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Clinton's offer outraged the anti-terrorism activists and members of FALN's former leadership, who said the move would be a betrayal of the struggle for Puerto Rican independence.

On Thursday, the U.S. House considered the clemency of Clinton's 1994-95 release. But the Senate has not yet passed the measure.



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Clinton's offer outraged law enforcement officials and victims of FALN violence, and complicated his wife's bid to win a Senate seat from New York, which has a large Puerto Rican population.

On Thursday, the U.S. House condemned the clemency offer on a 311-41 vote that was little more than symbolic, since Clinton holds exclusive power over clemency.



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NATION

Parents mourn toddler

E. coli at fair to blame; 2nd daughter doing OK

MALTA, N.Y. (AP) - Standing in the chilly drizzle, Wayne and Lori Aldrich released colored balloons Friday as they buried their 3-year-old daughter Rachel...

Then they headed back to the hospital to await a final report on their 2-year-old daughter Kayla, who was struggling with kidney failure after sipping a glass of water with her sister on Aug. 28 at the Washington County Fair.

Nearly 500 suspected cases of contamination have been reported from the fair, held 30 miles north of Albany, making it New York state's largest E. coli outbreak ever.

Eight other children from the fair were on dialysis Friday at Albany Medical Center Hospital as doctors tried to filter toxins from their blood. Two other children and two adults also remained hospitalized.

Rain runoff is believed to have washed the potentially deadly E. coli bacteria from cow manure at a nearby cattle barn into the fair's underground water supply.

After a graveside memorial service underneath a canopy of pine trees, Mrs. Aldrich distributed Rachel as "happy, vivacious, full of fun and compassion."

"When we were at the fair, there were balloons released," the girl's father said. "Rachel asked why and at the time I didn't know, but today I was inspired. Sometimes things you love just slip away from you."

Report: Democrats sought lists from public stations

WASHINGTON (AP) - Democratic organizations sometimes aggressively pursued names of members and donors from public television and radio stations, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting's inspector general said Friday.

In a telephone interview Kenneth Konz expanded on a study he released Thursday that showed station lists were rented or exchanged exclusively with Democratic organizations.

Why weren't Republicans also on the receiving end of the lists? Konz said they simply didn't go after the station names in the same way

Democrats did. "I can say I saw several organizations out there, Democratic organizations, apparently, that had approached brokers about obtaining lists from public television," Konz said in a telephone interview. He turned up no evidence of similar efforts by Republicans.

At issue is whether stations, which get federal funding through the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, violated tax law by providing their donor lists to political groups.

Tax experts have said that such activities would not constitute violations so long as all parties or candidates received equal access to the lists.

Drought trims crop production to provide modest price boost

WASHINGTON (AP) - The drought has taken its toll on farmers who grow corn, soybeans and cotton, cutting yields up to a third in some states while providing a modest increase in depressed commodity prices, the government said Friday.

Based on its latest survey of crop conditions, the Agriculture Department predicted that farmers will harvest 9.4 billion bushels of corn this year, 2 percent under last month's forecast. The expected cotton harvest is down 4 percent, and the forecast for soybeans fell 3 percent.

"I don't see a whole lot of optimism at this point," USDA economist Larry Salathie said.

The crop losses are likely to increase pressure on Congress to fund its planned bailout of the agricultural economy.

The Senate approved \$7.4 billion in farm aid last month to compensate growers for a second year of low commodity prices. The Clinton administration is preparing its own proposal that is likely to include additional assistance for wheat-related losses. The White House is considering recommending as much as \$800 million, Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said.

Court will hear air-bag liability case

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court will decide whether millions of Americans who own cars built before air bags became mandatory can sue automakers for not installing the safety devices.

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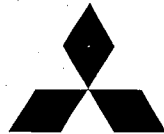
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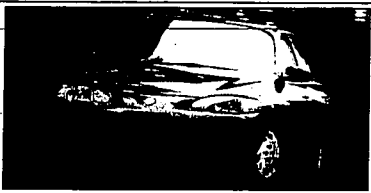
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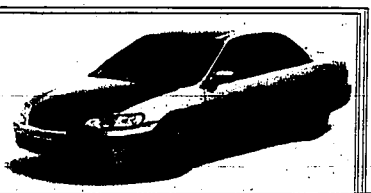


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— Bill Barozz, a South Carolina tobacco-spitting champion

“Since a very good judge that was using a lot of wisdom this afternoon ruled that I have freedom of speech tonight, I am going to take it. So I have chosen to pray to solemnize this game. And if you want to participate, bow your heads and give thanks to the Lord.”

— Texas teen-ager Marlan Ward, after a judge ruled she couldn’t be punished for a public pre-game prayer



Madeline Albright

“Either Indonesia has to take care of the situation itself or allow the international community to come in.”

— Secretary of State Madeleine Albright as anti-independence militias continued a wave of terror

“This is the time that we badly need some peacekeeping troops in this region to protect ordinary people who have no weapons, such as children, women and the elderly.”

— Bishop Carlos Belo, co-winner of the 1996 Nobel Peace Prize, speaking about violence in East Timor

“I accept responsibility for the conduct as outlined.”

— Former Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros, pleading guilty to a misdemeanor charge of lying to the FBI about payments to an ex-mistress

“He experienced some double vision and his blood pressure spiked.”

— Jim Brown, a spokesman for the Jerry Lewis annual Labor Day Telethon, as Lewis fought off health problems to raise a record \$53.1 million

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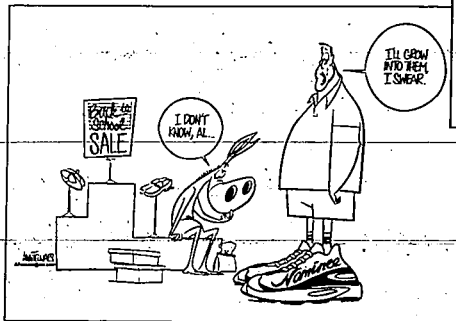
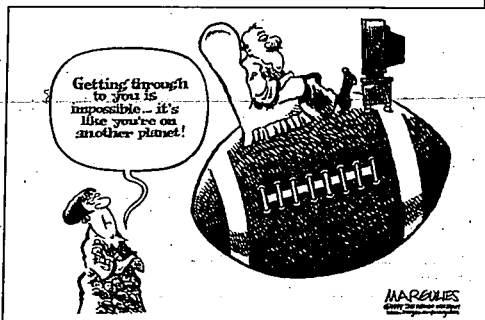
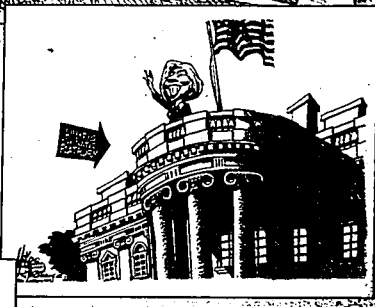
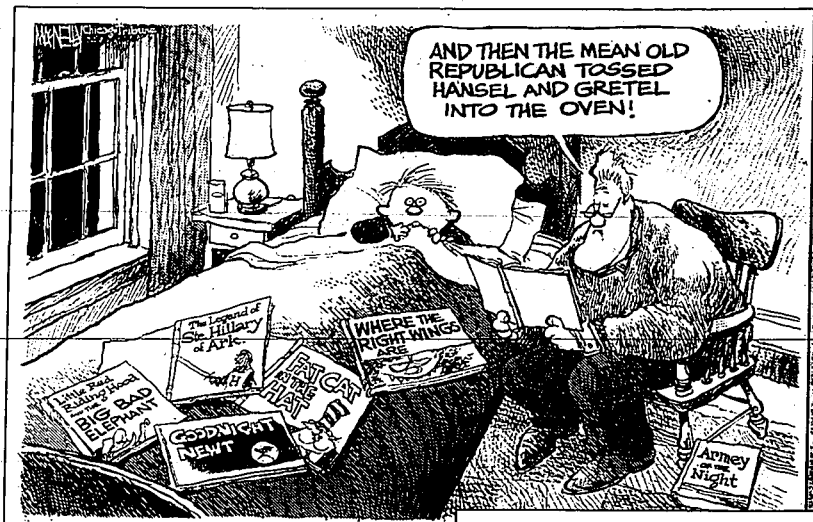
“I hope it means that I’m willing to stand up for what is right, that I’m willing to stand up for folks in Idaho against a government that is arrogant, intransigent.”

— Idaho Lt. Gov. Butch Otter



Butch Otter

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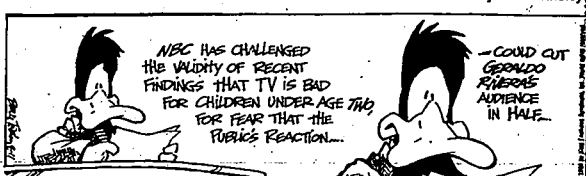
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# Women lead at New Hampshire Statehouse

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — For years, the New Hampshire Legislature has resembled the state's most popular landmark, the granite mountain profile known as the Old Man of the Mountain — male, mature and sometimes craggy.

Not anymore. With Sen. Beverly Hollingworth's election as president last week, New Hampshire became the first state to have a female governor, a female Senate president and a female House speaker all at the same time.

The Statehouse trifecta started with Gov. Jesse Shaheen, 52, a Democrat who was elected the state's first female chief executive in 1996. A month later, 10-term Republican Rep. Donna Sytek became the first woman to lead the House. Both were re-elected in 1998.

After last year's elections, Shaheen became the first state to have an all-female executive line of succession: governor, secretary of state, attorney general, treasurer and superintendent of public instruction.

Hollingworth, 63, a Democrat, came to power after a lawmaker died while serving as Senate president.

She said the fact that she joins two other women in charge is irrelevant — but that she served with Sytek in the House and with



New Hampshire's top elected officials, from left, Speaker of the House Donna Sytek, Governor Jesse Shaheen and Senate President Beverly Hollingworth, make the state the only one with all three top jobs held by women.

Shaheen in the Senate is significant. "It helps us," she said. "We all know each other and how the process works."

Sytek, 54, agreed that the women will work well together because of their experience as lawmakers, not because they are women. "I think it's an interesting historical footnote, but I don't think it changes anything," she said.

Sytek pointed out that women have led legislative committees

in New Hampshire since the 1970s. "It was only a matter of time until we'd have presiding officers," she said.

Iva Deutchman, a professor at Hobart and William Smith Colleges who has done extensive research on gender and state legislatures, said she doesn't find it surprising that New Hampshire's top three leaders are women, given the size and makeup of the Legislature.

The House's 400 members make it the third-largest parli-

mentary body in the English-speaking world. Thirty-two percent are women, the seventh-highest proportion in the nation.

"You would think at some point where women passed the token status and reached a critical mass, they would reach into leadership," Deutchman said. "It would be odd if they didn't." Shaheen makes about \$90,000. But the House speaker and Senate president are paid just \$125 a year; other lawmakers get \$100. That prompted Sytek to joke: "Women are in low-paying jobs all over the country and in New Hampshire, too."

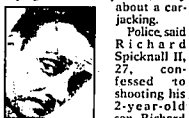
The biggest issue the three women face is finding a way to make up a \$100 million shortfall in the state's new education funding system.

Sytek is a fiscal conservative who wants to fill the gap by restraining spending in other programs. Shaheen is pushing for a capital gains tax. Hollingworth still believes an income tax — something New Hampshire doesn't have — is the best solution, despite Shaheen's promise to veto it.

Despite their philosophical differences, all three are known for their ability to reach across party lines to find solutions. "I don't think gender has anything to do with it," Sytek said. "It's more a matter of your approach to the Legislature."

# Second child dies; dad charged

CAMBRIDGE, Md. (AP) — A 3-year-old girl died Friday, a day after police accused her father of shooting her and her brother and trying to cover it up with a story about a car-jacking.



Richard Spicknall

Police said Richard Spicknall II, 27, confessed to shooting his 2-year-old son, Richard Spicknall III, who died Thursday, and his daughter, Destiny Arroy Spicknall, who was severely wounded and died Friday.

Spicknall was ordered jailed without bond Friday on charges of murder and attempted murder. Police said the second charge would be upgraded to murder.

Spicknall had told their moth-

er, his estranged wife, that he was taking their children for a vacation in Ocean City, Md. Instead, authorities say, he shot them both at close range while they were buckled in their car seats.

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# Statistical scholars debunk well-publicized 'Bible code'

NEW YORK (AP) — An international team of statisticians is debunking the controversial "Bible code," which claims the Old Testament has hidden references to 20th century events that can be revealed by a computer.

Proponents of the code claim that names and events were hidden in the Bible as written thousands of years ago and can be found through computer searches of the Hebrew text. Television documentaries, fast-selling books and numerous articles have popularized the theory, first published in the academic journal *Statistical Science*.

Now the same journal, published by the Institute of Mathematical Statistics based in Hayward, Calif., is offering an article challenging the technique it reported in 1994. The article will be published in the quarterly next week.

Believers in the "Bible code" theory treat the Hebrew Bible as a string of letters without spaces, looking for words formed by equidistant letter sequences. For instance, computers might select every ninth Hebrew letter and register a "hit" when a "word word" intersects with a Bible

verse containing related words. Five years ago, three Israeli scholars published the results of their search in the journal. As they explained, they took names of famous rabbis from a reference dictionary, applied letter sequences and found the names near the rabbis' dates of birth or death.

Using the same technique, others have claimed the Bible contains secret predictions, including everything from the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin in 1995 to a Los Angeles earthquake in 2010.

Major Bible scholars ignore the code because, they note, no one has a letter-by-letter version of the Bible as originally written. The oldest surviving manuscripts include slight variations, any of which would throw off computer test results.

In the upcoming edition of *Statistical Science*, the new study's authors — Dor Bar-Natan, Maya Bar-Hillel and Gil Kalai, professors at Jerusalem's Hebrew University, and Brendan McKay of the Australian National University — combine expertise in mathematics and computer science to debunk the theory.

# Race murder heads to court

BRYAN, Texas (AP) — A jury with no blacks was seated Friday for the murder trial of a second white man charged in the dragging death of a black man.

The jury and two alternates consist of 12 whites and two Hispanics. They will hear opening arguments Monday in the case of Lawrence Russell Brewer, one of three white men arrested in the slaying of 49-year-old James Byrd Jr., who was chained to a pickup truck and dragged to pieces in Jasper last year in one of the nation's grisliest racial crimes since the civil rights era.

"I'm satisfied with the jury," Jasper County District Attorney Jay James Gray said. Brewer's trial is taking place 150 miles from Jasper.

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# Death toll in Moscow apartment blast hits 90

MOSCOW - As excavators pulled the last bodies from the wreckage of a shattered nine-story apartment building on Friday, investigators and politicians tried to decide whether the explosion that killed at least 90 people was caused by terrorists or by accident.

President Boris Yeltsin declared a day of mourning Monday for the victims of the blast and of the Sept. 4 car bomb that demolished an apartment building in the southern Russian region of Dagestan, killing 64 people.

That blast was blamed on Islamic militants battling Russian troops in the region - and many Muscovites, including Mayor Yuri Lushin, assumed they were behind the Moscow explosion, as well.

The blast in Moscow on Thursday had a force equal to about 440-560 pounds of TNT. Investigators were concentrating largely on two possible scenarios: a terrorist bomb or an accidental detonation of explosives stored in the building.

The Federal Security Service, which is heading the investigation, made a preliminary assessment that the blast was caused by an industrial explosive or a pyrotechnic mixture," according to spokesman Sergei Bogdanov. He did not say whether the blast was considered accidental or premeditated.

### Missionaries found guilty on weapons charges in Africa

HARARE, Zimbabwe - Three American missionaries, caught trying to carry guns on board a civilian airliner, were found guilty Friday of possessing weapons of war and gun smuggling.

Judge Ismael Adam of the Harare High Court said the men violated Zimbabwe security laws by carrying unlicensed offensive weapons and trying to transport guns in their baggage on a Zurich-bound Swissair flight from Harare on March 7. Adam said he will sentence the men on Monday.

