



## GOOD MORNING

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Today: Cloudy with morning showers likely. Increasing winds in the afternoon. High, 51. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Low, 41.

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# 'FREE AT LAST'

## Jubilant ex-POWs arrive at U.S. base

**The Associated Press**

RAMSTEIN, Germany — Three American soldiers walked jubilantly into Croatia on Sunday, celebrating their freedom after more than a month as prisoners of war in Yugoslavia and chanting in unison, "Free at last."

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, who persuaded Yugoslav officials to free the soldiers, topped President Clinton would reciprocate by offering a respite from airstrikes, now in their sixth week. NATO refused to reward the gesture and alliance pounded Yugoslavia with new attacks.

The alliance's intense attacks Sunday included more than 600 sor-

des over a 24-hour period. NATO also acknowledged that it was responsible for the strike on a bus north of the Kosovo capital, Pristina, on Saturday that Yugoslav officials said killed 47 people.

The soldiers were flown from Croatia to a U.S. military base in Ramstein in southwest Germany, where they were greeted with salutes from their Army buddies and wild cheers from a flag-waving crowd.

Their arrival capped an emotional, daylong journey by land and air from Yugoslavia's capital with Jackson, who had appealed to Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic to release them.

The freed soldiers, dressed in

Army fatigues, were exuberant and appeared healthy, standing tall and walking briskly. But they still showed signs of the cuts and bruises they suffered when captured on a patrol mission along the Macedonia-Yugoslav border on March 31.

Before journalists, they joined hands with Jackson and chanted, "Free at last, free at last. Thank God almighty, free at last." They said they were treated humanely but they were glad to be out.

"It's a great relief to be free," Staff Sgt. Christopher J. Stone, 25, of Smiths Creek, Mich., said during the stop at the Croatian border town of Bajkovo. He said his scars



Former POWs, from left, Staff Sgt. Christopher J. Stone, Staff Sgt. Andrew Ramirez and Spc. Steven M. Gonzalez salute Sunday after their arrival at Ramstein U.S. air base in Germany.

# Search for peace



Cordell and Patricia Turner say keeping their marriage and family together after the murder of Jafrá Sumaya was extremely difficult. Patricia Turner is the mother of Sumaya.

## Families of slain teens look forward to healing

**By Brian Haynes Times-News writer**

TWIN FALLS — She had only known him for a couple of days, but something about him made her uneasy.

Her mom told her to watch her back, but there was little Jafrá Sumaya could do when Eric Ferrier entered her apartment, killed her friend Jesse Ellison with a shot to the forehead and aimed his revolver at her face.

"No Eric, don't!" she screamed.

Two gun shots ended her cries for mercy and began a three-year journey for justice that pushed

the victims' families to the brink of destruction.

It was a journey filled with doubt, anger, grief and hate.

It was a journey the families of Ellison and Sumaya are relieved to finally over.

**An unfortunate bond**

Margaret Ellison and Patricia Turner wish they would have met under better circumstances.

A wedding between their children, Jesse Ellison and Sumaya, would have been nice.

Instead, they were brought together by an angry man with a gun and a score to settle because of an argument earlier that night.

They have forged through the toughest three years of their lives, sharing the grief of losing a child.

"We formed a bond,"

Margaret Ellison said from her Reno, Nev., home. "We're all family now."

**Leaving violence behind?**

When Jesse Ellison and Sumaya left their previous homes to come to Twin Falls, they thought they were leaving violence behind.

"Jafrá left California to get away from the violence, and she came here to face a horrible death," Patricia Turner said.

Jesse Ellison, fresh out of a Reno drug rehabilitation center, headed to Twin Falls to try to get

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## Letters convey anguish of murders

**The Associated Press**

LITTLETON, Colo. — They wrote to say how sorry they were about the massacre at Columbine High. They wrote of their tears. They wrote about their concerns for the wounded and the frightened.

One woman in Eagle Creek, Ore., wrote on behalf of her 5-year-old son.

"On the news they kept showing a young man crawling out of a second story broken window on to the top of a police van," the woman wrote, signed her letter "The Hill family," wrote in bubbly cursive. "Could someone please let us know how he is? This picture in particular bothered our son."

If Patrick Ireland could write back right now, the woman would be relieved to know that he is getting better from his head

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wounds. Still in the hospital, the 17-year-old's condition has been upgraded from serious to fair.

The South Metro-Denver Chamber of Commerce has received dozens of letters. Hundreds more have arrived at a special post office box set up after the April 20 shootings, in which 12 students, a teacher and the two student gunman died.

Some are Hallmark cards; some are written longhand on notebook paper. Some are typed or laserprinted; some are posters signed by entire senior classes in other parts of the country.

Few want a response from anyone. Some offer help; some offer understanding.

"I want you to feel better at this sad time," wrote Kalen, a second grader at Moon Mountain School

in Phoenix. "I lost my dad like you lost your son or daughter."

She drew a smiley face on her letter.

One of her classmates sent a drawing of heaven. Little sick-figure angels stand on clouds, and one cloud says "Cheer up!" And Carly, another classmate, wrote: "Dear Denver, I hope you feel better. I am so sorry!"

Many of the cards and letters were inspired by live television images of terrified students running from the school and then recounting the nightmare in interviews.

"Please give this card to the girl I saw on TV that stated she begged the gunman not to shoot her," wrote Laverne A. Kammerzell of Woodward, Okla.

"She reminded my granddaughter so much. My heart was broken to think she begged for her life for 30 minutes and then saw the girl in front of her get shot."

## School gunmen acted alone, officials say

**The Washington Post**

LITTLETON, Colo. — Two teenage gunman responsible for the Columbine High School massacre acted alone, authorities said Sunday.

Jefferson County Sheriff's Department spokesman Steve Davis said police have no evidence that Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold, who fatally shot 12 students and a teacher before killing themselves, had help.

There were always questions about whether anyone else was involved," Davis said in an interview. "The longer we go, the less likely it is that there is a third

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## Tainted jury?

### Appeals court will hear arguments on oil spill case

**Los Angeles Times**

SEATTLE — A federal appeals court will hear arguments today that the jury that awarded more than \$5 billion in damages in the Exxon Valdez oil spill was tainted by a bailiff who pulled out his gun and joked about putting a holdout juror "out of her misery."

The same juror, who attempted suicide three weeks after the verdict, alleged she was threatened by other jurors and by the bailiff, who was forced to resign from the U.S. Marshals Service after admitting he had offered his gun and a bullet to one of the jurors and had improperly socialized with the jury.

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Service after admitting he had offered his gun and a bullet to one of the jurors and had improperly socialized with the jury.

The appeal sheds light on the deliberations that produced the largest punitive damage award in U.S. history, revealing a jury plagued by loud arguments, tearful outbursts and a nagging fear that it was unequipped to resolve the complex economic and scientific dilemmas arising from the disastrous 1989 tanker accident that spilled 11 million gallons of oil into Alaska's Prince William Sound.

Two jurors found dead fish on their lawns after the August 1994 award of \$287 million in compensatory damages, court papers show. Another juror suffered angina pains and a doctor's letter recommending she be excused from the tense deliberations.

The oral arguments are scheduled before the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in the case after Exxon are high. The company is seeking to overturn a total of \$5.5 billion in compensatory and punitive damages due to be paid to tens of thousands of fishermen, landowners, business owners and tribal natives who live and work around Prince William Sound.

The verdict was tainted by coercion of the juror on the part of a judge, court records show, Exxon lawyers argued in their appeal, which challenges the verdict's entry into the jury's deliberative process, brandished firearms at jurors, took sides in a tug-of-war over a videotape, perjury to conceal his misconduct," the company's lawyers contend.

In interviews with the Los Angeles Times, jurors denied Wilson was ever threatened but they had sought to have her removed from the case after she refused to consider awarding punitive damages, reportedly ranting from the room and demonstrated what they saw as emotional instability.



# Clinton refuses to halt air strikes

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton welcomed Yugoslav's dramatic release Sunday of three U.S. soldiers, but his administration rebuffed Slobodan Milosevic's request for a pause in the airstrikes and a meeting with the president until the Serb leader agrees to all NATO demands.

"This gesture of goodwill cannot obliterate or overcome the stench of evil and death inflicted in the air strikes and those killing fields in Kosovo," Clinton said in a statement. Defense Secretary William Cohen said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Cohen and other U.S. officials sounded a headline suggesting Milosevic had simply engaged in a "PR stunt" in releasing the American prisoners. But the administration was coming under pressure from a variety of sources to seek a diplomatic end to the crisis.

"As Jesse Jackson would say, 'Give him a chance here,'" Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott said on CNN's "Late Edition." "There seems to be a common theme: 'There's seems to be an opportunity. We should seize this moment.'"

House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas, told "Fox News Sunday" that Clinton should meet Milosevic to negotiate an end to "this failed policy of bombing for diplomacy."

The House also has been seeking a diplomatic solution for weeks, won an audience with Clinton on Monday. A spokesman for Rep. James Weldon, R-Pa., said he had worked out a peace plan with Russian legislators in Moscow, regarding an armed international peacekeeping force in Kosovo.

But Milosevic hasn't accepted yet and Weldon didn't have the House authority to negotiate.

# Report: U.S. harbors alleged war criminals

BOSTON (AP) — Alleged war criminals have found a safe haven in the United States in recent years, under the noses of immigration officials and sometimes with help from the U.S. government, the Boston Globe reported Sunday.

The newspaper said it found evidence that people from countries including Haiti and El Salvador, and people involved in the breakup of Yugoslavia, have settled in this country and begun new lives, despite evidence of their involvement in serious human rights abuses.

The list includes three alleged participants in ethnic cleansing in Yugoslavia; several former associates of Somali strongman Mohamed Siad Barre; 16 Haitian military officers; and a Salvadoran general accused of covering up the massacre of four American churchwomen in 1980, according to the Globe.

"I was a member of the Haitian army high command," said Carl Dorelien, a former head of personnel for the 7,000-member army that seized power from President Jean-Bertrand Aristide in 1991 and killed as many as 4,000 civilians. "I lived like a king in my country."

Dorelien, who now lives in a resort community in Port-St. Lucie, Fla., won \$32 million in a Florida lottery in 1997. At the time, lottery officials described him as a penniless immigrant and political refugee.

But Dorelien says the U.S. military got him a five-year visa after the corrupt Haitian army was forced from power in 1994 by 50,000 U.S. troops. Fifteen other Haitian military officers have since joined him in the United States and are living mainly in New York and Florida, he said.

Dan O'Sullivan, chief of the Immigration and Naturalization Service's national security unit, said his agency is concerned about the problem of U.S. military rights-offenders-taking-shelter here. But he said it is relatively rare.

# Japanese prime minister begins trade mission to U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Disputes over trade and the pace of Japan's economic reforms will be the main focus when President Clinton meets Monday with Japanese Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi.

Clinton wants Obuchi to pursue revitalizing Japan's economy swiftly, by any means necessary, in order to bring greater stability to the rest of Asia. Obuchi, who admits his own country is likely to deepen, says he is doing all he can but that it will take time to reverse the worst recession Japan has experienced in 50 years.

"I have boldly implemented every kind of measure aimed at achieving Japan's economic recovery," Obuchi said Saturday during a speech in Chicago, the second day of his tour.

At present, the United States is perfectly healthy and never catches a cold, but on the other hand, Japan has a sore throat and losing its vigor for the last 10 years. In spite of his efforts, Obuchi said, the rate of unemployment in Japan is about 5.5 percent, twice the rate to which Japan is accustomed — and Japanese companies can be expected to cut more jobs, a sobering thought for workers in a land once proud of its promise of lifetime employment.

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United States soldiers from left: Spc. Steven M. Gonzales, Staff Sgt. Christopher J. Stone, and Staff Sgt. Andrew A. Ramirez, with Rev. Jesse Jackson, smile as they cross the Yugoslav and Croat border Sunday. Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic agreed Saturday to hand over the three captured soldiers to Jackson, who urged NATO to reward the generals by halting the bombing of Yugoslavia for one night.

# Persuasion and prayer

## Jackson's strategy gained freedom for POWs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Looking a reluctant Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic in the eye, Jesse Jackson did what the time had come to let go of the three American prisoners he was holding. He held Milosevic's hand and prayed with him.

"I had to convince him of what his options were," Jackson told The Associated Press in an interview. "One of the failures of war is a failure of diplomacy, communication and trust."

"Somehow, his preacher's persuasion worked on a Serb leader eager to change his image." Jackson emerged with the three soldiers in his custody, a joyful conclusion to what he said Sunday was the most dangerous of his forays onto hostile ground as a freelance negotiator.

"This mission was more volatile... and more violent," Jackson said.

"We saw bombs exploding. The night we got there was the heaviest bombing. But it was worth the risk."

Jackson also came out of Belgrade holding a letter for President Clinton, and a political coup for the man who is seen as both a necessary and an

omnipresent gadfly at the Clinton White House. But with the success came criticism that Jackson let himself be used by Milosevic, that he cooed Milosevic by praying with him, that he is meddling by urging Clinton and NATO to find a way to return Milosevic's gesture.

Speaking Sunday from Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany, Jackson made no apologies for putting pressure on NATO, saying "there are certain critics that deserve the highest level of presidential attention."

"Unless you talk, you cannot determine at what point your bombs are leading to the end," Jackson said. "We must look forward to a meeting, whether it's President Clinton or (British Prime Minister) Tony Blair. This war has to end, already, so dead, already, and can get worse."

The journey to Yugoslavia was Jackson's fourth trip to a foreign land to retrieve captured Americans. In 1984, Jackson went to Syria and won the release of Navy Lt. Robert O. Goodman Jr., whose jet bomber was shot down during a raid over Syrian anti-aircraft positions in Lebanon.

Several months later, Jackson was in Cuba, talking Fidel Castro into releasing 46 American and Cuban political prisoners. In 1990, he helped win the release from Iraq of more than 700 foreign women and children. In 1991, he helped win the release of American military attack after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

"Jackson said experience has taught him that freeing prisoners can open doors. He recalled that then-President Reagan called Syrian President Assad after Goodman's release.

"It led to a greater ability to deal with Lebanon and Syria and the PLO at the time," Jackson said. "So I certainly hope there is a courteous response to (Milosevic) setting our prisoners free. He had the power not to do it. But he didn't."

In his session with Milosevic, Jackson laid out this option: Milosevic could suddenly keep the prisoners and watch NATO bombs make rubble of his nation. Or he could set them free and build a diplomatic bridge, so that Yugoslavia would not become a permanent pariah.

forward to having you back again in school with us," said Tim Matteson, the sophomore class representative.

Two science teachers unfurled a banner at the front of the stage in honor of all Columbian students. It read "You are OUR hero."

Student body president Heather Dinkel urged the students to wear their T-shirts that say "We are Columbine" on Monday, when they return to class at nearby Chatfield High School.

"The memorial service opened with a song by Big Head Todd and the Monsters, a group of music and former Columbian students who won their school talent show in 1984.

"Brother John," which included the lyrics: "Children give up, don't you ever. Remember that Satan is a liar. Heaven could be anywhere, why not here?"

# After two weeks, students ready for class again

MORRISON, Colo. (AP) — Columbine High School students gathered in a scenic amphitheater Sunday for a final memorial service for their classmates and teacher killed in the April 20 massacre. They go back to class at a different school.

"I will not allow this tragedy to erase the 27 years of excellence in our school," said Columbine principal Frank DeAngella.

"Close friends of the 12 slain students and teacher Dave Sanders told bittersweet stories to the 3,000 students, parents and teachers assembled at the Red Rocks arena about 15 miles west of Denver.

"I am a representative from each of the four grades sent get well wishes to the 23 wounded, five of whom remained in the hospital," he said.

"We want you to know that we miss you guys and that we look

# David Duke falls short again

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — It was supposed to be his last try at a political comeback. But David Duke, having fallen short by fewer than 100 votes in his bid for Bob Livingston's congressional seat, was unwilling to say "never again." The former Ku Klux Klan leader and author of "My Awakening," an autobiographical call for "Aryan revolu-

tion," told a crowd of about 150 disappointed supporters that he was not ready to fade away.

"I'm not rolling anything out for the time being," he said during a grudging Saturday night concession speech.

Duke had said several times before Saturday's Louisiana elections that this would be his last campaign if he did not win.

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31	13.0	18.8	44.6%	44.6%
36	12.2	17.1	40.2%	40.2%
64	9.6	13.3	38.5%	38.5%
60	13.3	17.9	34.6%	34.6%
55	9.8	13.1	33.7%	33.7%
68	14.3	18.4	28.7%	28.7%
80	10.7	13.9	28.7%	28.7%
62	14.1	17.6	24.8%	24.8%
66	15.8	17.5	10.8%	10.8%
57	14.4	15.5	10.4%	10.4%
49	13.1	14.0	6.9%	6.9%
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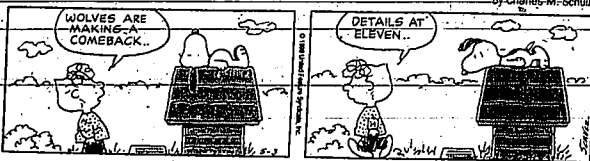
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# COMICS

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By Lynn Johnston

Dibert



By Scott Adams

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By Dean Young & Stan Drake

B.C.



By Johnny Hart

Pickles



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By Jim Davis

Dennis the Menace



By Hank Ketchum

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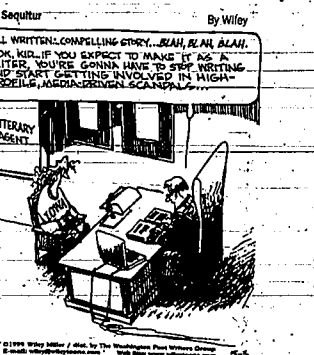
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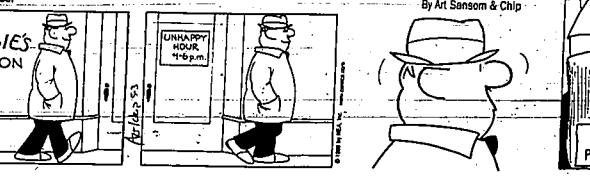
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By Willy

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By Art Sansom & Chip

# NASA sees double astronauts Smoking rates rise in risk-taking teens

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Scott Kelly couldn't wait to share the news. He was going to space.

First, the astronaut called his wife. Then he walked down the hall and told his brother. His twin brother. His identical twin brother.

Not only are Scott and Mark Kelly both space shuttle pilots, they both are also test pilots, combat pilots, Navy lieutenant commanders, engineers, married to blondes, with 4-year-old daughters on the same soccer team.

Not only are they the world's first astronaut twins, they're also the only astronaut siblings.

Don't expect any sibling rivalry, though. The 35-year-old Kellys haven't gone head-to-head since they were teen-agers competing for girls back home in West Orange, N.J.

