

CIA looks for Cuban connection

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department and the CIA are looking into a possible Cuban connection in the U.S. drug trade, with water and air space lightly patrolled by Fidel Castro's government offering a tempting route for Colombian cocaine and heroin.

But for Castro, who has been portraying himself as an effective warrior against drug trafficking, the latest concern mixes the message from Washington.

Hours after the Senate voted earlier this month to ease restrictions on the sale of food and medicine to Cuba, anti-Castro Republicans scored a victory in their quest to focus a spotlight on use of Cuban waters by drug barons.

They convinced the Clinton administration to look into an abortive cocaine shipment intended to go through Cuban waters last December. There is

no suggestion that the Cuban government itself had any involvement with the shipment.

Cuba has vowed to pursue the drug war vigorously. Three weeks ago, Castro even invited the United States to join him in an anti-drug campaign so the two countries could become "one of the greatest alliances against drug trafficking."

Gen. Barry McCaffrey, director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, acknowledges that traffickers have been making increased use of Cuban air space and territorial waters. But, he notes, Cuba maintains it does not have the resources to patrol these large areas, especially its territorial waters.

"There is no conclusive evidence to indicate that Cuban leadership is currently involved in this criminal activity," McCaffrey says.

Castro's detractors object even

to the limited U.S.-Cuban anti-drug cooperation now in place, saying the evidence suggests an official Cuban role in supporting drug trafficking.

Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen said it is preposterous for the administration to play Castro credibility on the drug issue, contending the Cuban leader is notorious for helping drug traffickers. Similar objections were raised by Rep. Lincoln Diaz-Barrat, who, like Ros-Lehtinen, is a Cuban-born South Florida Republican.

But congressional critics of the embargo are showing surprising strength of late. The Senate vote to ease restrictions on the sale of food and medicine represented a rare defeat for anti-Castro hardliners.

Impetus for the inquiry into a Cuban drug connection came with a House committee report on the seizure of a 7.5-ton cocaine shipment by Colombia's narcotics police.

According to the report, a senior Drug Enforcement Administration official told investigators that "in all likelihood the Dec. 3 shipment of cocaine to Cuba was eventually meant to transit through Mexico and on to the U.S."



President Clinton, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and daughter Chelsea walk toward Air Force One for a day trip to New York state, Sunday. The Clintons are spending the day searching for a house.

House hunt brings Clintons to New York

WASHINGTON (AP) — The continued search for a home in New York City's suburbs was bringing President Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton to Westchester County on Sunday for a quick house-hunting trip.

The Clintons interrupted their planned weekend stay at Camp David, the presidential retreat in Maryland. Mrs. Clinton, considering a run for the U.S. Senate, must move to New York by Election Day 2000 to be eligible.

They flew on a small Air Force jet rather than the Boeing 747 that usually serves as Air Force One. Chelsea Clinton and the first lady's mother, Dorothy Rodham, also were on the trip.

The White House said the Clintons were touring

Westchester County, where Mrs. Clinton last week looked at a seven-bedroom colonial house in Edgemont priced at \$1.7 million. The White House did not say if that house was on their list Sunday.

The house, sheltered from the street by trees and rocky walls, is within walking distance of fashionable Scarsdale in southern Westchester County. The neighborhood is 22 miles north of Times Square and a half-hour by rail from Grand Central Terminal.

The house would be less of a financial burden on the Clintons' than the \$3.8 million estate the first lady viewed in June. The Clintons earned \$504,109 last year.

Elvis fans bop at annual memorial

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Sporting a brand new "Return to Sender" tattoo just above her "Elvis stamp" tattoo, LaVera Chapel waited at the Graceland gates Sunday for a candlelight procession past Elvis Presley's grave.

The Candle Vigil, as it's called by the Presley faithful, is the highlight of Elvis Week, a series of memorials, dances and parties marking the anniversary of his death on Aug. 16, 1977.

Presley, who died at Graceland, his Memphis residence, is buried in a small garden beside the house's swimming pool.

"I just felt I had to come," said Chapel, 45. "I want to show my patronage to Elvis for all the good times he gave me, and I'm here to represent the fans who can't be here."

Chapel said she has traveled from her home in White Lake, Mich., 11 times for the graveside vigil, and she has an Elvis tattoo to mark each occasion.

Though her upper arms and shoulders are pretty well covered with Elvis artwork, she had no worry about running out of space for additional tattoos as the annual visits go on.

"I either get larger or they get smaller," she said with a laugh.

Chapel said she had been sitting in her folding chair at the gates to Graceland's long, winding driveway since 3:30 a.m. for the procession scheduled to begin at 9 p.m. A dozen or so others also staked out their spots early in the day.

Other fans milled around the sprawling museum and souvenir complex across Elvis Presley Boulevard from Graceland, shopping for trinkets and bopping to rock 'n' roll bands performing under two tents.

The Dempsys, the three-man house band at Graceland's nightclub on Beale Street, Elvis Presley's Memphis, performed spirited renditions of the singer's early recordings for Sun Records and RCA.

"We're going to play all of Elvis' songs, and we're not going to take a break," band member Joe Fick joked with the audience. "We're going to play them all at once."

Judy French, 52, and Dot Johnson, 56, said their loving

You, Elvis, Fan Club of Rolling Fork, Miss., continues to grow because of their trips to Memphis.

"We've met lots of people here who are now in the Rolling Fork fan club," French, whose hometown is too small to have a traffic light,

said. "It's his hard to explain to people who aren't Elvis fans why the faithful keep coming back to Graceland."

"You have to be an Elvis fan to understand. We love the man," she said.

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Report: Travelers sought a room

Vacationers were driving all night before Idaho accident

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - Police say 10 Taiwanese exchange students drove through the night after failing to find a hotel room in Salt Lake City, leading to a van crash that killed four and injured six.

The driver, 28-year-old Ya-wei Hsueh, fell asleep shortly before 5 a.m. Thursday on U.S. Highway 20 south of St. Anthony and pulled a rental van, throwing seven passengers from the vehicle, Deputy Brian Loseke of the Fremont County Sheriff's Office said.

She told police she swerved to miss a large animal. "We found no evidence that she made a rapid, evasive move," he said. "There's just no indication of any skid marks or braking, which makes us think she fell asleep."

Loseke said charges are not likely to be filed against the driver.

The deceased were all students at Baruch College in New York City.



Four Taiwanese students attending Baruch College in New York City died early Thursday morning when the driver, also a student, fell asleep and rolled this van on U.S. Highway 20 south of St. Anthony.

Three women were killed at the scene, and a man later died at Columbia Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center. They are Hsueh-chou Chen, 30; Hsiu-ya Weng, 27; Chih-yung Chao, 24;

and Su-hsuan Chiu, 25. The injured remained at Madison Memorial Hospital, Columbia Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center and Bannock Regional Medical Center. The dri-

ver and Chiu-mei Liao, 29, were to be released from Madison Memorial Saturday, two days after Shih-chieh Chang, 24, was discharged.

Wei-chieh Kuo was serious but stable at Columbia Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center. At Bannock, Shu-chien Yu, 27, was critical but stable, and Su-hsuan Chiu, 25, was stable.

Upon arrival at Salt Lake International Airport late Wednesday night, the group of students from Baruch College and Pace University in New York City rented a 15-passenger van.

Andrew Yang, who flew into Idaho Falls to visit survivors and identify the dead, said the friends rented the van because they could not find a place to stay.

"They were probably going to get a general in West Yellowstone," said Yang, assistant to the director general of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Seattle.

Families of the victims were on their way to eastern Idaho Friday, while Taiwanese exchange students from Idaho State University were visiting with and consoling the injured, Yang said.

Moscow joins hospital proposal with Pullman

MOSCOW - The city's Gritman Memorial Hospital in Washington have agreed to merge and create a single hospital in the corridor between the two towns.

The hospitals' boards of directors decided to identify conditions that would enable them to sign a letter of intent by November, said Tom Stegbauer, Gritman chief executive officer.

Insurance agencies, managed care systems and local physicians have pushed the hospitals to provide more services, said Scott Adams, his counterpart at Pullman Memorial.

The groups have discussed sharing an ambulatory surgery unit between the towns.

"If we're going to do surgery, we might as well do everything in one hospital," Adams said.

Duplication of staff, equipment and facilities between the hospitals keeps each from operating inefficiently, Stegbauer said.

West in brief

reveal testing was incomplete. Last summer, officials at the chemical weapons incinerator assured the Army that equipment and operations would not be affected by the bug except on strike computers at the start of the year 2000.

But that wasn't true. In fact, officials had not completed assessments of potential problems, much less finished fixing them, according to the Defense Department Inspector General's Office.

The report released in February by the inspector general and acquired by the Deseret News through the Freedom of Information Act said that means the facility could be many months behind in tackling Y2K problems.

Utah town's police chief

likes effect of day curfew
TAYLORSVILLE, Utah - Roy Police Chief Chris Zimmerman said enforcing a daytime curfew on school-age children has improved student attendance.

"The truancy system wasn't working. We need something different," Zimmerman told law enforcement officers attending the fourth annual Utah Crime Prevention Association Conference.

Thrift was Roy's No. 1 crime problem 30 months ago, when Zimmerman became police chief. About 60 percent of those thefts were occurring during the daytime hours, and the majority of those were committed by teens, he said.

In response, Zimmerman said he adopted a curfew program also used in San Jose, Calif. He made a few modifications, and with support from the city council and Roy schools, started requiring students to be in school or pay a \$35 fine for a violation.