Gary Blanchard, 36, John Lamonte Dixon, 36, and Joseph Wendell Pettijohn, 35, self-described missionaries from the Indiana-based Harvestfield Ministries Pentecostal church, bowed their heads as Adam read the verdict, but otherwise showed little emotion.

The Americans face up to life imprisonment.

### Troops patrol quake zone; cost of disaster over \$800M

ATHENS, Greece - Thousands of police and soldiers patrolled earthquake-battered districts of Athens on Friday trying to ease worries of looting and help persuade homeless crowds to take shelter in government-run tent camps.

The expanded security force was another clear sign of a shift from hunting for survivors to the rebuilding ahead after Tuesday's powerful quake, which has claimed at least 101 lives. More than two dozen people were still

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missing - most in the densely packed rubble of a kitchen products factory - and rescuers listened in vain for any hint of life.

An international team of weary rescuers narrowed down the round-the-clock searches to six sites that might still contain survivors.

### Ethnic Albanians fight near bridge for second day

KOSOVSKA MITROVICA, Yugoslavia - Hundreds of ethnic Albanians showered French peacekeepers with stones and bottles for hours Friday in a second day of clashes at a bridge dividing Serb and ethnic Albanian enclaves.

French troops responded with tear gas and percussion grenades. Several people were injured, but there was no official casualty count. The melee came a day after hundreds of Serbs and ethnic Albanians fought on the bridge separating their communities in Kosovska Mitrovica.

Split into Serb and ethnic Albanian sections, the mining town of Kosovska Mitrovica is divided by the Ibar River. Hundreds of ethnic Albanians have demonstrated sporadically over the past two months, demanding the right to return to their homes in the Serb sector. French peacekeepers, fearing bloodshed, have prevented most from doing so.

### Dedication pays homage to Leonardo's da Vinci's dream

MILAN, Italy - Hundreds celebrated the unveiling of a massive, American-made bronze warhorse Friday in Milan, inspired by a never-completed project of Leonardo da Vinci, making reality of the dream of two men who died half a millennium apart.

Rise and white balloons lifted the sheet covering the 24-foot-high horse, drawing a standing ovation from the Americans and Italians assembled in a shady park being created across from a Milan horse track. U.S. Navy and Italian carabinieri bands pounded and blasted out their countries' anthems.

The statue's creation was overseen by Charles C. Dent, an airline pilot and art-lover who was captured by a 1977 National Geographic article on Leonardo's horse that never was.

Dent, from Allentown, Pennsylvania, devoted the last years of his life to making the horse happen. He died in 1994 trusting his family would see the project through.

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A Russian Emergency Situations Ministry officer feeds a dog whose owner is missing after the explosion of a Moscow apartment building.

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# Auburn to give Vandals their second taste of SEC

AUBURN, Ala. (AP) — Last year, playing before 80,000 fans against a Southeastern Conference team was a big deal for the Idaho Vandals.

"Now, it's old hat."

"We've been there and done that," said quarterback John Welsh.

The Vandals (1-0) will get to do it again tonight at Auburn (1-0) in the Tigers' 1,000th game. They'll be hoping for a different result from last year's 53-20 loss to then-No. 6 LSU.

The Tigers, meanwhile, are hoping for a less hot rowing night after squeaking past Division I-A-A Appalachian State 22-15 in their opener.

Auburn, winner of 23 of its last 24 nonconference games, was outgained 223-288 in total yards and had to score a pair of touchdowns in the final 23 to survive.

"The guys are excited that we won the game, but they realize we must get better before Saturday night," said Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville.

The Tiger game will get a lift with the return of receiver Clinton Robinson. Robinson, the top returning receiver this season, was suspended for the opener after pleading guilty to contributing to the delinquency of a minor over the summer.

"I think it will give us a boost in the arm," Tuberville said. "We are going to play him at a lot of different positions — wide receiver, running back and on special teams."

Robinson will also give quarterback Ben

Learned a veteran target in his first start since losing the job to Gabe Gross in midseason last year. Learz sparked the Tigers' rally against Appalachian State after replacing a struggling Gross.

The Tigers will also try to beef up a running game that netted just 104 yards last week. Rusty Williams tallied 98 yards on 21 carries, but didn't get much help.

Tuberville plans to use freshman Michael Owens more in relief. Owens gained 2 yards on his lone carry against Appalachian State.

"We must do better in running the football and stopping the run," Tuberville said.

Idaho's Welsh is back after suffering a hip-pointer in the second quarter of last week-end's 48-21 win over East Washington. He drew for two touchdowns before exiting and backup Ed Dean tossed three more.

Welsh says the Vandals know more of what to expect from an SEC team this go around. They were in their first year at Division I-A last season.

"A lot of guys hadn't played a team with the strength and speed they had," Welsh said. "We got stronger and we got faster this past summer. We're a different team."

The Vandals did manage to gain 410 yards in the game. Welsh, just a freshman, threw for 218 yards and a touchdown and rushed for 57.

"We went down there, we didn't vaporize, and we were actually able to be fairly repre-

# Jamal Anderson reveals in the NFL spotlight

SUWANEE, Ga. (AP) — Under the shadow of a practice-field goalpost, Jamal Anderson thrashes through a muscle magazine with a bunch of slick L.A. types trying to settle on the right pose for his cover photo.

Teammate Bob Whitefield glowered in mock disapproval when he spotted the photo session from a nearby sidewalk. A few other teammates followed suit, as if to say, Jamal, are you a football player or model?

Anderson will say he's both.

"I'm the prettiest guy in the NFL," he says to no one in particular at the Atlanta Falcons training center, mimicking the routine of his "Uncle Muhammad" (as in Ali, a longtime family friend).

That charisma — a form of braggadocio that's more lightened than intimidating — has landed Anderson a small role in the HBO series "Arli's." His likeness has been replicated in claymation by the Fox network. He has posed for several magazine covers. He's trying to line up a radio talk show. He hints cryptically about a future music role. He's got a Web site, his own video game and a company that promotes parties and concerts with groups such as Backstreet Boys and Boyz II Men.

"He's been this way since he was a scrub," Whitefield said. "That's Jam. Some people were born to be a star."

Make no mistake, Anderson now has credentials to back up all the talk. He rushed for a franchise-record 1,846 yards and set an NFL mark with 410 carries last season, leading the Falcons to their first Super Bowl and earning All-Pro honors.

With the retirement of Barry



Atlanta Falcons running back Jamal Anderson stretches at a practice at the team's Suwanee, Ga., training facility Wednesday.

Sanders, Anderson and Denver's Terrell Davis are the NFL's most prominent running backs. At the beginning of each week,

Anderson gets together with a team official who keeps track of his schedule: interviews, special appearances and sundry other requests. If the list doesn't look particularly long, Anderson is disappointed.

Prior to Sunday's opener against Minnesota, he had plenty of things to do: taping a show for the WB television network Tuesday; a telephone conference call with the Minnesota media and that photo shoot for Muscular Development magazine Wednesday; a morning radio show, an interview with Fox reporter Pam Oliver and a conference call with national media Thursday; an appearance on coach Dan Reeves' TV show and a meeting with Fox broadcasters Pat Summerall and John Madden on Friday.

After completing a task, Anderson dutifully marks it off the list, which hangs prominently in his locker.

"I just cross 'em off as they come," he said. "It's a lot different now." At every major airport, somebody recognizes me or tries to grab me. That takes some getting used to. It's hard to go to the supermarket, it's hard to go to the movies. Everything has become an obstacle. You always have to be in a good mood and have the proper attitude."

But he quickly adds, "I don't want it to be the other way again."

Anderson, who has his well-cultivated reputation when he held out of training camp for two weeks, demanding a new contract. Fans flooded his Web site with angry comments, but he eventually agreed to a five-year, \$32 million deal.

# A MAN WITH A PLAN

Former BYU Cougar tries to resurrect Eagles

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — For a rookie coach, Andy Reid underestands a lot about pro football. He even understands writing about it; Reid was a sports columnist with a Brigham Young University column.

Hours away from his first game as coach of the Philadelphia Eagles, Reid has a clear idea of the he'd like this story to turn out.

Reid, the second-youngest coach in the NFL at 41, is a Mike Tomlin-grown clown who has been groomed to coach since his days as an offensive lineman at BYU during the late 1970s and early '80s. In charge of turning around the dismal recent history of the Eagles, he has one of the toughest rebuilding jobs in the league.

"I don't like losing," said Reid, whose Eagles open the season Sunday at home against the Arizona Cardinals. "I know there are a lot of sports psychologists who can coach you on how to lose. But losing is not a good thing."

"But it's also a reality. Deep down, I understand that we can't win every game. I'll handle it the best way I can."

Handling losing might be the toughest test Reid faces in the rare transition from position coach to head coach. Reid, whose highest position in 16 years of coaching was offensive coordinator at San Francisco State, spent the past seven years coaching the offensive line, tight ends and quarterbacks at Green Bay.

The Eagles, 3-13 last season, needed upgrades at nearly every position. They still do. They were dreadful on offense while going 1-3 in exhibition games, an ominous start to a new era.

There is hope. There is a young coach and a young quarterback. No. 2 overall draft pick Donovan McNabb, who has turned the eyes of this suffering franchise to the future. The recent past is too painful to look at.

"Are you going to think that everything that is bad is happening to us?" Reid said. "Or do you say, 'There's no better time than right now to change this thing?'"

"You better think positive on it."

Reid draws his attitude from many sources, the most prominent among them being Holmgren. The former Packers coach now in Seattle urged Reid to learn the intricacies of the West Coast offense and placed the supervisory tag on him in 1996. If unknown among fans, Reid quietly became a prominent figure among the rising young assistants in the NFL.

The Philadelphia Inquirer recounted a story in which Reid was introduced to Eagles owner Jeffrey Lurie in February 1997 by Reid's predecessor, Ray Rhodes. This occurred at the scouting camp in Indianapolis.

Reid was a little embarrassed



Philadelphia Eagles head coach Andy Reid walks the sideline during a preseason game against the Cleveland Browns Sept. 2.

when describing how he tried to arrange such meetings. In addition to studying the football schemes, Reid spent hours compiling lists of coaches and contacts he felt were important to know.

"As curly as it may sound, I did keep it on my computer and when I was at the Senior Bowl or the scouting combine," Reid said. "I'd make sure to delete guys as I got to know them a bit."

"When I got back to Green Bay, I broke out the media guides and went through them and added about everyone I knew. When I got done, I realized I knew more people than I thought. ... Over seven or eight years, that evolved into the list I used for hiring a staff."

Reid first impressed the Eagles by showing up for the job interview with a binder as thick as the New York City phone book. It was filled with notes and diagrams from his recent offensive studies under Holmgren.

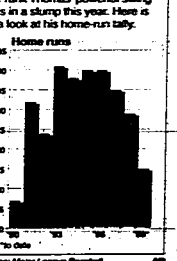
"Andy's a perfectionist." Packers tight end Mark Chmura said.

Even players who were fiercely loyal to Rhodes appreciate Reid's strict attention to detail and discipline. Fans appreciate it, too, displaying a sign at Veterans Stadium recently that read, "Finally, a man with a plan."

"I think the attitude is a lot different this year," linemarker James Darling said. "We have a lot more confidence in ourselves. That comes from coach Reid."

A defining moment in Reid's brief tenure occurred when offensive lineman George Hegamin left practice after learning he'd been demoted to the second team. Reid punished him by making him push a blocking sled 100 yards after practice — with the 300-plus-pound Reid standing on it. The coach also insisted that television cameras film it. Hegamin was soon released.

# Power outage



# Thomas to undergo surgery Monday

CHICAGO (AP) — Chicago White Sox manager Frank Thomas will undergo season-ending surgery on his injured right ankle Monday.

The decision was made Friday after consultation with Thomas' team podiatrist Dr. Lowell Scott Weil, White Sox general manager Ron Schaefer and trainer Herm Schneider.

Thomas was not at the ballpark Friday to comment.

"We decided it was in everybody's best interest to go ahead and move Frank's surgery up instead of waiting until after the season ended," Schaefer said.

During the surgery, Weil will remove a bone spur from Thomas' ankle and the corn from

his small toe, and perform several other minor podiatric procedures.

Thomas finished with a .305 average, 15 home runs and 77 RBIs. It's the first time he has not driven in 100 RBIs or hit at least 20 home runs since 1990, his first full season in the majors.

Thomas, 31, has been bothered by the corn on his toe for much of the season and returned to Chicago on Monday from the team's road trip to undergo tests Tuesday. X-rays confirmed a significant spur on his right ankle, and an ultrasound confirmed tendonitis in the ankle.

He has not played since striking out as a pinch-hitter Sept. 6 in the first game of a doubleheader

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SPORTS

# Watson shares Comfort Classic lead

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Tom Watson made a successful debut on the second PGA Tour on Friday, jumping four spots atop the Comfort Classic leaderboard at Sander Park.

Six days after turning 50, Watson overcame crosswinds to grab a share of the lead with Bobby Stryker, Bob Eastwood, Jim Dent and Gary McCord.

Jim Barker, Terry Dill, Tom Jenkins, Gil Morgan, Dave Stockton and Fred Watson shot 67s. Twenty-two players, including defending champion Frank Beal, were within five strokes of the lead. Baiocchi, who finished the 1996 tournament with a record 20-under score, shot 70 Friday.

The admittedly nervous Watson was even par after five holes before going on a birdie binge to turn an 8-under. He added two birdies on the back side, including a 10-footer on No. 15.

"I started off thinking I was not going to have a good round," he said. Watson cheered himself and the ladies portion of the gallery by turning near disaster into a birdie on the par-4 eighth hole. He hooked a 2-iron off the tee and the ball skipped along the rough near a stream, but stayed out of the water. Watson hit a 6-iron from there to 12 feet and made the par.

"There wasn't much tension left in my body after that," said Watson, who adjusted his swing after bleeding an approach shot over the green on No. 3, resulting in a bogey. "From there on, it was pretty easy."

**Hal Sutton takes one-stroke lead**  
OAKVILLE, Ontario — Coming off a two-year season and heading to the Ryder Cup for the first time in 12 years, Hal Sutton is just the guest of dwelling on a slump so severe it almost drove him out of golf.

Sutton finished the last two holes Friday on a 6-under 67 to take a one-stroke lead in the Canadian Open over Paul Kanter, another former PGA Championship winner still fighting to prove he can be a championship contender again.

Two weeks after he withdrew from a tournament out of frustration for the first time in his 17-year career, Kanter had a bogey-free 66 on Friday, great wins at Glenview Golf Club and was in 127, just one stroke behind Sutton.

It was only the third time Kanter shot an 8-under 66 in the 12 years at the Abbey. "I do expect that would happen today, but I'm glad it didn't," he said.

Also at 127 were two players snipping off a leadover from not making the Ryder Cup team: Lee Janzen, who hasn't won since his second U.S. Open title a year ago, offset five bogeys with six birdies for a 71, and Steve Stricker had a 70.

The group at 138 included Mark Calcavecchia (68) and David Sutherland, who bogeyed the last two holes but still had a 7-under 65, a remarkable round given the blustery conditions in the air and the trampled conditions on some of the greens.

**Montie, Westwood chase records**  
WOBURN, England — Colin Montgomerie, chasing a record-tying sixth title on the European Tour this season, had an 8-under 64 and took a three-stroke lead over Lee Westwood at the halfway mark of the British Masters.

Westwood, seeking a record-tying fourth straight European victory, shot a 66 and was at 134.

A stroke behind Westwood was Italy's Silvio Grappasonni, while Bob May of the United States, England's John Bickerton and Scotland's Raymond Russell were at 135.

**Se Ri Pak leads Samsung touney**  
MAPLE GROVE, Minn. — Se Ri Pak shot a 7-under 71 and her 138 total after two rounds of the Samsung World Championship of Women's Golf kept her



Hal Sutton of Bossier City, La., clips out of a bunker on the second hole at Glen Abbey in Oakville, Ontario, Canada, during second round action at the Canadian Open Friday.

two strokes in front of Laura Davies, who shot a 71.