In fact, Mark is handling the launch invitations and party plans for his brother. "It's wonderful to have a brother, no less a twin and they're in the same job, who is so supportive," says their father, Richard Kelly, a retired police captain.

Indeed, the family says there was nothing but brotherly love when NASA called Scott in March and offered him the job of flying the mission to repair the Hubble Space Telescope.

The telescope's deteriorating pointing system prompted NASA to move up its next regularly scheduled visit to the orbiter eight months early. NASA already had assigned the mission's four spacewalkers, but needed a flight crew.

Either brother could have been tapped for the single pilot slot; both were awaiting their first flight assignments. Scott was picked because he had been



NASA Astronauts Scott, left and Mark Kelly, who are twins, pose for a picture in front of a mural at Johnson Space Center in Houston March 25. In his first space flight, Scott is scheduled to pilot the space shuttle during an emergency repair run to the Hubble Space Telescope this fall.

training in rendezvousing in space. "They made the second-best choice. Ha-ha. Just kidding. Yeah, I mean it's great," says Mark, his brother grinning at his side. "Obviously, one of us was going to fly first."

"Nope," is the joint reply. "The bottom line is it really doesn't matter to either of us," adds Scott. "I mean, I'm happy. I'm glad it's me instead of him. But if it wasn't me, I would wish it would be him."

The brothers are quick to point out that flying first has its disadvantages. They figure all the relatives and family friends will travel to Cape Canaveral, Fla., for Scott's Oct. 14 launch aboard Discovery. By the time Mark rockets away in the next year or two, many of the guests probably won't go back. Plus, Mark will be at the pre-launch party while Scott is stuck in quarantine.

Knight Ridder News Service

She was only 12 when she smoked her first cigarette. "My friends were doing it," the Kansas City, Mo., girl said. "They said it would be cool to smoke. I wanted to fit in."

Now 16 and a high school sophomore, she smokes two or three packs a week. But she regrets "ever taking that first drag."

"The cool part is past," she said. "I used to smoke in front of people so they could see me. Now I smoke alone."

of Kansas Medical Center tobacco researcher Jasjit Ahluwalia. Nobody has found a single answer for the rise in teenage smoking, said William Novelli, president of the National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids. But several factors may be acting in synergy.

Peer and parental influence remain strong among adolescents. If family or friends smoke, it's hard to resist their sway.

The entertainment industry has been glamorizing smoking in films, television shows and music videos. In the movie "Titanic," for example, teen heartthrob Leonardo DiCaprio used cigarettes to romance Kate Winslet.

Tobacco companies lowered prices in 1993 on Marlboros, Camel and other brands popular with teen-agers. The companies also heavily marketed these brands in ways that appeal to adolescents.

Among high school seniors in 1997, almost 40 percent had smoked, compared with about 30 percent in 1991. As these teen-agers move toward adulthood, they threaten to overturn years of success combating smoking.

But tobacco companies such as Philip Morris U.S.A., the largest U.S. cigarette manufacturer, now are promoting efforts to reduce youth smoking. In fact, the company says it will spend more than \$100 million this year on a multifaceted prevention effort.

"We may see in the new millennium an actual increase in (adult) smoking," said University

of Kansas Medical Center tobacco researcher Jasjit Ahluwalia. Nobody has found a single answer for the rise in teenage smoking, said William Novelli, president of the National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids. But several factors may be acting in synergy.

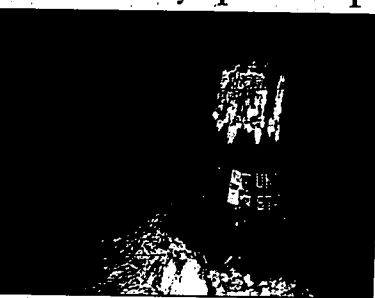
## After 38 years, Mercury space capsule found

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Lost at sea for 38 years, astronaut Gus Grissom's Mercury capsule was found over the weekend by an underwater salvage team that had been searching for the spacecraft 300 miles off shore.

Liberty Bell 7 is still 3 miles deep in the Atlantic. The cable to a remotely operated rover used to identify and photograph the capsule snapped in the rough sea Saturday night and the rover sank. The salvagers are returning to Fort Canaveral for new equipment and will have to wait at least a few weeks before going back to recover the spacecraft.

But at least they know now where it is and they're thrilled about Saturday's discovery.

It looks to be in beautiful condition and certainly capable of being recovered, expedition leader Curt Newport said Sunday by phone from the ship, the Nautilus. The Liberty Bell 7, clearly printed beneath it.



NASA's Liberty Bell-7 space capsule sits nearly three miles down on the floor of the Atlantic Ocean 90 miles northeast of the Great Bahama Island near the Bahamas. Lost at sea for 38 years, astronaut Gus Grissom's Mercury capsule was found over the weekend.

pointed on the capsule to replicate the real Liberty Bell is still visible, as are the single marks left by the explosives that blew out the hatch following splashdown on July 21, 1961. Liberty Bell 7 sank following Grissom's successful 15-minute suborbital flight — the nation's second manned space flight. The

explosive bolts that blow open the hatch detonated prematurely, and helicopter rescuers were unable to lift the waterlogged spacecraft from the sea. Grissom nearly drowned, but was pulled to safety. He insisted until his death in the Apollo launch pad fire in 1967 that he'd done nothing wrong, although some questioned at the time — and still do — whether he bumped something or even panicked. Grissom's widow, Betty, who feels certain the hatch malfunctioned, said last month that she hoped her husband's capsule would remain buried in the Atlantic. She resents not being consulted from the start about the salvage effort.

That's where the capsule eventually will be put on display. Newport's success didn't come easy. He and his team ran into trouble after setting sail April 19 on a voyage financed by the Discovery Channel. The sonar promptly broke down. Once fixed, it uncovered 88 possible targets in the 24-square-mile area that Newport pinpointed based on 14 years of studying NASA charts and interviewing those who were there when Liberty Bell 7 went down.



Cadet cadet Nancy Mace is hugged by an unidentified cadet after they received their class's 1999 Citadel ring in a ceremony last year. Mace will be the first female cadet to graduate from the military college in Charleston, S.C.

## Citadel set to graduate first ever female cadet

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — The bitter fight over admitting women to the Citadel now long past, Nancy Mace is about to become the 156-year-old South Carolina military school's first female cadet-to-graduate.

Mace, who entered in the fall of 1996 after the college dropped its all-male admissions policy, is to receive her degree with about 400 male cadets at commencement ceremonies on Saturday. The business major transferred credits from a community college to graduate a year early. "She's done it all on her own with no help from daddy," said her father, retired Army Brig.

Gen. J. Emory Mace, who became the school's commandant of cadets during his daughter's first year there. "I would make an effort not to associate with her," he said. "You need to make it on your own and blend in." Mace, 21, who is taking an analyst job with a business consulting firm in Charlotte, N.C., leaves the Citadel with a mixture of pride and humility. "I still don't think of it in an historic context," she said. In Sunday's The (Charleston) Post and Courier, she just wanted an opportunity to join the long, gray line.

## Death toll increases to 13 in boat accident

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. (AP) — The toll from the sinking of a tourist boat rose to 13 Sunday when a woman died in a hospital shortly after returning to a hotel. She was found her ex-husband's body. Their daughter also was among the victims.

The amphibious vehicle of World War II vintage — called a "duck" because it travels both on land and water — sank rapidly shortly after entering Lake Hamilton on Saturday. Crew members panicked and scrambled for life preservers.

Twenty-one people were on board, including the driver. The boat started taking on water and it started to tilt toward the back and went down in 15 seconds to 30 seconds, said Hamilton County Sheriff Larry Selig said Sunday. He said it initially took on water over the stern.

"I understand one man tried to pass out life jackets, but there was no time," Selig said. "The passengers had to get out through a gate to a side of the boat's hull and a canvas canopy, and their efforts to put on life jackets — which they were not required by law to be wearing — may have contributed to the problem, he said.

## More troubles for Mississippi governor

The Washington Post Mississippi Gov. Kirk Fordice, R, has once again turned his private life into headlines, poltoidly choosing not to consult his wife of nearly 44 years when he purchased a home in Madison, a Jackson suburb. "I have never been invited to the house," said his wife, Pat Fordice, who has suffered other

widely reported personal indignities. In 1993 the governor abruptly announced that he and his wife had "irreconcilable marital differences." He claim the couple separated within a week. And in 1996, Fordice nearly died in a single-car crash while driving back from Memphis, where he had been seen holding hands with a woman in a restaurant. His wife was away in France at the time.

"I have worked real hard to be a good first lady," Pat Fordice said. Local television station WLBT, "I know it (the house) is not for me." Fordice, 65, who has been an advocate of traditional moral values and a harsh critic of President Clinton's sexual activities, issued the following statement: "My private life is just that, private."



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# Can Milosevic take any more?

## Bombings will continue until leader gives in

WASHINGTON (AP) — NATO leaders have insisted from Day 1 of the airstrikes on Yugoslavia that the bombs and missiles would keep flying until President Slobodan Milosevic reverses course in Kosovo rather than end up as the "ruler of rubble," as one allied general put it.

The question many are asking now is, how much more punishment can the Yugoslav leader take? NATO has hit his country with virtually every instrument of air power in its arsenal, yet he remains defiant. Is there any level of military, economic and political destruction that will push Milosevic to give up?

Allied military leaders say yes, but admit they can only hope when it might reach that point. After nearly six weeks of attacks from one end of Yugoslavia to the other, Milosevic has shown no sign of bending, although his firing of a deputy prime minister last week suggested internal strains.

"We have basically given Milosevic the on-off switch," says retired Adm. Leighton Smith, who dealt generally with the Yugoslav president while commanding NATO's Allied Forces Southern Europe during the Bosnia war. "It is not surprising he has stayed the course this long. He is a very stubborn person."

Smith and others say the key to breaking Milosevic's will is ending his base of political power while also pounding his military forces, which have continued their routing of ethnic Albanian villages in Kosovo.

"When his power structure begins to become threatened within Yugoslavia, that's when he may consider" changing course, Smith said.

In contrast to the first four weeks of NATO's air campaign, the bombing in recent days has hit more political and economic targets that allied strategists



Yugoslav soldiers survey damage Sunday near Murino's bridge after a reported NATO airstrike April 30. NATO continued its airstrikes against Yugoslavia in an effort to force Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic to accept a western peace agreement for Kosovo.

believe are pillars of Milosevic's power base.

These include his Socialist Party of Serbia offices, one of his Belgrade missions and Serb TV headquarters. Roads, toll lines, bridges, oil refineries and other industrial plants also have been struck to a degree of devastation that NATO officials say has set back the Yugoslav economy by 10 years.

"We are systematically taking apart President Milosevic's structure and power," U.S. Army Gen. Wesley Clark, the top NATO commander, told reporters last week at an alliance headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. "I can't give you a prediction on how long he's going to endure this kind of punishment."

Clark said he still believes Milosevic eventually will conclude that accommodation with NATO is the only way to see Yugoslavia isolated and

NATO united in its determination to ouster the bombing. In the meantime, there is no shortage of targets for NATO warplanes, which are still trying to cripple the extensive Yugoslav air defense system and stop Milosevic from reinforcing his troops in Kosovo. There also are more economic targets, including the civilian-military electric power and water systems.

The war will end, Clark said, when Milosevic "comes to a full recognition of what the future holds and makes terms with it." German Gen. Klaus Naumann, chairman of NATO's military committee, acknowledged the possibility that the alliance misjudged Milosevic when it assumed he would not let Yugoslavia be torn apart.

"Our flaw may be that we think he may have at least a little bit of responsibility for his country and may act accordingly,

since otherwise he may end up being the ruler of rubble," Naumann said in Washington last week.

So what if that flaw proves fatal for NATO and Milosevic outlasts the alliance? What if airstrikes can't finish the job and the allies decide against introducing ground forces to defeat the Serbs in Kosovo? Those are possibilities that many in Congress have raised, including Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn.

Lieberman said he worries that NATO will discover Milosevic is "insanely intransigent."

"Then we're going to be left in a quandary," Lieberman said, "where we may have achieved our military objectives but not achieved our political objectives because the paramilitary ethnic slaughterers and expellers and rapists are going to remain in Kosovo." That, he said, would amount to defeat for NATO.



A group of camp residents carries loaves of bread past a long line of ethnic Albanian refugees who just arrived Sunday and are waiting to register at the Cegranne, Macedonia camp.

# Hunger joins Kosovo's perils

## 5 1/2 weeks of airstrikes take toll

By Anne Swarndon and R. Jeffrey Smith

BLACE, Macedonia — Elmho Misini is nine months pregnant and her weariness shows in her deep and labored breaths here at the border crossing from Yugoslavia. Sprawled on the side of the road, she cannot at first remember when she last had something to eat, but finally it occurs to her.

The day before yesterday, at around 3 p.m., she had some bread. On the day before that, she says she had some bread. And the previous day, some bread.

Her husband, Isuf, stands beside her, and her two children sit listlessly nearby.

As the bread is conveyed panic and moisture collects at the corner of his eyes. He is clearly alarmed and ashamed at his wife's edginess, and she worries about the health of the unborn baby after weeks of inadequate nutrition.

"We were running out of everything," Isuf says, explaining their decision to leave their home in the village of Blablak, near the city of Smile. Every day that they lived in the mountains of south central Kosovo, "we heard about someone dying from hunger," he adds. Particularly at higher elevations, where snow is still present, "people are... starving."

Widespread hunger is being reported inside Kosovo by refugees who said it is a new, important reason for the continued outflow of ethnic Albanians into Macedonia and Albania by the thousands each day.

As NATO's bombing campaign against Yugoslavia has reached 5 1/2 weeks, refugees and aid workers say the humanitarian crisis that Washington and other allied capitals worked hard to prevent last October is now unfolding inside Kosovo.

Then, they successfully pressured the Yugoslav regime with the threat of NATO airstrikes, forcing Belgrade to pull back its forces from the Serbian province and let terrorized ethnic Albanians come down from the hills just in time to find food and shelter for the winter.

But the tensions grew, and the fighting between ethnic Albanian rebels seeking independence for Kosovo and Yugoslav forces intent on keeping the province in Serbia escalated.

This spring, the West repeated its threat, but this time it failed and the bombing went forward. Many of Kosovo's residents anticipated the event by digging holes in the forest or filling their basements with caches of food to last through a month-long nightmare.

But virtually no one expected the nightmare to persist, and so now comes the spread of hunger, and the fear that it will be followed by the spread of disease.

The signs are just beginning, but a trend is evident and its direction clear. Anyone who visited this border crossing in recent days and plunged into the crowd of thousands of refugees to inquire about why they left Kosovo heard scores of identical statements that virtually no one made the week before: "There is no food. We haven't eaten for several days. Our children had nothing to eat. We barely had enough energy to get here."

# Apache attacks are meticulously planned efforts

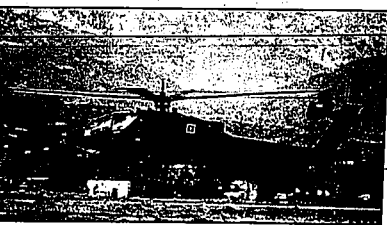
TASK FORCE HAWK, Albania (AP) — When the U.S. Army's fearsome Apache helicopters swoop in on the attack, their blades and rockets are only a glimpse of the technological arsenal mobilized to assault the enemy.

It is a very detailed and methodical process. It is not John Wayne strapping on his helmet and saying, "Come on boys, let's 'em," said Lt. Col. Mark Hennes, commander of a Battalion regiment that is usually based in Babenhousen, Germany. "We're not going to discuss any details of possible Apache strikes on Yugoslav forces in Kosovo." However, Hennes was cleared to discuss a general overview of the complex process of staging an assault.

"The operation" over enemy territory follows a mission intelligence gathering, then coordinating the Apaches with support elements, preparatory strikes by mobility assets, U.S. Air Force fighters providing air cover and rescue aircraft standing by for emergencies.

"This is a considered and deliberate process, with planning and rehearsing prior to execution by a group of trained professionals," Hennes said.

With so many units involved, mission planners conducted rehearsals with the helicopter pilot, rocket crew and mission controllers. And despite all the high-tech that powers the U.S. military, these sessions occur at what are known as "rock drills" — because field commanders often use rocks to designate the



A U.S. Army Apache helicopter lands at the Tirana, Albania air base April 29. When Apache helicopters launch an attack with their fearsome array of weapons, the blazing guns and rockets give the enemy only a glimpse of the arsenal mobilized against them.

positions of various units, aircraft and targets.

"The Associated-Press was allowed to stand on a rock drill ahead of a practice mission at Task Force Hawk's base, on condition that no tactical details be reported."

At the meeting, mission units walked through their tasks on a grid, terrain map on the floor, marked with unit positions, air grants and targets. Members of the team then drilled each other on details.

"We rehearse the timing down to the exact minute so the attack is synchronized in time and space," Hennes said.

The main reason for all the caution is to protect the Apache pilots and their escorts.

"This is a very dangerous business.

# NATO jet crashes in Serbia; alliance admits to bus hit

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — A U.S. fighter jet went down in hostile Serb territory on Sunday, but the pilot was plucked to safety by NATO search-and-rescue forces.

The alliance pounded Yugoslavia with new attacks, and a spokesman said there would be no reward for Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic for freeing three U.S. soldiers.

"What he's got to understand is that the decision that he's got to impress us most is the decision

to order troops out of Kosovo" and "clearly and unambiguously" accept an armed international force, said Jamie Shea, NATO's chief spokesman.

Heavy anti-aircraft fire could be heard in the capital Belgrade on Sunday evening. The city was plunged into darkness shortly after the only NATO jet struck a major power line, Yugoslav officials said.

Yugoslav authorities claimed their anti-aircraft gunners had shot the fighter-bomber down

Serbian television showed footage of metal chunks of the wreckage, some with writing in English, near the village of Nakucina, 50 miles west of Belgrade.

Allied search-and-rescue units picked up the pilot two hours after the pre-dawn crash near the Bosnia-Serbia border, Shearman said.

It was the first allied plane to go down over Yugoslavia since a U.S. F-117 stealth fighter crashed on March 27. The pilot of that

plane also was rescued.

NATO also has said it was responsible for bombing a bus north of the Kosovo capital, Pristina, on Saturday. The Yugoslav Foreign Ministry said the attack killed 47 people and seriously injured 47. Only footage on Serb television showed body parts and the ripped-up shell of the bus.

Alliance officials said it was "unfortunate" that a bus had crossed the bridge, which it called a military target.



