small farmers have been implemented.

Hubble images show what may be planet formation

WASHINGTON (AP) — New pictures from the Hubble Space Telescope are giving astronomers a look at what may be the early formative stages of planets, NASA said Tuesday.

While the pictures don't actually show planets, they give a look at disks of dust that circle young stars. Scientists believe that as stars age, this dust condenses to form planets.

Thus, the Hubble images may offer a glimpse of what our solar system looked like 4.5 billion years ago when the Earth and other planets began to condense, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration reported.

Hubble was able to photograph the disks edge-on, avoiding the glare from the young suns that can overpower the light reflected from the dust.

"While the existence of these disks has been known from prior

infrared and radio observations, the Hubble images reveal important new details such as a disk's size, shape, thickness and orientation," said Deborah Padgett of the California Institute of Technology's Infrared Processing and Analysis Center in Pasadena, Calif.

Her group used Hubble cameras to look at six young stars 450 light years away in the constellation Taurus. Light-years, used for measurement in space, represent the distance light travels in a year, or nearly 6 trillion miles.

In all six cases, the researchers found evidence of dust bands crossing bright areas around the star. The images "show dark clumps and bright streamers above and below the dust lanes, suggesting that raw material is still falling into these disks and driving out-flowing jets of gas from the forming stars," Padgett said in a statement.

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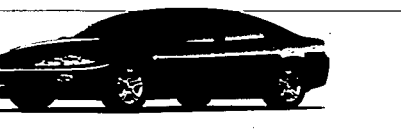
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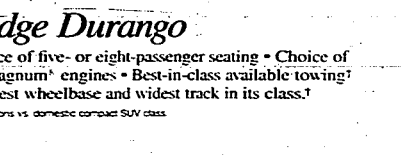
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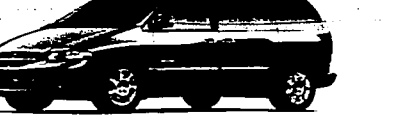
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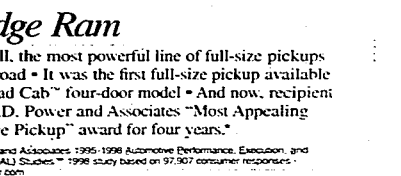
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With 163 tornados, January sets record

WASHINGTON (AP) — Last month was a record setter for tornados. The 163 twisters on record were the most in any January, the National Weather Service said Tuesday.

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EDITORIAL

Idaho lawmakers should act to end the term-limits farce

The term-limits issue is running out of steam in Idaho. As it loses momentum, state lawmakers are finding the courage to dink it for good.

It's a noble mission, but a risky one. Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne should give lawmakers some cover by signing his intent to sign the bill or allow it to pass without his signature.

As we've said before, term limits are bad public policy because they keep good candidates off the ballot. They deprive voters of the right to vote for whomever they want.

Term limits also are confounding, because they assume voters are too stupid to turn ineffective leaders out of office. Finally, term limits are losing their appeal in Idaho. Public support has visibly declined in the last two elections.

The term-limits issue, you'll recall, originally pledged to stop congressional incumbents from taking over in office. They painted Congress as a cesspool of special-interest money, filled with lobbyists leading lawmakers around by the nose.

Idaho voters took the bait and passed a term-limits law. They were surprised - it turned out that term limits on Congressional offices were unconstitutional. When the limits cleared, Idaho was left with term limits on virtually everyone else who wins an election from county commissioners to school board members.

That's bad news for people who

want good representation.

We're not the only ones saying this. Other term-limits extremists include the Idaho Association of Counties, the Association of Idaho Cities, the Idaho School Boards Association and the Idaho League of Women Voters.

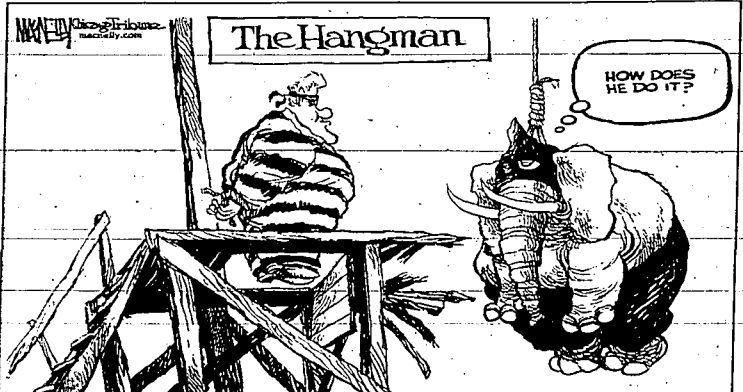
Even the Idaho Farm Bureau and the Idaho Education Association agree that term limits should be repealed. You know you're in trouble when these two are united against you.

As a concept, term limits will always have some appeal as long as they aren't pitted against a real, live opponent. Remember Mike Simpson? He wouldn't sign the silly "term-limits pledge" and the term limits went unenforced. Idaho voters liked Mike anyway. They elected him to Congress. At the legislative level, voters returned virtually every incumbent in sight in the November election.

Frankly, most of the term-limits aren't even from Idaho. Sure, some local municipalities and some local donors are on board, but make no mistake - the term-limits train is driven by out-of-state interests with out-of-state money.

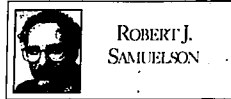
That's yet another reason why state lawmakers should repeal it. The Legislature is right to end this farce. In the interests of Idaho's people, Kempthorne would be right to sign it.

That's bad news for people who



There's only 1 way to count people

Even without politics, the Census is stupendously difficult. In 1990, only 65 percent of households did, down from 75 percent in 1980. The falloff is usually laid to many factors: a weariness with all surveys, distrust or fear of government, a scarcity of time, less civic virtue, and confusion of the Census forms with junk mail. Hundreds of thousands of door-to-door canvassers will then try to fill in the gaps. They, too, will fail, because some people won't open their doors, some people don't want to be found, some people give bad information, and some canvassers make mistakes.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

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What to do? For the 2000 Census, the Clinton administration proposed - for the first time in U.S. history - not to try to count every American directly. Instead, the Census Bureau would stop at 90 percent of households and estimate the last 10 percent by statistical sampling. It was this plan that the Supreme Court recently struck down as illegal.

Although the administration was skirting the law, it has enjoyed the public-relations advantage in the feud over the Census. The conventional wisdom goes in favor of the Clinton plan. It mostly affects the poor, minorities and the cities where they live. Because congressional seats and federal funds are based on population figures, these groups are shortchanged. Most scientific experts think the undercount could be cured by statistical sampling. But congressional Republicans oppose sampling for partisan reasons: It would cost them seats.

There's some truth here - and much exaggeration. Start with the undercount. It's fairly small. For 1990, the Census Bureau estimates (and this, too, is inexact) that it missed 1.8 percent of the population. Among blacks the figure was 5.7 percent. Both figures were slightly higher than in 1980 and halted four decades of improvement. Even so, few social and economic studies notice the 98 percent accuracy of the overall population figure.

Next, the undercount's effects. They're also modest. Perhaps \$200 billion - including highway and Medicaid funds - is distributed by formulas that include population. But possible population errors are so tiny that the distribution would barely change. One study puts the shift at three-tenths of 1 percent. On \$200 billion, that's \$600 million.

How about congressional reapportionment? Well, in 1991 the Census Bureau estimated (based on a post-Census survey) how much state-populations might be adjusted for the undercount. With these numbers, perhaps three states would have gained another House seat from the Northeast and Midwest toward the South and West - produce much larger reapportionment changes. Still, sampling would be desirable if it clearly improved the population counts, and many statisticians think it would. Unfortunately, that's not an undercount. The idea to use sampling to offset an undercount works something like this: After the Census, you do a large sample

survey of a cross section of Americans; if 2 percent of the people in the sample haven't responded to the Census, that measures the undercount; the results would then be projected nationally. Sounds simple.

But an obvious question is: If the Census missed Joe - or Joe didn't want to be counted - why would the sample survey find him? For this and other reasons, some experts think that the sample could reduce accuracy.

The trouble now is that the Supreme Court hasn't settled the Census dispute. The court, says the Clinton administration, bars the use of sampling only for the apportioning of congressional seats among states; but the ruling permits sampling-adjusted population data for the "redistricting" of seats within states by legislatures and governors. So the Democrats' passion for sampling is no less political than the Republicans' aversion to it. Each party seeks the greatest advantage in crafting districts that favor its candidates. But adhering to sampling now would create at least a problem of perceptions: issuing two sets of numbers for uses that are primarily political suggests the customizing of statistics for partisan ends.

There's no way to count the population exactly. Whether or not sampling would produce slightly better or worse numbers is a close call. But until the case for sampling is overwhelming, we ought to stick with the traditional head count. Doing otherwise threatens the integrity of a system that, until now, has enjoyed public confidence.

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Jerome schools make gains

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the efforts of Jerome School District staff, students and parents. Concentrated efforts and hard work have resulted in remarkable gains over previous years. This year's scores on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and Test of Academic Proficiency Standardized tests indicate that each of nine grade levels are performing above national averages in the composite score areas of reading, language and mathematics.

Please help me congratulate our students and encourage them to continue their efforts toward academic excellence. Keep up the good work! MIKE BROWN, District Test Coordinator

Surgery center won't give back

Article in The Times-News on Jan. 29, "Surgical options," has given me some concern. Magic Valley Regional Medical Center has fallen over backward in the past to accommodate the doctors in the Magic Valley area. Now a few money-hungry doctors are trying to line their pockets even more. One of the only revenue makers for the hospital was the same-day surgery. There is no way that this Southwest Surgery Center or its doctors will be giving anything back to the community.

There's a word we should use: Greed. The poor one of us who have no health insurance and can't afford it will have to use the hospital. Maybe we should have a name change. Change the name of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center to Indifferent Care of Magic Valley. LYNN NELSON, Twin Falls

Take responsibility for pets

Thank you for your articles and editorial about the animal shelter. Man's inhumanity to man seems ageless and endless. Inhumanity toward the vulnerable - the aged, people with disabilities, children or animals - is more horrible and unfathomable. We recycle plastic, but we disregard and discard people and pets.

Your editorial identified a solution. Responsibility. May we seek it, claim it, act it. GLENDA MILLER, Twin Falls

Letter was biased against Hispanics

To Deb Caster, Jerome: I couldn't help respond to your Feb. 2 letter with incredulity and, most importantly, anger. I tried to see things in your shoes, but ignorance at that magnitude doesn't inhibit me. I, like you, am tired of paying taxes for those on public assistance. But you

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made it sound like the Hispanic community is the only one taking advantage of welfare. You failed to mention that Caucasians ("your kind" as you put it so intelligently) are also making up part of the population on food stamps.

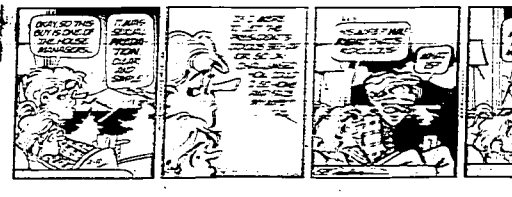
Those "Mexicans" working here are part of the backbone of agriculture in this region. They've worked just as hard as you and I have for a comfortable life. Your father's work on roads is greatly appreciated, but did you mention that a good portion of the money used to build those roads were taxed on the pockets of Mexicans, Asians, the Chinese, the Japanese, the Europeans and other minority groups in the USA? No, you didn't. You tried to make the impression that the burden rests solely on your shoulders.

Look at it this way: I'm paying taxes to support you in your old age - is that fair to me? Not really, but it's a small price to pay to be an American. I pay tax, among others, even when it

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might not be there when I come to age to utilize it. I'm a 17-year-old Latin male. I've been a manager-supervisor of different branches of Interstate Amusement. Last October, I purchased a Honda Accord. I pay the insurance for it, I buy the gas that it burns. I make the money to buy the clothes from Eddy Bauer, GAP, Tommy Hilfinger and buy imported shoes from Europe. All that by 17, and that's just the beginning of my success, the success of a Hispanic youth - the future, along with the others listed above, of the United States. So don't sound up your opinions of "my kind" solely because of a bad experience with an uninsured driver. Racism is ignorance; although these two are just as different but describe each other, they are unattractive characteristics that you exhibit. In the future, don't embarrass yourself with uneducated opinions of my kind. HUAN ANTONIO DORIA, Twin Falls

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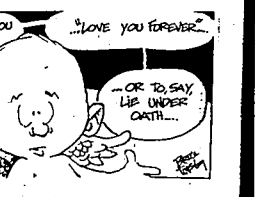


By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



Abandon a culture of complaint Cancer: My kingdom for a cure

I took a while, but recently elected Washington, D.C., Mayor Anthony Williams finally stood up to the forces of bigotry. He offered David Howard his job back.

Howard headed the district's Office of the Public Advocate, a position he vacated in a swirl of rumors that he had used the dreaded N-word to a couple of black colleagues. The word Howard used was, in fact, "nig-gardly," which is of Scandinavian origin and means miserly.

Last week, Williams issued his second news release on the issue. The first, which hit the wires on Jan. 26, said he had accepted Howard's resignation, which "was prompted by reports that (Howard) had made an inappropriate racial comment."

In the second statement, Williams said he had met with Howard and urged him to withdraw his resignation.

"I believe I acted too hastily," Williams confessed about accepting Howard's resignation.

What inspired this change of heart in Williams? Was he suddenly afflicted with the notion that governing by racism is not a particularly effective way.

GREGORY P. KANE

...and that's all?

It matters. What's important is that common sense prevailed, which happens rarely in the case of bigotry in matters of race. Everyone, including black Americans, would do well to learn from this incident. And the most sobering lesson is this: We should cut the toxic and abandon our culture of complaint.

In the months leading up to the pathetic "nigardly" debacle, we had a group of blacks working themselves into a frenzy over a television show, "The Sins of Our Fathers," which is a racist, anti-Semitic, and homophobic piece of trash. It was not only on the UPN network. The author, another group of blacks who had the First Amendment, had the author's work, "The FJ's," produced by Eddie Murphy — portrayed blacks who live in the projects and are criminals. Where are these protesters when we need folks to speak out on what is truly a racial crisis: the alarming number of black children and teens who are sexually abused, and the lack of learning and academic achievement is a white thing?

Let's look at it another way: Why are blacks in a more negative light, "The FJ's" and "The Secret Diary of Desmond Pfeiffer" — on the dismal academic performance of black pupils in too many of our schools?

To those Washington blacks who feel Williams isn't "black enough" to be mayor, I'll simply say, "Wake up from your dream world." Just what does "black enough" mean? And who decides who's "black enough" and who isn't?

There's also folks suggesting that Williams is not being black because he makes appointments based on ability and not race? The very notion of this black or that one not being "black enough" betrays a mind-set that is devoted to a perverse sense of racial loyalty. And racial loyalty has its pitfalls: A swaggering ex-corporal in the German army and one of the leaders of a far-right political party based on it. They came to power preaching it and led their country into a world war fervently believing in it.

Then they got stomped.

Gregory P. Kane is a columnist for The Baltimore Sun.

When King Hussein died, Americans got to know a lot more good things about him than they ever knew before. There was a lot more of a difficult time relating to anyone who wears what appears to be a red-checked turban on his head, but everyone who really knew anything about King Hussein said such nice things about him that they must be true.

There has never been a Middle-Eastern leader who so successfully bridged the gap between our two worlds. He knew ours and he knew theirs. He spoke our language. He didn't seem strange to us, as so many Arab leaders do.

After he died, people were calling him "one of the great world leaders of the era." That's interesting in view of the problems we have with our own leader, because Hussein fooled around a lot, too. I'm not sure his regime could have stood up to the inspection of an impeachment hearing in its early days. He lived big and so did. He raced cars and motorcycles, danced with abandon at hundreds of parties, flew his own jet, did some parachute jumping and married four women who and whom he had a total of 12 children.

Americans have a hard time with Middle-Eastern names. Hussein's real name was "Hussein bin Talal bin Hussein." "Bin" means "son of." A man has three names, his given name, his father's name and his grandfather's. Women in the Arab world hardly have names at all and as much as we like to say that King Hussein brought Jordan into the 20th Century, there were no women at his funeral.

The young man Hussein appointed to be his successor is Abdullah, a son by his second wife, a British woman named Toni Gardiner. Toni refused to be called "Queen," and you

ANDY ROONEY

...wife, Margie, as "Light of Andrew" she'd turn out my lights.

According to newspaper stories, Norr and the King were close during the last year while he was dying of cancer. The only argument they had at the end was who got Hussein's job as King. Queen Norr wanted Hussein to give it to her 18-year-old son, Hamzah. It sounds as if Abdullah and his half brother, Hamzah, get along any way.

Hussein was diagnosed with cancer only eight months ago. It's interesting to think that a guy like that, with all the money in the world, doesn't have any more luck surviving the disease than the average person. He had the cancer called lymphoma, which doctors identified in 1932.

For all our progress in other areas, cancer is one thing we don't seem to get anywhere with. There are, as we always say, things money can't buy and a cure for cancer is on that list.

Andy Rooney is a 60 Minutes television commentator and Tribune Media Services columnist.

have to like her for that. Her kid, Abdullah, sounds good, too. He went to a very good American prep school, Deerfield Academy, where he was co-captain of the wrestling team and one-of-the-guys. When Abdullah was married a few years ago, he invited a lot of his American classmates to the wedding and they say Abdullah did the cooking for them while they were there. They make him sound like a real good guy.

King Hussein finally married a great-looking American girl, Lisa Halaby. Her father was a Texan who ended up in Washington as head of the Federal Aviation Administration. That's the closest I ever came to knowing a king.

Hussein remained Lisa "Princess Norr of Hussein," which means "Light of Hussein." If I referred to my

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In support of "Fringe"

I just read a letter to the editor in the Feb. 3 paper titled "Sins Down in Fringe." I find it interesting, no, kidding, that this person feels she has reached an accurate cross section of Times-News readers with her person-to-person letter. Let me share the results of some equally extensive research.

Of the 15 "old comics" in The Times-News, I read eight. That is 53 percent of the total. The editors don't hold my interest. I find myself reading three of five; that's 60 percent.

All of this has little to do with the real issue of individuality. We all have differences, one of which is sense of humor. We all don't think the same things are funny. Case in point: I think Steve Crump is funny; however, there are bass fishermen and Billie Cooney residents who would choose to debate this issue.

I would hope the publishers of The Times-News would not limit their decisions about what to print on the opinion of one person, whether it be mine or someone else. I hope the greatness of America still lies in having more choices, not fewer ones.

DEE YEAMAN
Albion

How does working class feel?

After reading Bob Castr's letter to the editor on Feb. 2, I have to make a comment.

Just before Christmas, I was in a large grocery hardware store in the city and I observed a large family shopping there. They were immigrants as they did not speak English. There were six in the family, four children. The lady and four children were grocery shopping. Her husband was in the gun part buying a gun and cashing a large paycheck from a local dairy. As the lady completed her shopping, she paid with food stamps. They proceeded to leave in a new three-quarter ton club-cab Chevy.

Deb, this is the American way that we pay for. How does the Idaho working class feel about this? I am sure most of us would like to live like this but can't because we are American citizens. We have to grin and bear it.

DICK ANDERSON
Buhl

Why were guns destroyed?

The destruction of confiscated firearms late last year is apparently the result of one more (perhaps all) of the following reasons:

1. The practice of Shamanism, a primitive religion wherein a shaman or medicine man declares that some instrument or object contains an evil spirit and must be destroyed. The city manager et al. practicing this at the taxpayers' expense would conceivably violate the "separation of church and state" principle and raise constitutional issues.

2. Sigmund Freud's observation that the irrational fear of weapons (phobophobia) in-

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Idaho sexual and emotional immaturity

"would bring the reasonable and prudent man to believe that the city's hierarchy is in need of professional mental counseling.