In the two years since Roy adopted it, Zimmerman said daytime burglaries and routine thefts have declined, but car burglaries have been going up slightly. That's one reason for his reluctance to trumpet the program as an instant crime stopper.

Zimmerman said he sees an emerging pattern of potential truants who are now staying in school, passing their classes, graduating and going on to college or other training.

Former inmate says Utah

guards forced her into sex
SALT LAKE CITY - A woman who was imprisoned at the Duchesne County Jail from December 1997 to April 1998 is suing the county and jail officials, alleging guards coerced her into having sex with them.

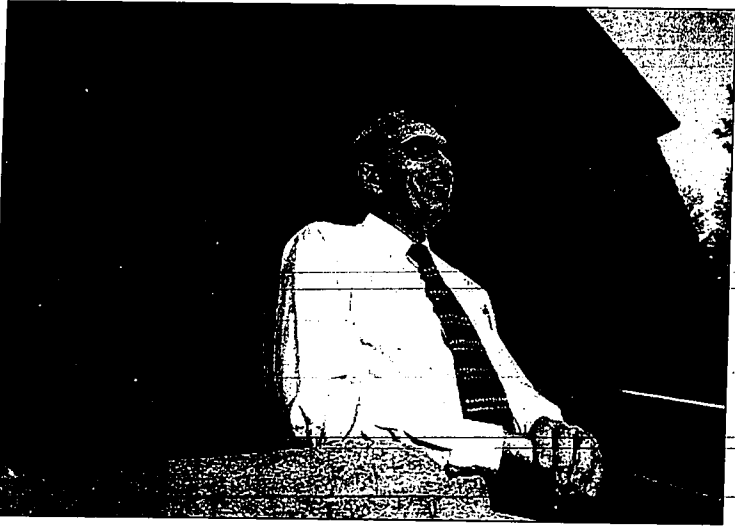
Arava Nunley filed the suit last month in 8th District Court, but the case was moved to 9th District Court on Thursday. She is seeking at least \$500,000 in damages.

"Ms. Nunley was subjected to the possibility of pregnancy, sexually transmitted disease and other dangers associated with the sex," she said. She was subjected to in the Duchesne County Jail," she says.

Nunley's lawsuit alleges jail workers exposed themselves to her, made lewd comments to her and requested that she perform sex acts on them. She says she was coerced into performing sex acts with guards and in exchange for cigarettes.

- Compiled from wire reports

Ricks' voice



After 39 years at Ricks College in Rexburg, LaMar Barrus is retiring. He plans to write music and sharpen his skills on the violin.

Radio manager, professor will retire to follow muse

REXBURG (AP) - With the close of the century, Ricks College is saying goodbye to two landmarks. Besides the historic Spori Building, which will be torn down next year because it is unsafe, "the voice of Ricks, College," LaMar Barrus is retiring.

Barrus has been an institution at the college owned by the Mormon Church since 1960 and after 39 years is taking some time out for himself. His last day will be Aug. 31.

"It's sort of a mixed feeling," Barrus said. "My life has been controlled by others, but now I will have time to do the things that I haven't had time to do."

Through the years, Barrus has taught classes on music theory, composition, orchestra and strings. He organized the first student symphony orchestra at Ricks and has served as the chairman of the music department.

Most recently, Barrus has been the general manager and program manager of KRIC FM, the public radio station on campus. When he leaves, James Clark

from Brigham Young University will take over as general manager.

The station started off as a 10-watt student training station, Barrus said, primarily to serve students' needs. KRIC went on the air in 1984. The idea behind the station was to fulfill a niche neglected by commercial stations.

"Some areas of music got left out in the 80s, such as classical, folk music and jazz," Barrus said. "Our niche is primarily classical and jazz, however."

Idaho was the last state to get a public radio station, he said. And KRIC was the first public station in southern Idaho. The one in Boise came later.

Additionally, Barrus does a daily show called "The Bright Side of the Morning." He said the idea is to educate people about classical music in a non-threatening way.

"At one point, he was the,

music department. He started a great music department at Ricks," college spokesman Don Sparhawk said. "It will be a major loss to the college when he retires. He is the voice of KRIC."

"At one point he was the music department."

- Don Sparhawk, Ricks College spokesman

While he performed with the orchestra, Barrus attended the University of Utah, where he received his bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in music. During that time, Barrus also served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Austria, the music capital of the world, he said.

He decided to stay an extra year in Europe to study at the Academy of Music in Vienna. He and his wife, Carol, were married in Switzerland at an LDS Church temple.

Now, many years later, Barrus is hanging up his microphone at KRIC and is going back to his beginnings.

"I want to get back to creating music and writing music and it's time I get reacquainted with my violin," he said. "Besides, I have a couple of personal projects I'd like to see to."

Friday.

The question of how much restitution Cherry will pay to his investors has not been tackled.

But Cherry's defense attorney, Ron Yengich, has asked to withdraw from the case, saying Cherry owes him "a substantial amount of money."

Securities fraud brings jail time for Utah man

PROVO, Utah - An Orem man who worked for a company that illegally sold investments in Utah has been permanently barred from selling securities.

Thomas T. Cherry, 61, was sentenced to 60 days in jail and three years probation for his role in Blackford Energy's attempts to get investments for useless oil and gas wells.

Cherry, an executive for the Colorado company, was convicted of selling registered and non-registered securities without a license. He is the first Blackford employee to face jail time. He was also fined \$2,000. "You still have in your mind a belief that you didn't do anything wrong," 4th District

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WAKE UP BIG BROTHER!
 WAKE UP? WAKE UP?! WHY ARE YOU WAKING ME UP?
 I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE TO GET AN EARLY START...
 FOR WHAT? I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE...
 THAT'S TOO BAD. YOU COULD HAVE BEEN THE FIRST ONE THERE.

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

MUNCH, GRINCH, JAFFE, CRUNCH
 SLURRUPPPPP
 WE SHOULD THROW OUT SOME OF THE OLD CEREAL, LIZ.
 YEAH? HOW COME?
 THE RAIN YOU JUST ATE HAD LEGS ON IT.

Dilbert By Scott Adams

HAMMERHEAD BOB
 ARE YOU GOING TO LUNCH? I'LL JOIN YOU!
 ... AND THAT'S WHY IT'S CALLED A "CLEAN ROOM" BUT HOW CLEAN IS IT REALLY?
 I'LL SPEAK LOUDER IN CASE THE OTHER TABLES WANT IN ON THIS.

Boyz n the City By Dean Young & Stan Drake

DID YOU TELL ME DITZES I WANT BOY-CRACKS?
 YES HE SAID YOUR SLEEP IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANYTHING AND YOU CAN COME IN WHENEVER YOU FEEL LIKE IT.
 KEE-HEE RIGHT ABOUT NOW HE SHOULD BE RACING INTO THE BATHROOM.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

REDUCED SPEED AHEAD
 WHAT THE...?
 DOESN'T WORK. IT DOESN'T APPLY TO YOU.

Fiddler By Brian Crane

NELSON AND I ARE GOING TO GO TAKE A WALK FOR A LITTLE
 IT'S GETTING DARK. NELSON GO PUT ON SOMETHING WHITE GO THE CARS CAN SEE YOU.
 WHAT ABOUT GRAMPA? DOESN'T HE HAVE TO PUT ON SOMETHING "WHITE" TOO?
 NO. HIS LEGS ARE AS WHITE AS YOU CAN GET.

Garfield By Jim Davis

JON SAYS GLUTTONY WILL KILL ME
 THAT WAS TRUE OF MY UNCLE MORTY
 HE TRIED TO TAKE A PAPERNA FROM A SILVERBACK GORILLA

Donk in the Winch By Hank Ketcham

BEELY! YOU'RE NOT TO KICK THAT SOCCER BALL IN THIS HOUSE!

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"That goes for you, too!"

Hi and Lois By Clarence Brown

YOU KNOW WHAT I LIKE BEST ABOUT ROAD TRIPS?
 THE SCENERY? THE ADVENTURE? THE FREEDOM?
 THE ROAD FOOD!
 6x6 SLIM LITTLE ROGUES
 IRON BURGERS

Alvin & the Chipmunks By Frank Cho

I LIKE WALKING WITH GRAMPA HE'S JUST MY SPEED!

The Wizard of Id By Bart Parker & Johnny Hart

WOULD YOU DESCRIBE YOUR MARRIAGE AS A HAPPY UNION?
 AT LEAST AS HAPPY AS THE TEAMSTERS

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

SCREAMING THEY HATED US FOR BEING PRESCHOOLERS
 WE SAVED THEMSELVES
 JEREMY! YES! HERE WE ARE! LOOKING LIKE LITTLE KIDS
 I LIKE LITTLE KIDS
 MAKE THAT LIKED LITTLE KIDS
 LESSON ONE INCLUDES PHYSICALLY TOUCHING THE WATER GUNS!

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

HE WANTS TO KNOW IF WE CAN COME BACK AFTER THE END OF THE MONTH?
 WHY?
 HE'S RENTING AND THE END WHEN HIS LEASE IS UP!

