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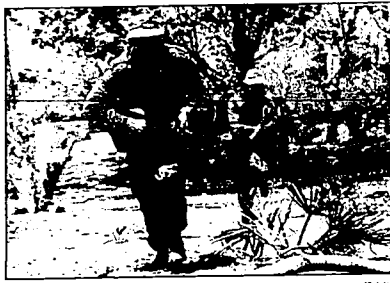
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Australian troops take evasive action at Batugade, near the western border of East Timor, where they were fired upon Sunday.

Peacekeepers clash with Timor militia

Indonesian forces may have been involved

The Associated Press

DILI, East Timor — International peacekeepers clashed with a contingent of armed men Sunday, exchanging fire in a town that straddles the border between East Timor and Indonesian-controlled West Timor.

A senior Australian army officer said two militia members may have been wounded. But an Indonesian security official accused peacekeepers of killing an Indonesian policeman in the exchange and wounding two others.

If Indonesian police were involved, it would be the first direct clash between international troops and Indonesian forces since the deployment of foreign peacekeepers to East Timor on Sept. 20.

The clash, apparently triggered by confusion over the location of the border, was the third in the past four days, and some fear Indonesian-trained militia have launched a general campaign to partition East Timor.

The Indonesians said the shootings took place in West Timor, but the Australians said it

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Slide death toll is grim in Mexico

The Associated Press

TEZIUTLAN, Mexico — The rain had been pounding for three days when Dario Padilla left his house and made the sodden trek to a shop to buy tortillas. He was on his way back, with about 100 yards to go, when he saw the hillside above his neighborhood collapse in an avalanche of mud. Within seconds his house, the houses of two relatives and about 25 other neighbors' homes were buried.

His wife, his stepchildren and several grandchildren were among those killed. "It took all my family in one blow," said the 55-year-old retired postal worker, his voice breaking as he watched ambulances carry victims to the morgue and a series of funeral processions trudge into the cemetery next door.

"I went in but I sank in the mud. Some neighbors pulled me out," he said.

More than 300 people are known to have died in Mexico's mudslides and flooding over the past week, and hundreds more are still missing. By Sunday morning, rescue workers had pulled the corpses of 15 people from the ruins of Padilla's house and his relatives' two homes.

The victims included his wife, Lucia Ceballos, five of his stepchildren and several grand-children and in-laws. Also killed was an elderly couple that his stepdaughter, Adela — a rural health worker — had brought to town so the husband could have an operation. Still missing was Padilla's stepson, Marcos. Another stepson and two granddaughters who lived in a nearby village survived, but Padilla's entire household apparently was wiped out.

As rain continued to fall Sunday, the full scale of the disaster was only slowly becoming apparent.

A series of weather fronts, capped by a tropical depression in the Gulf of Mexico, dumped heavy rain on much of eastern, southern and central Mexico for a week or more. Bridges and roads were washed out in hundreds of places, isolating scores of communities. Landslides destroyed or damaged houses in dozens of towns and villages. People were carried away by floodwaters.

Even larger cities like the Tabasco state capital of Villahermosa flooded so badly that streets became canals for boats ferrying furniture out of inundated homes. Rain fell for 60 hours without a break on Teziutlan, bringing nearly 10 inches on the peak day. The weather forced the closure of schools and of most of the 480 clothing factories that make blue jeans and other goods for U.S. stores.

And that meant the residents of La Aurora neighborhood, where Padilla's family lived, were huddled at home rather than at work or school when the mudslide splilt over their houses.

It happened so fast that "nobody realized anything," said Maria Ester Fernandez, Padilla's neighbor.

Stop in the name of the law



Twin Falls police officer Craig Stotts

inventories the contents of an abandoned truck prior to having the truck towed away. Although Stotts spends much of his time investigating accidents, he has also made arrests for drunk driving and drugs during traffic stops.

Traffic stops are more than just writing tickets

By Brian Haynes Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — During a routine patrol on Interstate 84 earlier this year, Idaho State Police Cpl. Sheldon Kelley noticed a car with a broken headlight.

He pulled the car over and checked the driver's license. Turns out the driver was wanted in California on drug charges, so searched the car, which is standard procedure following an arrest. Kelley found 100 pounds of marijuana — one of the biggest finds in Idaho history. All because of a broken headlight.

What to do when you're pulled over

A traffic stop can be stressful for driver and officer alike. Here's what you should do to if you get pulled over.

- Pull over as far to the right as safely possible.
- Turn off the ignition.
- Turn on the interior light, if the stop is at night.

- Put your hands on the steering wheel.
- Avoid making sudden or erratic movements.
- Stay in the vehicle unless asked by the officer to get out.
- Follow the officer's instructions.

Drugs, weapons, fugitives, intoxicated drivers, stolen cars — they've all been found because a broken taillight, a failure to signal or a speeding infraction led to a traffic stop.

"You name the crime and we've found evidence of it in a

seconds thread among most criminals is that they use the roads and highways to get around.

"All criminals drive," ISP Trooper James Schuler said. "And like other drivers, criminals speed, fail to signal a lane change and forget to register their vehicles. All while officers, plus dozens of others, give officers a reason to make a traffic stop."

Often those stops lead to cases that one crack open a case that might have detectives stumped, Schuler said.

"We solve a lot of crimes by making simple traffic stops," he said. Please see STOP, Page A2

Age doesn't stop new doctor

Don't be afraid of change, he says

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Dr. Robert Lopatin's prescription for a fulfilling, no-regrets life: Don't be afraid of change, and never pass up an opportunity to try something new.

He's taken a healthy dose of his own medicine. At 55, Lopatin is fresh out of medical school, one of the oldest first-year residents in the country.

He works 100-hour weeks, including exhausting overnight calls, alongside colleagues young enough to be his children, while physicians his own age may ponder retirement.

Why bother? Lopatin dreamed as a boy of becoming a doctor, but put his interest in medicine aside during college and eventually went into business with his father. The two run a women's clothing company for 27 years. A year or so after they sold it in the early 1990s, Lopatin decided it wasn't too late



Dr. Robert Lopatin speaks to a patient at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx borough of New York last month. At 55, Lopatin is fresh out of medical school.

to fulfill his longtime dream. "It's like nirvana," he said. "I feel like I died and was born again."

When, at age 51, he began studying at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, he was older than most medical students.

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Drug gets OK for post-traumatic stress disorder

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — After watching one of his firmen die in the line of duty, fire Chief John Soave became withdrawn, had trouble sleeping, and was bothered by flashbacks.

Doctors diagnosed him with post-traumatic stress disorder, a psychiatric condition once associated only with combat veterans, but now known to effect millions of people who experience car accidents, sexual assaults and other harrowing incidents. It is estimated that about 7 percent of Americans will suffer from post-traumatic stress at some point in their life.

As part of his treatment, Soave was prescribed Zoloft, a drug first approved in 1992 for depression.

"It helped calm me down," said Soave, of Stoughton, Mass., who has been taking Pfizer's once-a-day pill for two years. Psychiatrists believe Zoloft,

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THE REGION

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Carnos Prairie

High 74 Low 31 Partly cloudy today and Tuesday with high clouds Tuesday with high clouds

Treasure Valley

High 74 Low 42 Partly cloudy with high clouds Tuesday 9-10 pm. Mostly sunny on Tuesday

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 65 Low 32 Partly sunny today and tonight. Partly sunny on Tuesday with high clouds on Tuesday

Eastern Idaho

High 73 Low 40 Mostly sunny, becoming mostly clear Tuesday. Partly sunny on Tuesday with high clouds on Tuesday

Northern Idaho

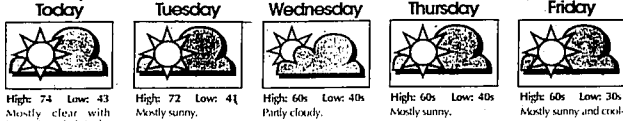
High 65 Low 42 Partly cloudy today and night. Mostly sunny on Tuesday

Northern Utah

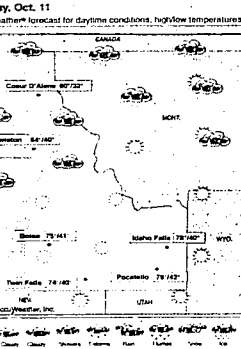
High 70 Low 34 Partly sunny today and tonight. Mostly sunny on Tuesday

Northern Nevada

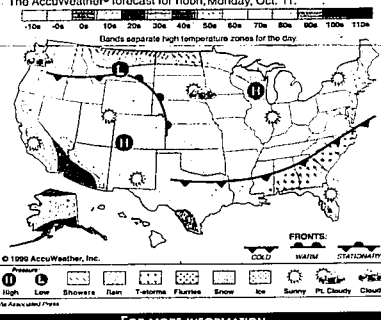
High 74 Low 40 Mostly clear with increasing clouds on Tuesday. Mostly sunny on Tuesday



Idaho weather Monday, Oct. 11



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UV INDEX FIRE DANGER

UV INDEX 3 The BLM has ended its fire ban for the season.

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 7:03 pm. Sunrise tomorrow 7:47 am.

ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho: Moisture riding over a high pressure ridge brought partly sunny to cloudy skies for portions of northern Idaho Sunday afternoon.

World's oldest gorilla dies in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY, AP — Gorgous, the world's oldest living gorilla, died Sunday night at Utah's Hogle Zoo.



'Gorgous,' a western lowland gorilla at Hogle Zoo in Salt Lake City, celebrates his 50th birthday with a cake consisting of jams, bread dough, yogurt, grapes, tomatoes and orange slices in this June 23, 1999, file photo.

The 50-year-old gorilla died peacefully and was cremated to remove her last three teeth on Oct. 4, and the zoo said she was recovering as expected.

Gorgous arrived at Hogle Zoo in October 1985 from Cheyenne Mountain Zoo in Colorado, Springs, Colo.

Doctor

Continued from A1 than most of his professors — even older than the school itself. But he felt completely at home.

"He's a fabulous intern because he has a true devotion to what he's doing," says his supervisor, Dr. Lawrence Brandt.

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Drug

Continued from A1 makes patients more amenable to the counseling necessary to overcome their disorder.

Beyond the routine stop

Traffic stops turn up all sorts of criminal activity. Some routine stops of late included the following:

Stop

Continued from A1 said. That includes drug cases, thefts and burglaries and even murders.

Clash

Continued from A1 happened in East Timor. Officers from both sides said it started when an Australian patrol approached the village of Motainin, which straddles the border between the two halves of the Southeast Asian island.

Twain Falls Precipitation

Table with columns for precipitation amounts and dates for Twain Falls.

Idaho High/Lows

Table with columns for location, high, and low temperatures for Idaho.

The Nation

Table with columns for city, high, and low temperatures for various US cities.

Canadian Cities

Table with columns for city, high, and low temperatures for Canadian cities.

PHOTOS OF THE CENTURY

Labor could endorse Gore this week, AFL-CIO chief predicts



Mount St. Helens in Washington state erupts May 18, 1980, with a fury more powerful than the atomic bomb that leveled Hiroshima. Hot volcanic ash spewed 60,000 feet into the air and tumbled day into night as ash fell to the ground. Never before had a volcano erupted in an industrial country in the middle of a major population center. This photo is one of a series of photos that won a Pulitzer Prize in 1981 in the general news category.

Knight Ridder News Service

LOS ANGELES — Looking to boost his friend's faltering campaign, AFL-CIO president John Sweeney Sunday predicted the labor coalition shortly will endorse Vice President Al Gore for president.

"I think that we're going to make an endorsement this week," Sweeney said on the eve of the 13-million member labor movement's biennial convention here.

"We're a federation, we build consensus throughout the organization and people seem to be going that way. They're hearing that from their members. Our polling shows that our members want to support endorsement."

Despite Sweeney's prediction and the support several unions in the coalition, Gore still faced skepticism from some influential leaders, including Teamsters President James Hoffa, who wants to hold off their endorsement until after a victor emerges from next winter's primaries.

Gore dispatched his two top aides here Sunday — campaign chairman Tony Coelho and campaign manager Donna Brazile — to help make the case for an early endorsement.

He sent his wife, Tipper Gore, here Saturday. "Please stay with Al," she told union members.

Both Gore and his Democratic rival, former Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey, planned to be in Los Angeles later this week as the endorsement fight heats up, though neither was scheduled to speak to the convention.

Bradley countered Gore's push with a last minute plea to hold off the endorsement. His senior aides lobbied union leaders to give Bradley more time to move that he would be a better labor candidate than Gore against the Republican nominee.

"This is the subject of intense discussion," said Gerry Sweeney, Sweeney's assistant in charge of government affairs.

He said Bradley's surprisingly strong challenge to Gore peaked in the days before the labor



Al Gore Bill Bradley

endorsement by "allowing people to say 'Why don't we hang back a little? What if this guy is a loser?'"

Shea added, "It's very likely there will be an endorsement for the vice president."

If the AFL-CIO does endorse Gore this week, it would be the earliest labor endorsement since 1983, when the federation of 58 unions gave former Vice President Walter Mondale an early nod to help him win the Democratic primaries in 1984.

For Gore, the Mondale endorsement remains a powerful reminder of the kind of political muscle he needs.