If purely political, then it is clear that the doctrine of "political correctness," a term coined not by the liberal left but by the late Chairman Mao Tse Tung of Communist China, whose condition of extorting political dissidents continues to this day and whose money influences our elections.

It becomes evident then that the crime of destruction on public property needs to be addressed by the people of Idaho by the kind of an amnesty to sue, a leave of absence for extensive mental health treatment or a recall election to weed out the pre-emptive socialists.

T. ALLEN BOOVER
Boise

A word makes a difference

Klendon Clark put several quotes from her Bible in the letter she wrote on Jan. 26. But some of the words were not the same as they are in the King James Bible. One word difference can make a world of difference.

It reminded me of a story we were once asked if there was any difference between contented and satisfied. After a brief pause, he said that he was satisfied his wife was stepping out on him but he was far from being contented.

Bibles have been rewritten many times, and often some words changed to suit the needs of those who were rewriting them, but we have never had one word that Jesus wrote himself.

His words in the four gospels came mostly from hearsay and put together by a few men belonging to a religious sect called the Pharisees.

If anyone wants real truth, it may help if they read James 1:5.

WILLIAM HAFNER
Twin Falls

must be found.

Idaho has had a nationally respected department. Our business and the economy are an important part of the state's history and future resource. We need to protect this and to ensure the best stewardship into the next millennium.

LAWRENCE FLOURNOY
Twin Falls

Getting a police runaround

On Jan. 20, our snowmobile was stolen from a farm south-east of Jerome. We called the police and were turned over to detectives. A lot of stories came from it being seen in a pickup from Turtle to our gas between Wendell and Jerome. We checked the leads the best we could. We decided to put an ad in the paper, along with a \$500 reward. On Jan. 28, Parry Silva phoned me and was saying someone left it in his yard but didn't know who. He put it in and ran it around. He said he just happened to buy a paper snowmobile and found him we'd be right up with the money and get the sled.

We called to tell the police what we were doing and we were told no, you can't get it. So I had my son call Parry and tell him we couldn't come and get it. The Chief of Police was in a meeting but was supposed to go out right after the meeting. The Jerome Department said the Shoshone officer could not find the Silva place and never bothered to notify us. Parry Silva contacted us at 7:30 a.m. Jan. 29 to ask if we had picked the sled up. We just assumed the Shoshone police had taken it, but we found out later they were waiting for Silva's again until 1:30 on Jan. 29. Couldn't see a sled (it disappeared in the night).

Dave talked to an officer on Jan. 30 and said the detective said we could have gone and got the sled. After this was gone again, we hear this. Why didn't the detective tell us? When we called to talk to the detectives, one was out of town for a week and the other was in a meeting and got it. The Chief of Police was but never bothered to return our call.

So we are going to try this again. We've placed another ad offering the reward in The Times-News classified section. We will not call the police. Our three grand children will really appreciate you.

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U.S.-born Queen Noor mourns separately for late Jordan king

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — In the end, it was she who comforted them.

At Amman's Ottoman-era Zahran Palace, an endless line of Jordanian women — in black Bedouin robes, in army fatigues, in chic business suits — came Tuesday to pay their condolences to Queen Noor, the American-born widow of their fallen king. She didn't merely receive them; she embraced them.

The queen saw her husband's grave for the first time earlier Tuesday, when she and immediate family gathered at the gravesite at dawn for private prayers.

Amly Muslim tradition mandates the separation of men and women during the most emotionally charged and religiously significant moments of funeral rites, and royal women are buried in a segregated section of the royal cemetery.

So Noor — the former Lisa Halaby, an architect from Washington, D.C., who took her husband's religion when she married him 21 years ago — was not present Monday when King Hussein's body was ritually washed and scented with musk, prayed over in the palace mosque, borne by mourners to the royal burial ground, and lowered into a stone-lined grave clad in a simple white shroud.

The queen spent the funeral day largely sequestered, in the company of other royal women and visiting dignitaries, among them Hillary Rodham Clinton.

On Tuesday, however, the gates of the palace were opened to ordinary Jordanian women.

The 47-year-old Noor, tall and slender in a close-fitting black jacket and long black skirt, her pale face free of makeup, stood at the head of a royal women's receiving line, greeting a line of women stretching out the door.

As the women approached, she stroked their cheeks, cradled their faces in both hands, enfolded them in her arms, bent to peer intently into their eyes. One stern-looking middle-aged army officer, in fatigues and a black beret, sobbed in the queen's arms.

The cloistered nature of the



Queen Noor, widow of Jordan's King Hussein, consoles a female soldier during a general audience at the Royal Palace in Amman, Tuesday.

event made this striking outpouring possible. Only women were present, except for an elderly man in the corner, the royal incense bearer, in a crisp khaki uniform and red-checked kaffiyeh headress, holding an elaborate brass censer.

"At an emotional time like this, people need to express their feelings and, because of public practices here, that is more easily and naturally done within the same gender," University of Jordan sociologist Musa Shikwi said.

There was no question of breaking with the tradition of separation

for the king's funeral, even though Jordan's brand of Sunni Islam tends toward the tolerant and secular-minded.

U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright stayed away from the king's funeral, noting the policy of exclusion. But the woman visiting Noor on Tuesday said they did not feel left out, either from funeral rites or the males-only reception for the new king taking place Tuesday across town.

"We are among ourselves, and we can be ourselves," said one middle-aged mourner, hand-in-hand with a female friend.

Clinton, Assad discuss contacts

AMMAN, Jordan — Syrian President Hafez Assad and President Clinton discussed reviving contacts between their countries in their first meeting in five years, Arab diplomats said Tuesday.

The two leaders were among hundreds of world leaders and top officials attending the funeral of King Hussein on Monday, and they sat down for brief talks in Amman's Raghda Palace.

Clinton and Assad also chatted informally while world leaders milled about on the palace grounds waiting for Hussein's body to be prepared for burial. Clinton has tried to get Israel and Syria to resume peace talks that have been suspended for three years. Syria wants Israel to return the civilian Golan Heights, a strategic plateau captured in the 1967 Mideast war, but the Israeli government refuses.

Avalanches kill 2 near French resort

PARIS — Avalanches buried chalets under deep snow Tuesday just north of the popular ski

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World in brief

resort of Chamonix in the French Alps, killing two people, police said. Five people were missing.

About 200 rescue workers, some using sensors and others with dogs, were searching for those believed trapped inside wooden chalets or under the snow in the villages of Le Tour and Montroule-Planet. Rescue efforts were expected to continue all night even as snow continued to fall.

1st lady hopes to end forced family planning

THE HAGUE, Netherlands — Hillary Rodham Clinton urged

governments Tuesday to abandon coercive family planning programs and allow women to make their own reproductive decisions. "Today I hope we can agree first and foremost that government has no place in the personal decisions a woman makes about whether to bring a child into the world," the first lady said to loud applause from delegates at The Hague Forum, an international population conference.

Mrs. Clinton was addressing some 1,500 delegates from 180 countries meeting in The Hague this week to review progress five years after a landmark U.N. population conference in Cairo, Egypt, produced a 20-year plan to stem population growth and empower women worldwide. — Compiled by wire reports

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Fire burns log home down in Shoshone

SHOSHONE - Firefighters could see the smoke from miles away as they sped toward a house fire Monday evening.

When they arrived at the house on U.S. Highway 26 four miles east of Shoshone, flames reached 30 feet above the burning log home, Wood-River Fire District Chief Steve Stock said.

Firefighters fought the flames, which were fueled by plenty of wood and an exploding propane tank. Fire crews used water and Gooding joined the fight, but 12,000 gallons of water weren't enough to save the one-story house, Stock said. The floor and roof caved in, and nearly everything inside was blackened - about \$75,000 in damage, he said.

No one was in the house during the fire, and no firefighters were hurt. The house is owned by Patty Urvain and rented by Justin and Amy Rutherford, he said.

Intersection construction begins on Monday

TWIN FALLS - Construction begins Monday on the intersection of Blue Lakes Boulevard North and Pole Line Road.

The \$800,000 project will add left- and right-turn bays, new signals and improved approaches to the Magic Valley Mall, said a news release from the Idaho Transportation Department.

Motorists should expect delays between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. during construction, which is scheduled through the summer.

Wendell board to discuss athletic finance report

WENDELL - The Wendell School Board will meet at 7 p.m. today in the high school board room.

Discussion includes the athletic finance report, early-graduation requests, the 1999-2000 calendar and policy review and adoption. The public is welcome. But in executive session, the board will hear principals' evaluations.

GF council will consider amending water ordinance

GLENN'S FERRY - The Glens Ferry City Council will meet at 7 p.m. today at City Hall.

During old business, the council will discuss requests to amend a section of the adopted water ordinance, to adopt a revised personnel manual (containing an on the city attorney's approval) and to amend a resolution establishing conditions for temporary discontinuation of service.

New business includes a resolution adopting Idaho standards for public works construction; the mayor's request for increase in salary for the billing clerk position; and the public works director's request to fill a full-time position. The public is open to the public. However, an executive session concludes the meeting.

GF school board invites public to meeting

GLENN'S FERRY - The Glens Ferry School Board will meet at 7 p.m. today at 620 Old Highway 30, and the public is welcome.

Old business will cover the 1999-2000 school calendar; an update on the 1999-2000 voluntary position; and the driver's education summer program and associated costs.

During new business, the board will discuss participation in Albert Meehl's Tuesday, an application for a Goals 2000 grant and principals' contracts for 1999-2000; set a special meeting for 1999-2000; and discuss in executive session, hear reports from principals on performance of first, second- and third-year teachers.

Gooding School Board meets at district office

GOODING - The Gooding School Board will meet today at the school district office.

An executive session regarding a parent's request starts at 6:30 p.m. The general meeting follows at 7 p.m. and is open to the public.

Public comment on the driver's education fee increase will be taken. New business includes the National Math Competition physical plant levy; budget/election calendar and policy regarding suspension and expulsion; and discuss sponsored clubs and activities. Gooding High School graduates as student teachers, and weapons, fireworks for language instruction.

An executive session will follow. Compiled from staff reports

Timber program loses money in Idaho

By N.S. Nokkentved
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Sawtooth National Forest lost \$98,000 on its logging program in 1997, says The Wilderness Society.

In 1997, the Sawtooth Forest sold about 1,144 million board feet of commercial timber. A board foot is one foot square and one inch thick.

The Wilderness Society number crunchers say the forest spent \$98,000 more than it got for the trees. Sawtooth Forest officials did not have the data to dispute the number, but they acknowledged that - unlike some other national forests - the Sawtooth doesn't manage its lands for profitable timber sales.

"There's more to our timber program than just dollars and cents," Sawtooth National Forest Supervisor Bill LeVerre said.

The program provides private firewood and Christmas trees, and the few commercial sales provide jobs. Officials don't expect to make a profit, but to provide goods and services, LeVerre said.

Foresters try to manage the forest to maintain health and to mimic what nature might do, and that means not always going after the most profitable timber - often also more expensive, he said.

"We're not a tree farm," LeVerre said. The predominant uses on the Sawtooth Forest are grazing and recreation, not commercial timber harvest. Of the forest's 118 employees, five work in timber full-time, LeVerre said.

By comparison, almost \$7 million board feet of timber was cut on the Boise National Forest, which The Wilderness Society said lost \$2.5 million. The Boise was one of four Idaho forests among the top-10 money-losers in the country in 1997, The Wilderness Society said.

Together the Nez Perce, Clearwater, Boise and Payette National Forests cost taxpayers nearly \$10 million in 1997, The Wilderness Society said.

Across the country, the Forest Service lost \$4.5 million on timber harvests in 1997, the society said. The Wilderness Society is not asking the Forest Service to make a profit, but to not cause environmental damage, at taxpayer expense, said Lusha Johnson of the Idaho office of The Wilderness Society. Those who cut the trees for profit should pay the costs, not the taxpayers, she said.

"Logging and road-building in Idaho's steep backcountry have been tied to mudslides that degrade habitat for rare native trout species, as well as chinook salmon and steelhead trout," said Craig Gehlke, Idaho regional director of The Wilderness Society, in a prepared statement.

The biggest money loser nationwide was the Tongass National Forest, a temperate rainforest in Southeast Alaska, where timber harvest lost \$42 million. The Wilderness Society said.

Supporters of the Forest Service timber program say it provides an important economic contribution to many rural communities that rely on timber jobs. And many rural counties rely on the timber sale money the Forest Service pays to counties with forest lands. The money goes to schools and roads.

BUSINESSES IN EDUCATION



Herb Harney demonstrates the fire resistant quality of insulation manufactured by his company by melting a penny on a pile of it held in his hand. Students from Twin Falls High School toured several area businesses to learn about local employment opportunities.

Bills could raise, lower insurance premiums

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

BOISE - Two bills introduced in the Idaho Senate Tuesday are intended to create better health insurance coverage, but could have opposite effects on insurance premiums.

In what is being called a "prescription for fairness" campaign, Rep. Margaret Henbest, D-Boise, asked a Senate committee to hold a hearing on a bill to require insurance companies that cover prescription costs and maternity care to also pay for birth control.

Along with lowering out-of-pocket health costs, the mandated coverage would allow more women to receive early breast, cervical and ovarian cancer screenings, Henst said.

The bill follows similar attempts around the country and in Washington, D.C., that are intended to force gender-equity among insurance companies. Bill sponsors say these bills are quick



to cover Viagra but continue to exempt "the pill."

The committee voted to print Henbest's bill after some members foreshadowed the resistance the idea will get. When the bill comes back for a hearing, debate on the bill will be limited to 30 minutes, said Committee Chairman Gordon Crow, R-Hayden.

Crow, though, urged the committee to allow the hearing. Only Sen. Grant Ipsen, R-Boise, voted against it.

Georganne Benjamin, spokeswoman for the Regence Blue Shield of Idaho Co., said her company opposes any mandated coverage because that reduces consumer choice and increases

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Twin Falls manufacturers open doors to students

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - High school students Tuesday learned about manufacturing French fries, cardboard containers and hardware, and recycling.

About 60 students from Twin Falls High School spent the day visiting four manufacturing plants, following a similar tour recently made by Kimberly students.

J.R. Paredes, 17, a high school junior, said he didn't realize Twin Falls was home to major manufacturers. He wants to be a computer programmer and liked some of the opportunities he saw in his hometown.

The plan to coordinate multi-business tours emerged from the Advanced Regional Technical



Education Coalition's efforts to involve businesses in education. "We as business people think we have a lot to offer," said Tamara Harney, owner of Hamilton Manufacturing and Distributing. Business people want students to know what types of jobs are

available locally and how much schooling students need to get them, Harney said. And what jobs are open with only a minimal education.

Sophomore Adam Jusell, 16, is interested in a computer science career. His exposure to industry has given him an idea about how to prepare.

"They've all said, you really need a big background in math," District Judge Daniel Meehl said.

Terrord Warr, 16, said he thought the tour helped prevent students from making the wrong career choices. He doesn't want a job on an assembly line that requires him to stand in one place all day. And he knows an education will increase the chances of fulfilling his desire to own his own business.

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District judge drops charge against Murtaugh teacher

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - A district judge has dismissed a case against a former Murtaugh High School teacher who was charged with offering to pass one of his students if the student dropped a criminal charge against the teacher's son.

Gerald Leon Moyes was charged with making the offer in January 1998 to student Brian Davidson, who was struggling in typing class because of a broken arm.

Moyes might have made the offer, but it did not meet the definition of undue intimidation, District Judge Daniel Meehl wrote in an opinion last month.

Moyes' son had been charged in January 1998 with unlawful entry in Jerome. According to police reports, Moyes' son and several other youths forced their way into the home of Davidson's

brother to find Davidson because of a dispute over stereo speakers. That charge was dropped a month later. Moyes was charged two months later with intimidating a witness.

When the charges arose, the Murtaugh School District suspended Moyes without pay for a week and put him on probation for the remainder of the school year.

Moyes could have been fired if he had been convicted, but he was laid off May 4 because of budget cuts. The criminal charges played no part in the decision, Superintendent Mike Chesley said.

During Moyes' preliminary hearing in May, a magistrate judge ruled there was probable cause to send the case to District Court for trial. Moyes filed a motion to dismiss in August, and Meehl granted that dismissal.

SKIING FOR CHARITY



Samantha Logan, 6, of Jerome, bolts out of the gate to win first place in the recent Arnotan Cup which benefits Rotman Ski in Shelley. Last year's fundraising efforts raised more than \$48,000, and the nonprofit Rotman will use the money to buy a used ski lift that's still in Austria. Rotman still needs twice that amount to get the lift onto the mountain and running. Organizers are seeking volunteers to help set it up this summer, and a fundraising comedian performance is set March 24.

Judge: Hollister is a city

By Kelly J. Selzle
Times-News correspondent

HOLLISTER - A judge has ruled the city of Hollister is indeed a city.

District Judge Daniel Meehl has granted a summary judgment for the city of Hollister, effectively ruling on the city's bid in a dispute over Hollister's legal status.

"Basically our feelings on the whole thing is we're happy with the decisions, but the City Council in general always felt we were a city and we've always operated as a city. Hollister has been growing rapidly and experiencing growing pains and unfortunately this doesn't make all of the Hollister residents happy. There's always going to be some who disagree with our decisions," council member Jack David said.

But an attorney who sued over Hollister's status is asking Meehl

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- Jack David, councilman

to reconsider. He also wants Meehl to rule on the exact boundaries of Hollister.

"They have found that there is a de facto government, but do not find what is Hollister. What do they govern?" said Lloyd Walker, a Twin Falls attorney.

Hollister resident Richard "Shorty" Self and Walker sued the city of Hollister on Sept. 23, 1998. Self sought to restrain

what he called the "city" of Hollister from further construction in widening a road. Jacqueline Wakefield, an attorney for Hollister, argued at a Jan. 11 hearing that Hollister is indeed a city and moved for a summary judgment.

In other Hollister news: Discrimination complaints: Hollister also received a final decision regarding discrimination complaints (filed with the federal office of Housing and Urban Development in 1997 concerning building permits and housing development).

HUD's investigation department found Hollister had not violated any rules. Building permit: A building permit at 2426 Oakley was granted for a modular home being purchased by Rhonda Noh.

Times-News correspondent Kelly J. Selzle can be reached in Filer at 326-4104.

MAGIC VALLEY

Gooding commissioners approve livestock ordinance

By Sharon Metcalf Times-Hours correspondent

GOODING - Gooding County commissioners Tuesday adopted a new livestock ordinance, after a two-hour public hearing Monday night and a lengthy meeting Tuesday.

- The following changes were made:
• Buffalo were added to the category of beef cattle.
• Previously registered com-

bined animal feeding operations, or CAFOs, need not reapply for the new ordinance.
All new CAFOs that handle more than seven cows per acre must be shielded by berms with hedges and trees.
• Commissioners removed a penalty that could have cost a livestock operation its permit if it failed to comply with the ordinance.
• These operators would then have to reapply for a permit.
And these might not be the last

of the changes.
Bob Bolte, chairman of the county's planning and zoning commission, said Tuesday that the county wants to get an ordinance in place, so it could get rid of a moratorium on livestock.
The county is looking at making further amendments as soon as possible, Bolte said.
Gooding operators had a livestock moratorium in place, after the Idaho Dairyman's Association filed suit over a previous CAFO

ordinance. A judge in 1998 ruled several sections of the ordinance were unconstitutional.
Opinions offered Monday were that the ordinance was a good planning and zoning commission hearing one week ago.
Planning and zoning commission member Steve Butler said she had mixed feelings about the ordinance.
As a CAFO owner, Butler said the ordinance was "confusing, difficult to understand and unclear." At one time, she

domestic water source is in jeopardy, Butler commended commissioners for noting the danger of pollution posed by CAFOs.
She said on a planning commission hearing that the average citizen comes in front of the commission probably once in a lifetime.
However, she said, "We don't do enough to educate the public with legislation," and planners who change their time need an ordinance that meets their needs, not one that requires an attorney's interpretation.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13 - 10 am Public Auto Auction

SERVICES

Frank R. "Tank" Matthews of Jerome, 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Jerome First Presbyterian Church.
James L. Thurston of Burley, 11 a.m. Wednesday at Payne Mortuary Chapel; friends may call one hour before the funeral on Wednesday.