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## OTHER VIEWS

### North Korea military buildup: A ticking time bomb in Asia

From The Orange County (Calif.) Register

Even as diplomats prepared for a 50th anniversary NATO celebration turned somber by realities on the ground in Kosovo, a program at last week's World Affairs Council meeting offered a reminder that the resources being used in the Balkans might be needed to deal with more serious problems in the Far East.

Koo, the Korean ambassador to the United States and Stephen W. Bosworth, the American ambassador to Korea, offered a fairly comprehensive assessment of developments on the Asian peninsula.

totalitarian policies have been. The North Korean economy is smaller than it was 10 years or even five years ago; electrical power has virtually disappeared except for an elite. The country can't feed its population and depends heavily on aid from more productive countries.

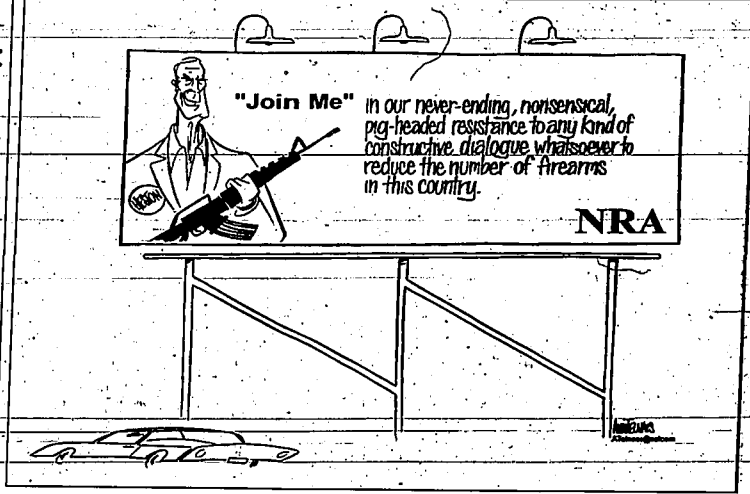
*The best solution to economic trouble lies in freer markets, fewer subsidies and relaxation of government controls.*

Yet North Korea still commits a disproportionate amount of its limited resources to military advances to the military. North Korea may have adhered to the letter of a 1994 agreement under which it agreed to stop testing fissile materials in exchange for being provided alternate sources of power.

The danger of North Korea acting like a cornered rat - lashing out at real or imagined adversaries - as its society deteriorates is serious, probably even more serious than these two diplomats could acknowledge. The delicate game of cautious engagement - maintaining contact while letting the regime in the North know it's not feeling anybody - could blow up at any time.

It is encouraging to see leaders in so many countries willing to acknowledge that the best solution to economic trouble lies in freer markets, fewer subsidies and relaxation of government controls. But South Korea accepted money from the International Monetary Fund, which knows how to sling free-market jargon but recommends policies that increase government control in the name of stability. A free-market Nirvana in South Korea? Reality is likely to lag well behind the rhetoric.

And don't be surprised if North Korea finds ways to make more trouble before it takes its well-earned place on the ash heap of history.



## Love for guns is blind to societal damage

**L**ove is blind. Especially when it comes to guns. I'm not talking about a lot of gun owners.

**JOHN MONK**

Most are sensible people who use guns for protection; hunting or target practice.

But there are many gun extremists out there who even now - after the tragedy at Columbine High School in Colorado - insist no laws should be enacted to control children's access to guns.

"I student slughters in Littleton, Colo., and elsewhere have taught us one thing, it's that a few sensible gun controls wouldn't hurt.

I like raising the purchase age to 21, closing loopholes where children can buy guns on the Internet and holding adults criminally responsible if they leave a gun out and a child uses it to harm others.

None of these proposals could in any way infringe on legitimate use of guns by adults in America.

I admit no gun control proposal would by itself cure youth violence. The problem has many components including violent movies and television, lack of parental involvement in children's lives and discipline and security in schools.

But easy access to guns by children is one part of the problem.

In the past, gun extremists have deflected most reasonable gun control proposals. Aided by the National Rifle Association, the extremists are a powerful group. They cow many journalists and politicians.

Many editorial writers like myself avoid saying anything that might offend gun extremists because they call and harangue you about their views. As a group, gun extremists are about the most aggressive and loud people we deal with. Life is easier for us if we avoid this issue.

Politicians are afraid of gun extremists because they bring a lot of financial muscle to politics. In 1996, the NRA and gun extremists targeted and defeated some 20 members of Congress.

Over the years, extremists have used three kinds of false arguments to intimidate people who urge reasonable gun controls:

1) They spread misleading information. Earlier this week, after we published an editorial urging people to address youth violence on a variety of fronts, a man called me to complain about a paragraph in the editorial urging reasonable gun controls. Among his complaints he said it was a "lie" that children can buy guns on the Internet.

It wasn't a lie. Kids can buy guns on the Internet. There are dozens, maybe hundreds of Web sites, where gun buyers and sellers exchange information with no one regulating the transactions.

Just last week, I was able in seconds to go straight to an Internet web site where hundreds of anonymous people were using e-mail to buy and sell guns. A determined young person could get a gun here easily.

The gun lover who called me the other day complained at length about our editorial urging limited gun controls.

I finally told him I found out he could get so upset about gun control while not seeming to be bothered that so many children had died at Columbine.

He said he didn't do anything about that.

I suggested limiting child access to guns might keep other youths from being shot to death.

He said, "The guns didn't kill them." Like I said, love is blind.

*John Monk an editorial writer for The State in Columbia, S.C.*

2) They smear their opponents. Gun extremists question your patriotism, call you "liberal" and try to put you on the defensive. Name-calling should not be part of this debate. I didn't serve two-plus years in the U.S. Army so gun extremists could tell me I'm not a good American.

3) They dodge issues. This week, when President Clinton proposed reasonable gun control legislation, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott said guns aren't the issue. Of course, everybody who doesn't agree is the only issue. But they are one of the issues.

## The Times-News

Stephen Hargett, Publisher  
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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Stephen Hargett, William Brock, Clark Washburn, Steve Crump, Kevin Richard and David Lee.

### More guns in school won't help.

The Times-News editorial staff's response to the tragic massacre in Littleton has left me ashamed to live in the same community. How do I identify came a final word in a reputable newspaper is beyond me.

While I agree with your comments regarding the coarsening of our society and its detrimental effects on youth, the remaining opinion can only be described as medieval, misguided and frightening.

The luxury of your suggestion to put MORE guns in school is obvious. The presence of a gun in the classroom would only increase the likelihood of someone using it on the innocent and unarmed student; teacher does anyone really believe the students wouldn't get the guns if they wanted them? A student who became ill or had seizure in front of a nervous student teacher. What we need is zero-tolerance for weapons in our schools, not more.

The second least free section presented by the editors was a functional repeal of the first amendment. They advocated random incarceration or police surveillance of anyone deemed "disloyal" and a return to the Victorian-era asylums where all the mentally ill could be confined. A return to the dark ages would appear. Can educated newspa-

per editors actually support a totalitarian state where the government decides what views are acceptable and what will result in a prison term? Who defines acceptable morality? Bill Clinton, perhaps? Should we return to the persecution of religious groups that we find frightening? Who decides which religions are "dangerous"? If we look historically at violence in wars and crusades, the Christians and Muslims would ALL land behind bars! I can only hope that the editorial on Littleton was an error. I cannot agree that more guns belong in our schools and that freedom of expression and freedom of religion no longer have a place in America.

**JANET MACKENZIE**  
Twin Falls

### God have mercy on America

Have we not taught those who escape the womb unburied that they can kill or do anything else they get a bang from without penalty? Did not our Senate recently confirm that philosophy in the impeachment trial? Is not that president now leading military actions that could escalate into World War III? Wasting our lives that have been out of production for several years, leaving us with almost no protection.

If I read the Holy Scripture correctly, the good old U.S.A. is the last great na-

tion to fall before the Second Coming of the Lord. Is it not time multitudes fall on their faces before GOD and cry out for forgiveness and MERCY?  
**CHARLES HARRIS**  
Twin Falls

### Times-News recalls legacy of Hitler

Sharon Strickland's thoughtful letter, plus conversations at church, prompted me to go back and read your editorial about the tragedy in Littleton, Colo. I can agree with only one of your points: our society is greatly influenced by media that glorify violence, revenge and nihilism. The rest of your conclusions are totally abhorrent.

Your proposal to label and stamp out politicians and divorce recalls the legacy of Hitler, Stalin and Mao. A much better approach is the practice at O'Leary Junior High School of maintaining open lines of communication between administrators, teachers, students, and their parents. Also, the "no hassle" policy that provides redress for any student who feels threatened by any group (gangs, ethnic groups, or "outsiders").

Your call to arm teachers and school administrators is shocking. Do you want to put down the risk of school violence or increase it? This idea fits exactly with the media style you so roundly condemn earlier in this editorial: Arnold

Schwabenegger as the mild-mannered teacher who wrests the rebellious elements in his school. This is violent fantasy. You can't do this in real life.

This editorial is the best argument yet for signed editorials. Who wrote this one? If it reads as if it were downloaded directly from the NRA web site. Someone needs to take responsibility for this reprehensible diatribe.

**STEPHEN POPPINO**  
Twin Falls

### Media focuses on aberrations

I wish to comment about the recent killings in Littleton, Colo., by the two students who killed others and themselves. Yes, this was a very tragic event but let's not have the media blow the whole thing out of proportion. Yes, it was a very sad event but for every school child killed that day there were millions who went to school and had a perfectly normal, happy fun day. The media loves to promote more "boom and bust" news because it sells more newspapers and TV advertising slots that way.

Most people in the world I believe are basically good people. It's the one tenth of 1 percent that get 99 percent of the attention. The newborn healthy baby or the sweet little grandmother down the

street who takes someone a plate of cookies isn't big media news. It's the very small percentage of criminals that get 99.9 percent of the media's attention.

Yes, let's try to make our communities and schools safer. Let's also get more involved in making the world a better and safer place. Let's act like what we have life pretty good here in the U.S.A. for the most part. When is the last time you went for three or four days without eating? When was the last time a nuclear explosion bombed your town or sent you off to a forced labor camp (such as in Poland during WWII). I have six brothers and none of us have ever had to go into combat to kill an enemy soldier or be killed ourselves. How many generations in U.S. or world history have been that fortunate?

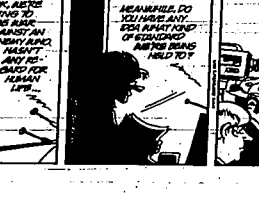
Let's all take action to make the world a better and safer place. Let's also not develop a "Chicken Little, the sky is falling" mentality. Most of our schools and homes are pretty safe. Most of the nation's children are headed in the right direction. Most news in the world is good; so let's not let one tragic incident in Colorado make us think that the whole world has gone to hell because it hasn't.

**TROY CRANE**  
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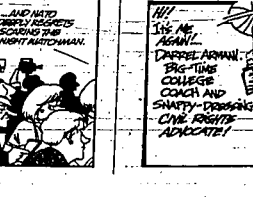
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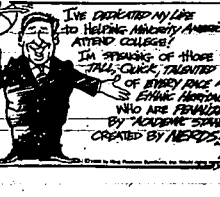
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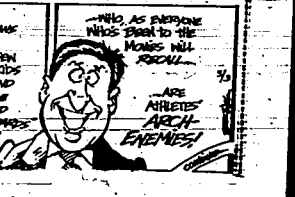
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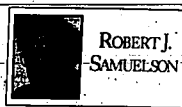
# Opportunists exploit school tragedy

**A**mericans like to believe that all problems are solvable and all tragedies preventable. The mass murder at Columbine High teaches otherwise. But even so, we go through the process of assessing blame and seeking solutions, because anything else would make us uncomfortable. Because this tragedy (like many others) quickly became a political vehicle for agendas and ambitions. Our search for scapegoats, though, promises to disappoint.

The usual suspects have emerged. Guns, of course, top the list. I don't own guns, dislike them and believe that, in an ideal world, they would be illegal. But let's get real. The federal government estimates there are 230 million guns in America. About 40 percent to 45 percent of households have one. Does anyone truly think that all these people are potential mass murderers? A practical matter, even handguns can be outlawed?

Suppose they were. Would all the existing supply vanish? Not likely. Black markets would flourish. Someone determined and intelligent will get guns — or weapons. There are a lot of people who use fertilizer to craft his bomb that killed 168 in Oklahoma City. One paradox of the Columbine tragedy is that even though guns are becoming harder to get and sales seem to be declining, The Brady Bill, passed in 1993, required law enforcement agencies to check buyers' names. Between 1993 and 1997, annual purchases of new guns increased from 7.8 million to 10.3 million, according to government figures.

Parents also rank high as scapegoats. These parents must have raised their children poorly. Or they ignored danger signals. In one boy's room, said the Jefferson County sheriff, a sword-left shotgun barrel was visible. The parents should have suspected. Maybe. But could parents really be said to doubt. There



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are limits to how much parents can shape their children. Heredity — the innate differences among people — plays a huge role. Every child is different from parents. Even "good" parents are only human. They practice denial and hope.

Perhaps Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold's parents should have known that their sons' weird teenage behavior marked them as mass murderers. But parents regularly miss, or can't alter, signs of trouble in their children. In 1995, there were 2,227 suicides among those under 20 (about half the number of homicides).

America has long suffered from acts of mass violence. What's distinctive now is that students have become the shooters. The other day, the first lady criticized a media culture that "glorifies violence on TV, in the movies and in video games." The effect, she said, is that "our children become desensitized to violence."

There is some truth to this, but it overlooks harder truths. High schools have become more chaotic almost by design. We have wanted everyone to graduate. In 1950, only about half of young adults had completed high school. Even in 1960, the dropout rate was 27 percent. It's now about 11 percent. Students who might have once left because they felt angry or inadequate now stay. Schools have grown bigger and more impersonal. In 1950, almost 25,000 public high schools had 5.7 million students. In 1995, fewer than 24,000 schools had 5.7 million students. Columbine had about 1,800. There has been a loss of control. In a superb book ("The

World We Created at Hamilton High"), sociologist Gerald Grant described how one high school changed. In the 1950s, it was white and middle-class. There was a dress code. The principal's authority was unquestioned. Discipline problems were few. By the 1970s, the school was racially and economically integrated. Students' "rights" to due process had burgeoned. There was no dress code.

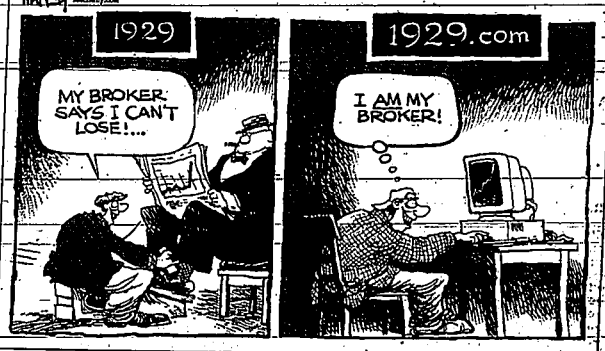
Teachers went on the defensive. "Many began to look the other way, to shrink from a challenge, and to avoid bringing a charge because they might not only lose the legal battle, but wind up having to defend themselves," wrote Grant. This legacy endured.

Even if a return to the 1950s were possible, it wouldn't be desirable. The principal at Hamilton High was a petty tyrant. Education was exclusionary, conformity, widespread. But the change reflects a wider upheaval. It's not just media fare where boundaries between childhood and adulthood have eroded. Teen-agers expect many adult freedoms, with few adult burdens. They have jobs, cars, incomes. By and large, society accepts this and gives teens "freedom."

Our culture also celebrates "diversity" and urges people to feel proud of their differences. But in teens — who are often struggling to discover who they are — this may be a formula for tension as well as tolerance. People may exaggerate differences or feel them more acutely.

We search for meaning. But the explanation of the Columbine slaughter lies at the juncture of the dark side of human nature and the drift of our culture. As adolescents and adulthood blend, so do the problems and tragedies. This is a condition that, though it may be influenced, can't be ended.

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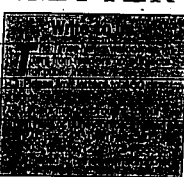


## LETTER

### American dream is sham

Acceptance. Who could ask for anything more? It's the American Dream to be accepted and be considered successful by your peers, whether it's true or not. Sometimes it seems you out of reach until you finally realize that the American Dream is just another ridiculous fairy-tale created so past generations could make believe that they had it so much better than the world around them — a world corrupt with war, greed, intolerance, hate, and other diseases that would blight the untarnished image of the almighty U.S.A.

Yeah, right. If you look, our country's history is scarred with slavery, racism, intolerance, ignorance, and a war-hungry mentality; all of which is justified and spoon-fed our gilded spoon to future generations who have no choice but to accept it. Well, I choose not to. America-A-nation where racism is put above those trying to create a better society. A nation that vilifies the propaganda-machine tactics of war-



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teach them acceptance of all ideas and all peoples, national pride, tolerance and understanding are necessities if we, as a people, are to evolve normally and spiritually. We can not change our past, but our future is yet to be written. It has to be written in self-acceptance, not in bloodshed and blinded pride. The time for that kind of change is now. Note: The reference to a villainous media is in response to the ridiculous mislabeling and misunderstanding of the present straight-edge movement. A recent broadcast of 20/20 on ABC blanketed all straight-edge groups under the actions of the Salt Lake City movement, which has been known for its violent outbursts. Not to imply that all Salt Lake City straight-edges are violent, but like in every other aspect of society, the silent majority is defined by the vocal minority. To clear up misconceptions, this is a non-violent cause, not a sect of violent thugs. MATTHEW REICHERT Filer

# Gore plan puts straitjacket on growth

**V**ice President Al Gore travels to Detroit on Tuesday to support for the latest social geography-rendering project out of Washington. It's called "smart growth" and he proposes is nothing less than the end of suburbs as we know them.

Under a new \$10 billion initiative, Vice President Gore would curb suburban sprawl by zoning development within "urban growth boundaries." But smart growth will simply fail because it rests on several questionable assumptions.

For example, smart growth purports to reduce traffic jams and reduce air pollution by concentrating growth within predetermined areas. Common sense tells us that packing more people and cars into tighter spaces will make congestion and air pollution worse. But the vice president assures us these problems will vanish as people switch from cars to mass transit.

That's unlikely. Modern metropolitan areas are so dispersed that most trips require a car. Forcing growth within certain urban boundaries will never reduce the need for automobile travel.

Express buses and subways provide a realistic alternative to cars only for trips to and around downtown areas.

Smart growth proponents favor using light rail alternatives such as streetcars, but these systems aren't speedy enough to make it

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worthwhile for Americans to abandon their cars.

A smart-growth agenda could lead to other unintended consequences. Large retail stores will be banned within urban growth boundaries, resulting in higher prices at smaller stores. Houses would have to be built on smaller lots, driving up real estate prices — higher and more impersonal. In Ore., a city often cited favorably by smart-growth proponents, have spent \$1.8 billion. And with fewer and smaller buildings going up, jobs in the construction industry will likely decline.