Kevin By Greg Evans

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS IS JUST THREE WEEKS. CAN YOU BELIEVE WE'LL BE LEAVING HIGH SCHOOL?
 DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. I'LL BE THERE!
 AIN'T YOU EXCITED? HIGH SCHOOL, BEEN! THE BIG TIME!
 YEAH! BIG TIME!
 STRESS!
 MORE HOMEWORK, MORE TESTS, MORE STUDYING
 THAT'S SCHOOL STUFF. I'M TALKING ABOUT PART-TIME STUFF. MORE DANCES, MORE CLUBS, MORE BOYS (EVEN MORE STRESS)

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

HOW WAS YOUR HIGH SCHOOL REUNION, SARGE?
 GREAT! IT WAS JUST LIKE OLD TIMES!
 I CAN STILL BEAT UP ALL THE BUNS I USED TO BEAT UP!

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

MEGACORP AIRLINES
 WE BRING PEOPLE CLOSER TOGETHER
 AND THAT'S JUST ON THE PLANE!

Stripy By John Deering

THE BUES BOACH HOTEL

Non Sequiter By Wiley

VIETNAM VETERANS

The Born Loser By Art Sanson & Chip

SIGH... THE STORY OF MY LIFE...
 AN 'IN' BOOK FULL OF THINGS I NEED TO DO...
 AND NO 'OUT' BOOK!

OTHER VIEWS

Squabbling over Fish, Game Commission misses the point

From the Lewiston Morning Tribune
No wonder so many people in Idaho anymore consider themselves independents. When you see a Republican governor's office devising cunning ways to avoid living up to the law's clear intent on having some Democrats on state commissions, it gives Republicans a bad name.

And when you see the state Democratic chairman going to such ludicrous legal lengths to get Democrats back on these commissions that he would ban independents from service, it gives Democrats a bad name.

State law prohibits more than four members of the seven-member Fish and Game Commission from the same political party - a common requirement on state boards and commissions. The blatant intent of that law is to prevent giving a commission over entirely to one political party or the other. However, that requirement is deliberately worded in a way that won't exclude independent voters or members of third parties. It doesn't say four members shall be from the majority party and three from the same minority party. It merely says no more than four can be from the same party.

But that does clearly preclude more than four Republicans. Nonetheless, more than four Republicans are probably serving on the Fish and Game Commission now. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne insists he wants bipartisan government. Nonetheless, chronic adolescents on the governor's staff have placed themselves in charge of punishing Democrats for being Democrats by carrying out a campaign

of partisan cleansing. They have devised a way to avoid appointing Democrats. They have the governor appoint independents, some of whom are closer Republicans calling themselves independents, as a way to get around the law.

State Democratic Chairman Brit Groom is rightly bellowing about that. But he is willing to walk all over the rights of genuine independents in his headlong pursuit of nothing but bona fide Democrats in the minority seats

on the state commission. Groom says independents don't belong to an officially recognized political party. Thus independents (an estimated 25 percent of the Idaho electorate) don't qualify for service on the state commissions - in Groom's view opinion.

"Independents can't serve on the commissions," Groom said. "Whether that's right or wrong isn't the issue. It's the law."

That is a law that would last about 10 seconds in a court test and Groom knows it. A law that excludes citizens of Idaho from serving on their own state commissions because of their political beliefs is so blatant a violation of the First Amendment and so coarse an assertion by a lawyer that you would think Groom would be embarrassed to say it out loud.

But there you have it. The partisans in the governor's office think Republicans are dirt. Groom thinks Republicans and independents are dirt.

With people like that at the top of the two major parties, there are going to be a lot more independent voters.

*State Democratic Party
Chairman Brit Groom has
some cock-eyed ideas about
who can - and can't - serve
on state boards and
commissions.*



Cost-per-student stat doesn't tell whole story

One of the most commonly used statistics in education is the cost per student, and recently released figures from the National Center for Education Statistics show the U.S. average is \$5,923. This is useful information as far as it goes, but inquiring minds want to know what that money is getting them.

Dr. Leon Lessinger, a former associate commissioner in the U.S. Office of Education who was chosen by Vice President Hubert Humphrey to launch the National Teachers Corps, believes the oft-cited cost-per-student statistic doesn't tell the whole story. "The practice in education of reporting only the cost per student taught (the input) and not the cost per student who has learned (the output) is inadequate," says Dr. Lessinger, who has served as education dean at the University of South Carolina and as a clinical professor of medicine at UCLA.

"While we have concerned ourselves with the omnipresent statistic reported by every school system of cost per student, this has not been a record of the results actually achieved by students," he says. He believes a more meaningful "absolutely critical" measure is the cost per prepared student. This measure can be likened to the cost-per-operable-unit figures used in the private sector. After all, the true cost of

output "includes not only each unit's intrinsic development cost but also the cost of those units that did not pass quality control," he says. Of course, there are many different ways to define a "prepared" student. In this space, let's choose one. Let's look at the recently released fourth-grade reading scores on the National Assessment of Educational Progress, a reliable and highly regarded assessment from the U.S. Department of Education.

NAEP, sometimes called "the nation's report card," tells us what percentage of students are "proficient" readers, i.e., have demonstrated "solid academic performance" and are well prepared for fifth-grade work. This seems like a reasonable standard to aim for, and, for our purposes, a reasonable gauge of preparedness. Unfortunately, only 29 percent of the nation's fourth graders meet that standard.

In my home state of Oklahoma, for example, 30 percent of public-school fourth graders are proficient readers. A full 70 percent are not reading at a proficient level. Granted, many of them have reached the "basic" or "partial mastery" level (though many have not), but nevertheless they are not proficient readers.

As Dr. Lessinger points out, if a high percentage of airplanes were defective, people would refuse to fly. If a high percentage of automobiles were defective, Detroit would be closed down. And yet "our schools, which produce a more important product than airplanes or automobiles, somehow fail to translate the money they get per student into successful learners and achievers."

The schools in my home state get \$4,956 per student. But the cost per prepared student (in this case, the cost per proficient fourth-grade reader) is an embarrassing \$16,520. Ouch. You can do the math for your own state. Simply divide one by the decimal notation for the percentage of your state's readers that the NAEP calls "proficient," and then multiply by your state's cost per pupil. Private-sector firms do not tolerate outrageous costs. Neither should taxpayers. With the education establishment always requesting more taxpayer money, prudence demands that we ask why so many children are being left behind, and why it takes so much money to produce a proficient fourth-grade reader. After all, as President Clinton once said, "We cannot ask the American people to spend more on education until we do a better job with the money we've got now."

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LETTERS

Anti-gun activist misses the facts

There must be a response to Lloyd J. Walker's letter published Aug. 7, in that it contains at least two patent falsehoods.

First: His statement that more people use guns to commit suicide than jump off bridges or use other means such as sleeping pills, carbon monoxide, razor blades or other means rather than guns is not true and is an example of hysterical anti-gun diatribe. Second: He stated that the National Rifle Association preaches "gun ownership and use of weapons is a constitutional right." The constitution does state that "...the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

However, the NRA does not "preach," it merely insists that the nation respect constitutional law. Mr. Walker cannot quote a single instance of the NRA's "preaching" anything except in legal defense on that subject. Thus his infernal smacks of exaggeration and "anti-gun" propaganda.

Third: He states that "More gun control laws may not help until the NRA comes to preach that the ownership carries responsibilities to the community." Responsibility and self-protection has always been the position of the NRA and Mr. Walker cannot find any evidence to the contrary

because there is none. Does he realize that more people are killed every day in automobiles than with guns?

Does he know more people are killed with knives and baseball bats than with guns? Does he know more people overdose on drugs each day than are killed with guns? Oh, but their deaths are not so dramatic or headlined in newspapers.

Mr. Walker is quite clever with his diatribe. He puts down gun owners as "gun nuts" while at the same time pacifying with pitiful entreaties for "responsibility." It's too bad that "gun control freaks" like him are so anti-Constitution. If he doesn't like the America our founding fathers created with that document, then he should migrate to some country that has absolute gun control such as Iran. Or else he should work to change the Constitution.

REE E. MONTGOMERY
Gooding

Idaho must guard its water

Idaho congressmen choose to ignore that there are only three options from the government and a deadline. We have the Idaho delegates telling Congress what they will accept, half of it is already rejected by the majority of scientists. The other, another costly experiment.

Our delegation is standing, shoulder-to-shoulder, trying to build support against breaching. Let's say we succeed, so the feds turn to the other two options, flushing and/or barging. Both require water from southern Idaho.

Question: Does it take an act of Congress to do this? Apparently not; even if it does, are the congressmen from Oregon-Washington going to stand with the Idaho congressmen when they stand to gain our water? I think not.

Gov. Batt tried unsuccessfully to stop our neighbor states from using this flush water last year. Oregon-Washington saying nothing on the flush issue, but state the breaching is outrageous. Sherl Chapman comments about the three options and specifically breaching: "Fits any federal agency stated publicly that Idaho water will not be demanded if the dams are breached."

Answer: No, not to my knowledge, but they definitely have made the statement that water will be demanded in the other two options, augmentation and barging. If what he says is true, "the government does want the water," the only thing that can save Idaho water is an issue like the dam breaching and the involvement of the Endangered Species Act. Otherwise, states that have more political power will confiscate our water legally.
GUY A. MEULEMAN
Hazelton

Campers should keep roads clean

On Aug. 7, while I was mowing the side of the road and picking up trash south of Hansen, I was able to determine the kind of person who goes to the South Hills on the weekend and throws their garbage out the window on the way home.