George F. Blackburn of Wendell, 11 a.m. Friday at Wendell LDS Church; family and friends may call from 1 to 2 p.m. on Thursday at Demary's Wendell Chapel and from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the church.
A. Conistations removed a penalty that could have cost a livestock operation its permit if it failed to comply with the ordinance.

Hyram Vera "Ted" Sweet of Nampa, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Saturday at the American Legion Hall in Richfield; inurnment service at 11 a.m. Feb. 15 at the Heber Chapel, Grub, Cemetery (Accent Service at Twin Falls in Meridian).

Valley district considers bringing in CSI teachers

By Rachel Denny Times-Hours correspondent
HAZLETON - Students in the Valley district may get a chance to watch their educators.
The school board has been discussing the possibility of having College of Southern Idaho instructors teach advanced-placement classes at Valley, board Chairman Keith Haug said.
The proposal is in very preliminary stages, he said.
"Right now we're discussing the curriculum offerings," Haug said. "We need to do a student survey before we can make a decision on an essential master plan."
The board decided to delay putting an open call to the valley district until the school board has discussed the possibility of having College of Southern Idaho instructors teach advanced-placement classes at Valley, board Chairman Keith Haug said.

"We had a quote for part of it but we want to look at the cost to do the whole thing," he said. "By bringing the cost the kids wouldn't be exposed to it. We're just investigating what it's going to cost and getting as much information as we can."
• The board reported on a meeting with the highway district regarding the district's naming; into the school football field.
"The engineer didn't recommend a left-hand turn lane," Haug said. "He recommended knocking the crown of the hill off so it's flatter and you can see further."
• The district paid \$500 for half of the study; if the project goes ahead the only cost it may incur would be the same work on the parking lot, he said.

DEATH NOTICES

Idol H. Hurlley - Ethel J. Hurlley, 78, an Idaho Falls resident, died Saturday, Feb. 6, 1999. A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, 1999, at Buck Miller Funeral Home, 825 East 17th, Idaho Falls. Burial will follow at the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Evelyn Rhoades Kesten - Evelyn Rhoades Kesten, 96, of Burley, died Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1999. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 15, 1999, at the First Christian Church in Burley; friends may call from 1 to 8 p.m. on Friday at the Farmer

Funeral Chapel.
Thelma Quigley - Thelma Quigley, 92, of Burley, died Monday, Feb. 8, 1999, at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Farmer Funeral Chapel.

Shoshone School Board tables decision

By Rachel Denny Times-Hours correspondent
SHOSHONE - This week the Shoshone School Board tabled a decision on a closed campus.
This issue has come up periodically throughout the school year, but board member David Christensen said it wasn't a major issue now.
"Right now we're trying to get the bus from grades seven to 12," he said. "Jerome tried it, and it didn't work. We just don't think it will work here either, so we're just kind of trying to get the bus. We've asked for comments and really haven't had any."
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HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER - Admitted Shawn Schiltz of Buhl.
CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER - Admitted Tad Abel of Heyburn; Brandt Boston of Paul; Vera Bott, Verl Clark, and Monica Salinas, all of Rupert; Sharon Eames of American Falls.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL - Some names are omitted at patients' request.
Eric Garcia Jr. of Burley; Ed Hardin of Rupert; Rebekah McDonough and baby boy of Hasehorn.
Akin Voelzel of Burley.
Births - A baby was born to Hugo and Monica Salinas of Rupert; a baby was born to Brian and Brandt Boston of Paul.

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OBITUARIES

BUHL
(Marvin) Barotovsky of Buhl, sons, Robert of Phoenix, Anz., and Ronald (Lilly) of Fresno, Calif., grandchildren, Pam and Michael Caldwell, Gracelon (Brian) Perkins of Twin Falls, Melissa Barotovsky of Nampa, Jennifer Barotovsky of Buhl, David Murray of Phoenix, Anz., and Dean Murray of Hawaii, and great-granddaughter, Leah Marie of Buhl. Her death was preceded in death by her parents, sisters, Helen Cooper and Marion Birdsell, and twin brother, Leroy Murray.
A memorial service was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, at the Buhl Methodist Church with the Rev. Jay Jeffery officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Methodist Church, 908 Maple, Buhl ID 83316.

Leonard H. Murray
Mr. Murray was an avid fisherman, gardener, "master putterer," "Mr. Fix-it" and loved spending time with his family. He was a 34 year member of the Connecticut National Guard, a member of the United Methodist Church and the Magic Valley Ramblers. Good Sam Club, enjoying many camping and snowbird excursions with friends.
Surviving is his loving and devoted wife, Evelyn, daughter, Mirgin

CHUBBUCK
George H. Scott
George H. Scott, 81, of Chubbuck died Monday afternoon, Feb. 8, 1999, at the local Veterans Home following a long illness.
He was born Feb. 17, 1917, in Mattia, to George P. and Evelyn Gallinger Scott. He lived most of his life in the Magic Valley area. At the age of 19, he entered the United States Navy and later served in the United States Army during World War II in the Asia and Pacific areas. He married Myrna Walker on Dec. 20, 1955, and worked as a roofer and carpenter until his retirement in 1975. They moved to Chubbuck in 1982 and lived there until his death. He enjoyed hunting and fishing.
He is survived by his wife, Myrna, two sons, David (Lori) L. Scott of Farmington, Utah, and Bryan H. Scott of Pocatello, Idaho. He has one grandson, Thomas and Jeffrey, a granddaughter, Sarah.
A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, 1999, in the Henderson-Cornelson Funeral Chapel, 431 N. 15th Ave. in Pocatello with the Pocatello Veterans Honor Guard officiating.

Raymond J. Boyd
Raymond J. Boyd, 80, of Twin Falls died Monday, Feb. 8, 1999, at the Bridgeway Estates in Twin Falls.
He was born on July 31, 1918, at Spokane, Wash. The son of Carl and Alice Ohlra Boyd Ray spent his early life in Spokane, Wash., going to the high school in 1936. He was active in all sports, especially basketball, baseball, and on the football team during the numerous lakes around the Spokane area. He served in the United States Navy during World War II and the Korean War, serving in the Pacific Area. He was a member of the Catholic Church. Ray's

hobbies included reading, fishing, and golf.
Survivors include his long time wife and co-worker, Graham Dawn of Twin Falls, and Evelyn Virginia Bond of Spokane, Wash. He was preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers.
A funeral mass will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, February 10, 1999, at the Holy Family Memorial Chapel, 221 West Main Street in Burley with Father Juan Garateo celebrant. Burial will take place later in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Payne Mortuary before the funeral.
Obituaries for Feb. 10, 1999

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Raft River dinner theater



Juniors T.J. Wright, left, Nolan Harper and Walter Durfee rehearse a scene in "Cinderella" early Tuesday. The theatrical performance will be presented at 7:15 p.m. Friday.

Students direct, perform, serve food

By Heidi Tuttle
Times-News correspondent

MALTA — Forget the lights of Broadway. The Raft River High School Drama Club is hosting a night with its stars.

And after hours of preparation, 30 students can say, "Dinner is served."

Along with a roast beef dish, those attending Friday night will get two servings of performances — "Cinderella" and "Dracula in Paradise," both one-act plays.

The RRHS Dinner Theater is an anticipated event for the drama students as well as the community. Mothers, residents and other students help make the dinner and entertainment run smoothly.

Drama students will do more than act on stage. They will be at each table, serving food and keeping glasses full.

Their night will begin in black pants and white shirts as waitresses and waitresses, then as actors in full costume and finally as dishwashers and janitors after guests leave.

Merlin Ortleby and his wife, Yvonne, attended the event together each year.

"The food is great. The plays are great," Ortleby said. "It's just a lot of good entertainment."

Malta native Naomi Faskett agrees. She has attended the theater for several years and looks forward to the performance and socializing with old friends.

"I have always enjoyed a night at the production," Faskett said. "It's a good time to get out with the old ladies."

Drama teacher Jodie Carpenter knew providing a quality experience has a price. Early-morning practice was essential. Students were on stage, ready to rehearse, at 6 a.m.

Those practices met with reluctance in the beginning, Carpenter said. But students adjusted to the demands.

"Now they call me to confirm the practice time, and they are there ready to work," Carpenter said, "sometimes more ready than I am."

For junior LaShelle Jones, early practice meant waking up



at 4:30 a.m.

"Every time I think about it, my eyes get tired," she said. "But it's a lot of fun. It's worth it."

As part of her first year leading the drama club, Carpenter is giving more responsibility to her students. Seniors Shilo Wurdell of Elba and Erin Yates of Malta, the first student directors for the club, co-direct "Dracula in Paradise."

"As third-year students, they are ready to direct," Carpenter said. "Directing is where they're bringing all their skills together. I have seen their tears, their frustration and their elation as things have come together."

Abandoned caboose in Burley becomes unexpected celebrity

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A caboose that was off the mainline on the side of U.S. Highway 30 has become this town's unexpected celebrity.

It was the talk of the town at a City Council meeting last week and has become the subject of a veritable infatuation.

The city has received more than 50 phone calls and more than 30 letters from people throughout the state and from as far as Salt Lake City, Burley Parkies and Recreation Service Director Dennis Peterson said.

Now the city is wondering who to give the caboose to, and wondering if it should even let go of it.

City Council members and Peterson will meet Thursday to try to answer these questions.

"I think it's great that people are interested," Peterson said.

As of Tuesday, the city still was getting calls on the old caboose, if the city decides to part with the relic, Burley Mayor Doug Manning hopes it will be put to good use.

"I want it to go someplace where it will be taken care of," Manning said. "It's not going to be scrapped or taken apart — or used as storage."

The National Railway Historical Society in Utah would open it to good use. Society President Lester Lippie said.

"We would like to preserve the car and open it to the public," Lippie said. "That kind of caboose is no longer used, it is very authentic. I want to show some of the young generation that the things were like back in the old days."

The society stores two passenger rail cars, another electric and a 70-ton, 1955 General Electric diesel locomotive in Salt Lake City. The society would take charge of moving the car by flatbed truck, a job that could cost \$2,000 to \$3,000.

Others have their thoughts on what to do with the caboose.

Diana Leffler owns and runs the Country Lane Gift Shop in Kimberly. For the past four years Leffler has been making candles out of her kitchen. Now she thinks it's time to find a new venue to craft her wax.

"Our shop isn't a very normal shop. We have a huge gift-store that sells all kinds of stuff," Leffler said. "We also have various nostalgic relics like old farm equipment and other antiques that we like to collect. The caboose would fit in perfectly here."

Leffler also checked out moving the caboose. She has a house mover who could do the job for about \$2,500. It's just a question of whether or not the city wants to give the car up, she said.

"Once I saw it through, 'Damn, no wonder so many people want it,'" Leffler said. "But when I called in the city, I was not going to be scrapped or taken apart — or used as storage."

Peterson would like to see it stay in the city. Whether that will have to be decided.

Peterson will narrow down the top choices. A decision will most likely be announced at Tuesday's City Council meeting.



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Burley theme park plans go on hold until legal issues are squared away

By John T. Huddy
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BURLEY — A park developer is threatening to take a proposed \$12.6 million Western-themed amusement park out of a verbal shootout with a Burley city attorney at a meeting Tuesday night.

At issue is a plan to hire a firm, Land and Leisure, to conduct a feasibility study about the park. The city planned to contract Land and Leisure for \$25,000 to do an independent feasibility study on a theme park's impact in Burley. But Northwest Parks recommended the firm, presenting a potential conflict of interest, Burley City Attorney Randy Stone said.

Eastland fired back, issuing a threat that Northwest Parks

might take its theme park idea elsewhere.

"We were invited to come here," Eastland said. "If the city is not interested in having us, then we'll find someone who is. There are other areas that are interested in us."

Eastland said he doesn't see a conflict of interest, saying his company only recommended Land and Leisure.

But it is up to the Burley Development Authority and the city attorney to make sure all proper procedures are followed before any money is spent or decisions are made, Stone said.

The authority passed a motion to create a committee to look into the problem with Land and Leisure and consider possible alternatives.

If the contractor problem can-

not be resolved, a theme park's prospect in the city looks bleak, Eastland said.

The park plan presents risks, but sometimes risk is needed to get things moving, said Bill Schaefer, a member of the Burley Development Authority, which met Tuesday.

Northwest Parks made a proposal in January seeking city and community support for a \$12.6 million theme park. The park would include a Western-styled main street, a food court and possibly an amphitheater.

The committee established Tuesday will meet later this week to look into the matter, Schaefer said.

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Wilderness designation may stop nuke waste facility

SALT LAKE CITY — The governor's office says help designating wilderness areas in the state's Eastern and Western mountains as wilderness, but says those efforts have nothing to do with a proposed nuclear waste facility there.

Such a designation of the Bureau of Land Management program could prevent Future Field Storage — a collection of 10 utility companies across the country — from transporting high-level nuclear waste to the reservation for temporary storage.

The 125-member Salt Valley Board of the Governor's Office said the designation would be an opportunity for economic development.

But Gov. Mike Leavitt has long approved the project, and as head of the state's agency last month he said he was working on federal legislation that would exchange state and BLM land to a firm what he called a "lease" around the reservation.

New Leavitt's office may have approved an wilderness area, but he said the state agency last month he said he was working on federal legislation that would exchange state and BLM land to a firm what he called a "lease" around the reservation.

But Brad Barber, deputy director of the governor's Office of Future Field Storage, said Leavitt's chief department on land issues, said the last two lands around the reservation have been approved as wilderness and is "unquestionably commendable."

Leavitt met with Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt last week and the two plan to go around the state, over Utah wilderness. They agreed to first look at lands in Utah's west counties for possible wilderness designations.

Lack of traffic flow leads to struggling businesses

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Hoop's Custom Exhaust on West Main Street, plays cards during business hours earlier this week. Business owners on the street are struggling because of what they call a lack of customers.

BURLEY — Hoop's Custom Exhaust has been open on West Main Street in Burley only since October 1998.

But business has been so slow that the owners have been sitting and playing cards.

"I did three jobs last Tuesday and that was all I did last week," said owner Larry Hooper, who has a car exhaust business in Olympia, Wash., before moving to Burley for a better quality of life.

He has sold one vehicle and has two more up for sale to try to make it through the winter.

Hooper is not the only business owner struggling on West Main Street. A few blocks off Overland Avenue, many other businesses are the road have seen falling sales and closing doors.

One reason for the slow business might be traffic flow. Traffic from Burley to Rupert does not pass through the area, said Todd Christensen, economic development specialist for the Minicopa-Twin Falls Commission.

Gene's Down — a tire, mechanic and repair shop — four months ago at 725 West Main St. Business was good at first, but has slowed.

"It has just got to pick up," Ed Timmons said.

Timmons attributes the slow business to poor agricultural economy.

"When Simpson's laid off two to three hundred workers, that

made a big difference," he said. "40% of a business that does color copying and printing, is struggling as well. The business at 535 West Main, owned by John and Lori Caudill has been there two years, and is beginning to catch on, Lori Caudill said.

"We're starting to build a good base here. But there is no shopping traffic," John Caudill said.

Lori Caudill has another job to help make ends meet, she said.

Raising the standard of living would enable people to do more business with places such as antique shops and color copy shops, Christensen said. That could be achieved by bringing in non-agricultural and manufacturing businesses that could employ residents who are looking for work and money.

"We have an excellent quality of life here. But there is a difference between the quality of life and the standard of living," Christensen said.

When Hooper opened his store, he did so because of the environment.

"We love the town and the people here."

But if his standard of living does not improve, he might be forced to do something different.

"We're always ready to close the doors," he said. "It just won't turn around. It will just take a while."

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already skyrocketing health care costs.

Hembest conceded the bill would probably force a "modest increase" in insurance rates.

Ipsen called this "an unfunded mandate to the people of Idaho."

Earlier in the same committee, Sen. Sheila Sorensen, R-Boise, introduced a bill to allow insurance companies to develop drug-free workplace programs.

Sorensen cited statistics that show the programs reduce health costs, and pointed out that other

states allow companies to offer premium reductions to companies that drug test their employees.

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Harney had advice for students considering operating a small business. It requires knowledge of business law, accounting, human resources, and many other skills.

"You have to really love your job, because you are the first one to work and the last one to leave," she said.

Students interested in professions such as dentistry or educa-

tion didn't find Tuesday's tour as helpful.

Mindy Sansom, 17, who wants to be an accountant, said she would rather have been exposed to work that relates to her interests.

Phillip Tucker, 16, wants to be an orthodontist, but still found the tour useful. It offered exposure to the work place and job opportunities if orthodontics doesn't pan out.

Ed White, manufacturing manager at Lamb Weston, said business wants to help students prepare for life after high school. The company highlighted job opportunities, benefits, work training programs, and skills and attitudes it looks for in its employees.

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MAGIC VALLEY

Buhl council OKs septic system update

By Mary Lou Potta Times-News correspondent

BUHL - When the city inherited the old government, army last year, it also got an outdated septic system and well - and it's time to update them. Monday, the City Council gave City Engineer Scott Bybee approval to place the jobs on the bidding market. Bybee will bid the septic system job for two phases. Two sets of drainpipes will be installed and used alternately to save water and treat...

projects will be about \$34,000. In other Buhl city business: • Rate cut: For 31 years, the Buhl Housing Authority has paid the city 10 percent of its rental income in lieu of taxes. Al Daisis executive Roger Rogers asked the council to cut the rate in half, as subsidies also have been cut. The council agreed to lower the rate 5 percent. In nine years, the city will benefit the project. • Highway extension: Dale Riedesel of the Idaho Transportation Department presented with the final agreement for continued studies of extending Idaho Highway 46 from Buhl to Wendell. Public hearings will be set soon.

Water shares: City water shares will be offered to the same shareholders for the same price as last year, \$31 per share. • Call for cleanup: An amendment to the weed ordinance was passed. Bright orange violation flags will be posted on properties if weeds are not cleaned up. If not done, the city will clean the property and add the cost to the property owner's tax bill. • No wells: A call to the city council for an ordinance prohibiting drilling private wells in the city. Old wells on property within the city limits may be used for irrigation if they do not contaminate the city lines. Industrial well...

drilling will be prohibited unless the city cannot supply needed water. If wells are drilled, the city will regulate them. • Getting ready: The mayor declared that on May 15 city computers will be ready for Y2K. Standing by are generators which the city purchased for emergency purposes a few years ago. • Upcoming meeting: The next meeting, March 8, will include a public hearing on rules changes for mobile home park proposed by the planning and zoning commission.

