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GOOD MORNING

Spring forward

Daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m. Today.



WEATHER

Today: Partly cloudy with southwest winds 10-20 mph. High: 65. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low: 28.

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MAGIC VALLEY

Easter egg hunt: Under a steel gray sky early Saturday, a throng of people gathered in Twin Falls City Park to scramble for the gold.

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Fake tear: Twin Falls swept a pair of baseball games from Highland Saturday.

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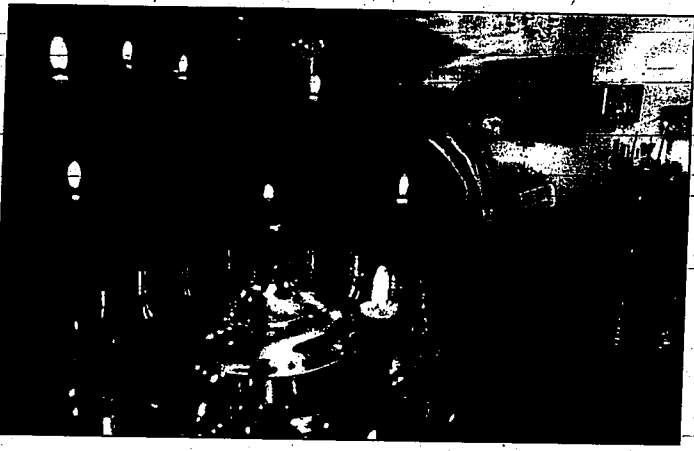
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Easter prayer



Father Philip Nixon leads Serbian members of his congregation in a prayer for peace in Yugoslavia at St. Ignatius of Antioch Orthodox Church in Twin Falls.

Holiday brings hope to Serbian refugees in TF

By Denise Turner Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Easter is the season of hope. Even when all hope seems lost. In war-torn Yugoslavia, the people are struggling to survive. In Twin Falls, their Serbian brothers and sisters are preparing for Orthodox Easter. Father Philip Nixon's St. Ignatius of Antioch Orthodox Church has been ministering to Serbian refugees for several years now. His prayer this Easter is, once again, a prayer for peace. "We have 60 or 70 Serbs in our church, many of them refugees from the Croatian conflict," Nixon said. "Orthodoxy is the prominent religion among Serbs."



Orthodox Easter, which is celebrated according to the Orthodox calendar, is on April 11 this year, one week after most Americans celebrate the holiday. Every night of the week before Orthodox Holy Week, which begins today, Nixon held prayer services, where people could pray specifically for the conflict in Kosovo. If the bombing does not stop, the services may resume after Orthodox Easter, Nixon said. He is inviting people of all faiths to pray for the crisis. Recently, Nixon has been receiving e-mail from Orthodox churches throughout the world. In one of these messages, from the Dekani (Serbian Orthodox) Monastery in Kosovo, a priest pleads for an end to NATO attacks: "I am writing this appeal while the NATO bombers and cruise missiles are spreading death and destruction all around my country. It is my moral obligation to say that the businessmen by the NATO officials who only military targets are attacked in Yugoslavia are not true and they are intended to deceive many peace-loving people in the West that their air force is in a 'humanitarian' action."

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Magistrate gets long-awaited promotion

Judge will assist with water adjudication

By John F. Hurdy Times-News writer

BURLEY — For as long as Nathan Higer can remember, he has always wanted to be a district court judge. On Tuesday, the Burley judge's dream came true. And it will give him a role in one of Idaho's most contentious issues — water law.

Starting this month, Higer will work on district cases, and help with the Snake River Basin Adjudication court case. "There's a lot of heartache with water adjudication," Higer said last week. "There's also a lot of difficult times with it. It's important work though."

Higer's appointment to District Court comes after Higer had tried several times for a district judge's job. Now that the call has come, Higer's colleagues say the veteran magistrate judge is ready for the task.

A quick transition

"I've always aspired to do this," said Higer, 54. "It's important work. There are a lot of big issues. It will be a real challenge."

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne appointed Higer over two other candidates, Gregory Meacham of Idaho Falls and Patrick Costello of Orofino, because he thought Higer would suit the position best, Kempthorne spokesman Mark Snider said.

"And after 22 years working as a magistrate judge in Cassia County, Higer will be on his new job in a hurry. After a brief out-of-state vacation, Higer said he'll get back to work next week. His Magistrate Court cases will be handled by Magistrate Judge Roy Holloway.

The District Court is already scheduling cases for him to try this month.

A long wait

Higer had applied for district



Judge Nathan W. Higer will soon oversee the Snake River Basin Adjudication after being appointed as a district judge by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne. Judge Higer has served in Cassia County for 22 years as a magistrate judge.

Judge positions four times in the past — in Twin Falls, Minidoka, Cassia and Blaine counties. The most recent bid had been for the Cassia County job, to succeed District Judge George Grannata, who died in June 1998. Higer lost this bid to Twin

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Turning point

Higher grazing fees may result from high court's decision

The Associated Press

BOISE — An Idaho Supreme Court decision on Tuesday turned a turning point in one of the West's most colorful range wars and could mean higher grazing fees on some state lands. The high court on Friday unanimously held an unconstitutional 1995 law allowing the state Land Board to determine who is qualified to bid on grazing leases with preference given to ranchers.

It also struck down a plan billed as a solution to get more money for schools without raising taxes.

Since 1993, the Idaho Watersheds Project led by Hailey architect Jon Marvel has repeatedly outbid ranchers for state grazing leases, only to have the Land Board overturn the decision. Marvel went to court against the state.

In 1995, the Legislature passed the so-called "Anti-Marvel" bill requiring the board to consider the needs of the cattle industry and state tax officers along with the school endowment it is entrusted to serve.

But the high court ruled the high-bidding environmentalists have as much right as cowboys to bid for the leases. Marvel convinced the court he was allowing the cattle to run streamside areas, while the stockmen counter he is trying to "cherry-pick" the allotments, taking over the water holes in the middle of the reserved plots but not ranching.

"It's going to create some holes if that decision is allowed to stand," said George Bennett, spokesman for the Idaho Cattle Association.

The ranchers now must bid for those plots, or conflict they have held over the years. Even with the new measures in effect on Friday, the Land Board still has the right to turn down the highest bidder.

It broadens the discretion of the Land Board to deal with these issues," said David Hight, an assistant attorney general who argued the case for the state.

Air war yields few positives in Yugoslavia

By George Gaska The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nearly two weeks into NATO's air campaign against Serb forces, chilling pictures of thousands of ethnic Albanians fleeing Kosovo provide grim confirmation of the yawning gap between the alliance's objectives and the reality on the ground.

In the battle between Balkan tribalism and high-tech aerial warfare, it was clear Saturday that NATO has the edge in the early going. NATO's operation was intended to force Serb troops on ethnic Albanians fleeing Kosovo to withdraw and reduce the military's ability to continue its offensive.

So far, the mission has raised several questions:

- Have the actions of the United States and its NATO allies hurt the very people they were trying to help?
- Could NATO have devised a more creative response to the Kosovo problem than the one that has left tens of thousands of desperate ethnic Albanians stranded at border crossings — many even the most elemental necessities?

What had been a steady stream of refugees from Kosovo, dating from early 1998, suddenly has become a flood — an average of 800 an hour in the first eight days of bombing that began March 24. Serb militiamen in an area often appeared at the homes of the ethnic Albanians. And offered them a choice: leave now or die. Largely missing from the studios are military-aged men.

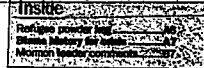
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NATO air raids destroy one more key bridge

The Associated Press

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — NATO air raids destroyed another key bridge over the Danube, Serbian television reported Saturday, as Italian troops prepared to go to Albania to aid refugees pouring out of Kosovo in catastrophic numbers.

President Slobodan Milosevic's forces have purged Kosovo of 300,000 ethnic Albanians so far, with perhaps an equal number soon to follow. The sea of misery threatened to destabilize neighboring



states, already struggling to provide the refugees with basic necessities such as food, water and shelter. Serbian television reported that NATO airstrikes on Saturday had destroyed the Freedom Bridge at Novi Sad, Serbia's second-largest

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An ethnic Albanian boy looks out a bus window on the Kosovo/Macedonian border after being expelled from Kosovo.

SHOWING SUPPORT



Suspect in computer virus case will plead innocent, lawyer says

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — The manufacturer of creating the so-called Melissa virus will plead innocent to the state charges, said lawyer Steven Altman.

Smith was arrested Thursday night at a brother's house in Batontown. He faces charges that include interruption of public communications, conspiracy and theft of computer service — charges that carry a maximum penalty of 40 years in prison and a \$480,000 fine.

Altman said his client had been wrongfully portrayed as a dangerous computer-hacker and been victimized by the government's



David L. Smith

crackdown on high-tech crimes.

"The computer world is a world where people do things — experimental things, just about every day," Altman said.

"Nothing he did, or intended to do, had a premeditated or wrongful intent."

Smith was released Friday on \$100,000 bail.

"He's very upset, scared and nervous. This has been a horrible ordeal. They went in there as gangbusters — local authorities, state police, the FBI. Ted Bundy, that is, who was treated — him like," Altman said, referring to the serial killer executed in

Florida 10 years ago.

No court appearance had been scheduled.

The virus spread around the world Monday like a chain letter, arriving in e-mail messages with the heading "important message." It then contacted infected computers to fire off 50 more infected messages, and the volume of e-mail slowed some systems to a crawl.

Smith, who worked as an on-site consultant, or a trouble-shooter, for AT&T Labs in Florham Park, employed by Teledyne-based CGS Computer Associates, was tracked down by a task force of federal and state agents, with help from American Online technicians.

AOL contacted state authorities after its own investigators started up evidence that pointed to New Jersey, said Christopher Egan, head of a state computer analysis unit.

FBI steps up excavation in search for missing atheist

CAMP WOOD, Texas (AP) — The FBI moved in additional heavy equipment Saturday as part of its search of a sprawling ranch, apparently looking for clues to the 1995 disappearance of atheist leader Madalyn Murray O'Hair.

The FBI has been close-mouthed about the search, which began Friday with the execution of a federal search warrant at the 5,000-acre Cooky Ranch.

"We'll be here at least today and maybe tomorrow," FBI Special Agent Beverly Helfrick said Saturday at the main gate to the ranch. He would not confirm that the search related to the O'Hair case or provide any additional information.

Waters has denied involvement in the O'Hairs' disappearance, and neither man has been charged in connection with the case.

The Detroit Free Press reported that FBI agent Bill O'Leary testified during Karr's March 26 detention hearing that Karr admitted being an accessory to four homicides in Texas and helping get rid of the victims and their property.

Karr's lawyer, Richard Helfrick, said his client cooperated with FBI questioning about homicides in Texas. Helfrick would not say if Karr admitted a role in any slayings.

Above: Lidiana Glin, 7, of Irwin, Calif., right, and Ana Zech, 7, of Los Angeles, hold signs showing these U.S. soldiers being held by Yugoslav forces. A crowd of about 200 people demonstrated in favor of the NATO bombing of Yugoslavia Saturday in front of the Federal building in the Westwood district of Los Angeles. The girls are cousins; their parents are Albanian.

At right, Andrew Ramirez, father of Staff Sgt. Andrew Ramirez, one of the U.S. soldiers captured by Serb forces, leaves his east L.A. home in Los Angeles Friday. The capture of three American servicemen on the Kosovo border has not fired Kosovo lawyers doing for their textbooks. But one thing is sure, they say: the men are prisoners of war and are entitled to protection under the Geneva Convention.



Yugoslav Foreign Minister Zoran Djindjic called the three soldiers prisoners of war, the strongest statement yet by a top Yugoslav official to the news that gives the soldiers protected status under the Geneva Convention on the conduct of war. Court proceedings continued Saturday in an attempt to draw up charges, according to Yugoslav officials.

For more on Kosovo, see Page A1-57

Allergists predict severe season for sneezes

Night Nibbler News Service

El Nino was supposed to raise the misery level of hay fever sufferers last year.

But what that notorious weather system failed to put off in 1998, this year's mild winter and warm spring are accomplishing now.

"This year is shaping up as a pretty intense allergy season," said allergist Jay Portnoy of Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Mo.

"The trees are just going crazy pollinating. When they stop, then it's going to be the grasses."

Portnoy already is seeing patients with more severe hay fever than what they had a year ago. Their noses are running, their eyes itcher and their sneezes more numerous.

"Fortunately, there's always power and better medicines coming out," he said.

A new favorite of Portnoy's is a recently introduced antihistamine nasal spray called Astelin, which is available by prescription. It works faster than other kinds of nasal sprays and is more effective and less likely than oral antihistamines to cause side effects, he said.

Raytown, Mo., allergist Jag Aggarwal agreed that the nasal spray is a useful addition to his medical arsenal, but is hesitant to claim to end the suffering of those and his more unfortunate patients.

Because the flu season has lingered longer than usual, some patients are coming to Aggarwal

with a combination of flu and hay fever.

"Having flu doesn't protect them from allergies," he said. "It compounds their symptoms and makes them twice as miserable."

Portnoy, who takes the daily pollen and mold spore counts for the Kansas City area, was dismayed last year when many of his colleagues forecast that El Nino, a periodic warming of the eastern-tropical Pacific Ocean, would cause an allergy disaster in North America.

"Everybody else was predicting a booming allergy season last year because of El Nino," he

said. "I wasn't."

Last year turned out no different from the year before — about average for hay fever, Portnoy said.

But this year, trees have been yielding pollen early and abundantly; Elms have finished producing their pollen; oaks and cottonwood are getting started. And there are still juniper, hickory,

birch and sycamore to add their contribution to seasonal suffering.

Grass pollen usually becomes a problem to the allergy-prone in May or June, Portnoy said. This year he predicted, it may begin as early as mid-April.

But Portnoy isn't complaining. "For me, I guess it's job security," he said.

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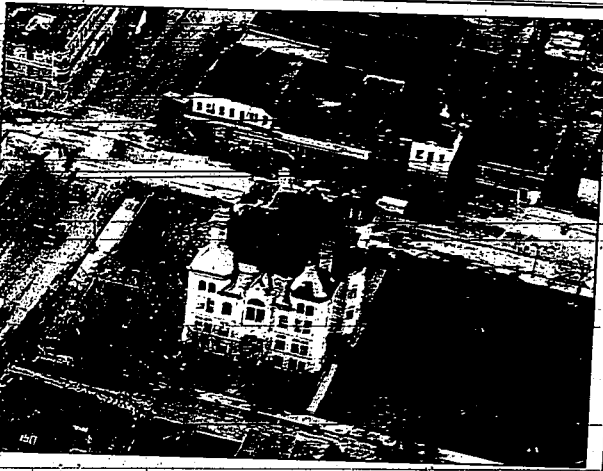
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NATION



Downtown Matamoros, Ind., is pictured after a tornado ripped through the area April 3, 1974. Shaded hit by the 21 twisters that cut across 39 Indiana counties that day was Mooresville, the White County seat, where eight people died and hundreds were injured by a single tornado. Five of the dead in Mooresville were Fort Wayne residents who drowned when their Volkswagen van was pitched into the Tippecanoe River.

Survivors mark 25th anniversary of deadly tornadoes in midwest

XENIA, Ohio (AP) — Jeff Louderback was only 5 years old when he stood at his window and saw a devastating tornado moving near his home.

"Mom and Dad covered me, shielding my body from flying bricks and shattered glass," Louderback said, as he recalled the event 25 years ago Saturday. "The deafening wind sounded like a team of fighter jets."

By the time the massive, swirling black cloud left on April 3, 1974, more than 30 people were dead and 2,200 homes and businesses destroyed.

Weather Service's Storm Prediction Center. "But we feel confident that now we have the technology and we have the knowledge that we can cut the number of deaths down."

The tornado that hit Xenia marked the worst tornado outbreak in U.S. history, with 148

the ground for more than two hours.

In Xenia, population 25,000, the tornadoes destroyed the Louderback's home. Jeff's mother, Rebecca, recalled emerging from the rubble when the storm had passed.

"It was probably very similar to the aftermath of a bomb," she said. "It was eerily quiet. Then you started to hear children crying."

According to the weather service, the 1974 outbreak debunked several myths, including the notion that tornadoes

"It was probably very similar to the aftermath of a bomb."

— Rebecca Louderback, survivor

Some of the survivors in this southwest Ohio city gathered Wednesday to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the terrifying ordeal — and to raise public awareness about the danger of tornadoes.

"Can this happen again? Certainly," said Dan McCarthy, a meteorologist with the National

tornadoes clawing through 13 states east of the Mississippi. The storms killed 330 people and injured 5,404.

The outbreak began the afternoon of April 3 and ended more than 16 hours later, carving a 2,500-mile path. At one point, 15 twisters were on the ground at the same time. One was on

weren't touch down where major rivers meet or that tornadoes don't go up and down steep hills.

It also produced engineering studies which concluded that ball seats provide the greatest safety in schools, while gyms with large roofs and classrooms with outside walls are the most dangerous spots.

Feds: California misused meal money

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Millions of dollars in federal money meant to pay for meals for California's poor children were instead used for vacations, clothing, tuition and vehicles, the U.S. Department of Agriculture found.

The state Department of Education has been negligent in

its oversight of the \$168 million program that distributes money to nonprofit groups, the USDA report said.

"The California Department of Education fostered a lax environment in which — sponsors could personally enrich themselves through various questionable or fraudulent schemes which they

could perpetrate with little likelihood of detection," the report released last week found.

The USDA questioned the spending of \$5.5 million from 1995 to 1998. California's program, the largest in the country, reimburses day-care centers for up to two meals and a snack a day for each child.

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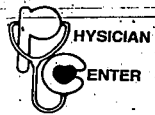


Dr. Paul Miles, M.D., Pediatrics

Dr. Paul Miles, Pediatrician, has accepted the position of Chief Quality Officer and Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, TN. He will be directing the clinical improvement efforts for the Vanderbilt Medical Group, the University-hospital, and the medical and nursing schools.

The staff of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and the Physician Center salute Dr. Miles as one of the finest physicians with whom we have had the privilege to work. Congratulations, Paul, on 23 outstanding years of working with the children of the Magic Valley.

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Officials find an eighth immigrant dead after storm

SAN DIEGO (AP) — An eighth illegal immigrant has been found dead in the area where a surprise snowstorm stranded dozens who tried to enter the United States, an official with Mexico's consulate said Saturday.

Authorities said the most recent victim was found late Friday in a rugged area that has become a well-used illegal border crossing point, said Rebeca Romero, a spokeswoman for the Mexican consulate in San Diego.

Officials from the U.S. Border Control and other agencies rescued more than 50 immigrants in and around the Cleveland National Forest, about 40 miles east of San Diego, late Thursday and Friday.

Mexican authorities working the other side of the border south of Tecate, in an area known as La Ramona, reported finding an additional two people dead and more than 80 people stranded by the cold.

Temperatures in the rugged region were expected to drop into the freezing range overnight and more snow was expected.

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FOCUS: THE BALKANS CRISIS

Smuggled video adds strength to claims

KUKES, Albania (AP) — The lifeless eyes of one man stare upward. Another man lies nearby, his brains splattered to the side.

Some of the bodies are burned. All the victims wear civilians' clothes.

A short video clip smuggled out of Kosovo appears to add graphic evidence to the reports of widespread slaughter of ethnic Albanians by Yugoslav authorities across the province.

The video was handed to international media Saturday by Melaim Bellanica, who said he hid from Serbs for five days in his basement in the village of Velike Kress while killings and looting raged above.

Bellanica also carried a list of 26 names of people he said were executed in his village after Serb police gave an ultimatum following the start of NATO bombing of Yugoslavia: leave Kosovo or be killed. "Most villagers run away when they first surrounded us, and those who stayed, they killed them," Bellanica told reporters. "They just didn't believe the police would come and kill people."

Bellanica said he witnessed police order three young men to stop. "And when they did, they started executing them, shooting them one by one. One man was shot in the neck, one had his brains blown out ... the usual thing."

Bellanica sent his wife and three children to safety in Albania, but he stayed behind to try to protect his property. When he realized that was futile, he hid in his basement with his cousin. He said they could hear Serb police — then civilians — looting and burning homes. "I had three neighbors and they were all burned to death," Bellanica said. "One was paralyzed, one was deaf, the other was sick. They were old men, three brothers."

It quieted down Thursday and Bellanica said he ventured out.

"We called some of the others to bury the bodies we saw. At the same time, I was filming," said Bellanica, who made wedding videos before the conflict. "We only managed to bury six bodies because after a half an hour the police came back."



Macedonian police patrol the area around the Kosovar refugee shelter near Blace, about 25 miles northwest of the capital Skopje, where several thousand people are waiting to be registered.

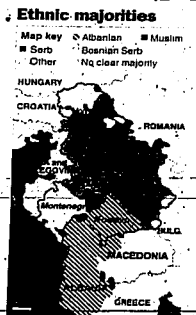
Refugee crisis represents a 'powder keg'

Massive migrations will stir up the volatile mix of ethnic groups in bordering countries

KUKES, Albania (AP) — Fires built by Kosovo refugees dot the soggy fields in a trail of misery that stretches into Albania. It's a suitable analogy for what the latest Balkan blaze could bring to the region: a current of human desperation and political pressures that could drag under neighboring countries and spark trouble directly into the laps of Western leaders.

The gunpoint exodus of Kosovo's ethnic Albanian majority has shaken the tenuous balance of rivalry and authority at the southern end of the Balkans — which remarkably stayed calm while the former Yugoslavia violently disintegrated earlier this decade.

The strains from the largest mass migration in Europe since World War II are already alarmingly evident.



An ethnic Albanian woman and her daughter wait Saturday at the Montenegrino border to cross into Albania after being expelled from Kosovo.

NATO spokesman Jamie Shea estimated "10 to 20 days" is all Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic needs to clear all the ethnic Albanians from Kosovo, where they comprised 90 percent of the nearly 2 million population.

In the hard-scrabble border town of Kukës, destitute and traumatized refugees pour in — sometimes at the rate of 400 an hour. The hospital is so overwhelmed and strapped for supplies that it is forced to remove shrapnel and stitch wounds without anesthesia.

The bakery is working around the clock to churn out bread — the first food most refugees have had for days.

tion, could vent their anger against officials.

Yugoslavia is also grappling with inner turmoil as it tries to withstand a NATO bombardment. There is speculation Milosevic could be planning a coup to depose the Western-oriented government of Montenegro, the smaller partner in the Yugoslav federation.

The cyclone of unrest and instability could yet spin farther afield, analysts say.

U.S. forces in Bosnia-Herzegovina are on high alert after a Yugoslav MiG was downed over the country's airspace last week. Two large garages of American troops are there in within short flying time from Yugoslav air bases.

Greece — a member of NATO and the European Union — is worried large numbers of refugees will eventually be drawn there by its relative prosperity. Also, the Muslim minority in northern Greece could use the eyes to demand greater concessions from the government. A hard-line stance by Greece could bring a harsh reaction from Turkey, a traditional rival and another NATO ally.

"With Kosovo, the stain is in

the pool and the ripples are starting to go out," said Tomerette Taylor, a regional analyst at the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London.

The push of the refugees is a compass to the various troubles in the region.

Follow them to Albania to discover a humanitarian emergency of epic proportions as the refugee population swells to 250,000.

"How can I describe this? Horror, tears, disaster. This is the apocalypse," said Bajram Cezairi, director of the Meridian Hospital in Kukës, where hundreds of refugees arrive each day.

to Kosovo and other cities. NATO is considering sending military to help with the situation.

As the refugees spread out around the country, other concerns are rising: a steep backward arms race and crime.

The Albanian president, implied by the 1997 uprising, Sali Berisha, could use the refugee crisis to increase pressure on the government to give up its power. He could secure aid from neighboring countries and deepen debts to a country with weak central authority and a population well armed with illegal weapons.

"This country cannot take care of itself, let alone all other refugees," said Drenko Vranisnik, a field officer for the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe. "This situation is a powder keg — our job for Albania but the entire area, Macedonia, struggling with the

went front of the refugee displacement is trying to balance between helping the West and avoiding potential domestic unrest.

The nation's Security Council said Saturday that Macedonia had pushed to limit for refugees and the nation's stability was "seriously endangered."

Macedonia had planned to accommodate several thousand refugees. At least 50,000 have been registered and some aid workers place the figure at about 100,000. Many more were reportedly on the way.

Interior Minister Pavle Pajovik said the borders were still open, but Macedonia would only accept refugees that can be transferred to neighboring countries and European Union countries. The said women, children, the elderly and the sick would be cared for in Macedonia.

But the nation's own ethnic Albanian minority, which was just beginning to claw back from total anarchy in 1997 following the collapse of shady investment funds that wiped out many people's life savings.

In Macedonia — the other main route for refugees — the two main ethnic groups are clearly at odds. The government, dominated by Macedonian Slavs, feels under siege and has said it can accept no more outcasts from Kosovo and that any future arrivals must move on to other countries.

U.S. forces in Bosnia-Herzegovina are on high alert after a Yugoslav MiG was downed over the country's airspace last week. Two large garages of American troops are there in within short flying time from Yugoslav air bases.

Greece — a member of NATO and the European Union — is worried large numbers of refugees will eventually be drawn there by its relative prosperity. Also, the Muslim minority in northern Greece could use the eyes to demand greater concessions from the government. A hard-line stance by Greece could bring a harsh reaction from Turkey, a traditional rival and another NATO ally.

"With Kosovo, the stain is in

the pool and the ripples are starting to go out," said Tomerette Taylor, a regional analyst at the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London.

The push of the refugees is a compass to the various troubles in the region.

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"How can I describe this? Horror, tears, disaster. This is the apocalypse," said Bajram Cezairi, director of the Meridian Hospital in Kukës, where hundreds of refugees arrive each day.

"After our newspaper and ourselves only by crumbling mountain roads, the area is a logistical nightmare for relief groups. A makeshift convoy of buses, army vehicles and tractor-pulled refugees down from the mountain to Tirana and other cities. NATO is considering sending military to help with the situation.

As the refugees spread out around the country, other concerns are rising: a steep backward arms race and crime.

The Albanian president, implied by the 1997 uprising, Sali Berisha, could use the refugee crisis to increase pressure on the government to give up its power. He could secure aid from neighboring countries and deepen debts to a country with weak central authority and a population well armed with illegal weapons.

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Poll: Tax instructions are too taxing

Despite IRS efforts, more Americans think tax instructions are more complicated than they were 10 years ago.

FREDERICKSBURG, Va. (AP) — The percentage of Americans who say federal taxes have gotten too complicated has increased significantly over the last three years to almost two-thirds, according to an Associated Press poll.

The Internal Revenue Service acknowledges that an array of new tax credits, deductions and changes in the law has lengthened by several hours the time it takes to fill out an itemized tax return.

In a poll conducted for the AP by ICR of Alexandria, Pa., 66 percent said the federal tax system is too complicated, while 28 percent said it's not. Three years ago, just under half in an AP poll said the tax system was too complicated.

More than half of those surveyed, 55 percent, pay someone else to do their taxes, while 40 percent said they do their taxes themselves, the poll indicated.

"I don't think the average taxpayer should have to ... deal with the expense of having somebody else do their taxes," said 60-year-old electrician John T. Adlon of Fredericksburg, a city in northern Virginia.

Just over half think a flat tax would be a more fair way to tax Americans, the poll suggested, while about four in 10 disagreed.

A third in the poll said they would be willing to give up some deductions to simplify the tax code. But people expecting refunds are less likely to want to do that.

Tax experts say the increasing number of people who have investments in the stock market has influenced the number who need professional tax help.