I know they are fat and have a least one baby because the Pringles potato chip can and Hefty's cupcake wrappers were next to two used diapers. They are weak and non-athletic because their beer cans barely reach the middle of the borrow pit and the cans aren't crushed. Their choice of beer is OK because 90 percent of the beer cans were Budweiser. They probably have at least one DUI because they obviously drink and drive. They work for minimum wage and drive a Ford because the Mopar muffler was circa 1970. They are red necks with less than average intelligence because the baseball cap was set to the smallest size and it said "Bubba" on the front.

You guys know who you are. When you have someone read the newspaper to you and they read this, try to remember, "Take your garbage home." The beer cans are worth money, recycle them. Buy yourself a new cap; besides, we have better things to do than

pick up your garbage.

ART AND NICKI JONES
Hansen

Complaints are unfounded

I have been amazed at the abuse Laurie Simonds has had to put up with this year. Instead of holding her responsible for all the problems of the animal world, why don't all of us face up to our responsibilities as pet owners and future pet owners to do our part. She makes a reasonable request of us: Take care of our animals and that includes having them neutered, along with seeing to it their shots are up to date. If this is asking too much of us, then we shouldn't own a pet.

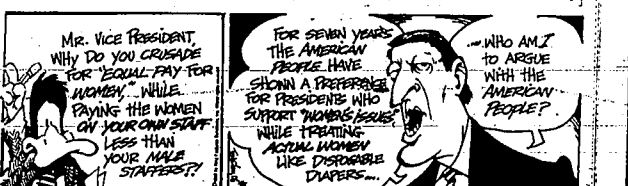
"As for the man who complained about her not calling him back: To him, it seemed like plenty of time but if you were in Laurie's life, I can assure you it was not. Since she has had two loving wonderful dogs for me, I can attest to the fact that it takes her time to find the ideal pet for each person who wants to adopt. I only wish that it would take the person who considers their animal disposable as much time. My hat's off to you, Laurie; thank you for all the hard work and love you put into your job.
KIT MOON
Twin Falls

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

Clinton falls short of the freedom medal he bestowed on Carter, Ford

Twenty-five years after Richard M. Nixon became the only American president to resign from office, the two immediate chief executives who succeeded him received the nation's highest civilian honor, the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

RICH HOOD

In his overall presidential leadership, Ford contributed to the healing this country desperately needed. But his decision to pardon Nixon convinced many voters that there had been an unsavory deal between him and Nixon that made Ford unelectable on his own.

much confidence in the people he was supposed to lead.

Since leaving office, however, Carter has been a magnificent world leader. He and his wife, Rosalynn — who also was honored with a Presidential Medal of Freedom — have focused their energy and resources on helping the poor and underprivileged in scores of nations, on lobbying in the corridors of power for international peace, on elevating the genuine concern about human-rights abuses around the world.

While on a visit to Kansas City after his presidency, Carter reflected ruefully on the mistakes he made in the Oval Office. He lamented the savvy advice of his wife, whom he described as a far better politician than he ever was.

If he had listened to her, he said, he would not have taken some actions that so infuriated others. If he had listened to her advice, he would have postponed some of his more controversial decisions

until a second term.

But then and now, Jimmy Carter believed in acting on what he thought was right. Now, however, after years of doing good through the Carter Center in Atlanta, he is being properly recognized for his insistence on condemning human-rights abuses, his advocacy for peace, his partnership with his wife in healing diseases that had crippled Third World countries.

In honoring Ford and Carter, Clinton correctly recognized their individual strengths. "Steady, trustworthy, Gerald Ford entered a long, national nightmare," Clinton said.

"When he left the White House after 895 days, America was stronger, calmer and more self-confident. America was, in

other words, more like President Ford, himself."

Clinton praised both Carters for their "extraordinary lives." In the past, this award has been presented to people who have helped America promote freedom — by fighting for human rights, or righting social wrongs, or empowering others to achieve, or who have devoted themselves so effectively to advancing freedom in all those ways.

"But rarely do we honor two people who have devoted themselves so effectively to advancing freedom in all those ways. Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter have done more good things for more people in more places than any other couple on the face of the earth."

That is high praise indeed. It's a shame that no future president will ever have occasion to utter the same sort of accolade about William Jefferson Clinton.

Rich Hood is the editorial-page editor for The Kansas City Star.

Much of the reason for Ford's award was the sense of honor and decency he brought to the high office Nixon had bequeathed with the Watergate abuses. In fact, even though no one ever accused Ford of being either dynamic or charismatic, his stewardship of the Oval Office represented a necessary cleansing of the contamination Nixon and his thugs had spread.

LETTERS

Bomb is too easy to make

Parents, beware! There is a product sold in the stores that can be made into a bomb just by adding water to it.

I wonder how many people can guess what it is. I am astounded as to how many people had no idea of its potential hazards.

Both son found out the hard way, on our living room floor trying to make ice water fast. It shredded his arm in six different places (30 stitches). A 1-inch piece of glass was pulled from his cheek. A piece the size of a pinky fingernail entered his eye and lodged itself in the back of the eye (if the glass in his cheek had gone 2 inches higher, he would have injured both eyes). He has a 50-50 chance for the laser surgery to be a success. If it fails, the right eye is blind forever. For three weeks so far, he has had to stay home, no bumpy car rides allowed, and he can't look up until the surgery heals.

Our son is 17 years old. Depression and anxiety is a real problem. His goal was to become a commercial jet pilot. This horrible accident has changed all of our lives.

I wasn't going to write a letter because I was afraid that other kids would want to experiment. I'm hoping that most kids don't read the newspapers. Please, parents, beware!

Dry ice is the product.
CYNDIE HAWKER
Heyburn

Ace workers come through

I had the pleasure of having my kitchen faucet blow up this week, spraying water all over the counter, the floor and the ceiling. I say it was a pleasure because of the fine service I received from Canyon Rim Ace Hardware, where I went to start my fix-it project.

My broken faucet is about 40 years old, so you can expect a replacement isn't an easy task to find. Cal Bonander at Ace Hardware didn't have a problem, though. He called the wholesaler and personally drove across town to pick up the new faucet before the warehouse closed at 5 p.m. While I waited for Cal to return, I had a chance to observe

some of the best customer service

I've ever seen. Every customer who walked into the store was greeted by an employee. "What can I help you find today?" You

name it — they found it. And all the while, they chatted with the customers like they were old friends.

It's comforting to know customer service is still alive in this hurry-up world we all

live in. Thanks, Cal. Keep up the good work!
SIYAHN BARIGAR
Twin Falls

Vandalism spoils park

It started out as a nice Saturday lunch in Candy Cane park. We were just going to pick up some food and chat, enjoying the scenery. But imagine our dismay when we arrived and saw four tipped-over trash cans, garbage spilling out and blowing everywhere.

At first, we brushed it off as being the wind, as Twin Falls had had high gusts of wind the night before. But after investigating, we discovered that each trash can had its own hook, which either hooked over a tree or a tree to a metal pole. The cans were off the hooks, and it would take some very strong wind to unhook four trash cans and scatter garbage 50 yards away. Plus, they were in little groups as if someone had intended to make a mess.

We believe this is an awful act of vandalism and that something should be done. We have planned to take this matter up with the City Council and the Parks and Recreation Department of Twin Falls. Lots of ideas have formed in our minds and we can't wait to share them with you.

Most of you, like us, will probably assume this was done by teenagers just trying to cause trouble. And as two 15-year-old girls, we are valiantly trying to prove that there are more good than bad teenagers in Twin Falls. Most of us would love to make a difference and help out any way we can.

If you have any ideas to help us on our quest, please write in and let us know.
LIZ STUART
SARAH GULICK
Twin Falls

Device May Increase Gas Mileage by 22%

BOSTON — National Fuelveer Corp. of Boston has developed a low cost automotive accessory called the Platinum Gasaver which is guaranteed to increase gas mileage by 22% while meeting all emission standards.

With a simple connection to a vacuum line, the Gasaver adds microscopic quantities of platinum to the air-fuel mixture entering the engine.

Platinum has the unique ability to make non-burning fuel burn. With platinum in the flame zone, you increase the percentage of fuel burning in the engine from 68% of each gallon to 90%.

Since unburnt fuel is pollution, that additional 22% of each

gallon would only burn when it reaches the platinum surfaces of the catalytic converter.

Unfortunately, the converter's burning process takes place outside of the engine, where the energy produced from burning this fuel cannot be harnessed to drive your vehicle.

But with platinum in the combustion chambers, 22% more of each gallon burns inside the engine so that 22% fewer gallons are required to drive the same distance.

After studying this process for five years, the government concluded: "Independent testing shows greater fuel savings with the Gasaver than the 22%

claimed by the developer."

In addition to government confirmation of its fuel saving claims the Gasaver has received patents for raising gasoline octane, and has been approved for reducing emissions to acceptable levels.

Joel Robinson, the developer, commented: "We have sold over 350,000 Gasavers. To our surprise, as many people buy the Gasaver because it extends engine life (by cleaning out the abrasive carbon deposits) as buy it to increase gas mileage or raise octane."

For further information call:
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1-800-537-7427

TEST DATA

The government studied fuel saving test data on vehicles made by several auto makers using the Gasaver. Listed below is the data from a fleet of 15 identical 5-liter vehicles.