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New Blaine official wants model district

By Barb Nelwert Times-News correspondent

HATLEY - Molding Blaine County schools into a model school district for the entire Inermountain area is the goal of incoming Superintendent Jim Lewis. "We've sculpted and worked things around," Lewis told the School Board Monday night. "We're still open for discussion. Lewis is assistant superintendent and curriculum director but has been appointed to take over as superintendent when Phil Homer retires in June. Lewis vowed to find "every way in the world to improve student learning opportunities. While he says the school district has done much to provide excellent education, he has met with principals, teachers, parents, patrons, students and business leaders to evaluate ways for improvement. Areas to emphasize are curriculum fine-tuning, technology implementation and statistics-based decision making, Lewis said. Student services can be improved with the addition of Learning Centers for Hispanic students with no English background; Learning Centers for gifted-and-talented and Special Services programs; learning labs; teaching assistants in all labs; and specialized reading and math classes. Summer school is up for discussion, Lewis said, with the board addressing that topic in March. Lewis accentuated the need to hire the "cream of the crop" to teach and administer in the district. A difficult part of the process is keeping qualified personnel, Lewis said. That's due in part to...

smaller pools of qualified applicants coupled with the higher cost of living in Blaine County. Lewis said some school districts are paying signing bonuses to teachers, such as a \$20,000 bonus offered in Connecticut schools. "This is a very real competition we're up against, and we need to be aware of that," Lewis said. He wants to address problems with substitute teachers - the lack of substitutes; and ones with little or no training. Lewis advised the district to centralize substitute services through the district office. In addition, substitutes can meet in-services and classes on the basics of discipline and instruction. Other areas that can be enhanced include communication with patrons at the preschool level. The board needs to begin looking at expansions at the new Wood River Middle School and Carey School, expanded parking at the high school; addition of lunchroom facilities; improved technology departments; relocation of the bus garage; professional academies; and child-care facilities at Ketchum and Carey. "Our job - and we owe this to Mr. Homer and that's because he's built the base of this whole thing - is to build a model school district," Lewis said. The board did not comment on Lewis' vision during the meeting, but he said the next steps are to get board comment; gather data; meet with parents, students and patrons; determine the will of the community; assess district priorities; then carry out the tasks.

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Man to present Renaissance master plan

The Times-News

BUHL - John Bertram will make a presentation on Buhl's Renaissance master plan at 7 p.m. Tuesday at City Hall. Proposed streetscapes along Broadway and Main will include a decorative brick parking curbside, historic street lights and trees. The main intersection at Broadway and Main would include expanded curbs. A city park would be used to host events. Other ideas include off-street parking for cars and vehicles, restoring the Ramona Theater, storefront renovations and a new town logo. Community members are invited to attend Tuesday's meeting.

Gooding hospital seeks ambulance rate cut

By Sharon Metcalf Times-News correspondent

GOODING - Gooding County Memorial Hospital has stemmed some of its flow of red ink, the hospital's interim administrator said Monday. "We're doing pretty good," interim administrator Jim Henshaw said. "We still lost money last year, but not nearly as much as the year before." The hospital lost about \$160,000 in 1987. The hospital wants to negotiate a discount on round-trip ambulance transport to Jerome. "Medicare doesn't pay us anything on these," Henshaw said.

The hospital paid about \$20,000 last year for this type of transport. Round-trip transports are generally made for CAT scans in Jerome or Twin Falls, since the Gooding hospital does not possess a CAT scan machine. Commissioners are unsure about Henshaw's request. "The ambulance has done real well this year, but it's been an exceptionally busy year," Commissioner Mitch Arkoosh said. "This would take a lot of convincing." "If we are doing well enough to lower the rates, we should be able to lower them for everybody," Commissioner Tom Faulkner said. In other county business: • Carol Johnson, disaster services coordinator, is concerned that by the year 2000 the Emergency Management Agency will eliminate funds for local staff. Johnson asked commissioners to send a letter of protest. Faulkner said he has heard varying reports about the situation and would rather wait until meetings in Boise this week before taking any action. • Walt Jackson of the state's Division of Veterans Services, said there are 1,287 veterans in Gooding County, with an average annual expenditure of \$817 per veteran.

nothing definite." In other business Monday, the Gooding School Association asked the Renewed Superintendent Larry Turgoose and Principal Terry Perkes' contracts. Turgoose perkes \$57,420 annually, and Perkes makes \$47,249. Perkes also received a 2 percent raise. • Approved a request for Terry Holland to work in the district as a student teacher. • Heard a report from seniors on the senior trip planned for spring break. They will go to Canada.

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Richfield discusses building new library

By Rachel Denny Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD - Until the school library is improved, the Richfield district will not receive full accreditation. Superintendent Ward is looking for library solutions. At the board's meeting Monday it considered building a new library. Chairman Buck Ward said. "We're getting rather cramped," he said. The accreditation people looked at the library and say we need more space. They take away four points for the library not being the proper size." Ward said. The board wants to get...

parents and the community involved in deciding what the district should do. "We need to arrive at a decision as to what we would like to see built, come up with an idea of cost and find some way to fund it," Ward said. Board members originally thought they could use leftover money from a roofing and boiler project, but the prosecuting attorney told the board the excess money must go toward paying off bonds for that project, Ward said. "We didn't arrive at any decision as to where we would get the money," he said. "There are several options but...

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Richfield to host Boy Scouts' Spring Camporee

By Sandra L. Calkins Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD - Boy Scouts of the Wood River Council will hold a Spring Camporee at Rocky Edge near Richfield May 7 and 8.

Ketchum denies 41-unit hotel complex

By Margot Higgins Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - Sun Valley Club, a proposed 41-unit hotel complex in Ketchum, was denied by the planning and zoning commission this week. Commissioners agreed the site didn't meet the definition of a hotel. If not a hotel, the project is considered condominiums and the allowed density is lower. The zoning ordinance says a hotel in the tourist zone must be designed for short-term or time-share occupancy, with more than six guest rooms, with a breakfast service, kitchen facilities, access to all sleeping rooms through an inside lobby and supervision and agreed Sun Valley Club could play a role, the project did not meet approval. "The lobby in the garage does not work. And the parking is a big problem," Commissioner Susan Scovel said. Commissioner Rod Sievers said the project would assure the closest compatibility with surrounding development, and this does not. These are luxury condominium units. You can't convince me it's a hotel."

you can imagine," Sommerville told the commission. Warm Springs property owner Brian Barsotti told the commission he strongly supports enhancing businesses in Warm Springs, but he raised concerns about parking. "It's very speculative that these people aren't going to use a car," he said. "Although the planning and zoning commission has been trying to enhance business in Warm Springs and agreed Sun Valley Club could play a role, the project did not meet approval. "The lobby in the garage does not work. And the parking is a big problem," Commissioner Susan Scovel said. Commissioner Rod Sievers said the project would assure the closest compatibility with surrounding development, and this does not. These are luxury condominium units. You can't convince me it's a hotel."

idents of Park Side Condominiums. In a letter, the condominium association asked the commission to "require a soundproof retaining wall to eliminate construction noise." Architect Dale Bates is aware of the proposed building's location in the tourist district. He is "designing the building to look like something that would have been there." His choice for a historical reference, Old Ketchum Train Depot, was well received by commissioners. "I compliment you on taking a state, ugly function and making it beautiful," Sievers said. "I enthusiastically congratulate you for such a beautiful project," said Scovel, an architect. She asked that Bates accommodate both genders by either designing two separate bathrooms or providing a separate shower room.

Developer Jim Gibson said the hotel would offer 113 high-end timeshares to be sold at about \$200,000 a share. "We need a fine facility such as this one in Ketchum," he said, comparing Sun Valley Club to projects in Vail, Colo., and Deer Valley. "Sun Valley Club would be a big feeder for businesses in Warm Springs. We don't plan to compete with other businesses until we see there is there to complement them." Architect David Waldren said an underground lobby would connect the units. The project would contain a dining room, weight room, swimming pool, courtyard and 72 underground parking spaces.

In another matter before the zoning commission Monday, preliminary designs for a new 5,000-square-foot street department building met with enthusiasm. The building will be between Warm Springs Road and 10th Street. As an addition to the old street department building, the new structure will store expensive equipment - extending the equipment's expected life. Plans include five units to hold snowplows, graders and other maintenance equipment. A second story will provide office space, a lounge and showers. City Administrator Jim Jaquet said lounges and showers would accommodate street employees - whose work often requires them to sleep in town. Cost of the building is expected to be \$400,000. The building is scheduled for construction this summer.

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Hansen City Council vacates street easements

By Margaret Jones Times-News correspondent

HANSEN - The City Council Monday voted to vacate undeveloped street easements on the Hansen school campus. Street easements involved include Poplar Street and Second Street West. School officials had asked to vacate the undeveloped section of First Street West. Council members Tom Kennedy and Laura Nelson voted to vacate. Council members Elizabeth Johnson and Jerry Lockwood voted against it. Mayor Joe Ratto broke the tie by voting no.

1999 would remain the same. They are as follows: Darlene Miller, clerk; Jim Etherington, wastewater water manager; John Henton, fire chief; Bill Hollifield, attorney; Lockwood, police commissioner and council president; Johnson, fire commissioner; Laura Nelson, parks and recreation; and Tom Kennedy, weed control. • Fire truck: Firefighters have completed renovations on a newly purchased fire truck, which is now online. The council approved bills for the upgrade. • Storage: Etherington passed out plans to store the new lawn mower, tractor and other equipment in the area behind City Hall. This area has been vandalized several times with vandals damaging the heat pump, spray painting and breaking windows on the back of the building. • Adding fences and a storage building would make vandalism more difficult. The council will study the plans and act at its next meeting. • Dog grooming: The council allowed a building permit for Richard and Nina Day, who want to add a room to accommodate a dog-grooming business.

Without the street, opponents said, a section of ground within city limits would be landlocked. The land could be developed for housing because of its proximity to the schools. In other Hansen city business: • Audit: City auditor Mark Holmbeck reviewed the city's yearly audit. He said the city was in great shape and gaining financial ground from year to year. • Paying cash for upgrades had made this possible," Ratto said. • Appointments: Ratto announced appointments for...

Camas schools hire new bus driver

The Times-News

FAIRFIELD - The Camas County School Board hired a new bus driver this week. Kenneth Bivens was hired to cover the Hill-City route. The district will pay him \$551.16 a month.

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Celebrate the year of the rabbit

For much of the world, the Chinese New Year is a spectacular holiday, as eagerly anticipated and joyously celebrated as Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve. Feb. 16, 1999, marks the beginning of the Year of the Rabbit - year 4697 on the Chinese lunar calendar.

The Chinese New Year has traditionally been a celebration of the end of winter and the coming of the spring planting season. Gifts are exchanged, friendships renewed, feasts prepared and fireworks set off, all in a spirit of peace, generosity and good fortune.

If there is a Chinatown near you, you may want to visit for the festivities, which often include a lavish parade, fireworks and performances. Or simply incorporate some of the food and decorating traditions of the holiday into your own entertaining.

THE YEAR OF THE RABBIT
The Chinese New Year falls between Jan. 21 and Feb. 19 each year, beginning on the day the new moon appears according to the Chinese lunar calendar. Every year of this calendar is represented not only by a number but also by an animal of the zodiac. There are 12 in all. People born under the sign of a particular animal are thought to share characteristics of that animal; those born in the year of the rabbit are said to be artistic and socially graceful, though highly emotional.

THE HOLIDAY FEAST
You may want to model your celebration of the holiday on the traditional feasts prepared for family and friends on the eve of the New Year. For these dinners, menus are carefully planned to include as many different foods as possible, which represents abundance. Each food also signifies specific good wishes for the coming year, and decorations on the dinner table and around the house symbolize the themes of happiness, wealth and long life.

Many foods are considered lucky because the words for them have other, fortunate meanings in the Mandarin dialect. For example, the word for peanuts also means "Heaven," the word for scallops also means "clever," and the word for fish also means "abundance."

Shapes and colors of food are significant, too. Round foods symbolize the full moon at the end of the year. The color red, in decorations and clothing, is thought to bring good luck, and gold signifies wealth.

The holiday feast can stretch for hours; after dinner winds down, guests are entertained with games and conversation until the wee hours. From morning - when the New Year officially begins.

A DUMPLING PARTY
Dumplings are considered a particularly lucky food to serve on the Chinese New Year; they are thought to bring good luck to a large and prosperous family. They also make an excellent choice for a party - at the New Year or anytime - because guests can help themselves in their preparation. Start with a basic recipe and experiment with combinations of meat, seafood and vegetable fillings. Store-bought, round dumplings for a crowd, which can be found in many grocery stores, yield excellent results and will save a lot of time.

Set out the fillings, wrappers and small bowls of water, and show your guests how to form the dumplings: Holding a wrapper in one hand, place about a tablespoon of filling in the center. Dip your fingers in the water and moisten the edges of the wrapper; then fold it loosely in half, enclosing the filling. Crimp the edges between your fingers to seal. Boil the dumplings in batches as your guests work and serve.

Serving everything family-style - setting out large bowls of food and letting guests fill their own plates - is customary and also convenient for a crowd. Set the table with bamboo serving dishes and use bamboo steamers as chopsticks dishes (both of which can be found in most kitchen-supply and housewares stores).

Complete the dinner menu by offering some classic dishes (consult a Chinese cookbook), or simply serve bowls of steamed vegetables, rice and peas of green tea with the dumplings.

Heavy desserts don't usually follow a Chinese banquet. The dinner is more often finished with fruit, often tangerines, which are known as the fruit of the new year.

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Society members relish recreating their own Camelot

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Ever wonder what King Arthur and his knights are when they gathered at the Round Table? David Robertson not only wonders about it; he tries to recreate Camelot.

Robertson's study involves researching the entire society of the Middle Ages, from the clothing worn to the tools used, from the war games played to the professions available, from the customs to the cooking styles.

The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) is a worldwide organization of more than a million people interested in recreating medieval lifestyles. The Middle Ages stretched from 600 to 1600 A.D. The local group (called a shire) consists of 70 members who live in the Magic Valley. Members reside in various places, from Rupert to Twin Falls to Sun Valley.

The area shire belongs to a kingdom that is fairly large. It stretches from Boise to the Pocatello/Idaho Falls area, up into Montana, down to Southern Utah and into Colorado. The SCA shares medieval knowledge through educational living history displays and demonstrations for schools, Scouts, and other community groups.

This is a family affair, where even the children get to participate. All of the Robertson family members - Robert, wife Cheryl and four children ages 15 months to 15 years (plus one on the way) - participate in the reenactments. At gatherings, members dress in medieval clothes, practice medieval crafts, cook medieval food and even get involved in jousting and sword fighting, just like knights in shining armor.

During the winter months, the group gathers in the Merchants Building at the Jerome County Fairgrounds. In summer, members gather at Twin Falls City Park. Three camping trips are scheduled each year.

A big spring gathering is scheduled for April 10 at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds. Activities are expected to last all day, with a feast in the evening. The public is welcome.

Robertson says medieval cooking styles weren't all that different from today's, but since most of the SCA members focus on Europe and the Middle East, some of the foods we take for granted didn't exist during the Middle Ages in those places.

Corn, potatoes, tomatoes, squash, pumpkins and wheat all came from the Americas. So, at a truly authentic medieval meal, these foods must be eliminated.

And cows weren't used for meat in the Middle Ages. They were primarily draft animals. Meat consisted basically of fish, chicken and game. Deer, elk and other similar game animals were available, but belonged to royalty or the lords of the manor. The general peasant didn't eat much meat, but lived mostly on grains and vegetables.

The cooking was done in a big pot hung in a fireplace or set in an open



David Robertson of Twin Falls, a member of the Society for Creative Anachronism, completes his Celtic appearance with an authentic medieval dinner and a tankard of ale.

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fire. Brick ovens were used to bake loaves of bread (yeast had been discovered), and a lot of pan-fried bread (similar to pita bread, tortillas or pancakes) was consumed. The flour was made from rye or barley, not wheat. Beer and wine-making was fairly widespread.

- BACON AND CHEDDAR
CASSEROLE BREAD**
- 4 strips bacon cooked till crisp, then crumbled
 - 2 package dry yeast
 - 1/4 cup warm water (110 degrees)
 - 3/4 cup warm milk (110 degrees)
 - 1 1/4 cups cheddar cheese, sharp or medium
 - 1/3 cup green onion
 - 1/3 cup red pepper
 - 2 tablespoons sugar
 - 2 tablespoons oil
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1 egg, beaten



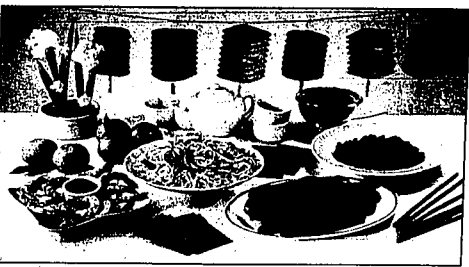
True to the food enjoyed by medieval knights and maidens, Robertson prepares an appetizer of bacon and cheese meal bread.

- 2 1/2 cups flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons butter, melted
- Soften the yeast with the water and milk. Mix the bacon, cheese, green onion and red pepper together. Add in the sugar, dill, salt and egg. Mix in the flour. Knead until smooth and elastic. Let rise till double in size. Punch down. Shape into round loaves. Place in round casserole dish or cast-iron skillet. Let rise again till nearly double in size. Bake at 350 degrees for about 45 minutes. Brush with melted butter.

- ONION SIDE DISH**
- 3 tablespoons bacon fat
 - 1 minced, medium-sized onion
 - A half pound pearl onions, cleaned then boiled in water till tender (save back 1 1/2 quarts of the onion water)
 - 2 pounds venison (can substitute veal or beef) cut into 1 1/2-inch squares or strips
 - 1/4 cup flour
 - 1 1/2 cups red wine

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Hold a festive Chinese New Year party



Chinese New Year is a great time to throw a party. Serve a variety of Chinese foods.

Do as the Chinese do and set out trays of candy for guests to help themselves. Also, arrange mounds of oranges and tangerines in pretty bowls.

String up paper lanterns in your dining room or hang a paper dragon kite from the ceiling to create a party atmosphere.

- 3/4 pound pecan halves
- Nonstick cooking spray
- 1/4 cup light corn syrup
- 2 1/2 tablespoons naturally brewed soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground red pepper (cayenne)
- Bring 1 1/2 quarts water to boil in

large saucepan. Add pecans and boil 2 minutes; drain thoroughly. Meanwhile, spray large, shallow baking pan with cooking spray; set aside. Combine corn syrup, soy sauce, onion and garlic powders and red pepper in same saucepan. Cook, over medium-high heat, until mixture begins to boil, stirring constantly. Stir in pecans and corn, stirring 3 to 4 minutes, or until sauce is absorbed by nuts. Turn pecans out onto prepared baking pan, spreading to separate pecans in a single layer. Bake in 250F. oven 40 minutes, stirring and turning nuts over every 15 minutes. Remove pan from oven; stir pecans to spread in single layer. Cool completely, in pan, on wire rack. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 3 cups.

NOTE: If nuts become soft, bake in single layer in 250 F. oven 5 minutes. Cool completely, in pan, on wire rack.

SHRIMP WITH SHANGHAI SWEET AND SOUR DIPPING SAUCE

- 1/2 cup bottled sweet & sour sauce
- 2 tablespoons light corn syrup
- 1 pound shelled, cooked medium-size shrimp, chilled
- Combine sweet & sour sauce, corn syrup and 1 tablespoon water in small saucepan. Cook and stir over medium-high heat until mixture begins to simmer.

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FOOD & HOME

A rose is a rose, whatever the climate conditions

DEAR CATHY: I live near Rathdrum, Idaho, and would like to grow a rose near a waterfall and in partial shade. A fragrance would be nice, too. The rose would have to survive Zone 4 conditions. Thank you for your help.

DEAR ROSE: Zowie. You're asking a rose to do everything we know they hate. But with the right gardener, it can be done. Before I say one more word, though, I'd like to say that there are exceptions to every rule. Every garden has different microclimates, while the biggest variable is the gardener.

What is your attitude toward using sprays? A spray schedule of preventive fungicides can make your life a combination of bi-weekly rituals and disease-free roses. If you can't bring yourself to use fungicides, choose the most disease-resistant rose you can find.

My Agriculture Department zone map says you are in zone 4, but you might see you somewhere between 5B and 6A, giving you minimum temperatures of



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Walworth

around minus 10 in an extreme winter. Similar to my own yard, and my roses do fine.