H&R Block, the nation's largest tax preparation business, reported this week that revenues rose almost 20 percent in the first quarter compared with the same period a year ago.

The major concerns of office workers call the company's policies are tax credits for children, tax credits for education and capital gains taxes, said Linda McDougall, spokeswoman for the Kansas City, Mo., company. Most of the rise in revenues is linked to additional business, not fee increases, she said.

The deadline for filing tax returns is April 15, unless taxpayers file an extension request.

The company has targeted its advertising at the growing confusion faced by the public with ads asking "We know, do you?"

The IRS had to develop 11 new forms and revise 177 others just for last year as President Clinton and Congress pushed new tax credits for specific groups, changes in deductions and capital gains laws.

The complexity has driven Charles Embrey, a 40-year-old factory worker from Fredericksburg, to start paying for tax help in recent years.

Explaining the current system of graduated taxes with a flat tax is a tempting way to make things easier, he said. But he fears a flat-tax system would be too easy on the rich.

"With my income, I don't prefer a flat tax," he said. "They charge me one rate and somebody making \$70,000 or \$80,000 a year would pay the same rate."

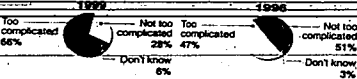
Six out of 10 of those in the AP poll say they expect to get a refund, while just over a fourth say they must pay more than was taken out of their paychecks. A majority of both those who have to pay and those who are owed money by the IRS, said the sys-

Associated Press Poll

Taxing taxes

The number of Americans who say federal taxes have become too complicated has increased since 1995.

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NOTE: The Associated Press poll is based on telephone interviews with 1,012 randomly selected adults from all states except Alaska and Hawaii. The interviewing was conducted March 26-30 by ICR of Alexandria, Pa. The results have been weighted to represent the population by key demographic factors such as race, sex, region and education. No more than one item in 20 should chance variations in the sample or otherwise be likely to vary by more than 3 percentage points from the amount that would be obtained if a census of Americans were counted. There are other sources of sampling error in polls, including the wording and order of questions. More details go to www.apcentral.com.

tem is too complicated. The poll of 1,012 people was taken March 26-30 and has an error margin of plus or minus 3 percentage points. Just a decade ago, the number

who paid for tax help was a large portion of the population, but was still in the minority, said Pete Sepp, a spokesman for the National Taxpayers Union.

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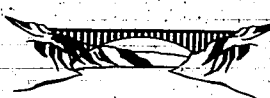
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Fast food chain gives Rodman's endorsements another chance

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP)—After being twice benched by the fast-food chain Carl's Jr., Dennis Rodman is getting another chance to endorse the chain.

Rodman's TV commercials for the company's Super Star hamburger will begin airing next week, two years after they supposedly were pulled for good.

"He's back for a 10-month engagement," said Scott Brown, spokeswoman for Carl's Jr. parent CKE Restaurants Inc. in Anaheim.

She refused to say how much the Los Angeles Lakers forward will be paid.

Rodman's commercials were pulled temporarily in January 1997 after he kicked a cameraman in the groin. Then, in June 1997 the chain said it was pulling the spots permanently after Rodman made disparaging remarks about Mormons while playing in Salt Lake City.

Roger Ebert will screen overlooked movies

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.—It has neither the prestige nor the national heave of Cannes and Sundance, but the Overlooked Film Festival does have Roger Ebert.

The film critic will screen 10 movies he considers overlooked by studios, audiences and critics. The festival will run April 21-25 at the University of Illinois and at a downtown movie house.

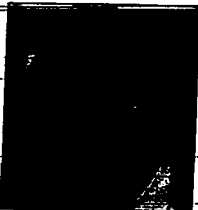
Ebert believes Hollywood focuses on movies designed to grab a quick gross on their opening weekend, rather than allowing films slowly to build an audience.

Most popular movies are about the mainstream, he said, stories with which the majority of people identify. By doing that, he believes the public doesn't get to explore different emotions, cultures and religions.

"Movies can show us what it's like to live in another skin or in a different time or place or under other conditions," he said. "You can sit there in the dark and participate in other people's lives."

Among the films Ebert picked: the silent classic "Barbership

People in the news



Jon Provost played Timmy on 'Lassie', 'Porky' and 'Dance Me to the Song', an Australian film about a

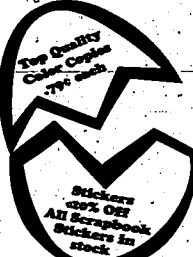
young woman with cerebral palsy who is trapped psychologically by a cruel caregiver.

'Lassie' star Jon Provost marries writer-producer

LOS ANGELES—Jon Provost, who played Timmy on the old "Lassie" TV series, has exchanged wedding vows with writer-producer Laurie Jacobson. The two married on Wednesday at a restaurant in Hollywood after a three-year long-distance relationship, according to a statement released Friday by Provost's publicist.

Provost, 49, played Timmy for seven years. Ms. Jacobson, 45, has written several books on Hollywood's history and produced several TV programs, including the "20th Anniversary of the Mary Tyler Moore Show."

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NATION

Gore aims to obviate past funding woes

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — One night, a marshy image from Al Gore's last campaign is coming back to haunt him.

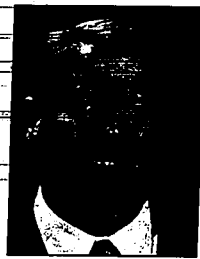
Surrounded by saffron-robed monks and nuns in front of a Buddhist temple outside Los Angeles, the vice president stood smiling under a blinding sun as a Democratic Party fund-raiser that would come to epitomize the 1996 campaign finance scandal.

As Gore moves to solicit millions of dollars for his 2000 presidential run, he is all too aware that this video clip looms as the focus of future Republican attacks. Indeed, 10 months before the first primary, some GOP presidential aspirants already are lambasting Gore's fund-raising practices.

Strung by the assaults, the vice president and his top lieutenants have adopted a strategy of aggressive self-policing to prevent a repeat of the myriad disasters that marred the Clinton-Gore reelection.

Gore's plan stands out in the push-to-the-limit world of fund raising because it goes beyond restrictions imposed by other presidential campaigns, past and present. It requires background checks on hundreds of high-powered volunteer fund-raisers, who also must undergo special training on election laws, according to Gore aides. Donors given close access to the vice president also will be screened, and checks made out to the Gore campaign will be carefully checked for foreign money and other possibly-unsafe donations.

Moreover, Gore has pledged



Al Gore — Hopes to avoid past problems

not to make telephone solicitations from his government office. Previous calls from the White House created problems for the vice president.

"This is going to be unusual lengths," said Ellen S. Miller, executive director of Public Campaign, and a longtime student of campaign finance. "It shows

that Al Gore has been sensitized to how bad the money and politics scandals of 1996 really were. ... He can afford no missteps here."

While elaborate precautions may be necessary to inoculate the Gore campaign from further scandal, some Republicans say the same measures are not needed for the rest of the field.

"For (Democratic presidential candidate) Bill Bradley and all the Republican challengers who

have never gone out and broken federal election laws, common sense prescriptions solve the problem," said Steve Schmidt, spokesman for former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander.

And, in any case, Republicans are poised to hammer Gore for his role in the 1996 campaign finance scandal.

"I intend to make it an issue because I'm outraged by it," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a champion of campaign finance reform and a presidential aspirant.

A further test of Gore's resolve to avoid fund-raising pitfalls will come when he seeks to raise large sums for the Democratic Party if he wins the nomination.

Most of the major controversies during the 1996 campaign arose from the Democratic National Committee's pursuit of more than \$100 million in unrestricted "soft

money" donations from corporations, labor unions and wealthy donors. Gore already has said that he will play an active role in such a push next year.

In contrast, individual contributions in the presidential primary campaign are limited by law to \$1,000, and the general election campaigns of the presidential nominees are paid for entirely with public funds.

Gore's fund-raising mandate for his front-running primary campaign is this: Rapidly amass the approximately \$55 million that a candidate can legally collect but, in the process, do no harm.

"We have to be very cognizant that we're operating in a different environment than we did in 1996," said Craig Smith, Gore's campaign manager and a former White House political director. "The scrutiny will be much greater."

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Campaign against police brutality arrives in D.C.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Protesters against police brutality turned their attention from New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani to President Clinton on Saturday as some 2,500 demonstrators marched in Washington calling for the president and Congress to help combat police abuses.

Demonstrators gathered outside the Martin Luther King Jr. Library and walked about one mile to the steps of the Capitol, chanting "no justice no peace, no more racist police and let's stop the Klan in blue."

Although the rally was intended to call for changes to abusive police practices nationwide, it was spurred by the shooting of Amadou Diallo, which has riveted national attention on the troubled New York City Police Department.

Buttons, T-shirts, fliers and posters with Diallo's picture or name were everywhere in the

sea of demonstrators.

The crowd frequently erupted into simple cries of "Amadou,"

Four New York City police officers were arraigned on second-degree murder charges in Diallo's death last week. The officers fired 41 shots at the unarmed West African immigrant, hitting him 19 times. The shooting set off a wave of protests in New York City at which some 1,200 people were arrested on civil disobedience charges for blocking access to police headquarters.

A spokeswoman for the Manhattan District Attorney's Office said Saturday those protesters would likely not be prosecuted.

The organizer of attention on these protests, the Rev. Al Sharpton, received a rousing welcome at the sun-drenched Washington rally as he arrived in the late afternoon with members of the Diallo family.

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Twin 11-year-olds allegedly kill their father

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Eleven-year-old twin brothers were spending the weekend in separate juvenile detention centers after being charged with killing their father and wounding their mother and sister. Attorneys said they were trying to learn what set off the violence. Authorities say their shooting rampage after emptying a 32-caliber pistol.

"We don't know what the spark was," Vance County Sheriff Thomas Breedlove said. "There had to be one, but we're still looking for it."

William Harvey Bawcum Jr., 46, was gunned down Thursday night while rushing up a flight of steps to a bedroom where his wife had been shot in their home in

Kittrell, about 35 miles north of Raleigh.

Deborah Bawcum, 45, was in good condition Saturday at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, where she recovered from a bullet wound to the right arm. Robin Bawcum, 16, was in fair condition at the same hospital.

The twins' whose names were not released, were each charged Friday with murder and two counts of assault with a deadly weapon.

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Japanese protest U.S. military ties

TOKYO — More than 500 people marched through central Tokyo on Saturday to protest Japan's military alliance with the United States.

Anti-war activists and leaders of groups opposed to the U.S. group presence in Japan addressed the marchers at the headquarters of the left-wing Social Democratic party.

They called on the government to scrap the so-called "defense mutual aid" bill, arguing that such laws would violate the nation's pacifist constitution. "By passing these laws we would only be paving the way to war," said Seko Shimabuzumi, a member of Japan's upper house of Parliament from Okinawa, where opposition to the bills is strong.

Japan's constitution doesn't allow the country to wage war and pacifist sentiment has been strong since the country's defeat in the war.

Still, the country maintains a well-equipped military to defend against armed attack, and protesters said they would not accept that purpose of the guidelines would give the forces more power.

Empty rafts detected, but no sign of survivors
COLOMBO, Sri Lanka — Rescuers looking for survivors of a North Korean vessel that sank after colliding with a South Korean ship located two empty life-rafts, Sri Lankan officials said Saturday.

"We now believe that the worst has happened," said S. Sumanaratne, the chief officer of Colombo Radio, which relays distress calls and coordinates port-related services.

The North Korean vessel with 39 crewmen on board collided with a South Korean ship late Wednesday about 330 miles east of Sri Lanka's southern port city of Galle. Two North Korean seamen were picked up by the South Korean ship that docked at Colombo port Friday.

Official sentenced to death in bridge collapse
BEIJING — In a nationally televised live court case about a bridge collapse that shocked China, a court sentenced a local Communist Party official to death and 12 others to prison terms ranging from three to 13 years on Saturday.

The 47-year-old intermediate People's Court in Chongqing, a city in southwestern China, sentenced Lin Shiyuan, 37, to death for overseeing, building and destruction of duty, state television news reported.

Earlier reports in the government-controlled media said Lin was accused of taking \$12,000 in bribes to award the building contract for the bridge to a childhood friend.

The Jan. 4 collapse of the 3-year-old bridge, outside Chongqing killed at least 40 people and injured 74. It was one of China's worst accidents, blamed on shoddy construction.

Panic spreads in villages as lava falls down volcano

YAOUNDE, Cameroon — Lava snaked down the side of erupting Mount Cameroon last night on Saturday, threatening three nearby villages, state radio said.

The lava is flowing westward down the mountain at the rate of 2-3 yards per minute, according to virgin rainforest as heads toward the villages of Bakouma, Baka and Idouma.

State radio said the lava could reach Bakouma in four to five days. Authorities, who said 2,500 area residents could be directly affected by the eruptions, have already started evacuating some 1,000 people from western coastal villages after vents on the volcano erupted Thursday, thickening the air with ash.

FEEDING AN ORPHAN



Mishaki Ntumi feeds five-week-old Natumi with formula at an animal orphanage in Nairobi National Park, Kenya. Natumi, whose mother was shot in unclear circumstances, probably because she wandered too close to a farmer's property, will remain in the care of the refuge for one year, before being relocated and eventually released to join a herd.

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Mile Marker 882 - Rice Island

Near the mouth of the Columbia, where the fresh river water begins blending into the salt water of the Pacific, there is a man-made island. It's called Rice Island. Rice Island is composed of dredged material from the Corps of Engineers dredging operations within the Columbia River and it is a perfect habitat for a bird called the Caspian Tern. In fact, over the years, Rice Island has become so perfect a habitat that it is now considered the world's largest Caspian Tern colony.

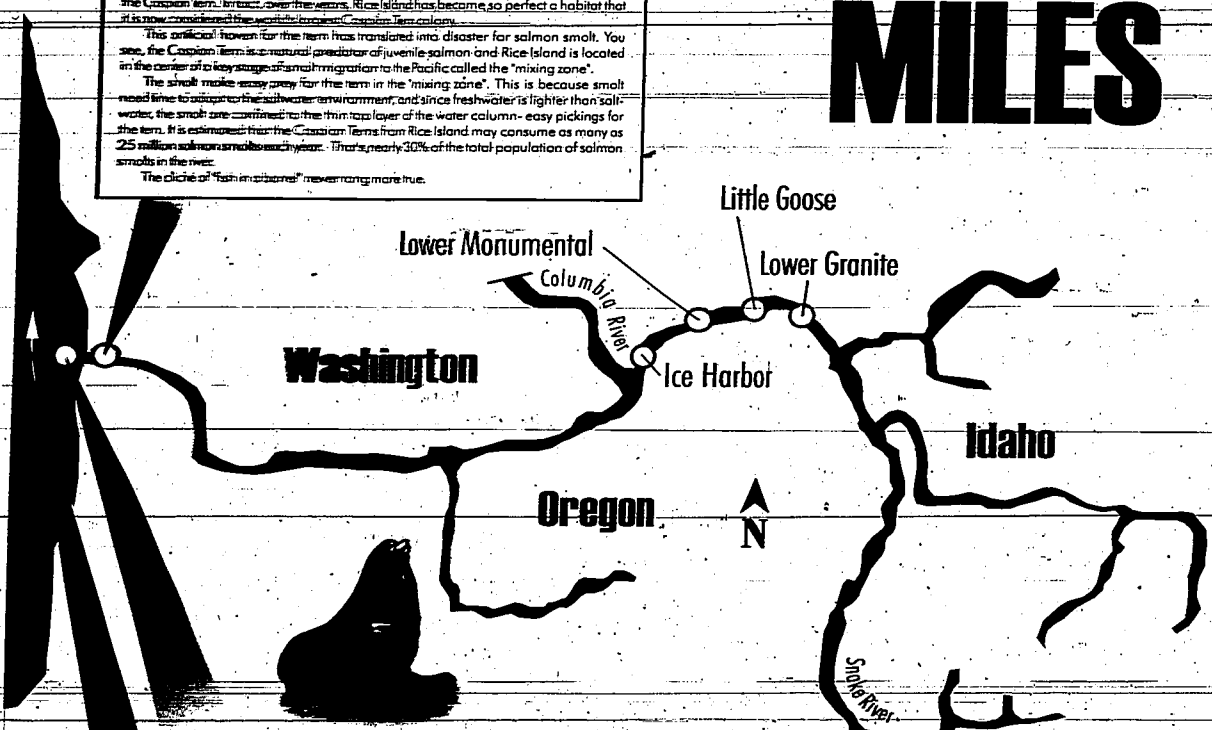
This artificial haven for the tern has translated into disaster for salmon smolt. You see, the Caspian Tern is a natural predator of juvenile salmon and Rice Island is located in the center of a key stage of salmon migration to the Pacific called the "mixing zone".

The smolt make easy prey for the tern in the "mixing zone". This is because smolt need time to adapt to the saltwater environment, and since freshwater is lighter than saltwater, the smolt are confined to the thin top layer of the water column - easy pickings for the tern. It is estimated that the Caspian Terns from Rice Island may consume as many as 2.5 million salmon smolts each year. That's nearly 30% of the total population of salmon smolts in the river.

The cliché of "fish eat babies" never rang more true.

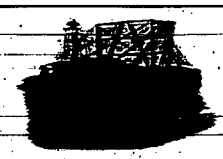
CURRENTLY, EFFORTS TO SAVE ANADROMOUS FISH ARE FOCUSED ON BREACHING 4 DAMS IN THE 100 MILES OF THE SNAKE RIVER STRETCHING FROM THE LOWER GRANITE TO THE ICE HARBOR DAM. THE LIFECYCLE OF THESE FISH, HOWEVER, COVERS 5,000 MILES OF WATERWAY - FROM THE SMALLEST STREAMS TO THE OPEN OCEAN AND BACK TO SPAWNING GROUNDS. HERE ARE JUST THREE OF THE DOZENS OF THREATS, NATURAL AND OTHERWISE, THAT AWAIT THE PACIFIC SALMON IN

THE OTHER 1000 MILES



Mile Marker 901 - Northwest Coastal Waters

At the end of their arduous journey to sea, on the threshold of open ocean, the salmon smolt face yet another voracious predator - the sea lion. The West Coast sea lion population has exploded in recent years from less than 7,000 to 170,000, a result of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 and the September 1993 expansion of the legal incidental taking of marine mammals during commercial fishing. Sea lions alone are known to consume over 5,000 metric tons of Pacific Salmon each year.



Mile Marker 902 - 4,098 - Open Ocean

Just as predators kill fish, killing fish also kills fish. A truism perhaps, but one that is significant in this case. We are desperately trying to save a species that is still aggressively harvested by industrial, recreational, and traditional fishermen for its value as a food source.

When the Columbia Snake River fish enter the Pacific Ocean, they turn northward to begin the two- or three-year phase of their lifecycle before returning to the rivers to spawn. They migrate north along the Canadian and Alaska coast to the Aleutian Islands and then out to sea. The salmon return along the same migratory path. This path is a groundswell with fishermen. Some take endangered or threatened stocks of Pacific Salmon deliberately and others take them by non-selective harvest as a bycatch. This is in addition to all the fisheries in the open ocean that are beyond any U.S. federal regulation where endangered and threatened species are routinely harvested.

Save Fish and Dams

The idea of breaching the 4 dams on the Lower Snake River as an anadromous fish recovery strategy is an attempt to solve a 5,000 mile problem with a 100 mile non-solution. It is clear that the lifecycle of the Pacific Salmon, and threats to it, extend well beyond the 100 mile stretch of water between the Lower Granite and Ice Harbor dams.

Recovery of the anadromous fish can only occur when we consider all phases of its lifecycle and adopt a plan that will incrementally address each of the factors, while, at the same time preserving the lives and livelihoods of rural communities and rural families.

OPINION

LETTER

We'll miss you, Dr. Miles
 We, too, are big fans of Dr. Paul Miles. We also miss Dr. Miles, with the help of God, send our young son's life in the early '70s. His gentleness and concern meant so much through those difficult times.
 There was an incident many years ago when a family, just passing through town, had a very sick baby. Our church was rallying to help them. We called Dr. Miles as it rained might and he drove immediately to Kimberly to attend to the baby. That's the kind of man he is, and we thank him for that. We'll miss you, Dr. Miles, but wish you and your family much happiness and many blessings ahead.
KATHY AND BEN NEFF
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Tobacco ruling snuffs out personal responsibility

According to the sworn testimony of his wife and friends, schoolmate Jesse Williams started smoking Marlboros in 1955, and quickly moved up to three packs a day.
 In the movie and TV shows of that era, characters often referred to cigarettes as "coffin caps." So did people who visited bars, as in "Hey, Joe, let me buy a coffin nail from you."
 Jesse Williams didn't pay much attention. He kept on smoking—three packs a day—starting in the morning and pulling the first of 60 cigarettes out of the red and white pack, and carefully lighting it. And then a second and then a third, and then a . . .
 In 1964, U.S. Surgeon General Luther Terry released his Report on Smoking and the federal government began requiring cigarette makers to print "hazardous to your health" warning labels on cigarettes.

Jesse Williams kept on smoking. He was literate, he could, in fact, have read the warning label every time he pulled the pack out of his shirt pocket, but he kept on smoking. Sixty cigarettes—each and every day.
 Years went by. Studies were released by leading medical schools and government agencies concluding that heavy smoking was associated with lung cancer, throat cancer, increased risk of heart disease, emphysema, high blood pressure. They were trumpeted on the nightly news. They popped out at us out from newspaper headlines.

Jesse Williams kept on smoking—apparently oblivious to it all.
 The American Cancer Society began staging annual "Great American Smokersouts," and Gerry Trudeau began campaigning about the perils of cigarettes in his nationally syndicated comic strip, "Dooonesbury." The EPA began issuing warnings about the dangers of secondhand smoke.

Millions of Americans were paying attention. More than 50 million quit smoking over the last two decades alone. Millions of others cut back—way back.

For some it was piece of a cake, for others it was "a walk on the wild side." But they thought of their loved ones and they thought of themselves—and they did it. Jesse Williams kept on smoking. His health deteriorated, and deteriorated. He died two years ago at age 67, just five months after he was diagnosed with small-cell carcinoma, the deadliest form of lung cancer. His tombstone does not bear the inscription, "A life lived in moderation."
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Surely—count 'em—60 cigarettes every day for 42 years, according to an Associated Press report. Don't have a calculator handy? Let me save you the trouble. That comes out to 919,800 cigarettes. Average smoking time for just one of those cigarettes—five minutes, give or take.
 Now some might ask: How can a responsible person find the time to light up a cigarette 60 times a day and discharge his responsibility to his employer, to his family, to himself?

DAVID K. MARTIN

His widow, Mayola Williams, knew who was to blame for Jesse's early demise. She knew who was to blame even before plaintiff's attorney Raymond Thomas showed up at her door.
 Not her Jesse. No way! He was a victim. He couldn't help it.
 The Marlboro Man, that's who. The Marlboro Man and, of course, his creator Phillip Morris Inc.—they were to blame. They deserved to pay. And they did.
 On March 20, a disparate group of Oregonians mustered out of a jury room and awarded Mayola Williams and her offspring \$81 million.
 \$1.6 million in compensatory damages to cover actual injury, and an additional \$79.5 million in

punitive damages—in present Phillip Morris for smacking Jesse 919,800 times during his lifetime.
 Tempting, perhaps. Smoke 60 cigarettes a day for 42 years and in the end, your family can cash a big check and head off to Hawaii.
 Tempting, perhaps—but not for most Americans. Not for the hard-working ones of us who believe in personal responsibility.

ty, who really believe that being personally responsible just comes down to saying, "no."
 David K. Martin is a former Associated Press reporter and Rocky Mountain News editor who now writes about legal, environmental and health affairs as an independent journalist based in the nation's capital.

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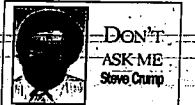
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Dear Mr. Bonann:

I have read with considerable sadness of your difficulties in finding a suitable location to shoot the ninth season of "Baywatch."

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It seems to me that scenic Murtaugh Lake would be the ideal setting for the buxom and bronzed who thrill so many millions of TV viewers every week.



But enough about David Hasselhoff. It's true that very little surf laps at the shores of Murtaugh Lake, but we do have a lot of fellers here with Evinrudes. I'm sure if we all got together and cranked up the engines at the same time, it would provide plenty of chop for your purposes.

We'd be proud to do it at any time convenient to your shooting schedule as long as you wrap it up before the lake goes dry in October.

And there are other advantages:

- While the folks in Avalon, Australia, can your cast and crew off for despoiling their pristine beaches, that ain't a problem here. Nobody'd care a bit if you tracked up the mudflats at Murtaugh Lake.
- While the Teamsters union in Hawaii wouldn't agree to a pay cut in order to attract "Baywatch," we only do 14 Teamsters in this valley and none of 'em swim. Most locals would be privileged to carry Jasmine Bleeth's towel at absolutely no charge.
- Murtaugh Lake is real unspoiled, if you don't count algae, July and August.
- No nubber neckers until school lets out at 3 and they've done their chores.
- We'll run Busmasters off and me 'em hold their derby at Wilson Lake this year.
- "Hardbody" is a term often associated with Twin Falls County, though in these parts it usually means a pickup truck (1970).
- While few of us have wash-board abs, many of us have washboards.
- We got no worries simulating typhoons here.
- We agree to keep ditchriders out of your shores.
- The words "highlife" and "Burlley" are practically synonymous.
- Don't worry none about the beaches at Murtaugh Lake; there's maybe three dozen playgrounds within 20 miles, and they-all got sandboxes.
- It hasn't rained here during the summer months since August.
- If you need to make this look like Malibu, we'll have the Toros in the dunk arena, beach umbrellas on the back patio.
- Need to hire extras? No sweat. Water-skiing is still snowboarding without the snow.
- But we promise that none of the locals will take their shirts off, exposing all that 'pasty skin and hairy chest' to the cameras.
- If all them cows get in the way, we'll make 'em blend in by paintin' 'Lexus' on their sides.
- Don't be a dick in as center pivots; think of 'em as golf course sprinklers.
- While we don't actually have a shark for the shark attack scenes, we do have a tough-looking surgeon.
- If you run out of Coppertone, we'll play you some oil.
- Mr. Bonann, will receive a key to the city, and on the opening day of fishing season, the honor of throwing out the first chum.
- Play your cards right, and we'll get you a cameo in "Breakfast of Champions II: Lunch Is Served," which will begin shooting in Twin Falls sometime after Nick Nolte becomes mayor.

Please see BAYWATCH, Page B3.

And the hunt is on...

Kids scramble for Easter eggs

By Mark Helz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Under a steel gray sky early Saturday, a hard-boiled crowd of competitors gathered in Twin Falls City Park.

Struck up along the yellow-colored barrier tape, they jostled for position and eyed the field of contest. Fingers-tightened around handles of the buckets and baskets the young hunters hoped to soon fill with the bounty of the day.

Some were out there among the brightly-colored tidbits lurked the real prizes. Coated in gold spray paint, they carried cash value. The scramble for them wasn't going to be over easy.

So the contestants sizzled with anticipation and waited for the "go" signal to crack the tension.

The Easter egg hunt begins in five minutes," a megaphone-amplified voice announced.

Members of the Twin Falls Optimists Club had placed one special egg in each of the "hunt" areas, which were broken down by age category.

And the children who came for the hunt were ready to shell out whatever much time and energy it took to get those golden eggs.

The signal-blast from a police car's siren finally came, and the children thundered forth.