Vehicle	Miles/gal. without Gasaver	Miles/gal. with Gasaver	Percentage Increase
59	12.0	17.8	48.3%
63	11.3	16.6	46.9%
53	14.1	20.7	46.8%
51	13.0	18.8	44.6%
56	12.2	17.1	40.2%
64	9.6	13.3	38.5%
60	13.3	17.9	34.6%
55	9.8	13.1	33.7%
68	14.3	18.4	28.7%
50	10.8	13.9	28.7%
62	14.1	17.6	24.8%
66	15.8	17.5	10.8%
57	14.4	15.9	10.4%
54	13.1	14.0	6.9%
65	12.9	12.8	-1.2%
Average	12.7	16.3	28.3%

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WORLD

India's population races toward one billion mark



President of New Delhi crowd the streets August 23, India, according to U.N. demographers, is about to reach a population of one billion.

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Buzing scooters, banana carts and rickshaws jostle with the beggars and children for a pinch of space in the overstuffed alleys of Delhi's old city. India's population is about to hit 1 billion, and the crammed country looks ready to burst.

Soup vendor Muhammad Afzal sat on a throne-like stall above the honking, howling chaos of Old Delhi, and peered down at a mass of jobless men thrusting twig-thin arms upward for a ladle of his fatty purple dip. "Too many population," he said sternly.

Roughly one in six people on Earth is Indian. There are about 72,000 Indians born every day, and the population grows by about 16 million a year — almost the equivalent of adding the whole population of Australia every 12 months.

Exactly when the population will reach 1 billion is not entirely certain. The U.N. Population Division announced that the billionth baby would be born on Sunday — India's Independence Day. But the country's census commission sticks with a projected date of May 11, 2000.

Whenever the mark is passed, it won't be a moment of national pride.

In the half-century since India became independent, its population has tripled, and the ravages of poverty, ignorance and malnutrition have grown harder to tackle, while efforts to rein in growth have borne little fruit.

Farmland is divided into smaller and smaller parcels as generations multiply, water tables are dropping rapidly, forests are shrinking. And when agricultural land becomes scarce, thousands of people gush into the cities, forming sprawling, filthy shantytowns where only flies outnumber people.

"To get an idea of India's population, you would have to take the entire U.S. population and squeeze it east of the Mississippi and then multiply by four," said Lester Brown of Worldwatch Institute, an environmental and social research organization in Washington. "India is only 40 percent as big as the United States and has four times as many people."

Separatist violence plagues India's Independence Day

JAMMU, India — Separatist militants fired at a police station and set off bombs Sunday in attacks coinciding with India's Independence Day, officials said.

Police said at least seven people were killed and 17 wounded in the violence in the northern state of Kashmir and the north-eastern state of Assam.

The violence came as Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee said in a speech in New Delhi that India wants peace, but that Pakistan must stop training and arming militants waging war in Kashmir.

"Terrorists are being trained in Pakistan," Vajpayee said in the speech marking India's 52nd anniversary of independence from Britain. "They are killing innocent people and targeting women and children."

The two rival countries, the world's newest nuclear powers, have fought two wars over Kashmir, India's only Muslim-majority state.

Republic in Russia legalizes polygyny

MOSCOW — Ruslan S. Aushev, president of the Russian republic of Ingushetia, says he doesn't need a second bride, because his wife has already given him a male heir.

But that shouldn't keep other men from taking additional wives, he says, and so he signed a decree last month legalizing the practice of polygyny — that would be multiple wives, not husbands — in his southern Islamic republic.

"I am still getting letters from young girls saying how great the president is and offering to become my second or third wife," the 44-year-old Aushev said. "If I did not have a son already, I am dead sure I would take advantage of the decree myself."

But Aushev's presidential order has deeply offended women elsewhere in Russia who protest that it treats women as if they are the property of men.

"The country is obviously sliding into the Stone Age," said democratic activist Valeriy I. Nozdorskiy.

The decree also is a direct challenge to Russia's federal government as it struggles to hold together an increasingly diverse collection of 89 republics and regions across 11 time zones. Top Russian officials expressed their indignation but have taken no action to overturn the law.

Russia's Constitution prohibits polygyny, but the criminal code does not provide for any penalty.

Russian forces launch offensive in Dagestan

MAKHACHKALA — Russian warplanes and paratroopers attacked rebel positions Sunday trying to dislodge Islamic militants holding villages in the Caucasus Mountains.

Russia's offensive is concentrated just a few miles from the republic of Dagestan's rugged border with Chechnya, and the Interior Ministry said it bombed guerrilla points inside Chechnya on Saturday. Russian officials have said the standoff could spread to Chechnya and ignite a wider war.

Chechnya, which denies any connection to the rebels, responded Sunday by declaring a state of emergency, beefing up border posts, putting troops on combat alert and imposing a partial curfew.

The fighting, which began Aug. 7 when rebels crossed from Chechnya and seized several Dagestani villages, is the worst in southern Russia since Chechnya's war for independence from 1994-96.

Many of the militants apparently belong to the fundamentalist Wahhabi sect and are seeking an independent Islamic republic in the mostly Muslim Caucasus Mountain region.

In Dagestan on Sunday, Russian Su-25 warplanes and combat helicopters bombed the rebel-held villages of Ansalta, Rahata and Shodroda in the Botlikh district, local officials said. Paratroopers supported by artillery then moved in, trying to capture the Mianskiye Heights, which overlook the villages from the south.

There were no immediate reports of casualties.

The rebels, meanwhile, expanded their campaign by raiding the villages of Gagaiti and Rikvani in another region of Dagestan, fight-

World in brief

ing with police and local volunteer fighters.

Police block South Korean students from marching

SEOUL, South Korea — Armed with tear gas launchers and water cannons, South Korean riot police blocked thousands of leftist students from marching to the border with North Korea Sunday to promote national unification.

After a rally at Seoul National University, several hundred students confronted 8,000 riot police at the school's main gate at nightfall. About 200 students lay on the pavement, shouting "Let's accomplish unification!"

Several students were seen hurling fist-sized rocks at police, who did not respond with their tear gas and water cannons. No serious clashes were reported.

Senior government official denounces opposition

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Ratcheting up the rhetoric, a senior government official said Sunday that opposition's leaders are "terroristic" and accused them of planning to kill officials loyal to Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic.

The remarks by Mirko Marjanovic, the prime minister of Serbia and a close aide to Milosevic, were directed against the Alliance for Change, which is leading demonstrations calling for Milosevic to step down. Serbia is Yugoslavia's main republic.

In a statement, Marjanovic said opposition leaders want to "physically liquidate and kill those who think differently." He also accused opposition leaders of collaborating with NATO, which waged a 78-day bombing campaign to force Milosevic to accept a peace plan for Kosovo.

Marjanovic cited a speech at an anti-Milosevic rally Thursday, in which Alliance activist Vesna Petic warned that the Yugoslav people may use the "Romanian method," if the president refuses to step down. The remark referred to the bloody 1989 uprising in which Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was executed.

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Police arrest woman after chase

By Staff Writer
Times-News correspondent
SEBENSON - A high-speed chase through Blaine County...

the Bellevue Marshall's office, said a Ketchum patrolman attempted to pull over the vehicle...

spiked trap set by Shoshone police just outside the north entrance to town on Highway 93...

New feline leash law leads to Jerome council

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent
JEROME - Get your leash, Garfield, a new proposed law it headed to the Jerome City Council...

not reasonably be expected to be enforced."
But Sandy Seaver, the committee's chairman, said the ordinance would be signed...

Since cats have never been licensed in Jerome in the past those people who have extra cats and live in a residential zone stay...

ON THE AGENDA

- The Times-News
Today
Blaine County commissioners, 9:45 a.m.
Blaine School Board, 7:30 p.m., school board...

- Castelford School Board, 8 p.m., school library
Filer Planning and Zoning Commission, 8 p.m., City Council chambers...

- Blaine County Hospital Board, 7:30 p.m., hospital conference room
Mindoka County Planning and Zoning Commission, 8 p.m., planning office...

Although a public hearing is not required, the City Council will probably hold one to get public comment, City Administrator Jon Cecil said.

The proposed ordinance would limit the number of cats and dogs to three per household, and would require licenses for both dogs and cats over 6 months of age...

Karen Kramer, owner of Kramer's Katione, an animal grooming parlor, and member of the animal control committee, is opposed to the ordinance in its present form...

DEATH NOTICES

Clyde F. Goodman
TWIN FALLS - Clyde F. Goodman, 81, of Twin Falls died Sunday Aug. 15, 1999...

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THIS WEEK AT CSI

- The Times-News
Today
Open registration and advising, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Taylor Building Eagles Nest...

- Computer teachers meeting, noon, Taylor 258.
"Where in the Universe is Carmen Sandiego?" 4 and 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium...

- Auditorium.
"Flow to Build a Planet," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
Fall orientation beach party dance, 9 p.m., Eagle Hall dining room...

SERVICES

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OBITUARIES

FILER
The Miss Idaho pageant in 1969 she married Ron Metzger on August 1, 1969 and worked as a legal secretary from the time of her marriage until her illness forced her to quit.

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Queen contestants continue tradition

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — As Cassia County's fair and rodeo begins this week, seven young women prepare to compete for titles. For several, it's just following in mom's footsteps.

The competition for this year's Cassia County Fair and Rodeo Queen begins Tuesday morning with the traditional breakfast at Prince's Cafe and will continue all week until reigning Queen Becky Ward passes on her crown during Saturday's rodeo.

This year's contest includes young ladies from all over Cassia County.