Karrie Webb and Rachel Hetherington were tied for third at 142 in the field of 119. Kellie Kuehne had a 68, and was tied at 143 with Liselotte Neumann, who had a 71.

# Oklahoma assistant takes over at UTEP

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — For the first time since 1991, the Texas Tech University Paso Miners have a basketball coach not named Haskins.

During a press conference in the arena shared by recently retired coach Don Haskins, Oklahoma assistant Jason Rabedeaux officially was named coach of the Miners on Friday.

The 34-year-old Rabedeaux, who wasn't even born when Haskins took over the team, is starting his new job immediately.

"The legacy, the foundation, the tradition, the success that Don Haskins has laid down at this college is unique amongst all athletic programs," Rabedeaux said. "He will always be known as the coach of the Miners... I feel extremely fortunate to be here and follow through with his tradition as I carry Miner basketball into the new millennium."

Rabedeaux said contract details had not yet been worked out.

Rabedeaux, one of five candidates to be interviewed for the job, was offered the position Wednesday night during a phone call from UTEP athletic director



Jason Rabedeaux

Bob Scull. Scull said he would ensure UTEP would never have another coach like Haskins, a member of the college basketball hall of fame who won three national titles with a 73-253 record. Haskins made it into the history books by starting an all-black lineup in the 1976 national championship game and becoming all-white, top-ranked Kentucky — a move hailed as a turning point in the integration of college basketball.

Scull said he was impressed with the recruiting Rabedeaux did while at Oklahoma and Washington State. Two of his Oklahoma recruits drew made it to the NCAA — Casey Brewer and Kevon Howard. Brewer was the second round in 1998 and Vince Erdmann was a second-round pick by the Utah Jazz in 1997.

Fridays to make the professional pole for Sunday's race with a lap of 1:17.305 mph on the 2.28-mile, nine-year-old natural-burnt oval course.

## Skinner takes pole for Excite 400 NASCAR

RICHMOND, Va. — Mike Skinner finished off a car-enthusiast's sequence with Rousey Walker and Tony Stewart during five rounds of qualifying Friday night to win the pole for the Excite 400 NASCAR Winston Cup race.

Skinner, who drove in the AutoLite 250 Busch Grand National race that began here last night, set a lap of 1:15.465 mph around the three-quarter-mile oval for his fourth career pole and second this season.

Skinner's lap came immediately after Stewart, a pole-sitter in the 250, set the trip spot with a lap at 1:15.225.

"Unfortunately, they had a short run at the end. We did everything we could. We got to the front, we got the lead and we got a little room between us and Martin said, 'But the 3 car was stronger and they whopped at on us at the end.'"

## Herta takes provisional pole at Laguna Seca

MONTREY, Calif. — Thrill old Laguna Seca Raceway again as Bryan Herta talking about salvaging something worthwhile out of a miserable season.

Herta's record at the picturesque road circuit in the hills of the Monterey Peninsula includes four straight from the starts — the last two from the pole — and the only win of his CART FedEx Series career.

In fact, the defending winner in the Shell 300 hasn't finished worse than sixth the last three years.

# Earnhardt proves mettle in duel with Martin, Spencer

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Dale Earnhardt Jr., driving like a veteran against one of the best, passed Mark Martin with seven laps to go Friday night and outdistanced the Winston Cup star to win the AutoLite Platinum 250 Busch Grand National race.

Earnhardt, the defending series and race champion, drove like he was defending his turf against Martin and Jimmy Spencer, another Winston Cup regular who dropped down to run in the BGN series in preparation for Saturday night's Excite 400.

Throughout the second half of the crash-filled event, the three moved to the front and battled for the lead, with Martin's car stronger on long green-flag runs and Spencer and Earnhardt better in bursts like the 24-lap sprint to the finish.

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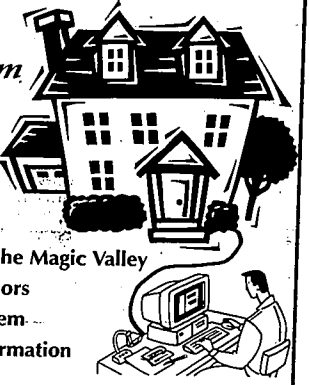
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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Oakley woman dies in collision with horse

OAKLEY — An 81-year-old Oakley woman was killed Wednesday after the car she was riding in hit a horse that had run onto the road.

Irene Judd died Wednesday evening at Bannock Regional Medical Center. She had been transported via Life Run Ambulance from the scene of the accident, which occurred around 6 a.m. near 1800 South on Idaho Highway 27, according to a Cassia County police report.

The driver, Barbara Nelson, and two passengers, Eileen Rodriguez and Enla Franks, all of Oakley, suffered minor cuts, bumps and bruises, according to a Cassia Regional Medical Center official. All three were treated at the hospital Wednesday and released.

The car was headed northbound on Highway 27 when two horses ran out into the road, the police report said. Nelson swerved to miss one horse but hit the second. The horse flew over the hood and through the passenger side window where Judd was sitting.

The horse, owned by Dale Bench of Oakley, was also killed.

### Jarbridge gets ready for annual Harvest Dance

JARBRIDGE, Nev. — The annual Jarbridge Harvest Dance will be held at 8:30 p.m. Sept. 18 at the Jarbridge Community Hall. Music will be provided by Chuck and Irish Danells with a six-piece orchestra band. Admission is free but donations are welcome.

For more information or overnight reservations, call (775) 488-2318 or (775) 488-2338.

### Sawtooth Society needs volunteers to build fences

STANLEY — The Sawtooth Society is looking for volunteers to help rebuild historic log fences on Sept. 18 in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

The project, known as Adopt-a-Fence, will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the junction of state Highway 21 and the Stanley Lake Road, about five miles west of Stanley.

Volunteers will learn how to build and repair log worm fences. Volunteers should bring gloves, but materials will be provided by the Sawtooth Society.

For information call 774-2257.

### Centennial plans will be discussed this week

TWIN FALLS — A group of recreation planners will meet Tuesday to hear about the city's centennial plans.

The South Central Idaho Region IV Recreation Forum will gather at a.m. Tuesday at the KMW Community Room on Blue Lakes Boulevard North. Guest speaker Jeff Gooding, chairman of the Twin Falls Centennial Committee, will talk about the city's 100th anniversary celebration plans.

The public is welcome. The group includes representatives of 24 government, civic and other organizations that discuss recreation issues along the middle Snake River from Massacre Rocks State Park to Three Island State Park.

Compiled from staff reports

# Coroner's funds take cut in new budget

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News Staff Writer

TWIN FALLS — The newly approved 1999-2000 county budget will mean a slightly increased property tax (approximately 1 percent) for residents, and a 1 percent increase in sales tax for county employees.

Twin Falls County commissioners approved the \$227 million budget after a final public hearing Tuesday. The budget was presented and discussed by county commissioners and two media representatives.

County Clerk Gene Turley said he appreciated the commissioners' support of the public's budget. "It's a good budget, good job," he said.

But while every county department's salaries and wages were increased, the coroner's department lost money.

The coroner's budget for salaries and wages was decreased from \$29,571 to \$24,262 for 1999-2000. This represents a \$5,309 decrease, or a 18 percent cut.

The coroner's budget has been the subject of controversy for several years.

Coroner Gene Turley has asked commissioners to make his job a full-time position. The commissioners have declined.

Maughan said Twin Falls' population does not warrant a full-time coroner and his budget decreased because he will not be using as much help.

Turley is not using a secretary anymore, Maughan said.

But Turley said he needs the help and is frustrated by the budget cut. He said he has contacted commissioners over his budget, and while he remains frus-

How things have changed

Category	1998-99	1999-00
County Budget	\$227,000,000	\$227,000,000
Property Tax	\$12.50	\$13.50
Sales Tax	8.00%	9.00%
Coroner's Budget	\$29,571	\$24,262

trated, he is not willing to continue fighting. "You get to a point where you don't want to beat your head against the wall forever," he said.

The budget represents a 5 percent increase from the current \$20 million budget.

The increase is attributed to several factors, including a property tax levy increase and more than \$1 million in county building projects and expenditures.

The county increased its ad valorem tax by 3 percent, creating the property tax levy increase, County Clerk Bob Fort said.

While the final three public hearings this week were unattended by residents, it's likely that many will be more vocal in

May, when their property is assessed. Commissioner Marvin Hempleman said.

"That's when people get involved," he said.

The county will pay more than \$1 million on improvements and expenditures in 1999-2000.

The county plans to spend \$325,000 for an addition to the county's judicial building.

Some county employees might get a raise, depending on performance.

The county plans to increase employee pay by 4 percent, if their supervisor allows the increase. The increase is based on merit, Fort said.

Times-News staff writer John T. Huddy can be reached in Twin Falls at 723-0931, Ext. 259 or by e-mail at jhuddy@magicvalley.com.

## FIND OF A LIFETIME



Paleontologist found fossil bones of a mammoth. Here, paleontologists piece together fossil bones of a giant mammoth found last week at the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument.

# Burley man changes plea to guilty

By Ruth Steiner  
Times-News Staff Writer

BURLEY — A Burley man charged with vehicular manslaughter changed his plea to guilty Friday in fifth District Court.

Kenneth Pool, 70, of Burley was charged with vehicular manslaughter in November after the vehicle he was driving pushed another vehicle into

oncoming traffic, killing the driver, Burley Junior High School teacher Roe Green.

When asked by Fifth District Judge Monte B. Carlson why he changed his plea, Pool answered in plain terms.

"Well, I'm guilty your honor," he said. "And I'm so sorry."

pleading guilty to vehicular manslaughter charges could carry up to seven years in prison and a maximum \$10,000 fine.

Green's son Matt said his family is hoping Pool receives the maximum sentence, but said he thinks the court will be easy on Pool.

"If he gets any prison time, we'll be grateful for that," Green said.

Members of Pool's family said they are waiting for the situation to come to an end.

"We just want it to be over for both families," said Pool's daughter Teresa Mann.

In November, Ron Green was waiting to turn left off of U.S. Highway 30 in Burley when he was struck from behind by Pool's vehicle. Green's vehicle flipped over in the oncoming lanes and was hit by a van. Green died at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Blood tests administered to Pool after the accident indicated that his blood alcohol level was above the legal limit.

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# Highway project in Rupert is back on line

## Department hopes work will save money

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News Staff Writer

HIBBERT — After a two-week scheduling delay, Gordon Paving is back on the job and paving the blacktop shoulders on a \$1.9 million highway paving project through the heart of Rupert.

The state Highway Department is resurfacing the road now to save the county money. Project Coordinator Chris Severson.

"If we would have resurfaced now, we would have to do a reconstruction," Severson said. "This gives us a longer period of life for a smaller cost."

Highway Department officials did not think the project could be set off any longer, he said. Crews have been paving the road for three years.

The project included sealing out an eight-foot-wide section of the road and gutter area, he said. Milling out the road surface was completed, broken out and removed. The section was taken out to avoid the gutter



Gordon Paving gets blacktop on Highway 24 in Rupert. The state highway project is expected to be completed in about 100 days.

problems, he said. If the surfacing would have been done with over-covering pavement, the lip of the gutter would have gone up two inches over the side of the gutter and caused a drop-off in the road.

Mixing the hot asphalt and gravel was completed, and a gravel covering was added.

The paving company will be working through this weekend to get caught up, Severson said.

"We hope to be done by the 17th or 18th of September if all goes well," he said.

When the project on Highway 24 is completed, the Highway Department will be working on the next project, which will be

on what is known as Cameron's corner, he said.

A new alignment is scheduled to go in, which means a new route will go in between Pioneer Equipment and United Electric, he said. The old route will be abandoned and a wider canal crossing and railroad crossing are slated for

# Tour touts Hailey artists

By Lisa Tanner  
Times-News Correspondent

HAILEY — The growing community of Hailey has become a home base for many artists and their work can be seen in a number of area galleries as well as in exhibits around the globe.

In an effort to heighten the awareness of the visual arts, the Hailey Chamber of Commerce will present its first annual tour of art studios today.

The registration will be held at 9 a.m. at the Water Riser on Main Street in Hailey and maps and other information will be available. The cost of the tour is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors.

Seven artists will open their studios and sculpture gardens. The tour will be loosely formatted and participants may visit studios at their leisure during designated hours. The morning session is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon and will feature the studios of painter Debbie Edgars Sturges and sculptors Michael Zapponi and Mark Stasz.

The afternoon session will take place between 1 and 3 p.m. and studios will feature the work of photographer Barbara Kline, painter Sheila Gardner, woodcarver James Reed and ceramicist Leslee Jago.

Between noon and 1 p.m., participating Hailey restaurants will be open.

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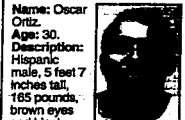
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THE DRAGON'S LAIR



Blake Abston, 8, of Reno, Nev., appears to be a meal for this huge purple dragon. The 120-foot-tall special shape hot air balloon was being inflated as part of the Great Reno Balloon Races Friday. The 18th annual event continues through Sunday, with more than 125 hot air balloons participating.

SERVICES

David Benedict, of San Francisco, Calif., services an 11 a.m. today at Richfield Cemetery.

DEATH NOTICES

Francis J. Kelly TWIN FALLS — Francis J. Kelly, 79, of Twin Falls and St. George, Utah, died Thursday, Sept. 9, 1999, at the St. George Care Center in St. George, Utah. A service will be held Monday at St. Christopher Catholic Church in Kanab, Utah. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

Conservationist closes grazing gap

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — In the first step since the Idaho Supreme Court restored his right to compete for state grazing leases, environmentalist Jon Marvel outbid a millionaire rancher for Mackay's ranch. That does not necessarily mean he will get the lease for 2,500 acres between Mackay and Challis. The state Land Board could still decide to award it to the other bidder and current leaseholder.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY BERGHAM MEDICAL CENTER request Admitted: Angie Sanchez and baby boy, Jennifer Fleck, and Delarosa Equeval, all of Rupert; Rita Nagle of Burley; and Patricia Gutierrez and baby girl, of Heyburn.

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Jack R. Connolly

TWIN FALLS Basso, Italo, and then graduated from the College of Idaho, now Albion College, as a classmate of M. Robertson. Over the years, Frances never quit her education, taking classes at the College of Southern Idaho, Frances and her husband, Soren, were long-time residents of Castletford, where Soren farmed and Frances taught school in southern Idaho.

Survivors include one son, David (John) Judd of Oakley; and one grandson, Michael Judd of Oakley, in addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, 2 sisters, and a grandson, Patrick J. Judd.

OAKLEY



Kade M. Haner

Jack R. Connolly, our loving husband, father and grandfather, 71, of Twin Falls, died peacefully with the Lord on September 7, 1999. He was born September 12, 1927, in Brownwood, Texas, to Carl and Billie Connolly, and spent his childhood in Law Center, New Mexico. His father farmed cotton south of Law Center for many years, and managed the local cotton gin. He attended the County and 11th, and later attended New Mexico State, where he was in the Air Force from 1951 to 1955, as a staff sergeant. In 1955, Jack moved to Las Vegas, where he met Barbara in 1958, and they were married in 1958. He then started working at various home design stores including Santa Ana, Hollywood Park, and Mr. Bay. He and Barbara moved across the state of California, he retired in 1991. Barbara and Jack enjoyed traveling in their motor homes, and also visited family. Jack also enjoyed fishing and hunting. Jack and Barbara moved to Twin Falls in 1999.

Kade Montgomery Haner, age 12 of Buhl, died Thursday, Sept. 9, 1999, at his home, of brain tumor cancer. He was born July 14, 1987, in Twin Falls, to Norman and Shelly Glessemann Haner. He had finished the 5th grade at Popplewell Elementary School in Buhl. He liked to do fun things like fishing, camping, swimming, bike riding, playing with friends, playing Nintendo 64, and watching movies. Because of his illness, he was given a Wishy Star Disney World trip. The family would like to thank Hospice for all their loving care.