"It builds up some enthusiasm and energy among our political activists," Sweeney said on ABC's "This Week" program. "Our people want to be involved in campaigns. They want to be involved in their communities and the value of the endorsement is the people power."

Winning the formal endorsement of labor would give Gore a cadre of helpers in critical political primary states, such as California and New York, where he is locked in close races with Bradley.

For labor leaders, however, the Mondale endorsement 16 years ago remains a potent reminder of the risk of unmaking a Democratic nominee who ends up weak in the general election, against the Republican nominee. Mondale lost many rank and file union members to Ronald Reagan in a 1984 electoral college and went to defeat in a 49-state landslide.

Aides to Gore and Bradley both gave detailed briefings on their campaigns to AFL-CIO leaders several weeks ago in a hotel across from the White

House. Backed with fund raising programs, private polls, and state-by-state political maps, both made the case with great merit, according to one labor source.

Gore had expected to pick up labor endorsement easily, and he'd agreed that he would even need it in the Democratic primaries.

Like Bradley, he has supported most of organized labor's agenda, including expanding health care and raising the minimum wage.

End his Bradley, he had supported numerous trade policies that many unions opposed. But unlike Bradley, Gore also had long, close relationships with union leaders like Sweeney.

Going into the convention, several Democratic strategists like labor ally Victor Kamber said the key question was how hard Sweeney would push his fellow labor leaders to back Gore and back him now. Kamber said some would go along, however reluctantly, if Sweeney insisted.

Another question was how the endorsement would work. The labor organization's rules are complicated and not always followed. For instance, Bradley backed had assumed for weeks that there would be a block endorsement if they could win over more than a third of the delegates because that would bump Gore the two-thirds vote needed.

But AFL-CIO officials quietly checked the rules and discovered that there is no actual rule requiring that a two-thirds vote delegates support endorsement that is only a tradition. Gore advisers privately agree.

Asked specifically, Sweeney sidestepped a question about how he could push through a Gore endorsement without two-thirds support.

"We've gone through a Democratic process," he said, "and each of the unions have pulled their members and used different frames and I think that the delegates and the convention are moving towards an endorsement."

Mount St. Helens gives blast to Photos of the Century list

The Associated Press

Asked to select the most significant photos of the 20th century, Washington state newspapers turned most frequently to the spectacular eruption of Mount St. Helens — a devastating and unprecedented event in a modern urban area.

Of 15 photographs offered by Washington newspapers to the AP's Photos of the Century package, three involve the May 1980 volcanic eruption that killed 57 — two depicting the awesome, billowing tower of ash and debris pouring from the mountain and the third showing folks in Spokane, 300 miles to the east,

clearing away ash residue. The photos in the Associated Press Photos of the Century project were selected by the members and subscribers of The Associated Press. The Times-News will publish a photograph each week in this space in Monday's papers.

Conservatives consider Bush an enigma at best

Knight Ridder News Service



George Bush

LYNCHBURG, Va. — There's a right way to climb aboard George W. Bush's presidential limousine in this American conservative enclave.

Here, in the epicenter of the Rev. Jerry Falwell's Christian right ministry, the Texas governor and Republican presidential contender is considered at best an enigma, at worst a political candidate who'll pay no heed to the wishes of social conservatives.

"Some social-conservative I think issues like that are important, and I don't think George W. Bush takes enough of a stand against them," said Suzanne McWhorter, a professor at Liberty University, the school that Falwell founded here in 1971.

Assured by Bush's conservatism, many here to moderate views still maintain of his core beliefs, and remembering his father's less-than-conservative presidency, the social-conservative presidential candidate is trying to figure out exactly where they fit in Bush's world of "compassionate conservatism."

Some like conservative thinker William J. Bennett, believe the fit is just right. Other social conservatives are offering political prognostication — Bush, in their eyes, would be better than a Democrat in the White House. Scott Lippard, a conservative, will stick with conservatives, back of the pack candidates such as Gary Bauer or Pat Buchanan. And yet others, some see a candidate to embrace, say

they might just stay home on election day.

Last week, Bush provoked many conservatives by complaining that "Too often, on social issues, my party has painted an image of America slouching toward Gomorrah."

To many the remark was a slap at legal scholar and social conservative icon Robert Bork, who was denied a seat on the Supreme Court by Senate Democrats in 1987 and who wrote the 1996 cultural critique "Slouching Towards Gomorrah: Modern Liberalism and American Decline."

The Rev. Pat Robertson, founder of the Christian Coalition, responded that Bush should avoid saying things that "tend to alienate the core conservatives of the Republican Party."

Conservative radio talk show host Rush Limbaugh erupted, saying the more Bush speaks, the more troubled he is about Bush's candidacy. On Sunday, House Majority Whip Tom DeLay said on NBC that Bush runs risks if he distances himself too far from core Republican voters. But he acknowledged that the party could use the better image Bush is trying to cultivate. "You can be your rhetoric is that you

appear to be mean-spirited," Delay said.

Bennett, who himself has lamented America's cultural descent, now stands squarely in Bush's corner. He argues that government can have a role in the lives of Americans and that key social indicators show actual improvement in matters of interest to conservatives — less crime, fewer abortions, social welfare rolls. And that, Bennett assured conservatives in a New York Times op-ed piece last week, is what Bush is all about.

Still, many conservatives are looking for someone else to champion the cause. On Sunday in Kansas City, Mo., millionaire publisher Steve Forbes emerged as a favorite of neo grass-roots conservative group, the National Federation of Republican Assemblies. About 62 percent of the delegates at the group's convention voted to support Forbes for the Republican nomination, but it was not enough to meet the two-thirds vote required by the federation's official endorsement.

Unabomber discusses sanity, family and wanting to die

NEW YORK (AP) —

Unabomber Ted Kaczynski insists in an interview that he is not crazy, and says he would have preferred the death penalty to life in prison.

"I'm confident that I'm sane," he tells Time magazine in his Oct. 12 interview on newsmagazine. "I don't get delusions and so forth."

"I had very serious problems with social adjustment in adolescence.... But it would have to be distinguished between an organic illness, like schizophrenia."

The interview coincides with the imminent release of Kaczynski's book — "Truth Versus Lies," published by Context Books.

Kaczynski was sentenced in 1998 to life without parole for

conducting an anti-technology bombing campaign that killed three people and injured 25. He pleaded guilty to avoid a trial at which he lawyer had planned to offer an insanity defense. But the guilty plea also saved him from being sentenced to the death penalty.

Asked about the prospect of spending life in prison, the former Montana forest ranger general. "I do not want to live long. I would rather get the death penalty than spend the rest of my life in prison," he said.

Kaczynski also spoke about his brother, who turned him into authorities. When asked what he would say to his brother, David, Kaczynski replies: "I would just turn my back and wouldn't talk to him."

"It's impossible to say where it will go from here."

The price for a barrel of crude oil was \$25 two weeks ago on the New York Mercantile Exchange, Lundberg said, but it is now less than \$21 a barrel.

The Lundberg survey showed a national average price for self service regular unleaded gasoline of \$1.2777. Mid-grade unleaded was \$1.3755 and premium was \$1.4602.

For full service regular unleaded, the survey showed the average price was \$1.6153 with mid-grade at \$1.7008 and premium at \$1.7753.

Gasoline prices dip half a cent nationwide

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gasoline prices dipped about half a cent nationwide over the past two weeks as crude oil prices fell, says an industry analyst said Sunday.

The weighted average nationwide as of Friday was \$1.2888, down 53 cents per gallon from a Sept. 24 survey, said Trilby Lundberg, director of the Lundberg survey of 10,000 gasoline stations across the United States.

The drop in gas prices follows a climb of more than 14 cents per gallon that started in early June, Lundberg said. The main reason for the decrease at the pump was the \$4 per barrel decrease in crude oil price, Lundberg said. "Crude oil prices may have risen too fast and too soon for global demand," Lundberg said.

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COMICS

Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

THAT'S NOT ART. YOUR LINES ARE TOO WIGGLY... THAT'S BECAUSE YOU BUMPED MY ELBOW... YOU WERE TAKING UP TOO MUCH ROOM... THERE'S NO BODY CHECKING IN ART...

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

I'M SO GLAD YOU CAME HOME FOR THE WEEKEND, ELIZABETH. WHEN I WAS ON THE BUS, I KEPT FEELING THIS ALONE IN HERE. I COULDN'T WAIT TO GET HOME. KNOW WHAT I MISS? IT'S THE STRANGERS OUT THERE BOGGING ME UP. APRIL BOGGING ME TO CLEAN UP MY ROOM, THE WAY YOU SLURP YOUR COFFEE? ALL THE LITTLE THINGS THAT USED TO DRIVE ME CRAZY.

Dilbert By Scott Adams

YOUR PROJECT IS TWENTY PERCENT OVER BUDGET AND TWO MONTHS LATE. THAT'S BECAUSE YOU BUNGLED THE ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES. BOSSES HATE THE WORD "BUNGLED."

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

BLUNDIE! ARE YOU LISTENING? I GUESS MY MIND WAS WANDERING. SOBBY, BOSS, I FOUND THE REMOTE. WELL, MAYBE IT WANTS TO WANDER ON OVER TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT OFFICE! CRAZY, IT'S BACK NOW.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

WELL, WELL, WHAT HAVE WE HERE? THE PATENT OFFICE.

Pickles By Brian Crane

YOU'RE STILL USING A STICK TO CHANGE CHANNELS? YEAH, I HAVEN'T FOUND THE REMOTE YET. GET OFF THE TV SET, YOU STUPID CAT! IN SOME WAYS, I LIKE THE STICK BETTER.

Gartlek By Jim Davis

I'VE WON A CRUISE?! ALL EXPENSES PAID?! A ONE-WAY TICKET TO NINNY BLAND? YOU COULD BE AMONG YOUR OWN!

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum
The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"BOY! DAYS LIKE THIS MAKE ME FEEL YOUNG AGAIN!" "I think Luann calls her dog Puddles 'cause that's what he likes to run through after it rains."

Hi and Lois By Chance Brown

YOU SHOULDN'T LOOK AT HOUSE PAINTING AS A CHORE, DEAR! HOW ELSE SHOULD I LOOK AT IT? AS A CHANCE TO EXPRESS YOURSELF IN A DIFFERENT MEDIUM!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

HE NEVER READ ME MY RIGHTS! IS THAT TRUE? IF I COULD READ I WOULDN'T HAVE THIS LOUSY JOB!

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

THAT DOG LOOKS LIKE A PERSON BEHIND THE CONE!

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

HE SAYS THIS IS A HAUNTED CASTLE AND IF WE KNOW WHAT'S GOOD FOR US, WE'LL LEAVE RIGHT NOW!

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

HAVE YOU READ CHAPTER 1 YET, JEREMY? WHICH ILL GUESS! WHAT A TURN-OUT! IT LOOKS LIKE CHERRY... OR IS IT (GRIN)? PASSES IT TO ME OR PAINTS? ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME OR NOT? MUM... BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

WHICH HAND HAS THE M&M'S?

Luann By Greg Evans

DAD, MOM AND I ARE AT THE SALON, GETTING MY NEW 'DO. AFTER DAYS OF INDECISION, I FINALLY SETTLED ON A BUZZ CUT WITH PINK AND GREEN DYE. SEE YA SOON! -LUANN- I'M PRETTY SURE SHE'S KIDDING, DAD.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

INDIA! AT LAST! WELL, SO MUCH FOR OUR THEORY ABOUT INTELLIGENT LIFE ON OTHER CONTINENTS.

Strange Brew By John Deering
Non Sequitur By Wiley

Heaven A GATED COMMUNITY. ED LEARNED THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN COMMON SENSE AND HUMAN NATURE.

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

FACE IT, THORNAPPLE, TECHNOLOGICALLY SPEAKING, YOU ARE A NEANDERTHAL! WHY, I'LL BET YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO NAVIGATE YOUR WAY AROUND THE INTERNET! I DO SO! JUST THIS PAST WEEKEND, I TOOK I-90 TO I-77, TO I-480, TO GET TO MY AUNT'S HOUSE!

NOT A DREADFUL TIME



Yusuf Greene shows off his dreadlocks Saturday as he enjoys the annual Taste of DC festival in downtown Washington. Thousands were expected to attend the three-day festival of food and music.

HMOs take on tag of being the enemy

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — In an episode of the TV show "ER," several emergency room doctors were given \$500 medication to a patient whose blood does not clot properly. A few days later, the man returns to the emergency room to complain that his HMO will not pay for the drug, insisting that he take a less expensive but less effective generic instead.

Incensed, Weaver telephones the health plan and screams that his decision is foolish, that her plan will have to be admitted to the hospital at far greater cost if he cannot take the best medicine. The HMO refuses to relent.

The recent plot line on one of the nation's most popular television programs plays to — and reinforces — widespread frustration with the state of health care in this country. It also helps to explain why the House voted resoundingly Thursday to grant patients a new set of rights to increase their clout against health maintenance organiza-

as "Law and Order" and "Chicago Hope." It has figured an several recent movies — most notably, the 1997 film "As Good as It Gets," in which Anthony Hopkins portrays a wealthy and single mother who cannot persuade her health plan to pay for her son's asthma treatment. HMO "horror stories" told by disgruntled patients have become a staple of television news.