Tabatha Zollinger of Declo is the daughter of Jill Bitsoi and the granddaughter of Wade and Linda Zollinger and Bob and Judy Stevens. Since the days when her mother put her to sleep by taking her riding, she became an experienced rodeo queen contestant. She served as rodeo princess in Oakley in 1996-97 and also competed in Burley and Rupert in 1998. She loves volleyball, basketball, rodeo and most of all having fun. Zollinger is sponsored by the Oakley Whites.

Elizabeth Buffy Cooper of Oakley is the daughter of Rusty and Penny Cooper. She's working her way through college at Southern Idaho with her eyes on a degree in elementary education. Cooper said she loves rodeo and has been riding all her life. She competes for the rodeo princess crown in Oakley in 1997 and 1998, and is the first in her



Tabatha Zollinger



Elizabeth Cooper



Sydney Kidd



Becky Ward

family to enter the queen contest. Her sponsor is the Cassia County Sheriff's posse.

Sydney Kidd, the daughter of Dan and Terri Kidd of Declo, has been riding since she could walk. She shows horses every year at the fair and ran for Minidoka County Junior Princess about six or seven years ago. She looks forward to learning cosmetology after high school graduation. Sydney gets a kick out of performing with the Declo Swing dance team. She also is a member of the track team and is a member of the student council.

Jamie Chaturban, daughter of Jeff and Tammy Chaturban of Albion, said the contest must be in her blood, since her mother is a former first runner-up for rodeo queen. She enjoys showing horses and beef cattle. She looks forward to college, where she'll go for a degree in animal science

and a chance at the basketball team. One of her dreams is to own a riding school for disabled children.



Jamie Chaturban

Nikki Ward, who is entering the princess contest this year. She is sponsored by the Burley Lions Club.

Nikki Ward is a real fan of volleyball, high school rodeo, Future Farmers of America, riding horses and being with her friends. Her buckskin gelding, Choo Lee Chee, is nicknamed Woodtick. The 15-year-old was Oakley's reigning princess until July 24. Stephanie King loves swimming, playing the violin, high

school rodeo, and FFA. Stephanie was chosen Miss Teen Idaho last year — as the youngest contestant. She's the daughter of a Blackfoot rodeo queen, Vicki Wadsworth King. Stephanie said she loves the competition. She dreams of a future in animal science, and maybe equine massage therapy.

Main events

The Cassia County Fair and Rodeo continues through Saturday at the Cassia County Fairgrounds. Here are some highlights of this week's event.

- The Jamboree will feature Lee Ann Womack at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Tuesday.
- The Commercial Building will be open from noon to 10 p.m. Tuesday, 1 to 10 p.m. Wednesday, and from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday.
- The carnival opens Tuesday.
- Queen and Princess Breakfast at Prince's Cafe on Tuesday, \$6.50 per plate.
- Parade will begin at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in downtown Burley.
- Team Sorting at 7 p.m. Wednesday.
- Queen and Princess Horsemanship at 8 p.m. Thursday in the rodeo arena.
- 4-H Bowl from 2 to 4 p.m. Thursday in the Free Stage Gazebo.

- The Mindbenderz Show "Beyond Hypnosis" at 4 and 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday.
- Perlmutter Horse Races at 1 p.m. Friday and Saturday.
- Rodeo Special events at 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday include:
 - Wild Cow Riding — Thursday and Saturday.
 - Kid's Night — Thursday — kids under 12, 4-H and FFA members will be admitted free.
 - Queen's Goat Tying — Thursday.
 - Cow Scramble — Thursday — ribbon catcher wins \$10.
 - Family Night — Friday — Grandstand reserve: 2 adults, 3 kids — \$18
 - Queen's Polo banding — Friday.
 - Princess Coronation — Friday.
 - Queen's Coronation — Saturday.
 - Dutch Oven Cookoff — Friday — judging begins at 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Samples will be shared.
 - 4-H and FFA Market Animal and Breeding Sale — Saturday, 9 a.m.

Student leaders want gun ban

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — Student leaders from 10 Utah colleges demanded that the Utah Legislature act to ban guns and other weapons from their campuses.

"We should not have to wait until there's a major tragedy in our state before we take a stand on the issue," said Ben McAdams, student body president at the University of Utah.

Said DeVere Day of Snow College: "This is not a gun control issue. This is a safe campus issue." The students met Saturday at Weber State University as part of the Utah Council of Student Body Presidents, which has delegates from the state's public schools, Brigham Young University and Westminster College.

The council held a news conference at the student senate room, where a man was shot and killed six years ago by a campus police officer. The man had shot at the

"I made everyone aware that the gun issue was a problem, here at Weber State and throughout the state," said Weber State student body president Dee Hansen. The council began discussing gun control on college campuses earlier this year when Gov. Mike Leavitt called for a special legislative session to address state gun laws.

Leavitt raised the issue after two mass shootings in Salt Lake City.

Currently, Utah law allows people to carry guns on school and church property if they have a concealed weapons permit. The Republican-dominated Legislature declined to conduct the special session.

McAdams said the council will lobby House members to address it during next year's general session.

He claimed college administrators, the state's Board of Regents and a majority of students support the cause.

Rep. Joe Murray, R-Ogden, said he supports it, too. "I've already voted against guns on schools and campuses," Murray said. "If someone could come up with a law that would correct that problem, I would certainly vote for it."

Kristian Olsen, student body president of Southern Utah University in Cedar City, said something needs to be done.

"We have people here from towns of 4,000 people to Salt Lake City. I think something we all have this broad sense of concern," Olsen said.

Utahns try to adjust following tornado

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah residents were nowhere near the tornado that cut through downtown Salt Lake, but the freak storm touched people far from the path of destruction.

"It hit structures that are near and dear to people in this area, like the Delta Center and Temple Square," said Paul Whitehead, a Salt Lake City psychiatrist.

"These are buildings where almost everyone has been many times. Therefore, people think they could have been there that day. It brings it into closer proximity," Whitehead said.

Studies have shown that natural disasters can have profound psychological effects. The most seriously affected are those directly touched by the disaster, followed by their family and friends.

The broader community suffers, too.

"For everyone who believed that 'tornadoes are not us' now is having a reaction to the tornado," said Bob Dingman, a mental-health officer for the American Red Cross.

It takes time to adjust to this reality, he said, and accept the fact that the tornadoes are a possibility in Salt Lake City and can hit almost anywhere.

Reactions to the tornado will "vary all over the place," Dingman said, but common complaint was an "uneasy feeling" that things aren't exactly right. This should go away as the crisis passes.

Carol Fruik of Tooele formerly lived in the Midwest, where tor-

nados are more common than in Utah. She said she found it easier in the Midwest to accept the risk of tornadoes.

"Out here, we haven't thought about them, so they're not on our list of acceptable risks," Fruik said.

Will Pitkin, a retired Utah State University professor from Hyde Park, tried on Friday to replace a few small ginkgo trees to replace those lost on Capitol Hill.

"It's a reminder of how puny we are against the forces of nature," Pitkin said.

Whitehead said a common response to disasters is a search for reasons.

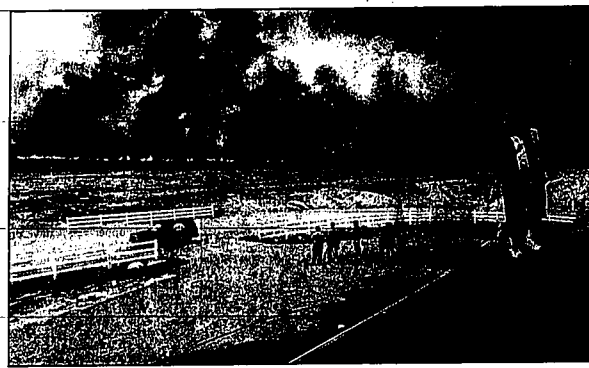
"It is an attempt to master some of the anxiety associated with a natural disaster," he said.

Some people have discussed the way the Mormon Temple was spared, implying a greater force may have diverted the reports about tornado predictions stem from a human desire to predict an otherwise unpredictable event.

"We want to bring order to randomness," he said.

In some cases, Whitehead said the stress of a natural disaster can cause psychological harm.

Studies of people living near Mount St. Helens, Wash., during its 1980 eruption showed an increase in cases of single-episode depression and a higher incidence of generalized anxiety. Cases of post-traumatic stress syndrome were seen in people most directly affected by the volcano.



Saratoga Springs, Utah, homeowner Alex Lyons tries to protect his roof as a fire moves in Saturday. He was waiting for word on whether he would have to evacuate.

Firefighters contain Utah blaze

SARATOGA SPRINGS, Utah (AP) — Firefighters contained a 3,000-acre brush fire early Sunday and then worked to control the flames, burning along the western shore of Utah Lake.

Forest Service spokesman Jim Springer said the fire was burning scrub brush and dry grass. At one point, it threatened some homes on state Route 88, and an explosives factory.

However, firefighters stopped the blaze with no damage to structures. Springer said the explosives factory was evacuated, and the fire burned past it with no damage to the building.

Overnight, firefighters worked to keep the fire from spreading upward, onto mountain terrain.

Utah County Fire Marshal Tom Wroe was investigating a report that two vehicles were seen near the fire's origin. The Daily Herald of Provo reported.

Utah County firefighters joined others from the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Forest Service and the Lehi Fire Department to contain the blaze.