Roses grow in all sorts of climates, regardless of winter. The secret is mulching. If we wait until the ground is good and cold (three days and nights of temperatures below 28 degrees), then mulch to keep them cold, roses should be well protected from winter's fluctuating temperatures.

It's the shade and waterfall that will give you trouble.

Roses like at least six hours of sunlight daily. Preferably morning sun, if you've got it. And they're susceptible to fungus diseases, which thrive in a moist environment.

It's those pesky diseases we've got to talk about. Start by looking for roses that are disease-resistant. Remember that any rose with yellow in it (all yellows, oranges, etc.) are genetically more susceptible to fungal diseases than the rest. So we'll stay away from the yellows.

Rugosa roses are generally as disease-resistant as a rose can get. They hate being sprayed with anything, and show it by displaying mottled, discolored leaves. Rugosas grow practically anywhere. Ever seen the wild roses along the seashore? Those are rugosas. These roses are repeat bloomers, and many give off heavenly scents.

For a tough, deep pink rugosa, try R. Rugosa Rubra, rated at 9.3 out of 10 in the hardiness rating in the American Rose Society Handbook. That's about as good as it gets. There are no 10s.

An excellent white rugosa is Blanc Double de Coubert. Gertrude Jekyll, famed English horticulturist, once described this pure white rose as the

"whitest rose of any known," and "one of the best of roses." Coubert is rated 8.7 in the Handbook.

If your space is limited, try miniatures. They're harder than their larger cousins because they're grown on their own rootstocks. Because of their diminutive size, they're a cinch to mulch in winter, too. "Magic Carousel," a red-blend, is rated 8.9 and blooms in spite of the shade from a nearby tree in my front yard. One of these days I'll get around to moving it, but in the meantime, it puts up with me.

That's just to get you started. Go to your library and look up Susanne Verrier's *Rosa Rugosa and Taylor's Guide to Roses*. Join the American Rose Society, too. Write to P.O. Box 30,000, Shreveport, LA 71130-0030.

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Remodeling means living with disruption

Knight Ridder News Service

So far Dick and Nancy Council will have had it easy with the disruption of their lives during their two-story addition and renovation project. All the work was done on behind a plywood wall between the former pantry and the former kitchen.

But now it's time to break through the wall into the existing space — the former pantry — that is involved in the project. When contractor Ron Nodine first tore out the existing kitchen, he reinstalled some of the old cabinets and appliances in the pantry space — which at one time had been the house's kitchen.

The Councils might not be thrilled about the new temporary kitchen, which consists of the refrigerator and stove hooked up in the basement. An under-the-counter refrigerator that will go in the new pantry was ordered early and installed temporarily in the dining room to provide some first-floor food storage.

There's no way to avoid some disruption when your house is being worked on. If you are finishing a basement or building a family-room addition, the inconvenience is minimal. If you are redoing a kitchen or bathroom, that is not the case.

Most houses have only one kitchen, so to remodel it, you must do without it for a period of time. That means you must live with a refrigerator and a microwave, and you eat out a lot. If you're redoing your bathroom and you have only one, you make arrangements with a neighbor or family member to use their shower. This gets old quick.

If you're remodeling your house, you can make the process go a lot more smoothly by following these tips:

- Minimize the time your facility is out of commission. Don't start until all of the components to finish the job are readily available. If you tear out the kitchen based on when the cabinets are supposed to be delivered, for example, Murphy's Law will bust you. The cabinets will be ready

— but the trucking company will go on strike. Or your cabinets will arrive on time — but they're the wrong color.

Of course there are problems in ordering everything ahead of time — such as where to store things as they come in and how to protect them from damage.

However, once everything is in and you're ready to begin, you have to look at protecting existing finishes and furnishings. Dust is the enemy, especially if there is plaster involved.

Start by sealing off the construction area with plastic. The seal must be as tight as possible. If you're putting tape on a good finish, use removable blue painter's tape. Don't use duct tape or masking tape; they will damage the finish.

Take the time to pack away knickknacks and other dust-catchers. In the long run, this will be easier cleaning every piece after the work is finished. Take pictures off the walls of areas adjoining the work space. Remove everything you can and store it in a safe place. If some furniture remains, cover it up.

If you have a forced-air heating system, or air conditioning, be sure the system isn't running during dusty phases of the work, or it will distribute the dust throughout the house.

If you have hardwood floors, cover them with cardboard. Cabinet and appliance boxes are a good source. Tape the edges of the cardboard to other cardboard, not to the floor. The tape might pull the finish off the floor when you remove it.

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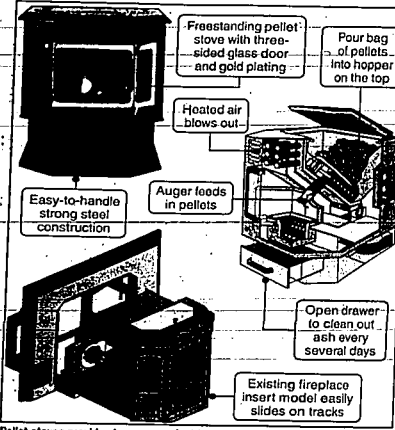
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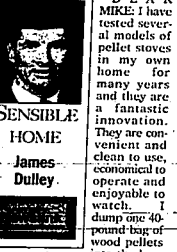
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DEAR JIM: I am considering installing a small pellet stove in my living room for extra heat and to view the fire. I also want to be prepared if the power goes off on a cold day to Y2K. What do you think of them?



DEAR MIKE: I have tested several models of pellet stoves in my own home for many years and they are a fantastic innovation. They are convenient and clean to use, economical to operate and enjoyable to watch. I dump one 40-pound bag of wood pellets into the hopper each morning (the fire keeps going). Even though a pellet stove is small, it can produce enough heat for an average-size house during all but the coldest weather. Decorative freestanding models (optional gold-plated trim) with multitided viewing glass doors and quick-to-install fireplace inserts are available. Wood pellets look like rabbit food and are made from waste sawdust that would otherwise end up in a landfill. A small auger (you control the speed and heat output) feeds these pellets into the fire. A draft fan blows the hot gases outdoors and a blower forces hot air out into the room. There is a definite possibility of electric power outages due to Y2K computer bugs. Several pellet stoves are designed to automatically switch to 120-volt batteries when the electricity goes off. There are also optional solar panels to keep the batteries charged and running longer. Pellet stoves are very clean burning. You will see no smoke. Since the pellets are so small and combustion air is forced around them, efficiency is high. After running for several days, the ash drawer will have only several cups of ash to empty. Some models can be converted to burning inexpensive corn. It is simple to install a pellet stove. One four-inch 1/2-inch pipe goes through the wall behind it. Most stoves are made of light-gauge steel, so they are easy to move. Seal the hole around the vent pipe and plug it in. Pour in a bag of pellets and you have heat in ten minutes. There are several convenience and comfort features to consider. A self-start button is worth the few dollars extra. To start the pellet stove, swing open the door and place a handful of pellets in the small burn pot. Close the door and push the start button. The pellets ignite in five minutes. To set a pellet stove with a wall thermostat option, it works just like your furnace thermostat. When the room reaches the set temperature, the pellet auger slows down which reduces the heat output. If you plan to use the pellet stove as the primary heat source in your home, select one with a large pellet hopper capacity. Since you will probably run it often on high output, you will have to load it less frequently. Write for Update Bulletin No. 609 - buyer's guide of 13 wood pellet stoves, heat outputs, hopper size, features and a fuel cost comparison chart. Please include \$3 and a business-size SASE. Write to James Dullea, 6906 Reynolds Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45244. **DEAR JIM:** My husband always puts drink and food containers in the refrigerator and leaves them uncovered. I tell him this is not good, but he does not listen. Am I right or wrong? **DEAR Y2K:** You are correct. Putting uncovered containers, especially ones with liquids, will make the refrigerator/freezer compressor run longer. This pushes up your electric bills and wears out the compressor faster. If your husband needs an explanation, tell him this: The liquid from the uncovered container evaporates into the air. When this vapor flows past the cooling coils it condenses. The condensing process uses extra energy.

What's the best way to store bulk flour for an extended time? If you store grain or flour as part of an emergency food plan, take precautions to protect against pest contamination and damage, says Joan Parr, University of Idaho extension educator. "Good housekeeping helps prevent infestations," she says. "Before storing any food, clean your storage areas and containers well." Grain can be stored longer than flour, because flour is a processed product. But Parr says there are two ways to safeguard your flour supply from insects: freezing or fumigating with dry ice. To freeze flour before storage, place it in a 0-degree Fahrenheit freezer for two weeks. That's enough time for the cold to thoroughly penetrate the flour mass and destroy insects and their eggs, Parr says. "Or, buy dry ice at your supermarket department. You'll need 14 ounces of dry ice for every 100 pounds of flour. You'll also need clean, food-grade metal or plastic containers with tight-fitting lids. Spread 14 ounces of dry ice in the bottom of the container, then immediately place 100 pounds of flour still in the original packages on top of the dry ice. (Be careful: always wear gloves when handling dry ice; it can cause severe burns.) Wait about 30 minutes for the dry ice to evaporate, then tighten the containers lid. If

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pressure causes the can to bulge, remove the lid cautiously for a few minutes to release the gas, then reseal. Store containers of the flour in a cool, dry area. What kinds of internal parasites can my horse get and what's the best way to control them? Unfortunately, your horse is subject to more than 150 types of internal parasites that live inside it, derive their food and shelter at its expense, and potentially compromise its health, says Kathy Roy, University of Idaho extension educator. Of most concern are stomach bots, bloodworms, roundworms, pinworms and threadworms. Because parasites are spread largely through manure, Roy calls management the key to a successful control program. Try to dispose of your horse manure daily, ideally by moving it to a parasite-destroying compost pile or burying it. Avoid pasturing and grazing for at least a month and work with your veterinarian to establish a deworming schedule. Internal parasites that live in the environment are the easiest to administer paste, but Roy encourages you to alternate with other dewormers to prevent the parasites from developing resistance to any particular one. Because they are so readily

affected by internal parasites, young horses should be dewormed every 30 to 60 days. Older horses respond well to deworming four times a year; if the parasite transmission occurs during the hot summer months, so concentrate those four dewormings between September and March.

I made a resolution to save more this year but it's harder than it seems. Are there tricks that can help? The easiest way to save money is to use an automatic payroll deduction plan that can deposit money into a savings account each pay period or at least once a month. This is a painless way to save money for "most people" because they are less likely to spend money they don't see, says Sandra Cann, University of Idaho assistant coordinator of extension family economics. Even "catching coins" from dollars spent each day and saving them in a jar can be a good start towards opening a savings account. Saving even small amounts of money can make a difference. Time works to increase your savings. Ten dollars saved regularly combined with time and interest will increase your savings. That \$10 a month, conservative interest, will grow from \$122 after one year to \$646 in five years. If you save \$17 in 10 years, your account would add up to \$3,233 in 20 years, enough for a nice cruise.

If your savings account earns 7 percent, you'll start with \$125 at the end of the first year and watch it balloon to \$720 in five years. \$1,559 in 10 and \$5,240 in 20. Make that a cruise for two.

When should I spray my fruit trees with dormant oil or should I even bother? Don't spray if you like mites, aphids and scale insects sucking the sap and chewing tender new growth of your fruit trees, shade trees or ornamentals like crabapples and roses. Otherwise, apply a dose of dormant oil in the next few weeks before the buds break for spring.

Remember that the temperature must remain above freezing for 24 hours after you spray the oil. Temperatures of 50 degrees or warmer are best. The oil will smother insect pests or their eggs that have survived the winter, says University of Idaho extension entomologist Craig Baird. The oil alone is gentle enough that it won't harm most plants and is considered organic. An insecticide or fungicide also can be added to the oil in some cases to deal with specific insect or disease problems. Although dormant oil works well with most plants, read the label before spraying. Baird advises that any evergreens do not fare well.

Home Wise is a service of the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Service.

Make sewing time productive and enjoyable

By Barbara Gash
Knight Ridder News Service

Knitting is a great hobby to pursue during these cold, dreary days. Here are some ways to make it even more productive and enjoyable. • The Wool Pak Fall Hat is a terrific new idea from Fiber Trends. You get one kind of wool. New Zealand wool, available in 23 colors, and instructions, for \$14.50. Knit the hat loosely, then place it in the washing machine on a low-water setting and agitate for a few minutes to felt it. (Feling is the shrinking and com-

packing of fibers.) Towel-dry and, while damp, shape it to your head by turning up the bottom to form a brim. According to the owners of Ewe-Nique Knit Shop in Royal Gorge, Mich., Kathleen Godfredson and Kathy Kamp, this project is very popular, along with slippers, mittens and even soft animals that can be felted and shaped the same way. Call 1-248-584-3001. • "Bright Knits for Kids" is a new book by Debbie Bliss (Trafalgar Square Publishing, \$13.95). It features more than 25 colorful, innovative designs and

coordinating accessories for young children. Included are Fair Isle, cable and floral patterns, with clearly written instructions. If you can't find it locally, call 1-800-423-6255 anytime. Add \$5 for shipping. • Good posture is another consideration for avid knitters, and maybe we don't pay enough attention to it. It is definitely advisable to sit up straight in a chair with proper support. Also take frequent breaks, especially when working on more complicated projects. According to Quality Lifestyle magazine, some health experts

believe that knitting can be calming and can help relieve stress. "Knitting and crocheting allow you to mindlessly yet focus to focus on the specific task at hand," the article said. Plus, your crafts are portable and can be worked on whenever you are, creating small doses of tranquility.

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Spice it up with Cincinnati Chili

By Jane Snow
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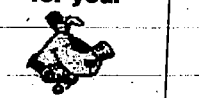
Call me crazy, but I've always had a feeling that Canova's chili and Cincinnati chili are related. Akron's legendary Canova's chili is steeped in mystery and secret dealings, while Cincinnati chili is out there for all the world to eat. But underneath, I think they're stepsiblings or first cousins, at the very least. Consider: They both have very finely ground beef, the result of simmering the meat in liquid rather than frying it. They're both served over spaghetti. They're both dark reddish-brown. They both start with a bang. Coincidence? I don't think so.

For the out-of-towners out there, Canova's was a greasy, brick-red chili that achieved almost cult status in the 60 years it was served at two Akron restaurants. The last bowl of official Canova's chili was served in 1982, when Canova's restaurant in Lakeshore Boulevard closed. In the intervening years, various former owners of the restaurant have laid claim to the recipe and threatened lawsuits and countersuits. Various other people, from hairdressers to the restaurant's former milkman, have come forward with bogus recipes purporting to be the real thing. My theory is that both Canova's and Cincinnati chili are products of Greek immigrants

who settled in Ohio at the turn of the century. In the 1920s and '30s, they began making Greek versions of the American chili. They were introduced to us here. They added a pinch of cinnamon, some oregano and garlic. They ended up with Cincinnati chili and Canova's chili. I don't have a shred of evidence to back this up, of course, but I'd bet my tascubuds on it. I don't mean to start another fight about Canova's chili, and no, I still don't have the recipe. The three spaghettiarians who do have the recipe are not talking, either. But just because we can't make Canova's chili doesn't mean we can't make something similar. That something would be Cincinnati chili. • Some say Cincinnati chili is an acquired taste, but I think there's something in the pot for everyone. The chili is a symphony of flavors and textures served five different ways — plain, over spaghetti, with beans, with onions and with cheese, much like Canova's chili was served.

1/2 teaspoon salt
1 can kidney beans, drained
Chopped onion, shredded cheddar cheese for garnish
1 1/2 pounds spaghetti, cooked
Place chuck and water in a large kettle and bring to boil, breaking up beef with a large spoon. Add the head of cover and simmer 30-40 minutes. Add cayenne, cloves, allspice, cinnamon, chili powder, cumin and onions. Roughly chop tomatoes and add with their juice. Add chocolate, vinegar and salt. Stir well. Cover and simmer 1 hour. Uncover and simmer 1 hour longer. Heat beans. Serve in separate bowls, for adding at the table. Place spaghetti in bowls and ladle chili over top. Serves 8.

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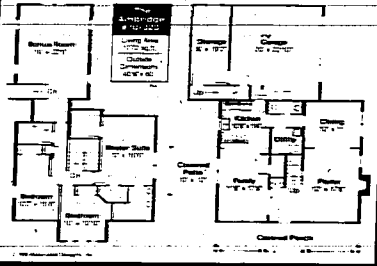
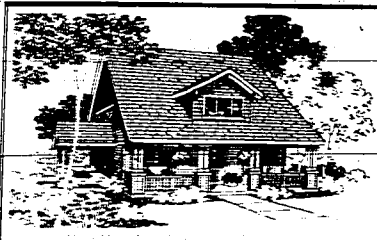
More than anything, it's probably the full-front porch, accented by slender wooden handrails and columns. If a porch swing suits your fancy, this is the place for it.

The plan's symmetrical design and central dormer also add to the Craftsman bungalow effect. But this midsize home is larger than it looks from the front. Indoor living space comes close to 1,800 square feet, not including the large bonus room over the garage.

Family gathering areas fill the main floor, circling around a central stairway. Parlor and dining room are on the right, family room and kitchen on the left. Storage closets, utilities and a small powder room are in the middle, easily accessed from every direction.

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When designing a kitchen, don't think of it as a workshop

By Eleanor Ostman
Knight Ridder News Service

Kitchens are looking less like laboratories and more like living spaces in 1999. That's the word from kitchen designers and equipment and furnishings suppliers.

Cabinets resemble furniture more than ever, some mix painted and stained finishes that are embellished with turnings, moldings and carvings.

Butches and these are glass storage units like Grandma had in her kitchen — are making a comeback. Hot right now are wood cabinets made to look old, with worn edges and painted pieces that are surfaces that are not marked. People are willing to pay a 25 percent premium for the beat-up look, says Jolynn Johnson, president of Crystal Kitchen Center, Golden Valley, Minn.

Essential appliances, such as refrigerators and dishwashers, are disappearing behind cabinet doors and drawers.

A new trend is departmentalizing the meal process. In its International Market Square showrooms in Minneapolis, SinMat has just installed a model kitchen where an entire cabinet is devoted to



Today's kitchens are cheery and bright, great places for the family to spend time.

breakfast components — from toaster to cereal storage to space for milk and other morning meal fixings.

Other trends and developments in kitchen design and equipment:

- Granite countertops are increasing in popularity — especially when they can be customized with curvaceous edges.
- Those who don't want to pay granite's heavy weight prices are finding new color and decorative options in other countertop materials. Dupont, maker of Corian, has just introduced a technique to produce "dressed" corners on countertops. "Book edge" is a rough-edged version, creating a hand-

chipped granite look on man-made materials.

Concrete countertops are just beginning to appear, says Crystal Kitchen Center's Johnson. "They're a definite look, but they're going to crack, and they'll stain," she says.

• An endless sweep of the same counter material has fallen from fashion. Instead there's an interspersing of wood with granite, marble or other materials.

• Counter heights within a kitchen are being varied to accommodate tasks, such as dough kneading or pre-cutting and dicing.

• Cabinetry choices are unlimited, and so are buyers' preferences. At Kitchens by Kregel,

Shaker and Mission designs are selling best, but the furniture or farmhouse look is gaining momentum, too, says designer Lori Jo Kregel, At SiMetric, glossy white cabinets with brass trim outsell all other options. But one of its cabinet options features an open look. Cabinets and drawers with glass fronts, or units with no doors at all, make foodstuffs and accessories part of the kitchen design.

North Star Services, a St. Paul kitchen, Minn., contractor, shows a model kitchen featuring elaborately painted and complex furniture—detail inspired by cabinetry seen in Tuscany or Provence. One line, called Renaissance, uses multi-layered moldings, wrought-iron touches and cast limestone pedestals to support cooktop hoods.