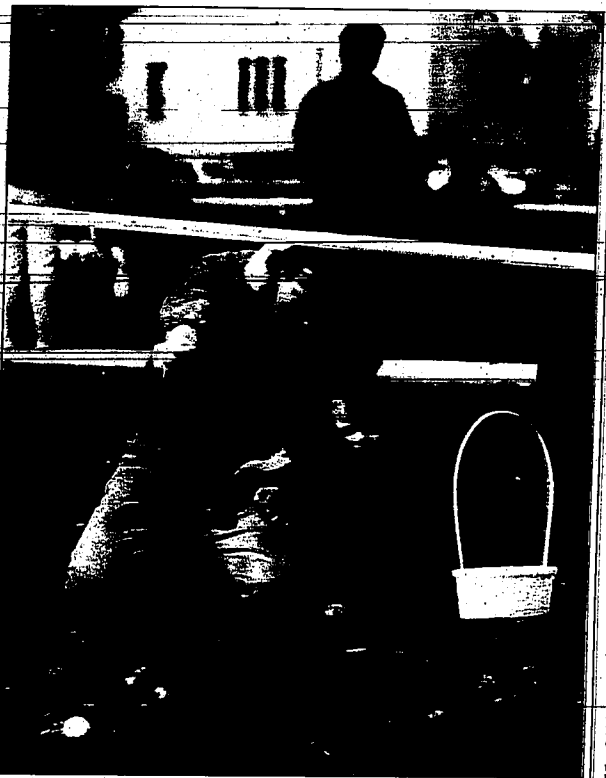
Many an egg was trampled into a plattered mess as race heated up. Some young egos were weat by the agony of defeat, and sobbing boys and girls trod back to their parents for reassurance.

"I got a golden egg!" crowed six-year-old Jordan McCully of Jerome as he raced back to his father, Tom McCully.

Jordan said he spied the prize egg nestled under some leaves and "white pine cut."

"I was running and I kicked the stuff and I saw it and I picked it up and kept running," Jordan said of his winning move.

As things simmered down, Lindsey Sexton, 3, of Denver shuffled away from the mix with a heavy basket.



Dennis Lewis gives his son Danny, 3, some pointers before the start of the annual Easter egg hunt in Twin Falls City Park Saturday.

In Twin Falls to visit her grandfather, Lindsey was no chicken, said her father, Andy Sexton. After stepping up the pecking order to hunt in her

and other sisters' age category, she had come along with five eggs.

Deciding to comment about her exploits, Lindsey went the other way and said her expression of

in growth is appropriate.

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Home Depot eyes TF

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The world's largest home-improvement retailer might open a store in Twin Falls, but not until it sees how its other Idaho outlets are doing.

The Home Depot, based in Atlanta, plans to open its fourth Idaho location in Coeur d'Alene in mid-May, said spokeswoman Amy Friend in Orange County, Calif.

The company is looking at several Twin Falls sites but won't decide until after the North Idaho store opens, she said.

"It could be much longer than that, too," Friend said.

The warehouse-retailer's stores in Boise, Idaho Falls and Meridian are among 742 locations in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico and Chile, its Web site says. The chain expects to operate more than 1,500 stores in the Americas by the end of 2002.

The Home Depot stores each stock 40,000 to 50,000 kinds of building materials, home-improvement supplies and lawn and garden products.

Talk of new competition has circulated in Twin Falls.

"We've heard the rumors," said Mike Rinard, Franklin Building Supply's president of former-Valco operations in Burley, Gooding, Jerome and Twin Falls. But he doesn't expect to see much effect on business.

The Home Depot is oriented to the do-it-yourselfer, while Franklin targets the builder or other professional, he said. In Boise, the Home-Depot opened up just around the corner from a Franklin location, and it didn't depress sales at all.

"I think all the local folks (in the building-supply industry) have developed a niche," Rinard said.

Anderson Lumber Co. he predicts, would feel the most competition if The Home Depot comes to Twin Falls.

"I'm sure that we would be impacted by it," said Stephen Hartman, vice president of Mer-

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Higer leaves Cassia judge job vacant

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

BURLEY - As Nathan Higer packs up and moves out of the Cassia County courthouse, someone else will have to replace him.

Higer, appointed to a district judge's position Tuesday, will leave his 22-year job as a magistrate judge.

Higer's departure offers an opening to local lawyers who want to be shot at being a magistrate judge.

"There is some interest expressed in the community," said Paul Christensen, Cassia County commissioner and member of the 5th District Magistrate Commission, which will choose the new judge.

No formal applications have been sent in yet, Christensen said.

The Idaho Supreme Court will issue a notice to 5th District District lawyers and judges interested in district judge positions.

Raymundo Pena, a Minidoka County defense attorney, said he might be interested. Pena has applied for district judge positions, but never before for a magistrate judge's position.

"It's something I've considered," Pena said. "I haven't decided yet if I will apply or not."

The process of reviewing applications, interviewing candidates and making a decision on who gets Higer's old job could take more than six weeks, said Roy Holloway, Cassia County magistrate judge.

"Once the Magistrate Commission makes the appointment, there may be a delay in how quickly the appointee can



Nathan Higer step into the position," Holloway said. "It could take at least 30 days for the new appointee to wrap up their own practice."

Holloway, who made the transition from lawyer to magistrate judge in 1976, said most candidates for Higer's old job will likely be lawyers. A sitting judge would rarely apply for the job.

Applicants for the job must be at least 30 years of age, have at least five years' experience practicing law, be a member in good standing of the Idaho Bar Association, and live in Cassia County.

A newly selected judge will be on probation for 18 months. During this time, the Magistrate Commission can remove the appointee from office, Holloway said.

If all goes well, someone should be ready to take Higer's job by June 17, Holloway said.

Times-News staff writer John T. Huddy can be reached at 67-4042.

Downtown leaders press for place on historic registry

By Michael Henry
Times-News columnist

TWIN FALLS - History-minded business leaders are pushing for the establishment of a registered historic district in downtown Twin Falls.

At least that's the opinion of some people who want a registered commercial historic district in downtown Twin Falls.

The possibility of being placed on an historic register was why the Twin Falls City Historic Preservation Commission was formed.

In November 1987, the commission was organized by Elizabeth

Giraud, a preservation planner with the Salt Lake City Planning Division, to do a study on the feasibility of placing downtown Twin Falls places on a register. The completed report was approved by the State Historical Society, said Paul Smith, the commission's chairman.

The commission still has some work to do before the district can be created. The commission is paying Giraud \$8,000 to complete a final study and nomination list of the buildings to be included under Twin Falls National

Park Service grant and the other half came from the Twin Falls City Council, Smith said.

Giraud is doing a detailed historical examination of each of the 58 properties in the proposed register area. After the report is completed, Giraud and Smith will take it to the Park Service for final approval.

Out of 59 properties in the proposed National Register Historic District, 34 of the buildings were determined eligible to be part of the historic district, Giraud said.

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Land trade pleases school officials

By Stephen R. Rodriguez
Times-News writer

THEY'VE BEEN - Thanks to a generous donation from a local business owner, the school district is pleased to have a new playground area.

A land swap with Roger and Virginia Deam of Fishburn and a gift of adjacent property by the J.R. Simpson Co. will put the school's playground where it should be, near to the building and just across the street.

Roger Deam said the land was coming from money and wasn't backing the school. It was part of the swap.

The joint was going to sell it, but some something he didn't like. Someone would have to own a large parcel to get to the playground. The swap would allow the school to have to cross the street to play in.



Shoshone County School District Superintendent Nick Hallert stands near Roger and Virginia Deam. The swap will let the school build a playground its students won't have to cross the street to play in.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Utah's courts test new form of electronic filing

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — It usually takes a trip downtown...

But these days Carol Earl just sits on her computer to send briefs across Utah's new electronic filing system. In two minutes she has a message back from the court acknowledging the information has been received and the database automatically updated.

Earl is testing a prototype of the Web-based system expected to become the norm for courts in Utah and possibly other states. The county DA's office first used the system February 5, and has filed at least 11 cases electronically since starting up in earnest March 23.

"I think that electronic filing will eventually just be the way to file papers," said Earl, who used to be a filer herself and is now Information Systems Coordinator for the DA's office. "It's like the fax machine. None of us can live without the fax, and some day it will be like that for electronic filing."

Many states are already using electronic filing in some form. What makes Utah's system new and exciting, experts say, are the applications it uses: filings are directed to the right place and entered into court databases without a clerk ever having to read them.

Earlier than have an officer drive the information to the court, where a clerk would authenticate it and enter it into the record, Earl uses a software that "tags" the document for the court's computer and adds a cyber-signature to prove it came from her. The technology was developed by Illumin, an Oregon-based company.

"We're kind of one of the pioneers," said Ron Yoshinaga, Utah's information director for the Utah courts.



Carol Earl, information systems coordinator for the Salt Lake County district attorney's office, tests a new electronic filing system for the courts Friday in Salt Lake City.

courts. While most systems work like an electronic fax, transmitting a message that must be filed the old-fashioned way, Yoshinaga said Utah's system is unique because it is "hands-free."

It's also more flexible because the software, a complex version of the HTML application used to create Web sites called XML, allows certain chunks of data to be coded as private.

Police nab one suspect in burglaries

LEWISTON (AP) — Police have arrested one of two men who are suspected in a string of thefts that netted hundreds of thousands of dollars and spanned eight counties.

Mark Jerome Pfeiffer, 38, was taken into custody without incident Friday at his mother's home.

Pfeiffer apparently had been out of the area when news broke Thursday of his alleged involvement in the thefts. He told officers he was on his way to a meeting with his attorney to arrange for his surrender when police arrived.

In addition to the \$100,000 arrest warrant from Whitman

County, Wash., he is facing a Kootenai County warrant on felony charges of methamphetamine trafficking or methamphetamine possession.

Still at large is Anthony Jim Bradley, 48, also charged in the case. In addition to Whitman County charges, Bradley is wanted in Snake County, Calif., on methamphetamine and weapons charges.

Bradley, who has several aliases including "Pete" (Anthony Lamont), is believed to be in the Sandpoint area and is considered dangerous. The men stole flatbed and pickup trucks, heavy equipment,

trailers, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles and tools worth at least \$1 million in November 1998 burglaries across the Inland Northwest.

The property was stolen from car dealerships, storage units, businesses and public agencies, including Idaho Department of Fish and Game, the city of Lewiston, Idaho Department of Lands and the University of Idaho.

At least five other suspects have been identified in the string of burglaries and at least 15 different agencies, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, have been involved in the case.

Woman sues Salt Lake paper over reporter's call

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A woman who claims a reporter wrongly told her that her son was murdered is suing The Salt Lake Tribune and one of its reporters.

In a lawsuit filed Thursday in 3rd District Court, Loraine Gauntney claims that the collapsed and went into shock when reporter Mike Vigh informed her that her son, Gary Gauntney, had been killed.

The lawsuit accuses Vigh and the newspaper of "outrageous and intolerable" conduct that has caused her continuing medical and psychiatric ailments.

According to the lawsuit, Gauntney received a telephone call in November 1998 from a person inquiring if she knew someone by the name of Gary Gauntney. She was told the caller that Gary Gauntney was her son and asked why he wanted to know.

Vigh replied by introducing himself as a reporter for the defendant Salt Lake Tribune and telling the plaintiff that her son had been murdered in a few hours earlier," the lawsuit said.

After recovering from the shock, Gauntney said she "discovered" that the information given by Vigh was erroneous.

The Gary Gauntney who was shot to death at a Kearns home Nov. 11, 1998, wasn't her son, but her grandson, said her attorney, Jon Williams.

Gauntney said in the lawsuit that she has had to seek medical and psychiatric treatment for "severe anxiety, nightmares, anguish, shock, intense sweating, loss of sleep and difficulty breathing."

The lawsuit is seeking payment of Gauntney's medical expenses and special and punitive damages to be established at trial.

The newspaper's executive news editor, Tim Fitzpatrick, declined to comment on Saturday. "We have not been served with the summons," he said.

Vigh acknowledges making the phone call on Nov. 11, but denies telling Gauntney or her husband that their son had been killed. After asking if Gary Gauntney was her son, Vigh said the woman expressed immediate alarm, asking "Why, what's happened?"

Vigh, believing the murdered Gary was her son, says he realized officers had not contacted Mrs. Gauntney and he suggested she call the Salt Lake Sheriff's Department.

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William Doran Combs of Heyburn, 11 a.m. Monday at Heyburn LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Church. Friends may call 6:30 a.m. Monday at Payne Mortuary in Twin Falls and 10-10:45 a.m. before the funeral at the church.

Mabel Halley TWIN FALLS - Mabel Halley, 84, of Twin Falls, died Friday, April 2, 1999, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Graveside services for Mabel will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park with Rev. Johnny Hanchey officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER - Some names are omitted at patient's request. Admitted William Emerson and Jose Garcia, both of Twin Falls. Released Elsie Robinson of Buhl.

CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER - A baby was born to Joey and Bonny Christiansen and Andrew Glen of Burley.

OBITUARIES

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

BUHL

Dorothy J. Wolf, 77, a longtime resident of Buhl, Idaho, died March 28, 1999, at the Buhl, Idaho, Care Center after an extended illness. Dorothy was born in Rupert, Idaho, on August 15, 1921, to Lester and Anna Allen. She graduated from Buhl High School in 1940 and attended Woodbury College in Los Angeles, majoring in educational art. She returned after college to Buhl and worked at Borngut Drug Store, the telephone company, and was a bookkeeper for local potato growers. On July 24, 1943, Dorothy married Glen. Her daughter, Glenn, worked as a partner for the Buhl Herald together they had three children, Bob, Jim and Kathy. She enjoyed painting, singing, playing the piano, cooking, reading, gardening and being of service to others. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. She is survived by her daughter, Kathy Wolf of Buhl, son, Bob Wolf, whereabouts unknown, and a cousin, Helen Wolf, Buhl. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her son, Jim.

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1938, he married Almada Stutzman in Crystal Springs, Kansas. In 1947, he and his brother Dan moved their families to Filer. He engaged in farming there until 1962, when Clarence left farming and started a retail sales firm. In 1963, he moved his family to Salt Lake City, Utah, to pursue opportunities in sales. In 1971, Clarence and Almada divorced and Clarence moved to Houston, Texas. He retired in 1989 and returned to Filer. His retirement years were spent working in his wood-shop, where he created numerous unique creations. He is survived by his son, Jore (Sherry) of Meridian, daughters, Helen of Provo, Utah, and Gladys (Gale) of Park City, Utah, brothers, Joss Kaufman of Florida, Alvin Kaufman of Indiana, and Joe Kaufman of Kansas; sister, Zola Irwin of Kansas; four grandchildren; one great-grandson; one great-granddaughter; and his good friend Helen Brako. Clarence was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Enos and Dan; and sisters, Ida and Alice. Funeral services will be held Monday, April 5, 1999, at 11 a.m. at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls. Friends may call Sunday, April 4, 1999, from 6 p.m. and Monday one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at the Filer Cemetery.

CLARENCE J. KAUFFMAN

Clarence J. Kauffman, 81, of the Bridgeway Estates retirement village, after a long, courageous battle with cancer. Clarence was born August 27, 1917, in Konnara, North Dakota, to Joseph and Agnes Kauffman. At an early age, he and his family moved to Cheraw, Colorado, where he was raised. On January

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Health, welfare works to increase access to insurance

BOISE (AP) — The health and welfare has made providing health insurance to needy Idaho children one of its top priorities.

The department is working with Gov. Mike Samuels to develop a voluntary state immunization registry, and has started providing an assistance program for children from low-income families.

The state Children's Health Insurance Program currently pays for insurance for about 3,000 Idaho children. But officials estimate that another 5,343 children qualify for the program, and worry that parents are not aware of it.

Karl Kurta, the new director, is launching the program by sending him letters to places like doctors' offices, day-care centers and other places where he thinks know what is available.

The department is also putting together a steering committee, made up of staff and care providers, to help implement the program, Walker said.

"Including these people is a high priority of Karl Kurta,"

Walker said. "He wants to increase the quality of the care providers in the community that share the same goals and help the same people."

The insurance program for needy children has been running since October 1997. It is administered under the Idaho Medicaid program and helps provide services for things such as dental, vision and hearing.

When a family applies, the state first determines if the family is eligible for Medicaid. The state then compares the family's income to federal poverty guidelines to determine if the children are eligible for insurance benefits, Walker said.

The Children's Health Insurance Program Task Force was formed in 1998 and delivered in November several recommendations for a plan to provide basic health care coverage to Idaho children.

Tomahawks work wet or dry, warm or cold.

Steve Gish of West Valley City was trying to start a fire by holding a stick against a piece of board and spinning it rapidly using a bow made of wood and string.

As he worked, the bird squeaked like a little bird chirping, and tiny wisps of smoke rose from the board, but no flames appeared.

"Sometimes it works, sometimes it's just exercise," he said, "but this is how you keep warm, by doing foolish things like this."

Next door, Amy and Lou Mattena of Salt Lake City kept warm in their tent, which is equipped with a wood stove that Amy said can raise the temperature inside to 90 degrees.

Their bed has a cow hide and several quilts on it. Mountain men used lots of those, they said.

Lou Mattena said keeping warm was a high priority for mountain men. He's mastered at least four ways they started fire, none of them involving matches.

Cerya Jaques of Ogden said other methods of keeping warm included standing on a board to keep feet warm, wearing lots of wool blankets, sleeping with her nose just moving around a lot.

On Friday afternoon, she was keeping warm by cooking a giant pot of beans and ham hock in a black Dutch oven over an open fire.

Family wins suit against paramedic

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Gross negligence by a Kootenai County paramedic during a winter rescue combined with a lack of care led to the death of a 39-year-old man, a jury has decided.

The jurors awarded Jonathan Hall's widow, Phyllis, two sons and father nearly \$400,000 in damages. The county and Lawlor were defendants.

Mr. Hall was injured when the jury has recognized what the county tried to sweep under the carpet four years ago. Some emergency medical services paramedic, attorney Michael Ricculli said.

Emergency personnel were called to Hall's home on Dec. 12,

1994, when he complained of lower back pain, loss of circulation in his legs and trouble breathing combined with difficulty to the death of a 39-year-old man, a jury has decided.

Kootenai Medical Center doctors pronounced Hall dead shortly after his arrival at the hospital. Numerous delays served Hall's wife there to insure their son's home.

Mrs. Hall blamed much of the delay on negligence by county paramedic Tom Lawlor and a territorial dispute over ambulance service. She claimed he failed to resuscitate Hall, possibly by missing his airway and, at one point, shoveled snow off a deck while the 30-year-old man's condition worsened.

Protester files suit over racist march arrest

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A protester at last summer's Army Nations parade has filed suit in U.S. District Court over his arrest during the incident.

Gary Edwards, 58, wants \$45,000 in damages and a federal court order guaranteeing him the right to picket the neo-Nazis at their next march, says attorney Bryan Brown with the Mississippi-based American Family Association Center for Law and Justice.

Kootenai County sheriff's deputies arrested Edwards after he refused to give up the stick holding his protest sign. Deputies were asking people to surrender the sticks for fear they could become weapons if an altercation erupted between the protesters and the neo-Nazis.

"In their zeal to protect the marching fascists, the police trampled over the First and Fourth Amendment rights of many peaceful counter-demonstrators," Brown said.

Edwards faced a charge of resisting arrest. The Kootenai County prosecutor's office dismissed it last month.

Five other protesters at the parade have filed claims against Coeur d'Alene and Kootenai County, alleging wrongdoing. The county is settling those claims, the protesters say, but Coeur d'Alene officials refuse.

Edwards' initial claim against the city asked \$1 million in damages. "They frivolously arrested me, so I am using a frivolous claim against them," he said earlier.

AUCTION CALENDAR THROUGH APRIL 17

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My daughter, Shelley Seibel, has opened an office in Blaine county. She will continue to serve her existing accounts in the Magic Valley area.

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WEST

LDS leader condemns 'atrocities'

'Our hearts reach out to the brutalized people of Kosovo'

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mormon church President Gordon B. Hinckley on Saturday condemned Serbian "atrocities" in Kosovo while urging the faith's members to be tolerant of others despite differences of belief.

"At this moment our hearts reach out to the brutalized people of Kosovo," Hinckley said in opening the church's 169th Annual General Conference in the Tabernacle on Temple Square.

"It is difficult for us to understand how those who claim to be Christians can act so barbarically to those of another faith," he said.

The 88-year-old Hinckley, president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints since 1995, did not mention the Serbs by name but added, "I am grateful that we are rushing humanitarian aid to the victims of these atrocities."

Later, church officials said a shipment of 100 tons of clothing blankets would be shipped Tuesday to Macedonia and distributed by Mercy Corps, a Christian-relief agency. The church has also sent 100 members in the Yugoslav Federation.

Hinckley's blunt condemnation of actions by Serb security forces that have forced hundreds of thousands of Kosovo Albanians to flee their homes was unusual for the general conferences held each year in April and October.

Mormon leaders seldom use conference sermons to comment



Mormon Church President Gordon B. Hinckley speaks during the church's 169th Annual General Conference Saturday in Salt Lake City. Hinckley condemned Serbian atrocities in Kosovo while urging the faith's members to be tolerant of other people's religious beliefs.

so directly on current events. Hinckley's reference to the conflict in Yugoslavia apparently was a late insertion, according to an advance text of his remarks and the church public affairs office scrambled to put out a news release.

"We must never forget that we live in a world of great diversity. The people of the earth are all

our father's children, and are of many varied languages and religious persuasions," Hinckley said.

He urged the faith's more than 10 million members toward greater tolerance and respect for others.

"We have differences of doctrine," he said. "This need not bring about animosity or any kind of hatred, but it should

attitude."

Hinckley likened the 169-year-old church founded in upstate New York in 1830 to "a great family" and "a happy and blessed people, working to build the cause and kingdom of God on earth."

"I am pleased to report that the church is in good condition," he said.

Building spree could be president's legacy

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — One legacy of Mormon church President Gordon B. Hinckley is bound to be the aggressive building program undertaken during his tenure.

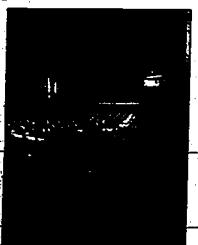
During the past two years, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has built or announced 52 temples, nearly doubling the previous number.

In the early 1990s, the church was building a chapel a day. Now it is averaging almost two a day, with about 1,400 chapels now under construction or renovation.

The church owns more than 12,000 chapels worldwide.

In addition, there are 18 missionary training centers across the globe, 434 seminary buildings and 313 Institutes of Religion.

And as builders are bringing to complete, the church's massive new Assembly Building across the street from Temple Square in Salt Lake City so it will be ready for the faith's General Conference in April 2000.



President Gordon B. Hinckley opens the church's new assembly building Saturday in Salt Lake City.

Hinckley is the architect of the biggest construction spree in the 10 million-member church's 169-

year history.

Klaus Stjepan, the managing director over temple building, said the 88-year-old president is "project oriented" and reviews everything.

Hinckley came up with the idea for more and smaller temples in 1997. The first small temples were only 6,000 square feet, but Hinckley decided that they need at least two rooms for performing sacred ordinances, so he increased the size to 10,800 square feet for subsequent small temples.

The new temples also are built to standard plans, varying only in exterior materials, colors and a few details. Temples built in the 19th century had unique designs, while those built in the 20th century have followed a similar plan.

For the chapels, the building department developed five standard models to be used in different regions of the world. The models vary only in decorative details, building materials and roof angles.

An average chapel in the United States is about 16,000 square feet, while those in developing countries might be between 4,000 and 6,000 square feet.

The designers of the new Assembly Building in Salt Lake concluded the Assembly Hall could not dominate the nearby Salt Lake Temple or the Tabernacle. So they decided to camouflage the building with a roof garden and extensive landscaping.

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Gary Cantley, archaeologist with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, looks over a mound of earth left by looters outside a cave somewhere on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation in March. They would not disclose the exact location of this site or others identified by law enforcement officers during a seminar to teach them how to catch the thieves of time.

Artifact looters cause concern

Thieves steal ancient artifacts for business

RENO, Nev. (AP) — American Indian skulls peer down from mountains and within less display cases in some of the finest homes in Europe and Asia.

Objects meant to sleep with the dead now drive an international market. The business is fed by thieves who dig by night and loot thousands of sacred sites from the saggyish ocean of Nevada to the Arctic tundra.

"Western Nevada is certainly getting hit hard by looters," said Gary Cantley, a Bureau of Indian Affairs archaeologist based in Reno. He was in Reno for an archaeological resources piggyback training program last week. Nevada U.S. Attorney Kathryn Landreth, Indian tribal officials, archaeologists and federal and local enforcement officers attended the seminar, which featured the latest techniques for preventing, detecting and prosecuting looting cases.

For hundreds of years, American Indian sites and other historic places went unprotected and treasure hunters looted at will. Within the last 20 years, Congress passed the Archaeological Resources Protection Act and the Native American Graves and Repatriation Act, giving tribes and law enforcement a tool to stop the robberies and protect historic and prehistoric places.

Jolynn Worley, Bureau of Land Management spokeswoman in Reno, said the most recent ARPA conviction in Nevada involved Jack Harleston from Grants Pass, Ore.

For more than a decade, she said Harleston systematically excavated a cave in the Black Rock Desert, removing artifacts and human remains. His sentence: 18 months in jail and a \$20,000 fine. A civil case for more than \$2.5 million is pending, based on restoration and damage estimates, Worley said.

"You can get into felony territory real fast," Cantley said. "Looting is a very big deal to us. Stopping it is a federal priority."

Severe damage was done before Congress passed ARPA in 1979. On the Great Plains and in the Rock Mountain states are the artifacts of the Sioux, Archaic, Geyers, Blackfoot and other tribes vanished in the 1800s.

"It's a multi-state problem," said John Welch, an archaeologist who works with the White Mountain Apache Tribe in Arizona. "Historic sites are vanishing. People trespass and help themselves to the late 13th and



14th Century pottery looted throughout the tribe's Fair Apache Indian Reservation.

"In order to find the pottery they dig into the graves. That's where the finest pottery was left to see the deceased through their next lives."

And, the looters know their way around.

"We've got a lot of sites in Oklahoma but it's a battle to keep an eye on them," said John Northcutt, a BLM archaeologist attending the training sessions. "They can sneak in and out quickly and are very hard to catch."

Norman Harry, chairman of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, said

the men is closing in around the business in Nevada. He said his tribe is increasing civil fines and tribal police, game wardens and rangers are constantly on patrol.

"We've got the training and the support of the U.S. attorney's office, and judges are increasingly becoming more aware of how serious a problem this is," he said.

"This is our history. This is a nonrenewable resource."

Cantley and Department of the Treasury training officer Woody James said new methods will result in more convictions and education efforts will help solve the looting problem.

Many thieves fit the same pro-

file, Cantley said: Outlaws who would be poaching, stealing protected cactus or manufacturing methamphetamine if they weren't robbing graves.

Federal law allows a \$500 reward for information leading to the conviction of violators.

New investigative techniques and strategies are enlisted in the fight against the illegal excavators.

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“I looked like the Exxon Valdez. But I had a lot of fun out there.”

—South African golfer *Rory Sabbatini* on his third round at the *BellSouth Classic* tournament

IN-BRIEF

CSI volleyball team records rare loss

POCATELLO - The Idaho State University volleyball team handed the six-time NJCAA champion College of Southern Idaho volleyball team a rare loss Saturday, 15-8, 15-9, in the finals of the ISU Spring Tournament at Reed Gym.

Salt Lake Community College host Western Montana in the third-place game, Northwest Nazarene beat Pocatello's Gate City Volleyball Club for fifth place, and Idaho State College beat Treasure Valley Community College for seventh place.