And as the campaigns for the Democratic presidential nomination, Vice President Gore invariably draws laughter from audiences with an old joke about an HMO executive who was asked by Pearly Gates, who persuades St. Peter to let him into heaven — only for three days.

The joke and the spotlight on the mass media revitalize because "a lot of people are unhappy with the system, including HMO executives and consumers," said Paul Ellwood, president of the Jackson Hole Group, an architect of the fledgling notion of managed care three decades ago.

The basic idea was to improve medicine by changing its organization and economic incentives. Although the first HMOs date to the 1940s, the "competitive" incentives structure was not introduced until the late 1970s.

ponents such as Ellwood, realize too root in the 1960s as a reaction to a medical system that was becoming increasingly fragmented and was overloading preventive medicine in a zeal for high technology care.

Instead of patients filtering among independent physicians who were paid by insurance companies each time they provided treatment, the thinking was people would be members of nonprofit organizations that employed a stable of high-quality physicians who collaborated to take care of the same patients for years. The incentives to provide excess care — and to waste the lustrous medical technology — would be removed. Doctors would be paid a salary, patients would pay for a year's care up front, and the health organizations which had been members when kind of treatment members needed.

It was this last part — the ability of HMOs to control the amount of care — that captured the attention of the nation's employers in the late 1980s and early 1990s. In period of rampant medical inflation. From 1988 to 1991, the percentage of U.S. workers in medium-size and large companies with traditional "fee-for-service" coverage plummeted from 72 percent to 42 percent, then dropped to 34 percent last year, according to figures from KPMG Peat Marwick.

As their popularity soared, HMOs increasingly became the province not of nonprofit groups that employed salaried doctors but of commercial insurance companies that created networks of resentful community physicians and reported to investors. Contrary to what had been expected by insurance and policy experts, selected their workers' health plans based on their price — not their caliber.

Charles H. Kahn III, president of the Health Insurance Association of America, contends that health plans in the middle were caught in the unbridge between employers who were nervous about change and employers who wanted to make change and didn't want to make the blame.

Only 45 percent of Americans believe that managed-care companies treat consumers well, according to one recent survey.

Rejection raises questions Denying black judge creates issue of racial fairness

WASHINGTON AP — The volatile mix of ideologies, politics and race has given new prominence to the long-standing dispute between the White House and the Republican Senate over confirmation of a President Clinton's choice for federal judgeships.

After the Senate rejected a black nominee for the federal bench on a strict party-line vote, Clinton called the action a disgrace. And he did not let the matter drop. He repeated his criticism over the weeks in a speech to a Hispanic group and cited the case of Richard Pate, nominated for a federal appeals court vacancy more than three years ago.

"I am deeply disappointed with the Senate's purposeful handling of some of my nominees," Clinton said at the opening meeting of the national Hispanic Leadership Conference.

Republicans sharply countered that race has not been a factor in the holdup of the Pate nomination or the rejection of the nomination of Renee White, the first black to sit on the Missouri Supreme Court for a federal judgeship. Nominated by Clinton 18 months ago, White was turned down on a 54-46 vote. All Republicans voted to reject the nomination and all Democrats supported it.

White's detractors, led by Missouri's two Republican senators, argued he was opposed by law enforcement groups because he had too often dissented on criminal matters.

Missouri law enforcement officers, said Sen. John Ashcroft, R-Mo., "are entitled to judges who will enforce the law and who will not be afraid to prosecute those who benefit criminals."

Administration presses for delay on vote

WASHINGTON AP — The White House dispatched Cabinet members Sunday to press the Senate to put off a vote on a nuclear test ban treaty headed for rejection, saying a defeat would endanger nonproliferation efforts.

One Republican opponent, Sen. Jon Kyl of Arizona, voicing widespread GOP concerns about the treaty's impact, offered a chance to go back to the drawing board.

The president's current defeat of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty if the expected vote Tuesday goes forward.

Power struggle hits Reform Party

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — What do Pat Buchanan, Donald Trump, Lowell Weicker, Jesse Ventura and Ross Perot have in common?

Besides an interest in the Reform Party, virtually nothing. Critics fear that this cast of widely disparate but charismatic personalities is turning the Reform Party into a repository for political misfits, and perhaps even threatening its survival.

"The danger is that here you have egg on parade, people who are more interested in themselves than in the party," said University of Akron political scientist John C. Green.

"They could help build the party," he said, "or in the end they could abandon it."

But Reform leaders say the party will benefit from charismatic new leaders who can bring money or converts to the campaign.

"There is an opportunity to help build a new political party for anyone who recognizes the two-party system is a failure," said Russell Verney, the Reform national chairman. "We welcome them to compete" for the nomination, he said.

In electing the brash Gov. Jesse Ventura in Minnesota, the party opened the public arena to people who don't have "political pedigrees," said state's party chairman, Rick McCluhan.

Despite those positives, the party that once was a revolution launched by Perot's 1992 presidential campaign today finds itself the butt of jokes.

A skit last week's "Saturday Night Live" featured a Perot character interviewing Buchanan and Trump lookalikes in search of a "new nutbag" leader for the Reform Party.

"It certainly is interrupted by Ventura, who bursts in to proclaim that he's their man."

"I think goofiness just gets you more goofiness," said Democratic political consultant James Carville. "I would not want either late-night television or the Reform Party to go away. I'm not sure where one begins and the other ends."

With talk of celebrities such as Trump, actor Warren Beatty and Cybill Shepherd running for president, Republican pollster Kellyanne Fitzpatrick said, "It appears all you need is to be 35 years of age and think it's a good idea."

"America seems less interested, in choosing a president than in choosing its next game-show host," she said, suggesting that such "buzz-building" demerits the presidential contest.

Some critics contend that the Reform Party's potential presidential candidates and its leaders are driven by ego or personal agenda, with their only common thread being that none of them has place in a major party.

"For some of these guys, it seems like a publicity stunt. It bothers me if we've so trivialized the presidency," said Swindle, who now supports Sen. John McCain's GOP candidacy.

Cardinal O'Connor misses mass, cites exhaustion

NEW YORK (AP) — Radiation therapy left Cardinal John O'Connor, spiritual leader of New York's 2.2 million Catholics for the past 15 years, too weak to celebrate Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday.

It was the first service he had missed since having a brain tumor removed last month. "I'd used to think that I knew what it was to be tired. After having received all but the final radiation treatment, I now realize

that at my most exhausted, I could have run the marathon in comparison with the tiredness that can come with radiation treatment," O'Connor said in a statement read Sunday.

The cardinal, who has said he does not have cancer, has been receiving radiation treatment since the surgery. He has said he plans to retire when turns 80 in January.

"Advising you of my exhaustion has little to do, as such, with

my surgery. It has everything to do with the potential of radiation," the statement said. "Although my pride does not accept delays in getting back to work fully, God always has the last word. I hope to see you next Sunday."

The cardinal's spokesman, Joe Zwilling, said O'Connor has been "unusually positive" and "in exceptionally good humor."

He would not comment on the cardinal's medical prognosis.

California taxpayers still aren't getting money's worth

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — For the 12th consecutive year, Californians sent more in tax dollars to the federal government in 1998 than they got back in services, and the year's imbalance set the record for any single state, according to a study.

Last year, California paid \$19.4 billion more to Washington than it got back in services, slattering the record of \$14.3 billion set by the Golden State in 1997, the Tax Foundation, a nonpartisan research group, reported.

"Federal spending in California has remained flat," said Tim Ransdell, executive

director of the California Institute for Federal Policy Research, a Washington-based think tank. "In fact, it has declined in real dollar terms, California is behind the curve when it comes to partaking in federal spending."

Overall, Californians paid \$212 billion in taxes last year.

global spread of nuclear weapons. "We are in a situation right now where we're about to send a signal to the rest of the world that we are not as serious about curbing the spread of nuclear weapons as we should be," Defense Secretary William Cohen said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said on ABC's "This Week" that the United States needs "a root that will prevent the other countries from testing. We believe that we have a reliable stockpile (of nuclear weapons). We don't need to test more and we want others not to test."

At Cohen's side was Gen. Henry H. Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who sought to assure the public that

the treaty would not handicap the United States militarily. "If the national security were in any way going to be damaged, the joint chiefs would never recommend that we ratify this treaty," Shelton said.

And Energy Secretary Bill Richardson joined Cohen and Albright in saying the Senate should not act on the treaty without benefit of full hearings. "What we have now is the need to explain it to the Senate, to the Congress," he said on Fox.

Senate opponents led by Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., have said the vote will proceed unless President Clinton withdraws the treaty and promises not to resubmit it.

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Dr. Anne Olness is shown in Reno in this Jan. 22, 1997, file photo. Olness, a pediatrician with 30 years' experience in working with children who have acquired scars or natural disasters, has developed a handbook of practical advice so relief workers can better protect youngsters' health.

Officers arrest second man in trooper's death

PASCO, Wash. (AP) — A second man has been arrested in the shooting of a Washington State Patrol trooper in West Pasco.

Juan Reyes Morales, 37, of Basin City, is being held at the Franklin County Jail on suspicion of rendering criminal assistance to the chief suspect.

Other details involving Morales were not immediately available.

Late Friday, law officers arrested Morales in West Pasco, 28, of Pasco, in a mobile home in Basin City, which is about 25 miles north of Pasco. Vasquez was booked into the Franklin County Jail for investigation of aggravated first-degree murder.

"Now we can put the man behind us," said Pasco Police Capt. Doug Chambers. "Now we're going to try to get him (Vasquez) convicted."

Franklin County Prosecutor Steve Love said Vasquez could face a charge of aggravated first-degree murder, which carries the death penalty or life in prison.

Love expects to announce Monday whether to charge Vasquez with aggravated first-degree murder.

Vasquez is the only suspect in Thursday night's shooting of Trooper James Saunders, 31.

Saunders died within minutes of the 9 p.m. traffic stop from multiple shots to the head and neck with a medium-caliber handgun, Franklin County Coroner Dan Blasdel reported. Blasdel declined to release

information about the number of times Saunders was shot and what caliber gun was used.

Pasco officers searched the Basin City mobile home and car Vasquez was using early Saturday morning, recovering a semi-automatic handgun from the vehicle, Pasco Sgt. Jim Raymond said.

"We believe it was the gun used in the murder of the trooper," Pasco officers searched the gun tested at the Crime Lab before we can be certain.

Saunders was killed in West Pasco, near where U.S. Interstate 5 crosses the Columbian River from Kennewick.

The trooper's reasons for stopping the vehicle remain unknown.

"That's one of the mysteries," Chambers said. "It may be something we'll never know."

Investigators said it appeared Saunders did not have time to defend himself.

Despite the arrests, officers remain disturbed by the violent death of a colleague.

"Officers are pretty disillusioned right now," Raymond said. "The bottom line is that this was needless. Today, there is a child without her daddy and a wife without her husband."

Vasquez, who once was charged with shooting an acquaintance but an argument was arrested without incident, Chambers said.

PROTECTING THE LITTLE ONES

Relief workers get help on aiding children

WASHINGTON (AP) — When disaster strikes, relief workers get help on how to care for children who have been displaced, displaced, displaced.

Washington State's Department of Social and Behavioral Health Services is helping relief workers get help on how to care for children who have been displaced, displaced, displaced.

relief workers with children who have escaped wars or natural disasters.

She has developed a new handbook of practical advice so relief workers can better protect youngsters' health. The guide, unveiled Sunday at a meeting of the American Academy of Pediatrics, is part of a campaign that beginning next year will send experts around the world to train relief workers. Funding the effort is the charitable Johnson & Johnson Pediatric Institute.

"Children are not little adults," said Olness, a Case Western Reserve University doctor. "Children become malnourished and dehydrated faster than adults, and are far more susceptible to disease. They also seem especially vulnerable to psychological trauma."

But, she said, research shows there are ways to mitigate the danger: some are fairly simple, such as recognizing a child's vital need for play or easy checks for

malnutrition.

"Most often governments and others worry about the adults because those are the folks who complain. The kids tend to get lost," said Dr. Errol Alden of the pediatric group.

As the number of humanitarian disasters has grown from about six a year in the 1980s to over 15 a year this decade, "we've become more and more concerned," Alden said.

Among those concerns: • Even brief periods of severe malnutrition can damage a young child's brain, resulting in long-term learning disabilities or other problems. Even if a refugee camp seems to have adequate food, adults may steal unaccompanied children's share, and young children absorb nutrition in smaller doses so a once-a-day camp ration could still leave toddlers starving.

• Children's immature immune systems are vulnerable to disease. Lack of vitamin A from malnutrition increases chances of death from measles, which commonly sweeps through refugee

camp. Children do not understand hygiene, easily spreading diarrheal diseases and playing in contaminated water supplies.

• Children may not be able to explain to relief workers if they have a life-threatening food allergy.

• Children orphaned or separated from family suffer particular psychological trauma, and need protection from exploitation and abuse. In addition, youngsters ages 7 to 12 are at a critical stage in learning the concepts of right and wrong. Displaced children without appropriate role models can grow up with a warped sense of morality.

Relief workers reading the Helping the Children handbooks — which will be available in several languages — will learn that children and nursing mothers should get priority in distributing existing food.