CASTLEFORD

Kade is survived by his parents and a sister, Cory Haner. Buhl, grandparents: Jerry Glessemann and Manfred Marlow of Burley; great-grandparents: Ester Montgomery of Alton, and Martha and Alfred Glessemann of Burley; many aunts, uncles and cousins, including: Tracy and Russell Burgenmeier, Ray and Jean Haner, and Jerry Glessemann. Kade was preceded in death by his grandparents, George and Mildred Haner, and Duane Glessemann. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1999, at the United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St. in Burley, at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl on Monday from 10 to 8 p.m., and on Sunday from 10 to 6 p.m., and Tuesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the church.

CASTLEFORD

Francis Monahan, 91, of Castletford, died Sunday, Sept. 5, 1999, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. Francis was born Jan. 13, 1908, in Burlington, New Jersey. She graduated from high school in

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# Rancher receives OK to kill wolves

CASPER, Wyo. (AP) — A Wyoming rancher has been granted a permit by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to shoot problem wolves on his property.

The permit allows a maximum of two wolves to be killed, and requires the rancher to leave them in place and contact Fish and Wildlife immediately, the agency said.

Officials refused to release the rancher's name or the location of the ranch.

"Right now we feel it's more important that we try to maintain some privacy (for) the permit," said Skip Ladd, assistant Denver regional director. "I don't think the public necessarily needs to know who has a permit."

Under the rule governing the wolf restoration program in the central Idaho, northwestern Montana and Yellowstone National Park, the agency, under extraordinary circumstances, can issue a permit to a landowner or the landowner's designee to assist Fish and Wildlife personnel with killing problem wolves, officials said.

The agency has spent hundreds of hours in the last year attempting to capture what it believes is one or two wolves

killing livestock and pets on the rancher's land, officials said.

Fish and Wildlife approached the rancher and asked for his assistance because he was working in the area daily and would have a "greater opportunity to remove" the wolves than an agency biologist.

During the last year, the ranch has lost several dogs, a newborn foal, and possibly two calves to wolves. And the ranch has had continued livestock and pet losses in the last three years despite the agency's killing of three wolves previously, officials said.

This is basically a last resort. It's a step in the whole process in dealing with depredating wolves that may well need to be used against in other situations and locations," Ladd said.

A biologist with the National Wildlife Federation said that if the permit, which was issued Thursday, set a precedent for that type of wolf control, it could be bad for the wolf recovery effort.

But, under extraordinary circumstances such as these, it is an acceptable control alternative, said Sterling Miller, a federation biologist.



A Norway maple provides shade for a student walking along the Hello Walk outside the University of Idaho Administration Building in Moscow Thursday.

# Mormon members may visit new temple

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Members of the Mormon church opened the doors of their new temple on Friday as they prepared for its dedication.

The temple's open house was to run through Saturday. After the dedication Sept. 19, only church members in good standing may enter.

The 10,500-square-foot granite temple has a number of abstract art glass windows and is topped by a gold statue of the Angel Moroni.

Temples of its size cost an average of \$3 million to \$5 million, the cost is paid by the construction because members worldwide contribute 10 percent of their income to the church, said Elder Donald Staheli.

In the temple's changing rooms, members put on white garments before they continue with the solemn ordinances of the church.

"No matter who you are, when you come into the temple, you are dressed alike," Staheli said. The white also symbolizes a purity and a feeling of cleanliness, he said.

Members must pass through the "recommend desk," and present their credentials indicating they are in good standing in the church.

The baptismal font dominates its room, resting on the white figures of 12 oxen, a traditional symbol of the 12 tribes of Israel as well as integrity and hard work, Staheli said.

The temple includes two "endowment" rooms in which members receive instruction. The pinnacle is its Celestial Room, symbolizing the glory of God, Staheli said.

The temple's solemn purposes are to unite families for eternity, not just until death do us part," said Elder Yoshihiko Kikuchi.

Among the solemn ceremonies performed by faithful members are baptisms for the dead, in which the dead are given the choice in eternity to accept the faith and baptisms on their behalf. Mormons are leaders in genealogical research, which helps them identify their ancestors to perform such ceremonies.

The temple also has a "Bride's Room" where the Mormon Dahlgren, the temple matron will give brides instruction. Dahlgren is the wife of Robert Dahlgren, who will be the president of the Bismarck temple.

Presidents and matrons serve on a non-salaried, volunteer basis. The couple most recently served in Chicago.

The church's worldwide leader, President Gordon B. Hinckley, will be at the dedication Sept. 19.

The Mormon church, with about 11 million members worldwide, is one of the world's fastest-growing denominations.

The church has more than 100 temples in North Dakota, and 450 members in the Bismarck ward.

# Senator denies softer stance on waste bill

LAS VEGAS (AP) — U.S. Sen. Harry Reid is denying a Washington report that he has softened his stance on a bill to dump 77,000 tons of nuclear waste in Nevada.

CongressDaily reported this week that Reid would "no longer staunchly oppose the measure." The article said the Nevada Democrat had softened his strategy because the bill has been changed and no longer includes provisions backed by Idaho Sen. Larry Craig to use the Nevada Test Site for interim storage while a permanent facility is built at nearby Yucca Mountain.

But Reid said on Friday that CongressDaily

had "inaccurately reported" his position.

"For the record, I remain steadfastly opposed to the permanent storage of nuclear waste in Nevada," Reid said in a statement. "I will continue to actively work to see that health and safety standards are not compromised in this year's bill, and to ensure that there is funding for scientific oversight of the Yucca Mountain project by the state of Nevada."

"I have not, and will not, back down in my efforts to prevent Nevada from becoming the nation's nuclear burial ground," he said.

While denying the report, the assistant

Democratic floor leader did cast doubt on whether President Clinton would still veto the nuclear waste legislation since it no longer targets the test site as a temporary dump. Clinton opposed developing an interim dump on grounds that it would undermine attempts to locate and build a permanent one.

The article said Reid still planned to vote against the bill while trying to improve health- and science-related provisions, but it quoted him as saying, "I'm not going to throw myself in front of a train on this one."

CongressDaily Editor Louis Peck said he stood by the story.

# Tasty shellfish target of lucrative poaching ring

ALBION, Calif. (AP) — State agents waiting in the dawn fog raided two rocky inlets Friday on the Mendocino coast, cracking an abalone poaching ring. Investigators say peddled thousands of the prized shellfish at \$50 each on the black market.

Two divers, pouches stuffed with abalone taken just minutes before, were arrested after they changed from their wet suits and were returning to a car parked in a field along the sheer cliffs overlooking Dark Gulch inlet, just south of the scenic Heritage House complex.

Several others were taken into custody on the coast between Point Arena and Gualala.

The raids by Fish and Game Department agents followed months of round-the-clock surveillance on the suspects' homes in San Francisco and Oakland and along isolated coastal nooks. The investigation was prompted by an anonymous tip to a state hotline.

Investigators say the poached abalone was sold to individuals, restaurants and wholesale fish dealers in the San Francisco Bay area. The shellfish, a

delight to seafood fanciers, sold for about \$40 to illicit wholesalers and up to \$60 apiece or more on the street.

"We made 'buys' for \$80 each," one agent said.

Fourteen arrests were made Friday, several search warrants were ordered and three dozen people were scheduled to be interviewed in connection with the probe, Fish and Game spokesman Mark Lucero said.

In addition to the abalone, nine vehicles and \$10,000 cash also was confiscated, said Fred Cole of the department's enforcement division.

The men arrested at Dark Gulch were toting brightly colored nylon bags filled with abalone still dripping from the sea. They were identified as Yao Shao Huang, 34, and Zhi Hua Li, 37, both of San Francisco. They were accused of conspiracy and possession, and each faces up to five years in prison and \$40,000 in fines.

The tasty abalone, which cost \$25 for an eight-ounce serving in a restaurant, has lots of buyers.

"Individuals will buy them. Restaurants will buy them; they'll mix in the North Coast

red abalone with their legal abalone from Australia or New Zealand, and who's to tell the difference? A restaurant slices it up and puts it in the sushi. Who can tell?" one undercover agent said.

The legal abalone offered in most restaurants is produced by aquaculture "farms" or shipped in from Australia, Mexico or New Zealand. But that abalone is smaller and of a different variety; it is not as prized as the Northern California "reds," which can grow to a foot across.

Typically, a full-grown red abalone is about 10 inches across — it grows about an inch a year — and weighs more than four pounds. A sort of sea snail, the shell of this marine invertebrate is slimy, mud-crusted and bread-criser on the outside. But inside, the shell is radiant with gleaming rainbow hues and a mother-of-pearl luster.

Within the shell is the prize — more than a pound of dense, white meat, the part of the abalone tissue that attaches to the in the intertidal pools. Divers stick pry bars under the abalone to force them from the rocks.

Fish and Game investigators believe the suspects arrested Friday were taking perhaps 20 abalone each day, and worked perhaps 25 days a month. Retail, that's about \$30,000 a month, that's about \$3,000 a month worth of the delicacy, or about \$360,000 a year.

"That's not bad," the agent said.

One poaching ring of 15 fishermen took 9,000 abalone last year, agents said.

To protect California's dwindling abalone population, especially along the craggy, majestic North Coast where the valued "reds" are found, the state has banned commercial abalone fishing. The last open commercial zone was closed two years ago.

It's legal to dive for abalone from April through June and August through November, but the limit is four per day. About 32,000 people in California are legally registered to fish for abalone.

But the sport is tightly monitored and dangerous, with divers limited to snorkel gear and facing treacherous currents, sharp rocks and the primal terror of the North Coast — the great white shark.

# Artists

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artists will offer Art Tour patrons a lunch which they may want to enjoy outside in the Kinnebrew Sculpture Garden. Tonight, there are exciting dinner specials for Art Tour patrons.

Each of the featured artists possesses a unique style and impressive resume of experience.

Michael Zapponi has created quite a few public commissions, the most recent for the Ogden Civic Center.

His frequent use of fabricated steel makes his sculptures unique and appreciated by many collectors.

Mark Stasz has had his sculpture represented in numerous selected exhibitions, as well as an impressive list of public and corporate collections.

Debbie Edgar Sturges has been represented in many exhibits over the past 20 years. She and her paintings have been featured in many publications over the past 13 years. Her work is also represented in various corporate collections throughout the United States.

Barbara Kline's photography has been exhibited from Idaho to Florida and overseas as well. Her work has also been displayed in many publications on a book cover. She is also represented in various corporate

collections across the country.

Sheila Gardner paints with a sense of realism to illustrate the beauty and complexity of the earth and its surroundings. She said her goal is to mix beauty, nature, art and color to make a statement. She has been a watercolor instructor for a number of years at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts and Humanities in Sun Valley. Her work has been displayed for more than 20 years and her paintings have been featured in 36 different collections nationwide.

James Reed has been working with wood over the past 30 years. He began handcrafting the intricate and complex of carved animals in 1997. His work can be found throughout galleries in the United States. He currently has 700 clients around the globe.

Leslie Jago Reed is known for her unique style of painting on ceramic ware, as well as a line of hand-thrown pottery and furniture. A specialty is creating new specific designs for her clients. Her work has been featured in several national magazines.

Joseph Kinnebrew has received many awards and commissions for his sculptures and his work has been the subject of a number of exhibits and collections across the United States.

# CNN details contents of secret Atlanta bid files

ATLANTA (AP) — Records of Atlanta Olympics bid organizers contain documents including lists of International Olympic Committee members whose votes they believed could be bought, Cable News Network reported Friday.

CNN said it had obtained information from eight boxes that were turned over to congressional investigators but were not among some 6,000 boxes made available to the public earlier this year.

Sources told The Associated Press a month ago that records under review by a House Commerce subcommittee contain "several references to scholarships" for relatives of IOC members, along with non-Olympic travel for some members.

Rep. Fred Upton, R-Mich., who chairs the subcommittee leading the investigation, told CNN: "It appears as though there was a concerted effort to figure out how they might be able to buy votes for Atlanta. A dossier, maybe on most, if not all, of the voting members."

CNN said a memo written by a

lawyer to worked to win the 1996 Games for Atlanta described in detail information he researched about IOC members, and named those members who "can be bought."

Another document in the files describes some IOC members' tests, noting that for one of them "gifts are OK. Gift of female OK."

Another reported "will sell his vote, and will do so openly" but added the caution, "Do not waste your time on him. To cave in to his wishes will get Atlanta into trouble."

Yet another memo described how and IOC official "likes the good life, wine women (some say men, as well) and song. Visit to Atlanta should be low key with press but an all-out orgy..." the network reported.

Atlanta Games spokesman told CNN the confidential memos

Committee for the Olympic Games.

Ever since bribes by Salt Lake City organizers to IOC members came to light late last year, Atlanta organizers said they never took part in outright vote-buying. Salt Lake organizers gave cash, college scholarships and other gifts to IOC members and their families to win the 2002 Winter Games.

Echols then said former Atlanta Olympics chief Billy Payne, a former Atlanta mayor and Salt Lake organizer, had no comment until a "supplemental report" is provided to congressional investigators.

CNN reported that Payne was not available to comment on the new disclosures.

A previous report from Atlanta Olympic officials contained several discrepancies with what investigators found in Atlanta records, prompting King & Spalding lawyer and former Attorney General Griffin Bell to ask for the chance to revise the report.

The revised report is expected to be submitted to the subcommittee next week.

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— Fred Upton, chairman of investigating committee

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# State health department lifts ban on veterans home in Boise

BOISE (AP) - The state Department of Health and Welfare's Bureau of Facilities Standards has lifted a temporary ban on new admissions to the Boise Veterans Home following a successful review and re-inspection.

A survey team from the licensing and inspection agency paid an unannounced visit to the Veterans Home on Wednesday and found "remarkable changes made especially in relation to the monitoring and use of psychotropic medications on residents of the home," according to a preliminary report.

In mid-May, state Veterans Homes in Boise and Pocatello were placed on provisional status and barred from accepting any new patients because of severe deficiencies in care found during April inspections.

In some cases the care reportedly was so bad that residents were placed in life-threatening situations.

Among the problems cited was the fact that 44 percent of residents in Boise were on regular

anti-psychotic drug regimens compared to a state average of less than 15 percent for long-term care facilities and a national average of barely 18 percent.

The state was given until late October to correct the problems. The Pocatello facility passed a similar re-inspection last month, and the Boise home was given a clean bill of health on Thursday. It provides care for up to 136 military veterans, and 50 are on the Boise facility's waiting list.

"We have done what we said we would do," said Gary Bernosola, administrator of the state Division of Veterans Services. "We accepted responsibility for our deficiencies and corrected them. We have learned a lot and are now providing even better care than before."

John Hathaway, chief of the Bureau of Facilities Standards, said he was impressed by the improvements first reported in the Boise home's July response to the April inspection.

One key change was implementing a policy of reviewing the continuing need for physical restraint

or anti-psychotic medication every three months for each resident affected, Hathaway said. At the same time the home cut back the number of residents on psychotropic drugs to just over 29 percent.

The number subject to some type of physical restraint, which had been 55 percent in April, was down to just over 19 percent by July, Hathaway said. The state average for all long-term care facilities is about 13 percent, and the national average slightly lower.

Hathaway said a slow, steady reduction in use of both physical and chemical restraint is a wise policy, and the trend seems to be continuing.

"We would have been concerned if it had been reduced more quickly than that," he said. "You can't just pull it away because it makes it even worse. It really exacerbates it."

The Veterans Home in Boise also was found in April to have standing permission from physicians to give anti-psychotic drugs to 58 percent of its residents.

# Leader hopes Idaho will fund memorial

LEWISTON (AP) - State Rep. June Judd wants the Legislature to appropriate \$1 for each of the state's 66,000 World War II veterans to help pay for a memorial in the nation's capital.

The St. Maries Democrat said she intends to propose legislation next winter at the request of WWII veteran Everett Anderson of St. Maries. Twenty-one other states are con-

tributing at least \$1 for each of their veterans from the war toward the national WWII memorial, Judd said. Earlier this year, the Utah Legislature appropriated \$79,000 for the project.