Stampele eliminated from CBA playoffs

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. - After fighting from a 2-0 playoff series deficit to notch even at 2-2, the Idaho Stampede were eliminated from the CBA playoffs 99-92 by Sioux Falls Saturday.

Joe Stephens led Idaho with 22 points.

Sign up this week for Buhl baseball

BUHL - Buhl Youth Baseball will be conducting its 1999 registration this week. The registration covers all boys and girls ages 6-15 who wish to participate in the summer youth baseball programs such as T-ball, Pee-Wee baseball, girls' softball, Little League baseball and Babe Ruth baseball.

Registration will be at Buhl Elementary School Tuesday and Thursday (6-8 p.m.) and Saturday (8:30-10 a.m.). Registration forms (which include costs and age divisions) and need to be signed by a parent if available at all schools and at the registration.

Any player that did not play last summer will need to provide a copy of his or her birth certificate. For more information, call Lee Cline at 543-8337, (boys) or Kajeen Goodrich at 536-0284 (girls).

Twin Falls ladies to learn at golf clinic

TWIN FALLS - There will be a weekly golf clinic taught by local pro Mike Hamblin at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

The clinic will be for the Twin Falls Municipal Ladies Golf Association and will run Thursdays through April 22 at 8:15 p.m.

Twilight golf starts May 1. The \$15 clinic registration should be sent to Jana Brauner, 720 Locust, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Last call for Bruin softball clinic signups

TWIN FALLS - Girls in Grades 3 through 8 are invited to the Bruin Softball Camp Spring Break '99, Monday through Wednesday at next week at Twin Falls High School.

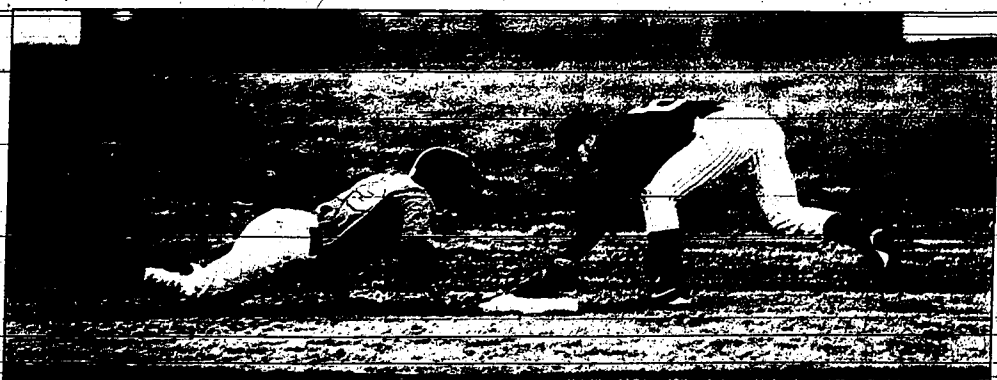
Coach Nick Baumert and his varsity players will teach campers the fundamentals in all aspects of fast-pitch softball.

The \$35 entry fee includes a T-shirt, free admission to the Twin Falls-Buhl varsity game at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday and lunch on Wednesday. Camp will be from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Players can register on-site Monday at 10:30 a.m. The camp will be moved into the gymnasium in the event of rain. No rain gear or other outdoor not conducive to an outdoor softball clinic.

For more information, call Nick Baumert at 733-4978 (evenings).

Compiled from staff and local



Twin Falls runner Scott Lawitt beats a slubbing pick-off throw to Highland's Spencer Adams at second base during the first game of Saturday's doubleheader at Twin Falls High School. The Bruins took command of the game early to win 9-1.

Bruins take two in Twin

DeBoer ices Rams, but team nearly blows nightcap

By *Damen Clow*
Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS - Dase DeBoer pitched a masterful seven-inning Saturday to pick up a win. A couple of cold hours later, his Bruin teammates Chris

Wenborg threw just four pitches so far, plays first Sunday. DeBoer faced just three batters above the minimum in Twin Falls' 9-1 victory over Region III rival Highland, but the Bruins (7-4, 2-1 in region) had to win Game 2 in the bottom of the seventh, 11-10, after allowing a 10-3 second-inning lead.

Wenborg struck out the only batter he faced in the top of the seventh, leaving the go-ahead run stranded at third for the

Press see BRUINS, Page C2

Wolverines escape Kimberly with sweep

By *Kevin Hall*
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY - Wood River felt right at home.

Well, maybe not quite at home, but with snowflakes falling and a steady chill in the air, the Wolverines—who this week practiced outdoors for the first time all season—scored three runs in the top half of an extra eighth

inning, then held off a second Bulldogs' comeback attempt to take the wild 6-3 SCIC A-2 conference victory.

Pitcher Matt Zachary went the distance to score the win while opposing thrower Dakota Kallender was tagged with the loss. In the late game, Wood River (7-2 overall, 2-2 SCIC) broke out the bats early and often, connecting for 15 hits while scoring in

every inning en route to a 25-9 blowout of the Bulldogs (5-5, 2-2).

"It was a disaster," Kimberly coach Terry Bohner said of the nightcap. "Wood River hit the ball extremely well."

The first game saw a classic pitching dual erupt into a wild affair as both hurlers were at their best through four frames.

Press see WOLVERINES, Page C2

Brits rally to keep Davis Cup hopes alive

Doubles victory prevents U.S. sweep

The Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, England - Tim Henman and Greg Rusedzki dashed United States hopes of a quick Davis Cup victory over Britain with a five-set doubles triumph over Todd Martin and Alex O'Brien Saturday.

With Rusedzki's serve unbroken throughout the 3-hour, 15-minute match, the British pair improved their record as doubles partners to 7-0 with a 3-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-7 (7-5), 6-3 triumph. The loss cut the Americans' lead to 2-1 in the best-of-5 series.

A placidly quiet quarterfinal of the World Group will be determined by today's singles matches between Henman and Martin and Rusedzki and Jim Courier.

Henman, having spent 7 1/2 hours on court in his two matches so far, plays first Sunday. Courier, having been rested for the doubles by team captain Tom Cookson, should be a last-thrower against Rusedzki despite his 612 match against Henman Friday.

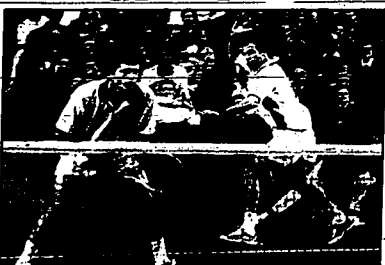
"I'm bound to be a little fatigued," Henman said. "I hope the Todd's fixed as well."

But Martin, who beat Rusedzki in three one-sided sets Friday, said he had no plans to work on Henman's possible tactics.

"It's wet on clay, then maybe I could spin the ball and play the angles," he said. "But it's a quicker surface than that and anyway that's not the way I play."

"I'm not going to beat him by changing him, just beat him."

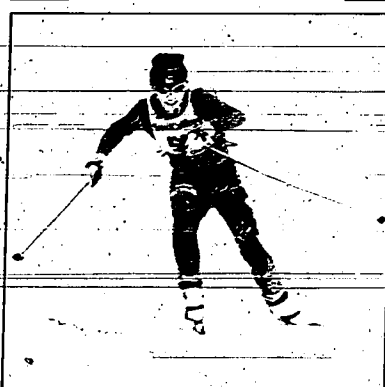
The Americans have won a record 31 Davis Cup titles. The



Great Britain's Greg Rusedzki, right, plays a backhand during Davis Cup doubles play. Rusedzki and his partner, Tim Henman, defeated Todd Martin and Alex O'Brien of the U.S. in Birmingham, England, Saturday.

Press see RALLY, Page C2

SUN VALLEY TRACKS



Two-time Olympic alder Bechtle Scott, a Canadian national team member from Vancouver, Alberta, competes a cross-country biathlon at Mountain Lodge near Sun Valley Saturday during the first Idaho International Cross-country Series. Scott earned enough points to capture the senior women's title in the all-day event held in McCall, Boise and Sun Valley. For Saturday's results, see Page C2.

Maine claims NCAA hockey championship

The Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. - Marcus Gustafson knocked in a rebound of his own shot 10:50 into overtime Saturday night to give Maine a 3-2 victory over New Hampshire for the Black Bears' second NCAA hockey championship.

New Hampshire goaltender Ty Conklin made a string of spectacular saves in overtime before Gustafson finally slid the puck past him in the match of Two Hockey East rivals.

Maine came back to win after squandering a two-goal lead. Bears goalie Albie Michaud stopped 46 shots.

Michaud kept New Hampshire frustrated for most of the first two periods as the Black Bears built their lead. But Haydar brought the Wildcats to life with a shorthanded goal with 4:02 remaining in the second period.

Maine appeared to take a commanding 3-0 lead when Dan Kerluke sailed a shot past Conklin at 13:18 of the second period. But officials disallowed the goal after reviewing the play, ruling that the Black Bears' Jason Vitarino was in the crease.

Three minutes later, Haydar scored and New Hampshire suddenly was back in the game.

champions were led by his brother, Steve.

Although the Black Bears were outshot in the game, they got off two shots in overtime to give off by the Wildcats.

Three of the last four title games ended 3-2 in overtime. Half of the last 12 championships have been decided in OT.

New Hampshire's Mike Souza drew the Wildcats even 3-3 into overtime. Darren Haydar stole the puck, skated behind the Maine goal, then zipped a pass across to Jason Krog. Krog fired to Souza, who bent Michaud at point-blank range.

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Snowstorm sends CSI homeward

Weather cancels four conference games

The Times-News

RANGELY, Colo. - College of Southern Idaho basketball coaches have long known about the lengthy journey to scenic West Athletic Conference geographic anomaly—Colorado Northwestern Community College.

At least, basketball coach Jim Walker thinks they get to play when they get there.

"Walker's Golden Eagle is a 2 1/2 hour drive out this weekend - shut out of four conference games that were never played after snowstorms hit the tiny town just across the Utah border."

"We traveled all the way down here. It's just really disappointing," Walker said. "We lose four games in the league that we might have competed in, and won a few of those."

After Friday's postponement, the Golden Eagles and Spartans planned to cram a tripleheader into the Saturday daylight and win a few of those.

"We were going to play three today, and we would have done it," Walker said. "We'll do anything to play, but it just wasn't meant to be."

There was also talk of playing the games in nearby Vernal, Utah, where the CNCC softball team was playing the visiting Dixie Rebels.

Instead, CSI returned to Twin Falls and is not scheduled to play again until this weekend's series with Salt Lake Community College at Frontier Field.

From his home in Twin Falls, Walker had a chance to recline in his favorite living room chair and reflect on his team's first bus trip to CNCC.

"I'm a little disappointed," he said. "And my butt's sore."



SPORTS

Bruins

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Rams, and Kelsey McLimans capped a 6-for-8 day with a sacrifice fly to win the game, which was delayed twice in the bottom of the first inning due to snow flurries.

Twin Falls 9, Highland 1

DoBerg had a perfect game through three innings of play. After surrendering a single to leadoff batter Jared Carlson in the fourth, he retired another seven straight, and finished the game with seven strikeouts.
"That's the biggest game I've had as a Bruin," said Twin Falls coach Mike Federico. "He threw to almost every spot, and it wasn't even close. He just dominated out there."

Wolverines

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Kimberly's Kafader yielded only two hits during this span while striking out four Wolverines.

Wood River was the sixth runner to be pitched to by Kafader. He mixed up his pitches well with decent control and had mitt-snapping proficiency in his fastball. The best Kimberly could do by wily was muster a two-out, first-inning screaming single off Jordan Dillo's bat through second base.

Each occasionally got into a jam, as evidenced by Zachary's shaky first inning when he hit second baseman Jordan Williams followed by Dillo's single, but they were able to pitch themselves out of trouble — and Zachary proved this when he got third baseman Scott Schneider to bounce one back to him for the force out at first, ending the threat.

Not until the home half of the fourth did either team cross home plate. And Kimberly ended the scoreless string with two big runs as catcher RBY Humphries — who would later hit his first home run of the season — sent a blistering line drive with the bases loaded over shortstop James Cordes' head for the 2-0 lead.

McLimans single in the fourth, but struck out with the bases loaded to end the fifth. The Bruins added three runs on four hits in their final at-bat, including RBI singles by McLimans and Westburg off reliever Ryan Smith.

Twin Falls 11, Highland 10

The Bruins sent 10 batters to the plate in the first inning and scored seven runs, but the Rams scored their first four batters in the third to avoid what could have been a run-rule-shortened contest.
Highland starter Griffin Proctor surrendered base hits to 10 of the 17 batters he faced, including first-inning triples to McLimans and Jake Robertson.

Ben Harris had an RBI triple out of the ninth spot in the order and scored on a sacrifice fly, which along with an unearned run in the top of the first, cut Twin Falls' lead to 7-3.

For Durium's seventh, two-run homer brought the lead to six and Federico brought in Eric Rambo to start the third.

Rambo gave up a single, double, triple and

two walks before being replaced on the hill by Chad Wilcox, who shut down the Rams until the seventh inning.

After Wilcox struck out the side in the top of the sixth, the Bruins needed just three outs to sweep. But after fielding a ground-out, Wilcox gave up a single and a home run, then lost 0-2 counts on two of the next three batters.

The first time didn't hurt him, as Jeremy Sudek made a diving catch in right for the second out. On the second time Wilcox won from 0-2 to 3-2. Scott Kenyon, who was replaced by Proctor, who had reached base on a fielding error.

"After Westburg jammed Jared Frenchie, Jimenez led off the Bruin half-inning with a single, moved to second on Zach Gregerson's sacrifice and took third on a passed ball.

Reliever Shane Peck intentionally walked the bases loaded and faced the red-hot McLimans, who ended the game with a sacrifice fly to center.

"Offensively, we executed in the seventh inning, and that's what wins games," Federico said.

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Olympians capture Idaho x-country gold

The Runners

Two-time Olympians Justin Wadsworth and Rebecka Scott claimed overwhelming wins Saturday in the Idaho International Cross-Country Series final individual stage race, winning overall ICS senior men's and women's titles, respectively.

Rich Kapala, Sun Valley Nordic ski club, organized and directed the event to provide U.S. skiers with international competition and to promote Idaho as a training site for the 2002 Winter Games.

The 10.5 classic and free-style Nordic race series in the only Nordic stage race in the world; Upp run and women races from Scandinavia, Europe and North America competed in McCall, Boise and Sun Valley, earning overall series points from their participation on daily events.

Saturday's two-day event was held at the Sun Valley Nordic Center and attracted 400 athletes for men. Today's events featured sixth and final stage races.

Wadsworth claimed his first win Saturday with a time of 26:15. Scott's time of 14:48.3 was only nine-tenths of a second faster than Team Canada teammate and fellow Olympian Milaine Theriault, who finished the series in 14:49.2. Idaho's own Jen Douglas finished just six seconds off the pace in 14:54.5. Their one-two-three finish matched the overall final standings of the ICS series to a technical finish.

minutes 15.8 seconds after four minutes and 58 seconds of a fast-paced race. The Bend, OR native and two-time U.S. Olympic team member beat Team Norway's Harvard graduate in the 26:30.9, while U.S. teammate Pat Weaver came in third at 26:35.9. Wadsworth credited his win to racing winter-long in the European world championships and said he was especially pleased with Saturday's win.

"I was tired of finishing second," Wadsworth said. "And I wanted a win to finish off the series."

Scott's overall victory was especially convincing after her race Saturday was another nailbiter. Scott's time of 14:48.3 was only nine-tenths of a second faster than Team Canada teammate and fellow Olympian Milaine Theriault, who finished the series in 14:49.2. Idaho's own Jen Douglas finished just six seconds off the pace in 14:54.5. Their one-two-three finish matched the overall final standings of the ICS series to a technical finish.

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Rally

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Bruins have not reached a World Cup quarterfinal since 1986. "I thought that when Russia came in, that would be the last time we'd see a team like that," said Kimberly.

Kimberly takes on the Twin Falls JV squad April 13, March Valley April 17 then heads back into SCIC play against the Buhl Indians for a doubleheader April 20.

"Billy was great," Bokan said. "It's always fun to see one of your players hit the ball over the fence." "Dakota pitched well. But we gave up five unearned runs, and when you do that, you can't win."

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out of steam. Williams then layed a beautiful burn down the third base line and Zachary charged to the ball, picked it up and threw it to first base, but he was scooped over by first bagger Jake Nilson's head and into short right field. Lammers moved to third and got the go-ahead run to tie the game as Bohan waved him through with Williams in short pursuit.

The play of the game saw Wood River right fielder Jesse Sheue if who hit pitches for the Wolverines — rocket the throw on target to waiting catcher Kenny Nelson who caught Lammers 10 feet from the plate for the tag as Williams stopped on third with only one out.

Backed by the defensive gem, Zachary caught his second win of the big right-hander struck out Dille on a bunt squeeze play attempt, then got Schneider to pop out to center — snuffing the potential game-winning rally.

"What a wild one," said Wolverines coach Lars Hovey. "Kimberly had the chance to win it, we make the play at the plate, survived their squeeze attempt, and came through in the eighth."

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game of the second set and changed the momentum of the match by breaking Martin in the second game of the third to lead 3-0. They held on to lead the set and go ahead in the match, but there were no breaks in the fourth set and it went to a tiebreaker.

Leading 3-1, the Brits lost the advantage when Rusedski netted a backhand. The Americans tied the match at two sets apiece on a second set point when O'Brien hit a winning forehand past a wrong-footed Henman.

O'Brien saved three break points at 1-0 down in the fifth set, but couldn't save off a fourth when Rusedski's fierce forehand flew off the rim of Martin's racket and into the cheering crowd.

Henman then clinched the victory on his second match point.

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Hardaway, Magic Burley goes back to back to back

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Penny Hardaway scored 20 of his game-high 30 points in the second half as Orlando swept its season series with the Pistons.

For the second time this season, Chuck Daly's Magic stopped his former team's winning streak at six games. Darrell Armstrong added 16 points and 10 assists for Orlando.

Bison Dele had 20 points and Grant Hill scored 19 for Detroit, which missed all 13 of its 3-point attempts.



Kendall Gill tied an NBA record with 11 steals as the Heat beat the Nets in Miami on Saturday, 77-71.

Miami played an all-around stinker against the worst team in the Eastern Conference.

Gill had a triple-double with 15 points and 10 rebounds, and his 11 steals tied the record set by Larry Kenon of San Antonio, against Kansas City on Dec. 26, 1976.

Timberwolves 105, Kings 96

MINNEAPOLIS — Reserve Tom Hammond scored a season-high 23 points and Terrell Brandon had a career-high 16 assists to lead Minnesota to the victory.

Wolves (19-13) got 43 points from their five reserves, including 21 in the decisive second quarter. They won for the fifth time in six games.

Kevin Garnett led Minnesota with 24 points. Minnesota has won all three meetings against Sacramento since then.

Spurs 103, Clippers 82

SAN ANTONIO — David Robinson rebounded after missing the Spurs last game with a knee injury to score 19 points and grab 13 rebounds.

San Antonio, which has won 16 of the last 18 games, outscored the Clippers 19 points from Mario Elie, while Tim Duncan added 17 points and 12 rebounds.

Los Angeles, which was paced by Maurice Taylor's 25 points, lost its fourth straight game. Rookie Mitch Richmond added 13 points and 10 rebounds for the Clippers.

Nets 88, Heat 77

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. —

BOISE — Their perfect season in the playoffs and with just three outs to crawl out from under a 4-2 deficit, a trio of Burley Bobcats put the bull rolling in a big way Saturday.

Kyle Redder, Joe Peterson and Jesse Smith hit back-to-back-to-back homers as the seventh inning as Burley won the first game of a doubleheader at Bishop Kelly, 5-2.

The Bobcats won the nightcap 5-3 and improved to 10-0 on the season.

Redder's two-run shot tied the game at 4. Peterson hit the next pitch out and Smith waited until a 3-1 count gave Burley a cushion after scoring just two runs in six innings.

"We had a two-hour rain delay, so we were pretty flat," said Burley coach Matt Elzer. "I don't know where the spark came from in the seventh."

In the second game, Redder went the distance against the Minors and Bobcat sophomore Adam Hope had a bases-loaded triple in a six-run fifth inning.

Burley plays a doubleheader at home Tuesday against Twin Falls.

Blackfoot 5, Minico 4

Minico 13, Blackfoot 1 (6 inn.)

BLACKFOOT — Minico split a pair of games at Blackfoot Saturday, dropping the first game 5-4 and winning the late game 13-1 in six innings.

"We made five runs in the first and two of our last five runs in the first game," said Spizars coach Russ Wright. "We had enough offense to win and if we play defense we win."

Minico's Matt Perry (2-3) set a five-11 strikeout, four-hit performance handed by seven walks in the loss.

In the nightcap, Minico ace James Dwyer set his record to 4-3 on the year with a commanding four-hitter around 10 strikeouts in the 13-1 blowout.

"We hit the ball better and earlier in the count," Wright said. "We played better defense and we can be tough with more consistency."

Minico (2-4) plays at home in Blackfoot Wednesday at 4 p.m. before hosting Vallavue Friday and

Local sports

Clayton's Saturday

Clayton's Saturday was a busy day for the community. The town held a series of events, including a parade and a festival. The parade featured floats from local schools and businesses, and the festival offered a variety of activities for all ages.

Boji 9, Wendell 2

WENDELL — Adam and Eric Reynolds combined for 12 strikeouts as the Hunt Indians beat Wendell 9-2 Saturday.

"The pitcher's match called the shots," said Wendell coach Gordon Gardner. "Those Reynolds kids were phenomenal."

Eric Reynolds and Brock Huming of Wendell made two pitchers headout after four innings. The Indians had two doubles and two singles in a six-run fifth inning, and Wendell (5-1, at home Tuesday) against Grants Ferry answered with its only run in the sixth.

Softball

IF softball splits with Timberline

BOISE — Soccer Hayes was 3-for-3 with two runs, one RBI, and Matt Edwards pitched as a starter as a Wire Falls beat Timberline 5-3 Saturday.

"Matt threw really well today," said Bruce Mackay, Timberline coach. "I don't think she had her best stuff, but she kind of bounced through some tough situations and made the ball well."

Timberline's pitcher was the runaway 4-7, scoring all but her first inning, and surviving a six-run eighth.

"She's got some nice line runs on illegal pitches," Mackay said. "I think we would have gotten out of those innings. I guess it's just one of those things."

Wire Falls' Matt Hayes is a doubleheader with Burley Tuesday.

Melba 15, Glens Ferry 6

Melba 11, Glens Ferry 0

GLENS FERRY — Faten Vidales struck out 14 batters as a 13-inning shutout also won the 15-6 victory, aided by a 10-run seventh inning, gave Melba doubleheader sweep over Glens Ferry Saturday.

"We had our frustration, though," said Glens Ferry coach Keith Melrose. "We were battling on, but that's about all we could do."

In the second game, the Pilots actually out-hit Melba, as Candice Laidl held the visitors to just three hits.

"I was real pleased with how we played. Our defense was really good," Melrose said. "Our bats got going and it's a feeling we still think they can't take confidence. If we can get that under control and play like we did today, we'll be all right."

Glens Ferry (4-6) plays at doubleheader Tuesday at Wendell.

Wood River 12, Kimberly 3

Wood River 21, Kimberly 9

KIMBERLY — Wood River used Bulldog errors and clutch hitting for a five-run sixth inning to break open a 4-0 contest and go on to a 12-3 win in the first game of a doubleheader Saturday.

It was the first time all season that Kimberly pushed an opponent to seven innings, said Kimberly coach Kevin Keller.

The second game saw the upstart Bulldogs jump out to a 5-3 second-inning lead over the underdog Wolverines before Wood River connected for 12 runs over the third and fourth innings to thwart any Kimberly hopes of an upset, beating the Bulldogs 21-9 for the sweep.

"Our pitching is doing a lot better," Keller said. "Every game, we're improving."

Kimberly (9-6, 0-4) hosts the Twin Falls junior varsity squad for a doubleheader April 15 and Bull April 17.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Report: FBI investigates locker room tapes

CHICAGO — The FBI is investigating hidden-camera videotapes showing college wrestlers undressing, showering and unclothed in weight rooms at a national tournament at Northwestern, the Chicago Tribune reports in its Sunday edition.

Images from the tapes are included in "hidden camera" pornographic material that's being marketed via the Internet and by mail, the newspaper said.

Those familiar with the tapes, including officials at Northwestern and at Penn, believe the tapes were made using cameras concealed inside gym bags.

The FBI is consulting with the U.S. Attorney's office on whether the tapes can form the basis of a prosecution under laws covering privacy, eavesdropping or interstate distribution of pornography, the Tribune reported.

Guard Dan Dickau may transfer to Gonzaga

SEATTLE — Dan Dickau, who started 11 of Washington's first 13 games this season, is leaving the Huskies and says he may transfer to Gonzaga.

Dickau, a 6-foot-1, 180-pound sophomore point guard from Prairie High School in Vancouver, Wash., was averaging 4.6 points and 2.6 rebounds a game when he broke a bone in his left heel Jan. 13. He underwent surgery two days later and sat out the rest of the season.

His replacement, freshman Senaque Carey, helped Washington recover from a slow start to make the NCAA playoffs.

"I don't feel right now that this is the place I need to be," Dickau said. "It's nothing against the coaches, my teammates or the program. My emotions aren't here; any more, and it's time for me to move on."

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer reported Saturday that a source close to Dickau said he would be enrolling at Gonzaga, which advanced to the Elite Eight in the NCAA's first year. There, at any other Division I school, he would have to sit out one season and would have two years of eligibility remaining.

Manchester United and Arsenal play to ties

LONDON — League leader Manchester United and second place Arsenal both played to ties Saturday, while Chelsea and Leeds — next two in the Premier League standings — won and closed the gap.

Manchester United got a 1-1 tie with Wimbledon when David Beckham scored with a minute left in the first half. United is undefeated in 20 matches on the English top-flight straight run.

Defending champion Arsenal was held to a scoreless tie by Southampton.

Chelsea won 4-0 at Charlton on Roberto Di Matteo's goal. Leeds scored its winner struck to seven matches with a 3-1 win over Nottingham Forest.

Manchester United leads with 64 points to 60 for Arsenal, 59 for Chelsea, and 57 for Leeds.

Hings, Koumnikova reach Family Circle final

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. — Martina Hings and Anna Kournikova, seeded seventh, overcame a first-set tiebreaker loss to defeat No. 6 Patty Schnyder 6-7, 6-0, 6-3.

"With Anna and me, it's like two youngsters coming up," said the 18-year-old Hings. "It's going to be very interesting."

Figure in basketball probe goes on leave

MINNEAPOLIS — A key figure in the investigation into report of academic fraud in Minnesota basketball program has been granted disability leave from his job as the team's academic counselor.

Alonso Newby is suffering from "stress-related problems," according to his lawyer, Ron Rosenbaum.

Newby had been mentioned in allegations that players were given improper aid in tests, term papers and other assignments.

As always, Duval lurks near top of leader board

DULUTH, Ga. (AP) — This is hardly an encouraging bit of news for the rest of the PGA Tour: David Duval doesn't play his best, yet he's lurking near the top once again.

Stowak-Chek-Mike Weir shared the lead after Saturday's third round of the BellSouth Classic, with Duval just one shot off the pace and coming in on another victory.

"You're not always going to play your best," said Duval, whose 13-under 203 left him tied with second-round leader Rory Sabbatini and John Huston.

"When you stop thinking you have to rely on playing great to put up good scores, you take a real step forward."