"People feel secure with these historical looks because they're timeless, whereas other cabinet

styles are constantly changing," says North Star's John Sacreolo.

- Hoods are more of a focal point, often set off on a beech wall surrounded by stone, brick or granite.

- Roll-out refrigerator or freezer drawers disguise appliances to look like furniture. Several brands of dishwashers now have controls on the top edge of the door so the entire front can look like a base cabinet, perhaps with a fake drawer at the top. And it's also possible to hide the dishwasher in a drawer.

Warmer, more open, convenience-driven kitchen designs may be encouraging their owners to actually make meals. We're being away from trophy kitchens to places to cook, Kregel says. Jolynn Johnson agrees: "There are (more) people who really enjoy cooking vs. those who have a kitchen."



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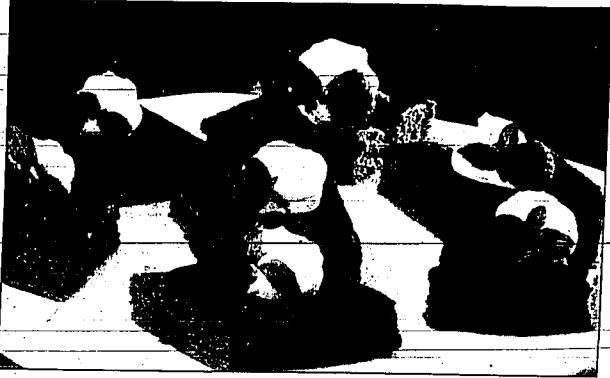


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These Raspberry Swirled Brownies are irresistible treats for any Valentine.

Brownies for your Valentine

Chocolate teams up with fruity preserves for Raspberry Swirled Brownies. From Lola Eggle of McCook, Neb. The recipe, featured in Taste of Home magazine, can be dressed up with a dollop of whipped cream and a sprig of mint.

RASPBERRY SWIRLED BROWNIES
1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened

1 cup sugar
1 can (16 ounces) chocolate syrup
4 eggs
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 package (3 ounces) cream cheese, softened
2/3 cup raspberry preserves
1 cup unsweetened raspberries
Whipped cream, fresh raspberries and mint (optional)
In a mixing bowl, cream butter

and sugar. Add chocolate syrup and eggs. Mix well. Add flour and mix well. Beat cream cheese and preserves until smooth. Gently stir in raspberries. Fold into the batter. Spread in a greased 15-by-10-by-1-inch baking pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes or until brownies test done. Cool. Cut into 1 1/2-inch diamonds. Garnish with whipped cream, raspberries and mint, if desired. Makes about 2 1/2 dozen.

COMFORT FOOD

Short ribs of beef take the pressure

By William Rice
Chicago Tribune

Why is it these comfort foods we long for in the depths of winter seem to take forever to cook? Spring will be here before the braised leg of lamb or beef stew is ready, or so it seems. The ingredients in homemade coldweather soups, especially those based on dried beans, need hours, if not days, to meld into a flavorful entity. So I am here to propose a compromise. We'll make one of my wintertime favorite main course items, short ribs of beef, but we will do it relatively quickly by using a pressure cooker.

Despite the success of cookware manufacturers in producing streamlined, easy-to-use models and the renewed appeal of long-cooked dishes seasoned with nostalgia, home cooks have been slow to embrace the pressure cooker. The chief stumbling block may be the doubt about the safety of a machine that cooks by creating super-hot steam under pressure.

To show you what the trade-offs are in our time-saving approach, I'm also providing a recipe for short ribs cooked conventionally.

To make the meal around these ribs, prepare a tossed salad, garnished — if you wish — with smoked fish such as scallops or trout or marinated herring. Serve noodles with the ribs and, for dessert, something soothing such as poached fruit or fruit sorbet. For cooking, and drinking, choose a shiraz from Australia.

PRESSURE COOKER

- SHORT RIBS**
- 3 pounds beef short ribs, patted dry
 - 1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil
 - 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes
 - 1 teaspoon celery salt
 - 1 large bay leaf
 - 1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
 - 1/2 cup dry red wine
 - 1/2 cup beef or chicken broth
 - 1 cup chopped onion
 - 1/2 cup chopped carrot
 - 1 tablespoon garlic
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons paprika
 - 1 tablespoon chopped oregano

1/2 green cabbage (about 3/4 pound), core removed and shredded

1 medium tomato, seeded and chopped

1 1/2 teaspoons red wine vinegar

Salt to taste

Heat oil in the bottom of a pressure cooker. When oil is nearly smoking, add the ribs and brown on all sides over medium heat. Remove ribs to a plate and pour off pan drippings. Add red pepper, celery salt and bay leaf. Stir briefly to release flavors, return ribs to the pan, then add Worcestershire, red wine and broth. Cover pressure cooker and bring to full pressure. Cook for 30 minutes. Remove pressure cooker from the heat and release steam. Uncover pan and remove ribs. Cover with foil and keep warm. Place onion, carrot, garlic, paprika, oregano, cabbage and chopped tomato in the pressure cooker. Sprinkle vinegar over all, cover pressure cooker and heat to 5 pounds pressure (first ring). Cook 8 minutes. Release pressure, taste mixture and add salt to taste. To serve, distribute cabbage mixture among 3 or 4 warm plates, using a slotted spoon. Place a short rib on each plate, or cut meat from the bone and distribute it over the cabbage. Spoon pan juices over all. Serves 3 or 4.

HEB-BRAISED SHORT RIBS WITH CHEESE CRUST

- 2 1/2 to 3 pounds beef short ribs, fat trimmed
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 1/2 cups chopped onions
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 1/2 cup chopped carrots
- 2 tablespoons chopped garlic
- 1 1/2 cups (12 ounces) beer, brown ale preferred
- 2 teaspoons minced fresh oregano leaves
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 egg, beaten
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 1 cup freshly shredded Parmesan or romano cheese
- Heat an oven to 350 degrees. Season meat on all sides with salt

and pepper. Heat oil over medium heat in a Dutch oven or flame-proof casserole with a lid. Add the ribs, brown on all sides and remove. Pour off all but 2 tablespoons of fat from the pan. Add onions, celery, carrots and garlic to the pan. Cook over low heat until softened, about 10 minutes. Stir in the oregano and bay leaves. Bring liquid to a boil, add ribs in a single layer and cover pan. Bake in the oven until meat is very tender, 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 hours. (As an alternative, cook the short ribs in a pressure cooker at full pressure until tender, 30 minutes.) Remove ribs from pan and set aside. Transfer braising liquid to a small saucepan. (Recipe may be made ahead to this point. Cover and chill meat separately from liquid.) Increase oven heat to 450 degrees. Mix egg and mustard together, brush over ribs to cover completely. Spread cheese on a large plate and press meat into cheese to coat heavily on all sides. Transfer ribs to a wire rack set on a baking pan and place in the oven. Bake until meat is heated through and cheese is golden brown, about 10 minutes. Remove ribs from oven, reheat braising liquid, skimming fat from surface. Transfer cooked ribs to plates and spoon the sauce around them. Serve at once. Serves 4.

Grocery stores store bananas

By Stephanie Witt Sedgwick
The Washington Post

In the cavernous warehouse of Safeway's distribution center in Upper Marlboro, Md., forklifts haul fruits and vegetables by the pallet-load: in for storage and out for delivery. What you SEE are neatly stacked boxes of apples, pears, potatoes and citrus. But what you SMELL is the overpowering aroma of bananas, though there is no sign of the bright yellow peel among the wide expanse of fruit boxes.

Instead, America's most popular fruit is housed in one of the food industry's latest attempts to harness Mother Nature and bring better produce to the consumer: banana ripening rooms.

The six huge storage facilities with floor-to-ceiling doors run along one wall within the warehouse, housing 2,000 cardboard cases of bananas per room, with about 100 "fingers" (the trade term for bananas) per box.

Each three-story room holds bananas at a different stage of the ripening process. One room is filled with cases of green bananas, as the fruit is unripened. The floor-progress rooms have their doors closed. Hanging on the doors is a log on which thermometers monitor the progress of the bananas as they ripen.

Periodically the doors are opened and probes, thin metal rods inserted into bananas to get a critical ripening reading. Empty cases stand ready to fill in any open spots the rooms operate like a conveyor belt. Once the instruments determine the bananas are ripe, trucks arrive to take them off the supermarkets.

Safeway Inc. is as proud of these "houses" as its new homeowner could be. The 3-month-old facilities are giving the produce managers increased control over the most sensitive component in their warehouse — the banana, the No. 1 produce item

in the United States (per-capita annual consumption is about 75 bananas). Being out of bananas or, more accurately, good quality, last ripe enough, but not too ripe bananas, is the nightmare of the produce manager.

Anticipating the need for bananas is the tricky part of Lester's job. To manage the ripening process, Giant has 30 rooms at its warehouse in Landover, Md., each of which accommodates about 500 cases of bananas.

Bananas are great on their own, sliced into cereal and used to make muffins and bread, but bananas can also star in desserts. These ideas are from Jacques Pepin's cookbook "Sweet Simplicity: Jacques Pepin's Fruit Desserts" (Dey Books) to be published in the spring. Pepin recommends using bananas that have little black spots on their skins, indicating that they are very ripe. The bananas are baked in their skins, which blacken completely after 15 minutes. When they are cool enough to handle, the fruit is removed from the skin and served with a tart lemon-rum sauce.

BAKED BANANAS IN LEMON-RUM SAUCE

- 4 very ripe bananas, with black-spotted skin (about 2 pounds)
- For the lemon-rum sauce:
1 tablespoon grated lemon rind
2 tablespoons lemon juice
2 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons orange marmalade
1/4 cup water
2 tablespoons dark rum
For the garnish:
Mint leaves

Strips of orange peel Preheat the oven to 400 degrees.

Trim about 1/2 inch from each end of the bananas, and cut a slit through the skin extending the length of the fruit. Arrange the unpeeled bananas on a cookie sheet and bake them for 15 minutes. (The skins will blacken.) Meanwhile, in a saucepan, mix together the lemon rind, lemon juice, sugar, marmalade and water, and bring the mixture to a boil. Boil for 1 minute. Transfer to a serving dish large enough to hold the bananas. As soon as the bananas are cool enough to handle, remove the skins and place the whole bananas in the sauce. Using a spoon, coat the bananas on all sides with the sauce. Drizzle the rum over the sauced bananas and decorate with the mint leaves and orange peel. Serve 1 whole banana per person with some of the sauce and garnishes. Serves 4.

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Transplant patient looks ahead

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FOOD & HOME

Add flavor with bread dipping sauces Round table

**By Jane Snow
Knight Rider News Service**

Bread dipping sauces and spreads, served as a little something before dinner, are growing in popularity both in restaurants and at home. The price is steep for the few that are available commercially, though, which is why we came up with our recipes for those who would rather make the dips themselves.

At home, sauces and flavored oils can be made in minutes. The simplest versions require just a splash of oil, a splash of vinegar and a sprinkling of herbs.

We're also offering recipes for tapenade, roasted garlic puree and brailed pepper-goat cheese spread, all in "Spreads, Toppers & Dips" by Doreen Rozas (Macmillan, \$16).

The recipes are so simple and direct that flavor flaws will show up immediately. The most top-quality ingredients such as extra-virgin olive oil, fresh-grated Parmesan-Reggiano and fresh-ground pepper.

The tapenade, garlic puree and cheese spread can be refrigerated for several days. The olive oil dip tastes best when fresh, but will keep for several days in the refrigerator.

Here are our recipes for simple, sophisticated dips:

HERBED OLIVE OIL DIP
1/2 cup fruity, extra-virgin olive oil
1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
1 large clove garlic, cut in thin lengthwise slices
1/4 teaspoon coarse salt
1/4 teaspoon fresh-ground pepper
1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh rosemary

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IMPERIAL ROASTED SPARERIBS

1/2 cup bottled roasted garlic teriyaki marinade & sauce
1/2 teaspoon fennel seed, crushed
3 pounds pork spareribs, cut into 1-rib pieces
Combine roasted garlic teriyaki marinade & sauce and fennel in large bowl; add spareribs and toss to thoroughly coat all pieces with sauce. Reserving sauce, remove ribs and place, meaty side down, in large, shallow foil-lined baking pan. Cover pan with foil. Bake at 325 F. for 15 minutes. Discard foil; turn ribs over and brush with half of reserved sauce. Bake 15 minutes. Brush with remaining sauce; bake 15 minutes longer, or until ribs are tender. Makes 6 servings.

LITE EMPRESS CHICKEN NOODLE SALAD

2 chicken breast halves*
1/2 pound uncooked vermicelli, broken into halves
1 medium-size red bell pepper, julienned
1/2 cup chopped green onions and tops
1/3 cup rice vinegar
3 tablespoons naturally brewed lite soy sauce
1 tablespoon vegetable oil
4 teaspoons sugar
1 teaspoon minced fresh ginger root
1 1/2 teaspoons Oriental sesame oil
1/4 teaspoon white pepper
Simmer chicken in 2 cups water in covered saucepan 20 minutes, or until chicken is no longer pink in center. Remove chicken and cool. Meanwhile, cook vermicelli according to package directions; drain. Rinse with cold water; drain thoroughly. Skin and bone chicken; shred meat with fingers into large bowl. Combine chicken with vermicelli, bell pepper and green onions. Stir together vinegar, lite soy sauce, vegetable oil, sugar, ginger, sesame oil and white pepper in small bowl until sugar dissolves. Pour over vermicelli mixture and toss to coat all ingredients well. Cover and refrigerate 1 hour. Toss well before serving. Makes 6 servings.

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2 cloves garlic, pressed
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2 packages (9 ounces each) frozen cut green beans, thawed and drained
1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
Combine stir-fry sauce, sherry and garlic; set aside. Heat oil in wok or large skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add green beans and crushed red pepper; stir-fry 5 minutes. Pour in stir-fry sauce mixture; cook, stirring, until beans are coated with sauce. Makes 6 servings.

Course-grated Parmesan
In a lidded jar, combine all ingredients except Parmesan. Shake well. When ready to serve, shake again and pour onto saucers. Sprinkle with Parmesan. Use as a dip for crusty bread. Makes 2 1/2 cups.

TAPENADE

1 cup Nicoise or other oil-cured black olives, pitted
6 flat anchovy fillets, drained and chopped
2 tablespoons capers, chopped coarse
2 cloves garlic, minced
Juice of 1 lemon
4 to 6 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
Combine all ingredients except oil in a food processor and process to form a paste. With the motor running, drizzle in just enough oil to make mixture spreadable. Transfer to a small bowl or crock. Serve at room temperature as a spread for bread. Store tightly covered in the refrigerator. Makes 1 1/2 cups.

ROASTED GARLIC PUREE

4 large heads garlic
1/4 cup chicken broth
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1/4 teaspoon dried herbes de Provence or equal parts dried thyme, marjoram, sage, rosemary and lavender
Pinch of salt
Pinch of white pepper
With a sharp knife, slice off top of garlic heads, exposing a small amount of all the cloves. Peel and discard any loose, papery outer skin, leaving most skin intact. Place garlic, root side down, in a small ovenproof baking dish. The garlic heads should barely touch. Drizzle broth and oil evenly over garlic, then sprinkle with 1 teaspoon of the herbs. Cover tightly and bake at 400 degrees until inner cloves are very soft, about 1 hour. Uncover and cool to room temperature. Squeeze soft garlic pulp out of the skins into a small bowl; mash with a fork until creamy and smooth. Add salt, pepper and remaining 1/4 teaspoon herbs. Serve with French bread. Makes about 1 cup.

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1 teaspoon fresh or powdered ginger
1 teaspoon vinegar
Salt to taste
Melt the fat in a pan. Sauté the medium onion. Dredge the meat in flour. Brown in a skillet. Add the reserved onion water, the wine, spices and vinegar. Cover and cook for 2 1/2 hours until the meat is tender. The juices can be thickened with bread crumbs to make a tasty sauce to be served on the side. Serve pearl onions on the side.

ARTICHOKE WITH RICE AND BERRIES
6 artichokes
1 lemon
1 cup uncooked white rice
2 cups chicken stock
1/2 teaspoon rosemary
1/2 teaspoon dill
1/4 teaspoon ginger, dry or fresh
1/2 pound berries (strawber-

ries, blackberries, blueberries or raspberries)
1/4 pound butter
2 tablespoons parsley
Clean and trim the artichokes (remove tough outer leaves, trim leaves about halfway down to the core, cut off the tough portion at the bottom). Place the artichokes in a large pot in 3 inches of water with a lemon cut in 8 pieces. Cook on a low heat. Bring to slow boil and cook for 1 1/2 hour. Remove artichokes from pot. Put the rice and all the spices with the chicken stock in the pot. Boil for 15 minutes until all the moisture is absorbed and the rice is tender. Add extra water if needed to be sure the rice is done. Clean the berries (if using strawberries, cut into smaller pieces). Add the berries to the rice when it is done. Add the butter and parsley and cook for an additional 5 minutes. Then serve along with the artichokes.

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Bel Kniefel

Kniefel thanks family of liver donor

TAMPA, Fla. (AP)—Daredevil stuntman Evel Kniefel, feeling tired two weeks after undergoing a liver transplant, has a new challenge — to personally thank the family of the man who saved his life.

...man was from the South and was in his 20s when he died Jan. 27. Kniefel, 60, held a news conference at Tampa General Hospital on Feb. 26, after being released Saturday, 10 days after his 5 1/2-hour transplant.

...nurse in the transplant ward, who found his expensive jewelry and turned it in to hospital security. It was returned to him. He said she would donate the money to the hospital's scholarship fund.

...and with his name embossed in gold lettering. The \$25,000 bike can be raffled to raise money for organ transplants, he said.

Browns

Staffed from DC
...said Browns president Carmen Policy, "I think what we did was build a foundation.

...character, expense and potential before making him part of its future. The Browns figured to be frugal and they made some penny-pinching picks. They were not expected to favor youth, and selected only one player over 30 — San Francisco linebacker James Williams.

...family-in-history. His father, George III, played for Boston in 1965, and his grandfather, George II, played for Providence in 1931-32.

...years since Cleveland fans could stream for their football heroes. And with all the barking and "Here we go Brownsies" chants, it was as if the Steelers were in town.

...Chicago and San Francisco owners Steve Gordon — to the event and each was greeted with a rousing ovation as they made their way to the stage to be presented a Browns' cap by Policy and Cleveland owner Allen Lerner.

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Utah blasts Dallas

Malone pours in 31 for 3-0 Jazz

DALLAS (AP) — Karl Malone scored 31 points, including seven straight in a fourth quarter surge, as Utah won 90-83, its third straight of the season.

Malone, who scored 21 and 28 points in Utah beat Chicago and the Los Angeles Lakers in the first two games, put the Jazz ahead 76-74 with a bucket with 6:37 to go. The Jazz never looked back against the new-look Mavericks, who played well for three quarters.

Malone also had 12 rebounds, John Stockton had 12 points and five assists and Howard Easley had 11 points for the Jazz.

Dallas was paced by Cedric Ceballos with 19 points and Michael Finley and Dirk Nowitzki with 15 each. Nowitzki also had nine rebounds.