"I think it's a great idea," she said this week during a stop in Lewiston. Judd, whose cousin was killed in Europe during WWII, said the people who served in the war

deserve to be recognized like crews of other wars.

Sen. Marguerite McLaughlin, Orofino Democrat who serves on the legislative budget committee, called Judd's proposal important.

"We always talk about tight budgets, but we always find money for things that are beneficial and good ideas," she said. "I think there's room in the budget to fit it in."

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# Accused horse shooters will stand trial

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev. (AP) - Eight months after their arrest, two ex-Marines and a former high school buddy have been ordered to stand trial in the killings of more than two dozen wild horses.

A Storey County justice of the peace ruled Thursday there was enough evidence to order all three bound over to district court on felony and gross misdemeanor charges of maiming or killing another person's animal.

"This was a massacre," said Deputy District Attorney Sharon Claassen.

The shooting spree in the hills east of Reno received international attention and prompted the equivalent of a dishonorable discharge for the two servicemen after their arrest in January.

Justice Annette Daniels on Thursday dismissed four other charges against the three young men who attended high school in Reno together, including theft and grand larceny charges.

Storey County District Attorney Janet Hess said she was pleased with the outcome as did lawyers for the three defendants - former Lance Crpls. Scott Brendle, 22, and Darien Brock, 21, and Anthony Merlino, 20, a Reno construction worker.

"It's better than nothing," said Lydia Hammack, president of the Virginia Range Wildlife Protection Association and one of the horse advocates who sat through the hearings in county



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TROTTING TURKEYS



Century High School students on the way to school in Pocatello, Idaho, for turkey trot Friday morning. Although extensive road construction in the area has hampered traffic in recent weeks, it wasn't the worst. Several other streets close this morning.

Fish and Game commission delays contract negotiations

LEWISTON (AP) — The Idaho Fish and Game Commission has backed away from immediately renegotiating its contract with the company handling computerized sales of state hunting and fishing licenses.

The commission wants to put talks with G-tech on hold while it considers unofficial bids from other companies that provide similar services.

"By doing this it would at least give us an estimate from other companies and take away the commentary we received for not going out to bid," budget chief Steve Barton said.

In August, the commission agreed to renegotiate a five-year contract with G-tech. The go-ahead was based on an in-house analysis indicating that going with a new company would cost about \$5 million. Commissioners felt that was too expensive for the financially ailing department.

But the Idaho Shooting Sports Alliance criticized the move, saying the department's analysis overpriced. Commissioner Alex Irby of Orofino later said he was uncomfortable with the short notice the commission had to consider the matter.

Separatist member faces charges after shootout with Utah officers

MILFORD, Utah (AP) — A member of a religious separatist group was charged Friday with two counts of attempted aggravated murder, after a shootout with sheriff's deputies that left one deputy fighting to salvage the use of his leg.

Tony Hamilton, a member of the self-styled fundamentalist Mormon group, also was charged with misdemeanor aggravated assault, murder of a service dog, criminal trespass and resisting arrest. The charges were filed in Millard County Court.

Hamilton is being held at the Millard County Jail on \$200,000 bail.

Sgt. John Chambers, 41, a Beaver County sheriff's deputy, was wounded in the lower right leg when he and six other deputies arrived at an isolated ranch in western Utah on Thursday morning to evict members of the autist, anti-government group accused of sniping

there. A police dog named Max was shot dead.

Chambers was upgraded Friday afternoon from criminal to serious conditions at Blake Regional Medical Center in St. George. Surgeons managed to salvage his leg for now, said hospital spokeswoman Jean Degeer.

"She did a minute-by-minute process and we will not know the long-term prognosis for a while," she added.

Because the attack was against the Beaver County deputy, Hamilton will be held in the Millard County Jail. Administrative court proceedings have been transferred to Beaver County Court, said Deane L. Anderson, chief Millard County Deputy Attorney for the Criminal Division.

Hamilton's group, which is also known as the Fundamental of Enterprises and the International Foundation, had been fighting with Beaver County for six years.

The group had been removed several times from the property, but kept returning, said Sheriff Ken Yardley.

Officers were seeking to evict them again Thursday when the confrontation occurred.

Yardley said Hamilton confronted him after the shooting and held a gun on him for about 30 minutes before another deputy tackled him from behind.

Hamilton and his group claim ownership of 640 acres of arid scrub and piñon pine at Vance Springs, at the foot of Sawtooth Peak in Beaver County. They claim they are independent of local, state and federal governments and refuse to pay taxes.

The group bought the land years ago, but Beaver County Attorney Leo Kannel said the county sold it for delinquent taxes in 1992 to Ranger Enterprises, a North Las Vegas company that got an order evicting the group.



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Babbitt is a no-show at rural summit

CEDAR CITY, Utah (AP) — U.S. Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt canceled his appearance at the Utah Rural Summit in Iron County on Friday.

Babbitt had a scheduling conflict, said Scott Truman, executive director of the Utah Rural Development Council and summit co-chairman.

The news left some of the 300

people gathered at Southern Utah University for the summit disappointed.

"I am disappointed that he didn't come because it's important for him to hear the voice of rural Utah, which I don't think is different than Rural U.S.A.," said Margaret Hurd, who works over the state's school and instructional trust

lands for the Utah State Office of Education.

Babbitt has been criticized in many parts of rural Utah for his pro-wilderness stance. Appointed in 1993, Babbitt has led what he calls a movement toward "American Restoration" through aggressive efforts toward preservation and environmental protection.

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2 pm Greased Pig Contest	4 pm Judging Dutch Oven Cook Off
3 pm Rattlesnake Station Old West Reenactors	5 pm Awards Presentation
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Cher visits shop, gives staff concert seats

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — There was something a little funny about the attempted credit card purchase at the Mr. Charles boutique. The buyer couldn't produce a photo ID — and for good reason: The credit card belonged to Cher.

People in brief



Cher

Cher herself visited the store Tuesday. She bought blouses and sweaters and gave the staff three concert tickets.

That makes the product better. We think this is an unethical breach of a private process.

'Cape Fear' star Lewis marries at Big Sur

LOS ANGELES — Actress Juliette Lewis has taken a walk down the aisle with a professional skateboarder.

Belgium's prince will marry 26-year-old aristocrat

BRUSSELS — Belgium's crown prince has found a princess in his own back yard.

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Philips is the eldest son of King Albert II and his Italian-born wife, Paola.

Rumors of an impending engagement were front-page news in many papers Friday.

Thieves rob comedian of thousands in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS — Rip Taylor's been ripped off, and it's no laughing matter.

New Schwarzenegger film previews are halted

LOS ANGELES — Leaks have terminated previews of Arnold Schwarzenegger's new movie.

Schwarzenegger was going to "show up," said Gary Frost, a manager at Chatsworth's Pacific Winnetka 21 theaters.

Hosts on KTTV-TV's "Good Day L.A." had asked viewers to attend the screenings and telephone or fax in their reviews.

Test audiences, usually recruited at shopping malls, aren't told the name of the movie they will see.

Rain falls at 7 mph; Americans eat a lot of bacon

The father of clever writer Robert Louis Stevenson was a clever Scot named Thomas Stevenson. He invented a sort of dynamometer to measure the force of waves as they hit the shore.

WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd

its size. There's much more here on the muscle mass of the sloth. What do you suggest? I do with it? What motivates a man of action? No mystery.

Under "Average American annually eats" you may list "91 pounds of bacon."

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MORNING BREAK

# Emmy writer helps give stars humor

**LOS ANGELES (AP)**—Bruce Vilanch is the man of a million genres. He's the wisecracking humorist of the Emmys and Oscars, the gag writer who delivers wit on demand like a Red Bull.

A writer on Sunday's Emmy broadcast, Vilanch has had a hand in crafting memorably funny moments on countless award-winning shows.

He is the guy who gave Billy Crystal this line during the Oscars: "A billion people are watching us tonight, except Santa Claus, who's watching us from the North Pole."

When Whoopi Goldberg said this about Los Angeles: "L.A. if you can't be a star, at least you can be a star witness"—that was Vilanch's line.

He supplied Roseanne with this wisecrack on true-to-life Barbie dolls: "We're waiting for thriller Conan Byrne and Ewing Dinsdale Barbie."

Vilanch and Crystal also co-wrote the musical number for a Oscar live show in which Crystal sang: "Whose eyes, those thighs, whose lips? It's Time to Give a Hand."

Lately, Vilanch has given screen time as a regular on "Ballwreck Squires," for which he is the head writer.

Next week comes "Get Bruce!," a documentary about Vilanch's role as hired big man for the stars. The film opens Sept. 17 in Los Angeles, New York City, Chicago and San Francisco.



Writer Bruce Vilanch makes Indianapolis TV moments.

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The Emmy Awards show starts at 7 p.m. Sunday on FOX, with pre-awards show beginning at 6 p.m.

Daytime Emmys and the People's Choice, American Comedy and World Music awards.

"I'm down to the American Ballwreck Awards," Vilanch, a tubby figure with shaggy blond hair and beard, said in an interview. "There's nothing else left."

For Sunday's Emmys, he is writing for hosts David Hyde Pierce and Jenna Elfman and preparing lines for nominees who want something funny to say in case they win.

When the idea for the documentary arose, "I was kind of amazed," Vilanch said. "How many people get a documentary made about them? It's me, and Hitler and Gandhi and R. Crumb."

"Get Bruce!" showcases his work preparing Crystal and Ms. Goldberg to emcee the Oscars, including material that wound up on the cutting-room floor.

To spoof Oliver Stone's "JFK," Vilanch and Crystal pondered a number to the "Fiddler on the Roof" tune "Tradition": "A gunman on the knoll? Sounds crazy, I know. But Oliver Stone might say every one of us is a suspect."

The movie follows his career as an entertainment reporter for the Chicago Tribune in the early 1970s, a humorist for TV programs such as "The Brady Bunch

Variety Hour" in the late '70s and writer for almost every awards show in the business. His credits include the Grammys, the Tonys, the

## Cotton leaves aspirin bottles

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## Half-century of Emmy's brings TV, society into focus

By Ryan Elser

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — In 1949, the Emmy Awards honored a lucky sitcom commedian and the best kinescope. Fifty years later, cigarettes ads have been banished from the tube and kinescopes are TV's historical equivalent of a time machine.

Changes over the half-century include the end of such daytime serials as the changing medium comes from film — as does the changing society that television reflects.

It is how we're choosing to talk about ourselves. This is how we're choosing to tell our stories, and they've been changed in the process of mass media outlets.

Robert Thompson, director of the Center for the Study of Popular Television at Syracuse University, said:

Each back to '49, when the categories alone spike volumes. There was "Best live show" (with "Paramount Quiz" among the nominees) and "Best kinescope show" ("The Tom Sawyer Theater," "Studio One" and others tied).

Kinescopes, television's first means of recording shows, were made by aiming a 16 mm film camera at a studio television monitor. Within a few years, film and videotape had made the mechanical obsolete.

The commercial category was quickly dropped from the prime-time Emmys (only to be restored three years ago). Lucky Strike was a winner in '49, but cigarettes became one of TV's big losers. In 1971, cigarettes ads were banned.

By 1978, the live television category had vanished. The anthology shows that once were television's mainstay — programs like "Playhouse 90" were being discontinued as the best drama category because of viewer sentiment.

Viewers, however, were ennum-

ered of the series genre, with "Gunsmoke," "Wagon Train" and "The Danny Thomas Show" among the 10 top-rated shows.

"Father Knows Best" was the quintessential '50s sitcom nominee. It represented the heart-warming best of postwar America, with its affluent, stable family and ordered suburban existence.

As the disorderly 1960s unfolded, television at first averted its eyes. Vietnam, civil rights, feminism — all could have been happening on Mars for the lack of impact they had on TV series.

"TV waits a good long time before it goes into controversial waters," Thompson said. Consider some of the 1969 nominees: the spy spoof "Get Smart" and the fantasy sitcoms "Bewitched" and "The Ghost and Mrs. Muir." Only "Julia," the first series to feature a lead black character, was a groundbreaker.

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# Scouts reach out

Girls group seeks unlikely membership in labor camps

HOLLISTER, Calif. (AP) — As the afternoon starts sweltering, girls struggle into a modest park with a lone pavilion and four trees that double as bases for kickball.

The youngest, quietest girls wear used Brownie shirts and jumpers, their long black hair meticulously combed and ribboned.

The older girls, giggling and showing each other, wear jeans and borrowed T-shirts stamped with the Girl Scout logo.

They recite the Girl Scout promise: "Yo me esforzare a ser honrada y justa, cordial y servicial, considerada y compasiva..."

The Girl Scouts, which have been promoting wholesome American girlhood since the early 1900s, are searching for new members across borders and beyond traditional neighborhoods.

"The whole purpose ... is to provide the benefits of Girl Scouts to an audience that would not normally have access to them," Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. spokeswoman Lori Arguelles said.

At the Southside Labor Camp, 91 miles southeast of San Francisco, migrant workers spend their days picking garlic and peppers in the fields. Their daughters spent two hours each week at Southside's park doing civic projects for badges.

That's until November, when Southside closes and families scatter to harvest or plant crops from Arizona to Florida.

In some of those states, the girls can pick up where they left off at other chapters. That's part of the Border Initiative, one of many Girl Scout efforts to reach girls that look less like TV's Marcia Brady and more like the kids down the block.

Southside has had a troop for several years. But the Border Initiative makes a special effort to target Hispanic and migrant girls and to keep them in Girl Scouts even when they move.

About 10,000 girls have participated in the program in its three years. Officials acknowledge some of the girls may be in the United States illegally, but Scout leaders don't ask about their legal status.

In some states, the program extends to activities with the parents.

In Yuma, Ariz., program manager Sylvia Martinez-Flores said Girl Scouts have teamed up with Chicanos Por La Causa, which teaches the girls' parents to read while they work on Girl Scout projects.

Soccer-playing, pre-teen fans of Britanny Spears from midwestern suburbia still flock to Girl Scout projects. But the organization now looks for cookie sellers in homeless shelters, among jail inmates' daughters and around crop-laden fields.

"Just looking at demographic and immigration patterns, increasing numbers of girls are coming from new immigrant com-



A group of Girl Scouts gives the three-finger pledge at the beginning of their meeting in Hollister, Calif., Friday.

munities," said Marsha Johnson-Evans, Girl Scouts national executive director in New York. "And if you look at border states like Texas, Arizona, New Mexico and California, increasing numbers of girls in those communities don't have a history of Girl Scout membership."

That membership has grown from 2.41 million girls nationwide in 1989 to 2.67 million in 1998.

Hispanic membership has risen from 3.9 percent then to 5.7 percent now, and officials credit that largely to efforts like the Border Initiative.

Yet the outreach brings unexpected challenges. Unlike counterpart Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts does not exist in Mexico by that name.

Its closest counterpart is the Girl Guides. Officials say the Girl Guides have 1,689 members across Mexico. Many rural Mexican parents have never heard of it or the Girl Scouts and it's harder to get them involved.

"(Recently), I tried to have a parent meeting," said Linda Valenzuela, membership director for the Imperial-Valley Girl Scouts near San Diego. "I was disappointed that not one parent showed up, even though I had walked door to door trying to get them involved."

Valenzuela said she understands parents have their hands full simply making a living.

"I'm Mexican and I know that for years when I was a kid we played by ourselves," she said.

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Section D

## Hey! No apologies necessary

Andrea is our third child. We think of her as God's way of apologizing for the first two.

Please don't misunderstand. We love her older brother and sister every bit as much as we love her, and we wouldn't trade them for anything besides. We're not sure how much we could get for them, now that they're both adults with families of their own.

But they would be the first to admit that as teenagers, they were both recalcitrant, strong-willed and more than a little challenging on occasion.

Andrea, on the other hand, has been a model child: obedient, congenial, accomplished and fun. We love to take credit for how well she is turning out, but to be perfectly honest, I can't see that we've done anything different with her than we did with Amy and Joe. It's Andrea who is different, not us. And I don't mind saying that we are enjoying the difference.