Duval, who hoped to use this tournament as a relaxing warm-up for the Masters, was wary to change his focus. That anxiety or victory is in sight. He already has won three times this year and has 10 victories in his last 33 tournaments.

After muddling through the front nine at the TPC Sugarloaf course north of Atlanta, Duval started a bogey for four holes after the turn for a 4-under-par 68.

"It's kind of a bonus when you go out there and play great, hit the ball beautiful and play beautiful," Duval said. "But I expect to go out there and miss shots, have to go up and down, make five or six putts for pars. On a day like today when I have to do that, it didn't fluster me."



Rory Sabbatini of South Africa hits onto the 18th green during the third round of the BellSouth Classic at the TPC at Sugarloaf in Duluth, Ga., Saturday. Sabbatini is tied for third going into the final round.

Inkster leads Steinhauser in Longs Drugs Challenge

LINCOLN, Calif. — Juli Inkster withdrew an early double bogey Saturday afternoon to a 74, and Steve Stralhaber's 69 in the second round gave him a 136 total to lead the Longs Drugs Challenge.

Inkster, who began the week rainy day with a dour stroke of luck, double bogeyed the par-5 second hole. After five pars, he hit a long par 5, but only a one-stroke lead over Wendy Desautel through nine holes.

As Dan DeLano has done on the back nine, Inkster finished the 12th.

Inkster, an 18-time international champion, finished with six pars to complete three rounds at 6-under-par 210.

Stralhaber's 69 in the third round is the third best score in the 18-hole event on the third round. Last season, the reigning British Open champion was eight shots back at the start of the day.

The leading amateurs averaged low scoring as only six players shot under par, only 10 players will enter the final round on the third round. Five fewer than hoped: the third straight year.

Aussie widens lead as weather reboots

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Sun or shine, Graham Marsh has things going his way in the Tradition.

The gritty Australian, restrained by a dry early rain delay, came back Saturday with a 69 to lead the 18-hole event. Marsh shot led on Larry Novak with one round — at the most — left to play.

Irabu rejoins Yankees, may pitch Wednesday

The Associated Press

Hideki Irabu might be starting for the New York Yankees next week, after all.

Irabu, lambasted as a "far, off" by seven Georgia Sports Illustrated magazine, was allowed to rejoin the team on Los Angeles on Saturday night after several meetings and a one-hour workout at the Yankees minor-league facility in Tampa, Fla.

It's still possible that Irabu will pitch at Oakland on Wednesday instead of Ramon Mendoza.

In the other Yankees news, left-hander Tony Fossas decided he will start the season at Triple-A Columbus rather than hunt for another team. Fossas' original deal was that he would become a free agent again.

With one day remaining before the season opener, teams made their final cuts, which were due by 10 p.m. MST Saturday.

Baltimore assigned outfielder Tyke Tomlin

Spring training

outright to Rochester of the International League, opponent outfielder Jason Johnson to Rochester, and right-hander Doug Lammie to an unannounced club and purchased the contracts of right-hander Mike Fetters and infielder Jesse Garcia from Rochester. The Orioles also placed second baseman Jerome Dye and right-hander Scott Koenigsmann on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to March 25.

Texas purchased the contracts from right-hander Matt Cain, left-hander Mike Young and pitcher Steve Green from the Oklahoma City of the Pacific Coast League. The Yankees also purchased the contracts of outfielder Brian Hunter and right-hander Kevin McElroy from Richmond of the International League, and optioned infielder Marty Marzullo and right-hander Justin Speier to Richmond.

The Chicago Cubs placed right-hander Terry Adams on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to March 26, as Florida purchased the contracts of first baseman-outfielder Tim Lincecum and outfielder Bruce Aven from Calgary of PCL. The New York Mets designated right-hander Derek Wallace for assignment and purchased the contract of right-hander Josias Manzunillo from Norfolk of the International League.

BASEBALL '99

The boys of summer

Big Mac, Sosa and the Yanks aim to outshine '98

By Ben Walker
The Associated Press

Here we go again. Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa are hitting even more home runs. The World Series champion New York Yankees seek even stronger with Roger Clemens. And the gap between the haves and have-nots is getting even wider.

Mid-Boschall, 1999 really be a repeat, and that's some of the most remarkable year in memory? "Anything's possible," Big Mac said. "I'm ready, I'm ready," Slammer Sammy added.

But before anyone takes aim at Sosa's numbers, remember, no one thought it was possible he'd just hope everyone stays healthy. Because it has been a scary spring.

The Torre, Andres Galarraga and Mike Lowell were diagnosed with cancer. Kerry Wood, Moises Alou, Carlos Hernandez, Matt Ryan and Paul Wilson were severely injured. And Kerry Lichtenberg, Gary Disarcina and "Nomer" Garciaparra also got hurt.

"You think about all the wonderful things that happened in baseball last year — McGwire and Sosa, Kerry Wood having his great rookie year and Joe Torre winning 141 games with the Yankees — and you wonder if things are trying to induce me now with a lot of bad things," Houston manager Larry Dierker said.

"Still, there's a lot to get excited about in '99."

Opening day in Mexico, the All-Star game at Fenway Park. Tony Gwynn, Wade Boggs and Cal Ripken closing in on 3,000 hits.

Albert Belle, Mo Vaughn and Greg Vaughn playing for different teams.

A new ballpark opening at mid-season in Seattle, plus the final year for Tiger Stadium, the end of the World Series and the former Candlestick Park.

"There is so much history in this place," Spunky Anderson said.

of Tiger Stadium, which opened on April 20, 1912, the same day Fenway debuted. "I went all the way back to basically when Cobb played," Ehrig and Ruth, all of them. If the fans will only try, they'll see it.

It all starts Sunday night, April 4, when the NL champion San Diego Padres face the Colorado Rockies and their new manager, Jim Leyland, in Monterrey, Mexico.

Boschall might really go global in the new millennium. The 2000 opener could be played in Japan, featuring Ken Griffey Jr., Alex Rodriguez and the Seattle Mariners.

On April 5, an intriguing matchup at Dodger Stadium features top free agents New Los Angeles manager Davey Johnson sends \$105 million man Kevin Brown against Arizona ace Randy Johnson.

Not everyone will watch that game with enthusiasm, however. Right after Brown signed his seven-year deal that made him the sport's first \$100 million man, some claimed the disparity between big and small-market teams was out of whack.

"I don't mean to criticize Kevin Brown, but it's a truly tragic day for baseball," San Diego Padres owner John Moores said after losing his best pitcher.

That same night, the home run race starts all over again. That's when McGwire and his St. Louis Cardinals open at Busch Stadium against Milwaukee; the next day, Sosa and his Chicago Cubs visit Houston.

McGwire and Sosa put on quite a show throughout spring training, hitting shut after shut at a starling rate that exceeded last year's exhibition totals.

"They claimed not to notice each other's exploits, and discounted all of them."

"Down here it means absolutely zippo," McGwire said after yet another monsoon in Jupiter at the Cardinals' Florida camp.

Maybe, but try telling that to the fans who traveled hundreds of

miles to Arizona and Florida, just hoping to catch a glimpse of the rival slugger's bat on the same day. A valuable souvenir — of the rival slugger's who riveted the country's last year.

Whether McGwire can top his 70 homers or Sosa can exceed his 66 remains to be seen. There was the same type of debate right after Roger Maris hit 61 in 1961.

Yet here's a stat worth thinking about: Even though 1998 was an expansion year, home run rates stayed about the same as in 1997. So, McGwire and Sosa got no special help, meaning there's no reason they couldn't do it again.

And here's a quick history lesson: Back when Babe Ruth hit a then-record 29 homers in 1919, some wondered whether that was a once-in-a-lifetime feat. Instead, the Bambino, but merely signaled an era in which he, along with the likes of Hank Wilson and Jimmie Fox, would post far greater totals.

Oh, for those looking way, way ahead: Sosa and the Cubs close the season with a weekend visit to — where else? — Busch Stadium.

Thanks, schedule-makers.

McGwire, the only player to hit 50 homers in three straight years, needs 43 to reach the 500 mark. But if he hits 80, Carlos Berroa recently predicted, it might also be his last season.

And here's what McGwire said: "There's no more reason to play for that." While McGwire needs No. 500, three other longtime stars approach 500. Gwynn needs 72 to get there, Boggs 76 and Ripken 122 — there's never been a season when three players did it.

"I hope we all get there," Gwynn said. "It would be great to be part of history."

The Yankees made history with their 125 victories last year, capped by their 10th straight win in San Diego. Now, after winning its 24th championship and making a claim as the best team ever, the Yankees will try to do even more. Don Zimmerman, a coach from the team while Torre rosters from

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Batting average			Earned run average		
NL	L. Walker	.363	AL	B. Williams	3.39
	Colorado			New York	
	J. Olerud	.353		M. Vaughn	3.37
	Colorado			Chicago	
	D. Bichette	.331		A. Belle	3.29
	Colorado			Chicago	
	B. Bunt	.327		R. Clemens	2.65
	Atlanta			P. Martinez	2.89
	A. Lyle	2.67		K. Rogers	2.17
	Atlanta			T. Lincecum	2.47
	Atlanta				

Home runs			Wins		
NL	M. McGwire	70	AL	T. Lincecum	29
	St. Louis			Atlanta	
	S. Sosa	66		S. Reynolds	29
	Chicago			Seattle	
	G. Vaughn	50		K. Lincecum	29
	San Diego			Chicago	
	K. Griffey Jr.	58		R. Clemens	29
	Seattle			Toronto	
	A. Belle	49		D. Coxe	29
	Chicago			Los Angeles	
	J. Canseco	46		P. Hitting	29
	Toronto			Seattle	

Runs batted in			Saves		
NL	S. Sosa	158	AL	T. Lincecum	45
	Chicago			A. T. Gonzalez	45
	M. McGwire	147		R. Back	45
	St. Louis			Chicago	
	V. Castellis	144		J. Stone	45
	St. Louis			A. W. Lincecum	45
	T. Womack	58		C. Schilling	38
	Atlanta			Atlanta	
	C. Biggio	50		K. Brown	25
	Houston			P. Martinez	25
	E. Young	42		K. Lincecum	23
	Los Angeles			Seattle	

Stolen bases			Strikeouts		
NL	T. Womack	58	AL	R. Clemens	271
	Atlanta			Toronto	
	C. Biggio	50		K. Brown	257
	Houston			P. Martinez	257
	E. Young	42		K. Lincecum	233
	Los Angeles			Seattle	

prostate cancer surgery.

Owner George Steinbrenner and the Yankees did not tinker much with success, making only one major move. Of course, that trade brought them some-time Cy Young winner Clemens for David

Wells, Graeme Lloyd and Bruce Bush.

"I met my match in a guy who wants to win," Clemens said for nothing less than a season.

A month after Toronto traded

Clemens, the Blue Jays had another setback in a case spring training mess, they decided manager Tom Johnson's lay about his military service in Vietnam were too demanding and fired him, hiring Jim Fregosi.

Not much suspense in AL Dodgers bank on spending spree

The American League hasn't offered much suspense in the last four years. Don't expect that to change in 1999.

The New York Yankees and Cleveland Indians should already count on playing at home in October as the top two division champs. Last year's runaway winners have only gotten better.

The World Series champion Yankees ended last year by winning 114 games with Roger Clemens and the Indians signed free agent Roberto Alomar.

"I'm coming in hot and we know that," Cleveland's Mike Judson said. "We're pretty sure they understand we're their team to beat."

While the Indians and Yankees improved, the second-place teams in their divisions each lost their best player.

Albert Belle took his fierce swing and hit temper out of Chicago to Baltimore, where he will try to shatter records, not locker rooms. And Mo Vaughn will try for Anaheim, hitting the balance of power in the West to the Angels.

But don't expect New York or Baltimore to be a disappointment.

"The hardest thing to do in sports is to win when everyone expects you to," said Don Zimmer, the Yankees bench coach who will manage the team until Joe Torre returns from prostate cancer surgery.

"I have never seen a team face a tougher measure as this team did going into the playoffs after win-

American League

predicted order-of-finish

EAST

New York Yankees
Toronto
Baltimore
Boston
Tampa Bay
Cleveland
Detroit
Kansas City
Chicago White Sox
Minnesota
WEST

Anaheim
Texas
Oakland

ning 114 games. And they responded."

"That they did, beating the Texas Rangers and Cleveland before sweeping the San Diego Padres in the World Series on their way to a record 125 wins. And expectations won't be any lower this year for the best team in baseball."

"We need to get to the World Series, because of who we are and what we spend on players," Torre said of the team's \$85 million payroll.

"The Indians feel the same way. After a 46-year playoff drought, Cleveland has won the AL Central the last four years but hasn't been able to win it all. "I think we're a team that's decided it's time to go win the World Series," Sandy Alomar said. "That's not being cocky, it's just asserting responsibility."

Once again, the West will have the only one-division race. The division boasts some of the game's best offensive players in Juan Gonzalez and Rafael Palmeiro (Texas), Andre Dawson and Tim Lincecum (Seattle), and Alex Rodriguez (Seattle).

Whoever makes the best season move to get a pitcher probably will win the division. So look for Anaheim, which with the addition of Vaughn has a spare outfielder — either Jim Edmonds or Garrett Anderson — to make the playoffs for the first time since 1986.

"The response team in the West will be Baltimore, Boston and Toronto in the league's fourth race — the Wild-Card Division. The wild-card winner will come from the East all four years and don't look for that to change.

The Blue Jays, without manager Tom Johnson and his Westin-tales, may have the second best rotation in the league and are the wild-card favorite.

National League

predicted order of finish

EAST

Atlanta
New York Mets
Philadelphia
Montreal
Florida
CENTRAL

San Francisco
St. Louis
Cincinnati
Chicago Cubs
Pittsburgh
Milwaukee
WEST

Los Angeles
San Diego
Colorado
Arizona
San Diego

card, beating out Mark McGwire and the St. Louis Cardinals.

The Chicago Cubs, who earned the extra playoff spot last year behind Sammy Sosa, lost their chance to pitch when Kerry Wood was outlined for the season with an elbow injury.

Injuries cast dark shadow over several teams' rosters

The Los Angeles Times

Forget the program. You can't tell the players without a medical chart.

As the three-year season opens Sunday night, a spring of devastating injuries and illnesses has threatened the balance in several divisions, and altered races even before the first pitch.

Consider the National League Central, where the Houston Astros will seek their three-pipe without Moises Alou, who is out for a year after undergoing knee surgery the Chicago Cubs will

to regain the wild card without Kerry Wood, who is out for the year after having elbow reconstruction; the St. Louis Cardinals will try to mount a challenge with Matt Morris, who is also out for the year because of elbow reconstruction; and the longshot Cincinnati Reds will open the season with newly acquired ace Denny Neagle on the disabled list because of a weak shoulder and Pete Harnisch, their No. 2, sidelined by back spasms.

"I don't know if this opens any doors," said Phil Garner, manager of the undermanned but comparatively sound Milwaukee Brewers, "but a big part of winning is feeling you can win and when you lose a Wood or an Alou, your lineup is bound to lose some of that feeling."

The Anaheim Angels know the feeling.

Booyed by Mo Vaughn but still hounded by that long pattern of misfortune, they will try to beat the Texas Rangers and Seattle Mariners in the American League West without Gary Disarcina, their shortstop and soul, who is out at least a month because of a broken bone in his forearm.

Threesome approaches 3,000-hit plateau

The Associated Press

This season could be some kind of a hit parade for Tony Gwynn, Wade Boggs and Cal Ripken Jr. Sometime in late May or early June, Gwynn will crouch in the batter's box and, if his dream scenario unfolds, he'll hit a crisp two-bouncer between the third baseman and the shortstop — his personal "SS hole" — for his 3,000th hit.

Boggs won't be far behind in reaching the milestone. Or maybe he'll get a little quicker start and reach 3,000. Often considered the best pure hitter in their respective leagues, these two left-handers, who own 13 batting titles between them, are separated only by six hits after nearly two decades in the big leagues.

Finally, sometime later in the season, Ripken, baseball's Iron Man, will take the swing that will put his name in the record book yet again.

As the three-for-three grand count-down begins, Gwynn needs 72 hits; Boggs 78 and Ripken 322.

Magical \$52 million mark carries clubs into playoffs

The Associated Press

Judging by last year's \$52 million is baseball's magic number this season.

If teams don't spend at least that much on players, they have no chance of making the playoffs. "I think the most important word in sports is hope, that fans have the hope that their team has a chance to be competitive," says San Francisco Giants' owner Peter Magowan says. "Something has to be done. I don't think fans want to know two-thirds of the teams have no chance to win. For players on these teams, what are they playing for? For themselves? To entertain? Or do they want to compete?"

Last year, the eight teams in the postseason all had payrolls of \$48 million or more and were among the 12 highest spenders. This season, the price has gone up by about \$4 million. To be among the Dandy Dozen, it will cost about \$52 million, according to projections of opening day payrolls.

That means the New York Yankees, Baltimore, Los Angeles, Atlanta, Texas, Cleveland, Arizona, New York Mets, Boston, the Chicago Cubs, Colorado and Houston are the prime playoff picks. Just behind the big spenders, with projected payrolls ranging from \$41 million to \$52 million, are Seattle, Anaheim, San Diego, St. Louis, San Francisco, Toronto

and Milwaukee. The clubs that are not among the magic number are the ones that are "winning records, all with payrolls under \$35 million," says Tampa Bay General Manager Steve Lerner. Oakland, Pittsburgh, Milwaukee, Florida and Montreal.

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Cleveland Indians general manager John Hart says, "I'm not sure those clubs that are almost guaranteed to be a supergroup."

The Yankees will open the season with a payroll of \$42 million. Baltimore will be at about \$41 million, followed by the Dodgers at \$37 million, Atlanta and Texas at \$33 million and Cleveland at \$28 million.

No wonder they're the best bet to be among the last four teams in the race for a playoff berth, although the Orioles don't seem to have found some of last year's problems.

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Ballparks getting a new look

Five major-league teams will be moving into new homes by next season. Here is a look at the stadiums under construction:

KINGSDOME



Tenant: Seattle Mariners (AL)
Opened: April 9, 1978

Opening: July 15, 1999
Cost: \$415 million
Style: Retractable roof
Surface: Grass
Capacity: 47,145
Left field: 321 ft.
Left center field: 390 ft.
Center field: 408 ft.
Right center field: 356 ft.
Right field: 326 ft.

SAFECO FIELD



Luxury suites: 66

TIGER STADIUM



Tenant: Detroit Tigers (AL)
Opened: April 20, 1912

Opening: April 2000
Cost: \$250 million
Surface: Grass
Capacity: 40,000 (approx.)
Left field: 346 ft.
Left center field: 402 ft.
Center field: 423 ft.
Right center field: 373 ft.
Right field: 330 ft.

COMERICA PARK



Luxury suites: 102

MILWAUKEE COUNTY STADIUM



Tenant: Milwaukee Brewers (NL)
Opened: April 6, 1953

Opening: April 2000
Cost: \$250 million (est.)
Style: Retractable roof
Surface: Grass
Capacity: 43,000
Left field: 347 ft.
Left center field: 370 ft.
Center field: 408 ft.
Right center field: 375 ft.
Right field: 347 ft.

MILLER PARK



Luxury suites: 72

ASTRODOME



Tenant: Houston Astros (NL)
Opened: April 12, 1965

Opening: March 25, 2000
Cost: \$250 million
Style: Retractable roof
Surface: Grass
Capacity: 42,000
Left field: 316 ft.
Left center field: 362 ft.
Center field: 402 ft.
Right center field: 373 ft.
Right field: 326 ft.

(not named to date)



Luxury suites: 63

3COM PARK



Tenant: San Francisco Giants (NL)
Opened: April 12, 1993

Opening: April 2000
Cost: \$250 million
Surface: Grass
Capacity: 42,000
Left field: 335 ft.
Left center field: 385 ft.
Center field: 405 ft.
Right center field: 421 ft.
Right field: 308 ft.

PACIFIC BELL PARK



Luxury suites: 67

Source: Major League Baseball

AP/Wide World Photos

Out with the old: '99 season bids farewell to five ballparks

The Associated Press

The AstroDome in Houston saw the first indoor major league baseball game. Milwaukee's County Stadium saw Hank Aaron's final home run.

All are among the five major league ballparks—along with 67-year-old Tiger Stadium and 22-year-old Kingsdome—that will be closing their doors this season.

Tiger Stadium
First official game: April 20, 1912 (game day Fenway Park opened); Detroit 6, Cleveland 5, 11 innings.

County Stadium
First official game: Sept. 27 vs. Kansas City.
Capacity: 46,945.
Greatest home team stars: Ty Cobb, Hank Greenberg, Al Kaline.

Memorable moments: St. Louis outfielder Ducky Metcalf had to be pulled from the field by baseball commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis after the 1924 World Series when fans threw garbage at Metcalf after a hard collision with Detroit third baseman Harry Owen. Reggie Gibson's 1971 homer into the light tower on the right-field roof was one of the most famous in All-Star game history. Kirk Gibson's hit two home runs in Game 5 of the 1984 World Series, including a three-run shot in the eighth inning to clinch the title for Detroit on Oct. 14.

Replacement: Comerica Park (to open in 2000).

Astrodome
First official game: April 12, 1965; Houston 3, St. Louis 2.
Last scheduled game: Sept. 30 vs. Los Angeles.

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Capacity: 54,370.

Greatest home team stars: Nolan Ryan, Mike Scott, Jeff Bagwell.
Memorable moments: Baseball's first indoor stadium was the site of the longest 1-0 game in baseball history when the Astros beat the Mets on April 25, 1968. Those two teams also played the longest postseason game when New York beat Los Angeles in 16 innings on Oct. 15, 1985. Nolan Ryan pitched his fifth no-hitter there Sept. 26, 1981, against Los Angeles.

Replacement: not named (to open in 2000).

County Stadium
First official game: April 14, 1953; Milwaukee Braves 3, St. Louis 2, 10 innings.
Last scheduled game: Oct. 3 vs. Cincinnati.

Capacity: 53,192.
Greatest home team stars: Hank Aaron, Warren Spahn, Robin Yount, Eddie Mathews.
Memorable moments: Hank Aaron's 715th career home run on July 20, 1976. Robin Yount got his 3,000th hit on Sept. 3, 1982. The Brewers win three straight at home against California in 1982 to become the first team to win a league championship series after falling behind 2-0. Nolan Ryan beat the Brewers 11-3 to win his 300th career game on July 31, 1990.

Replacement: Miller Park (to open in 2000).

3Com Park
First official game: April 17, 1993; San Francisco 3, St. Louis 2.
Last scheduled game: Sept. 30 vs. Los Angeles.

Capacity: 63,000.
Greatest home team stars: Willie Mays, Orlando Cepeda, Willie McCovey, Barry Bonds, Juan Marichal.

Memorable moments: An earthquake before Game 3 of the 1989 World Series on Oct. 17, 1989, delayed the Series by 10 days. On July 11, 1961, Candlestick's infamous wind was felt hardest when Stu Miller was blown off the mound by a gust of wind at the All-Star game. The most ignominious moment came Aug. 22, 1965, when Juan Marichal hit John Roseboro of the Los Angeles Dodgers over the head with his bat in retaliation for a close pitch by Sandy Kousser. Bobby Richardson snared Willie McCovey's screaming-line drive with two runners on to preserve the Yankees 1-0 win in Game 7 of the 1962 World Series.

Replacement: Pacific Bell Park (to open in 2000).

Kingsdome
First official game: April 6, 1977; California 7, Seattle 0.
Last scheduled game: June 27 vs. Cincinnati.

Capacity: 53,166.
Greatest home team stars: Ken Griffey Jr., Alex Rodriguez, Randy Johnson.
Memorable moments: Ken Griffey Jr. racing home from first to score on Edgar Martinez's 10th-inning double as the Mariners beat the New York Yankees in the decisive Game 5 of their division series on Oct. 8, 1995. The stadium closed for four months in 1993, against Detroit.
Replacement: Safeco Field (to open July 15, 1999).

Stolen Bases
Rickey Henderson needs 3 for 1,300 (0)
Ossie Nixon needs 6 for 600 (15)
Runs
Rickey Henderson needs 86 for 2,100 (4)
Doubles
Cal Ripken needs 6 for 550 (15)
Tony Gwynn needs 5 for 500 (34)

... while small-market teams such as Pittsburgh fight to stay solvent

BRADENTON, Fla. (AP) — Kevin Brown steps to the mound under his new \$105 million contract, he collects roughly \$425,000.

Nice salary, huh? The Pittsburgh Pirates think so—only eight of them made that last season.

Two years ago, the Pirates achieved an economic milestone as the first team with a payroll smaller than the other players. Albert Belle. Even today, their franchise—purchased for \$95 million in 1996—is valued at not much more than Brown's contract.

As the Yankees, Dodgers, Orioles, Braves and Rangers compete for a market game of checkbook baseball with payrolls over \$70 million, the Pirates are stuck in the bargain basement of having no star players, and some would say, dangerously dominated by the haves.

Yet, they have it hope. Faint flickers of a comeback.

Some might argue they are naive to a fast-shifting economic landscape that puts penny-pinching teams such as the Twins, Royals, Expos, Marlins, Athletics and Yankees at a disadvantage.

But the Pirates don't think so. Their strategy? If they can't outspend other teams, they must try to outthink, outwork or outsmart them.

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Ripken: A legendary overachiever

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Cal Ripken Jr. has borne the burden of carrying a streak that left him open to criticism virtually every time he went into a slump.

Yet, as he enters his 18th season in the big leagues, Ripken still has the desire to play every day.

At 33, he has the physique of a third baseman for the Baltimore Orioles. And he feels absolutely no sense of relief in having won his 2,000th consecutive game played at 2:52 by sitting out Orioles' final home game on Sept. 30.

"I expected it to be more emotional for me, and it wasn't. Baseball goes on, my career goes on, the Orioles go on," he said this spring.

But now the Baltimore talk show host is also well known for his streak that has focused the team, and he finally got tired of taking heat for simply showing up every day to play the game he's loved as long as he could remember.

"I didn't create the streak," he said. "I was just a player who grabbed Earl Weaver under the neck and said, 'You're a great man

Baseball workaholic

Cal Ripken has received criticism for playing every game, keeping his consecutive games played streak alive. Taking into account breaks in the schedule, his days have been steady.

A look at his stats from the beginning of his streak in 1982 through the end of last season:

	1982	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
All day	225	200	247	207	200	208	246	208	208
Partial day	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
All other games	152	600	175	23	91	278	448	448	448

Breaks down into 162-game samples:

	1982	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
All day	152	600	168	27	96	208	463	463	463
All other games	152	600	175	23	91	278	448	448	448

at the same time. Ripken didn't make it that far, yet he did end the streak on his own terms—not because of an injury, but because his skills had deteriorated and not because he was just too tired to play another game.

He did it because it felt the time was right.

"There's something awesome about the way he did it," Anderson said. "Everybody knows that if I had chosen, I would have let him go. He proved that by playing every game after the one he sat out. He didn't sit down because of an injury; he did it just because he decided it was time. There's something nice about that."

The number 2,130 will forever be associated with Lou Gehrig's streak. Ripken will have 2,632 eclipsed on his Hall of Fame plaque.

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A look at Magic Valley baseball teams (no particular order)

Minico Spartans

Coches: Russ Wright
1998 Finishes 16-9
Returning starters
IF: Casey Jensen (Jr.), IF: Luke Coates (Sr.)
Others
IF: Nate Christensen (Soph.), IF: Jason Crawford (Jr.), IF: Randy Coates (Sr.), IF: Jody Wright (Jr.), IF: Kevin Jensen (Jr.), IF: Jason Martin (Sr.), IF: Jeff Johnson (Jr.), IF: Matt Dunahoo (Jr.), OF: Jeremy Minna (Soph.), OF: Josh Bartleson (Soph.)