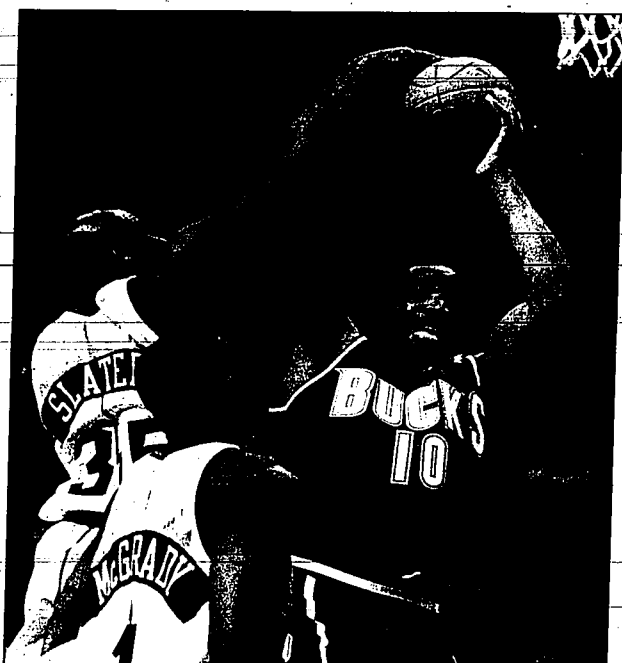
Boston 108, Miami 101
MIAMI — Antoine Walker scored 31 points Tuesday to help the Boston Celtics beat the weary, injury-depleted Miami Heat for the first time in three years, 108-101.

Walker, scoring from the point and the paint, shot 12-for-27 and had 10 rebounds. Kenny Anderson scored 22 points and rookie Paul Pierce added 19, including three key baskets in the final 4-and-a-half minutes to stymie Miami's comeback bid. The Celtics had lost nine in a row to the Heat since beating them 101-96.

The Heat completed their third stretch of three games in three nights in franchise history.

76ers 90, Pistons 86

PHILADELPHIA — Theo Ratliff had 10 points, nine rebounds and five of Philadelphia's seven-high 13 blocks as the 76ers beat Detroit in a matchup of undefeated teams.



Toronto Raptors forward Reggie Slater (35) knocks the ball away from Milwaukee Bucks forward Armen Gilliam (10) as he drives toward the basket Tuesday. The Bucks won the game 91-77.

Grant Hill, coming off a career-high 46, points, scored 32 points on 11-for-18 shooting in the Pistons' third game in as many nights. The Pistons didn't look tired, but they couldn't do much inside with the Stars' new twin towers of Ratliff and Matt Geiger.

Bucks 91, Raptors 77

TORONTO — Ray Allen scored 17 points and survived a hard fall to the floor alongside Charles Oakley as Milwaukee spoiled Toronto's home opener at historic Maple Leaf Gardens.

Allen, who left the game in the third with a sore back, came back in the fourth and hit two free throws to spark an 11-0 run that sealed the game.

Glenn Robinson finished with 16 points, Dell Curry added 15 of the bench and Terrell Brandon had 14.

Twolves 87, Spurs 70
MINNEAPOLIS — In an ugly example of the type of post-lock-out basketball the NBA feared, Minnesota survived poor shooting nights from Stephon Marbury and Kevin Garnett to defeat San Antonio.

With Gov. Jesse Ventura in attendance, the Wolves hit only five shots in the final 8:49 and the Spurs made only two in the final 7:34.

Mark Sealy came off the bench to lead the Wolves with 16 points, Garnett had 12 points and 12 rebounds but shot just 6-for-25, and Marbury shot 6-for-19.

David Robinson led San Antonio with 16 points and 11 rebounds, including two by Brandon Grant and Josh Frazier, but the Indians kept the game in their favor for the A-2 win, 70-64.

Hawks 87, Bulls 71
CHICAGO — Steve Smith scored 30 points and the Hawks pulled away in the fourth quarter to beat the Bulls before a curious sellout crowd at the United Center.

The Bulls, with only seven players from last year's championship team still on the roster, scrapped and hustled as they had done while splitting their first two road games.

But Atlanta's talent won out, and Chicago's latest year coach, Tim Floyd dropped his home debut.

Garey boys drop Dietrich 68-57

The Times-News High school sports

Dietrich — Keetch Richards led four Panthers in double figures with 17 points as Garey defeated Northside sub-district Dietrich 68-57 in its regular season finale Tuesday.

Garey entered a three-point lead after one quarter to a 10-point-lead at-half-and-without a 24-fourth-quarter points by its hosts.

"They just got some break-away buckets, and basically out-ran us," said Dietrich coach Roger McCowan. "That's a good result."

Dietrich (8-12, 6-6 in conference) faces Richfield in the first round of Northside sub-district tournament play at Carey Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

Richfield 66, Shoshone 41

RICHFIELD — The hometown Tigers took advantage of turnovers and controlled the boards in a 66-41 conference win over Shoshone Tuesday night.

"We got blown out last night, and they stepped up tonight," said Richfield coach Art Ford, whose squad lost by 15 points to Camas County Tuesday.

Andrew Piper had 12 points and teammate Mitch Luce added 10 for Richfield (12-8, 6-6), who opens the district tournament against Dietrich Thursday at Carey at 4:30 p.m.

Bliss — The Mushers took control of the game in the second quarter and rolled to an easy win over Bliss' boys' Northside conference basketball Tuesday night.

"We kept them in the first quarter when they exploded," said Bliss head coach Bob Sauer. "We feel pretty good about our performance though."

Gilbert Ferreria led the game for Bliss with 24 points in the losing cause. Bliss (5-13) begins the sub-district tournament with a record of 0-12. Bliss opens the Northside sub-district tournament with Camas County in Carey on Thursday.

Wendell — The Trojans won a combined nine 3-point goals from Grant Green and Josh France, but the Indians kept the game in their favor for the A-2 win, 70-64.

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Malad 68, Declo 54

MALAD — Declo slipped in the fourth quarter as Malad secured a win by outscoring the Hornets by 11 points to get the boys' non-conference victory Tuesday.

"If you don't want to do with Malad is let them get ahead of you," said Declo assistant coach Danny Meyer. "They just didn't make any mistakes. They are a very good ball club, and they have a great coaching staff."

Declo (14-4) travels to Wendell on Thursday.

Castroff — Although the Wolves only scored six points in the second quarter, they were still able to fight back within three, but couldn't hold in the fourth quarter as they fell to Oakley in boys' Southside conference basketball Tuesday.

"We were down a point then the next quarter we're down twelve," said Castroff head coach Andy Wiseman. "We fought back, but they got some fast breaks and turned up the tempo."

Castroff (6-14-0) ends its conference season with a record of 8-12. The Wolves open their Southside

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sub-district tournament against Hagerman in Filer on Saturday.

Murtaugh 71, Hansen 25
MURTAUGH — Murtaugh had the game sealed early in boys' Southside conference basketball Tuesday night when the contest was called a done deal to deteriorating road conditions with five minutes left.

"I just thought we executed well," said Murtaugh assistant coach Bill Hardy. "The kids did what we asked them to do."

Murtaugh's conference record improves to 8-1. The Red Devils will end their season on Thursday in Richfield.

Hagerman 44, Ratt River 28
HAJERMAN — The Boys' Hawks beat the Trojans a Southside conference loss Tuesday night in boys' basketball action, 44-28.

Hagerman's defense was dominant, said Ratt River coach Gary Elsenhohn. "They were running in the passing half, executing really well there were a lot of turnovers on our part."

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Wrestling

Kimberly 36, Declo 34

KIMBERLY — Wrestling — Senior Nick, the Kimberly Bulldogs edged Declo in a high school match before edging the Declo Hornets in their regular-season finale.

Kimberly wrestled its week off until their district tournament Feb. 17 at Wendell.

"There were a couple of really big moments that helped us out tonight," said Bulldogs coach Troy Palmer.

Palmer said he hopes his own team will be able to do well in the 119-110 State Wrestling Championships in Lewiston, Idaho, Feb. 19-21. He said his team is currently ranked 10th in the state.

Buhl 52, Twin Falls 18
BUHL — The Indians dominated the Bruins on the mat Tuesday night in a wrestling match. Both wrestlers only one forfeit, one pin and two decision wins.

Senior Matt Thompson looked really good tonight," said Buhl coach Scott Thompson. "It's a good chance for them to come along."

Bruin Adam Joshi handled Indian Tyke Sonner in his first loss of the season and also earned the first take-down in the match. Joshi won the 189-pound division, 8-3.

Buhl improves to 9-7-1 overall and will host its district tournament Feb. 19-21 at Wendell. The team will also compete in district competition next Thursday.

Soles silence Golden State
SEATTLE (AP) — Gary Payton scored 20 points and the Seattle SuperSonics improved to 30 for the first time since the 1992-93 season with a 90-71 victory Tuesday night over the Golden State Warriors.

Payton played just three quarters as Seattle built a 70-51 lead, and reserves played the fourth period for both teams.

Dale Ellis had 13 points and Hershey Hawkins added 10 for Seattle.

The Sonics opened up a comfortable lead after one quarter, and the Warriors never let the deficit to single digits the rest of the way. John Starks led the

Warriors with 12 points. Rashard Lewis, the Sonics' second-round pick out of high school, missed the victory with 17 seconds left on a dunk off a feed by Mookie Norris.

Seattle's defense kept the Warriors under wraps the entire game. Golden State shot just 35 percent from the field and missed 11 of 19 free throws.

Sonics coach Paul Westphal gave Don MacLean and rookies Vladimir Stepania, Lewis and Jerald McEwen their first playing time of the season in the fourth quarter.

Olden Polynice's first 3-pointer since the 1995-96 season gave the Sonics a 66-36 lead with 9:40 left in the third quarter.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

With judge's OK, Tyson can box during term

WASHINGTON — Mike Tyson can resume his boxing career while in jail, but he'll need the permission of the judge who sentenced him.

The former heavyweight champion can begin training at a gym outside of prison during the first two months or so of his one-year sentence for assaulting two motorists, Montgomery County, Md., officials said Tuesday. But if Tyson wants to return out of state, he will have to be cleared by District Judge Stephen Johnson.



Mike Tyson

Schrader captures pole position in Florida

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Ken Schrader, a regular in the Winston Cup series, beat out two-time NASCAR Busch Series champion Randy LaJoie on Tuesday to take the pole position for the season-opening NAPA Auto Parts 300.

Schrader got around the 2 1/2-mile Daytona International Speedway oval at 189.865 mph, relegating LaJoie's 189.661 to the outside of the front row for Saturday's 300-mile race.

Norwegian wins world combined ski title

FALL, Colo. — Norwegian Kjetil Andre Aamodt won the men's combined, finishing long dominance in the men's combined, finishing 1:21 in the event Tuesday at the World Alpine Ski Championships.

Switzerland's Paul Accola took the bronze medal as the top seven racers after the first slalom run held their positions in the second run.

Aamodt won with a time of 2:43.09.

NCAA hits Alabama basketball assistant

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Alabama's athletic program was spared penalty Tuesday when the NCAA imposed sanctions only on a former assistant basketball coach, finding he tried to create a slush fund for recruits.

Byronne Beaman was accused of asking boosters for \$5,000 in cash to bid for the 1998 Winter Olympics. The bidders treated IOC members "within the scope of common sense," Nagano Gov. Goro Yoshimura told Kyodo News Service. The Japanese Olympic Committee investigated Nagano's bid at the request of the International Olympic Committee.

Compiled from wire reports

Buhl, Deelo advance in state wrestling polls

The Times-News

While Minco remained a steadfast No. 3 in the A-1 state high school wrestling rankings this week, the Buhl and Declo schools were in the move in their respective classifications.

Buhl increased its stock in the A-2 ranks from No. 5 to No. 4 on the strength of Jason Rippee, who entered the poll this week at No. 6, 62 pounds, and Eric Butterworth, who advanced three spots to No. 3 at 140.

Indians Brandon Grant, Luke Chivers and Robin Hunsaker — as well as Tyke Sonner and Dusty Owen, No. 1 and No. 2 in the 189-pound division — remained in the rankings as well.

Declo, meanwhile, jumped from No. 5 to No. 3 in the A-3 poll with five wrestlers — including heavyweights Lance Oesthouse and Ty Tebbson — placing among the top six spots of their divisions.

Among the state's A-1 schools, Twin Falls 189-pounder Adam Joshi tumbled from the top six, but Minco's Manuel Frias advanced to the No. 2 spot at 102 pounds with a strong showing in the Red Hot Halverson Tournament at Minico High School Jan. 29-30.

The Spartans remained at No. 3 in the A-1 rankings.

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Serving the Magic Valley

CLUB CALENDAR

Civic

Rotary Clubs

The Lakes - 7 a.m. Tuesdays at the Weston Plaza Hotel Convention Center in Twin Falls; 733-2742 or 734-1817.
 Burley - Noon Tuesdays at Burley Inn Convention Center; 678-2221.
 Buhl - Noon Thursdays at the Acapulco Restaurant in Buhl; 244-6844 or 244-5206.
 Gooding - 12:15 p.m. Friday at the Lincoln Inn; 819-285.
 Halley - Noon Thursdays at the Senior Center of Blaine County; 746-0495 or 746-2114.
 Jerome - Noon Tuesdays at China Village; 324-7000 or 324-4111.
 Ketchum - Noon on Wednesdays at Clarion Inn Restaurant; Bob Stone at 726-4100.
 Shoshone - Noon Wednesdays at the Senior Citizens Center; 886-2222 or 886-2963.
 Twin Falls - Noon Wednesdays at the Turf Club in Twin Falls; 736-4029 or 734-6549.

Lions Clubs

Burley - Noon Fridays at Price's Cafe, 2444 Overland Ave.; 278-2022.
 Gooding - 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Lincoln Inn; contact 334-1000.
 Halley - Noon First and third Wednesdays at Heyburn - 7:30 p.m. Second and fourth Tuesdays at Heyburn for location; 346-8030.
 Jerome - Noon Tuesdays at China Village; 324-7000 or 324-4111.
 Ketchum - Noon on Tuesdays at Clarion Inn Restaurant; Bob Stone at 726-4100.
 Rupert - 8 p.m. Second and fourth Mondays at Rupert Elks 436-8771.
 Twin Falls - Noon Wednesdays at the Mandarin Hotel; 734-0300.
 Twin Falls Monarch - Meets First and Third Thursdays at George K's in Twin Falls.

Kiwanis Clubs

Burley - Noon Wednesdays at Acapulco Restaurant, 1131 Broadway Ave.; 244-3485 or 244-3486.
 Burley - Noon Wednesdays at Price's Cafe, 2444 Overland Ave.; 244-3228 or 244-6723.
 Jerome - Noon Tuesdays at the Filer Methodist Church; 326-5300 or 326-4651.
 Twin Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Rupert Elks; 436-8124.
 Twin Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Turf Club for lunch; 736-4276 or 734-4244.

Optimist Clubs

Twin Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Mandarin Hotel; 734-0300, 733-7032 or 733-4523.
 All meetings are 7 p.m. Sundays at the Farmhouse, Restaurant in Wendell; 336-6477.

Chilf Air Patrol - 7 p.m. Mondays at the Federal Aviation Administration Building at the Burley Airfield; 336-1200 or 12 and 14 or 14 and 12; 672-2559 or 436-5661.

Society for Creative Anachronism - The Shrine of the Middle Ages - 7 p.m. Sundays at the Twin Falls City Park; 326-4425.

Business and Professional Women - Noon Monday at the Lincoln Inn; 934-8452 or 934-8205.

Magic Valley Toastmasters - 12:10 p.m. Second and fourth Thursdays of each month in the conference room at the Magic Valley Center Health Services Building; 323-1337; 733-5406.

Synoptical International of Twin Falls - Second Tuesday at 6 p.m., fourth Tuesday at 12 p.m., at George K's in Twin Falls; 734-9486.

PTA - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Twin Falls Sign Shop; 736-7230 or 734-1666 or 734-3137.

Chamber of Commerce

Buhl - Firm and Third Mondays at Noon at Grandstands Sports Grill.

Musical

Magic Valley Singers Square Dance Club - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at St. Jerome's Catholic Parish Hall, 216 Second St. in Jerome; 244-3200.

Magdalenas Barbershop Chorus - 7:30 p.m. Mondays at the First Methodist Church in Jerome; the basement, Shawnee Street and Fourth Ave., Twin Falls; 734-2644.

Philharmonic Orchestra - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Burley High School band room; 678-2121.

Snake River Flute - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Heyburn Hall, 123 S. Rupert; 326-6047 or 436-4643.

Sweet Adeline Chorus - 7 to 9:30 p.m. Mondays at 1700 S. Harrison St. in Twin Falls. Cost is 50 cents per person; 734-5133.

All women age 15 to 70 plus are invited to accept six weeks free membership; 226-4136 or 733-6238.

Hobbies

UJ Duplicate Bridge - Tuesdays at 1 p.m. meet for lessons at lunch at noon, at the Rupert Elks Hall, 200 N. 85 S. Rupert; 326-6047.

Bingo - 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the Wm. Memorial Hall in Jerome; 244-3200. Cost may be 50 cents.

Book - 1 p.m. Mondays at Magic Valley Bookstore, 246 Falls Ave., Twin Falls; 733-8599. Newcomers welcome.

Friends in Recreational Opportunities Group - Meets to bond from 1 to 3 p.m. each week at Magic Book, 340 Second Ave. E., Twin Falls; 733-1713.

Magic Valley Chess Club - 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Every other Saturday (October, 11th, 18th, 25th, 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th) at Barnes and Noble bookstore in Twin Falls; 733-6186.

Magic Valley Pinocle Club - 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Double Claret Inn Veterans Hall, Harrison Street and Shop Avenue, Twin Falls, Open 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. on Wednesdays.

Valley Vets Retirement Center Pinocle Club - 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays in the community center room in Buhl in Twin Falls. Cost is 50 cents per person; 734-5133.

Alumni - 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays at Chapter 1 Bookstore, 1200 N. Main, Halley; 726-2425.

Weight loss

TOPS Clubs - Burley Chapter 256 - 6 to 7 p.m. Thursdays (weight in at 5:30 p.m.) in the lunch room at the Heyburn School.

Gooding Chapter 251 - 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Gooding Senior Citizens Center, 308 Senior Ave.; 934-4633.

Jerome Chapter 48 - 6 p.m. Wednesdays at the recreation room in 425 Canalway Ave. B; 734-5132 or 736-1231.

Halley Chapter - 6 p.m. Mondays (weight in at 5:30 p.m.) at the Odd Fellows Hall, 13th and Oakley Ave.; 654-2228.

Support Groups

Adult Children of Dysfunctional Families - 5 p.m. Wednesdays at the Walker Center, 203 Second Ave. N., Twin Falls; 736-4029.

Alzheimer Adult Children Group (this meeting for those mental health professionals and families of Alzheimer's patients) 1 p.m. on 1831 Harrison St. Two days a week (one for Alzheimer's and one for family of problem drinkers) - For information on meeting times and place, call the Alzheimer Information at 736-3555.

Alleen (for young people affected by someone who is drinking) - 6 to 7 p.m. Mondays at Walker Center, Outreach, 203 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls; 734-6564.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Twin Falls - For information, call 733-8300, 736-8446 or 733-8797.
 Spanish Speaking - 8:00 p.m. Wednesdays at the Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N., Twin Falls; 736-7258.

Burley

Sunday Breakfast Group - Sundays - alternates between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. at Elks Hall; 678-2121. A. across from the golf course; 678-0798 or 678-0233.
 Outing Group - Mondays - Wednesdays - Thursdays at St. James Episcopal Church, 20th St. and Oakley; 678-9114.
 Spanish Speaking - 1 p.m. Sundays at the Snow Bldg., 1321 Oakley Ave. No. 9; 677-9040.
 Women's Group - 6 p.m. Mondays at the Snow Bldg., 1321 Oakley Ave. No. 9; 678-9414 or 678-9424.
 Missions Group - 8 p.m. Tuesdays at the Snow Bldg., 1321 Oakley Ave. No. 9; 677-9040 or 436-6446.