They will find advice on ways to figure how to preserve young children's rations for multiple feedings and on immunizing refugee children.

Wild horse advocates say BLM shirks responsibility

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Wild-horse advocates, upset that numbers that show nearly 600 adopted wild horses were sent to the slaughterhouses by their owners in the past year, say the Bureau of Land Management is shirking its responsibility to protect the animals.

The BLM contends that once an adopter receives legal title, a certificate transferring ownership of the horse from the government to an adopter — the agency has little say over what happens to the federally protected Mustang.

"Once the adopter receives title, it gets into a situation where that horse is private property and we have no authority over it," said Tom Pogacnik, director of the BLM's National Wild Horse Program Office in Reno, Nev. "Adopters now sign an agreement that says it's not their intent to sell the horse for slaughter, but it's not clear just how long that signed agreement is intended to last."

But attorney Howard Crystal argues the agency is not meeting its responsibility under a 1997 court-approved agreement. "If we thought we had an agreement where people could

continue to slaughter these animals, and BLM would be making about it, we never would have signed it," said Crowell, a Washington, D.C., attorney who represents the Wild Horse Guardians, who have filed lawsuits against the BLM led to the agreement.

"When someone signs that affidavit and then the next day, month or year they take the animal to slaughter without their consent, the purpose of the settlement agreement is not being served," he said. "We will go back to court to make sure BLM is doing something about it."

Under the 1997 agreement, the BLM includes the language in the wild-horse adoption agreement and the application for title: "I hereby agree that I have no intention to sell this wild horse or burro for slaughter or butchering stock, or for processing into commercial products."

An adopter who signs the agreement but then sells the animal to a slaughterhouse could be prosecuted for providing false statements to a government agency, a Class D felony punishable by up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Driver falls, asleep, kills six students, police say

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Six college students got one of their cars or walking along a highway on their way to a fraternity party were killed Friday by a pickup truck whose driver who had fallen asleep, police said.

The accident happened just over two miles west of the Texas A&M University main campus, said police. The victims — four students from Baylor University, one from Texas A&M and one from the University of Texas — were among a group of people who were going to a party at the Tau Sigma Sigma house along a winding highway. Some had passed out on the road shoulder and the pickup sideswiped two parked cars and struck a third.

"Witnesses said parties at the fraternity often draw large crowds of people who must park on the shoulder of the highway, which is not a safe place," police said. "The man driving the pickup, also a Texas A&M student, had just taken his girlfriend home and was returning to campus when he fell asleep and veered off the road, Patterson said.

"We could hear screaming and shouting as first we didn't know what was happening, and then we saw the pickup and saw bodies all over the place."

"These students were in perfect places from where they were walking on the highway. A Hill College freshman who was going to the party.

Internet broadcasting isn't ready for prime time

Knight-Ridder News Service

SAN JOSE, Calif. — When it comes to broadcasting live on the Internet, anybody isn't ready for prime time.

While organizers of Saturday's live Webcast of the NetAd assembly in Geneva said the event demonstrated a vast improvement in the technology, people who pointed their browsers to the show for the most part reported jerky and muddy video that didn't run in sync with the music.

And while a few two-dozen online viewers contacted by the Mercury News said they were pleased and would eagerly watch more Webcasts, most seemed disappointed by what they saw — or didn't see.

"It shows that the Net has come a long way, but that it still has a long way to go," said David Schwarz, who lives in San Carlos, Calif., where he runs a Web software company. "But I believe it will get there."

The company behind the Webcast — Cisco Systems Inc. of San Jose — acknowledged that the reception varied depending on the quality of a viewer's local connection to the Internet, something Cisco says it can't control. Still, the company and its part-



Des'ree performs at the NetAd assembly in the United Nations concert hall in Geneva Saturday. The concert, broadcast on the Internet, was held in hope of drawing attention to world poverty.

nners pronounced the effort a success and a big leap forward for online video broadcasting.

"Overall, it looks as though we're doing very well," said Jeff Payne, a consultant who helped Cisco design the video network. "There's some relatively happy people here who have put together a system with an order of magnitude more capacity than anything we've seen."

Fatty acids might be key to disease

SEATTLE (AP) — Tests in mice suggest a reversible fatty-acid imbalance may be the source of chronic lung inflammation, excess mucus and other symptoms of cystic fibrosis, researchers said Saturday at the 13th annual North American Cystic Fibrosis conference.

The genetic disease, which affects 30,000 American children and young adults, attacks patients' lungs with a thick mucus and most die from lung damage or infection.

The researchers — Dr. Juan Alvarez and Dr. Steven Freedman of Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston — worked with mice genetically altered to mimic cystic fibrosis.

They found the altered mice had abnormally high levels of one fatty acid — arachidonic acid, or AA — and abnormally low levels of another — docosahexaenoic acid, or DHA. The imbalance was limited to the organs most affected by cystic fibrosis, including the lungs, pancreas and intestines.

When the altered mice were fed large doses of DHA for one week, the researchers reported, not only was the imbalance corrected — the signs of cystic fibrosis also were reversed.

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OTHER VIEWS

Protect Idaho's public lands from off-road vehicles

From the Post-Register (Idaho Falls)

A movement to confine motorized vehicles to existing roads and trails on public lands, banning free roaming cross-country travel, is expanding over the West. It's a positive trend.

As writer Rick Bass stated in the New York Times recently, "Must every vista have an off-road vehicle in it?"

Unfortunately, Idaho is not a big part of it.

The Targhee National Forest is the only national forest in the state that is advancing a plan to restrict motorized use to protect wildlife habitat, including grizzly bears, and to restore areas that were over-logged and over-used. The Targhee is also proposing to ban cross-country removal of killed game by hunters as urged by Idaho Fish and Game biologists.

In a University of Idaho survey four years ago, Idaho hunters decisively favored a ban of all-terrain vehicles and other vehicles capable of cross-country travel during hunts.

Bar elsewhere in Idaho, the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management are satisfied to sit back and wait for precedents to emerge from other states. Those states are wrestling with the workload of an environmental impact statement process necessary to eliminate often-destructive off-trail and off-road excursions.

Not only are federal land managers in Idaho sidestepping this movement, but many are leaving in place policy loopholes big enough to allow those dirt-splashing creek-splashing television commercials for four-wheeler manufacturers.

The record is more promising elsewhere.

In Colorado, the Grand Mesa, Uncompagme and Gunnison national

forests are proposing to ban motorized cross-country use. Colorado's White River National Forest is considering eliminating cross-country, snowmobile travel citing congestion, air pollution, noise and wildlife disturbance.

Yellowstone National Park is now beginning to confront the same problems. Yellowstone is proposing to ban private snowmobile travel from West Yellowstone to Old Faithful.

The Rout National Forest in central Colorado has also advanced a cross-country ban and has been taken to court by the Colorado Off Highway Vehicle Coalition. Wyoming's Medicine Bow National Forest is also considering eliminating cross-country motorizing.

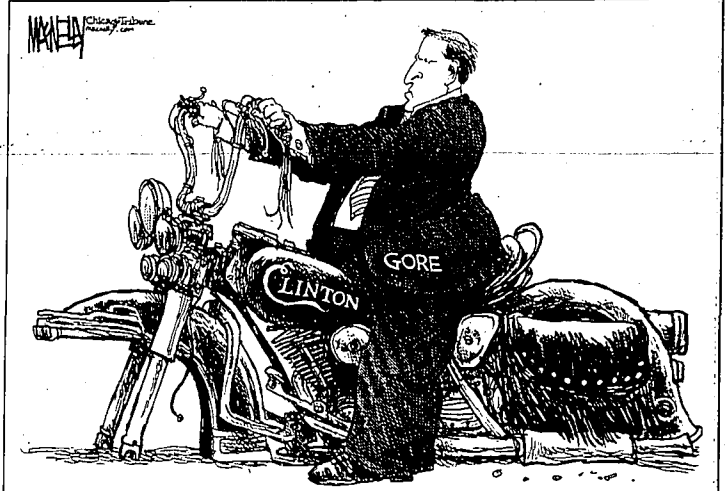
Idaho land managers need to be more aggressive about this issue. Certainly, there's public support for it. For example, Idaho hunters in a University of Idaho survey four years ago decisively favored a ban of all-terrain vehicles and other vehicles capable of cross-country travel during hunts.

If you hike or horse pack into the captivating geology of the Boulder Chain Lakes in central Idaho's White Cloud range, you must share the first mile with motorcyclists.

And the Pole Creek-Germania Creek trail separating the White Cloud and Boulder ranges - an area being considered for wilderness prescription - is still open to motorists.

The national forest in the state has trail conflicts somewhere.

From the Hells Canyon area on Idaho's west rim to West Yellowstone, the problem is begging for a remedy.



Don't bet on comments keeping Ventura down

My 15 minutes of fame have finally arrived. It began with a 6 a.m. wake-up call from "Judith Edlin" wanting to know if they could send a camera crew to my house to get my comments on the interview I did with Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura for the November issue of Playboy. Within the hour, I had heard from Playboy's publicist, ABC and NBC "Evening News," "Geraldo," "Today," "C-Span with Brian Lamb," "Extra," "KSNB," two Minnesota stations and half a dozen radio shows from San Antonio to St. Louis to Buffalo wanted to talk to me.

What was the cause of this sudden bromahua? The governor had called organized religion a "sham and a crutch for weak-minded people," he said overweight people are too weak to push away from the dinner table, that the Tailhook Navy sexual harassment scandal was "much ado about nothing," and that it was our own military-industrial complex that killed President Kennedy. He had backed up these comments in our interview, but in a sound-bite world, only the most sensational parts of paragraphs get lifted and highlighted on television.

The Christian Coalition immediately called for Ventura's resignation, as did the leadership of the Reform Party. His approval rating in Minnesota dropped from over 70 percent to around 40 percent. People were demanding his public apology.

Yet the governor stood firm. He never denied saying what he said, and he refused to apologize or hide down. How ironic that the same week this interview appeared, another I did with the late James A. Michener came out in book form ("Talking With Michener"), far more extensive and in-depth series of

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conversations that took place over 17 years. Michener took on some of the same issues that people got so upset about with Ventura. Michener, who once ran for Congress as a Democrat from Pennsylvania, spoke about his own fears of the religious right, "who tried to do to this country what the Ayatollah Khomeini did to Iran." Michener singled out Jerry Falwell and Pat Robertson as the prototypes.

"My concern was what Falwell and his men announced they were going to do to me and to the society of which I had been a proud and willing part. These people do not serve society well. ... The Moral Majority had a fairly large hunting list. They wanted to exterminate from public life everybody they called a scientific humanist. They would have liked to have gotten rid of the Jews and anybody else who didn't believe in their God and the New Testament."

Strong, opinionated words, but no spark of moral outrage from the Christian Coalition. Not a peep. Like Ventura, Michener also thought that there was something fishy about the Kennedy assassination. Ventura believes that marijuana should be decriminalized. Michener agreed: "I have had great difficulty in believing that it is the evil drug that people said. The harsh sentences by the Texas courts are way out of proportion." As for the Navy and Tailhook, the author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning "Tales of the South-Pacific," from which the play "South Pacific" was adapted, said: "We're in an

area of sexuality that we're just beginning to understand. We're in the Dark Ages, really. The incident of Tailhook in the Navy is symbolic of the terrible confusion we're in. It's very dangerous ground because the military has always been of a certain type. I saw 'South Pacific' recently, and when you hear that chorus 'There Is Nothing Like a Dame' - that is an invitation to the kind of behavior that sailors have had all through history. It's pure sexual harassment."

Michener didn't criticize fat people. He did talk about the cannibals he visited in the New Hebrides. "They were delightful," he said. "I mean, if you're not eating you, they're a very pleasant people."

One can only smile at such a remark, just as I did when I asked Ventura what he'd like to come back as in another life. He responded: "A 3RD Iva." I've listened to people claim to be shocked and outraged by this remark. When I heard it, I thanked him for giving me my ending. I didn't get the sense that he was being crude, just amusing. As a trained professional wrestler, he has an acute sense of his audience. He just never counted on so many members of the Christian Coalition picking up Playboy.

If enough people actually read what Ventura has to say and can put it in a historical perspective the way Michener did, then this article may do for Ventura what Jimmy Carter's admission - also in Playboy - of lust in his heart did for him as a presidential candidate. When all the fuss died down, the governor from Georgia was elected.

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LETTERS

There is an answer

"Common sense at work." Nielsen's plan to improve the main entrance to Twin Falls by property is a chance of a lifetime to be in an area that has had a long history of a problem only getting worse with some planner's poor decisions for the best of us. Like the Nielsen family, we have lived in the Magic Valley all of our lives and poor decisions have been made for all of us.

When you have a developer who can support a project being like Mike Nielsen and maintain it for the good of our community, all of us need to support him with his first idea of development he presented to us. He is not an out-of-towner or just any practitioner, he is "home town" wanting the best for Twin Falls.

This makes me think of the project of having two, four or six lane highways just two miles apart west on the Pole Line Road and Highway 30.

There is an answer to the congestion on Edge Lanes Boulevard and Perrine Bridge at Twin Falls - extend Highway 33-30 junction north on 2400 East with a bridge north on 24th. Where was the "common sense" gone?