Wendell Trojans

Coches: Gordon Gutter
1998 Finishes 15-10
Returning starters
IF: Bruce Havens (Sr.), IF: Josh Prince (Sr.), OF: Kyle Gunter (Sr.), OF: Matty Scott (Soph.)
Coach Says
Excellent pitching, six returning pitchers. Need experience at catcher.

Glenns Ferry High School

Coches: Denis Ch
1998 Finishes 11-11
Returning starters
IF: Ben Walter (Sr.), IF: Chris Uhl (Sr.), OF: Juan Gutierrez (Soph.), IF: Ryan Simons (Soph.), OF: Curtis Lamb (Sr.)
Others
IF: Brian Jones (Sr.), IF: Alex Corea (Jr.), OF: Alex Farris (Sr.), OF: Chance Gennette (Soph.), OF: Eddy Hunt (Soph.), OF: Ryan Simons (Soph.), OF: Curtis Lamb (Sr.)
Coach Says
We are not sleep at any position but have solid players with experience up the middle. Pitching is a concern, and experience at key positions.

Twin Falls Bruins

Coches: Mike Federico
1998 Finishes 17-7
Returning starters
IF: Dillon Hayes (Sr.), IF: Chris Wehring (Sr.), OF: Jake Robinson (Jr.), OF: Scott Leavitt (Sr.), P: Chad Wilson (Sr.), P: Kyle Parson (Sr.), OF: Dave Boyer (Sr.)
Others
IF: Mike McLinnan (Sr.), IF: Brandon Miller (Jr.), IF: Cliff Creek (Jr.), IF: James Brady (Jr.), IF: Chase Quebedt (Jr.), IF: Jeremy Hudson (Jr.), OF: Danning Jimenez (Sr.), OF: Ben Thompson (Jr.), OF: Jeremy Sudik (Jr.), OF: Zack Greenway (Jr.), OF: Shaun Polman (Jr.), P: Eric Lamb (Sr.), P: Tyler Warburton (Jr.), P: Bobby Trent (Jr.), P: Graham Lopez (Jr.)
Coach Says
The senior class has a lot of experience. A major concern - dominating pitching, consistency of younger players.

Wood River Wolverines

Coches: Lars Hrivy
1998 Finishes 13-13
Infielders
Jake Ephram (Soph.), Max Paisley (Jr.), Kenny Nelson (Jr.), Cory Gutzenich (Soph.), Matt Beck (Jr.), Jake Nelson (Jr.), Brandon Beck (Sr.), James Gardner (Jr.), Mike Rice (Soph.)
Outfielders
Scott Stevens (Sr.), Carter Fisher (Sr.), Jesse Sheue (Sr.), Matt Johnson (Sr.), Matt Zachary (Jr.), T.J. Peterson (Sr.)
Pitchers
Cody Gutzenich, Chase, Cordey, Brent Schlegel, Peterson, Chappin
Coach Says
We are a well-tuned team. We've solid pitching staff. Overall, we've solid team defense, being very solid.

Filer Wildcats

Coches: Jerry Davis
1998 Finishes 16-9
Returning starters
IF: Gabo Gerlich (Sr.), IF: Vince Gernish (Jr.), OF: J.R. Miller (Sr.)
Others
IF: Dale Cowger (Sr.), IF: Mike Pappas (Jr.), IF: Dylan Ferguson (Jr.), IF: Bob Jolly (Jr.), OF: Josh Suberland (Jr.), OF: Chris Caldwell (Jr.), OF: Brandon Timms (Sr.)
Coach Says
Good starting pitching, senior leadership up the middle. Great attitude and effort. Very young team with a lot of baseball experience. Lost 25 percent of offense to graduation, and we're in a broken hand. We lose our SS and our best hitter for a month. Someone has to make the most of the broken hand, and our pitching lineup will have to manufacture runs while his power is on.

Wendell Trojans

Coches: Allen Kojas
Asst. Coach: Russ Gentry
Players
IF: Justin Allard (Sr.), P: Kelly Baker (Sr.), C: Katie Clark (Sr.), IF: Brent Eckerle (Sr.), OF: Matt Peterson (Jr.), IF: Jeff Sabers (Jr.), IF: Jon Collins (Soph.), IF: Brandon Slater (Soph.), IF: Amber Wadswill (Soph.), OF: Davae (Soph.), OF: Andrew Miller (Soph.), OF: C. Amick (Sr.), OF: Kelly (Soph.), OF: Kaitia Hansing (Soph.)
Coach Says
So far I am impressed with our kids. We're working hard and hope to be in the race. I have four seniors who are good leaders.

Wood River Wolverines

Coches: Chris Cox
1998 Record: 12-12
Players
P: PIP Debbie Rabel (Sr.), OF: James Jones (Sr.), OF: Lyndee Jeter (Sr.), OF: Jesse Hirs (Sr.), OF: Rebecca Egan (Jr.), IF: Abby Sertone (Jr.), C: Renata Chubbeter (Jr.), IF: Laurel Williams (Jr.), IF: Jon Marie Shaw (Jr.), IF: TFP: Stephanie Miller (Jr.), IF: Jennifer Wolf (Sr.)
Other Players
Catcher: Chadler, and Shortstop: Pitcher: Debbie Rabel, Stephanie Miller, Lucy Glaer, Lara Alder, and Bri Salazar.

Burley Bobcats

Coches: Leonard Horton
Players

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Minico Spartans

Coches: Kelly Arnt
1998 Finishes: Girls Regional
Champs 5th at State
Returning Boys
Brad Sheekey (Sr.), Gifford, Galtner (Jr.), Andy Jensen (Soph.), Henry Creson (Soph.)
Returning Girls
Rachel Goffner (Jr.), Karby Galtner (Soph.), Ashley Jolley (Soph.), Kaddover (Soph.), Amber (Jr.), Theodor Stevens (Soph.), Lindsey Edberg (Soph.)
Other Boys
Mike Dean (Sr.), Ben Andrew (Jr.), Jeff Harper (Jr.)
Other Girls
Amy Neuhar (Soph.)
Coach Says
We have three boys with a lot of golf experience, so that's a plus. However, the other two spots are going to be filled with inexperienced players. Creson played very rarely matches last year. Mike Dean has made tremendous progress since last year so we are hopeful he will be able to come through and win. Henry, Ben, and Josh are also capable of shooting decent scores. Four girls played in the region and state tournaments last year, so they've been in the pressure situation. Our 3, 4, and 5 people need to get their selves down a little. We lost Jasmine Stanger, and this year we don't have a person to shoot the low scores she did in the past. Both our boys and girls need to level off. At times we are real up and down, our short games need to get better. We are optimistic for both groups that we will improve by the time region rolls around.

Kimberly Bulldogs

Coches: Chad Heider, Terry John Infielders
IF: Greg Thompson (Soph.), IF: Matt Smith (Soph.), IF: Zach Hollibaugh (Soph.), IF: Billy Humphreys (Soph.), Scott Schneider (Jr.), IF: Travis Lunsford (Jr.), IF: Jesse Lawrence (Soph.), IF: Jordan Williams (Jr.), IF: Phil Sievers (Jr.), IF: Jake Williams (Sr.), IF: Dakota Kafader (Sr.), IF: Matt Bulcher (Sr.)
Outfielders
OF: Tyler Olson (Jr.), OF: Jordan Dilley (Sr.), OF: Kris Armstrong (Soph.), OF: Luke Heidemann (Jr.), OF: Asher (Jr.), OF: Brett Baldwin (Soph.)
Pitchers
C: Smith, Armstrong, Humphries, Schneider, Heidemann, Sievers, Kafader, Bulcher, Asher, Baldwin.
Coach Says
We are not sleep at any position but have solid players with experience up the middle. Pitching is a concern, and experience at key positions.

Twin Falls Bruins

Coches: Paul Sover
1998 Finishes: Boys - 1st at district, 4th at state. Girls - 2nd at district, 4th at state
Returning Boys
Michael Eason (Jr.), Jordan Boyle (Jr.), Cory-Nannely (Soph.), Nick Lewis (Sr.), Nathan Boyd (Soph.)
Returning Girls
Melissa Venn (Sr.), Dana Crammer (Sr.), Jennifer Hedberg (Soph.), Jenni Olson (Soph.)
Other Boys
Jeff Knudsen (Jr.), Max Vandewalle (Jr.), Chris Jerome (Jr.), Brian Keith (Soph.), Jason Hamilton (Jr.), Chris Trostle (Sr.), Coleman Spaulding (Soph.)
Other Girls
Monica Kern (Jr.), Deanna Thompson (Fr.), Kati Berthoff (Fr.)
Coach Says
Weaker: young and somewhat inexperienced varsity team. We are optimistic for both groups that we will improve by the time region rolls around.

Glenns Ferry Pilots

Coches: Rick Burke
Returning Boys
Richard Ogden (Jr.), Dustin Ogden (Jr.), Joe Jackson (Sr.)
Returning Girls
Byrona Owens (Sr.), Karen Dillabahn (Sr.), Janice Perry (Sr.), Tasha Crandall (Jr.)
Other Boys
Mike Potucek (Jr.), Ward Rallen (Sr.), Clayton Stump (Fr.), Adam Fry (Jr.), Marcus Jacobson (Fr.)
Coach Says
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1998 Finishes: Girls took 3rd at state

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Valley Vikings

Coches: Bernard Munsman
1998 Finishes: 2nd at District
Returning Boys
Rory Black (Soph.), Jake Astorquia (Soph.), Craig Sisson (Jr.)
Returning Girls
Vanessa Miller (Sr.), Kinsey Gorr (Sr.), Amanda Gergen (Soph.)
Other Boys
Mike Griffith (Soph.), Dusty Stanley (Soph.), Kyle Orr (Sr.), Will Allen (Sr.), Jesse Nelson (Soph.), Drew Schoenfeld (Soph.), Billy Salls (Jr.)
Other Girls
Jocelyn Tesch (Jr.), Cassi Kincaid (Soph.)
Coach Says
Three returning state qualifiers - Craig Sisson, Rory Black, and Jake Astorquia.

Martaugh Red Devils

Coches: Ron Kirtland
1998 Finishes 5th
Returning Boys
Brady Stanger (Sr.), Reece Widmer (Jr.), Cody Maff (Sr.)
Returning Girls
Raegan Widmer, Heather Stanger, Kyle Nebecker.
Other Girls
Heather Stanger, Misha Egbert.
Coach Says
We return this year with a highly competitive team. Both Stanger and Widmer have the capability of winning the individuals this year. Raegan should improve as last year's fourth-place finish. We need more girls, though.

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Wendell Trojans

Coches: Steve Matthews
Returning Boys
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Returning Girls
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Gooding Senators

Coches: Chris Constock
Returning Boys
Brendy Thompson (Sr.), Taylor Cable (Jr.)
Returning Girls
Tara L. Thompson (Jr.), Amy Anderson (Jr.)
Other Boys
Duke Cheney (Sr.), Anthony Oberle (Sr.), Michael Cheney (Sr.), Brady McNeil (Jr.), Jared Wilkens (Soph.), Brian Byrne (Soph.)
Other Girls
Michelle Leonard (Soph.), Kyria Wolfe (Soph.), Marc Victor (Jr.)
Coach Says
For the boys, they work hard and are very dedicated; but the downside that comes to mind is the inexperience at the tournament level. Tamara and Amy will carry this team. They have a lot of experience.

Kimberly Bulldogs

Coches: Brian Willford
1998 Finishes: Boys State Champ, girls State Runner-up
Returning Boys
Nick Powers (Sr.), Derek Scott (Sr.), Rick Meade (Jr.), Scott Meade (Jr.)
Returning Girls
Karissa Hater (Soph.)
Other Boys
Jeremy Gibbons (Jr.), Rich Arross (Sr.), Matt Goren (Sr.), Scott Clark (Jr.), Matt Olson (Sr.)
Other Girls
Miranda Melyak (Soph.), Kall Keegan (Jr.), Kaylene Hunt (Fr.), Jenny Dille (Jr.), Amy Feldhusen (Jr.), Amy Meyer (Sr.)
Coach Says
Great leadership in returners from State Championship team. Good experience from the top four golfers. The rest of the team is showing potential for a lot of improvement this year. Lack of experience at the fifth spot on our team.

Filer Wildcats

Coches: Rene Lemmon
1998 Finishes: 24-7 (4th at State)
Players
IF: Rachel Trapp (Jr.), IF: Karly Hyman (Sr.), IF: Crystal Cook (Soph.), IF: Lindsey Hudson (Sr.), IF: Amber Hughes (Jr.), IF: Angela Reschort (Soph.), OF: Marcel Richards (Sr.), OF: Robyn Farmer (Jr.), IF: Tasha Paxton (Fr.), OF: Rachel Spahr (Jr.), OF: Cassie Wells (Jr.), OF: Stephanie Taylor (Soph.)
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Minico Spartans

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1998 Finishes 24-7 (Regional Champ/3rd at State)
Players
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Players
IF: Justin Allard (Sr.), P: Kelly Baker (Sr.), C: Katie Clark (Sr.), IF: Brent Eckerle (Sr.), OF: Matt Peterson (Jr.), IF: Jeff Sabers (Jr.), IF: Jon Collins (Soph.), IF: Brandon Slater (Soph.), IF: Amber Wadswill (Soph.), OF: Davae (Soph.), OF: Andrew Miller (Soph.), OF: C. Amick (Sr.), OF: Kelly (Soph.), OF: Kaitia Hansing (Soph.)
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Other Girls
Jenny Taylor (Sr.), IF: Jessica Williams (Sr.)

Jerome Tigers

Coches: Kurt Bradley, Shesha Lahring
Players
OF: Lou Rivers (Jr.), IF: Jensen Tolman (Jr.), IF: Marsha Norgard (Jr.), OF: Andrea Olson (Soph.), OF: Rachel Boer (Jr.), IF: Natalie Goble (Jr.), IF: Wendy Pallas (Jr.), IF: Ashley Long (Jr.), OF: Kelley Jackson (Jr.), OF: Tonya Holton (Jr.), P: Megan Ott (Sr.), OF: Amber Olson (Sr.), IF: Beckey Thubart (Jr.), IF: Kendra Tomlin (Soph.)
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Oakley Homets

Coches: Jeff Harrah
Returning Boys
Derek Boddy (Sr.), Andy Gay (Sr.), Sam Spencer (Jr.), Derek Robinson (Jr.), Jake Schaak (Soph.), Aaron Haddock (Soph.)
Returning Girls
Kara Clark (Jr.), Jennifer Robins (Sr.), IF: Shawana Seamans (Sr.), IF: Jessica Williams (Sr.)
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Filer Wildcats

Coches: Dennis Mat
1998 Finishes: A-3 State runner-up
Returning Boys
Bryan Lawler (Sr.), Nathan Strain (Soph.), Travis Haddock (Soph.), Curt Ross (Jr.), Chad Strain (Sr.), Mike Epper (Jr.), Brandon Garner (Soph.)
Returning Girls
Brendy Lawrence (Jr.), Amanda Hays (Jr.), Lindsey Chalkers (Soph.)
Other Girls
John Shetler (Fr.), Shay Lawley (Fr.), Chris Thaste (Fr.)
Other Boys
Erin Anderson (Jr.), Neel Meares (Soph.), Rainbow Lang (Fr.)
Coach Says
We have a very strong team, backed by players with tournament experience at the state level. The addition of the freshmen with four of our top five from last year will help make this a contender for the A-2 state championship. Returning experienced players and the three new ones will make a respectable team.

Buhl Indians

Coches: Mel Hinc
Returning Boys
Eric Anderson (Sr.), Brad Traylor (Sr.), Rod Paulson (Soph.), T. Dupplund (Soph.)
Returning Girls
Katie Baughman (Jr.), Kalinda Brown (Jr.), Mackenzie Gentry (Sr.), Kalen Brown (Sr.)
Other Boys
Brett Higgins (Fr.), Kyle Anderson (Fr.), Scott Trrazier (Fr.), Matt Wolverson (Fr.), Mike Leonard (Fr.)
Other Girls
Angie Baily (Fr.), Kristina Berdard (Sr.)
Coach Says
Have a couple of the boys with state experience. We are very young, but most of them work very hard and are very competitive by the end of the season.
Four of our girls have gone to the state meet. This could lead the year in the administrator (Fr.), of the members we have. Any injury could result in hurt.

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SPORTS

What to look for in this week's run for the Green Jacket

The Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Now it's time for the real golf season to begin.

Sure, they've been playing for three months now, and they're going to discount David Duval's three titles and more than \$2 million in earnings, least of all his best-ever-winning, the Players Championship was a nice notch for Duval.

But quick now, who won the 1998 Players Championship? One of Chicago's top golf executives couldn't answer that question (hint: it was Justin Leonard), but he had no trouble ranking off the winners of the four majors.

That's because no matter how many "world" events the PGA Tour invents, it's still the majors that count in golf. And none is any bigger than the Masters, which begins Thursday at Augusta National in Georgia.

The majors are where history is made, and where golfers are ultimately judged. Last year Duval won more tournaments and more prize money than anyone else, but Mark O'Meara won two majors and was named player of the year.

"I think high of us, understand that we want and ultimately need to win a lot of major championships," Tiger Woods said of his duel for No. 1 with O'Meara. "Obviously David won four times last year, but what would you rather have, four wins or two majors?"

Both players will be the focus this week, but they won't be the only stories. The tournament thrives up as one of the most intriguing Masters in years.

Here are a few things to watch:

- **Rivalry time:** Fans eagerly await the major when Woods and Duval go head-to-head in the tradition of Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer. It could come this week.

Duval has gained all the early-season attention. He is the new No. 1-ranked player in the world after winning the Players Championship.

But the former No. 1, Woods, isn't having a bad year either. He won the Buick Invitational and has six top-10 finishes in eight starts.

Woods set a Masters record by winning by 12 shots in 1997. Duval forced second place.

Alterations: The golfers will face a new Augusta National, probably a result of Woods' amazing 18-under record in 1997. Tournament officials have changed four holes and even added their version of rough.

The par-3 second hole has gained 25 yards, stretching it to 575 yards. No longer will it be a driver and short iron to the green. Twenty trees have been added along the fairway on the par-5 15th, putting more of a premium on driving accuracy.

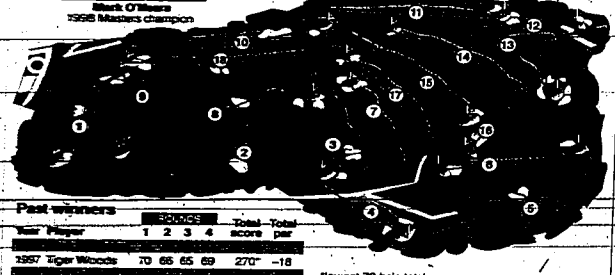
These trees also come into the play on the par-4 17th, which has been moved back 25 yards to 425.

The Masters Golf Tournament

Augusta National Golf Club, Augusta, Ga., April 6-11, 1998



Mark O'Meara
1998 Masters champion



Past winners

Year	Player	1	2	3	4	Total score	Par
1987	Tiger Woods	70	65	65	69	270	-18

*lowest 72-hole total

Source: Augusta National Golf Club

AP/Ed De Garen

The added length brings the famed Eisenhower tree back into play. The green on the 11th hole has been raised two feet.

Then for the first time, the golfers will face some rough on Augusta's wide-open layout. It won't be the brutal 6-inch U.S. Open rough. In fact, it only will be 1.38 inches.

It doesn't sound like much, but it will be just enough to prevent players from spinning the ball onto Augusta's treacherous greens. When Ernie Els heard of the rough and the changes, he said, "That's a real pain in the ass."

• **Fade out:** In 1996, Nick Faldo blazed past Greg Norman to win his third Masters. Since then, both players have failed to make the cut in the last two tournaments. Last year, Norman went literally from Augusta to the operating table for surgery on his shoulder.

Meanwhile, Faldo could use a psychic to figure out what happened to his game. He is a mere shadow of his former self.

The great winners will give it one more try. But Norman at 43 and Faldo at 41 might have seen their day come and go.

• **Incoming:** While Faldo and Norman are in the twilight, this year's Masters will be a preview of the future. The spotlight will be on a talented trio of amateurs: Matt Kuchar, Sergio Garcia and Hank Kuehne.

Kuchar, a Georgia Tech junior, stole the show last year by smiting his way to a tie for 21st. The long-hitting Garcia, of Spain is

following in the footsteps of his countryman, Seve Ballesteros. Kuehne, an even longer hitter, has overcome alcohol problems and won last year's U.S. Amateur.

• **It's time:** With each major, the pressure grows for the best players still looking to hook the big one. Besides Duval, the money continues to weigh heaviest on Colin Montgomerie, Phil Mickelison, Jim Furyk and Lee Westwood.

Bear missing: The Masters won't be the same this year. For the first time in 40 years, Jack Nicklaus will miss the tournament. Recovering from hip-replacement surgery, Nicklaus will show up for Tuesday's champions dinner and then will spend the rest of the week fishing.

His presence, though, will be felt. The cheers from his stunning sixth-place finish last year still are ringing in the Georgia pines.

The new Augusta: Rough, tough and longer

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Every year David Love III comes to the Masters, he notices something different about Augusta National Golf Club.

The green is a little flatter, allowing for a different pin placement. The tee box has been shifted slightly to the left. The bunker is a little wider, or a little smaller. "They have changed it every year since the tournament started," Love said. "There is not a hole on the golf course that hasn't changed somehow."

Only this year, the changes are so subtle. Never has grass only as deep as a golf ball caused such a stir.

On a 365-acre tract loaded with towering Georgia pines, why should 20 additional pine trees suddenly stick out so much?

Imagine fans who have been coming to the Masters for years walking away from the first green and trying to find the second tee.

Augusta National may evolve from year to year, but it's not the same course where Mark O'Meara won the Masters last year, and it's not the same course where Tiger Woods set the scoring record of 270 the year before.

It's rougher. And it's a little bit longer.

With an emphasis on more accuracy-off the tee, the men-in-green coats have given Augusta its biggest facelift since the putting surface was switched from Bermuda to bentgrass in 1981.

Perhaps the most surprising change is the grass itself — it's longer.

"They can call it second cut if they want to," Tom Lehman said.

"But any time it's not the fairway, it's the rough."

Whatever the description, the grass will be 1 3/8 inches deep, about twice as much as previous years but still only the depth of a ball. How much that will matter depends on the players.

"I think the second cut could play a big role in the tournament," said David Duval, who played two rounds at Augusta during his three-week break in March.

The rough won't bury the ball, which is what tends to happen in a U.S. Open, but just enough grass between the ball and the blade of the club could make it difficult to control the spin. That's an important factor when trying to put the ball on the right side of the hole.

"If you've got a little wedge in on No. 7, it's hard enough from the fairway," Lehman said. "Imagine a little grass between the ball. It's impossible. You're going to have to hit it straighter this year, no question."

What Augusta had in mind, and not just with the rough. Those extra 20 pine trees can be found down the right side of the 15th fairway, the 500-yard par-5 where Woods used a pitching wedge for his second shot when he won in 1997. The mounds down the right side have been flattened, which could reduce any spring-board effect the ball received.

Now, it could get gobbled up by pines that already are about 30 feet high.

"Pretty large-size trees for new ones," O'Meara said, although he's been around long enough not to be surprised by anything Augusta National can pull off.

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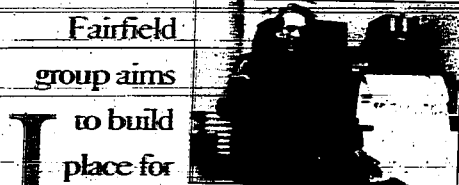
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Big Facts

Toward a safer workplace

Number of hospital admissions for injuries and illnesses in the U.S.



Bill Knox and other Fairfield residents want to boost business in Games County by launching a light industrial park.

Finding balance

Build a portfolio that softens risks

A smart portfolio includes not just the darlings of the moment — but also small-cap and foreign shares.

While it's not difficult to construct your own large-cap portfolio (after all, you've heard of Coca-Cola, Microsoft and General Electric), stocks in the other categories are difficult for most of us to select. For that reason, buying a well-diversified small-cap mutual funds still makes a lot of sense. Even some investors are growing more on large-cap funds.

In addition, many managers in these less popular sectors have done exceptionally well in recent years while most large-cap funds have trailed the Standard & Poor's 500 Index, their benchmark.

For example, through the end of February, Value Line calculates that the average small-cap mutual fund lost 12.6 percent, compared with a loss of 13.9 percent for the stocks of the Russell 2000 Index, the small-cap benchmark. By contrast, the average large-cap growth fund was trailing its target, the S&P, by two percentage points. Over five years, small-caps also were also-beating the Russell while large-caps were getting cllobbered by the S&P.

Why? The small-cap universe is probably a less efficient market than the large-cap in other words, fund managers who are good analysts can actually get an edge on other investors. The same with foreign stocks. But, it's hard to believe that any fund manager knows more than any other. He might get lucky. But luck tends to even itself out.

But even if these managers did not have an edge, you should defer to their expertise. Small-caps and foreign stocks are too tough to analyze — small-caps because they have tiny market niches and foreign stocks because they are so well foreign.

Still, if you don't own such stocks, you should — first, because they have been distinguishing lately and appear to be bargains, and second, because a portfolio should reflect a broad range of equities. Research shows that's the best way to dampen risk while keeping returns high.

Look at small-caps. Unless you believe they are dead in an era of globalization and low inflation, when companies with great brand names and pricing power can attract customers throughout the world (a theory I respect but reject), then you have to recognize that small-caps will bounce back. When they do, large-caps will fade. That, at any rate, has been the pattern.

For example, from the start of 1994 to the end of 1998, the Russell 2000 small-cap index returned an annual average of 13 percent while the S&P, comprising the largest U.S. stocks, returned 24 percent. But from 1991 to 1995, the figures were almost exactly reversed: small-caps returned 17 percent and large caps 17 percent.



ANALYSIS
James K. Glassman

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Blue Cross of Idaho establishes new website

BOISE — Customers and those seeking health insurance information now can reach Blue Cross of Idaho on the Internet.

Web page users can access detailed product information, directories of contracting health care providers, answers to frequently asked questions and current information on Blue Cross of Idaho job openings. Enrollers can get answers to their benefits questions and assistance in selecting health care providers based on specialty and location.

Blue Cross of Idaho calls itself the state's leading health insurer for 54 years and insures 300,000 Idahoans.

New interactive CD helps siding company with ads

JEROME — abc Seamless Siding is using an interactive compact disc for its advertising.

With the click of a mouse button, the company can view newspaper ads, listen to radio spots and watch television spots.

Four Diamond Award goes to Cactus Petes Resort

JACKPOT, Nev. — Cactus Petes Resort Casino has been awarded the Four Diamond Award by the American Automobile Association for the seventh consecutive year.

The 1999 commemorative plaque was awarded to Assistant General Manager Sherrill Summers March 25.

"Without (employees') commitment to excellence, we wouldn't be able to provide such outstanding service to our guests," said the AAA Four Diamond Award recognizes an establishment for a high level of quality and service on a consistent basis. James P. McInnell, president of the AAA-Nevada division, said it is awarded only to establishments which significantly exceed AAA requirements.

Company President and Chief Executive Officer Craig H. Nelson is proud of his company's guest service and accommodations.

"Our objective is to offer a quality resort destination that is still affordable," he said.