Rupert

Rupert Group - 8 p.m. Mondays and Fridays at the Snow Bldg., 548 E. St.; 436-8474, 436-8469 or 432-6718.
 Women's Group - Noon on Wednesdays at 220 E. Ellis; 746-4378.

Halley/Bellevue - For more information, call 785-5929.

Ketchum/Sn Valley - For more information, call 726-4620.

Alzheimer's Support Group - 7 to 8:30 p.m. Second Tuesday of the month at Bridgeway Estates, 1028 Bridgeway Blvd., Twin Falls; 736-7033.

Alzheimer's Support Group and Magic Valley Brethren Club of Idaho (for people with lung disease and their families and friends) - For more information, call 736-4620.

Christian 12-Step Support Group - For information, call 736-7281.

Cocaine Anonymous - For information, call 736-8133.

Coke - Dependents Anonymous - 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Walker Center in Gooding; 326-4651.

Debtors Anonymous

Idaho - 12:15 p.m. and fourth Saturdays at St. James Episcopal Church, 704 S. Latah, 223-1433.
 Twin Falls - 7 p.m. Thursdays at Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 110 Blue Bell Blvd.; 733-0309.

Diveces - 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at St. John's Lutheran Church, 1128 Poplar Blvd.; 734-7930 or 326-4651.

Diveces - 6:30 p.m. Mondays at the Burley United Methodist Church Library, 450 E. 27th St.; 678-2121.

Diveces - 7 p.m. Mondays at Amazing Grace Fellowship, 1601 Eastland Dr. N.; 733-0253.

Drugs - 12:15 p.m. and 7 p.m. Thursdays - Those who meet one hour each week to pray for their drug-abusing loved ones. For information, call Lorraine at 734-7015.

Harpes 1897A and 1897C - For information, call 678-2121 or 678-2121.

Magic Valley Brain Injury Support Group and Burley Brain Injury Support Group, call Cassandra; 678-2121 or 326-4600.

Mom in Trouble - Meets at various times throughout the month. Mom in Trouble is for women who meet one hour each week to pray for their children, drug-abusing loved ones. For information, call 825-9040.

Narcotics Anonymous - For information, call 736-1160 or 326-4627.

Narcotics Anonymous - 7 p.m. Fridays at the Odd Fellows; 1200 N. Main; 736-1160 or 326-4627.

Narcotics Anonymous - 7 p.m. Fridays at the Fire Baptist Church of Twin Falls, corner of Ninth and Shoshone; 244-6711.

Overeaters Outreach - Christ-centered 12-Step recovery and organization.

Overeaters Outreach - 7 p.m. First and second Thursdays at 1200 N. Main; 736-1160 or 326-4627.

Hilland Ave. - 7 p.m. Mondays at the Twin Falls Elks Hall; 678-2121.

Idaho - 12:15 p.m. and 7 p.m. Thursdays - For information, call 733-8300, 736-8446 or 733-8797.

Min-Cocaine Center Support Group - 7 p.m. Wednesdays at 1010 Shoshone Valley Elementary School, 333 N. 27th St.; 678-7747.

Mothers of Young Children - 7 p.m. Second and fourth Wednesdays at the Christian Reformed Church, 1031 Grandview Dr. N.; 324-7033.

Narcotics Anonymous

Gooding - 7 p.m. Monday, corner of 3rd and Idaho; 7 p.m. Friday, 1120 A. Montana St.

Jerome - Ketchum 7 p.m. Monday, 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays; 6:30 p.m. Saturdays; 5:15 to 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

Kimberly - 8 p.m. Thursdays, 310 Main St., Twin Falls; 730 p.m. Sundays, 328 Shoup; 7:30 p.m. Mondays, 1010 Shoshone Valley Elementary School, 333 N. 27th St., Twin Falls; 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 6 p.m. Thursdays, 7 p.m. Fridays, 10 p.m. Saturdays; 1100 N. Main; 736-1160.

Overeaters Anonymous

Twin Falls - 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays or 10 a.m. Saturdays or 1 p.m. Mondays, all meetings at the Fire Baptist Church, 1031 Grandview Dr. Use side door.

Overeaters Anonymous - 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the Burley Police Station, 1200 Mill; 346-9068.

Overeaters Anonymous - 7 p.m. Mondays at the Walker Center, 1120 Montana St.; 678-4143.

Other

Job Daughters Beta No. 18 - 6:30 p.m. Second and Fourth Mondays at the Burley Masonic Temple.

Lo-Dahe Palu Lodge No. 77 - 1st and Third Wednesdays at 1200 N. Main; 736-1160.

Idaho Rehearsal Lodge No. 96 - First and Third Wednesdays at 1200 N. Main; 736-1160.

Guiding Star Lodge No. 4 - Second and Fourth Thursdays in Mountain Home.

Merritt Lodge No. 88 - First and Third Wednesdays in Gooding.

Overeaters Anonymous - 7 p.m. Second and Fourth Thursdays in Fairfield.

Under Lodge No. 45 - First and Third Tuesdays at 2 p.m. in Haegerton.

Sydney Rebekah Lodge No. 110 - Second and Fourth Thursdays at 7 p.m. in Haegerton.

Odd Fellows - 8 p.m. Tuesdays at the Odd Fellows Hall, 13th and Oakley Ave.; 678-4143.

This public service notice is designed to publicize Magic Valley Area and organizations to have your meeting listed, or to update your meeting information, send notice with your organization, day and meeting, and time of the meeting to a business number and name of a contact person at Karmira Brumback at The Times-Herald, 1200 N. Main, 733-0309, attention: Club Calendar. The deadline is noon Tuesday.



Business Professionals of America (BPA) from Twin Falls High School won 14 awards at a recent regional BPA conference. Pictured in the first row are Brandi Alldritt, Kelly Kramer, Lindsay Kavan and Victoria Lester. Standing in the second row are Jennifer For, Holly Kay, Lisa Burney, Rachel Aronoff and Jeanne Hoode. Not pictured are Armando Sisti, Brett Brock, Kristina Brock, Jess Arington and Noel Nunez.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Idaho State seeks those who have retired from faculty, staff

POCATELLO - Idaho State University (ISU) is attempting to locate its retired faculty and staff so they can join in celebrating the university's centennial. Idaho State University's centennial begins in September 2001. Retired ISU faculty and staff should contact the Centennial Office and provide name, mailing address, telephone number, e-mail address if any, department where employed, position and years of employment at ISU. Please provide the information by calling (208) 236-3051 or by mailing the information to ISU University Relations Centennial Task Force, Campus Box 8265, Pocatello, ID 83209 or by sending e-mail to bruce@isu.edu.

Singles of St. Edward's meet for evening of dessert, games

TWIN FALLS - St. Edward's Adult Singles Group is planning an evening of fine desserts and games to be held at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday at Bill Holley's home; 3176-N-3000 E. Please bring your favorite dessert and/or your favorite card or board game. For directions, please call Todd or Sherri at 733-0112.

Seminar will teach the basics of choosing proper accessories

TWIN FALLS - A free seminar on how to choose accessories to complement your facial features will be presented by Noreen Clark of Beauty For All Seasons. The event is planned for 6:30 p.m. Thursday sponsored by Paris Too!

Murtaugh names star students

MURTAUGH - Murtaugh High School has released the names of those students who received recognition for having grade-point averages ranging from 3.0 to 4.0. Those in grade 9 are Paul Bickley, Michael Richter, Colby Dennis, Andrew Blazing, Lisa Funk-Denver, Hubert, Eren Jures and Wes Maxwell. In grade 10 Donna Edwards, Jeff Ester, Juan Huitzer, Cassie Mann, Britney Murray, Alfredo Duro and Jesse Perron were honored. In grade 11 Kimberley DeWitt, Rachel Tarkenton, Cole Perkins, David Robinson, Kyle Roseborough and Andy Smezer were named and in grade 12 Kurt Mann and Rebecca Widmer were named.

Filer recognizes students

The Filer High School honor roll and awards class is as follows: Grade 12: Araceli Mejia, Marcel Richards, A.J. Tackett, Tomas Ball, Betty Leppert, Michelle Marquardt, Douglas Jones, Jamie Dionne, Michelle Anderson, Bryan Lawley, Kathleen Lambert, Rebecca Auld, Amy Bennett, Jay Garrison, Aysa Hammon, Jennifer Lano, Griff, Lisa Kullin, Todd Lanting, Alyson Mal, Andrew Ryan, Crystal Armstrong, Sundee Compton, David Henry, Crystal

Women's Fashions, 1230 Pololine Road

Seating is limited. Call Paris Too! for reservations at 735-8200.

Contra dancing in Halley offers unique dance opportunity

HALLEY - If you like bluegrass and Irish music you'll like contra dancing scheduled to kick off at 8 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday at the Grange Hall in Halley.

Recreation club plans annual brunch for sweethearts

TWIN FALLS - West Magic Lake Recreation Club will hold its annual Sweethearts Champagne Brunch from 10 a.m. to noon Sunday at the Burden West Lodge, West Magic Reservoir. The cost for the luncheon is \$5. A monthly meeting will follow at 12:30 p.m. The public is invited. For more information, call 487-1802 or 487-2574.

Center for Cultural Interchange offers travel opportunities

TWIN FALLS - Students are welcome to join established groups traveling to Spain, Mexico, France Ireland or Japan this June, July or August. Programs include international round-trip airfare, excursions to interesting places, supervision by a teacher and with an overseas coordinator. Language or culture classes and insurance. A homestay in the country of choice provides the best opportunity to practice

Book lovers will hear review of Anderson's Lady Blue Bear

TWIN FALLS - The Le Livre Et La Plume Literary Arts Society will hold its February meeting at 8 p.m. Thursday at the home of Gloria Huls.

Nina Bastow will review the book, "Lady Blue Bear" by William C. Anderson. The author's sketch will be thought by Joyce Beck and the guilded tonight will be presented by Ruby Victor. Patricia Keimig, Judy Spooner and Maurice Van Buren are the co-hostesses.

Seniors host Sweetheart Court for dinner Thursday

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Senior Center has planned a "Sweetheart Court" dinner for 11:30 a.m. Thursday at the senior citizen center. The cost of admission is a \$3 donation for seniors and \$4 for adults under 60.

Weavers plan Saturday meeting at Christian church

TWIN FALLS - The Snake River Weavers will meet on from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Church of the Brethren, 461 Filer Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Anyone interested in weaving is invited to attend. For more information, please call 837-6657.

HONOR ROLL

Delrick, Dylan Ferguson, Becky Jones, Mistie Kestie, Tara Kull, Kallie Con, Dennis Peters, Kara Rymas, Janice Robinson, Delia Ehrmantraut, Christopher Stenwall, Anna Drag, Josh Pini, Gwen Williams, Cathy Baker, Sierra Salas, Jason Whited, Kody Henrick, Lindsay Hudon, Homer Jaynes, Leslie O'Keefe, Brandon Timms, David Jones, Shanon Hammon.

Grade 11: Kimberlee Branch, Leah Cantrell, Adrianna Dehlan, Jerica Guffi, Brad Lawley, Liddie Loughmiller, Duch Ross, Lisa Skinner, Adrienne Volpiano, Mark Natres, Zach Chadwick, Erin Quinlan, Hannah DeWitt, Rachel Tracy, Benjamin Allen, Caroline Baber, Erin Andrews, Tim Chandler, Rebecca Miller, Melinda Rulley, Brandon Severn, Brad Barnes, Caitlin Hartley, Brandon Hoobler, Brandon Kobayashi, Jill Vanhook, Matt Weston, Hammer, Leah Hollinghead, Benjamin Lewis, Kallie Peters, Andrew Bares, Amanda Hayes, Jesus Jauru, Michelle Peterson, Lindsey Sutherland, Mandi Turner, Chaid Allen, Horry Henstock, Michael Peterson, Jennifer Kimball, Jennifer Cowger, Curtis Jones, Erin Miller, John Pitz, Mickey Silvester, Lucy Wray, Joshua Frigmore, Kelly Johnson, Tracy Smith, Kimberly Weyerts, Anne Akers, Megan Jones, Brandon Ni, Amanda Hughes, Johanna Carter, Lisa Dean, Jennifer McManus, Megan Reichert, Krista Shafer, Brandon Summers.

Grade 10: Lindsey Children, Steven Clark, Jenni Hamman, Andrew Hooley, Darci Litter, Stan Moore, Skyler Richards, Hannah Eitzenburg, Lindsey Brown, Erin Melia, Crystal Ni, Joshua Peterson, Stephanie Taylor, Krista Coon, Jessie Correa, Jessie Lanes, Erin Allen, Cherise Christensen, Angela Loran, NYCI Meares, Karl Elchenko, Levi Sletten, Donovan Waser, Nichol Gumbel, Nathan Simpson, Brooke Takas, Jessyka Williams, Travis Altner, Lacey Ash, Brian Fullmer, Travis Hoffman, Crystal Keck, Mia Luna, Zach Lyvard, Tyler Andrew, Kim Baker, Gumbel, Tom Heinzel, Steve Bars, Sarah Brannen, Karl Brown, Anne Critchfield, Michelle Hooley, Nicole Talbot, Chris Watts, Duane Amort, Andrea Jenkins, Samuel Lopez, Rachel Sprrow, John Tracy, Melanie Theria, Michael Fort, Raina Stuber, Raymond Sowell, Marcia Marantoniello, Christopher Plum, Amy Sheen, Victoria Talbot, Heather Black, L. J. Hurler, Amanda McBride, Savannah Henstock, Tim Rogers, Sara Zumwalt, Chris Christenson, John Finkal, Cate Kestner, Brandy Sobotta, Joe Sullivan, Jessie Daniel, Bruce Cappelin, Brandon Schmidt, Sara Van Leeuwen.

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Retirees return to work force

Quitting jobs altogether proves to be a labor

The Dallas Morning News

Forced to retire at 60 because of federal regulations, former American Airlines pilot and trainer Larry Hall decided he'd prefer his job game. That lasted about a year.

"It sounds almost screechingly, but I got bored playing golf," said Mr. Hall, now 62.

A longtime computer buff, Mr. Hall, who lives in Arlington, Texas, now teaches classes such as Windows 98 for the Tarrant County (Texas) Community College district. He spends about 40 hours a month in class, in addition to preparation time.

Mr. Hall's retirement work makes him typical of a growing group of older workers. Although they may have reached early retirement or even full retirement age, they don't want to stop doing



Al Ruddy, who is retiring from Washington State University, keeps busy by customizing golf clubs in his garage workshop. Many Americans are returning to work during their retirement years to fight off boredom.

paid work. They just want something short of the 50-hour-work week. They want more flexibility

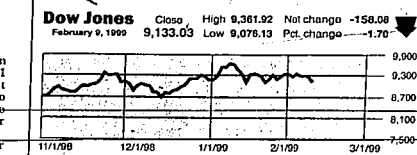
A 1993 University of Michigan survey of 12,600 workers ages 51 to 64, for instance, found that three out of four preferred to phase down their working-life after formal retirement rather than quit altogether.

"People at this stage of their lives, with a lot of experience, probably want an environment that gives them a little more freedom, a little more flexibility in working conditions and hours," said John McMorrow, chief executive officer of the Talent Alliance, a nonprofit training alliance of large firms that include GTE Corp. and DuPont.

The Talent Alliance recently taught hundreds of AT&T Corp. employees who'd accepted a buy-out offer but now career possibilities, including teaching, consulting and working for nonprofit organizations.

Those in their 40s and younger were looking for full-time careers, but many workers 55 and over had another agenda, said training consultant Ed Miller.

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Technology weakness drags market lower

NEW YORK — Investors dumped technology shares for the third day in a row Tuesday, curtailing the Dow's gain for the week and raising questions about whether the market was embarking on a long-awaited correction. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 158.08, or 1.7 percent, to close at 8,133.03, nearly 50 points below its close at the end of last year. But broad market indexes, in which technology companies are heavily represented, posted much bigger losses. The Nasdaq index tumbled 3.9 percent in its third-biggest point loss, and the S&P 500 fell 2.2 percent.

Ned Riley, chief investment officer at BankBoston, described the losses as "a sneeze in a cold. It is a correction expected to be canceled Tuesday, up from 20 percent Monday, 11 percent on Sunday and 4 percent on Saturday. Declining issues outnumbered advances by 2 to 1 on the New York Stock Exchange, but volume was only moderately heavy at 864.7 million shares, up from Monday's pace. The Nasdaq composite lost 94.13, or 3.91 percent, to close at 2,310.79.

Pilot dispute strands thousands of American Airline passengers

The Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — American Airlines and its pilots union agreed Tuesday to resume negotiations on a dispute that has led to the cancellation of hundreds of flights and the stranding

of thousands of passengers. American Airlines said the company had been contacted by the Allied Pilots Association and the parties will begin talks later Tuesday.

The December purchase of Reno Air by American Airlines'

parent, AMR Corp., has made pilots at both airlines unhappy because of unequal pay scales and the purchase's potential effects on seniority and scheduling.

Because of higher than usual pilot absenteeism, fewer than 1,300 flights had been canceled

since talks bogged down between the two sides late Friday. Nearly 2,500 flights were expected to be canceled Tuesday, up from 20 percent Monday, 11 percent on Sunday and 4 percent on Saturday.

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Government uses Gates' e-mail to contradict witness

The Washington Post reports that the government used a blurted e-mail from Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates to challenge a witness who insisted Tuesday that the company did not 'absolutely not' give money to Inuit Inc. to distribute Microsoft's Internet software.

William Peole, who negotiated some of Microsoft's Internet deals, testified that it never gave Inuit executives as little as \$1 million to distribute its browser software. Peole testified previously he hadn't seen the Gates e-mail, but acknowledged he had no doubt it was authentic.

The government alleges the deal was an example of illegal exclusionary agreements that Microsoft brandished as part of its campaign to "crush" rival Netscape.

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Retirees - "We of the semiretired are a good deal for companies," said Mr. Powell, who recently stepped down from full-time work at Harvard University's Health Services and a management consulting firm he co-founded.

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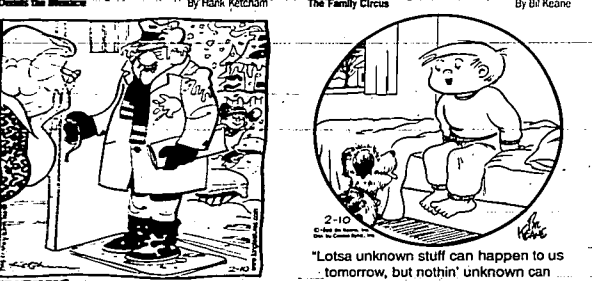


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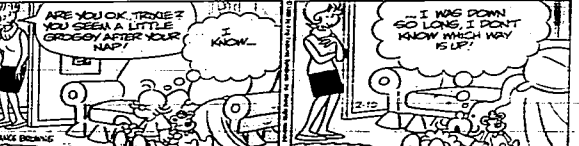
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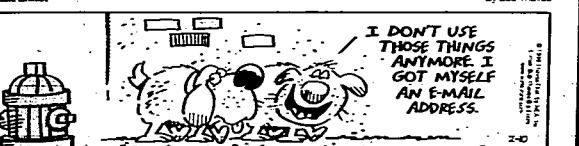
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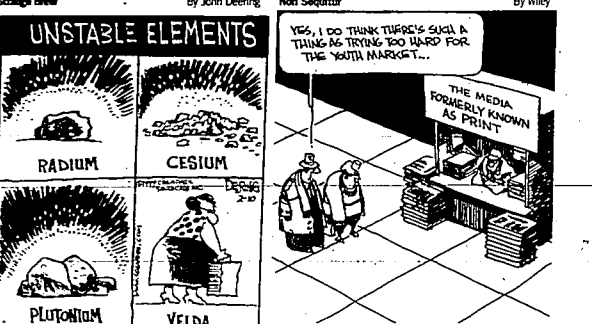


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