Despite its good intentions, Vice President Gore's agenda on smart growth makes major metropolitan areas less attractive by stunting their population and economic growth. And the nation's major metropolitan areas are already facing several unprecedented challenges, which smart growth is likely to make worse.

For example, cities have historically functioned as a marketplace for large-scale commercial and business activities. But the computer revolution is making it possible for large numbers of people to work from home or remote business locations. Likewise, the expanding Internet shopping industry has the potential to

reduce the retailing market share of major metropolitan areas. In short, the city is becoming less necessary. As smart-growth cities attempt to curtail growth, they are likely to make the entire metropolitan-based alternatives more attractive, hastening their own decline.

Another significant advantage of most major metropolitan areas is their high level of airline service. But that advantage is also being eroded. New regional jets have begun linking smaller metropolitan areas with the rest of the nation. With smart growth making larger metropolitan areas more congested and more expensive, smaller metropolitan areas are likely to experience greater growth.

Consider that since 1950, Florida's Las Vegas area, Austin, Texas, have risen from small cities to major metropolitan areas with populations of more than 1 million. The nation has plenty of room for a new Phoenix or Austin to develop. Indeed, Austin's anti-growth policies and computer industry boom are fueling the boom in Boise, Idaho.

Consultant Wendell Cox is the author of a recent study on smart growth for The Heritage Foundation, a Washington-based public policy research institute.

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A young child gazes over dozens of bouquets Sunday at the spot where a nail-bomb brought devastation to a pub in London's Soho district April 30. Three people were killed by the blast.

## Man charged with London bombings

LONDON (AP) — Police charged a white man with murder Sunday in a nail-bombing campaign against gays and ethnic minorities that killed three people and wounded more than 100. He operated alone and was not linked to neo-Nazi groups that claimed responsibility, authorities said.

David Copeland, a 22-year-old engineer, was captured on closed circuit TV in the neighborhood where the first blast occurred April 17, police said. He was arrested early Saturday at his home in Cove, southwest of London, where police seized explosive material.

Copeland has been charged with the deaths of three people in the worst explosion — a nail-bombing Friday at a gay pub in central London — and similar attacks April 17 and April 24 in London districts with large ethnic minorities. A total of 115 people were wounded.

He will appear in court Monday, Metropolitan Police Deputy Commissioner Alan Fry said.

The announcement that one man was responsible for the campaign meant claims of responsibility by — among others — neo-Nazi groups Combat 18 and the White Wolves were apparently hoaxes to gain publicity and instill fear across the country.

Fifteen of the more than 70

people injured in Friday's explosion remained hospitalized, including eight in critical condition. Some victims had limbs amputated and others suffered severe burns.

The first bomb exploded more than two weeks ago, wounding 39 people at a teeming street market in Brixton, a south London district with a large Afro-Caribbean population. A week later, a second explosion went off in Brick Lane, wounding seven in the east London district, which is home to many Bangladeshis.

In Friday's pub bombing, witnesses reported seeing a man with a blond goatee leaving a bag in the Admiral Duncan pub moments before the explosion. Police said the bomb was a "relatively rudimentary and crude" device about the size of a shoe box, packed with nails and other metallic objects.

Two of those killed in the pub in London's Soho district were identified Sunday as a 27-year-old pregnant woman, Andrea Dykes, and the best man at her 1997 wedding, John Light, 32. Her husband Julian Dykes, 26, was badly injured.

Relatives, quoted by Sunday newspapers, said the group from Colchester, 55 miles northeast of London, had gone to the capital to see the musical "Mamma Mia" and dropped by the Admiral Duncan.

## Pope beatifies renowned monk

VATICAN CITY (AP) — In a ceremony that drew one of the Vatican's biggest-ever crowds, Pope John Paul II moved Padre Pio one step closer to sainthood Sunday by beatifying the mystic Italian monk whom even the pontiff has turned to for miracles.

The faithful started arriving in St. Peter's Square at dawn for the late-morning ceremony, and pilgrims elbowed each other for viewing spaces. After the 150,000 seats filled up, as many as 200,000 people stood shoulder-to-shoulder down the boulevard leading from the Vatican to the "Peter's River." Twenty pilgrims were reported hospitalized and more than 200 were treated for dehydration, panic attacks or faintness. More than 100,000 devotees gave up on getting close and flocked to another large Roman square to wait for the pope to cross town by helicopter and give his noon blessing.

Padre Pio died in a monastery in the southern Italian city of San Giovanni Rotondo in 1968, 50 years after his hands, feet and side were marked with wounds like those suffered by Jesus at his crucifixion. During his lifetime, pilgrims came from around the

world to hear him celebrate Mass and see his bloody palms.

In 1947, he heard the confession of a young Polish priest later known to the world as John Paul. And 45 years later, that priest wrote Padre Pio seeking help for a Polish friend given little chance of surviving cancer. The woman recovered. Padre Pio had many skeptics in church hierarchy. Some doubted that he really had the crucifixion-like wounds. Others alleged he had sexual relations with young women.

"It happens at times in the history of holiness that, by God's special permission, the one who is misunderstood," the pope said in his homily.

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# Western Christians apologize for crusades

## Group seeks forgiveness for slaughter, destruction

JERUSALEM (AP) — Nine centuries after Christian Europe sought to redeem the Holy Land, a group of Western Christians is seeking forgiveness for the slaughter and destruction left in the Crusaders' wake.

Bearing printed apologies in Arabic, Hebrew and English, participants in the "Reconciliation March," said Sunday they planned to hand the newly bound plastic folders to Jews, Muslims, and Eastern Christians whose forefathers were killed during the invasion.

About 50 members of the international project from the United States, Europe, Australia, and New Zealand are meeting in Jerusalem and Palestinian cities throughout the region.

"Exactly 900 years ago Christians visited this land with a sword and a spirit of vengeance in a manner contrary to teachings and character of Jesus," said Mike Niebur, the group's Israel coordinator.

Group members, who pay their own expenses, have visited Jewish communities along the Rhine Valley and towns in Lebanon and Turkey in their search for forgiveness.

Crusaders marching through the Rhine Valley slaughtered Jews who refused to convert to Christianity and left a similar wake of

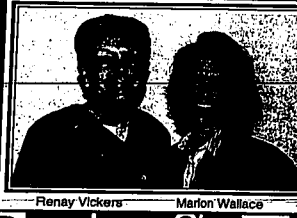
destruction in Eastern Orthodox and Muslim centers along the way.

The Crusaders were urged forward by Roman Catholic leaders longing for the Jews of Jerusalem — and seeking to consolidate recent political gains in Europe.

Organizers at the press conference displayed T-shirts depicting the march of the original crusaders as a jagged red line cutting through the heart of Europe and the Middle East.

The group's trip will culminate on July 15 when up to 1,500 participants travel by foot from a Crusader fortress in northern Israel to Jerusalem to apologize to religious leaders for the 900th anniversary of the fall of the city to the Crusaders.

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Raise money for multiple sclerosis

TWIN FALLS - "One pair of shoes makes a difference," the National Multiple Sclerosis Society says. The Idaho division of the MS society will hold its annual MS Walk at 10 a.m. Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho. The walk follows a five-mile route. Walkers raise money by gathering pledges for each mile walked, the society said. Proceeds will go toward national research and local programs. To register or for more information, call the Idaho Division before May 3 at 1-800-FIGHT MS, and then press one.

Seeking stories about Earl Faulkner

TWIN FALLS - Southern Idaho Business, a Times-News publication, needs your help honoring retired Businessman Earl Faulkner in its June issue. Faulkner, the former owner of The Paris in downtown Twin Falls, is considered a living legend for his skills as a businessman and fundraiser for the Faulkner Planetarium. "We want to hear the stories of people who know or worked with him, and what they learned from him. If you would like to share your story, please call Southern Idaho Business writer Christine Liebenthal at 735-8375 today through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., or call the Earl Faulkner Tribute hotline at 733-0931, Ext. 318, and leave a message. Or you can send e-mail to chris@idm.com anytime. Southern Idaho Business, a monthly business-to-business publication mailed directly to businesses in Twin Falls and Jerome counties, runs stories and tips for small businesses.

Comments welcome for cost adjustment

TWIN FALLS - Written comments will be accepted until Friday regarding Idaho Power Co.'s request with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to implement its annual "power cost adjustment." Idaho Power's request would reduce its customer rates by an average of 8.55 percent, the reduction to residential customers would be 7.05 percent. If approved, the PCA would reduce electricity rates by 0.3741 cents per kilowatt hour. Send comments on the application or the PCA to the commission, Idaho Public Utilities Commission, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0931. Or to Larry Ripley, Idaho Power Co., P.O. Box 70, Boise, ID 83707-0070. The rate decrease results from projected above-average hydroelectric generating capacity. When conditions are poor, Idaho Power must purchase electricity from other, more expensive sources. The PCA adjusts the company's rates charged for electricity based on power bought from other utilities, on the company's coal-fired generation and on Snake River inflow conditions which affect hydroelectric generation, a company spokesman said. The PCA goes into effect May 16.

MS patients can visit the doctor via video

TWIN FALLS - The National Multiple Sclerosis Society will connect MS patients with the latest in MS research via video. The Idaho Division of the society will present a teleconference May 12. Register at the Idaho Falls, Pocatello and Meridian. A videotape of MS experts will discuss symptom management and treatment options. Teleconference participants will have the opportunity to ask questions, a society release said. Registration is required. Call the Idaho Division at 1-800-FIGHT MS, then press one.

Bull discontinues grass pickup on Wednesdays

BUIH - The City of Bull has discontinued grass pickup service on Wednesdays. The city will continue to pick up grass on normal trash pickup days. Contacted from staff reports

Senior population causes concerns

By Theresa Jacoby Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The senior citizen population is growing faster than the availability of funding for senior programs, the Idaho Commission on Aging says. The Governor's Conference on Aging, "A Compass for the Future," will address this problem, said Dick Jungling, community services unit manager for the commission. He said the conference will give care providers and seniors from around the state the opportunity to learn about new services and creative ways to deal with seniors' needs at a time when there is no increase in funding. The conference, May 18-20 at the College of Southern Idaho, will include workshops, exhibits and speakers. The conference will inform participants of Home and Community Based Services. It also will touch on issues such as the proposed Medicaid Waiver for the Disabled and the Elderly, the role of senior centers and adult day care programs, a commission release said. Featured speaker Moya Thompson, director of congressional and public affairs, will talk about the importance of Home and Community Based Services in Idaho and nationally, Jungling said. Through increases in health care and community services, Jungling said, people are living longer.

One of the largest population subgroups is people 85 and older, Jungling said. By 2025, the commission expects one in every five Idahoans will be 65 or older. "We're looking at a doubling of this population," Jungling said. "We need to work now to find out how we're going to serve them when the time comes," he said. Times-News writer Theresa Jacoby can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 259.

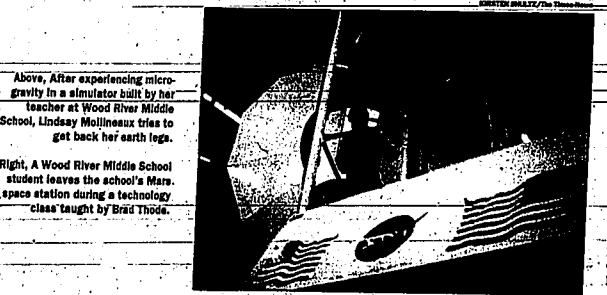
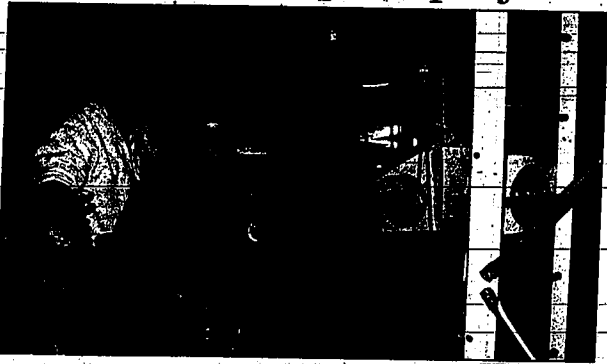
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Students put space projects online with NASA

By Barb Nelwert Times-News correspondent



Above, After experiencing microgravity in a simulator built by her teacher at Wood River Middle School, Lindsay Mollineux tries to get back her earth legs. Right, A Wood River Middle School student leaves the school's Mars space station during a technology class taught by Brad Thode.

HALLEY - Aerospace technology is alive and well in the Wood River Valley. And come September, students and teachers around the globe will be able to learn what area students have been taught as human guinea pigs. Teachers Brad and Terry Thode are about to take their classroom technology experiments online with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. "The topic of microgravity isn't something we were taught as teachers," Brad said, but he fielded that it is something teachers can easily assimilate if they keep an open mind and are willing to learn along with their students. The Thodes have been recognized as two of the nation's professional "shining stars" in their fields of technology education for elementary and middle school students, said Dr. Brigitte Torres, director of the Center to Advance the Teaching of Science, Technology & Science, sponsored through the International Technology Education Association in Reston, Va. The technology labs at both Wood River Middle School and Hemingway Elementary draw students to experiment, explore, ask questions - and have fun. "We've got to make education more fun," said Terry Thode. When approached by Vallesky to develop projects on microgravity suitable for duplication in a flow of classroom settings, the Thodes agreed to accept the challenge.

Funded by a one-year grant, the energetic duo visited NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center and the John Glenn Research Center last fall to see which NASA experiments scientists were using to solve problems associated with microgravity in space. Microgravity can be defined as an environment where some effects of gravity are reduced compared to the gravity at the Earth's surface. Working in a limited-gravity environment poses many challenges for space flight and habitation. By introducing fun, technology experiments to young students, NASA hopes to raise their level of awareness and open up students' and teachers' minds toward microgravity, Terry Thode said. Terry Thode is the technology education teacher at Hemingway Elementary in Ketchum and Brad Thode holds the similar position at WRMS. They have written technology textbooks and conducted summer workshops to train teaching professionals. The Thodes developed several low-cost, easy-to-prepare experiments to give students a hands-on method of learning about microgravity. The Blaine County students were then the project pioneers as the Thodes used them to test the validity of the projects. Brad Thode said one of the experiments - a two-dimensional fluid flow experiment - is "really cool" because everyone can easily relate to it and students can set up the project in just one class period. Composites of fishing lures and soapy water, students videotape the rainbow effects and the flow patterns created when two fishing lures saturated with the

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Rupert shelters prepare for Y2K - just in case

By Dex Dutton Times-News correspondent

RUPERT - DeeAnn Bower hopes the Y2K scare is just that, a lot of hype over nothing. "As director of the Community Oasis Outreach center in Rupert, Bower figures she has to prepare just in case. "Not knowing what is in store of the predicted problems the new year will bring, she worries about even the slightest of the gloomy Y2K predictions could cause problems for those whom Oasis helps. "I would like to be able to wish the whole thing away." "I hope it doesn't turn out to cause us problems, but I feel I have to prepare." The arrival of the year 2000 is expected to disrupt some computer systems, if they set up to cope with dates after 1999. Though utilities, government agencies and private industry are working to prevent that key services could be interrupted. Bower knows all too well what a couple of days without heat or food during a cold winter can do to people and it is that knowledge that compels her to do everything possible to prepare. "Lots of people are living paycheck to paycheck and those are the ones that could be affected

the quickest by Y2K problems. These are the people that may need our help," she said. "We run close to capacity at the shelter now and any increase would mean people may not have a place to stay." Dependent on donations for funding, Bower hopes the center can raise enough money to become better-prepared for Y2K. "We would like to stock the essentials and maybe even put in fireplaces," Bower said. "Pattie Hansen, Red Cross chapter executive in Rupert, said the Red Cross is already prepared for a Y2K disaster. But the public needs more information," she said. "As the Red Cross, we need to be prepared for any disaster. She said the Red Cross is distributing information aimed at helping people prepare. "One group we are targeting is the seniors group. They seem to be more concerned and more affected by the Y2K scare," she said. "We are following up on this by getting information to them."

Kimberly student earns scholarship

By Margaret Jones Times-News correspondent

KIMBERLY - April was a good month for Kimberly High School senior Maria Torres. Torres, daughter of Ruben and Elena Torres, brought home the first place award from the Gem State Diversity Speech Contest held April 25-28 at the annual Hispanic Youth Symposium in Sun Valley. The statewide competition is in its 10th year and is sponsored primarily by the Lockheed-Martin Idaho Technical Co. Torres only had a month to prepare a 4-minute speech on the topic of "It Can Be Done." She and five other finalists had to recite their speeches for the judges and an audience of 600. Torres won a \$1,200 scholarship and a standing ovation. It was quite an accomplishment for a young woman who spoke little English when she moved to Idaho from Mexico two years ago. Her academic accomplishments have also earned her a \$1,000 scholarship to Boise State University and a \$500 scholarship to the College of Southern Idaho. Torres said she plans to enter BSU in the fall to study



Kimberly High School senior Maria Torres, left, and speech teacher Lesley Hollister look over scholarships Torres has been awarded. Torres will head to Boise State University in the fall to study bilingual education. Her father has worked for Raymond Butler, south of Hazelton, for 20 years. He traveled back and forth until two years ago, when his family joined him in Idaho. Times-News correspondent Margaret Jones can be reached at Kimberly at 423-6430.

Senator's web-site earns cyber-victory

By Robb Brown State News Service

WASHINGTON - Sen. Larry Craig has earned some cyber-kudos. The Idaho Republican's Web site was named one of the top five Senate web sites by the Congressional Management Foundation, a Washington-based nonprofit organization.

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HIS WEEK AT CSI

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TODAY
Veterans tests, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 258.
National Science Foundation workshop, 9 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m., Taylor 277.
American Theater Arts performance of "Anne Frank," 12:30 and 2:30 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.
Magic Valley Volleyball monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Shields 116.

TUESDAY
Advanced occupational technical Education Career Development Committee, 7 p.m., Taylor 258.

CSI Parent Education, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Wind Ensemble rehearsal, 3 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.
Parent Project, 6 p.m., Shields 206.
Sawtooth Rugby Football Club, 6 p.m., soccer field.
Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual (GLAB) weekly meeting, 6:30 p.m., Taylor 258.
Magic Valley Chamber Orchestra rehearsal, 7 p.m., Fine Arts 121 and 133.
"How to Build a Planer" showing, 7 p.m., Herrert Center Faulkner Planetarium.

Magic Valley Symphony rehearsal, 7 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

WEDNESDAY
Strategic Planning session, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Taylor 277.
CSI Golden Eagles play at Region 18 tournaments in St. George, Utah.
Harmot Bottling retirement, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Evergreen Atrium.