Cactus Petes Resort Casino is one of five AAA-rated Four Diamond properties in all of Nevada, a news release said.

Cactus Petes is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ameristar Casinos Inc. Publicly held since November 1993, the Las Vegas-based corporation operates five properties in Nevada, Mississippi and Iowa.

Igniting industry



Mark Croner is busy turning his 2,000-gas station into Croner's Chemicals and Rubs. The renovating shop represents the kind of business Fairfield residents want to attract — a business that can draw commuters from outside Games County.

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

In order to live here right now, you've got to really want to do it

FAIRFIELD — Henry Lee grew up in Fairfield, where immigrants here the Games County.

Through many local high schools these days graduates are and are gone. Lee says.

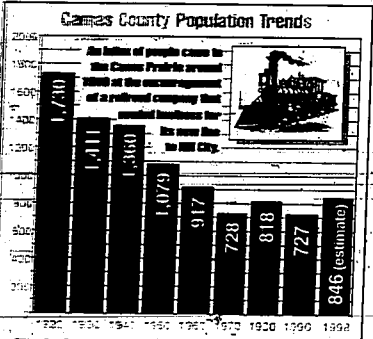
Like others in the immigrant population, Lee says, the games the clean, low-cost environment and the excellent education.

"I'm fortunate to work outside the area because of the small population we have here," said Lee, who works for the insurance services in Gardiner and the World Service Center. "My young family is in business of you have to depend on the local population support."

Lee and more than a dozen others aim to change that.

They're seeking a green to build a light industrial park. The goal is to bring jobs and more population diversity income, which now comes mostly from farming or construction, says the World Service Center, insurance, the law firm and financial services.

People from all walks of life are involved in the grassroots effort. "We take five business paper with the business windows and put the night lights out in Fairfield," group Chairman Bill Knox said.



As the nation's population grows, the Games County population has declined throughout most of the century, and a new Fairfield folk today talk of reviving the town economically.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
Want to know more?
For more information on the Fairfield group aiming to build an industrial park, call Chairman Bill Knox at 764-3348, fax to 764-2349, or write to Box 521, Fairfield, ID 83427.

The proposal
Knox, a retired Army

paratrooper and sniper and a former alligator exhibitor, keeps his handwritten presentation board in his living room.

It shows a proposed building with 10 units, measuring 40 feet by 40 feet, each with a bathroom. Section walls could be removed for businesses that need more space. Plans include parking, a drive-through area for semi-trucks, a room for storage and more buildings to be erected later.

Knox plans to start a welding shop in the building. Other tenants could be cabinet makers, publishers, weed sprayers, component manufacturers or a miniature and car wash, promoters say.

"The goal is new companies that sell products outside Fairfield," Croner says. Group member Matt Croner, who is starting a business for hot rods and auto restorations, expects many out-town clients.

"That will allow me to help the people that are here," said Croner, who could have started his venture earlier if such a building existed.

There's no business Ketchum can foster that Fairfield can't, and more cheaply, said former Arlin Ashmead, also involved in the industrial park effort.

Fairfield has good highway access and adequate water and sewer capacity. The problem is a lack of a

Please see INDUSTRY, Page D2

Internet creates real threat to print journalism

By Dan Gilmore
Ministry News (San Jose, Calif.)

Online

As a 1998 journalism conference I gave a talk about the Internet. The World Wide Web seemed at that point, though it was much a collection of unconnected sites and other sites, with little resemblance to what it has become. But when the audience watched a videotape of Bobbie the precursor to today's ubiquitous Web browser, more than a few eyes grew wide.

Two of the wisest belonged to a newspaper executive who asked an incisive question: "How big an opportunity will this be, and how big a threat?"

At a technology conference in Arizona in March, one of the newspaper industry's legendary figures, Katharine Graham of Washington Post Co., was wondering pretty much the same thing. The answer remains to be seen. We're

deeply worried in this business. The inner workings of journalism are of little interest to most people. But the troubles facing newspapers are worth an occasional airing because of the role we have come to play. For all our faults, it's a role that helps sustain my faith in the craft, allowing me to regard it with vastly more pride than distaste.

Although I'm talking mainly about daily newspapers here, this also applies in some ways to news magazines plus broadcast and cable news operations.

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Bill Gorder, North Dakota legislator, reads a newspaper at his desk on the House floor.

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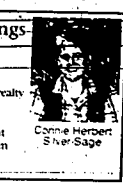
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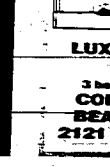
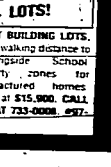
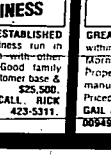
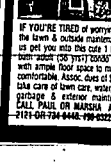
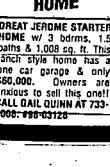
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The Passat actually outperformed the Camry in 1998, but Consumer Reports declined to give it the top ranking then because testers at the magazine's East Haddam track said the car was too new to gauge its reliability.

The Passat took off after being redesigned in 1997.

We think the Passat was just as significant a car as the new Beetle for us, because it proves that Volkswagen can compete in that mistified family car market," VW spokesman Tony Fouldapour said.

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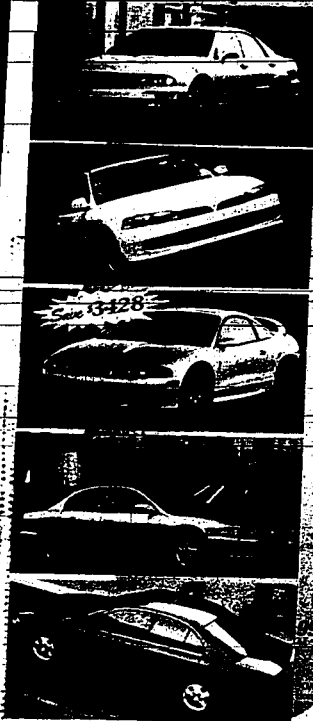
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The Times-News

Sunday, April 4, 1999

Spring clean and junkular proliferation

Spring has arrived - Easter, spring break, baseball... and spring cleaning. Every year, I agonize over the same issue: What in the world am I going to do with all these junk drawers?

Kenneth Sheldon, writing for "The Homeowner's Companion," admits to having plenty of junk drawers. His are filled with greeting cards and envelopes that don't fit them, addresses of people he no longer remembers and negatives that have little chance of ever being reunited with their photographs.

Sound familiar? Sheldon has devised a Theory of Junkular Proliferation. He contends that there are two kinds of junk, male and female, which reproduce when they are mated up in the same drawers. It's his way of explaining why you have more stuff in your junk drawers than you think you do.

Maybe he's right. I worked up the courage to open one of my junk drawers last week and found stuff like old Girl Scout pins, a three-year supply of twist ties and several dozen Magic Markers that probably haven't worked since my 21-year-old daughter was in first grade.

I have no conscious memory of ever putting any of those things there.

I also found a miscellaneous list of "Actual Church Bloopers" that I collected from somewhere, sometime. They are pretty funny.

The senior choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys singing to join the choir.

The pastor is on vacation. Messages can be given to the church secretary.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and the deterioration of some older ones.

And so forth.

Some junk drawers hold real treasures.

The other day, I happened upon a website where you can actually send in a list of the contents of your junk drawers and "win" something. It's trash@netshow.com. If you think you might be a winner, the current winner's list is several pages long and includes items such as a Japanese fan, an electric fuse, Christmas lights and Super Glue.

Amateur stuff... although I did like some can openers (I guess I couldn't find them openers because they were all lost in the junk drawer).

I have a friend in Ohio who should be a social lister, but she might be disqualified because she doesn't use junk drawers. Instead, she stacks up the stuff from the junk drawers in piles all over her house. She's not dirty, just cluttered.

One size was robbed, and she didn't know it for a week.

I wonder what people's junk drawers reveal about them psychologically. I'm sure someone must have studied that.

Mine, at the very least, would reveal that the manus organized as I would like to be and, therefore, I am often frustrated.

When I was first married, I started out putting a woman who could handle a vacuum, an active civic life... until, near a few time management courses on the side, I thought anything was possible. If I could just make time.

But then I had my first baby. And the baby ate my lists.

Eventually, I found out that there is a list for almost everything. I'm sure someone must have studied that.

Years ago, I carried around little notebooks filled with names and preferences. I could buy birthday gifts for friends and family whenever I found a good buy. Now I'm lucky to remember when my own birthday is.

The notebooks are probably in some junk drawer.

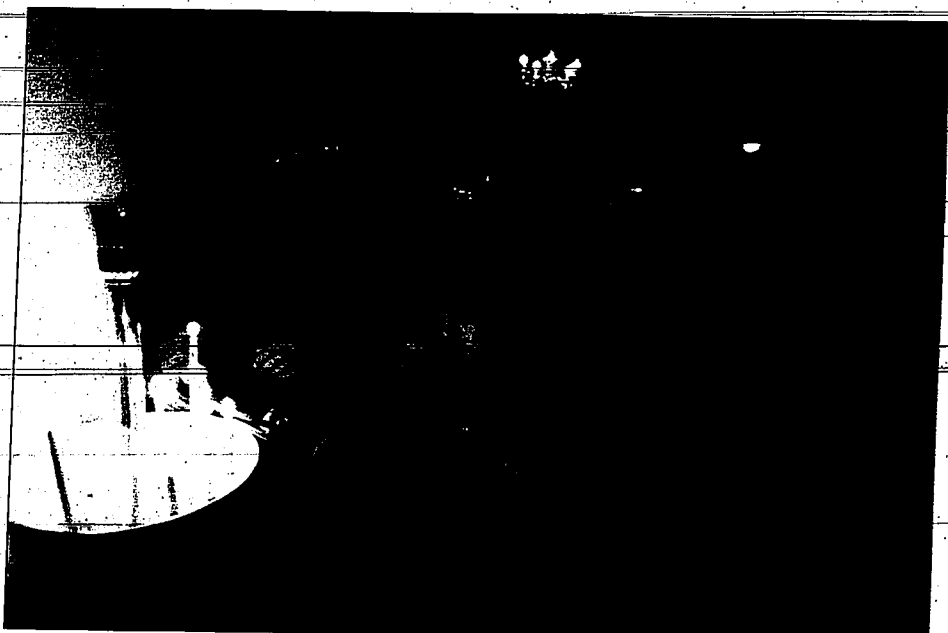
By nature, I'm an orderly person. It's just that I'm not orderly.

Excuse me. I'll just have to keep on reminding myself of my friend Betty, who was always nagging her kids about their messy rooms. After the kids grew up and left home, Betty said she would walk by their nearly empty rooms - with the empty junk drawers - and also literally hate the way those rooms looked.

This spring, I think I'll clean out my own junk drawers, and I'll probably nag my husband to clean out his, but I'm not going to nag me. He's the kids' room.

Let's do this short for that kind of grief.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.



Natasa Strbac, 9, lights a candle with Mladen Becanac, left, and 7-year-old Zeljko Tomasovic during a special prayer service for peace in their native Serbia. A group of Serbian immigrants has met nightly at St. Ignatius of Antioch Orthodox Church in Twin Falls since NATO began bombing in Yugoslavia.

DISTANT LIGHTNING, DISTANT DRUMS

It's a somber Easter for MV Serbs

By Denise Turner Time-News writer

TWIN FALLS - In the Magic Valley this Easter week, dozens of Serbian Christians are praying for peace.

They aren't sure the American people understand that.

These people are Serbian refugees from Yugoslavia in search of freedom and understanding. So far, "understanding" has been the hard part.

"We are grateful for freedom, but disappointed with NATO," said Aleksandar Sasho Pavlovic, who came to the United States nearly five years ago from his home in Belgrade. "I am for peace, but all I hear is power, power goes only to God."

The Rev. Philip Nixon, pastor of the St. Ignatius of Antioch Orthodox Church where Magic Valley Serbs attend, is struggling to explain a conflict that many find inexplicable.



Aleksandar Sasho Pavlovic, a Serbian refugee now living in Twin Falls, is praying for a peaceful solution in his native land. At right is the NATO coat of arms.

"The stand that I take is to find a peaceful solution, and what we are doing seems counterproductive," said Nixon of the NATO bombing campaign against Yugoslavia, particularly against the Serb forces in Kosovo. Officials have said that the

Serb forces, acting under orders from Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic, are carrying out a campaign of inhumane violence in order to eliminate the majority Albanians from Kosovo, a Yugoslavian province that Serbs say is the

cradle of their civilization. "Everything you hear on the news is 95 percent one-sided," Nixon said. "And that's not fair." Pavlovic, who was a student

Why the Serbs cling to the past

"The Balkans, practice wrong history, they can't be possessed locally." - David Constantin

By Steve Dwyer Time-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Bob Veda, William or name a piece of real estate that means as much to Americans as the Kosovo crisis to Serbs, and he's

"There are no... they are... American people... of history... Balkan...

"The answer... would be... the fact... means... to... the... "Four... of... "

Steve Dwyer is a freelance writer.

Take a bite out of PBS science show 'Newton's Apple'

Upcoming TWIN FALLS - "Newton's Apple" host David Heil is coming to the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho on April 17.

The popular PBS personality's appearance will be part of Science Trek, a spring science adventure for kids in grades 3-5. Heil will present "It's a Gas," a scientific demonstration of gases during an afternoon that will include other science adventures at the Herrett Center and its Faulkner Planetarium.

Science Trek, co-sponsored by Idaho Public Television, the Herrett Center and

the Idaho Museum of Natural History in Pocatello, is patterned after events held at the Pocatello museum. It's the first time Science Trek has come to Twin Falls.

To participate, children must be pre-registered by Friday. Cost is \$25. For registration information, call Darcy Thornborrow at 733-9534.

Ongoing TWIN FALLS - There's a new show at the Faulkner Planetarium in the Herrett

To do for families

Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho.

It's "How to Build a Planet," a multimedia show that dramatizes the way that planets, moons and stars were born. Narrated by John de Lancie - of "Star Trek: The Next Generation" - the show treats viewers to images and recreations of the early beginnings of the universe on the planetarium's 50-foot dome.

"How to Build a Planet" will be shown Tuesdays and Saturdays at 7 p.m. and

Saturdays at 2 p.m. "Earth, Rocks, and Blue" is a show designed primarily for younger viewers, will premiere Friday

The adult price of planetarium shows is \$4. Kids get in for \$2. The album price is \$9. Call 733-9534 for more information.

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Relocating plays havoc with your sense of direction and your ability to find your way around a new town.

Feeling informed about your new town before you move can reduce your frustration in touch with a neighborhood. Get a small map of the town and its major streets and landmarks.

Etc...

Use the literature from the chamber of commerce, city hall, Realtors and city and state visitor centers and tourist offices. Buy a travel guide. Get a small map of the town and its major streets and landmarks.

Consistently exercising new people and trying to fit in are worrying for even the extroverts among us. It may make swimmers, but eventually you'll find a comfortable group of friends. Try volunteering at a church, school, library or community center.

Join a personal about the more. Write about your disappointments and hopes and don't worry how elegant their writing sounds. This is only for your own entries can be just as cathartic as long ones.

Children need to feel at home in their new neighborhood. Get out as soon as possible to look for signs of potential playmates by scanning yards for swings sets and toys; build a mini-village out of moving boxes to attract interest; walk the family pet; borrow something from a new neighbor and ask about the neighborhood.

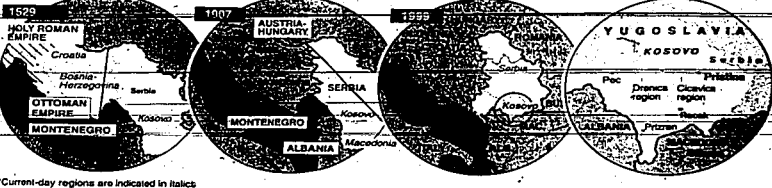
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Source: Kansas City Star

Trouble in Yugoslavia is no new problem

Language, religion and history have divided Kosovo's Serbs and Albanians for centuries. The tiny patch of land was the heartland of the old Serbian kingdom, which reached its height in the 14th century. Ethnic Albanians also lay claim. A short history and timeline of events leading to NATO airstrikes.



Current-day regions are indicated in italics.

A HISTORY OF THE REGION

1380 A.D. Serbia begins its expansion after the Battle of Kosovo. 1459 Serbia is absorbed into the Ottoman Empire. 1800 Austria-Hungary takes over the region. 1918-1919 The Kingdom of Yugoslavia is proclaimed. 1945 The region is divided into Serbia and Montenegro. 1992 Serbia declares independence. 1998-1999 Kosovo War. NATO airstrikes.

KOSOVO TIMELINE

1988 First pro-independence demonstration by ethnic Albanians in Kosovo. 1992 Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic strips Kosovo of autonomy. 1998-1999 Kosovo War. NATO airstrikes.

1998

Feb. 26 Milosevic orders Kosovo Albanians to be expelled. April 4 NATO rejects international mediation on Kosovo. May 7 NATO imposes air strikes on Yugoslavia. May 26 Milosevic and Rugova hold talks for first time. July 13 NATO forces attack Central Kosovo. Sept. 24 NATO bombs Serb targets. Oct. 3 NATO bombs Serb targets. Nov. 24 NATO bombs Serb targets.

1999

Jan. 15 45 ethnic Albanians slain outside Ruzica. Jan. 26 NATO asks about warning signs ahead of Kosovo peace conference. Feb. 17 First round of talks between Kosovo Albanians and Serbs. Feb. 28-29 Yugoslav forces bombard KLA positions. March 24 NATO forces enter Kosovo. March 26 U.S. special envoy Richard Holbrooke reports to Congress. March 27 NATO authorizes airstrikes. March 28 NATO bombs Serb targets. April 4 NATO bombs Serb targets. April 23 NATO bombs Serb targets.

'The King and I' - a great movie for families

Continued via services

'The King and I' (G) - Twin Cinema. For kids ages 5-12 and parents. A historical drama about a British governess in Siam.



History

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Jews were only tiny minority in Palestine, and yet it never lost its importance to them. "That's the way Kosovo is for the Serbs," he said. "Even though live there, very few Serbs want to live there."

"It's the Appalachia of Serbia," said Richard Seidel, associate professor of history at the University of Idaho and another Balkan specialist. "Chronically depressed economically and considered backward. Over the second half of the 19th century, the Serbs who lived there (now fewer than 200,000 out of a population of 2 million) have chosen to move elsewhere to find jobs."

"After the wars in Croatia and Bosnia in the early '90s, thousands of ethnic Serbs who had lived in those places moved back to Serbia," Miller said. "The Serbian government begged them to go to Kosovo - even offered them free land. Most of them wouldn't go."

So why the Serbs' seemingly fanatical attachment to the mountainous, West Virginia-sized province that's dominated by ethnic Albanians? It's because of one very bad day at a place called Kosovo Polje - the Field of Blackbirds - 610

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summers ago. "It was there a Serb officer named Lazar at the head of an army of Christian Serbs, Bosnians and Hungarians was routed by a vastly superior Turkish force, Serbia and the rest of the Balkans fell under the sway of the Ottoman Empire for the next 500 years. The Ottoman sultan, Mehmed II, said Lazar that he could keep his earthly kingdom or he could reach the kingdom of heaven," Miller said.

"What he left behind was a string of monasteries throughout Kosovo where Serbian culture was kept alive."

"The Turks tolerated Christianity among the Serbs, but the Serbs became a peasant society - including the monks," Miller said. "Their literature and their written history disappeared between 1400 and 1800. What they had left was a cycle of epic oral poetry that was repeated and passed from generation to generation. That's really the basis for modern Serbian culture."

While the Serbs' ethnic cousins, the Bosnians, and their neighbors, the Albanians, converted to Islam during the Ottoman occupation, the Serbs remained passionate adherents to Orthodox

Serbs

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player in Yugoslavia and is now a card in the Serbian deck, contends that there's plenty of killing on both sides in a conflict that has been raging for hundreds of years.

A year ago, armed conflict between Yugoslavia and the Kosovo Albanians began over demands for the province's independence, but Pavlovic also characterized the war as a religious war between the Christian Serbs and the Muslim Albanians.

His brother was killed in the five-year war that Serbs, Muslims and Croats fought over the now-independent country of Bosnia-Herzegovina, a former Yugoslav republic. Pavlovic's sister and other family members remain in Yugoslavia.

He talked to some of them recently. "They feel awful, angry at the U.S.," he said. "I don't like Milosevic, but Milosevic isn't Serbia ... if Milosevic is a bad guy so all Serbs are bad, then what about what Bill Clinton did - that was bad - are all Americans like that?"

Nixon said he senses there was a lot of resentment toward Milosevic at one time, but he thinks, now, as a matter of survival, the Serbs feel they must resist NATO.

Many ethnic Albanians are searching for a position that would stop the killing, too.

Two foreign exchange students from Kosovo who are studying at schools in the Burley area talked to The Times-News recently.

Fladinda Gervalla told about Yugoslavian soldiers and tanks in front of her home, and Valon Sopaj said one of his friends was killed in the war. "I don't know how many months ago, 'likely because of his race,"

Judy Miller, Valon's host mother, said she believes the Yugoslavian army, under the Milosevic dictatorship, is trying to kill the younger people in order to prevent ethnic Albanians from gaining a future.

Both Fladinda and Valon said they are hopeful that conditions in their country will improve as a result of NATO and United States attacks on the Yugoslav army.

Serbs disagree. "Tell me one success in Bosnia," Pavlovic said. "The idea, Nixon explained, is that, when the peacekeeping forces in Bosnia leave, the people will just fight again."

"Among the Serbs (here), there is a feeling of somehow people don't understand us and we are getting a bad rap," he explained. "You meet them and they are people who have lost their homes and suffered."

Pavlovic, who is divorced, is raising his 15-year-old daughter and 11-year-old son in the United States. He says there are 5 million Serbs in this country, and probably many Albanians, too, though the Albanians have not settled in southern Idaho.

Meanwhile, all of these individuals worry about their people in the midst of war.

Favre is particularly dismayed about the timing of the NATO air strikes in Yugoslavia.

"When we were going to bomb Iraq, it was the (Modern Holy)

Christianity.

"To this day, the Serb world for 'Muslim' is 'Turk,'" Miller said. "Serbs know the difference between a Turk and an Albanian and an Turk and a Bosnian, but they continue to call them 'Turks. It's an epithet."

Most Serbs who live in the former Yugoslavia - a country they once dominated - are descendants of a misunderrated and persecuted culture, Miller said.

"Those are fears that have been fed by Serbian politicians and Serbian intellectuals for 30 years," Miller said. "And the Serbs aren't alone in that. The Albanians feel the same way about themselves."

That Serb state of siege, combined with Western aid to the Slovenians, Croats and Bosnians during the breakup of the old Yugoslavia, has polarized public opinion, Spence said.

"The fact of the matter is that if anybody (Peoples ... (Serbian President Slobodan) Milosevic, it will be somebody more extreme."

Spence fears that Serb nationalism, which has been a critical element in touching off five major wars in the 20th century, might ignite a broader conflagration in the 21st.

"The Greeks are traditional allies of the Serbs and the Turks have an interest in protecting the Balkan Muslims," he said. "The worst-case scenario is that the war between the Greeks and the Turks, which has basically been held in check by NATO, might erupt again if NATO is perceived to have failed in Kosovo."

But don't expect Russia to intervene on the side of the Serbs as they did at the beginning of World War I, Miller said.

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Entertainment value B

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Students spread their wings with crane petitions

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP)—Some young people are taking kids they can't make them show they can.

Last year, a children's group called Wild Friends asked what it could do to help a migratory flock of rare whooping cranes established along the Rocky Mountain-Red Grande flyway.



Young members of the New Mexico children's group, Wild Friends, perform a dance in late February in Santa Fe, N.M., as part of an effort to establish a whooping crane flock along a flyway from their state to Idaho.

Biologists on the U.S. Canadian whooping crane recovery team say the Western flyway linking New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Utah, Idaho and Wyoming is unlikely to get more than a few experimental whoopers, including two that followed a researcher in an ultralight plane in 1997.

Refusing to take no for an answer, Wild Friends students are circulating petitions in hopes of convincing a reversal — and spreading the word to reach out into other states via the Internet.

Some students took petitions with them on spring vacation this year to spread the word at holiday destinations. The petitions also were circulated at the annual Festival of the Cranes at Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge near Alamosa, Colo., where the ultralight-trained whoopers have made migratory stopovers.

"There's nothing like a small group of determined people to change the world," said Greg Terry, father of the 10-year-old Canadian member of the whooping crane recovery team.

Terry said several other recovery teams were being supported by The Associated Press said the Western flyway is low-priority. Among concerns: Power lines, a large amount of land, and power lines are everywhere, not just in the West.

Kent Clegg, the Idaho biologist who led the whoopers to New Mexico in 1997, disputes the negatives. Clegg sees no reason

why the Western flyway can't be as viable as any. He suggests: Why not try several flyways and see which ones do best?

"In reality, if they were to spread things out and research it — everybody using ultralight techniques — then you would learn a lot more and the conservation of the whooping crane would go a lot faster and a lot further," Clegg said by phone from his home in Grace, Idaho.

The recovery team wants a new migratory whooping crane flock flying between Florida or Louisiana and Canada or Wisconsin.

"I support their research back there," Clegg says, "but I don't think it ought to be at the expense of all other regions." With eighth grade Wild Friends at

Santa Fe's Alameda Junior High School.

Annie Krahl, 14, said she gathered 25 signatures.

"It's to support the (Clegg) research because a lot of people are against it and they don't want it to happen," she said. "I think (the research) should remain open. If it's shut, a lot of people might never have the experience of seeing a whooping crane."

Krahl has been to the Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge south of Albuquerque and has seen Clegg's ultralight-trained whoopers. The ultralight was an experimental way of teaching the birds to migrate. Since October 1997, when Clegg flew in from Idaho with the birds flying alongside, the two surviving whoopers have migrated

north and south without planes.

The experiment sought to help plan a new migratory flock in the East as a hedge against disaster.

"Devastating the only migratory whooper flock, which summers in Canada and winters on the Texas gulf coast."

About 370 whooping cranes exist — roughly half in non-migratory or captive populations.

In the 1940s there were only 22 whoopers.

The cranes have captured young Wild Friend imaginations.

Adult whoopers are 5 feet tall, about the size of a junior high schooler.

"They say, 'The bird's a big as me — wow,'" said Casey Condon, Wild Friends outreach coordinator. "Suddenly the image of the whooping crane as a natural critter that survives and flies and is

as big as a person — it has an impact of making the kids feel a sense of awe over such an animal."

In March, the Wild Friends message went out on the Internet to the Breadloaf World Teachers Network, affiliated with Vermont-based Middlebury College; said Michelle Wyman-Warren, a Breadloaf teacher in Mountain, N.H.

"So far we've had at least 40 teachers read the notice," Warren said the day after it was posted.

Last year, Wild Friends youngsters wrote and staged a play about the migration of Clegg's whoopers and sponsored a memorial adopted by the state Legislature, putting the state on record favoring a whooping crane flock.

This year, besides the petition drive, the elementary, middle and high school students choreographed and staged "The Journey of the Whooping Crane" during the 1999 Legislature in the rotunda of the state Capitol. The petitions haven't been turned in, so there's no tally of signatures yet.

Wild Friends, founded in 1991 with a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, is in New Mexico's "hubs." Wild Friends director Evelyn Byers said the group is far a new grant — from the St. Louis-based Deer Creek Foundation — for out-cast conservation.

Calif. "Terry is impressive." "Reggie, Jess," he outcome," he says. "I think it's just so exciting to see children is committed to a cause — and a use I think so excellent."