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Idahoans take home lottery winnings


BOISE (AP) — A Blackfoot woman won \$50,000 when the Idaho Lottery hosted its tenth anniversary second chance drawing.

Edith Burkovich took home the prize Saturday after the drawing at the Boise Towne Square Mall.

Duncan Mosier of Ontario, Ore. and Michael Krahn of Boise each won \$10,000, while Walter Caster of Julianetta, H.L. Schofield of Spirit Lake and Larry Ferguson of Idaho Falls were each drawn for a \$5,000 prize.

The Idaho Lottery was created in 1989 after voters approved a constitutional amendment repealing a ban on lotteries.

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SPORTSQUOTE

“I’d go crazy if I couldn’t watch hockey.”

—Oakland As slugger *Matt Stairs*, season-nicknamed *Hot for the NHL's San Jose Sharks*, who grew up playing hockey in Fredericton, New Brunswick, and was a prospect until a 1984 knee-on-knee collision ended his NHL dream

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Legion baseball
Burley at regional tournament in Glendive, Mont.

IN BRIEF

Rain delays Burley regional in Legion

GLENDIVE, Mont. — Rain delayed the start of Burley's third round game against Salem, Ore., in the American Legion Class A Regional Tournament in Glendive, Mont., Sunday. Early afternoon rains forced tournament officials to reschedule the 7 p.m. game to 9:30 p.m.

At press deadline, the home team Bobcats trailed 5-1 after two complete innings of play. Salem exploded for five runs in its half of the second, three of them coming on a three-run home run by third baseman Ryan Godfrey. Adam Hope scored the only Burley run. After being hit by a pitch, Hope stole second, moved to third on a throwing error and scored on a wild pitch. Bobcat starter Matt Peterson had four strikeouts through two innings.

Facing the only other unbeaten team in the tournament, Burley needs a win against Salem to secure a spot in the championship rounds Monday and, if necessary, Tuesday. If the Bobcats defeat Salem, they will face the Aberdeen (Wash.) Bombers today at 7:05 p.m. Should they lose, they will get a lesser-out rematch with Hayre, Mont., beginning at 3:35 p.m.

Coronation Sunday at Magic Valley Open

TWIN FALLS — Rob Welch went 3-0 in round-robin to place second and was one of three winners Sunday after the final round of the 1999 Twin Falls Tennis Association's Magic Valley Open.

Welch won the Men's 4.5 singles division, winning one match Friday and recording back-to-back wins Sunday morning. He and Coats and Timoney won both of their matches in round-robin play to take the men's 4.5 doubles title.

Daniel Perry beat Danial Wagner in straight, identical 6-1 sets to win the men's opening singles title. Janet Burdick beat Tanya Heidenreich 6-1, 6-3 in the women's 3.0 singles. In doubles, Coats and Heidi Stutzman won the women's 3.0 doubles title.

Other division winners were Tom Schmidt (men's 3.5 singles), Robert Perry (men's 4.0 singles), Michael Burke and Richard Seewald (men's 3.5 doubles), Janet Burdick (women's 3.0 singles), Tracy Wagner (women's 3.5 singles), Lora Roberts (women's 4.0 singles), Janice Etteger and Leidy Wong (women's 3.5 doubles), Lora Coats and Robert Sawyer (women's 4.0 doubles), Sandra Grimmer and Tim Ranbar (mixed 7.0 doubles) and Lara Roberts (mixed 8.0 doubles).

Compiled from staff reports

Street stocks stay locked in battle for first

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — How much closer can it get atop the Budweiser Street stock leader board?

Eight points separate four drivers after racing concluded Saturday night at the Magic Valley Speedway, and thanks in part to Mountain Dew Modified points leader Bruce Quale — who's threatening to run away with his third truck championship, and second in three years — the drama only tightens in the Street category.

Date "the Rebel" Miles, having brought his super-fast Plymouth Voltant back from the dead following a disastrous crash into the Turn 4 wall three weeks ago, used a

Quale extends lead in bid for third championship

radiator borrowed from Quale to take over the division lead with his fourth main event win Saturday.

He wrested away control of the top spot from Norman Hatke and his Camaro alter-Hatke, who finished behind Miles in second, was penalized and awarded fourth place points for an illegal carburetor part.

Hot running Jeffrey Meads remains in third, while Thomas Powell stands in fourth.

All four have the cars and the experience to take home the championship with each having his say on the track the final five weekends of racing.

Meanwhile, Quale took his fifth win of the season in the second of two Modified

races Saturday, virtually locking up the championship — only a complete collapse or major mechanical flaw can hold back the Twin Falls driver.

Quale stretched his advantage to 59 points over a suddenly slower Steve Jones. Jones didn't run very well over the weekend, capturing only a fourth place in Saturday's first race won by Brett Thompson.

Action returns Aug. 21 with a special night of racing that includes the Late Model Lite, Midguts, Street stocks, NAPA Auto Parts Pony stocks and everyone's favorite: a trailer race.

The green flag falls at 7 p.m.

Truck racer Newhouse moves motor

After a weeklong dispute over whether or not his motor was placed too far back inside the engine compartment — giving Twin Falls' race truck driver Jason Newhouse an unfair advantage over his competitors — the order came down Thursday from American Racing Trucks national series director Greg Larrimore.

Move it forward.

It basically came down to a matter of Newhouse's interpretation of the rule for engine setup, Larrimore said.

"The location of the engine where it sits back from the No. 4 spark plug center hole to our reference point for an imaginary line

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Golfer Tiger Woods celebrates winning his first PGA Championship Sunday at the Medinah Country Club in Medinah, Ill.

Weary Woods wins Wanamaker

Outlasts surging teen-ager Garcia to claim second major title

The Associated Press

MEDINAH, Ill. — Sergio Garcia was sprinting across fairways and leaping like a pixie through the air as the crowd screamed in excitement. Tiger Woods kept his feet planted firmly on the ground, just when it mattered the most.

A wild back nine at Medinah Country Club nearly ended Woods' bid for the unthinkably Woods blowing a five-shot lead with seven holes to go in the PGA Championship.

It did end with a mentally exhausted Woods winning his second major championship.

8-foot par putt on the 17th hole when just about everything seemed to be going wrong.

"I thought just go ahead and trust your stroke and bury it," Woods said.

Woods appeared to have only the format of a victory in mind down the stretch after making a curling putt on the 11th hole to get to 15 under and take a five-shot lead over Garcia.

Who holes later, though, Woods had lost three shots to par and Garcia had birdied No. 13.

The lead was only one and the raucous crowd lining the fairways and greens was being treated to a show unlike any seen before at the normally staid PGA Championship.

The Spanish teenage sensation was ripping balls through trees and pines.

He was running after shots and leaping in the air to see where they landed.

And Woods was looking badly,



Spaniard Sergio Garcia blasts out of a tough lie at the base of a tree Sunday on the 15th hole during final round action at the PGA Championship. Garcia's shot landed on the green and he was able to save par on the hole.

in dire need of something, anything, to stop the momentum.

He got it with the putt on 17, curling it in from the left into the center of the hole.

"I remember it a foot and a half away just zeroing in on the left side of the hole," Woods said.

"Even though I lost four shots on two holes, I still had the lead," Woods said.

"That's what I tried to focus on. Even though Sergio had the momentum, I had the lead."

Garcia also had the crowd, something almost as inconceivable in the era of Tigermania as Woods blowing a lead on a Sunday afternoon.

In seven previous tournaments, Woods won every time he had the lead going into Sunday. In all those tournaments, he also had

Late birdie lifts Steinhauer in defense of Women's British Open crown

The Associated Press

WOBURN, England — Helped by a friendly kick from a green-side bank, Sherri Steinhauer won the Women's British Open for the second year in a row on Sunday.

The 36-year-old American appeared headed for a playoff with Sweden's Annika Sorenstam when she pitched her third shot from 115 yards towards the 18th green.

The ball landed on a bank at the top of a bunker at the front-right of the green, then went



Sherri Steinhauer, who won last year on her first outing at Royal Lytham, triumphed again on her first appearance at Woburn after

speeding towards the flag.

It ended 6 feet from the hole and Steinhauer punched the air in celebration after holing the birdie putt.

Steinhauer, who won last year on her first outing at Royal Lytham, triumphed again on her first appearance at Woburn after

that putt gave her a level par 73 for the final round and a 9-under total of 283.

She became the first player to win the title two years in a row and next year returns as two-time defending champion to play Royal Birkdale, also for the first time.

"This was one of the most difficult days of the tour, and to come out winning is just an incredible feeling," said the American, who feared she might suffer a repeat of last week's tournament at Boston, where she led the field

going into the final round only to lose.

"Last week at Boston I had a two-shot lead, I double bogeyed the second and I didn't win. This week I had a one-shot lead and I double bogeyed the first hole and it didn't bring back a lot of good memories."

"Yesterday I couldn't do much wrong, but today when I did make a mistake I got punished for it a lot. Until the last hole. That was a good break right there."

The result meant that Sorenstam wound up runnerup

for the third time after her 72 gave her a total of 284.

"Second is not a bad finish," said the Swede, the 1995 U.S. Open title and two British Open runnerup in '94 and '95.

"I get some (ranking) points and some dollars. But it was as if there was a lid on the hole today."

One stroke further behind at 285 came another American, Cindy Flem, who finished with a 71. Australia's Fiona Pike, a U.S. Tour rookie who had a 74, and England's Helen Dobson, who carded a 70.