THURSDAY
Idaho State Tax Commission subcommittee meeting, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 276 and 277.
Harmot Bottling retirement, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Evergreen Atrium.
CSI Golden Eagles play at Region 18 tournaments in St. George, Utah.
Baptist - Ministries-Campus Crusade for Christ, 6 to 10 p.m.,

Taylor Cafeteria.
Sawtooth Rugby Football Club, 6 p.m., soccer field.
White Honoris Registered Nursing graduation, 7 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

FRIDAY
CSI Golden Eagles play at Region 18 tournaments in St. George, Utah.
Sawtooth Club weekly meeting, noon, Shields 103.
CSI Board of Trustees meeting, 5 p.m., Taylor 258.
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CSI graduation ceremony, 8

pm, gymnasium.
SATURDAY
Certified Nursing Assistant testing, 8 a.m. to noon, Aspen 108.
Idaho Personnel exams, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Shields 103.

School Superintendents meeting, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Evergreen A20.
CSI Golden Eagles play at Region 18 tournaments in St. George, Utah.
"How to Build a Planer" showing, 7 p.m., Herrert Center Faulkner Planetarium.
"Rusty Rocker's Last Blast" showing, 4 p.m., Herrert Center

Faulkner Planetarium.
High school equivalency and GED graduation ceremony, 7 p.m., gymnasium.
"Magic Valley Astronomical Society monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Shields 117.
Monthly Star Party, 9:30 p.m. in front of Herrert Center.

SUNDAY
Magic Valley Choral Mothers-Day Eggs Concert, 3 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.
Multiple Sclerosis Society monthly support group meeting, 12:30 p.m., Shields 103.

Boise School District suspends 16 students for threats, weapons

BOISE (AP) — In the first week following the school shootings in Littleton, Colorado, the school district has suspended 16 students for making threats or bringing weapons to campuses. Nearly half the suspensions came from Mountain View Elementary School, where seven students were sent home in multiple incidents of threats of violence. Among the other schools receiving suspensions were Borah High School, Washington Elementary, Riverview Junior High School, Maple Grove Elementary and Cynthia Mann Elementary. Several students were sus-

ended for the remainder of the school year while others were sent home for a few days. There were no expulsions. School principals tried to assure parents their children were safe, but the rash of suspensions raised concerns. "Sadly, we have some children who have become desensitized to violence," said Mountain View Principal Mike Coffey in a letter sent home to parents. Most of the problems at Mountain View involved children making threats to kill other kids. Teachers there spent part of the week talking with students about violent behavior.

"It is always wrong to threaten another person," Caffrey said. "Even the threat to do violence is an act of violence." No parents called Caffrey to express concern about the students or how the school handled their threats, he said. Other principals also notified parents of suspensions. At Rivergreen Junior High, one student was arrested for bringing a 3-inch knife to school. "Please allow me to suggest that we use these events as a wake-up call to the fact that not more than ever, children need our guidance, attention and time," said Rivergreen Principal Stan Holton in a note to parents.

Yosemite traffic limiting bus plan mixed as two counties hop off

Los Angeles Times
A plan to limit traffic in Yosemite National Park by bus-touring into the valley has hit a pothole: Two of the five counties expected to host the transit system have dropped out of the venture. Tuolumne County, recently pulled out of the plan, joining Calaveras, but many officials also complained that the bus system would favor routes to the park through other counties and could cause other environmental problems that it would solve. They also questioned the basic premise of the Yosemite Area Regional Transportation Authority that the national park must be sharply reduced to restore the park's natural aesthetics.

"They're creating a very huge, year-round regional transportation system for a very seasonal problem," said Gary Gilbert, a member of the Modoc County Board of Supervisors, which voted to drop out of the program in February. "The National Park Service and its partners in Merced, Mariposa and Mono counties said they regret the deletion of the two counties, but will move ahead with their plan to bring subsidized bus traffic to Yosemite by the summer of 2000."

But opponents say the bus system has been pushed ahead too fast, without waiting for the more comprehensive plans to take form. They claim that the regional bus system is merely the forerunner of attempts to push all cars out of Yosemite Valley. "If they're going to change private access to public transit access, that is an issue that has impacts, both economically and environmentally," said Mark Partout, a member of the Board of Supervisors member who led Tuolumne County's decision to drop out of the transit system. Thornton also suggests that diesel buses will bring more pollution than cars and that realigning Yosemite Valley's bus stops, crosswalks and parking would solve congestion problems. But a key issue for leaders of Tuolumne and Modoc counties is their belief that the nascent bus system is already tilted in favor of the California 140 route through Merced and Mariposa counties, where most of the buses currently will travel. Supervisor Gilbert of Modoc County says the park service needs to consider alternatives. For instance, he said, his county would benefit if the park would allow tourists to rendezvous with buses at the Badger Pass ski area near Yosemite Valley, where a parking lot can hold 1,000 cars. Those visitors would pass through Modoc County towns, Gilbert said.

SERVICES

Ned Eugene Quigley of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Twin Falls 8th Ward LDS Chapel, 667 Harrison; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Tuesday at the church (Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel).

Augustus "Gus" Herbert Allen of Lucerne Valley, Calif., formerly of Shoshone, burial will be held Tuesday at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Covina, Calif.

Services are pending and will be announced by the Farmer Funeral Chapel.

DEATH NOTICES

John Michael Rowan of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary Chapel; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Gladys Frances Koch
TWIN FALLS — Gladys Frances Koch, 85, of Twin Falls died Sunday, May 2, 1999, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Services are pending and will be announced by the Farmer Funeral Chapel.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
No report.
CASSIA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Admitted: Diane Fuentes, Ann Miller, John Fletcher, Helen Wolf, all of Burley; Dara Gardiner of Malma, and Valentin Palomo of Heyburn.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Some names are omitted at patients' request.
Admitted: Diane Snow of Burley.

Released: Yolanda Rangel, Stephanie Juarez, both of Karley Gillenay and John Reed, both of Rupert.

OBITUARIES

OKAYLEY
101st Airborne Division during World War II as a paratrooper. He arrived in Okla. in 1945 and worked at ending and served his time in post-war detail. He returned to the U.S. in January 1946 and married Mary Mae Atkinson in Albuquerque, N.M., on January 21, 1946. She preceded him in death on January 13, 1997. Their marriage was solemnized in the Bonanza-L.D.S. Temple on February 6, 1949, after nearly fifty-one years of marriage. They returned to Okla. to farm for a time, then went to Glens Ferry to resume their farming career. There they started their family and then moved to Nampa in 1948. From that time until they were four children, he was promoted to locomotive engineer in 1954 and retired after thirty-seven years of service in 1979. They moved to Okayley in 1989 to spend their retirement years in the Okla. sun. He was a member of the Okla. State Police and his wife enjoyed rock, antique, auction and walking in their garden. They enjoyed twenty years of retirement together and they were always together. Survivors include his children, Robert Leonard (Marj) Gray of Layton, Utah; Kay-R (Susan) Gray of Stockton, Utah; Jay R. (Karey) Gray of Green River, Wyo.; Sharlene (DeOrt) Spiers of Gallatin, Idaho; and their grandchildren, Hyrum, Utah; John Francis (Jody) Hunter of Ogden, Utah; Eril (Dorcas) Hunter of Magna, Utah; and Robert (Gary) Huff of Provo, Utah; a brother, Ralph (Mavis) Hunter of Burley; 27 grandchildren (two serving in the U.S. military in Mexico and Argentina); and 25 great grandchildren. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers,

three sisters, two grandchildren and a great grandchild. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Okayley L.D.S. Stake Center with Bishop Nolan Critchfield officiating. Burial will follow in the Okayley Cemetery. Friends may call at the Payne-Mortuary from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday and at the church from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Tuesday.

BUHL
Marjorie L. Laughlin, 79, of Buhl, died Saturday, May 1, 1999. She was born Feb. 26, 1920, in Buhl to Christopher and Lilla Dion. She attended the Buhl schools and the Nazarene Church. She married Vernon Jack Akins in 1936 and they had six children, and later divorced. In 1993 she married Marvin Laughlin and they had a son. She is survived by three sons, Eric Akins of Twin Falls, Robb Akins of Las Vegas, and Melvin Laughlin of Salt Lake City, a daughter, Dorothy Robins of Jerome, one brother Archie Nipper of American Falls; two sisters, Mary Miller of Buhl and Mae Vandorpool of Salt Lake City; 4 grandsons, 5 granddaughters, 9 great grandsons and 4 great granddaughters. She was preceded in death by her husband, 3 sons, parents and two brothers. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Farmington Chapel in Buhl. Burial will follow at the West End Cemetery. Friends may call at the Chapel on Tuesday from 11 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Robert Leonard Hunter
Robert Leonard Hunter, an 80-year-old Okayley resident, died Saturday, May 1, 1999, at the L.D.S. Hospital in Salt Lake City. He was born November 16, 1918, the son of Edward Hunter and Dorcas Jeanette Severe in Okayley. He received his education in Okayley where he graduated from seminary in 1936. He joined the U.S. Army in 1936, where he served for two years. He was trained as a cook and baker and served in Scofield Barracks in Hawaii. He was discharged in 1938 and returned to Okayley where he married Sarah Babbitt that same year. They had four children and were later divorced. As a child, he dreamed of working for the railroad. He was hired by the Union Pacific Railroad in 1942 as a locomotive fireman. He re-enlisted in the Army in 1943 and served in the

them around the park," said Chip Jenkins, chief of strategic planning for the park. The partnership plans to begin with a test phase program that will send less than 20 buses a day into Yosemite. As an incentive to ride the bus, families will be allowed to enter the park less than a third of the \$20 they now pay if they drive in themselves, park service officials said. The National Park Service identified vehicle traffic as the single greatest threat to the ambience and natural resources of Yosemite when it drew up a general management plan for the park 20 years ago. In the past two decades, crowding has increased with the number of visitors jumping from 2.5 million to more than 4 million a year. Parking lots and roads now cover what should be open meadows and wetlands, park planners say. Summer weekends can bring more than 7,000 cars to the narrow, 50-mile-long Yosemite Valley. The park service hopes to publish this summer or fall the first draft of a plan that seeks to reduce much of the valley's home of the famous granite monoliths Half Dome and El Capitan — to a more natural state. Flooding two years ago gave new urgency, and \$190 million in recovery funds, to plans to move and replace campings, campgrounds and parking lots.

ON THE AGENDA

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TODAY
Acajula City Council, 8 p.m., Mayor Larry Wall's home.
Blaine County commissioners, 8 p.m., courthouse.
Buhl School Board, 5 p.m., district office.
Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Dietrich City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Hansen Community Library Board of Trustees, 7 p.m., Hansen Community Library, 120 W. Maple.
Jersey County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Ketchum City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall.
Shoshone City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
TUESDAY
Alfion City Council, 7 p.m., city office.
Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Friedman Memorial Airport board, 5:30 p.m., courthouse.
Hangerman City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., City Council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A.
Kimberly Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., community center.
Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Shoshone City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
San Valley City Council, 1 p.m., council chambers.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls County Historic Preservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Twin Falls Medication and Arbitration Center, 163 Second Ave. W.
WEDNESDAY
Minidoka County Fair Board, 8 p.m., board office at the fairground.
Minidoka County School Board, 7 p.m., school district office in Rupert.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
THURSDAY
Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Fairfield City Council, 7:30 p.m., firehouse.
Murtaugh Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
FRIDAY
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

private clerk's office before attending.

AUCTION CALENDAR

THROUGH MAY 8
TUESDAY, MAY 4 - 11 am
Twin Falls County Historic Preservation Commission
Farm Foreclosure - Twin Falls
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TUESDAY, MAY 4 - 5 pm
Twin Falls County Commissioners Consignments Welcome - Barn
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782-5621
WEDNESDAY, MAY 5 - 8 pm
ANTIQUE AND COLLECTIBLES SALE
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HUNT BROTHERS AUCTIONS
208-734-2548
THURSDAY, MAY 6 - 10 am
Engine Weib & Machine Shop Auction - Igloo Falls
Advertisement: May 2
GREAT WESTERN AUCTION
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FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1999
Four P.m. in the Hamilton
Advertisement: May 5
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www.mastersauction.com
SATURDAY, MAY 8 - 11 am
Wedding Shop Liquidation - 1000 - 1000
Advertisement: May 6
ALL AMERICAN AUCTION
www.auctionusa.com
SATURDAY, MAY 8 - 1999
Barbara Damon - Household - Shop - Auction - 808-327-8782
Advertisement: May 6
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Advertisement: May 6
BACK COUNTY AUCTIONS
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# Gas station chain issues Relay For Life challenge

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News Writer

**BURLEY** — When it comes to raising money to help find a cure for cancer, Jim Lynch says he will outdo anybody.

Lynch, owner of Mr. Gas stores throughout the Magic Valley, has issued a challenge to the more than 40 Mini-Cassia American Cancer Society Relay For Life teams to try to raise more money than his two teams will.

Lynch hopes area businesses will rise to the challenge, but that will be difficult judging by his employees' enthusiasm, he said.

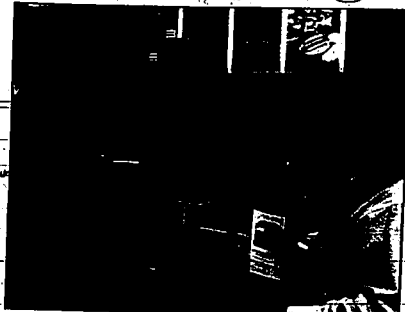
The Relay For Life cancer fundraiser will be held June 11-12 around the Rupert Square.

At a recent Mr. Gas employee meeting, Tracy Haskins, area coordinator for Relay For Life, spoke to managers of the seven Mr. Gas stores. The managers did not hesitate to form the two teams, Haskins said.

"They started arguing about who could raise the most money," Lynch said. "They got behind it 100 percent. This is a chance for us to go whole hog and, as a team, give something back to the community."

Lynch, whose life has been touched by cancer, also wrote a check for \$1,000 to personally sponsor the survivors' lap, Haskins said.

"Cancer is going to affect everybody we know," Lynch said. "My wife's dad died of bone cancer. It was terrible — a long, drawn-out process."



Shawna Stephenson, manager of the Mr. Gas store on Overland Avenue and Eighth Street in Burley, talks to Debra Hope, one of the store's distributors, about the upcoming American Cancer Society Relay For Life. Stephenson is one of many Mr. Gas employees on a Relay For Life team.

Lynch watched his father-in-law, a healthy, 220-pound man, dwindle down to 78 pounds before he died.

"My father-in-law was very special to me," Lynch said.

Some of Lynch's employees and their families also have suffered from cancer, he said, but people can survive if cancer is caught early enough.

"People hear the word cancer and fear the worst, but now they can say they will make it," he said. "Let's get out there and celebrate life and honor the ones who have beat it."

The one way Lynch will let people beat him is by letting them dunk him into a tank of water during the event. This is for the people who think his gas prices are too high, he said. Money raised by the dunk tank also will be donated to the cancer society.

Times-News staff writer Lorraine Cavener can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.

## VALLEY IN BRIEF

### Dedication ceremony set for memorial field

**TWIN FALLS** — A dedication ceremony to celebrate the new Eric Lancaster Memorial Soccer Field will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School.

Lancaster died suddenly of an apparent heart failure following soccer practice at O'Leary just before the start of the school year. Thursday would have been his 13th birthday.

### Dilettantes to hold meeting, election

**TWIN FALLS** — The Dilettantes annual meeting and election of officers will be held at 7:30 p.m. today at the Health and Welfare Building, 601 Pole Line Road. Please enter through the east front door; the meeting will be in the first community room.

For more information, call Sandy Hacking at 734-5511.

### Air Force airshow postponed

**MOUNTAIN HOME** — The Mountain Home Air Force Base has indefinitely postponed its Community Appreciation Day open house and airshow planned for Mother's Day, May 9.

The event has been postponed because of operational commitments and other factors, 366th Wing Commander Col. Robin Scott said.

"Unfortunately, ongoing military operations around the world and other factors beyond our control are making that extremely difficult at this time," Scott said. Another airshow is being planned at a later date.

### Law officers to serve food at fund-raiser

**TWIN FALLS** — Local law enforcement officers will put down their badges and pick up aprons Tuesday to raise money for the Special Olympics.

The officers will help serve breakfast, lunch and dinner during the annual Tip a Cop fundraiser at Perkins Family Restaurant, 1564 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

All the tips they earn and half of the day's sales will be donated to Special Olympics Idaho, which provides year-round training and competition for more than 3,600 people with mental retardation.

Members of the Twin Falls and Jerome police departments, Twin Falls County and Jerome County sheriff's offices and the Idaho State Police will participate. A silent auction of sports memorabilia and other items, including a golf package from the Billmore Resort, will take place throughout the day.

### Commissioners to tour landfill

**BURLEY** — Cassia County Commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. today in the basement of the Cassia County courthouse.

The agenda includes a discussion on when to hold a public auction to dispose of surplus county property. Commissioners will also recommend people to serve on the Resource Advisory Council for the Bureau of Land Management. Commissioners will tour the county landfill at 1:30 p.m. today.

### City Council to discuss boat dock ordinance

**BURLEY** — The City Council will discuss a boat dock ordinance at 7 p.m. today inside the Burley City Hall meeting room.

Several new boat docks and jet ski docks were purchased by the city this past winter. The council will also discuss pool rate adjustments and a contract for Project Mutual Television to provide cable in the city.

Compiled from staff reports

## Families wonder if police shootings were necessary

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — Six people have been shot dead by Utah police so far this year, already up two from all of last year. Four others have been injured in officer-involved shootings. Now some family members of the victims are wondering why.

"These shootings are becoming an epidemic," said Mary Ann Martinez, whose cousin, Joaquin Martinez, was shot near the Salt Lake County offices when he waved a gun at officers after a truck he was in was stopped. She points to

two other shootings as an indication that officers may be trigger-happy. On March 18, two officers wounded Christopher J. Winderlin as he hid under a porch, held officers at bay for 30 minutes, then reached for an empty holster.

## NASA

Continued from B2  
soapy water are pulled apart. Another project developed by the Thodes involves a homemade microgravity simulator made from an old treadmill turned vertically with bungee cords added to keep students from falling off.

Brad Thode said as students walk on the vertical treadmill to get the same feeling as walking in space. Helium balloons simulate free-floating satellites that are neutrally buoyant. A 22-foot microgravity drop tower allows students to design experiments to

see the effects of two or three seconds of microgravity. All projects are designed to give students hands-on applications and involve project teams, which teaches students teamwork, role playing, and the steps involved in gaining "authorization" for their proposals, Brad Thode said.