Woman who had mastectomy feels uneasy on nude beaches

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been happily married for 21 years. A couple of weeks ago, he surprised me with the news that we're going on an all-expense-paid trip to France at the Côte d'Azur country of his company. It will be our first trip to Europe together, and I'm very excited. I made this as kind of a second honeymoon.

Now, here's the rub: Five years ago, I was diagnosed with breast cancer. I had a mastectomy and underwent six months of chemotherapy and had some reconstructive surgery. Though breast cancer is never cured, I was given an optimistic prognosis. I have done my best to regain my life and live each day. It took a while to not think about dying all the time, and I think I have gotten to the point where I look toward living the future.

My husband is making plans for our trip and, much to my surprise, my husband said he would like us to go to one of the nude

DEAR ABBY
Alanna Waldman

beaches when we're on the Riviera. I have been on nude beaches before and I'm certainly no prude, but I'm very uncomfortable about being seen in public with my "deformity."

I am very physically fit — but I feel like a freak with only one breast. My husband was surprised when I said I'm uncomfortable about going topless, and though I know he would never make me do anything I feel uncomfortable about, I could tell he thought that I have a problem. Now I'm wondering if I DO have a problem.

—SURVIVOR
IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR SURVIVOR: You are understandably concerned because you feel you look "different."

Your husband probably reacted the way he did because he still regards you as a beautiful woman, and he no longer "sees" your mastectomy scars.

As you already know, you see everything on the nude beaches in Europe — old, young, fat, thin, and everything in between.

This includes people who have had various surgeries, scars and all, so please don't be concerned about being viewed as a curiosity. If you prefer to remain covered, go with your feelings. There's no law that obligates you to undress.

However, before you make a final decision, please discuss the idea of a day at the beach with your physician.

Because scar tissue does not tan, you might be advised to take special precautions to protect your skin.

A daughter's first dance

"Our lives will always be full as long as we have family and friends."
— Anonymous

By Alice Collins

Underneath the "grown-up" dress and makeup, a young woman is still a pampered little girl to her family. Alice Collins — wife, mother and grandmother — celebrates, mixes her glasses and cherishes family life, in her columns and books.

She was just a little girl when her four big brothers began going to dances. She helped polish their shoes, find socks for them with mates and went with her mom to pick up the corsages at the florist and suits at the cleaners. She'd stand in a corner, giggling, as they posed with their dates for the photo. She'd feel so special when they'd tell her to join in the picture, too. At the breakfast table the next morning, she'd sit wide-eyed, as she listened to the stories from the night before.

"Don't worry, Am," they'd say. "Somebody you'll go to a dance, too. And then it'll be our turn to watch you and the poor guy who's gotta pass our inspection."

Of course, somebody was never going to come, for she was just a little girl with ponytails and a

Chicken Soup for the Soul

teddy bear.

And then, incredibly, somebody came, but the four brothers were gone: She called the oldest in Connecticut to tell him she was going to her first dance.

"Tell me about the guy," he said.

She called her second brother at Northern Illinois University.

"Tell me about the guy," he said.

She called her third brother at Eastern Illinois University and her fourth brother at Notre Dame. They both said, "Tell me about the guy."

Her original... Her wrinkles, rapidly aging parents logged 2,158 miles looking for "the" dress, while their telephone compiled 964 calls as she and her friends made plans, canceled them, made new ones and changed them all over again. At last the big night arrived and so did the brothers. Dan

came home to chauffeur the group. Mike arrived to tease her, and Bill drove in because he realized how much she wanted him there. Jack couldn't fly in, but the bouquet of flowers he sent hugged her heart in a way she would always remember.

"The guy" ran the doorman and suddenly all the weeks of anticipation, the marathon hours of making, and the endless miles of malls were over. This was it! He was here. He was everything a first date should be: good-looking, kind, easy to talk to, in a word, a "dude." Best of all, he attended her brothers' alma mater. What a great guy!

Once again, as in years gone by, the front room was filled with beautiful young people as photos were taken and flowers were exchanged. Then, in a flurry of hurried hugs and laughter, they were gone.

"Her parents walked past her bedroom — a 10-by-12 area that looked like Hurricane Harrie had blown through it. Amidst the wet towels, curling iron, nail polish, sweats and assorted clutter, there sat the teddy bear.

A little girl would return home tonight, even though it was a daughter's first dance.

To submit a story for future publication, send it to P.O. Box 30880, Santa Barbara, Calif. 93130

Snuggle therapy: Infants born prematurely need cuddling too

PALO ALTO, Calif. — Little Neil Norby is just 3 months old, but already he is no stranger to the microwave and popper machines, needle pricks and surgery.

Since he was born three months premature, his intensive-care nursery has been his only home, and medical devices his constant companion. Neil Norby's parents, just about incubators and other life-saving devices. After being held or propped by the nurses and doctors overseeing his care, the three-month-old infant is ready for a crucial part of his personal therapy.

"It's time to be cuddled." The words are simple, but they are the key to his best medicine: "they can get," explains Monica Sandrini, a volunteer "cuddler" at Lucile Salter Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford.

Each year, Sandrini and a team of 75 other volunteers lose some 10,000 premature infants back to health, reading to them, singing to them and rocking them to sleep.

"It's comforting for them. It gives them a sense of security," Sandrini says. "And they need it for developmental reasons."

"It's comforting for them. It gives them a sense of security."

— Monica Sandrini, volunteer 'cuddler'

Studies have shown that hospitalized infants who are touched tend to gain weight faster, have shorter hospital stays and even better survival rates than premature left in their incubators all day.

Cuddlers, who typically have no medical background, also boost the babies' social development, adding a personal touch to a sterile environment.

"What we do is try to divert their mind away from not feeling well, or feeling alone or out of place," says Patrick Burns, a purchasing manager from Fremont, Calif., by day and baby cuddler by night. "We concentrate on making this time or this moment with them special."

For some cuddlers, that means humming or singing to the infants, talking to them, reading to them or playing music. Others

walk around the room with the premises, giving them the opportunity to go beyond the confines of their small incubators.

Besides holding the babies, volunteers undergo extensive training before being allowed to work with the infants — are at times expected to bathe them, feed them or change their diapers.

The job is not without its down sides. "A baby throws up on me today," says Loressa Tuhey, a retiree who joined the cuddling crew from San Carlos, Calif., who has spent six weeks a week with the preemies for the past nine years. "And did you ever change so many dirty diapers?"

But those are minor considerations, given what these infants are living.

"Most of the babies in the intermediate intensive-care unit are premature, in need of surgery — or both. The fact that many of the babies are very sick makes the cuddlers' job all the more daunting. "The very first baby I held had a tracheotomy tube," says Burns, who joined the cuddling program five years ago. "I was quite nervous. But the nurses told me 'This baby is happy, relatively healthy, is going to go home soon and will live to be held.'"

Hey — Have a really rotten day!

Knight Ridder News Service

You're having a lousy day, filled with disappointments and cloudy thoughts? Buy a pack of the Smashing Pumpkins' "Cherub Rock" — the song with the refrain "Let me out — it's blasting from the car CD player, sounding strangely appropriate."

Days like this, some people tell you to buck up; there's even a sympathy best-seller with a dash of cynical humor. That's where Despair-Lac and its Demotivators products come in.

What industry of motivational products is the hallway at the Dallas-based company, "fulfillment center" in an Irving, Texas, industrial park, and you find that cynical humor, immediately. "Porters brandish platitude anti-platitudes, really — about "Ineptitude," "Failure" and "Procrastination." For example: "Festoon — Every dark cloud has a silver lining, but lightning kills five hundred of people each year who are trying to find it." E.L. Kersten, founder of

Despair Inc., doesn't look like an unhappy guy. He looks, well, businesslike, with his easy smile and smart suit ("I get my clothes from Wal-Mart," he says). But behind the smile lurks a cynical heart — or maybe just a realistic one.

"I look at something like our 'Mediocrity' poster, and I think it's true," he says. "I look at the 'Snappiness' poster, I think it's true. I look at the 'Failure' poster, and I think it's true. I think the difference is that I personally would rather deal with reality than paint a nice, happy veneer over it to make myself good until reality comes crashing in."

Despite the cynicism, Despair

Inc. is all in good fun. It's a parody of the Successories line of motivational posters that adorn some corporate conference rooms.

Kersten and his associates, brothers Justin and Jeff Sewell, were working for a start-up company in Dallas when the idea was born. Things weren't going well, and one of them began thinking through a catalog for motivational products and making up more pessimistic sayings. Then they began attaching the one-liners to stock images and hanging them in their cubicles. The sayings drew so much attention that the trio decided they should market, the sayings.

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Only main dishes are listed. All schools serve milk with meals.

CASTLEFORD
Breakfast: Orange juice, applesauce and milk every day.
Monday: Donuts
Tuesday: Scones
Wednesday: Sweet roll
Thursday: Pancakes
Friday: Blueberry muffin
Lunch: Self-serve salad bar every day.
Monday: Toasted cheese

Friday: Cheese nachos
Wednesday: Casserole
Thursday: Spaghetti
Friday: Hoagie sandwich

NIHILMUCK
Monday: Hamburger, gravy over potatoes
Tuesday: Pizza
Wednesday: Fishburgers
Thursday: Spaghetti
Friday: Oven baked chicken

BIG THINKERS



The Twin Falls High School Quiz Bowl team took fourth place at district competition in February, which qualifies them for state competition. Pictured left to right are, back row: Phillip Tucker, Ben Adrian, Dana Frisbie, Garrett Raymond, Nick Eastward, and Bridgett VanderWalker; front row: Steve Dodds, Scott Freeman, Coach Jo Marie Hansen, Jeff Piane and Matt Call.

CSI offers tile, computer repair classes

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho has a class for do-it-yourselfers.

A tile installation, handmade stone and concrete counter (tops will be instructed by Alexis Billman and Rob O'Donnell. The five-week course will be held from 6-9 p.m. beginning Tuesday and running through May 4 at the CSI Art Complex.

Students will learn basic tile installation for walls, floors, counters and showers. They'll also learn how to make stone for plant containers and garden ornaments.

The cost is \$50 per student including materials. For more information at 733-9534, Ext. 2287.

A computer repair and upgrading class offered by the CSI North Side Center in Gooding will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on April 14 and 21 at Wendell High School.

Students will learn to identify hardware components, diagnose hardware and software problems, install RAM peripherals, install software, and clean and maintain the system.

The course fee is \$30, and pre-registration is required. Call the center at 934-6672.

Students interested in securing the Emergency Medical Technician course at the CSI this summer are encouraged to sign up now.

A total of 12 students can be accepted into the nine-month course which begins the week of June 7.

Successful completion of the course earns the student a national certificate and placement on the national registry from which EMT's are hired in 36 states. Interested students should contact EMT program manager Dennis Patterson at 733-9534, Ext. 2973.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Stoddard Tappers entertain at Woodstone center Monday

TWIN FALLS - Merle Stoddard's Tappers will entertain at the Woodstone Retirement Center, 491 Caswell Ave. W., on Monday.

The performance starts at 7 p.m.

Organic Gardeners meet for greenhouse tour Thursday

BUHL - A greenhouse tour is on the agenda when the Magic Valley Organic Gardeners meet Thursday.

The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Fruitland Ave. in Buhl. Participants will then eat pool for a greenhouse tour.

For more information, call Edith at 734-8371 or Theresa at 543-4914.

Twin Falls Optimist Club sells roses for secretaries

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Optimist Club is taking orders to deliver roses to secretaries and others on April 20 for \$25 per dozen.

All proceeds of this fund-raiser will go towards helping children in the Magic Valley.

Call Kathie Dunlap for more information.

Red Cross seeks help after serving several area families

TWIN FALLS - The local American Red Cross says it needs help after helping several families forced out of their homes by fire.

The American Red Cross says it helps meet needs caused by disasters, such as providing lodging in a motel, food and clothing families have lost.

But Red Cross firefighters are being depleted in providing these services and

is turning to the community for help so it can continue to help others in need, says Michael Young, the local emergency services director.

There is also an immediate need for homes to rent for two families. Landlords are encouraged to respond to this appeal.

If you can contribute, call the American Red Cross at 733-9464, or send contributions to 718 Shoshone St., E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Harrison presents Angels program at Missionary Service

TWIN FALLS - The Christian Women's Missionary Society will host its annual Spring Luncheon at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at First Christian Church, 604 Shoshone St., N., in Twin Falls.

Rev. Cricket Harrison of Valley Christian Church will present the program entitled "Angels Among Us" and devotions will be led by Leslie Gies.

The organizers invite all interested women to attend.

Thomson celebrates her 80th birthday in Shoshone

SHOSHONE
Catherine Thomson will celebrate her 80th birthday from 1:30 to 4 p.m. April 10 at the senior citizens center in Shoshone.

Thomson was born April 13, 1919, in Shoshone, Idaho. She has three sons, Ed, Martin and Gladys Carvey. In 1941 she married William Thomson. They had two sons, Ed Thomson of Shoshone, and Patrick Thomson, who is deceased.

The party will be hosted by Thomson's sister, Lena Goshalough.



Catherine Thomson

and the family requests no gifts but invites friends and family to attend.

Canyon View offers free alcohol problem screening

TWIN FALLS - Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services is offering free, confidential screenings for alcohol problems from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday at Canyon View, 228 Shoup Ave., W. in Twin Falls.

The free screening are in conjunction with Alcohol Awareness Month and the first National Alcohol Screening Day, a program sponsored by the National Mental Illness Screening Project and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism which is a part of the National Institute of Health.

Participants will receive educational material on alcohol problems and can complete a written self-test and talk with a health professional. An educational video and printed material will be available for those who appear to need further evaluation, referrals to local treatment centers or support resources.

The program will cover a range of topics including alcohol dependence characterized by craving, loss of control, physical dependence and tolerance, alcohol abuse, a pattern that includes failure to fulfill responsibilities, drinking situations that are physically dangerous, recurring alcohol problems and continued drinking despite ongoing relationship problems, and risky drinking.

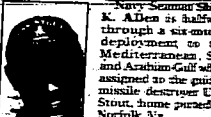
Northside Arts and Crafts Spring Show kicks off Friday

JEROME - The Northside Arts and Crafts Spring Show will be held April 9-11 at the Jerome Fairgrounds.

The event runs from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

SERVICE NEWS

Sham Allen halfway through Mediterranean deployment



Sham Allen

launched missile attacks on enemy installations in Iraq. Allen operates radio navigation and communications equipment as a operations specialist.

Allen is the son of Margaret Strickland of Elko, Nev.

Wade Allred completes deployment in Puerto Rico

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Wade M. Allred has completed a seven-month deployment to Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, while assigned to U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion SEVEN (NMCB-7), home based in Gulfport, Miss. During deployment his unit acted as the area's alert barracade.

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Allred, son of Clifford and Mary Ann of Twin Falls, is a 1994 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

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Morgan, son of Michael J. Morgan of Twin Falls, joined the Navy in 1982.

David Jensen reports for duty upon the USS Constitution

Marine Lance Cpl. David R. Jensen has reported for duty aboard the USS Constitution, the world's oldest commissioned warship afloat, home ported in Charlestown, Mass.

Jensen, son of Richard B. and Pauline H. Jensen of Twin Falls, is a 1997 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

HIGH STEPPIN'



Dancers from the Mankin's Dance Studio's Dance with Star came home with excellent and superior trophies from the Technical Dancers Dance Competition 1999 March 20 in Idaho Falls. The Elite Dance Force-Team members pictured are Katie Hendrix, Ben Lantz, Angie Shaw, Carolyn Thompson and Steph Weston. Team Elite members are Sara Drury, Jenny Harris, Kirsten Hartley, Karanice Hine, Nicole Kemp, Donalyn Munnally, Christine Roberts and Tricia Thompson. Petite members are Kaitlin Hendrix, Sara Lotzspeich, Tiffany McElvey and Brandi Salinas. Instructors are Sheri Mankin and Chely Jones.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Twin Falls High School Combo hits high note at jazz festival

The Twin Falls High School Jazz Combo was crowned the No. 1 combo in the state high school division at the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival in Moscow.

They competed against 21 high schools from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Canada. The combo consists of Dan McMahon on clarinet, Jesse Hadley on bass, Dan Smith on guitar, and Tom McMahon on drums.

Dan McMahon also was selected as the outstanding clarinet soloist. He played with eight other instrumental soloists winners in a concert attended by about 12,000 people.

Tom and Dan McMahon are the sons of Darrel and Deanna McMahon. Smith is the son of Donald and Rebecca Smith and Hadley is the son of Paul and Patsy Hadley.

The festival, held Feb. 24-27, is one of the largest in the United States and attended by more than 17,000 people with more than 850 schools competing in various events.

No debate about it, Kimberly team wins honors at tourney

Kimberly students returned with honors from the Madison Invitational Speech and Debate Tournament in Rexburg.

Luke Lindley, a freshman, placed second in the novice Lincoln-Douglas debate. Almee Clayton, a junior, was a quarter finalist in the advanced Lincoln-Douglas debate.

In speech, Justin Adamson was a finalist in impromptu speaking. Rachel Hunt was a finalist in the retold story and Mandy Richards placed third in original oratory.

The students were part of the Kimberly Debate team at the tournament, where more than 540 students from 19 schools competed.

At the Bonneville Invitational Speech and Debate tournament in Idaho Falls, the Kimberly team also fared well. Richards placed second in novice

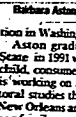
Lincoln-Douglas debate. Jeremy Eguazu and Whitney Libert were quarter-finalists in novice policy debate. In speech, Eddie McClain was a finalist in impromptu speaking and Nikell Higley placed fourth.

Twenty-two schools from Idaho and Wyoming competed in the tournament.

Barbara Aston drafted for All-USA Academic Team

Barbara Aston, a former graduate of Buhl High School, has been chosen to represent the Class of 1991 All-USA Academic Team at Washington State University at the All-USA Academic Teams 10th anniversary celebration in Washington, D.C.

Aston graduated from Washington State in 1991 with a bachelor's degree in child, consumer and family studies. She is working on a master's degree in pastoral studies through Loyola University, New Orleans and resides near Viola with her family.



Barbara Aston

Bieri went to 1999 Idaho State Legislature as page

Kristin Bieri, daughter of James and Stefanie Bieri, served as a page for the Idaho State Legislature's second session.

Her sponsor was Rep. Cella Gould. As a page, Bieri was assigned to a legislative committee and performed a variety of duties.

While in Boise she resided in the dorms at Boise State University.

Bieri is a senior at Twin Falls High School and plans to attend the University of Montana in the fall.

Kristin Bieri

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ENGAGEMENTS

Honeymoons don't have to be costly

MONGER-LARSON

BURLEY - Dr. Sam Monger and Patricia Minger of Moscow announce the marriage of their daughter, Laura Elizabeth Monger, to Curtis Cole Larson, son of Warren Larson and Sharon Larson of Burley.

Monger is attending Boise State University. She is employed at the YMCA in Boise.

Larson graduated from Idaho State University. He is employed by Micron in Boise.

The wedding was held at 5 p.m. April 3 at the Boise Train Depot. A reception to honor the couple will be held at 7 p.m. April 15 at the Burley's Senior Citizens Center.



Laura Monger and Curtis Larson will be held at 7 p.m. April 15 at the Burley's Senior Citizens Center.

WEST-ONEIDA

HEYBURN - Loren and Penny West of Heyburn announce the engagement of their daughter, Mackenzie DeAnna West, to Jaime Thomas Oneida, son of Ben and Kathy Oneida of Shoshone.

West attended the College of Southern Idaho from 1995 to 1997. She is employed as the assistant manager of Vanity at the Magic Valley Mall in Arvin Falls.

Oneida is attending CSI. He is employed by Radio Shack in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. Friday at the Heyburn 1st Ward LDS Church, 530 Villa



Mackenzie West and Jaime Oneida will be held at 6 p.m. Friday at the Heyburn 1st Ward LDS Church, 530 Villa

CHATTERTON-HUBER

TWIN FALLS - Mary Chatterton of Twin Falls announces the engagement of her daughter, Kimberly Dawn Chatterton, to Michael Thomas Huber, son of Marilyn and Dawn Huber of Jerome.

Chatterton is a graduate of Twin Falls High School.

Huber is a graduate of Jerome High School. He is employed by Huber Feed Co. in Jerome.



Kimberly Chatterton and Michael Huber. The wedding is planned for Saturday.

VEATCH-KELSO

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Bob Veatch of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Tami Veatch, to Josh Kelso, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Kelso of Eden.

Veatch is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and is attending the College of Southern Idaho.

Kelso is a graduate of Valley High School and is attending CSI. He is employed by Sam Goody Music in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for June 19.



Tami Veatch and Josh Kelso.

ANNIVERSARIES



Harold and Eileen Murphy.

THE MURPHYS

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Harold Murphy of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house April 17 for their 65th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls, with entertainment beginning at 3 p.m.

Murphy and Eileen Springer were married April 4, 1934, at the Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Tilden, Neb.

They moved to Payette in August of 1934, before moving to Twin Falls in 1936. They built, managed and operated both Dairy Queens until retirement in 1974.

They have been active members of St. Edwards Catholic



Robert and Dolores Brehm.

THE BREHMS

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brehm of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house April 17 for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Shilo Inn, 2546 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls. Friendship is a major theme, and the couple requests no other gifts.

Brehm and Dolores Carwell were married Sept. 2, 1948, in Elko, Nev.

The couple served in the

The Hartford Courant

Your honeymoon. It's a once-in-a-lifetime trip (you hope). You want it to be just right. Romantic, yet fun. Where to go? And that leads to the next question: How much do you have to spend?

"A lot of it depends on budget. It's human nature: we all have champagne tastes and beer pocketbooks," said Janice LaBrecche, manager of Old Windsor Travel Inc. in Windsor, Conn.

An informal survey of four travel agents found that they pretty much agreed on the following guidelines, assuming that the honeymoon couple is traveling sometime between spring and fall.

• \$2,000 honeymoons: The Pucos in Pennsylvania for a week or any number of more expensive destinations for four nights, including New York City, Cape Cod, Nantucket and Block Island. Another option might be a Las Vegas package, but agents

said Vegas is not a favored honeymoon destination.

And there's another option. Make it shorter to make it nicer.

"Rather than staying someplace not as nice, what about going to a place for a shorter amount of time?" asked Lydya Brown, manager of Sanditz Travel in Bristol, Conn. "What about the Bahamas for a few nights, or Disney, but not on the property? Maybe Virginia Beach or Hilton Head."

• \$2,500 honeymoons: Depending on the season, Disney is a popular choice in this price category, as are moderately priced cruises (for three or four nights), California, Phoenix or the Grand Canyon and Cancun, Mexico. These all depend on medium-priced hotels and air fares booked far enough in advance to take advantage of specials.

Or they could do a four-day cruise with the kids in the area they are going to cruise out of - like Miami or Fort Lauderdale, said Louise Ryan,

who advises honeymooners at Bon Voyage Travel in Rocky Hill, Conn.

The most popular places in Florida, Naples would be nice. It would be a nice hotel with a pool - not a Ritz, but it would be very nice. They couldn't do Sanibel Island.

• \$3,000 honeymoons OK, now we're talking nice choices that involve the islands or long plane trips. "But we still not run a week in Bermuda."

With this amount, a couple could stay "inside the park" at Disney for a week, take a Caribbean cruise, do an island charter package trip (probably leaving from a New York airport) or some European cities depending on factors like airfare and the strength of the dollar.

"A charter, say to Aruba (during the spring, summer or autumn months), Europe depending on air fare and if you want to stay in a tent of a hotel," are options if you can spend \$3,000 per couple, said LaBrecche.

LaBrecche's daughter honey-

moonied at Sanditz in Jamaica (see next category), but her son intends to honeymoon in Vietnam.

• \$4,000-\$5,000 honeymoons: This is the magic number needed for the amazingly popular all-inclusive Caribbean club vacations such as Sandals, and for the other stars in the honeymoon sky - Bermuda and Hawaii. (Although there are particularly good values in Hawaii these days because the Asian economic crisis has left empty hotel rooms.)

Many honeymooners pick the all-inclusives (you pay for everything in one lump sum, including tips) because "they don't have any worries. When they've had a big wedding, they just want to relax," LaBrecche said.

Cruises are popular for the same reason. It's one less set of details that must be dealt with by people already coordinating a wedding.

Also, for many couples, it's the first big trip outside the country, and they're uncertain of their traveling skills.

Web sites help find homes for hard-to-place kids

The Dallas Morning News

It changed Chris Freshour's life.

Freshour and her husband, Ken, who live in Blue Ridge, adopted seven siblings from Texas after seeing their internet pictures. Ken Freshour is a United Methodist pastor.

"Without the Web site, we certainly wouldn't have heard about this group," said Chris. Freshour is a former banker who is now the mother of 12. "And I'm glad we did."

The Freshours, who had already adopted five times before, learned about the seven children after contacting a Georgia state agency.

"Because they were interested in a large sibling group, the agency referred them to a private agency, where a counselor pulled photos of several different groups from the Web site and sent them to the Freshours."

"I don't know what it was," Chris Freshour said. "We just kept coming back to this group. My husband said it was something I just spoke to."

The children, who now range in age from 5 to 13, have been

with the Freshours for more than a year. The adoptions were finalized last October, and the transition to a super-sized family has gone smoothly, Chris Freshour said.

"All of our married life we'd always said we wanted a large, large family," she said. "We both had the number of 12 kids in our head... We didn't expect seven of them to come in one lump."

Because the Freshours had already been approved as adoptive parents, the process moved quickly. "We first saw their pictures in August (1997)," Chris Freshour said. After visiting with the children in Texas for a week, "We got 'em the first of December."

The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services does not track how adoptive families learn about their services.

But Ella Zamora, statewide Coordinator of the Texas Adoption Resource Exchange, said calls to the agency's inquiry line shot up from 1,100 in 1996, the web site's first full year on line, to more than 10,000 last year.

In 1996 about half the inquiries came from our of state; now most of them are out-of-state queries, she said.

Hochberg and Zamora say the Web site is an effective way to recruit prospective families for older or handicapped children, often generally aren't featured. Infants generally aren't featured, because "babies don't need services like ours," Hochberg said. "People are waiting in line for babies."

Anniversary or wedding planned? The Times News welcomes wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements. Send them to: Family Life section, 2546 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, ID 83406. Questions? Call Ramona 728-0621, ext. 2221.

Adoption Web sites are the latest tool used to find homes for hard-to-place children, a tool that "will revolutionize the way adoption is practiced in this country," said Gloria Hochman of the National Adoption Center, a Philadelphia-based non-profit organization that promotes adoption.

Though such web sites have only been available for about four years, they've already "made a dramatic difference," she said.

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Magic Valley Wedding Planning Directory

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WEDDING



Randy and Ann Siegel.

KEENE-SIEGEL

TWIN FALLS - Ann Keene and Randy Siegel were married March 27 at the White House in Twin Falls.

Keene was the new Senior Scavenger.

The bride is the daughter of Chonging Nguyen of San Jose, Calif.

Parents of the groom are Charles and Maryann Siegel of Twin Falls.

The bride is employed at First Security Bank in Kimberly and is a member of the Twin Falls Kiwanis.

The groom is employed at Annamiguard Sugar Co. The newlyweds reside in Twin Falls.

Jerome area for the first few years of their marriage. In 1988, he became self-employed and started his own business as a building contractor which he did until his retirement.

He has built numerous homes, businesses and developed several subdivisions in the Twin Falls area.

The event is being given by their children, Steve (Christy) Brehm of Twin Falls and Sandy Keene of Twin Falls.

The couple has five grandchildren.