VALUESPEAK  
Joseph Walker

As Amy and Joe were struggling through their teenage years, they sort of tuned their parents out. So we had to trust that life would teach them the hard lessons they desperately needed to learn—which it did. Andrea, on the other hand, has been willing to listen to our counsel and advice. She has even sought it on occasion, believing that we have hoped that life would reward her for her good choices and positive attitude. And for the first time, she has only been saying, "Until last week."

"I won't go into a lot of detail—she's going to kill me when she reads this as it is (next time your kids try to convince you that your life is hard, tell them it could be worse; they could have a parent who writes about their problems in the newspaper and names names). Let's just say that something didn't turn out the way I promised her it would."

When she started high school, I told her that if she worked hard, paid her dues, sacrificed and waited her turn, The Thing She Wants Most would happen. She believed me. She trusted me. So she did everything I said. For the next two years she worked hard, paid her dues and sacrificed, and finally it was her turn. At the start of her senior year, she was poised to collect on my promise. Then last week we found out that The Thing She Wants Most isn't going to happen. At least not for her.

Now, I know that life is like that sometimes. Sure, we'd all like to think of it in mathematical terms. Just as two plus two always equals four, we want to believe that talent plus hard work will always equal success. But life isn't a simple equation. Sometimes things work out the way we think they should, and sometimes they don't—no matter how good and worthy and wonderful we are. It's a hard lesson one that is only grasped peacefully. And right now, Andrea is feeling the pain of learning.

As her father, I wish more than anything I could just wave a magic wand and make the world stop. But after 21-plus years of parenting, I still haven't figured out how to do that. And it's probably just as well, because she'll get through this just fine, and she'll be better and stronger as a result.

She will be more understanding of others and more understanding of her life who are suffering emotional pain, because she will have experienced it herself. That will make her a better friend, a better wife, a better mother and a better person.

Unfortunately, knowing that will happen eventually, doesn't take away the pain of right now and it will hurt. But the pain will subside—for Andrea and for her. Her dreams will not be crushed. New opportunities will beckon. And some new Thing She Wants Most will finally happen.

With no apologies necessary—from God or anyone else.

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer in Alamosa, Colo.



The Jordan River Band is (front row, left to right) Wilbert Perkins, Bill Parlin, Gary Roach; (back row, left to right) Renee Parlin, Florida Owen.

## California singin'

Country/gospel band from Buhl credits gig as call from God

**B**UHL—The members of the country/gospel Jordan River Band haven't ever really looked for gigs. So, when they were asked to play at a church in Stockton, Calif., they attributed the call to God.

For eight years, the Bethany Community Church in Stockton has brought in bands to play for the local congregation of 1,500. Generally, the performers have a country background. Sometimes they are big names, sometimes they are not.

Last year, the performer was a musician with the Billy Graham crusade. This year, the five musicians from

Buhl, the Jordan River Band, may take the stage.

The Jordan River Band began performing 10 years ago, as a way to reach shut-ins. The group now performs at various community events, band member Bill Parlin said.

The members of the band, who are Nazarene, focus on the word of God and the rest falls into place, noted Parlin.

Reliance on God has allowed the group to downplay promotion.

"That's the fine if that's what God wants, but if we go down there and play and come back with nothing else, that's fine, too."

Added band member Renee Parlin, "God's number one."

Music is just another way to get across God's message, she said: "People love music; it opens up a door for the message to get through to all ages."

Music, to the Jordan River Band, can have the same effect as a sermon, band member Gary Roach said.

"It's our way of ministering through our music," he explained. "It's a way of giving a message the same way a pastor gives a sermon."

Roach also spoke about the California concert.

"It's an act of God to send us there," he said. "I'm sure there's a purpose. We'll find out what when we get there."

## Prayers of faith

Ministers, missionaries cope with drug-addicted children

**TEMPE, Ariz.**—There are Bible passages telling of parents who brought their children to Jesus for healing. Whether the child was sick or maimed, Christ would cure them. It was a testament to the faith of their parents.

On a blazing summer day in a suburban Arizona church, 63 parents from around the country came to ask the Lord to heal their children. They too were sick, though not in a way the Bible refers to. Their sons and daughters were addicted to drugs.

The parents were pastors and missionaries.

"Mom, Dad, what in the hell are you doing here?" Stephanie Vawter shot up in bed. It was midnight July 7, 1997, and she had just returned to her home in Denver after spending a week in Mexico shooting black tar heroin.

"We know you're on heroin," her father began, "and we want you to get help."

In today's culture of teen violence, sex and drug addiction, society says strong families and

religion may be the buffers needed to keep children from making bad choices. The 63 ministers and missionaries who attended the Arizona drug seminar, believed the first of its kind, had both.

They raised their children in two-parent homes. They talked them about right and wrong. They taught them to love and honor God and themselves.

"It's not rare for clergy to go through family problems," says Louis McBurney, a psychiatrist at Colorado-based Maribel Retreat, a clergy counseling center.

"Their own kind of work demands and the kind of fish-bowl life they live gets focused on their children, and the children often feel they have to live up to an unusually high standard."

And so when they learned their children were addicts, many of these ministers did not confide in their congregations because they feared rejection or ridicule. Others were fired after telling the truth.

The drug conference, titled "You're Not Alone," allowed them to finally discuss their



Susan and John Vawter sit among the pews at Bethany Community Church in Tempe, Ariz., where John Vawter is senior pastor. There are Bible passages telling of parents who brought their children to Jesus for healing, and on a blazing summer day in this suburban Arizona church, 63 parents had come to ask the Lord to heal their children, who were addicted to drugs.

experiences in an anonymous setting. "Those who attended included Catholics, Episcopalians, Baptists and evangelicals. One family agreed to share their story."

The call to John and Susan Vawter had come 31 hours earlier, at 5 p.m. on Sunday. Their son, Michael, told them their 25-year-old daughter was addicted to heroin and in Mexico buying

It was the couple's 30th wedding anniversary and John's first day to preach at Bethany Community Church in Tempe since accepting the job as head pastor.

The Vawters made a series of calls, to church counselors and substance abuse centers. "If your daughter agrees to come," one drug counselor told them, "you may have to let her shoot up."

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## Angelic Beans, based on Bible stories, touch thousands

**By Michaela Baltzer  
The Orange County Register**

Abraham, Mercy and Truth—sounds like a WWF wrestling card, doesn't it?

Guess again. They are some of the Angelic Beans, a collection of bean-bag bears, lions and other animals based on Bible stories. The creator, ProTech Products Inc. of Walnut, Calif., hopes the Angelic Beans will have a posi-

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"Collecting bean-bag toys is not as much a money thing as it

was a year or two ago," notes Donna Scheffer, owner of Donna's Precious Dolls, Gifts & Collectibles in Huntington Beach, Calif., which sells Angelic Beans. "People do it now because they enjoy it, not because they want to resell the toys and use the money to go to college."

Angelic Beans will soon be available in Twin Falls at the Christian Bookstore in Centennial Square Mall.

## Coach includes Jesus in program

By John Raby  
The Associated Press

**MONTCOMERY, W.Va.**—On the bulletin board outside the West Virginia Tech football office, there are no rosters, complex football plays or fiery slogans. Instead, there's a simple sheet of paper that asks: "Got Jesus?"

Minister Mike Springston was hired as head football coach with hopes of resurrecting a Division II program that hasn't won a game in two seasons and has just six victories this decade. With the university's blessing, he's also sharing Christianity with his players.

"I think the Lord had a purpose in sending me here," Springston says.

The 42-year-old Tech alumnus has been in the ministry since he was 16. His main involvement is with the Church of God, but he has preached before Baptist and Methodist congregations. He's also involved in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Springston has bounced around high schools and small colleges as an assistant coach. His previous jobs have allowed him to serve as an associate pastor for up to two churches at a time.

Football never dominated his sermons, and he isn't teased on the field about Touchdown Jesus, during the Hal Mary pass or the Inmactuate Reception.

"I think that my demeanor is such that I'm not pushing people into things, so I don't catch a lot of remarks," he said.

With his new job, he is too busy for church ministry but still finds ways to get his players involved. Springston wrote a letter in the preseason to every player and parent expressing the emotional and spiritual part of football, including a chapel service every Friday night.

"I did not get one response back saying, 'Coach, we don't want to do that,'" he said.

Last Sunday, 40 players accompanied Springston to Methodist services.

"He's a man of real character. Everybody respects this man," said Tech athletic director Mike Neese, who served on the panel that hired Springston. "He practices what he preaches. One of the players told me he was the first coach he's ever had that never cussed at him."

Billy Champion, a transfer from South-Central Los Angeles, said: "That's the first time a coach has ever taken me to church."

Springston said he works within the boundaries of the Constitution, which prohibits state-sponsored religion.

"I've been in this too long. Nobody had to explain anything to me," he said. "Anything we do, the kids come on their own. It's all total volunteerism."

Coach's president, Dr. Karen Lankford, she has seen no indication of school-led prayer on the field.

Coach's program has gone downhill since it was West Virginia's second-best team in 1989. Last year, Tech averaged fewer than 10 points a game while going up 45.

Springston not only had to put together a new coaching staff, he had to look for a new team. Three-fourths of the 85 players from last year's 0-11 squad graduated or quit. Only six starters returned.

"Those types of things never concerned me. I was more concerned with where I felt like God was putting me than worrying about how the program was," Springston said. "Winning and losing aren't relevant to who you are as a coach. We've placed the attitude that we're going to work to win, but winning isn't the measure of the man."

His players have embraced his style.

"He wants to mold us as men, not as athletes," offensive tackle Scott Cowley said.

Linebacker Joe Wagner, who has a cross tattooed on his upper arm, says Springston breeds optimism.

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RELIGION

-LETTER- Simple words Rabbi thinks about what really matters

New Testament parables encourage deep Bible study

Why Parables?
Timothy 4:3, "the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine..."
Jesus spoke in parables.
Should He have changed His way of teaching? I think not. He taught in parables so that those who love Him would study His words searching for the truth...

By Julia Lieblich
The Associated Press

Just as many Christians go to church only on Easter and Christmas, many Jews see parables as the heart of Jewish holidays - Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.
Inevitably, some become overwhelmed by the patterns of superstition. Strangers in a strange land, they're lost before the first verse.
Rabbi Adin Steinmetz, the Israeli scholar and mystic, and author of the forthcoming book "Simple Words: Thinking About What Really Matters in Life," has been warning serious students to be genuinely unattached. Don't try to keep up with the liturgy. Find one sentence in the prayer book that has meaning for you and focus on it.
Israeli scholars have called Steinmetz a once-in-a-millennium thinker who speaks with authority and self-deprecating humor on topics from science fiction to Talmudic thought.
Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year that started Friday at sunset, begins a 10-day period of examination and rebirth known as the Days of Awe. It ends with Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, which begins Sept. 19 this year, when Jews communally confess their sins so they can renew their lives and turn toward God.
Such renewal, Steinmetz said,



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can occur on an ordinary day. But it can be a daunting prospect for religious and secular souls alike.
"Perhaps our greatest difficulty in relating to God is our inherent inability to form any coherent understanding of the Almighty," Steinmetz proposes another, plainer avenue toward understanding God: "the belief that things somehow fit together into a whole that makes sense."

Jews take offense

Southern Baptists ask members to pray for conversion during High Holy Days

By Jim Jones
Knight-Ridder News Service

FORT WORTH, Texas - Southern Baptists have produced a "Jewish prayer guide" urging members to pray for the conversion of Jews to Christianity during the High Holy Days of Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, which began Friday.
Some Jewish leaders called the action arrogant and offensive.
"Baptists have a right to believe what they believe," said Mark Briskman, Southwest regional director for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. "But we find this offensive. It shows an element of arrogance because they are specifically targeting Jews during this holy season."
The prayer effort was announced a news release by the Southern Baptist International Mission Board in Richmond, Va. The board has published a new series of prayer guides for Muslims during Ramadan, for Hindus and Buddhists, the announcement states.
"On Rosh Hashana, when observant Jews around the world begin 10 days of seeking God, Southern Baptists will be praying their silent but intense conversion begins. The Baptist prayer strategy will continue through Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, which ends Sept. 20.
The Baptist "Days of Awe" prayer guide explains the way Jews celebrate High Holy Days, gives sketches of Jewish people in different parts of the world and offers suggestions on how to pray for Jewish people. The guide urges Baptists "to pray for Jewish individuals you know by name" throughout the High Holy Days.
"As Jewish people attempt to purge themselves of spiritually

Retired United Methodist minister will speak in Kimberly

The Times-News

KIMBERLY - The Rev. Bill Flanery, a retired United Methodist minister from Twin Falls, will speak "Morning of Suffering" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at Crossroads United Methodist Church.
Flanery, who served churches in Kansas and Wendell, also served as a state representative for the state of Colorado and as executive director of the Girl Scouts Wagon Wheel Council.

Church news

The rally day will begin with a pancake breakfast at 9 a.m. with music by Rudy Williams and Jim Wendle. Sunday School is at 9:40 a.m. and "You Be There" worship is at 11 a.m. Casual testimony time is encouraged. The public is invited. The pastor is O. I. Crickler Harrison.
For more information, call 733-3322.

Church of God invites kids

JEROME - The First Church of God will have a group for children ages 4 through 9 (or kindergarten through third grade) from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays.
A bus will pick up children with the members of the other youth groups. The church is located at 131 E. Ave. F.
For more information, call Beverly Meyers at 324-4261.

Homecoming will be in TF

TWIN FALLS - Sunday is Homecoming Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St.
The day will begin with a rejoice service at 8:30 a.m. in the upstairs chapel, followed by Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and a transitional service at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary. The well will follow in the fellowship hall.
All are welcome. Child care is provided.
Youth groups and senior high youth groups will meet at 5 p.m. at Oregon Trail Park or Kimberly Road for dinner. For more information, call Carol at 325-8529.

M4C Praise Band will play

HEYBURN - Mini-Cassia Community Christian Church will play the M4C Praise Band, beginning with a Sunday service at 11 a.m. at the Seventh Day Adventist building on Wallace Road.
The fun will move to Walcott Park for recreation at 1 p.m. and praise and worship at 5 p.m.

Valley Christians host rally

TWIN FALLS - Sunday is Western Roundup Sunday at Valley Christian Church, 3708 Heyburn Ave. E.

Church begins fall program

TWIN FALLS - Rock Creek Community Church will begin its fall programming on Sunday with adult Sunday School classes at 9 a.m. and Sunday School for children (pre-school through high school) at 9:45 a.m.
The fun will move to Walcott Park for recreation at 1 p.m. and praise and worship at 5 p.m.

Enchirist comes to ranch

TWIN FALLS - Ascension Episcopal Church will hold its 10 a.m. Eucharistic service on Sunday at Edith Robertson's ranch, 332 Hankins Road in Kimberly. A picnic will follow.
Chicken, beverages and table service will be provided. Bring a salad or dessert.
For more information, call 733-1258.

Lisa Marie will perform

HAZELTON - Lisa Marie will be ministering in music at 10 a.m. Sunday at Hansen City Park.
This is a joint service with Valley Assembly of God and Valley Presbyterian churches. All are welcome.
Lisa Marie will also be at the "See You at the Fair" at 7 a.m. Wednesday at Valley High School and will perform in concert for a "Beyond the Pale" rally at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Valley Assembly of God.
For more information, call Pastor Kent Sullivan at 329-5862.

Missionaries to visit Rupert

RUPERT - The Church of the Nazarene will host career missionaries Bob and Colleen Skinner at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the church, located on the corner of Eighth and J streets.
The Skinners live in the Ukraine (formerly the USSR) with their sons, Robby, Michale and Joshua. They served in the Philippines from 1950 to 1994.
Bob Skinner, from Oregon, played football and earned a psychology degree at Boise State University. He also attended Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa. Colleen Skinner, the daughter of career missionaries, attended the Philippines and attended Northwest Nazarene University.
The community is invited. For more information, call 436-3419.