Brad and Terry have written a 40-page booklet for each grade level to instruct teachers about the basics of microgravity and its application in the classroom. NASA's Web site will feature the microgravity projects to

download as well. "It does fill a void that has been out there in the teacher education area," said Melissa Rogers, a microgravity education scientist at NASA's John Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, Ohio. Overall, the educational

project will get students thinking about their futures in space and the scientific principles that will get them there, Brad Thode said. Times-News correspondent Barb Neisser can be reached in Burley at 788-9530.

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# Treasure Valley high-tech employment down

BOISE (AP) — Employment in electronics manufacturing, long one of the engines powering the Treasure Valley economy, has declined during the past year.

Fifteen percent fewer Idaho and Canyon county residents worked at companies such as Micron Technology Inc., Micron Electronics Inc. and Zilog Inc. at the end of March than did one year ago.

Employment levels have fallen from 9,000 in the region in March 1998 to the present level of 7,600, state labor analyst Bob Falter said. Those figures do not include contract workers or those employed by temporary or

staffing services, however. "It's indicative of the struggles we've seen since the middle part of last year with the world economy and the result that's had on export of our goods from Idaho," Falter said.

"It goes back to the layoffs we saw last year. Those companies are being very cautious about increasing their staff at this point."

But according to a survey by The Idaho Statesman, the high-tech declines are not yet affecting the overall economy of the area. Total employment, for example, continues to rise.

employment is posting faster percentage growth than increases in the civilian labor force," Falter said. "That's a healthy sign."

And electronics manufacturers say they are slowly heading back up after a year in which layoffs were announced at SCP Global Technologies, Micron Communications and Hewlett-Packard Co. in Boise and at MCMC and Micron-Electronics in Nampa.

"We're starting to see a recovery in our industry after two down years," SCP Global Technologies spokesman George Janssen said. "We're actually starting to add some people."

# Fast growing Mesquite brings retirees, gamblers to desert

MESQUITE, Nev. (AP) — Newly retired and feeling restless, Richard Campbell left his Connecticut home in late 1997, climbed into his car and headed West.

"I wanted warm weather, and I wanted to be around casinos," he said. Campbell was on his way to Las Vegas when he came upon this little boomtown on the Arizona border.

He pulled off the interstate and rented an apartment.

Sixteen months later, he is still here. "The pace is nice and slow. It's a small-town atmosphere, but it still has the excitement of gambling," said the 52-year-old, eyeing a televised horse race from the sports book at the Casablanca.

"And here you have all the seasons. You're close enough to Utah that you have snow."

At the rate it is growing, Mesquite may not have a small-town atmosphere for long. This former farming-and-mining hamlet on the banks of the Virgin River is Nevada's fastest-growing city. Nine years ago its population was less than 2,000; today, Mesquite has 13,500 residents and 200 more arrive every month.

What is sparking this modern-day Gold Rush? Golf, gambling and good weather.

Mesquite boasts 310 days of annual sunshine, with average high temperatures rarely dipping below 60. Its five casinos lure low rollers with nickel slots and \$2 blackjack tables — endangered species at the increasingly ritzy hotels on the Las Vegas Strip. Two of its hotels feature full-service spas offering facials, mud baths and massages. And with three 18-hole and two 9-hole courses — one of them designed by Arnold Palmer — Mesquite has become a miniature golf mecca.

These attractions also draw cold-weather vacationers from Idaho, Montana, Washington, Wyoming, Colorado and especially Utah — whose border is just 30 miles to the northeast. Five hours' drive south of Salt Lake City, Mesquite is consistently 15 to 20 degrees warmer than the Watch Front. Its proximity, manageable size and cheap rooms make it a winter alternative to Las Vegas for many Utahns weary of scraping ice from their windshields.

"It's a good stopping point," said Troy Cule of Sandy, visiting Mesquite with his wife and their five children on their way home from a Disneyland vacation. The family broke up the 10-hour drive by staying over in Mesquite each way.

"We'd much rather stay here than Vegas," he said. "It's quieter. It's right off the freeway. You don't have the crowds or the traffic."

A recent survey shows 88 percent of Mesquite's visitors gam-

ble while they are here. How convenient, then, that Utah is one of only two states in the nation with no legalized gambling. After Wendover, Mesquite offers most Utahns — even low rollers like Lois Brown — their nearest casino fix.

"We just play the nickels," said Brown, wandering through the slot machines at the Oasis casino with a large cupful of coins. She and her husband live in Provo but spend their winters at an RV park in St. George. The Browns used to go to Las Vegas to play the slots, but not anymore. "It's much closer here," she said.

Although Mesquite was founded more than a century ago, it remained a slumbering desert town until the early 1980s, when video poker king Sid Redd built his Peppercorn resort there. Early settlers grew cotton, wheat and alfalfa along the meandering Virgin River — the same water source that carved the towering cliffs of Zion National Park. Redd looked at little Mesquite and saw its potential not in water but in a ribbon of asphalt called Interstate 15.

Mesquite lies almost equidistant from Salt Lake City and Los Angeles, and halfway between Las Vegas and Zion. Unlike in traffic-choked Vegas — America's fastest-growing large city — motorists can pull off the highway here and within 10 minutes dip their toes in their hotel pool.

going on for over a month, the House passage would have given a symbolic stamp of approval to the air war. Supporters said the measure would show that the House stands behind American troops involved in the conflict in Yugoslavia. They also said to vote against it would send a mixed message to both Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic and the troops. Opponents said they could not support the air war because President Clinton has not shown a clear objective and he has not properly considered Congress regarding the NATO mission. A "yes" vote favors the resolution.

**VOTE: 123-4**  
CHENOWETH (R-ID) Y Y N N  
SIMPSON (R-ID) Y Y N N  
The attendance record tracks the cumulative attendance of members to date when they are physically present for roll call votes.

**SENATE ATTENDANCE Present and Voting**  
CRAIG (R-ID) 100.0  
CRAPO (R-ID) 100.0

**HOUSE ATTENDANCE Present and Voting**  
CHENOWETH (R-ID) 96.12  
SIMPSON (R-ID) 100.0  
THERE ARE NO NEW SENATE MEMBERS.  
THERE ARE NO NEW HOUSE MEMBERS.

# HOW THEY VOTED

States News Service

WASHINGTON — The following chart shows how senators and representatives voted on key bills and amendments within the last week. A "Y" means the member voted for the measure; an "N" means the member voted against the measure; and a "P" means the member did not vote; and a "P" means the member voted "present."

**THERE ARE NO SENATE VOTES THIS WEEK.**

**HOUSE VOTES:**

1) **BILL NUMBER: GROUND**  
The House on Wednesday approved 245-18 a measure requiring congressional authorization before President Clinton can send ground troops into the Balkans. Supporters said Clinton needs to consult Congress before risking the lives of American men and women by sending them into a ground war in Serbia. Opponents said the measure would strip Clinton's authority as commander-in-chief. A "yes" vote favors the measure.

2) **BILL NUMBER: WITHDRAW**  
The House on Wednesday rejected, 139-290, a measure calling on President Clinton to remove American troops from the Balkans. Supporters said the NATO air strikes are not preventing Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic from forcing ethnic Albanians out of their native Kosovo and that Clinton should just bring the troops home. Opponents said withdrawing troops would only strengthen Milosevic's resolve. A "yes" vote favors the measure.

3) **BILL NUMBER: WAR**  
The House on Wednesday rejected, 242-7, a measure declaring war on Yugoslavia. Supporters said that if the troops are going to stay in the Balkans, then the United States needs to commit to war. Opponents said a declaration of war would only exacerbate the atrocities against ethnic Albanians in Kosovo. A "yes" vote favors the measure.

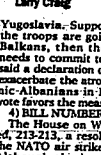
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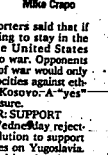
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Section C

## Watch where you stick that light saber, pal

It's coming! Futur you ear to the page and listen...

**BOM-bom!** Bom bom bom BOM-bom! Bom bom bom BOM-bom! Bom bom bom...

That's right: It's the theme from "Star Wars," the music that gave the world a whole new lexicon, including such phrases as "the Force," "Death Star," "light saber," "Jedi" and "licensed merchandise."

"Star Wars" has become an important and cherished part of our shared cultural heritage, like Starbuck's and Pez. And soon another chapter will be added to the "Star Wars" legend with the release of the long-awaited new installment in the series, entitled "Episode I: The Empire Gets a Building Permit." On the day this movie is released, millions of Americans will flock to movie theaters to share in the excitement and wonder of being told that the theater is sold out for October because all the tickets have been snatched up by crazed drooling geeks wearing officially licensed Han Solo underwear.

What explains the powerful appeal of the "Star Wars" series? Speaking as one who saw "return of the Jedi" on video at least 34,000 times when my son was 4 and refused to watch anything else but also refused to be left alone with Jabba the Hutt, I would say that the key element is the theme of Good vs. Evil. Good is of course represented by Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill), who has the Force, a mystical, universal power that causes him to be attracted to that and, more importantly, to Yoda (Raymond Burr) who trains Luke to harness the awesome power of the Force so that he can speak lines of really bad dialogue with laughing.

Along the way Luke meets many memorable characters, including Han Solo (Indiana Jones), Chewbacca (Sonny Bono), C-3PO and two quirky, lovable robots, C3PO (Tony Danza) and R2-D2 (77-29). After many hilarious adventures, Luke finally goes to the Death Star (Marlon Brando) where he confronts the evil of his father, Darth Vader (twice by Perry Como) and, in a heartwarming scene of reconciliation, beats him up. The dramatic climax comes when Luke removes the helmet from the dying Vader, and he looks into the eyes of the person behind the harsh, forbidding mask (Martha Stewart).

As humans we relate to this timeless story because we all go through the same kind of moral struggle in our own lives. We have a Force within us, and sometimes we are it for Good, as when we decide to have a salad instead of a cookie, tell nasty names, but sometimes we turn toward the Dark Side, as when we load up our salad with a fatty ranch dressing.

Timeless themes explain why we are all so excited that director George Lucas (he) has decided, despite the very real risk that he will make millions of dollars, to come out with a new episode of "Star Wars." Until recently, specific information about the new episode was "Top Secret" — nobody knew the plot except Lucas, the actors, and of course the government of China. Fortunate for the masses, it was obtained from high-level sources who asked not to be identified (Al and Tipper Gore), specific details on the plot. If you don't want me to spoil the shocking surprise ending, (Liam Neeson gets killed), stop reading right now, because here is...

**THE PLOT:** There is a big trouble brewing in the universe (California). The evil and greedy Trade Federation (Microsoft) has decided to invade the tiny planet of Naboo (Naboo), which is inhabited by a race of cute little blue beings (House Judiciary Committee). Two Jedi knights (Obi-Wan Kenobi and Qui-Gon Jinn (Siegfried and Roy) go to Naboo, where, after overcoming numerous space chumps, they are joined by the Naboo queen and Dennis Rodman, who escape in a space ship, but when the "D-cell" batteries in their light sabers run low, they are forced to land on the evil, Hut-controlled planet of Tatooine (New Jersey).

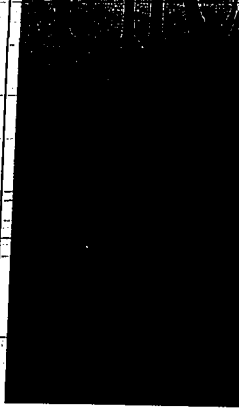
Three-year-old Anakin Skywalker (Danny DeVito), and they realize that he has the Force when he is able, without physical touching, it, to raise and lower the sun. He escapes, along with the ancient Jedi council (the Rolling Stones), Anakin and the others return to Naboo for a climactic finale in which George (77-29) has to blow up the evil wizard Darth Maul (Marv Albert) to get to the queen who will ultimately control the destinies for Star Wars collectibles (Pepsi). As the movie ends, we see the young Anakin preparing to face an uncertain future consisting of at least 14 more sequels, and we hear the stirring sound of...

**BOM-bom!** Bom bom bom BOM-bom! Bom bom bom BOM-bom! Bom bom bom...

...and we feel the Force welling up from deep inside ourselves. And so we burp.

Dave Barry is a humor columnist for the Miami Herald. Write to him at The Miami Herald, One Herald Plaza, Miami, Fla. 33132.

## Fire



## Don't worry. Your ulcer is curable

By Joan Bean Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** — For most people diagnosed with stomach ulcers, it's no longer necessary to put up with recurrent episodes of pain. In more than 90 percent of cases, a cause can be found, and then eliminated.

Dr. Robert Ward, a Twin Falls gastroenterologist, said ulcers had for many years been treated quite well with medicine. Trouble was, they often came back. Today it's known that there are two main causes of ulcers: non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) and a bacterium called helicobacter pylori, or "h. pylori."

"And so, besides treating the ulcer, now you also want to try to treat the underlying cause," he said. "And the way you treat the underlying cause is if you're on NSAIDs you stop them, and if they have h. pylori you treat them with antibiotics in addition to the NSAIDs."

Carol Nasser of Castleford told NSAIDs were the cause of her ulcers. She had been taking ibuprofen to ease aches and pains in order to sleep better at night.

"Nasser noticed most of her stomach pain after eating."

"Maybe an hour to an hour and a half after I'd eat I'd get really kind of sick

## Getting to the guts of ulcers

By Joan Bean Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** — An ulcer is an erosion on the surface of an organ or tissue. In your stomach, it looks a lot like a sore or might in your mouth.

Robert Ward, a Twin Falls gastroenterologist, said these ulcers are caused by NSAIDs and h. pylori.

Ward said NSAIDs are a common cause of ulcers. They are used to relieve pain and reduce inflammation, but they can irritate the stomach lining.

Ward said h. pylori is a bacterium that lives in the stomach. It can cause ulcers by damaging the stomach lining.

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sometimes relieved after you eat. There might be bleeding that could cause the vomiting of blood. Digested blood causes black bowel movements.

Using an endoscope, Ward said it's not always clear whether a doctor is looking at an ulcer or a malignant tumor. The patient is re-examined with the scope in a couple of months to see if healing has taken place.

Obviously if something looks like it may be cancer, we do a lot of biopsies at the time of the initial scope to see if there's any evidence of cancer," he said.

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Tom's got. Ulcers who don't see a doctor about an ulcer do themselves a disservice, Ward said. They might treat themselves with Peppid when the real cause is the Motrin they're taking, and they'll continue to have problems.

If the cause is h. pylori, bacterium they could have been tested and treated and been symptom-free after a couple of months.

Ulcers left untreated — or improperly treated — for a long time are more likely to develop complications, including bleeding or perforation. There's also risk of a malignant tumor.

"And if someone doesn't get absolutely better in several weeks of antiacid therapy and treatment for h. pylori, we should take a look with an endoscopy to make sure," he said.

The symptoms behind ulcers are usually pain, but they can be silent. Some people have no symptoms at all.

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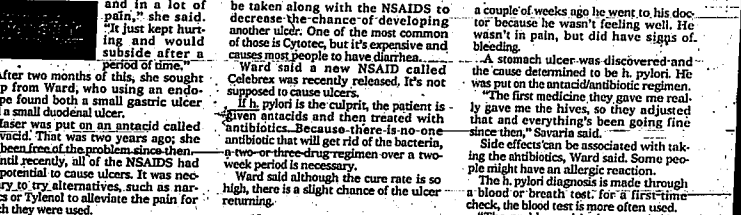
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After surgery to treat an ulcer the size of an orange, Edward Savaria was told he must avoid all dairy products and follow a specific diet.



Edward Savaria, 85, of Twin Falls, said.

## HEALTH NOTES

### A brain-cell storm

A brain-cell refill? Yes, say scientists, who report in the journal Nature that they've been able to grow brain cells in the lab and use them to treat mice for symptoms of Parkinson's disease. They used stem cells — a kind of cell that still has the potential to become any kind of cell at all in the body — as opposed to cells that are destined to become specific cells such as liver or skin cells. It is the first time that scientists have been able to grow a specific kind of brain cell and have them live and function when transplanted into a living brain.

### Light-hearted

Drugs that lower your cholesterol may also prevent heart disease by relaxing the blood vessels. Dilated blood vessels help increase blood flow, which may help keep cholesterol from blocking arteries, researchers report in a study in the American Heart Association journal Circulation.

### B good to your heart

There's a report that people with the highest level of vitamin B-6 found in wheat germ, soybeans, peanut butter, bananas, among other foods — have the lowest risk of heart disease. In February, American Medical Association reported that women who had high intakes of B-6 and another B vitamin, folic acid, had a 35 percent lower risk of heart disease.

### Herbs for Alzheimer's?

Many of you also have faith in herbs, and new research shows that cat's claw, a plant extract sold to boost the immune system and reduce inflammation, may work against Alzheimer's disease. Experiments in rats showed the herbal supplement, which comes from a plant found in the Amazon, prevented some of the damage associated with Alzheimer's, researchers told the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology.

### Boning up on soybeans

And soybeans may be able to help stop calcium loss and prevent the bone-thinning disease osteoporosis, Japan's researchers report. They said people at risk of calcium loss who ate a vitamin-rich soybean product had thicker bones and less calcium loss than similar people who did not eat the food. Natto, a fermented soybean product, has high levels of vitamin-K, which researchers suspected might be important for bone formation.

### Reservations about condoms

We'll let this one speak for itself. All you need to know is it's a new product announcement: "Love the sex, but hate the condoms? Ecstasy with a condom is finally within your reach with the new Upside Plus. Ecstasy Plus looks like the upside down. That's not gonna spike you to heaven."

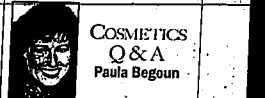
## Neutral colors work for many women on the go

**DEAR PAULA:** I was wondering if it is possible to find one lipstick, blush, and eyeshadow color that can go with everything. I am just not the patient in the bathroom and the thought of always making sure my makeup matches everything, as well as having a whole drawer full of different colors, is too exhausting. I travel a lot and am on the run. Aren't there good, neutral colors out there that blend with everything?

**—LINDA**  
**DEAR LINDA:** That's what I do: a monochromatic, tan/brown look. I wear Coty Copper Penny lipstick or Aveda Spice, M Professional Sienna blush or Revlon Toast of New York blush, and I use both of these often as eyeshadow too. That is a great, easy way to go with the least amount of trouble, cost, and time.

**DEAR PAULA:** I'm confused when you recommend powder-type foundations (like L'Oreal's Dualite, which has since been discontinued) for "normally dry" or "normal to slightly oily" skin types. I just don't get it! Wouldn't a dry powder foundation adhere best to oily skin? Can you explain?

**—CAROLE**  
**DEAR CAROLE:** The issue with powder applied over oily skin is



**COSMETICS Q&A**  
Paula Begoun

that the powder can "bend" up or "roll" from the movement of the oil over the face, which can make skin look cakey, uneven, or streaked. In other words, the powder starts to slip, gather, or pill. Liquid matte foundations might look more "grainy" but when they move they don't lead up.