MERVIN RANDALL
Boise

Very, very interesting

To health-care providers:
It is about on Oct. 4, I just read this day's Times-News with a wailing section on breast cancer. In this section is a large, colorful page advertisement - \$49 mam-

mograms to the first 700 women who call. This is huge up the phone from talking to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. They tell me they have "sold out" of the \$49 mammograms but can schedule one at regular price. If a mammogram is so important, why limit the number of persons to be tested? This is the first notice I have seen (perhaps it has been advertised before) I had not seen it, and yet within six hours of receiving the paper, there are no more special-price mammograms. Could this be a scam? Advertise the cheap price - charge the regular price?

We are bombarded with the importance of mammograms and other "screening" procedures - told they save many lives. I am wondering, "If a mammogram is so important, why limit the number of persons to be tested? This is the first notice I have seen (perhaps it has been advertised before) I had not seen it, and yet within six hours of receiving the paper, there are no more special-price mammograms. Could this be a scam? Advertise the cheap price - charge the regular price?"

Many of us are paying several hundred dollars a month for large deductible health policies, and the costs of "routine screenings" are not covered.

I find this an interesting dilemma. I need to be "screened" - the medical community really cares about my health but not enough to make it affordable. Interesting, isn't it?

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Dedicated to the people

Wendell never showed up in my itinerary at all. About three months ago, I took a job with this city. The job is something like most will not envision, dealing with all the citizens in a very personal fashion. Wendell has a city-controlled irrigation system furnished to most city lots. The water comes on designated days.

The irrigator turns the water on, the subscriber is supposed to take it from there. Like it should be easy, if it were, many are elderly and can hardly walk, much less turn on-off and keep the water under control. They open the gates when they should close them; it takes about three city employees to keep it half right, but we do it and enjoy the task.

Wendell is a very clean town, one of the cleanest I know of. Our recreation department is on the ball, first class. The schools are a community effort and of the highest priority. We have a police chief that could take the place of almost

any kid's big brother; he works half his time for free.

The fire chief - they threw away the book when they finished making him. He is a unique man. The public utilities are beginning to stand out as top of the line. The water is about perfect; tests show Wendell has outstanding water. The distribution is improving on a daily basis.

When a citizen calls City Hall about anything, they get a response with a friendly, helpful, courteous attitude almost unheard of these days. Maybe Wendell is like it is because the bad guys ain't showed up yet.

The City Council is 100 percent dedicated to the best for the people of Wendell. They all can still do a hard day's labor; they have grandkids and great-grandkids.

For me, this makes a difference. If one wants to live in peace, enjoy your neighbor, find a school system that cares, better try and get a hunk of Wendell, Idaho.

Hub city, dairy capital of Idaho. Wendell, we came. Bet you 50 Wendell can milk it. For me, dairies are here to stay in this area. It can be a showplace of perfection, furnishing milk products the right way. The attitude is still positive; let's pull the same direction on it.

P.S. Restore the old water tank, paint it. Get Milk.
BJ (BARNEY) ROWLAND
Hagerman

Article told the story

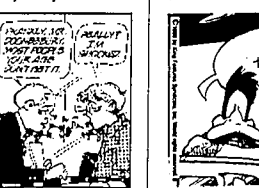
Having read the history of gambling in Nevada and the stand of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on gambling, I thought the article in the Times-News, Section D, Page 1, on Oct. 3 about the man who "leads LDS church missions" and earns a large part of his income "helping develop casinos" in Nevada and elsewhere was very interesting.

DONALD L. ROBINSON
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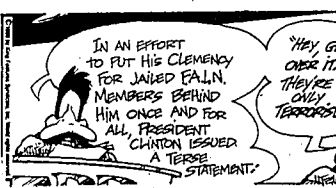
Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



Bush is free of the past; Gore is trapped

JAMES PINKERTON

NEW YORK — What a difference 15 blocks — and 15 points in the polls — makes. At the Grand Hyatt on 42nd Street on Tuesday, Al Gore held a fund-raising lunch for 600 people, 615 in all. That evening, at the Sheraton on Seventh Avenue, George W. Bush held a fund-raiser, too, and maybe 3,000 showed up, paying \$1,000 each.

But the Bush event wasn't even a sit-down meal; it was just a stand-up reception. Whereas Gore had to serve rubber chicken and a fruit tart to each luncheon, Junior got away with just an open bar and hors d'oeuvres.

Bottom line: Gore spent a good chunk of his \$75,000 gross on overhead, whereas Bush kept virtually his entire take of about \$3 million.

Gore is raising more money. He looks like a winner. The Texas consistently polls in the low 50s in nationwide matchups against the vice president, and in the high 30s.

But it's more than that. Gore looked somber, perhaps he realizes he stands to inherit more of the upside than the downside from his political father. President Clinton. By contrast, Bush was a happy warrior, who has gleefully liberated his candidacy not only from his father, but also from the congressional Republicans who have loomed so large and darkly over the political landscape for the last five years.

At the Gore event, even his family had trouble staying clear of Clintonesque associations. Gore's daughter, Karenina, introduced him to a mostly female crowd by noting "a truth that feminism has articulated." The crowd roared forward.

"The personal is political," she said, and the crowd leaped back in puzzlement.

The good feminist rhetoric, of course, going back to the days when male chauvinist pigs were trashed for sexist behavior as well as sexist policies. "The personal is political" was a good line during the Clarence Thomas hearings eight years ago, when the argument against the Supreme Court nominee was that he was a masochist. But it's not so good when the incumbent president is the masochist.

By coincidence, at just about the same time as the Thomas hearings, Bill Clinton was announcing his candidacy for president. On Oct. 3, 1991, the governor of Arkansas said that he had lived by, and would govern by, the "solid, middle-class

values of work, faith, family, individual responsibility and community."

But that was then. The state-of-the-art argument, someone should tell Karenina, is that the personal is not political, that private behavior has nothing to do with public behavior. Otherwise, Gore would be hand-pressed to defend his now notorious statement that Clinton will be remembered as "one of our greatest presidents."

By contrast, Bush was as eager and pumped as the football coach for a two-touchdowns-up team at halftime. Although it hasn't been long since George H.W. Bush was booted out of the White House, W. carries no torch for dad; he has his own plays. Having deliberately excluded his father's old aides from clogging up his campaign, he streaked through his stump speech in a spare 20 minutes.

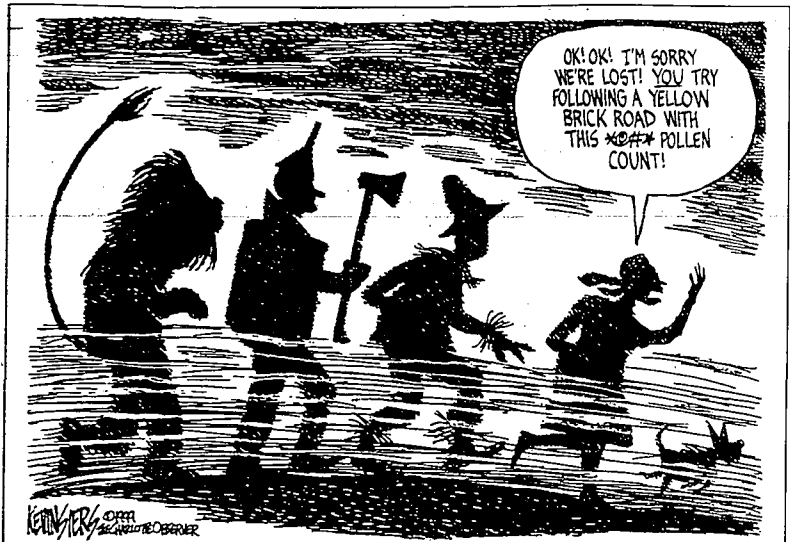
There must be a purpose to prosperity," he told the crowd. He would not rest "until the American Dream touches every willing heart." Indeed, W. sounded like the football player turned political player that H.W. never much cared for. Jack Kemp, for example, unlike Karenina, who fumbled his career away, Bush has kept his eye on pay dirt.

Although he called himself "a unifier, not a divider," he used his Emmit Smith tactic to wedge himself away from the congressional GOP and its increasingly desperate efforts to produce a no-tax-increase budget.

America is not "slouching toward Gomorrah," he added, getting a dig at the title of a recent book by conservative icon Robert Burg and his doom-and-gloom view of American society. And it worked: The headline in Wednesday's New York Daily News read, "Bush curries N.Y. favor. Blasts GOP right wing again on social issues."

For seven years now, Gore has willing heart. Indeed, it shows. For the same seven years, Bush has been out from under his father, to the point where once he was the old Bush administration have turned golden with nostalgia. And so now it's a battle between Bush, a man with a long history, and Gore, a man heavy with history.

James P. Pinkerton is a columnist for *Newsweek*.



Compromising positions strike with fear

I was at work the other morning when something dreadful happened. I should have seen it coming but did not. By the time I realized what was going on, it was too late.

I was in a roomful of people seated around a conference table. The meeting broke up and most of them left, but I dawdled. And suddenly I found myself alone with a woman.

GENE WEINGARTEN

This woman was not my wife. I sensed the danger. A man of high morals doesn't let such a thing happen. This exact scenario last week crippled Gary Bauer's presidential campaign.

When Bauer, fessed up to having met with a female campaign aide behind closed doors, Christian Coalition President Pat Robertson chided him for using bad judgment, saying he himself would never do such a thing with a Christian leader. "One, never be alone in a room with a woman not your wife. Two, never be alone in a room with a woman not your wife. Three, never be alone in a room with a woman not your wife."

I am neither a Christian nor a leader, but I consider myself a person of high morals, too. And although I am uncertain whether it is men or women whom Robertson and the Christian Coalition mistrust, it is clear they think someone is always poised

to rip someone else's clothes off, and that the mere proximity of a member of the opposite sex is powerful enough to provoke this primitive urge, thereby consigning a person to Hell. I wanted no part of it.

The woman with whom I was suddenly alone was my boss, Mary. Instantly, I recognized the gravity of the situation, though Mary seemed unperturbed. Frankly, this did not surprise me. There are scheming harlots awaiting men in every empty conference room.

- At that point, I had several options, none of them ideal:
1. Fake an epileptic seizure.
 2. Yell "FREE SHIRIMP!" so people would rush into the room and we would no longer be alone.
 3. Do the right thing and marry her.

But then another alternative occurred to me. I could race for the counter-clockwise escape route was the shortest path to the door. But this route was blocked by Mary. If I traveled

clockwise along route, she could head me off by executing a flanking maneuver, which was approximately one-third the distance.

I calculated vectors, and reached a decision. I would execute a straight-ahead charge, leaping onto the top of the conference table and rapping straight for the door in this maneuver. I would gain the advantage of surprise. Mary could not recover in time to pursue me effectively.

But women are crafty. Mary must have realized the inevitability of my escape. With barely a flicker of coquettishness, she rose and exited the room, as if we had merely ended a business conference, and not strayed to the very edge of the abyss.

A potentially difficult situation was averted.

For the remainder of the day, however, I was upset. I felt a need to talk to a minister. I felt a need, in fact, to talk to Pat Robertson. I had questions: Isn't an elevator really just a moving room? So, if a woman enters an elevator in which a man is already standing, and the woman is not the man's wife, does the man have to leave? And dare he risk brushing past her on his way out, or would he need to use that little trapdoor in the ceiling?

Alternatively, what if the

woman is your cabdriver?

Or what if she is, like, 37 years old?

And what if the man is blind and cannot see whether the person with whom he is alone is a woman? Is ignorance a defense? Is he exempted from the rule?

And what about a gay man? Is it okay if he is alone in a room with another gay man? I went home confused and still tormented by what I had done that day. And so I spoke to my wife. I waited until we were alone. Robertson says it is okay to be alone with one's wife.

"I have a confession to make," I said.

She waited.

"I was alone in a room with Mary."

My wife knows Mary. Our families have socialized together. In a sense, I understood this made mine an even greater betrayal; there is less of an emotional commitment if one were to be alone in a room with some unknown trapper.

"I didn't mean it to happen," I said. "It just happened."

My wife was silent for what seemed like an eternity.

"It's okay," she said at last. "I forgive you."

The woman is a saint.

Gene Weingarten is a writer in *The Washington Post's* Style section.

Federal Reserve strays from its mission

Alan Greenspan's Federal Open Market Committee left US interest rates unchanged this month, but also announced that its bias had shifted toward higher interest rates in the future.

There is an old adage on Wall Street that says, "Don't fight the Fed." And in due respect for that adage, the stock market obediently plunged on the Fed's Oct. 9 announcement, if temporarily.

LEON KOROBOW

But in light of the major changes that have occurred and are ongoing in the way the US economy operates in an environment of rapid technological change, some revision of the central bank seem to be in order.

For one thing, inside the Federal Reserve, thinking about monetary policy appears to be unusually muddled. The idea that a federal regulatory agency should announce in advance that it is biased in one direction or another is ridiculous and would cause shock waves if such a statement emanated from the U.S. Justice Department or from any other regulatory agency, not to mention any federal or state court.