Jerome church sells goodies

JEROME - The First Church of God will hold a spaghetti feed and bake sale from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday at the church, 131 E. Ave. F.
Donations for the dinner will go to the ladies. Proceeds from the spaghetti feed will be used for the "Up Close and Personal" conference in Boise. The bake sale will feature pies, cakes, breads and cookies.

Free concert to follow game

BURLEY - Praise Chapel Youth Ministry is hosting a free concert at Wheels following the Minuteman game on Sept. 22. The Deep Suround Band from Spokane, Wash., will also perform.

Group sponsors Bible study

TWIN FALLS - Valley Christian Church will hold weekly Bible study classes from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays in the first-floor room of the shared facility at 1708 Heyburn Ave. E.
Pastor O. I. Crickler Harrison will lead the study. "The Gospel feature." Classes are free. The public is welcome. Child care will be arranged by appointment.
For more information, call 733-3222.

Series offers childcare tips

M4C - congregational Day Care is sponsoring a "Raising Up Kids Without Tearing Them Down" series beginning at 7 p.m. Sept. 21, at the Congregational Center, 124 N. Second W. The eight-week video and study series is by Dr. Kevin Leman.
Topics include self-esteem; how to be in healthy authority over your child, misbehavior, reality discipline, living in a sanctified and keeping your family together when the world is falling apart.
There is no charge for parents with children in day care at the center. Other parents may pay \$5 for the workbook.
For more information, call 438-CARE.

Various artists combine nicely for live 'Night in Rockettown'

The Dallas Morning News
"A Night in Rockettown" by various artists (Rockettown, 65 minutes). This fun live collection features Michael W. Smith's entire label lineup, including as MC at Orlando's Hard Rock Live. Watermark establishes a tight groove with "Take Me There" and "What Manner of Love," continued by Ginny Owens' "I Wanna Be Moved." Chris Rice's funny yet poignant "Cartoon" and Cindy Morgan's beautiful hymn "Praise the King," and Owens' similarly moving "If You Want Me To" draw the loudest applause. The only sour note is Wiley Post's twice-instrumental workshop choruses led by Smith proves a suitable closing, and this

Prayers

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get her on the plane.
As naive as any two people could be about drugs, John and Susan had no idea what that meant.
They also didn't know Steff, as she liked to be called, had been doing heroin for a year, spending at least \$70 a day to support her habit. They didn't know she had hooked her stereo, television, golf clubs, hedge clipper - even a Snow White video for \$5 - for drug money. Or that when she was really desperate she simply sold drugs herself.
They had never known her veins were so weak that she shot up between her toes and fingers, even in her thighs, when the vessels were stained black from the drugs that flowed through them.
Even Stephanie admits she

couldn't have called her a better childhood.
"I had a bike. I had a treehouse. A tree swing. My own room. Two bedrooms. My mom was home when we got back from school," she says. "I was not abused. I was not neglected - nothing like that."
She was a success big for a girl her age. And on top of the incentives about her weight, she was a preacher's kid, expected to be in church every Sunday, expected to behave all the time, expected to be a happy, well-adjusted child.
"It's like being the president's kid in a public school," she says.
Stephanie's parents met in 1956, when they joined the staff of Camp Crusade for Christ, and married the following year. For a few years, John was senior pastor of the Wyzzate Evan-

gelist Church in Wyzzate, Minn.
The kids were active in the church, and religion was part of their home life. John and Susan set aside at least once a week for "family time," during which they discussed a Bible principle with their children.
But by her sophomore year in high school, Steff stopped going to church, and, as John recalls, was study at home and unhappy at school. The year before Steff had started smoking marijuana. Eventually, she turned to acid. She kept looking for that ultimate high in 1996 she found it. At a speedo concert, she had her first hit of heroin.

But within two hours of the Denver confrontation, Steff was in detox. Two years later, she remains clean. This summer, with his daughter's permission, John Vagner organized the "You're Not Alone" conference. He and Susan had already grappled with their guilt.
"I don't think there is an answer," Susan says now. "There are no formulas on how you can raise your kids and it's all going to come out great in the end."
Now living in Arizona with her parents, Steff attends Alcoholics Anonymous meetings five times a week and works as an assistant manager at a children's store while studying astrophysics in college. She also teaches Sunday school at her father's church.
At the conference, Steff shared her story.

Religion in the media

serves as a tantalizing preview of a promising fall tour. - Beau Black
"• "All the Way" by The Kenoly Brothers (Next Generation). Ronald and Sam Kenoly aren't quite following in the footsteps of their famous father, and worship leader extraordinaire Ron Kenoly. The brothers first broke through with their dad on his 1982 hit "I'll Be There." "Welcome Home," they have decided to start their own group. On this debut release, they fuse hip-hop, funk and rhythm and blues. "O Lord, how do they invite listeners to a Holy Spirit-filled party."



# Diversity reflects national trend

## Many religious groups thrive in New Mexico

By Deborah Baker  
The Associated Press

ABIQUIA, N.M. — On a plateau across the Rio Chama from this 250-year-old Hispanic village, the stillness of the afternoon is pierced by a man's chanting voice. It is the call to prayer heard five times a day by hundreds of millions the world over, the signal for Muslims to stop what they are doing and turn their attention to God.

In this pocket of rural northern New Mexico, it draws a small group of worshippers from the blindingly bright sunshine into the cool darkness of a domed-roof adobe mosque.

An increasing number of the world's religions have become part of the fabric of faith in largely Roman Catholic New Mexico. Besides Islamic mosques, there are Sikh gurdwaras and Buddhist stupas. And the same is true across the United States in changing rapidly, with temples and mosques going up from coast to coast, said E. Allen Richardson, author of "Strangers in This Land: Pluralism and the Rise of Diversity in the United States."

"It's not just in the major metropolitan areas. It's every place," said Richardson, who teaches Hinduism who teaches Eastern religions at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, Pa. Mainstream religions of the



Eighteen-month-old Hanan, Xiao Sheng (middle) is held by his mother, Shi Shizhen (left), as he is admired by people in the Sikh community during their Feast Day celebration in the mountains. (left to right) Hanan, Xiao Sheng, Shi Shizhen, Hanan's father, Hanan's mother, Hanan's grandmother, Hanan's grandfather, Hanan's great-grandmother, Hanan's great-grandfather, Hanan's great-great-grandmother, Hanan's great-great-grandfather.

Eastern Hemisphere — including Islam, often called the fastest growing religion in the United States — have become American religions, fueled by immigration over the past three decades, Richardson said.

The mosque near Abiquia is part of Dar al-Islam, an organization with a two-fold mission: to educate Muslims about Islam, and to bring Muslims together.

The community of Sikhs, distinctive in their turbans and

white clothing, became a fixture in northern New Mexico since it was founded nearly 30 years ago. Sikhism is a monotheistic religion founded by a Hindu teacher in the 15th century.

The Sikhs begin their day before 4 a.m., with 2.5 hours of prayer, yoga and meditation in the gurbidgurdwara, or temple, on the outskirts of Española. They run a variety of thriving businesses — a nationwide security firm, companies that distribute tea, cereals and

herbal products, and computer and other consulting services. The community of about 325 has become a political force in the state, contributing to both major parties.

The Buddhist community in New Mexico includes immigrants from China, Laos, Vietnam, Thailand and Tibet, as well as Westerners. Some attend services led by meditation at Albuquerque temples. Some sit in meditation at adobe Zen centers in the mountains.

# MISSIONARIES

The Times-News

Several Magic Valley-area young people have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

**Called to serve**

Elder Preston Buckley will serve in the Pennsylvania Pittsburgh Mission. He will speak at 9 a.m. Sunday at the Acquia 1st Ward chapel, 403 Fifth St. An open house will be held Sunday at the Buckley residence, 450 E. 11th.

**Buckley is**

the son of Delbert Kirk and Brenda Buckley of Rupert and a 1999 graduate of Minico High School.

**Sister Rubyn McMan will**

serve in the Oklahoma Oklahoma City Mission. She will speak at 11:30 a.m. Sunday at the Ward 4 and Ward 5 chapel, 605 N. Idaho, and again at 9 a.m. Sept. 19 at the Rupert 3rd Ward chapel, 526 S. F.

**McMan-graduate**

Wendell High School in 1996 and attended the College of Southern Idaho, majoring in education. Her parents are Vard and Crystal McMan of Wendell.

**Elder Chad Hepworth will**

serve in the California Santa Rosa Mission. He will speak at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls 3rd Ward chapel on Elizabeth Boulevard.

**Hepworth**

graduated Falls High School in 1998 and attended CSI, graduating in

diesel technology. He is the son of Dea and Joanne Hepworth of Twin Falls.

**Returned from serving**

Elder Coby Fivcoot served in the Kentucky Louisville and Ohio Cincinnati missions. He will report on his mission at 10:40 a.m. Sunday at the Twin Falls 2nd Ward chapel on Park Avenue.

**Fivcoot is**

the son of Korat and Carl Fivcoot of Twin Falls. He plans to work and attend school.

**Elder Nathan D. Moller**

served in the Chile Santiago West Mission. He will report on his mission at 11:30 a.m. Sunday at the Rupert 1st Ward chapel, 806 G St.

**Moller is an**

Eagle Scout and graduate of Minico High School. He plans to continue his education at Ricks College, majoring in biology and Spanish. His parents are David and Judy Moller.

**Sister Merilee Dille**

served in the Arizona Tempe Mission. She will report on her mission at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the Burley 4th Ward chapel, 516 E. 16th St.

**Dille is the**

daughter of Brenda Dille of Burley. The Times-News welcomes news of church missionaries, which is published free of charge. Send information to Ellen Thomson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Jess Bryant, The Times-News, Burley, Bureau, 325 1/2 E. Fifth St., N. Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday.

# Budding Buddhism: Dala Lama inspires Americans

By Christian Wicker  
The Dallas Morning News

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Months ago, when Alameda, Calif., massage therapist Edna Nagle heard that the Dala Lama was coming to Bloomington, Ind., to help people give up selfishness, her response was loud and strong. "Yes," she said, raising her hand. "Sign me up."

By the time the Tibetan spiritual leader finished giving the Kalachakra, one of Buddhism's most revered rituals, she had become a true believer. Before the August initiation, most of what she knew about the Dala Lama came from the movie "Seven Years in Tibet."

After a week and a half of

teachings, the 37-year-old said she was fully prepared to obey the long list of rigorous vows that go with the ancient and intricate tantric ritual called the Kalachakra, or the Turning of the Wheel of Time.

The vows given in a huge tent before a crowd of 5,000 were not translated into English. So Nagle scribbled and scribbled as she tried to repeat what the Dala Lama said.

The Bloomington event was the fourth time the Dala Lama has given the Kalachakra in the United States and the 55th time he has given it anywhere. Buddhism in the United States has grown steadily this decade, from an estimated 100,000 adherents in 1990 to 700,000 in 1998.

The Dala Lama, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1989, dedicated the ritual to world peace.

Buddhists and others from around the world converged on the Southern Indiana town, site of the Tibetan Cultural Center, which is headed by the Dala Lama's elder brother, Tenzin J. Kunga. Among the crowd were monks Steven Sengul and Richard Gatz, whose foundation is financing some of the Dala Lama's visit to the United States.

Four to five hundred Tibetans also attended. During the Kalachakra, participants are helped to visualize the qualities of an enlightened being, or Buddha, so completely that they who are ready to receive it get an extra dose of energy, compassion and wisdom.

A long list of vows helps practitioners move more deeply into spiritual practice. They include not lying, not eating meat, not taking intoxicants, not killing any living being, including insects, regular meditation and complete dedication of oneself to the welfare of others.

The Bloomington ceremonies were open to anyone who paid \$50 a day or \$375 for the whole two-week initiation, though seats on the stage went for \$1,000.

When the Dala Lama, 64, was asked whether a non-Buddhist could be ready for the vows after attending seven days of instruction, he laughed and said: "That I don't know. They themselves should know."

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1:05 pm	The Promised Gospel
1:50 pm	The Promised Kingdom
2:35 pm	The Promised Return of Christ

Topics for Sun. Sept 19th

9:45 am	Repentance From Dead Works
10:50 am	Faithfulness Toward God
1:35 pm	Going On To Perfection
2:20 pm	Judgment Day Surprises

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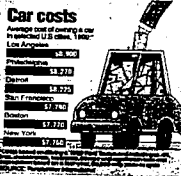
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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Old Towne Cottillon looks for new location

TWIN FALLS — The dance and rental hall Old Towne Cottillon has closed its doors in Old Towne. It is looking for another place to continue the business, said Dave Woodhead, owner of the Fifth Avenue South building where the cottillon was housed.

Three or four individuals are interested in renting the vacated Old Towne space, Woodhead said. Of those four, two would be valuable additions to the redeveloping warehouse district.

### Blockbuster creates new e-commerce positions

DALLAS — Blockbuster Inc., the world's biggest video-rental chain, with a store in Twin Falls is hinting broadly that it's moving further into new media and electronic commerce.

The Dallas-based company, however, this week wasn't ready to disclose anything specific.

In recent weeks, Blockbuster has created two senior-level positions to lead exploration of new business. Santo Politi, as president of new media, will lead research, development and implementation of new media opportunities. The other new position, senior vice president of e-commerce, went to Shellye Archambeau, who will be in charge of building and executing Blockbuster's e-commerce strategy.

Blockbuster emphasized it will "continue to focus on growing market share in the growing VHS/DVD (tape and disk) rental category through our retail store base and increasingly through blockbuster.com."

Company spokeswoman Karen Raskopf said an e-commerce strategy will be announced soon.

Additionally, Blockbuster will "definitely" explore ways other than video rental to get entertainment into viewers' homes, she said.

### IDACORP, Idaho Power declare stock dividends

BOISE — Directors of IDACORP Inc. (NYSE: IDA) declared a common stock dividend of 46.5 cents per share, payable Nov. 19 to holders of record at the close of business Oct. 25.

Directors of Idaho Power Co. declared quarterly dividend on 4 percent preferred stock of \$1 per share, payable Nov. 1 to holders of record at the close of business Oct. 15.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

## Ketchum student joins summit

### International trade leaders of Pacific Rim nations meet in New Zealand

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News Staff

KETCHUM — A young Ketchum woman is with political and business leaders from Pacific Rim nations this week in New Zealand for the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation CEO Summit.

She's occupying a front-row seat with a rare opportunity to observe and talk about international trade.

Amber Acker, 19, a University of Colorado freshman, is among more than 50 students — from the United States, China, Russia, South Korea, New Zealand, Mexico, Brunei Darussalam,

Australia and other APEC nations — participating in APEC.

The event's promoters bill it as an interactive educational program featuring APEC economic leaders working with the next generation of Asia Pacific decision makers.

Acker, a graduate of Wood

River High School, is pursuing a sports medicine degree in Boulder, Colo., where she is a member of the university's ski team.

One of Acker's ski coaches nominated her to go, and a Bellevue man's Thomas and Victoria O'Gara Foundation is

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Amber Acker

## LINKING THE MAGIC VALLEY



Charlie Croason, president of Rupert-based Project Mutual Telephone, said the business will centralize its Twin Falls Internet services equipment in the old U S West building on Shoshone Street.

## PMT buys downtown Twin Falls buildings to boost Internet service

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News Staff

TWIN FALLS — Rupert-based Project Mutual Telephone on Friday completed the purchase of two downtown Twin Falls buildings — a move it said will speed up its Internet service.

The purchase price wasn't disclosed.

The 308 Shoshone St. E. buildings — the old location for telephone switchboards and operators — are next door to Baby Bell U S West Communications's current switching headquarters. PMT intends to use a small portion of the building complex to centralize its Internet service equipment, while retaining all of the commercial tenants.

Because of his experience in the telephone business, PMT President Charlie Croason knows speed is a function of distance.