"Either way, the best option by far for oily skin is the new 'stay put' foundations. This technology prevents movement of any kind and eliminates the resulting cakey look or slip of the foundation.

I know this goes without saying, but always check your makeup in daylight to make sure any foundation I recommend, or that you choose to wear, looks great in the brightest light possible.

Paula Begoun is the author of "Don't Be a Cosmetics Counter Without Me" (4th edition) (Beginning Press, \$19.95).

Compiled from wire reports

HEALTH & FASHION

# Get in the swim with a versatile tankini



Indianapolis Star and News

**INDIANAPOLIS** — Swimwear may be the one area of dress that defies trends. When a woman finds a suit that slims her hips or lifts her chest, she really doesn't care if it's cutting-edge.

"Ladies come in here all the time and say, 'I don't care if it's in fashion, I want something that makes me look good,'" says Debbie Roberts, co-owner of the Beach Baby swimwear boutiques.

So it's just an added bonus when what's fashionable also happens to be flattering. Take this year's No. 1 suit style, the tankini — a tank top worn with a bikini bottom. Part of its broad appeal is the fact that it can be worn by so many women of so many different body types.

"If you want to roll the tank up on the bottom and tan a little, you can," says Roberts, noting that the tank can also be pulled down practically to the waistline of the bottom piece. "You can also pull a pair of shorts on and go shopping, and it looks like you're wearing a tank top."

Boy-cut shorts, similar to hot pants, are still going strong, maybe because of the added coverage they offer in the upper-thigh area. But, ironically, they aren't really the wide-leg, hipster notes. Tom Williams, manager of the swimwear shop Everything But Water — "Your hips are just out there," she observes.

As far as color goes, practically everything is popular, from slimming shades of pink.

"In the last couple of years, pink was the kiss of death," says Roberts. "But this year there's been a big comeback with it."

Soft, liquid-like fabrics are extremely hot right now, agree many swimwear retailers. The swimwear label Mossimo did several mid-and-match bikini styles in that glossy kind of material, to unbelieveable success. "We ordered three boxes with 125 suits each from Mossimo. Just in March alone," says Williams.

A few other trends in the swim this year:

- **Fitter necklines**
- **Colorblocking**
- **Athletic details**, like front zippers and broad straps.
- **Hawaiian prints**, both for suits and oversized shirts to cover up in.

And one big trend that could make shopping for your suit a whole lot smoother — more retailers are offering two-piece suits separately, allowing you to choose one size and color for the top, another for the bottom.

Some, including Beach Baby and catalogue companies like J. Crew and Victoria's Secret, do it across the board. Others, such as Everything But Water, Target, K Mart and some department stores, offer a broad selection of two-piece suits this way.

## How to find a flattering style for your body type

Indianapolis Star and News

Swim season is looming. Time to take the plunge and search for a new suit. To make the hunt a little easier — maybe even fun — here are five common body types, plus the swimsuit styles that best flatter each:

### Hourglass

Balanced shoulders and hips, with a defined waist

- A two-piece suit will highlight your waistline.
- All-over prints keep the eye moving.

### Triangle

Narrower shoulders or bust,

### Wider hips

- An empire waist makes a small-bust look fuller.
- A suit with wider straps broadens your shoulders, helping hips look narrower.
- Since the eye is attracted to light shades, wear a paler top with horizontal stripes, maybe — with a darker, solid bottom.

### Inverted triangle

Wider shoulders or bust, narrower hips

- High-neck suits, underwire tops and other suits with plenty of coverage and support are best.
- A wide, square neck narrows wide shoulders
- Keep things balanced with a

fuller-cut bottom, maybe a pair of hip shorts:

### Rectangle

Straight line from shoulders to hip — no waist

- Look for special detailing that defines the waist, like piping or side cut-outs.
- A surplice-wrap suit or one with diagonal stripes accentuate the waistline.

### Circle

Balanced shoulders and hip, wider waist

- Look for suits with slimming fabric in the torso to smooth the midriff.
- Fabric that's shirred — gen-

ly gathered — or otherwise textured tends to be flattering.

- **Free-forming necklines**, like sweetheart or halter shapes, draw attention up past the tummy, to the face.

## Ulcer

Continued from C1

once it's positive it's going to remain positive," Ward said. "Even if you successfully treat it — because you're testing the antibody, not actually for the bacteria — and so it's good once."

The breath test is fairly simple: The patient swallows some tablets, and if there is *H. pylori*, something is given off in the breath that can be measured.

Using this it can be determined whether the patient has been successfully treated.

Another method is to take a biopsy from the stomach during an endoscopic exam. This can be examined under a microscope or a chemical test done.

For the roughly 10 percent of people who might experience another ulcer attack after treatment, Ward said it's worth treating them with another two weeks of antibiotics along with antacids, rather than surgery.

In the past, he said ulcer

surgery was one of the most common procedures that surgeons did. It rarely happened anymore because medications are so good. "Maybe one person a year do I send for ulcer surgery, whereas 30 years ago that would have been one person a week," he said. "It's usually for complications of ulcers."

If the patient has what is called a perforation — the ulcer has eroded all the way through the lining of the stomach — Ward said that is almost an automatic surgery.

"Most other complications we can control with endoscopy with people who come in bleeding," he said. "Rather than surgery we can do a scope and stop the bleeding before they develop a stricture."

A stricture sometimes happens when an ulcer starts to heal. Scar tissue narrows off the opening of the intestines so the stomach can't empty. Something, this can be stretched open with a scope.

Ulcers are no longer thought to be caused by a hectic lifestyle.

"That's unfounded now, and it surprises everybody that ulcers are not caused by stress," Ward said. "We do know certain kinds of stress, like severe burns from bad burns or being in ICU for three weeks as a patient, can make you have ulcers. But everyday stress, it's not been shown."

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**TWIN FALLS** - The Arthritis Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Education Center at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. For more information, call 737-2050.

**JEROME** - Childbirth and parenting classes will be offered from 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning this Tuesday through June 1, in the conference room at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. The second class in the series will be held on Tuesday, June 1, for mothers who previously have taken the classes. The cost is \$30 for the five classes. \$65 per class being payment to the first class. To register, call St. Benedict's at 324-4301.

**TWIN FALLS** - A caregiver childbirth class will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Education Center at MVRMC. Preregistration is not required.

**TWIN FALLS** - An infant car seat safety resuscitation class will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday in the Education Center at MVRMC. Preregistration is not required.

**BOISE** - The Idaho Infant Toddler Interagency Coordinating Council will hold its regular meeting from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday in the Cottonwoods Room at Cavanaugh's Park Center in Boise. The council provides leadership for implementing the Idaho Infant Toddler Program which offers early intervention services for children with development dis-

abilities, from birth to age 3, and their families. **TWIN FALLS** - Magic Valley SAFE KIDS Week Open House will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday at the Magic Valley SAFE KIDS office, Halseid Street, Suite No. 5. The event will feature ambulance and Lifelight tours, fire trucks, the Mobile Safety Training Unit, bike helmet and child safety seat inspections, NES Team puppets, raffles, fingerprinting, First Aid, safety information, games and food. For more information, call 737-2430.

**TWIN FALLS** - The Seventh Annual Champions of SAFE KIDS Celebration will be held at 6:30 p.m. Friday following the open house at the Magic Valley SAFE KIDS office. Outstanding volunteers, individuals and organizations will be recognized for their work in preventing unintentional injuries to children of the Magic Valley. For more information, call 737-2430.

**TWIN FALLS** - A CPR class will be offered from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday in the doctors' meeting room at MVRMC. Fee is \$11. To register, call 737-2007.

**TWIN FALLS** - The Third Annual Heart Smart Run and Walk will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the MVRMC north rear parking lot. Race day registration begins at 9 a.m. and the entry fee is \$18. For more information, call Sharon Parks at 737-2481.

**TWIN FALLS** - BridgeView Estates Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. May 11 in the Day Room of the Assisted Living facility, 1828 Bridgeview Drive. For more information, call Jane Rice at 736-3933.

**TWIN FALLS** - A prepared childbirth course will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning May 11 through June 8, in the Education Center at MVRMC. Preregistration is required, call 737-2900.

**TWIN FALLS** - A pediatric and adult CPR course, including bleeding and shock, will be offered by Magic Valley Lifeline from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 15 at the YMCA. Classes are generally held the second Saturday of each month and meet the state requirements for ICCP and day care licensing. To register, call 733-4384 or stop

by the YMCA. For more information, call 735-8930.

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**With a heavy heart**

Another study reports that these women are six times more likely than thin women to have a silent, smoldering inflammation inside their arteries that may increase their already high risk of developing heart disease. If findings of the study, funded by the National Institute on Aging, are verified, they suggest scientists should study whether the aspirin some heart patients take might

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# Teens seek advice from on-air doctor

By Shari Roan  
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The caller is 18-year-old Jasmine, who is having sex with a former boyfriend who is now "just a friend."  
"I'm just sort of confused about it," she says. "I don't know what to do."

It is nearly midnight, but the phone lines are still buzzing on "LoveLine," a nationally syndicated radio show that offers advice on love, relationships and sex — mostly sex.

As Jasmine speaks, "LoveLine" co-host Dr. Drew Pinsky listens with the intent look people have when trying to hear what's not being said.

"He is not involved with you," Pinsky, known to his fans as Dr. Drew, tells Jasmine.

"That's what I'm getting nervous about," she says.

"Jasmine, he is not involved. He's just having sex."

"But..."

"He's not involved," Pinsky insists. "How does that make you feel?"

"I'm just confused. And that is the price you pay. You are subsidizing yourself."

Within minutes after the show ends, Pinsky is out the door and on his way home to nearby Pasadena, where the University of Southern California-trained internist has a private medical practice and is director of the chemical dependency unit at Las Encinas Hospital, a substance abuse and mental health treatment facility.

If that weren't enough to keep him busy, Pinsky also co-hosts a version of "LoveLine" on MTV. The highly popular MTV program also features comedian Adam Carolla — a caustic and witty co-host who relishes the outrageous — along with new-comer Diane Farr, an actress and model.

There's a constant sense of urgency about Pinsky, even at age 41, he may be the only medical doctor in America that teenagers want to talk — and listen — to. And listen they do. His late-night radio show (Sunday



Los Angeles Times photo by Gary Fithian

Dr. Drew Pinsky hosts "LoveLine," a nationally syndicated radio show that offers advice on love, relationships and sex — OK, mostly sex.

Thursday), based at Los Angeles station KRQQ-FM, attracts about 2 million listeners nationally. And MTV's "LoveLine" is the top-rated cable program in its late-night time slot, Monday-Friday.

As the voice of medical reason amid a cacophony of bizarre and racy questions and raunchy jokes, Pinsky does not have an easy task. But his reach and influence continue to grow. He has a new book co-written with Carolla, a magazine column, is developing a Web site and has visions of his own daytime TV talk show.

All this makes Dr. Drew somewhat of a parent, if they haven't already heard of him, should know about.

"I doubt there is anyone in the country more in position to reach out and connect with young people," says Drew Aliman, director of the Kaiser Family Foundation, a nonprofit health organization. Parents who tune in to the

radio version of "LoveLine" or watch the MTV show may be a little shocked at the idea that this is the source of information for America's youth on the delicate topic of sex. With Carolla at the helm, "LoveLine" is a raucous event that, at its worst, borders on degrading, and, at its best, provides vital information on sexual health.

"LoveLine's" heavy dose of titillation draws in young people who, Pinsky hopes, will seek up some useful information in the process.

"You put me in a box in a white coat, do you think anybody under 20 is going to hear a word I say?" notes Pinsky.

Earning the right to rule over the typically unruly didn't come easy for Pinsky. It comes after 15 years of practicing medicine and a seven-year stint in which he did the "LoveLine" show on radio for no pay. He is now paid for both the radio and TV programs.

Pinsky seems both thrilled with his media stardom and concerned about looking too happy in front of his conservative brethren in medicine.

"The work is taxing a life of its own, and it's delightful, and I'm so grateful. It's a great adventure," says Pinsky, who is married and has five-year-old triplets.

With his graying hair, scholarly wire-rimmed glasses, business attire and rather stiff mannerisms, Pinsky is not quite the mold of Dr. Welby, than, say, Dr. Ruth. He sometimes looks visibly uncomfortable with the subject matter.

"Drew likes to be modest, but Drew does this better than anybody else does it," says Carolla, who has been the "LoveLine" co-host since 1996. "And not only is he better than these people (other radio talk show hosts who are doctors) but he's the genuine article. He's a doctor. He practices. He's completely dedicated to his profession. He's not the 'Love Doctor.' He's not some guy who quit medicine eight years ago and has since been working on head shots and (his) resume and working with publicists."

While Dr. Ruth's credo of the "90s was "lighten up," "90 have good sex," Pinsky's overarching theme is: Search for intimacy and be cautious about sex. He frequently complains about his lack of protection from men who want only sex.

## Contraceptive methods sometimes fail

Knight Ridder News Service

Safe sex? Contraceptives fail for 9 to 12 percent of women using them after a year, researchers report. Two studies of U.S. women by the nonprofit Alan Guttmacher Institute and a team at Princeton University found that on average, a woman has a 10 percent chance of getting pregnant despite using con-

traception in any given year. As might be expected, contraceptive methods that require the user to remember their regularity, such as the pill or a condom, have the highest failure rate, while hormone implants or IUDs have the lowest.

### Today at the Movies

**THE ORPHEUS**  
1st Run 10:00-11:00  
LIFE 7:00-8:10

**JEROME CRAWFORD**  
Lulu Murphy 1:00-1:30  
Life on a Farm 2:00-2:30  
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**TWIN CINEMA 12**  
100 Eastland Blvd. Twin Falls  
1st Run 10:00-11:00  
Lulu Murphy 1:00-1:30  
Shakespeare in Love 2:00-2:30  
Never Been Kissed 2:30-3:00  
Baby Geniuses 3:00-3:30  
Fores of Nature 3:30-4:00  
The House of... 4:00-4:30  
October Sky 4:30-5:00  
10 Things I Hate About You 5:00-5:30  
Daddy's Little Girls 5:30-6:00  
The King & I 6:00-6:30  
Patch Adams 6:30-7:00  
Today 7:00-8:15  
Twin Dragnet 8:15-9:15  
The Museum of Modern Art 9:15-10:00  
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**PLASTIC SURGERY UPDATE**  
**DELL P. SMITH, M.D.**  
**ABDOMINOPLASTY (TUMMY TUCK)**  
• **THE PROCEDURE:** Every woman wants a flat, even, firm tummy, but few succeed. Pregnancies, weight gain and weight loss take a tremendous toll on a woman's body, especially in the stomach area. Repeatedly stretched and scarred, most women's bellies are loose, oversized and out of shape. Often, the situation cannot be improved much, even with a strenuous exercise program. There is a solution.  
— An abdominoplasty (also known as a tummy tuck) can help. Excess skin and tightening the underlying musculature gives the stomach a flatter, firmer, tighter appearance as well as a thinner waist.  
— The information given here is general. Because each patient is different, questions that you may have regarding your body may not be fully explained here. A consultation visit with your doctor is highly recommended to give you the best information about your specific case.  
• **HOW LONG DOES THE SURGERY TAKE?** Surgery takes about 2-5 hours depending on the extent of the repair.  
• **DOES IT HURT?** Some soreness and discomfort are expected but can be controlled with medication. Bed rest for 2-3 days is recommended. While in bed, legs should be bent at the hips in order to reduce the strain on the abdominal area.  
• **HOW LONG BEFORE RESUMING NORMAL ACTIVITIES?** After 2-3 days, walking and resuming daily activities may be expected with avoidance of overactivity and strain such as lifting. Activity should be limited for 4-6 weeks. Normal activity may be resumed with the surgeon's permission.  
• **RISKS/COMPLICATIONS?** There are the standard risks associated with anesthesia (allergy to the medicine, increased risk if you are not healthy, etc.), which you will need to discuss with your doctor. Scars are expected but become lighter and flatter with time. The risk of infection is ever-present, any time the skin barrier is broken, but with the care that is taken by the surgeon, the staff and you, the risk should be minimal.  
• **ASK:** Patients considering Abdominoplasty should ascertain that their surgeon is Board Certified in Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- On-going Bone Marrow Registration \* Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center, 656 Addison Avenue West. The process takes about 30 minutes and is free. Registration includes filling out a consent form and having a small amount of blood drawn. Donors must be between 18 and 60 years of age and in good health. This opportunity is made possible by MVRMC, the MVRMC Foundation; Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center, Avonmore West, United Dairyman of Idaho, and the Magic Valley Marrow Donor Support Group Volunteers. For more information call 737-2441.
- Arthritis/Lupus Support Group \* Tuesday, May 4, 7 p.m., Education Center. For more information call 737-2050.
- Cesarean-Childbirth Class \* Wednesday, May 5, 7 - 9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration is not required.
- Infant CPR Class \* Thursday, May 6, 7 - 9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration is not required.
- Magic Valley SAFE KIDS Week Open House \* Friday, May 7, 4 - 6 p.m. Magic Valley SAFE KIDS Office, Halsted Street, Suite #5. There will be Ambulance and Lifesight tours, fire trucks, the Mobile Safety Training Unit, bike helmet and child safety seat inspections. Y.E.S. Team puppets, raffles, fingerprinting, First Aid, safety information, games and food. Fun for all ages! "Helping Every Generation Care For Kids" is this year's theme for National SAFE KIDS Week. For more information call 737-2430.
- 7th Annual Champions of SAFE KIDS Celebration \* Friday, May 7, 6:30 p.m. (following the Open House), Magic Valley SAFE KIDS Office, Halsted Street, Suite #5. Join the Magic Valley SAFE KIDS Coalition in recognizing and celebrating outstanding volunteers, individuals and organizations for their work in preventing unintentional injuries to the children of the Magic Valley. For more information call 737-2430.
- CPR Class \* Thursday, May 6, 4 - 7 p.m., Doctor's Meeting Room. Fee: \$11. To register call 737-2007.
- 3rd Annual Heart Smart Fun Run and Walk \* Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m., start and finish at MVRMC north rear parking lot. Entry Fee: \$15 by May 2 includes shirt and post-race breakfast. Children under 12 (\$10). Family Pass (2 adults and 2 children): \$45. Race Day Registration (9 a.m.): \$18. The run is sponsored by MVRMC and the MVRMC Foundation. For more information contact Sharon Parks at 737-2481.
- Monthly MVRMC Board Meeting \* Monday, May 10, 6 p.m., Sage Room of the Education Center.
- Prepared Childbirth Course \* Tuesdays, May 11 - June 8, 7 - 9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration required. Call 737-2900.

For additional MVRMC educational offerings call 737-2902. If you require special accommodations, call 737-2102 or TDD 737-2980 at least 24 hours in advance of the event.