Fed. Among those Fed officials who now may believe that things have changed in an important way is Robert T. Farry, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

Just before the latest FOMC meeting, according to *The New York Times*, Farry said in a speech, "Suppose, like now, we're uncertain about the underlying model of the economy. In that case, preemptive policy can lead to the wrong action. When there's a high degree of uncertainty about forecasts, it could be best for policy to be more cautious — in the extreme, to wait until inflation actually starts to rise before acting to tighten."

In a similar vein, the influential president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, William J. McDonough, told reporters in response to questions about the low 1.5 percent rise in core consumer prices in the last year, "If that isn't price stability, I don't know what is."

It is evident, however, from the full statement released by the FOMC on Oct. 5 that the views expressed by McDonough and Farry are not shared by all of the other committee members.

The FOMC statement, while acknowledging favorable trends in US productivity, went on to allege that "the growth of demand has continued to out-

strip that of supply, as evidenced by a decreasing pool of available workers willing to take jobs."

This statement is nonsense and does great harm to the Fed's own credibility.

The fact that we have, in essence, price stability is strong and direct evidence that aggregate demand and supply are in balance. The idea that our nation needs a large army of unemployed workers to maintain price stability is a gross distortion does a disservice to the real potential of our society.

No reputable economist can argue that low unemployment necessarily leads to general price inflation. In fact, it is the low level of unemployment that is providing a strong incentive for rapid technological innovation.

Whatever dissension may exist within the Fed, and regardless of the Fed's imaginary bias, the truth is that the Fed has very few grounds at present to raise interest rates, and is not likely to see any stronger evidence of difficulty in the near future.

Chairman Greenspan and his more astute colleagues know full well that untimely action by the Fed that damages a perfectly healthy economic upswing will not be appreciated by the U.S. Congress.

So for investors, the watchword can continue to be "Don't fight the Fed," but also "Pay more attention to what the Fed does, rather than to what it says."

In an environment of high productivity and low inflation, back-

stopped by a large and growing federal budget surplus, it is safe to call the Fed's bluff.

For the Fed, it is long overdue to get back to the mission that Congress intended when the Federal Reserve Act was passed in 1913, namely to provide a steady flow of liquidity to the economy and not engage in economic fine-tuning for which it is ill equipped.

Leon Korobow is a retired economist who worked for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. He wrote this commentary for *Bridge News*.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Government offices will be closed today

TWIN FALLS - City, county and state offices will be closed today for the Columbus Day holiday.

The U.S. Post Office will also be closed.

Schools will be in session. The Magic Valley Mall will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The City Council meeting has been rescheduled for 5 p.m. Tuesday in the meeting chambers at City Hall.

Morning fire does little damage to Lincoln Inn

GOODING - An early morning fire on Sunday did little damage to Lincoln Inn.

The cause remains under investigation, and the state fire marshal will be asked to help.

Lincoln Inn owner Bill Arkosh said the fire was small and that he planned to be open for business today.

Someone walking by the inn reported the fire after spotting smoke coming from a window just before 6 a.m., Bishop said.

Commissioners' meetings delayed to observe holiday

BURLEY - Cassia and Minidoka commissioner meetings will be held on Tuesday instead of today due to the Columbus Day holiday.

Dietrich School Board to meet tonight at 8 p.m.

DIETRICH - The Dietrich School Board will meet at 8 tonight in the school business room.

The School Board is scheduled to take action on the district technology plan, the opening of surplus items bids, and the Seal Idaho Project proposal.

Other agenda items include a volunteer program, the green thumb program, music classes, and school security.

Buhl City Council to meet tonight at 7 in City Hall

BUHL - The City Council will meet at 7 p.m. tonight in council chambers at City Hall.

The meeting is open to the public.

City council of Hollister to hear treasurer's report

HOLLISTER - The City Council will hear a treasurer's report at its meeting at 7 p.m. tonight at City Hall.

The agenda also includes a discussion about the Nov. 2 city election and consideration of building permits.

Eden City Council to meet tonight at 7 in City Hall

EDEN - The City Council will meet at 7 p.m. tonight at City Hall.

Hansen City Council to meet tonight in City Hall

HANSEN - The City Council will meet at 8 p.m. tonight at City Hall.

Planning and Zoning Commission to meet

KETCHUM - The Planning and Zoning Commission will meet at 8:30 p.m. today at City Hall.

Richfield School Board to meet tonight at 8

RICHFIELD - The School Board will meet at 8 p.m. tonight at the high school.

The meeting is open to the public.

Compiled from staff reports

Around 300 people participate in anti-abortion demonstration

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Motorists who traveled down Blue Lakes Boulevard North on Sunday afternoon found both sides of the street lined with individuals holding a peaceful anti-abortion demonstration.

About 300 people committed themselves to the hour-long rally, said Charlene Rehder, who organized the Life Chain with her husband, Joe Rehder.

But more could have been in attendance based on the number of inquiries she received, she said.

Life Chains are organized annually during October around the country and in Canada.

Demonstrators prayed individually as they held signs that read, "Abortion is wrong," "Jesus forgives and heals," "Lord, for-

give us our nation," and "adoption - the loving option."

The Rehders first participated in a Life Chain in Washington state. They moved to Twin Falls three years ago and decided they wanted to hold one here, Charlene Rehder said.

She had been offered an abortion during the eighth month of pregnancy, because her child was disabled.

"It just overwhelmed me that there were doctors willing to do that," she said.

Their daughter, Jennifer, lived for three years.

Charlene Rehder said she hoped that the Life Chain would send a pro-life message to individuals before they are faced with the choice of whether to have an abortion when they are scared or feel like they don't have support.

The Life Chain extended along both sides of Blue Lakes from

Pole Line Road to Blue Lakes Sporting Goods. Churches of all denominations from throughout the Magic Valley, Boise and Elko had planned to participate, Charlene Rehder said.

Kristina Vedder, 17, of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls, said she joined the chain to make the statement that despite understanding why people might not want to have a child, she thinks abortion is not the answer.

"It's still killing a child," she said.

Norman Rock, who attends St. Jerome's Catholic Church, said guilt prompted him to stand on a street corner in the pro-life demonstration. He always has maintained he is against abortion, but he decided he needed to do something about it, he said.

Rock said he thinks abortion shows a lack of respect for life.



Filer residents Patti and John Watson, with their ninth-month-old adopted daughter, Ellie, join a pro-life demonstration Sunday on Blue Lakes Boulevard North.

If you herd them, they will come

Hundreds flock to streets to get glimpse of sheep

By Karen Bossick Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - Roberto Soto Dela Cruz has spent the last 160 days alone on various mountain ridges with his border collie, a Great Pyrenees and several hundred sheep to keep him company.

But Sunday he got a homecoming much like that given to a returning war hero, as hundreds of people lined the streets of Ketchum - several people deep in some cases - to watch the shepherd and his flock parade through town.

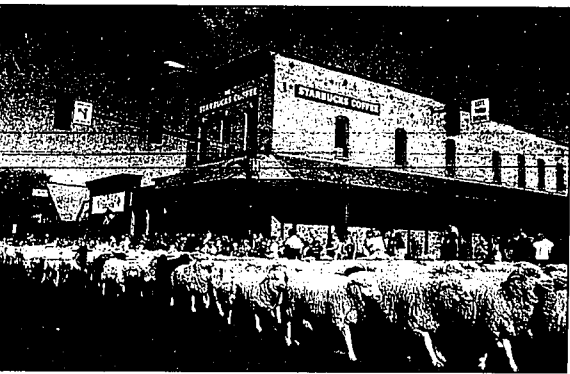
The Trailing of the Sheep Festival, in its second year, attracted local residents, as well as visitors who had traveled to the Sun Valley area after reading about the event in national magazines and newspapers.

For Soto Dela Cruz, it was like having a bright light shine on his face after being in the dark for so long. But it felt good.

"It makes me happy," said the Peruvian sheepherder with John Eickhart, the self-proclaimed "mutton connoisseur" for the Faulkner Land and Livestock company in Gooding, acting as translator.

Frank and Catherine Ryan, an elderly couple from Waterbury, Conn., stood in the middle of Main Street five minutes after the sheep had gone by their mouths still gaping in disbelief.

"This is so different from any town we've ever been in," said Frank. "The sheep hardly any spotlights, it's got kind of a Western flavor to it but yet it's kind of artistic-looking, too. And, now, you've got sheep running through the middle of town. I've never seen so many sheep in my life."



The Trailing of the Sheep as a tourist attraction is the brainchild of Diane Joseph Peavey, who helps run the Flat Top Sheep Company in Carey with her husband, former state Sen. John Peavey. Peavey started the trailing to engender community support after some Ketchum residents complained about the

sheep waste on the bike path during their fall migration south from the mountains to winter grazing grounds in Idaho's southern deserts.

Jon Marvel, one of Idaho's most outspoken environmentalists, said the Trailing of the Sheep as an event to promote recreation and tourism is "mes-

Above, hundreds of sheep hit the streets of downtown Ketchum in the second annual Trailing of the Sheep Festival Sunday. Left, Tulsa Feuniker helps herd and her cousin Josh watches as the sheep travel south toward Halley.

Local artist sees beauty in the ordinary

By Des Dutton Times-News correspondent

BURLEY - Most people would look at a tree or a rock, and see just that.

But to Gayle Dayley, it's art in the rough. When Dayley sees something most people take for granted, his mind's eye begins to conjure images of what they can become.

"I look at branches and start to imagine what I want to make of it. I look at the apple trees for the arms and legs of statues," he said.

The crotch of a tree becomes a cowboy's torso. His teeth are carved from discarded dog bone, and his mustache looks suspiciously like Dayley's own.

"That came from me," he said, pointing to his hair. "I cut my hair and decided to keep it and here it is."

Dayley's south Burley home is filled with works of art made of such diverse materials as melted



Gayle Dayley of Burley describes how he made a metal suit of armor. Dayley's home is filled with works of art made from a variety of materials.

aluminum, rocks and discarded crutches. Wooden statues occupy every corner of his living room, and his paintings and wall hangings line the room. A rock animal

zoo occupies an end table, while a partially completed model house claims the kitchen table.

To create his art from ordinary materials, Dayley first must see

things most people would never imagine. Somehow an old crutch forms the hull of a 6-foot-long, tall-masted sailing ship.

"I have been working with this one for a long time. I guess I am kind of a procrastinator - I have been working on it since 1959," Dayley said.

"I look at things and start to see the shapes in them," he said. "I saw this head in a rock and it became a gorilla. Another one looked to me like a satyr. I put on the horns, painted him, and here he is." Pieces of lava rock form a likeness of the mythological figure.

Armed with a torch, he melts aluminum and forms the molten blobs into figurines and framed art. After a few additions, a little glue and some paint, cooled metal takes shape as a Roman centurion. A seascape will hang started with a melted piston.

The art sometimes comes with a history lesson. Pointing to a coat of arms made from a part of

an old crutch, he said, "I saw this head in a rock and it became a gorilla. Another one looked to me like a satyr. I put on the horns, painted him, and here he is." Pieces of lava rock form a likeness of the mythological figure.

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Rebels call road symbol of bad policy

The Associated Press

JARBIDGE, Nev. - Their intent was to defy the federal government and a threatened fish by reclaiming a washed-out road from the U.S. Forest Service.

After a federal judge issued a temporary injunction against the "starry brigade," they came instead to unite in their resolve, voice frustration and have a barbecue.

When 100 people ventured over the weekend to this tiny hamlet on the Nevada-Idaho border, the 1.5 mile section of dirt road in the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest became the latest focal point for a growing Western conflict over federal vs. local control of public lands.

"This road is a symbol," said Grant Gerber, who along with Assemblyman John Carpenter, R-Elko, and O.G. Chris Johnson, chairman of Elko County's Republican Party, have led the revolt.

"They're closing roads by the thousands across the West. The standoff and the resulting debate are equally troubling for Florida, Fla., forest supervisor.

"I'm extremely frustrated myself," he said. The Associated Press. "They're fanning the flames."

Resentment over federal control runs deep in rural Nevada, where the government owns 87 percent of the land - the largest percentage in the country. The federal holding is about the size of New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Vermont and New Hampshire combined.

"The road is the latest strand in Nevada's Sagebrush Rebellion, an attempt by ranchers and miners to turn control of federal land over to the state.

On July 4, 1994, Nye County Commissioner Dick Carver got national attention when he used a bulldozer to reopen a road closed by the Forest Service.

Later in Elko County, about 500 people gathered in Ruby Valley to reinstall a watering device on a rancher's grazing allotment. The Forest Service said Don Dural broke the law by not getting a permit before running a pipe from the Spring to a watering trough. Dural pleaded guilty, paid a fine and removed the device. Members of a group called the Kelly Springs Protection Association put it back.

The federal presence in Nevada puts the state at the center of the Sagebrush Rebellion, said Eric Herzik, chairman of the political science department at the University of Nevada, Reno.

"With the rise of environmentalists, wilderness areas, endangered species, claims to the use of the land have changed," he said. "The federal government gets a little more

control over the land. More people are aware of the value of the land. More people are willing to pay for it. More people are willing to protect it."