Gordon triumphs, but Fellows steals the thunder at Frontier

The Associated Press

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. — Jeff Gordon won the race to add another piece of NASCAR history to his glittering resume, but Ron Fellows won over the crowd with an incredible performance that nearly spoiled The Kid's celebration.

"He's a great road racer," Gordon said after beating Fellows by less than a second on his third straight race at the Glen, enabling him to pass Rusty Wallace and Mark Martin for career victories on the serpentine tracks where the circuit races twice each year.

He credited crew chief Ray Evernham and his team for that dominance.

"They always find a way to make it go faster," said Gordon, who also won two months ago in Sonoma, Calif. "All I had to do was try not to make too many mistakes."

It was Gordon's 47th career victory and fifth this year, giving him the most wins in the series. Should he wind up with the most victories this year, Gordon would become the only driver to lead the circuit five years in a row.

But the win — his fifth straight on a road course — did little to enhance his



the victory.

"I'm sure tomorrow I'll feel better with second place," Fellows said.

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chances for a record-setting third straight title.

Gordon advanced a position in the standings to fifth after 21 of 34 races, but has conceded for weeks that he has nothing more than a mathematical chance to catch series leader Dale Jarrett.

"Gordon trails Jarrett by 482 points. After finishing fourth, Jarrett's lead over Martin is commanding 307 points."

"We did what we needed to do, and

Jeff Gordon, driving the DuPont Chevrolet on Turn 1, extends his lead over runner-up Ron Fellows Sunday during the Frontier at the Glen NASCAR Winston Cup Series race.

I'm extremely happy with that," Jarrett said after the best road-course finish of his career.

Wallace, who set the track record with a qualifying speed of 121.234 mph, finished third in his Ford.

Gordon got \$119,860 from a purse of \$1.8 million. His average speed was 87.722 mph in a race slowed by caution seven times for 15 laps.

There were 12 lead changes.

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Speedway

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PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Amid heightened security, young Jewish athletes gathered Sunday for the Maccabi Games...

"I'm sure it will be great," said Bill Roth of New York City, whose 13-year-old daughter Caroline is in the swimmer's position...

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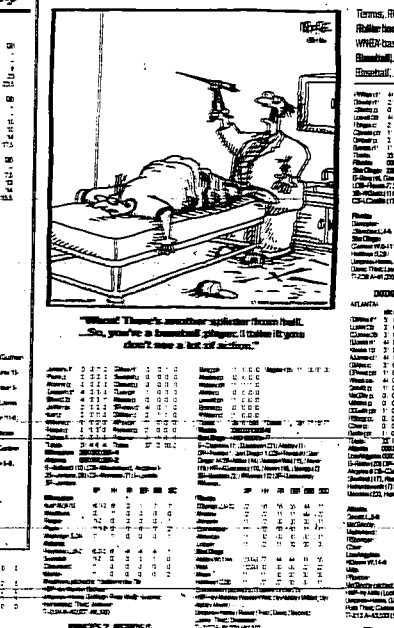
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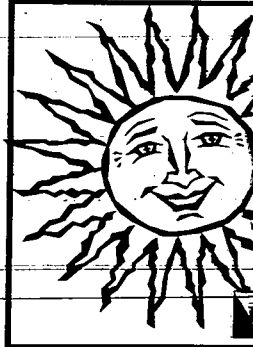
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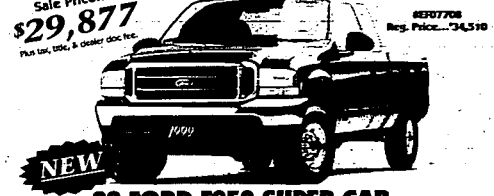
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Running uphill!

- Shorten your pace as the trail gets steeper.
- Avoid bouncing (extra leg lift is wasted effort).
- On a steep trail, turn sideways occasionally and take a few sideways steps to relieve pressure on your Achilles tendons.

As the trail flattens out, increase your cadence (stride frequency) first, then the length of your stride.

'Blocking' can damage the quadriceps muscle by forcing it to contract while it lengthens.

To control your speed, land on your heels and use your quadriceps for braking as little as possible.

Arch and heel strike shoes don't support accurate "strike" foot placement because important motion, rolling or tilting, is impeded. Repetitive stress injuries: Running on the irregular surface of a trail is a way to avoid repetitive pounding on pavement.

However, "ultra distance" trail runs, which can be as long as 100 miles, increase the risk of stress fracture, tendonitis, etc.

SOURCES: All American Trail Running Assn., trainer Bob Cutler of Durango, Colo.

GRAPHIC: PAUL TRAPP/ART

TO DO FOR YOU

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - A cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Tuesday in the doctors' meeting room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Fee is \$11. To register, call 737-2007.

TWIN FALLS - CPR and First Aid review classes will be held at 9 a.m. each Tuesday and 1 p.m. each Friday at the American Red Cross office. An evening review class is also scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

If your certification is about to expire, register for the class that is suitable for your schedule. Preregistration and prepayment is required for all classes. For more information, call 733-6464 or (888) 367-6321 or stop by the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

TWIN FALLS - A childbirth refresher course will be offered from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesday in the Education Center at MVRMC. Preregistration is required, call 737-2900.

TWIN FALLS - The Co-Dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Canyon View West Group Room. Fee is \$10. For more information, call 734-6760.

HAILEY - A Standard First Aid (adult CPR and first aid) six and one-half hour class is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday in Hailey.

Preregistration and prepayment is required. For more information, call the American Red Cross office in Twin Falls at 733-6464 or (888) 367-6321.

TWIN FALLS - The Sunrise Care Center and Rehabilitation Alzheimer's Support Group will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday to the center, 640 Filler Ave. W.

For more information, call Becky Jacobsen or Doe Fester at 734-8645.

GOODING - The Gooding Rehabilitation and Living Center Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at the center, 1220 Montana St. For more information, call Donna Behunin at 934-5601.

BUHL - The Snake River Rehabilitation and Living Center Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the

center, 820 Sprague St. For more information, call Mark Holbrook at 543-6401.

TWIN FALLS - The Here and Now Bereavement Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday at Hospice Visions, 1300 Kimberly Road. For more information, call Flo at 733-0121.

IDAHO FALLS - The Southern Idaho Gastric Bypass Patient Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Friday at the Eastern Idaho Medical Center, 3100 Channing Way in Idaho Falls.

For more information, call Colleen Cook at St. Mark's Center for the Surgical Treatment of Obesity in Salt Lake City at (800) 333-9129.

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

Preregistration and prepayment is required. For more information, call 733-6464 or (888) 367-6321 or stop by the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

TWIN FALLS - A Standard First Aid (adult CPR and first aid) six and one-half hour class will be offered at 6 p.m. Aug. 23 and 24 at the American Red Cross office.

Preregistration and prepayment is required. For more information, call the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

TWIN FALLS - A cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Aug. 24 in the Education Center at MVRMC. Preregistration is not required.

TWIN FALLS - The Co-Dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Aug. 25 at the Canyon View West Group Room. Fee is \$10. For more information, call 734-6760.

TWIN FALLS - An infant CPR class will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Aug. 25 in the Education Center at MVRMC. Preregistration is not required.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion. All notices in The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

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General rules. The property of a married person dying without a will and having children by a prior marriage passes as follows: all community property goes to the surviving spouse. Separate property goes one-half to the surviving spouse and one-half to children by a prior marriage or relationship.

Agreement. If the survivor openly acknowledged the stepchildren's property interest they can assert their rights at any time up to and including the settlement (probate) of the survivor's estate.

Stepping on rights. If the surviving spouse takes the position that the house is his and the stepchildren fail to bring a legal action to determine rights within five years, the surviving spouse will have acquired complete ownership under the doctrine of adverse possession.

Lesson: The law does not favor those who slumber on their rights. The better course is for each of us to make a will or trust providing for the disposition of our property and for the survivors to settle decedents' estates promptly.

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Some parents just say 'no' to immunizations

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO - Sherry Weid isn't about to allow one more vaccine for her son David.

In September 1998, as part of an Illinois mandate that fifth-graders be vaccinated against the disease, David Weid, 14, was given the second of three hepatitis B shots. After the first shot, David suffered flu-like symptoms of muscle soreness and low-grade fever that might be associated with any immunization.

"He seemed better when we went for the second shot," said Weid, a special education teacher at Elgin High School. "But within a week, he went straight downhill. Now he has muscle and joint weakness so bad he can barely play with our dog without exhausting himself. He has severe headaches and nausea. He is extremely sensitive to light. He hasn't been in school since the second shot."

Three different doctors have linked David's condition to the hepatitis B vaccine. Weid said she knows of 30 children in the state who have experienced similar adverse effects.

"I don't blame our doctor," Weid said. "He didn't know any more about the vaccine than we

Parents need to stay informed

Immunizations represent one of the first medical decisions parents will make for their child. But some parents aren't given the opportunity—or don't have the facts—to make that all-important first decision.

In July, the U.S. Public Health Service and American Academy of Pediatrics issued a joint bulletin advising physicians to hold off on hepatitis B shots

for infants whose mothers tested negative for the illness during pregnancy. The decision was made because the Food and Drug Administration found that hepatitis B shot, given at birth, along with four other vaccines containing the mercury-based substance thimerosal given before 6 months of age, could expose infants to higher-than-safe levels of the toxin. Low birth-weight babies are most at risk for mercury overload.

—Source: Chicago Tribune

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