"The acquisition of the Shoshone Street building gives us the opportunity to consolidate our Internet operations at a location that gives us great access to U S West's network, while positioning our company for future growth," Croason said. "Because of the proximity to U S West's

### About Project Mutual Telephone

- A cooperative headquartered in Rupert.
  - Started in 1916.
  - Serves nearly 8,500 members.
  - Served an exclusive area until 1995; now competes with U S West.
  - Provides telephone services to parts of five Magic Valley counties.
  - The bulk of PMT's phone business is in Mini-Cassia, but it also has customers in Blaine, Lincoln and Jerome counties.
  - Provides cable television to Rupert, Heyburn, Paul and Burley.
  - Provides Internet service in all of Magic Valley.
  - Sells and installs business telephone services throughout southern Idaho, including computer wiring to create data networks.
  - Sells a paging service.
  - Installs security systems.
  - Sells telephone equipment in retail locations in Twin Falls, Burley and Rupert.
- Source: President Charlie Croason.

telephone switch, we should attain outstanding modern connections with very short copper loops."

Until PMT installs the equipment, Croason said, he can't quantify the projected acceleration in customers' connections. Some may notice no difference. But distance also tends to create data errors from electromagnetic interference, which the move should reduce, he said.

Some of PMT's customers now are 30 or 35 miles away from an Internet switching location, he said. PMT has two primary switching sites in Rupert and in

equipment will be consolidated with equipment the company got with its Sept. 1 acquisition of Computer Depot/Microchips, a Twin Falls Internet service business.

That move will affect all of the company's customers within Twin Falls' toll-free dialing area.

PMT's current switching center in Twin Falls is a mile from U S West's as the crow flies, Croason said. U S West doesn't disclose its cable route, and the cable length between them is something longer than a mile.

As next-door neighbors, the two companies will have a short

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## Improvement district will seek more money

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Historic Downtown Business Improvement District on Monday will ask the City Council for more money toward proposed improvements on a stretch of Main Avenue North and a few adjacent blocks, ID Director Randy Bombardier said.

After an early-morning meeting Friday, Bombardier said, the consensus among property owners in a proposed lower improvement district was "onward and upward" in the quest for improvements on the 200 and 300-blocks of Ninth Avenue North, on Second Street from Downtown Sports to TEAM America West; and on Third Street from Idaho Power Co. to Moore Signs.

The property owners would have to pay part of the cost to replace curbs, gutters and sidewalks and landscaping; and add the old-fashioned street lighting featured elsewhere on Main Avenue.

But people have to stay flexible regarding some of the design elements, Bombardier said.

"We can't tell people exactly what it will look like," he said.

And it's not clear yet what property owners would have to pay. That depends on the City Council's answer to Monday's request.

At this point, city staff only has authority to commit to reworking the intersections — the typical city contribution to a BID, Bombardier said. But he'll ask the council to contribute beyond that, to the extent that business owners won't bear the cost of removing the steep crown from the center of North Main.

### Proposed funding

- \$378,000 from a community development block grant.
  - \$63,468 from Main Avenue property owners — at \$40 per street-side linear foot. If each block gives a 25-foot break for corners, the cost would be \$45 per foot over the rest of the block.
  - \$50,000 from Second and Third Street property owners — at \$25 per street-side linear foot.
  - \$120,000 from the city's Urban Renewal Agency.
  - \$302,340 from the city of Twin Falls — if the council agrees on Monday to contribute an additional \$60,000 to reduce the per-foot cost for Main Avenue properties from \$75 to \$45.
  - \$714,908 is the total project cost.
- Source: Historic Downtown Business Improvement District Director Randy Bombardier.

The crown, a problem for the area's elderly customers and wintertime drivers, has hindered that section of Main from being a viable business area, he said.

If the council says yes, Bombardier foresees no problem with getting property owners to sign onto creation of an BID.

"We see this area as the growth area for downtown," he said.

The area includes some older buildings which will be in a new historic district that's close to finalization. If the North Main project receives a community development block grant, \$100,000 of it would be used for a revolving loan fund to help owners restore old buildings to their original exterior character, Bombardier said.

## Study correlates education, income

Knight Ridder News Service

CLEVELAND — A new study coming out of Case Western Reserve University once again points to the correlation between income and education. But this study didn't look at disparities among individuals. Instead, it looked at disparities among regions.

"Everybody knows that educated people make more money," said the study's co-author, Paul Gottlieb. "What we found is that educated cities grow faster. The smart places get richer. The less educated places get less rich. And the gap between the two widens."

The study compared metropolitan areas with the highest proportion of college graduates against those with the lowest proportion.

It found the 10 regions with the most college graduates had an average per-capita income growth of 1.6 percent annually during the 18 years between 1980 and 1998. By contrast, the 10 regions with the fewest college graduates had annual income growth of 8 percent.

By 1997, the average income of individuals in the top 10 regions was 20 percent above the national average. And in the least educated regions: 12 percent below average.

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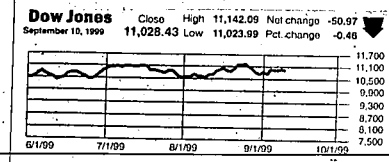
International travel company shows interest in Lewiston

LEWISTON (AP) — The international travel company interested in locating a reservations center in Lewiston has made itself known. The Mark Travel Corp., which is headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., sells packaged trips to travel agents. It already has reservations centers in seven other locations. "Over the past several years, The Mark Travel Corporation has experienced phenomenal growth in demand for its services and has been looking for a community in which to expand its call centers," the company said in a statement.

The company is working with the Port of Lewiston and Valley View on a property agreement, but one has not yet been signed. If an agreement is reached and the proposal approved by city governments, Mark Travel intends to lease property and open the center early in the summer of 2000, according to a statement. The operation would be running at full capacity by the fall of 2001, employing up to 500. Mark Travel's other reservation centers all are located in much larger cities — Milwaukee,

Salt Lake City, Denver, Detroit, Minneapolis, Albuquerque and Orlando, Fla. "We were looking for a small community that did not have any call centers or significant telemarketing activity there yet," James C. Barsch, Mark Travel's vice president of reservations, said. He said Lewiston, with a population of 28,000, and the area within a 30-mile radius, including Moscow and Pullman, Wash., appeared to have a good population with the kind of underem-

ployment and unemployment the company believes will offer it a good labor force. Mark Travel owns Funjet Vacations, Blue Sky Tours, HMMF Fun Vacations and Mountain Vacations and operates AeroMexico Vacations, Midwest Express Vacations, Mirage Resorts Vacations, Pinnacle Break Vacations, Southwest Vacations, Starwood Vacations, Trans Global Tours, United Vacations, US Airways Vacations and Vacations by Sun Country.



Nasdaq hits new record, but blue-chips fall back

NEW YORK (AP) — The Nasdaq composite index soared to a new record Friday as investors snapped up shares of Internet companies and software makers. The swing toward technology stocks came at the expense of industrial stocks, which finished mostly lower. The Nasdaq rose 35.01 to close at 2,887.03, easily surpassing its previous closing high of 2,864.48, set July 16. For the year, the Nasdaq has gained 31.7 percent. The Dow Jones industrial average couldn't match that performance on Friday, falling 50.97 to close at 11,028.43 after giving up a gain of 32 points. For the week, the Dow lost 50.02, or 0.5 percent, but it is still up 20.1 percent so far this year.

"Technology is back," said Arthur Hogan, chief market analyst at Jefferies & Co. "This is a group that had been battered in Internet companies and software makers. The swing toward technology stocks came at the expense of industrial stocks, which finished mostly lower. The Nasdaq rose 35.01 to close at 2,887.03, easily surpassing its previous closing high of 2,864.48, set July 16. For the year, the Nasdaq has gained 31.7 percent. The Dow Jones industrial average couldn't match that performance on Friday, falling 50.97 to close at 11,028.43 after giving up a gain of 32 points. For the week, the Dow lost 50.02, or 0.5 percent, but it is still up 20.1 percent so far this year."

Concept of four-day work-week loses steam and supporters

Knight Ridder News Service Twenty years ago, more than half of Americans believed that this country was moving headlong toward a four-day work-week. News reports and think-tank studies so often held out the prospect that it seemed our brightest for owning the world's largest economy. But it was more than that, we were told: It was family friendly. The idea still has supporters. "More time to sleep. More time to talk. More time to play," one proponent of four-day work-

weeks, Janet Carlson Freed, wrote earlier this year, slightly, and still defend the quality your boss expects. As we mark the century's final Labor Day, it's reasonable to wonder whether Corporate America broke its promise — explicit or otherwise — on four-day workweeks for most Americans. It's complicated and political, but the answer is no. The reality is that while four 10-hour days were and are attractive to some workers, they aren't anywhere close to a remedy for

the workplace's ills. And complex organizations that can't accommodate a one-size-fits-all job structure. The promise, if there was one, was modified during this decade to include not only four-day workweeks but other forms of "flexible work options" such as flexible and telecommuting. "Flextime is the most popular work option available and usually the easiest to get approved," according to WorkOptions.com, which bills itself as "the working mother's guide to negotiating flexible work."

Simply put, flextime gives workers a flexible starting and quitting time within set limits. "Choose the flextime option if you want to preserve your flexibility on the job by your daily presence, yet you used the restructured 'extra' time provided in the morning or afternoon," WorkOptions.com advises. Telecommuting's benefits, too, are legion. And practically speaking, the concept didn't really exist when the Roper Organization surveyed Americans about four-day workweeks in 1979.

Internet

Continued from D4 continued between them. "We've investigated, and we know it's a very direct route," Creason said. The proximity also should make it easier for U.S. West to bring a line to the area. The addition of the new line would expand FMT's customer base in the Twin Falls area. FMT's Mini-Casla customers will see no change, but they

already benefit from Internet equipment that's right next to the company's switch, he said. FMT intends to leave its Twin Falls operations in Twin Falls' Centennial Mall, Creason said. One of the two buildings that are closed this Friday, one is the former location of Pacific Portrait Design Studios. Pomerelle owner Bob Maloney had the buildings for six years.

"I just decided to sell some of my properties off," said Maloney, who plans to close another sale Monday. The buyers for that Falls Avenue-commercial property across from the former location of Southern Idaho are a group of lawyers who plan to erect a new building. The Shoshone Street buildings are more than 13,000 square feet, Maloney said. Tenants there include DL Evans Bank, the

Magic Valley Arts Council, Green Thumb Lifestyle Changes Consulting and Cindy Leister Bookkeeping and Tax Service and a video company. When I sold it, they had to honor all leases," Maloney said. TimesNews Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins can be reached at 723-0921, Ext. 242, or by e-mail at virginia@magicalvalley.com

The Standard & Poor's 500 rose 1.351.66. The Nasdaq's strength came from hefty gains by online auction house eBay, up 13 9/16 to 158, and Internet search provider Yahoo, which rose 7 3/16 to 170.5. Software companies also gained ground with Microsoft gaining 15/16 to 95, and Oracle, a maker of business software, picking up 2 5/16 to 46.375.

Stocks also benefited from a government report of a drop in wholesale prices, which eased investor concerns about higher interest rates. The Labor Department said rising energy costs pushed wholesale prices up a higher than expected 0.5 percent in August. But when the volatile energy and food categories are excluded, wholesale prices actually fell 0.1 percent.

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Rise in energy, food prices boosts inflation

WASHINGTON (AP) - Inflation at the wholesale level edged 0.5 percent in August, reflecting sharply higher energy and food prices.

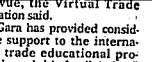
But economists didn't quibble last week, believing that tame core prices excluding these two volatile factors will discourage the Federal Reserve from raising interest rates again in the fall.

The Labor Department said Friday that last month's overall increase in its Producer Price Index - which measures inflation pressures before they reach the consumer - slowed a modest 0.2 percent rise.

Many analysts had been expecting prices to rise 0.3 percent in August.

While economists weren't heartened by the 0.5 percent increase, they tended to focus on the good performance of the "core" inflation rate, closely watched by the Federal Reserve and Wall Street.

Energy and food prices are the two most volatile categories, the core rate of inflation at the wholesale level fell 0.1 percent last month, after being flat in July.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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concluding a trip, said her mother, Susan Acker, of Ketchum.

The students will lead a series of live interviews with heads of state and executive officers, and other trade and finance leaders from the Asia Pacific region on the future of APEC.

The students, interviews and other APEC activities will be broadcast around the country via PanAmSat to schools, workplace learning centers and other educational venues.

Television news anchors will cover the series throughout Asia, said the Virtual Trade Mission Foundation, a co-producer of APEC.

"The trip to New Zealand is really a wonderful opportunity for me to learn a lot more about international trade issues. I am really excited about going and about the opportunity to actually interview some of the region's political and economic leaders," Acker said in a statement before leaving for New Zealand.

"As you know," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne wrote in a letter to Acker, "the Pacific Rim is a key export market for businesses in Idaho, and we are following their economies very closely."

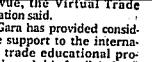
Acker will be visiting four Asian countries later this month in an effort to open new markets for Idaho's goods and services.

"I am excited to welcome your thoughts and the insights you gain from participating in the APEC Summit," Acker said.

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Producer prices

Here is a look at the Producer Price Index of finished goods, seasonally adjusted, 1992 = 100



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

founder of the international security firm Kroll-O'Gara, and his young daughter, the Silver Spring Angus Ranch near Bellevue, the Virtual Trade Mission Foundation said.

"Gara has provided consistent support to the international trade educational program through his family's foundation," Virtual Trade said.

William Daley is the honorary co-chairman of APEC, the latest stop on his Trade Education Tour which reached last spring.

"It is important to note that American workers, families and communities fully understand the benefits of trade and the important role that it will play in the future of this country," Daley said in a statement.

The Virtual Trade Mission Foundation is a U.S. nonprofit organization that is being led by the private-sector leadership of the President's Export Council.

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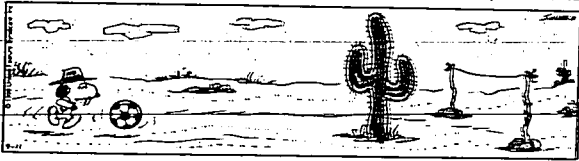
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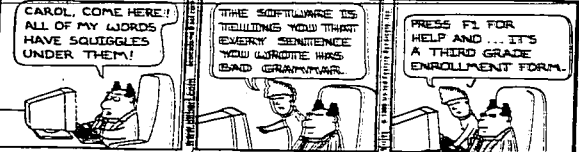
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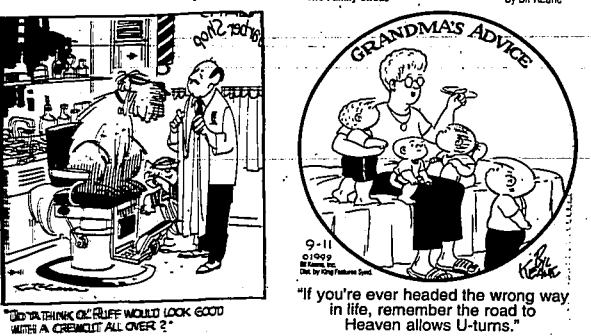


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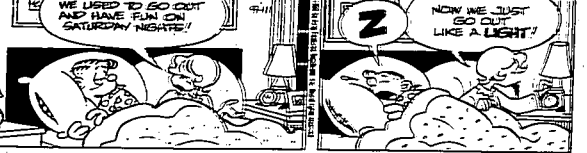
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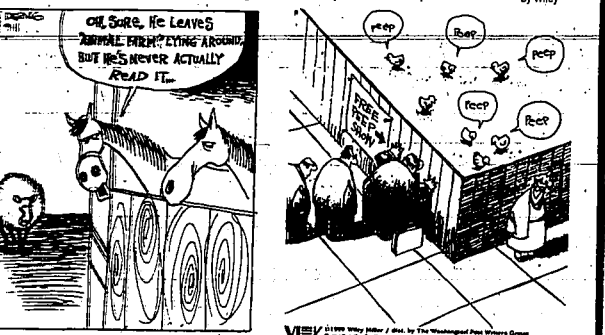


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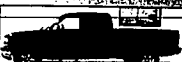
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