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Stay tuned: Hysteria hits at 11

NEWS ANNOUNCER: Good evening. Our top story tonight is METEOROLOGIST: Depression Vinny, which is shaping up to be the most deadly potential natural disaster ever to strike this nation since last week when Tropical Depression Ursula came within just 1,745 miles of American soil before veering off and inflicting an estimated \$143 worth of damage on the Azores. For more on Vinny, let's go straight to the FearPlex WeatherCenter, where meteorologist Dirk Doppler, in anticipation of a long night of escalating tension, has already applied 75 cubic feet of Rave Extra Hold hairspray.

METEOROLOGIST: Thank you, Bill. As we can see from this satellite photograph taken from space, right now Vinny is located at a latitude of 36.8 degrees

centigrade and is projected to follow a path that, according to our computer model, could potentially take it directly to any of the 13 original colonies as well as Florida, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Canada and western Europe. We are urging everybody within the potentially affected area to become a meteorologist, because this thing potentially has the potential to become a Category Seven storm, which means a storm capable of yanking the upper right off a standing cow.

ANNOUNCER: What is your best fear at this point, Dirk?

METEOROLOGIST: Well, creating undue alarm, Bill, I would say there is no hope for human survival on this planet.

ANNOUNCER: Thank you, Dirk. In another important tradition, the supermarkets are jammed with panicked consumers buying bottled water, as you see in this videotape that we have shown during every potential storm since 1973. Now let's go back to the FearPlex WeatherCenter for an update from meteorologist Dirk Doppler.

METEOROLOGIST: Bill, as you can see from this satellite photograph, Tropical Depression Vinny has not moved at all, which means we are now expanding the potential disaster area to include mainland China. The satellite is also reporting the entire planet Earth is surrounded by a 58 straight hours withing for trillions of miles in all directions. It looks very bad, Bill.

ANNOUNCER: We now go to the FearPlex WeatherCenter, where we'll be speaking with the director, Harmon Wankel, who has been sitting in the same chair for 58 straight hours without food or sleep, staring into bright lights while being relentlessly interviewed by TV news people about this potential storm. Harmon, what's the latest word?

HURRICANE CENTER DIRECTOR: Hope you all die.

ANNOUNCER: Let's go back to the FearPlex WeatherCenter, where Dirk Doppler has an Urgent News Bulletin on Tropical Depression Vinny.

METEOROLOGIST: Bill, according to our latest satellite images, Vinny is GONE! It was right to start, wrong, starting into no sign of it.

ANNOUNCER: Does this mean we can stop panicking?

METEOROLOGIST: Of course not. Vinny could be ANYWHERE. It could be IN YOUR HOUSE. Everybody should get under the bed NOW. Also we need to start worrying about potentially lethal Tropical Breecia Xera, which is forming over here. See it?

METEOROLOGIST: YES YOU DO! IT'S RIGHT THERE! YOU'VE GOT TO BELIEVE ME!

ANNOUNCER: Let's go back to Dan Rather, courageously standing on a beach, wearing a slicker.

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By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Winter can't arrive soon enough for fall allergy sufferers. Ranny noses, itchy eyes, droopiness and lack of concentration are some of the tire-some symptoms associated with allergies that in the Magic Valley tend to be severest from harvest to the first hard freeze.

Weed pollen hit the valley about mid-August, sagebrush pollen kicked in about September, harvest stirred dust into the mix, and back-to-school colds exacerbate problems for allergy sufferers, said Dr. Richard Henry, a Twin Falls allergist.

People often ask Henry if conditions in the Magic Valley are worse than other areas for allergy sufferers. He says he only can relate his own experience. After working in three places that could vie for the title of allergy capital of the world, he didn't have allergy problems until he moved to Twin Falls.

Southern Idaho's famous wind that carries pollen and kicks up dust from tilled fields and agriculture in general makes the Magic Valley a hotbed for allergies.

But in two or three weeks, sagebrush season should be coming to an end, Henry said.

"Hard freezes tend to knock it down, and it almost takes snow to end the season," he said.

Sagebrush pollen typically hits the Wood River Valley hard, Henry said. Allergy sufferers who live there can be miserable this time of year. Some plan fall vacations to get out of town.

Brenda Mathis, of Boise, suffers along with Wood River Valley residents. A sales rep, she



Dr. Richard Henry examines Brenda Mathis for allergies. Mathis began seeking treatment for her allergies about a year ago.

travels southern Idaho for her job. The itchy eyes and runny nose she puts up with during September and October are maddening when she hits the Wood River area.

Sometimes people wonder whether it's allergies or a cold that has them looking for relief.

Allergy symptoms include itchy eyes and runny noses, and generally are absent of the fever and sore throat that can accom-

pany a cold, Henry said.

People can find relief from allergy symptoms with prescription medications, but these can cause drowsiness, he said. Family doctors can prescribe non-sedating medications. People who still suffer can see an allergist and could be candidates for allergy shots.

"It's a big commitment, and it's rather expensive," Henry said. Please see ALLERGY, Page C2

Simple steps to help ease allergies

- Keep windows closed at night and air windows rolled up while traveling. Use air conditioning.
 - Minimize early morning activities outdoors between 5-10 a.m. when pollen is at its highest.
 - Take a vacation during the height of pollen season to a place more pollen-free such as the beach or the sea.
 - Don't spend much time outdoors or mow lawns when the pollen count, humidity or wind factor is high.
 - Don't make leaves. It starts up molds.
 - Don't hang sheets or clothing out to dry. They could collect pollen and molds.
- Source: American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology

Kids especially suffer when fall allergy season hits

Knight Rider News Service

The biggest bullies on the playground this fall may be grass and ragweed.

The tiny airborne pollens from these plants plague children, causing them to sneeze, sniffle and cough their way through the school day. And sometimes it's even worse: Some children with allergies say they get teased for their watery-eyed appearance. They feel left out, and they have problems paying attention in school.

Allergies, in short, are nothing to sneeze at. A vast percent of all children are allergic to something, and allergies account for 2 million missed school days each year. On any given school day, more than 10,000 children miss school because of allergies, statistics from the National Institutes of Health show.

Know the enemy allergens

Ragweed is the most common seasonal allergen in this country, with 60 percent of all allergic people reacting to it.

"A lot of children are allergic to ragweed, and we always have a lot of ragweed in this area at this time of the year," said Dr. Susan Wynn, an allergist with Fort Worth Allergy and Asthma Associates. Wynn is also a member of the national Pediatric Allergy Collaborative, a panel of experts sponsored by the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. "Ragweed season just happens to coincide with the start of school each year."

Although ragweed might be the most obvious culprit, many other pollens and particles can make kids sick. "Mountain cedar, oak, Bermuda grass, dust mites and ragweed, those are the biggies," Wynn says. "All outdoor molds - especially on high-wind days. It really depends on the person, but pollens - trees, grasses and weeds - seem to cause hay fever-type symptoms."

The physical symptoms of seasonal allergies - sneezing, runny nose, watery eyes, nasal congestion - are more than just irritations for children. They can lead to difficulty sleeping, limited attention spans, decreased ability to concentrate, fatigue, irritability and cognitive impairment. Symptoms can compromise a child's performance in school, according to the Pediatric Allergy Collaborative.

Sneezing and wheezing can also be emotionally draining for kids.

Treat the symptoms

Although a cure for allergies is still elusive, allergy shots are an effective, long-lasting treatment for many kinds of allergies, and medications that treat the symp-

oms have improved significantly since today's parents were children.

"If Mom and Dad both had allergies, they may think it is normal to have Kleenex in hand at all times and a box of Kleenex in every room," Wynn says. "That's not normal."

"We didn't have these good treatments when we were growing up. Then it was, take a Benadryl and pass out, or just suffer. A lot of people with allergies decided it was better to sneeze and blow their nose than fall asleep."

Here's what parents need to know: Allergy testing is much faster, less painful and more reliable than ever. Over-the-counter antihistamines are the first line of defense against allergies, especially when drowsiness is not an issue, such as bedtime. Allergy shots are once again in favor as the best treatment for many types of severe allergies. Prescription medication Please see KIDS, Page C2

HEALTH NOTES

Exercised about phys ed

Remember high school gym class? Many women do - not with much fondness. When asked the worst thing about taking high school gym class in an online survey sponsored by Coors Brewing Co. and the Women's Sports Foundation, 29.9 percent said having to change in the locker room, 26.9 percent said getting undressed in the middle of the day, and 21.6 percent said the "heinous gym suits we were forced to wear."

Life's a bowl of blueberries

Forget Viagra. Anyone seeking to really feel young again should try blueberries, research on rats suggests. Old rats fed the equivalent of a cup of blueberries a day not only were more coordinated, but were smarter than other old rats, a team at Tufts University in Boston found. They are now working to find out just what it is in blueberries that repairs the damage aging does to the brain. Meanwhile, they are eating blueberries themselves.

No more cotton picking

Don't worry about getting that wad of cotton out of the aspirin bottle. It's not there anymore. Without any fanfare, Bayer Corp. removed the cotton from its Genuine Bayer bottles early this year, ending forever the frustrating necessity of picking it out to get at the tiny headache-stopping tablets. "We concluded there really wasn't any reason to keep the cotton in except tradi-

tion," said Bayer's VP of technical operations. "It's hard to get out."

A dip in diabetes

If you have diabetes, a small pilot study reported in the New England Journal of Medicine suggests that soaking in a hot tub for 30 minutes a day for three weeks can reduce blood sugar levels by 13 percent. One test subject had to reduce the insulin he was taking by 18 percent to keep his blood sugar level from falling too far. But patients had to be routinely helped from the tub when the water temperature exceeded 40 degrees Celsius because they became too dizzy to stand.

Test reminders

Routine breast self-exams are key to early recognition and treatment of breast cancer, and now the editors of Ladies' Home Journal want to help you remember. The magazine's Web site at <http://www.lhj.com> will send you a monthly e-mail reminder. This free service is timed to an individual woman's monthly menstrual cycle because it is best to do self-exams one week after menstruation. Avon has also announced its "Make the Promise" Internet campaign to spread the message of the importance of routine exams. For more information, visit the site at <http://www.avon.com>. Women can also find a list of mammography centers in their area by clicking on <http://www.healthgrades.com>.

Compiled from news reports

You don't have to live with corns and callouses

DEAR PAULA: The corns and callouses on my feet are just unsightly. Any help for this part of the body?



COSMETICS Q&A
Paula Begoun

—Nancy, Miami

DEAR NANCY: When the weather calls for sling backs, sandals, and open-toed shoes, it may not be a pretty sight because, statistically, eight out of every 10 adults have calluses, and corns to deal with.

Corns are thickened lumps formed on the outer layer of skin and occur over bony areas such as toe joints, especially on the tips of toes. Corns are most recognizable by a small, tender, and painful raised bump that has a noticeably hard-textured center.

Calluses are larger and almost always a painless thickening of skin caused by repeated pressure or irritation on the heels or balls of feet. Calluses can become painful when they become so dry and cracked that the area becomes sore and tender to the touch.

From the shoes they wear. High heels, narrow toes, tight fits, and strange shapes (that don't match the proportions of the foot) are all foot disasters in the making. As you may have guessed, it is really useless to try and treat corns and calluses until you remove the source of the problem. Once you do that, you can use good old-fashioned corn and callus pads to reduce pressure on irritated areas in your new, comfortable, well-fitting shoes. Many women try to peel or rub the thickened area with a pumice stone but irritation and pressure will only make things look slightly better temporarily, and probably exacerbates the problem in the long run.

It is also a big NO-NO to try and Please see BEGOUN, Page C2

Misshapen heads: Causes and cures

Los Angeles Times

Holly-Anne Carroll isn't like most babies. For one thing, at the tender age of 10 months, the triplet, along with brothers Jared and Derek, has already logged three days of paid work on the set of the NBC sitcom "Friends."

Parents know babies are born with soft skulls. But it wasn't until the last few years, when Americans began posturing the sleeping babies on their backs to curb crib death, that doctors began seeing a marked increase in lopsided heads.

Holly-Anne's curable squishing of the skull, called plagiocephaly, has been on the rise

since 1992, when American doctors launched the "Back to Sleep" campaign against Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. The idea was to keep babies off their stomachs to avoid suffocation, thought to be a cause of crib death.

With the campaign in place, SIDS has declined by 44 percent, an accomplishment that Dr. Taha Karwinski, chairman of the American Academy of Pediatrics task force on infant sleep position and SIDS, says should not be underestimated.

The exciting thing is that the SIDS rate has dropped because babies are sleeping on their backs," Karwinski says.

Before the campaign, more than 70 percent of babies slept on their stomachs, that's down to 20 percent today.

Seven hits at least 35.9 million people in the United States. In the Magic Valley that includes three seasons, but fall can be the worst.

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Begoun

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slice away the offending areas with a razor or use scissors or clippers to cut them off. That's a sure way to cause injury or infection.

A better fix is to exfoliate with a high-concentration beta hydroxy acid product designed for warts. First soak your feet in warm water and then apply a 5 or 10 percent salicylic acid cream. If you have any signs of infection

develop around a corn or callus, such as redness, swelling, pain, heat, or tenderness, see your doctor immediately.