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I was the favorite to win five club tricks... I lamented a disappointed South.

They were yours to take, replied North, "but not the way you planned the play."

East won his singleton diamond ace and shifted to his heart 10. Since five club winners would bring his total in three tricks, South ducked confidently, allowing East to win. East continued with another heart to South's ace, and South cashed his diamond heart, in the unlikely event diamonds were 3-2.

When East's discard dashed those hopes, South's last chance was to cash five club winners. He cashed his ace and overtook his queen, but when dummy's jack didn't pick up West's 10, South's chances disappeared.

How could South ensure winning five club tricks? He must do his thinking at the first trick. When West leads the diamond deuce and East plays the ace, South must drop an honor instead of playing low.

South must drop an honor instead of playing low. East shifts to hearts as before, but when South takes the first heart, he can cash his top clubs and lead a low diamond toward dummy.

Whichever defense does now doesn't matter. Dummy's diamond entry gives South two diamonds, two hearts and five clubs, enough for game and rubber.

NORTH ♠ 4 ♣ 8 ♣ 3 ♣ 10 ♠ 6 3 ♣ K ♣ J ♣ 7 ♣ 6

WEST ♠ 9 ♣ 4 ♣ 5 ♣ 10 ♠ 8 2 ♣ 10 ♠ 8 2 ♣ 5 ♣ 3

EAST ♠ A ♣ 10 ♠ 5 4 2 ♣ 10 ♠ 9 7 2 ♣ 10 ♠ 8 2 ♣ 5 ♣ 3

SOUTH ♠ K ♣ 7 ♣ 3 ♣ 10 ♠ 6 3 ♣ K ♣ Q ♣ 4 ♣ A ♣ Q

Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South

The bidding: South West North East 3 NT Pass 3 NT All pass

Opening lead: Diamond deuce

South holds: ♠ 4 ♣ 8 ♣ 3 ♣ 10 ♠ 6 3 ♣ K ♣ Q ♣ 4 ♣ A ♣ Q

East South West North East Pass 3 ♣ Pass 4 ♣ All pass

ANSWER: Diamond jack. Leading the heart ace might be best if partner can ruff, however, leading from the diamond sequence offers the best chance for tricks.

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# Pacers dim Knicks' playoff hopes

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Chris Mullin went 4-for-4 from 3-point range and scored 20 points Sunday as Indiana took a big step toward clinching the NBA Central Division with a 94-71 victory over New York.

The Pacers' magic number for winning the division title and clinching the No. 2 seed in the Eastern Conference is one. New York's magic number for clinching the eighth and final playoff spot is also one.

## Spurs 84, Jazz 78

SAN ANTONIO — Tim Duncan had 26 points, 14 rebounds and four blocked shots and outplayed Karl Malone down the stretch as San Antonio took another step toward winning the Western Conference. The Spurs who can secure home-court advantage throughout the postseason by winning their final two games — at Portland on Tuesday and at Golden State on Wednesday. Malone had 24 points and 14 rebounds for Utah.

## Lakers 91, Sonics 84

SEATTLE — Shaquille O'Neal had 33 points and 12 rebounds and Kobe Bryant added 28 points for the Lakers. They played 14 of his 29 points in the fourth quarter, but it wasn't enough for Seattle, which remained in ninth place in the playoff race with two games left. The Sonics lost clinched a playoff spot for Minnesota.

## Blazers 110, Nuggets 102

DENVER — Damon Stoudamire had 17 points and nine assists as the Portland Trail Blazers beat the Denver Nuggets 110-102 Sunday night to move within a half game of Utah for the top seed in the Western Conference. Denver was paced by Chauncey Billups' 20 points, lost for the fifth consecutive time. Antonio McDyess added 18 points and 14 rebounds for the Nuggets.

## Rockets 110, Clippers 84

HOUSTON — Charles Barkley



New York Knicks forward Allan Houston (20) drives to the basket Sunday as Indiana Pacers forward Derrick McKey, left, applies the defense in the first quarter of their game in Indianapolis.

## Pistons 100, 76ers 96

LANSING, Mich. — Grant Hill scored 35 points and Joe Dumars, in his final regular-season home game, added 15, including six down the stretch as Detroit Pistons clinched a playoff berth.

## Heat 100, Hornets 93

MIAMI — Terry Porter scored 12 of his 18 points in the fourth quarter, including an 18-footer and a 3-point in the final minute, for Miami, which trailed by 11 points in the second half.

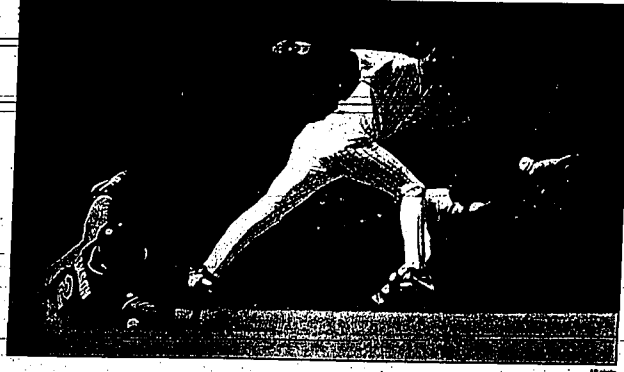
## Kings 111, Suns 100

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Jason Williams had 24 points and Chris Webber had 4 points and 3 assists despite leaving the game three times for back treatment as the Sacramento Kings moved within a win of the playoffs.

## Hawks 76, Cavaliers 65

CLEVELAND — Mookie Blaylock had 19 points, 11 rebounds and 10 assists and Grant Long scored 11 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter as Atlanta kept alive his slim hopes of winning the Central Division.

## Atlanta, which has two games remaining, trails first-place Indiana by 1 1/2 games. The Pacers can wrap up the division title with a win over the Cavs Tuesday night.



Chicago Cubs shortstop Jose Hernandez, right, hangs onto the ball Sunday while forcing out San Diego Padres runner Damon Jackson at second base on a hit by batter Tony Gwynn in the sixth inning at Wrigley Field in Chicago.

# Phillies' Schilling denies Dodgers

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Curt Schilling (4-1) escaped a bases-loaded, no-outs jam in the sixth inning to beat Kevin Brown (2-2) who gave up a season-high six runs and eight hits in six innings. Schilling struck out eight and had a season-high four walks, allowing three runs and six hits, including Todd Hundley's two-run homer.

## Braves 5, Reds 3

ATLANTA — Javy Lopez had a pair of run-scoring doubles and the Atlanta Braves knocked out former teammate Dennis Nengle after 2 1/3 innings and beat the Cincinnati Reds 5-3 Sunday to win their fifth straight game. Nengle (0-1), traded to Cincinnati during the offseason, gave up four runs and seven hits in his shortest start since July 15, 1994.

## Brewers 6, D'backs 5

MILWAUKEE — Pinch-hitter Marquis Grissom had a three-run homer in the eighth inning off Gregg Olson (0-2), who blew a save for the fourth time in eight chances this season. Milwaukee stopped a five-game home losing streak. Matt Williams homered twice for Arizona, raising his total to a league-leading 10. His two-run

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shot in the eighth off David Weathers (2-0) gave the Diamondbacks a 5-3 lead.

## Cards 8, Expos 7, 10 Innings

MONTREAL — Fernando Tatis, who hit a three-run homer in the first-inning, slid-home to break a 5-4 tie in the 10th, beating the throw by shortstop Michael Barrett on Eli Marrero's routine grounder. Willie McGee then scored on a wild pitch by Ugoth Liviano (2-3).

## Mets-2, Giants-0

NEW YORK — Dennis Cook (5-0) became the NL's first five-game winner when shortstop Ramon Martinez dropped Ricky Henderson's eighth-inning fly ball, allowing Matt Franco to score the game's first run off John Johnstone (3-1).

## Pirates-3, Rockies 5

PITTSBURGH — Mike Benjamin hit a two-run triple in a four-run fifth. Pittsburgh took two of three games from Colorado and won consecutive

## American League

games for the first time since April 19-20.

## Cubs 3, Padres 2

CHICAGO — Gary Gaetti, whose struggles at the plate left him with a lower batting average than some pitchers, hit a go-ahead two-run single in the eighth. The Padres lost all three games in Chicago, the first time they've been swept in 74 series. Their streak of 73 series without a sweep was the fourth-longest this century—and the longest in more than 50 years. Their last sweep came Aug. 25-27, 1997, at Philadelphia.

## Astros 3, Marlins 2

MIAMI — Shane Reynolds (5-1) became the first NL starter with five wins and Carl Everett, who drove in two runs a Houston win its fourth straight. Florida has lost five in a row. Alex Fernandez (1-2) had another setback as he tries to come back from shoulder surgery that sidelined him all of last season and sent him to the disabled list again last month. He left in the second with a pulled right groin.

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# Mariners sink Toronto; A's win

SEATTLE (AP) — David Bell had a game-winning homer in the ninth inning off Single Huskey hit a game-winning single two outs later for Toronto.

Ken Griffey Jr. singled off Dan Plesac (0-1), Russ Davis sacrificed Robert Fosse to lead on and struck out Dan Wilson. Huskey then lined a single to left, sending Toronto to its eighth loss in 10 games following an eight-game winning streak.

## Rangers 8, Indians 6

ARLINGTON, Texas — Rafael Palmeiro had three hits, including the 2,000th of his career, and Juan Gonzalez hit his third homer in as many games to lead the Texas Rangers over the Cleveland Indians 8-6 Sunday night. Palmeiro went 3-for-4 with two doubles and two RBIs. The milestone came on his second hit, an RBI double that capped a five-run fourth inning. Fosse gave him a standing ovation and he clapped a few times himself as the ball was thrown into the dugout.

## Athletics 7, Red Sox 5

OAKLAND, Calif. — Jason Giambi go-ahead, two-run single in the sixth inning led Oakland to a win in a matchup of knuckleballers. Wild Boston leading 5-4 in the sixth following John Valentin's

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Damon Easley hit a two-run homer in the fourth, putting Detroit ahead 6-0. Julio Santana (1-3) gave up eight runs — seven earned — and 10 hits in five-plus innings.

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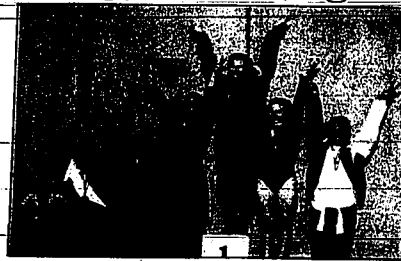
## Egbert strikes gymnastics gold

**BELLEVUE, Wash.** — Amber Egbert, a senior at Twin Falls High School, earned a gold medal at the USA Women's Junior Olympic Region II Championships in Bellevue, Wash.

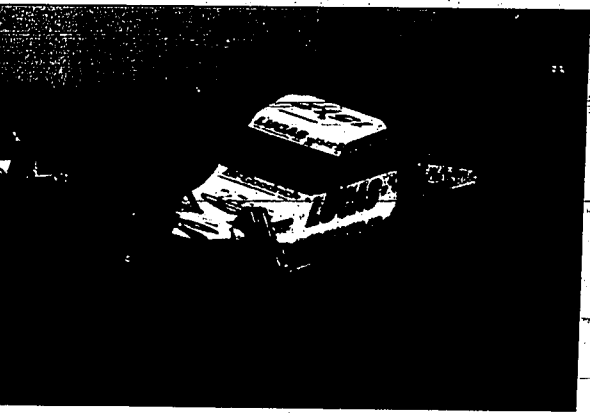
Her specialty, a front hand-spring double full, earned her first place on the vault, but she also placed second on balance beam—third on the floor—and third in the all-around.

She went head-to-head against a large field of 26 competitors from Alaska, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

Egbert, who trains with Zach and Ann Grishy, owners and coaches of Gym Mania in Rupert, will not compete in the Level 9 Western National Championships at Seattle Pacific University May 8-9.



Twin Falls gymnast Amber Egbert, top, garnered a gold medal at the recent USA Women's Junior Olympic gymnastics competition in Bellevue, Wash., while also taking first place on the vault, and placing third in the all-around.



Hageman beat rancher Gary Wise romps through the desert course of the Tonopah 300 April 18.

## Beet farmer wins off-road race

**TONOPAH, Nev.** — A Hagerman beet rancher racing against big time off-road pros at the Tonopah 300 surprised some people in Nevada April 18 by walking away a winner.

Gary Wise — who spends most of his time going 3.5 miles per hour in his 4900 John Deere tractor — tilted the desert wide open at 107 miles per hour to take first place, thus winning a nice chunk of change and a trophy to boot.

Wise races a Class One Unlimited Buggy, a vehicle that looks like a match-box car with spidery legs. After spending only three years as a novice in professional racing, he drives today under the sponsorship of Lucas Oil Company of Corona, Calif. He raced against off-road Baja 1000 greats Ivan Stewart and Curt LeDuc in Nevada.

After the grueling, dusty ride, Wise shared his winning philosophy: "When in doubt, gas it!"

Television viewers can catch Wise's first national interview on May 22 via Speedvision cable or satellite (folks that can't wait can see him alive and dice online at [www.international.com](http://www.international.com) — look for the "Lucas is Lose" icon, page 2). There are bets to spray and cultivate before the next race — Best in the Desert series continues in Mesquite, Nev. on June 25 — but Wise plans to be there.

## YOURSPORTS IN BRIEF

### Jerome crew kicks it in Caldwell

Five members of the Jerome Martial Art Academy competed at the 35th Annual Karate and Kung-Fu Tournament on Feb. 27 in Caldwell.

Keith Blanc placed third in the 9-12 year-old colored belt forms division.

Robin Jessup placed third in the women's brown/black belt forms division, and Keith Blanc won first place and Kyle Jessup took fourth place in weapons competition.

Grey Chadwick finished second in the sparring competition for 7-8-year-old colored belts, while Jarrod Walter collected second in the men's colored belt fighting division.

### Fraley places third in final match

OGDEN, Utah — Twin Falls native Stephanie Fraley recently participated in her final golf match for Idaho State University at the Mike Farrell Weber State Tournament at Ogden Country Club.

Fraley shot a 36-hole 161 and the Bengals finished third overall.

### Beutler finishes third in Spokane

Craig Beutler, a former member of the CSI Judo Club, won a bronze medal in the 35-39-year-old division at the United States Senior National Judo Championships held April 23-24 in Spokane, Wash.

Beutler, a Boise resident, now competes with the Treasure Valley High Schools Judo Club.

### Local rodeo group plans events

BUHL — The Buhl High School Rodeo Team is sponsoring a jackpot at the Buhl Rodeo Arena on Sunday, May 9 at 7 p.m.

Also, the next STPR rodeo will be held Sunday, May 16 at 1 p.m. at the Shoshone arena.

For entry information, please call Lana Parker at 536-2772.

## Hazelton cowboy joins rodeo team

**HAZELTON** — Kyle Orr of Hazelton has joined the national ranks of the Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team, the first corporate-sponsored youth rodeo squad.

Orr, 18, is a senior at Valley High School. He has been a member of the Vikings rodeo team for four years. His awards include Reserve Bareback Champion in

the fifth district, and he placed sixth in the state high school rodeo finals in bareback in 1998.

The Wrangler high school team is fashioned after the Wrangler

Champion Pro Rodeo Team, which includes superstars Ty Murray, Joe Beaver, Dan Mortenson and hullo-farmer Jim Shoulders.

Members of the high school team receive official competition apparel — Wrangler T-shirts and two pair of jeans — as well as a certificate signed by Shoulders and Murray.

## Snickers eat up soccer competition

The Magic Valley Youth Soccer Association Snickers U-11 team took their game on the road for the first time Saturday, April 17, defeating Middleton U-12 2-1 in an early game with goals scored by Andy Legg and Marcus Schaal.

The boys then blew out the Caldwell U-12 team 7-1, with goals scored by Teddy Wunderlich, Marcus Schaal and Blake Packer, and two goals scored by Kerin Koopman and Andy Legg.

Outstanding goaltending was provided by Chris MacMillan in both games.

Team members include (front row): Tyler Jones, Andy Legg, Teddy Wunderlich, Kerin Koopman, Adam Kotch, Billy Edwards, Ryan-Simmons, and Blake Packer; and (back row)



Members of the Snickers U-11 Magic Valley Youth Soccer team are getting their kicks by playing this season.

Jayson Ashcroft, Jesse Buhler, Marcus Schaal, Ry Phipps, Chris MacMillan, Dustin Johnson, Jake

Guiles, Jared Steward and Devon Jenks. Coaches are Carl Legg and Kit Legg.

## BURLEY BATTLERS Female sports invoke lawsuits



### Female sports invoke lawsuits

**NEW YORK (AP)** — More men are coaching women's teams — and getting accused of sexual harassment, The New York Times reported Sunday.

With the increase in women's sports since the enactment of Title IX, the percentage of women coaching female teams has declined from 90 percent in 1972 to 47 percent, the newspaper said.

While few statistics are available, the Times interviewed about 50 athletes, parents, coaches, administrators and researchers. Lawsuits against North Carolina soccer coach Anton Dornache, the former coach of the U.S. national team, and Syracuse tennis coach Jesse Dwire have highlighted the issue.

Dr. Joel Fish, director of the Center for Sport Psychology in Philadelphia, added: "The whole issue of sexual harassment within athletics, of coaches trying to understand the boundaries of what's right and wrong, of when to yell and when to pat her on the back, of whether or not to hug, is still being defined."

## YOUR SCORES AND STATS

### RUNNING

#### Stumble Rock

**TWIN FALLS** — Here are the results for the Stumble Rock Fun Run/Walk held April 24 at River Creek Park.

1, Kim Mulford, 37:52; 2, Tom Peterson, 37:56; 3, Dick Anderson, 38:10; 4, Michael Mackay, 39:05; 5, Jim Smith, 40:26; 6, Dan Johnson, 41:25; 7, Paul Johnson, 41:30; 8, Gary Wise, 42:30; 9, Rick Hageman, 45:27; 10, Matt Johnson, 45:30; 11, Steve Johnson, 45:30; 12, Clark Clark, 47:41; 13, Lesley Holder, 47:52; 14, Lindsey Johnson, 48:47; 15, Susan Gray, 52:13; 16, Pam Cameron, 52:17; 17, Diana Johnson, 52:20; 18, Maria Clark, 52:21; 19, Rick Thompson, 51:42; 20, Susan Clark, 52:23; 21, Rob Jones, 52:42; 22, Paul Peterson, 52:43; 23, Rick Anderson, 52:57; 24, Andy Legg, 55:48; 25, Dana Fisher, 55:46; 26, Lesley Holder, 55:52; 27, Jane Pies, 57:33; 28, Linda Evans, 57:39; 29, Ed Johnson, 58:12.

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