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Kids

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For example, pediatric versions of the minimally sedating oral antihistamines cetirizine (pediatric Zyrtec) and loratadine (pediatric Claritin) have been approved by the FDA for age 6 and older, and Tylenol offers children's Tylenol Sinus and children's Tylenol Allergy-D (an antihistamine with a decongestant and an analgesic). The FDA also approved Flonase nasal spray for children 4 and up in 1997.

Cromolyn, best known under the brand name NasalCrom, has been available over-the-counter

the past couple of years to prevent allergic reactions, and children's NasalCrom came onto the market this year.

Don't trivialize the problem

One of the main reasons a lot of children don't get the treatment they need for allergies, Wynn says, is that society tends to trivialize the problem.

"When the media depicts a nerdy kid, you usually give him allergies," Wynn says. "You call him a snooty-nosed kid and think of him as whiny, weak and inferior. You tend to not take allergy seriously."

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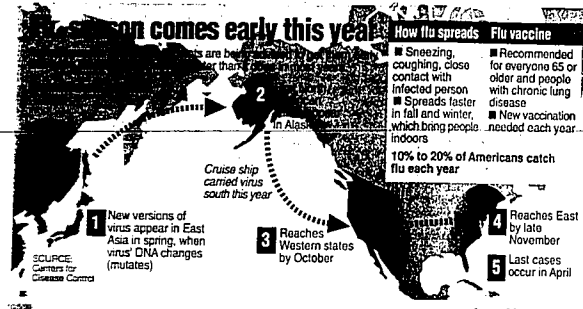
The Washington Post

Despite the arrival of a chilly front this week, scientists are warning parents to get their children vaccinated against the flu. The flu season is expected to begin in late October and last through the end of the year.

In recent years, flu epidemics have been common in the United States, particularly in the elderly and young children. In 1997-98, the flu season was particularly severe, with more than 35 million people getting sick and 45,000 people dying.

The flu is a respiratory virus that spreads through the air. It is most common in the fall and winter months. The flu is a seasonal illness that usually lasts for a few days to a week. It is caused by a virus that attacks the respiratory system.

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Flu and flu shot facts

Experts say one in 10 Americans could suffer from the flu this season. At high risk are older people and those with chronic illness.

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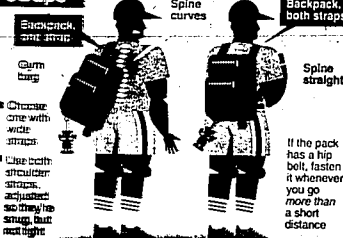
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If it's warm, correctly, a backpack is supported by the strong muscles close to the body's centerline.



Doctors develop procedure to remove varicose veins

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — People with varicose veins could get relief from a new surgical procedure developed by Aurora, Ill., physicians. The new outpatient surgery uses Transilluminated Powered Phlebectomy, or TIPP, to remove varicose veins with a small incision and shorter operative times. Varicose veins are created when valves channeling blood toward the heart do not function well and become blocked. The veins become enlarged and congested with blood. Smaller red, blue or purple veins on the surface of the skin are known as spider veins.

For years, surgeons used a tedious, time-consuming procedure to remove varicose veins that would hook the vein with a device and pull it out of the leg. Numerous incisions had to be made on the leg to pull the vein out in small pieces — a procedure that could take hours. And without much visualization under the surface of the skin, physicians found themselves blindly searching for all of the vein and unsure if it had been removed completely.

"You just kept making incisions until you felt like you were done, until you couldn't feel any

more veins," said Dr. Gregory Spitz, the vascular surgeon at Rush-Copley Medical Center in Aurora who developed the TIPP procedure. "There had to be a better way than fishing out veins all day."

In the TIPP procedure, light inserted into one of the incisions illuminates the area of the leg so that a physician can see the entire vein through the skin. Spitz adapted a small blade-like instrument used in microscopic surgery that is inserted into the other incision to break the varicose vein into tiny pieces and suck them out.

The surgical device removes the varicose veins entirely leaving normal veins without any obstruction to blood flow back to the heart, Spitz said.

Spitz estimates the new TIPP procedure will cut the average surgical time down to about 38 minutes. Patients have minimal scarring and pain following the outpatient procedure, Spitz said, and a stocking is worn for the leg support.

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CIRRHOSIS OF THE LIVER
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CAUSES
 In the United States, chronic alcoholism is the most common cause. Cirrhosis also may result from chronic viral hepatitis (types B, C, and D). Liver injury that results in cirrhosis also may be caused by a number of inherited diseases.

SYMPTOMS
 The person may experience fatigue, weakness, and exhaustion. Loss of appetite is usual, often with nausea and weight loss. As liver function declines, water accumulates in the legs and abdomen. In later stages of cirrhosis, jaundice (yellow skin) may occur. Some people experience intense itching due to bile products that are deposited in the skin.

TREATMENT
 Treatment is aimed at stopping or delaying its progress, minimizing the damage to liver cells, and reducing complications. In alcoholic cirrhosis, for instance, the person must stop drinking alcohol. Medication may be given to control the symptoms of cirrhosis, such as itching.

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CALENDAR of EVENTS

- Monthly MVRMC Board Meeting • Monday, October 11, 6 p.m., Sage Room of the Education Center.
- Cesarean Childbirth Class • Tuesday, October 12, 7-9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration is not required.
- Cit-Dependency Group • Wednesday, October 13, 6-7:30 p.m., Canyon View West Group Room. Fee: \$10. For more information call 734-6760.
- Infant CPR Class • Wednesday, October 13, 7-9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration is not required.
- Cancer Support Group • Thursday, October 14, 7-8:30 p.m., Cancer Center Reception Area. For more information call 737-2800.
- CPR Class • Saturday, October 16, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Doctor's Meeting Room. Fee: \$11. To register call 737-2007.
- "Parenting Strategies with Difficult Teens" • Monday, October 18, 7 p.m., Education Center. File presentation is free and open to the general public. For more information call 734-6760.
- Cit-Dependency Group • Wednesday, October 20, 6-7:30 p.m., Canyon View West Group Room. Fee: \$10. For more information call 734-6760.

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

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TWIN FALLS - The Bed-and-Breakfast Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Day Room of the assisted living facility, 1828 Balgownie Drive. For more information, call Jane Rice at 736-9333.

TWIN FALLS - Co-Dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Canyon View West Group Room. Fee is \$10. For more information, call 734-6769.

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TWIN FALLS - The Sunrise Care Center and Rehabilitation will hold an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Oct. 20 at the center, 640 Elder Ave. W. For more information, call Becky Jacobson or Dee Foster at 734-8645.

TWIN FALLS - The Here and Now Bereavement Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Oct. 21 at Hospice Visions, 1300 Kimberly Road. For more information, call Flo at 735-0121.

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

THE SABEYS

TWIN FALLS - Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Dick) Sabey will be honored at an open house Saturday for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to call from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Twin Falls 9th Ward Church on Elizabeth Boulevard. They request no gifts.

Sabey and "Scotty" Scott were married Oct. 15, 1949, in Magrath, Alberta, Canada. The marriage was later solemnized in the Cardston LDS Temple. Originally from Canada, they moved to Burley in 1980 and leased the Ponderosa Inn. He worked for Mini-Cassia Equipment before moving to Twin Falls in 1984. They have owned several businesses in the Twin Falls area.

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Live right, and you'll live longer

Knight Ridder News Service

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - As the baby boom generation redefines society's concept of old age, researchers are finding that simple changes in behavior can keep people healthy and independent long after retirement, an expert on aging says.

Richard Hodes, director of the National Institute on Aging, says recent trends show that a gradual decline in disability is not an inevitable part of growing old.

"It was not so many years ago that older people were considered frail and they had to be cared for and they shouldn't exert themselves," Hodes said. "But studies have shown that people in their 60s, 70s, 80s and even 90s can profit from weight training and aerobic training. Today, the challenge is to understand how people can be motivated to engage in healthier life behaviors."

Hodes, whose agency is a division of the National Institutes of Health, spoke recently in Kansas City at a symposium on the biology of aging. An immunologist, Hodes oversees a \$500 million program that funds research ranging from the genetic roots of Alzheimer's disease to methods for reducing injuries from falling.

improve the quality of life. For example, a curse of old age is injuries suffered from falls. Healthy people often deteriorate rapidly after broken hips or other major injuries. Hodes said, a recent study found that falls could be reduced by 44 percent by giving the elderly strength and balance training, adjusting their medication to avoid dizzy spells and removing common hazards at home.

"The study found that such training saved several thousand dollars per patient even after including the cost of the training, he said. Similarly, another study found that a simple dietetic change caused a dramatic decrease in the risk of stroke in patients with a type of high blood pressure. Now, recent studies are finding that long-term use of the medication also reduces the risk of congestive heart failure, a leading cause of hospitalization among the elderly.

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Scared of weather? You're not alone

Northwest Florida Daily News

Do you quake when the sky darkens? Whimper when the wind whistles? Hurry away when a hurricane buffy air?

If your answer is a thunderous yes, you could be suffering from a severe weather phobia.

Being afraid of the weather is a matter of degree. If you're paralyzed by fear and afraid to venture out of your home the moment you hear a bad forecast, it's safe to say you have a problem.

Christy Christensen of Fort Wilcox Beach, Fla., has reason to fear stormy weather, and she doesn't need anyone telling her it's

scramble for cover. That's because she has been struck by lightning—twice. Although she didn't sustain any permanent physical damage, she's not taking any chances.

"I do carry a healthy respect for lightning," she said.

She was 10 years old the first time she was hit through this, or, electrifying experience. It happened one evening as she sat beneath an aluminum awning outside a trailer in the Connecticut woods, along with her father, uncle and brother. Her mother and aunt had gone to the store, and a thunderstorm blew in. Minutes later, lightning struck.

"It lit the whole woods up like daytime. I'm screaming, the dog's freaking out. My dad told us afterward we'd better stop crying by the time Mom gets back."

Christensen said she inadvertently blew the whistle on her father when she told her mother that she had "had fun at the doctor's. He gave me a lollipop."

The second time; Christensen, her husband, her brother and sister-in-law had been diving in a Connecticut lake when they were warned a thunderstorm was coming in. By the time they darted out of the water and sped into a building, lightning hit and traveled by the puddled water into the building.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BURLEY CITY GOVERNMENT will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 26, 1999, in the City Hall located at 720 Madison Street, Burley, Idaho, to consider the request of Ray Carroll to rezone from Agricultural to Light Industrial on the property located at the Vista View Estates Subdivisions, Kimberly, Idaho. The property is described as follows: SE 1/4 of Section 17, Township 10 North, Range 18 East of the Base Meridian, Ten Falls County, Idaho. A portion of the property is zoned Agricultural and a portion is zoned Light Industrial.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS. Case No. SP 99-584. Petition for Change of Name. I, TIMOTHY NOLAN MOND JR., Petitioner's name and residence are Timothy Mon, 332 Elaine Avenue, Twin Falls, ID 83301. Petitioner was born on the 12th day of July 1978, County of Minnoka, State of Idaho. The name and residence of Petitioner's father is: Timothy N. Mong, 531 E. Lincoln, PA, ID 83347. Petitioner desires a name change from Timothy Nolan Mong Jr. to Timothy Nolan Mounce and desires the change of name to be published in the Twin Falls County, Idaho newspaper.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays that this Petition for Change of Name be signed by the Clerk of the Court, and that after being published for four (4) successive weeks in the Times News & Newspaper printed in the Twin Falls County, Idaho, the matter be heard, and that after hearing the Court examine the Petitioner, under oath, and make an Order changing the name of Petitioner as prayed for herein. Dated this 27th day of October, 1999. J. DePuy Clerk.

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(Dick) Vermell... has taken crying to a high-water mark. He will bawl at the retirement of a blocking sled.

—Rick Reilly of Sports Illustrated, describing the emotional coach of the St. Louis Rams

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school volleyball
ISDH at Hills
Rowe at Glenns Ferry
Stokoe at Hagaman
Boys' high school soccer
IFCA at Hills, 4:30 p.m.
ISDH at Hills, 4:30 p.m.
Minkot at Jennev, 5 p.m.
Highland at Hurley, 6:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Alban aces No. 12 at Clear Lake

BUHL - Jeanne Alban used 5-wood to ace the 12th hole at Clear Lake Country Club Sunday. It marked the second time this year that Alban on this hole that she achieved this feat. Witnesses were Dean Dorland and Ken Lattime.

Cal Poly-SLO beats Vandals in volleyball

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. - The University of Idaho volleyball team couldn't get untracked and fell late Saturday night to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, 15-4, 15-10, 15-4.

"We didn't play very well at all," U of I third-year coach Carl Ferreira said. "We were out of sync from the very first part of the match. We just didn't show up. It was very disappointing."

The Vandals fall to 13-5 overall and 4-2 in the Big West, while Cal Poly improves to 12-4 and 4-2. Jenny Kniss led the Vandals with 13 kills and a .318 hitting percentage. Regan Butler had nine kills but was held to a .107 hitting mark.

U of I goffers finish 10th at tournament

LAS CRUCES, N.M. - The University of Idaho golfers placed 10th out of 15 teams at the Herb Wimberly/Coca Cola Classic Friday and Saturday at the University Golf Course. The Vandals' total of 888 was well off the winning tally of 852, garnered by New Mexico State. Josh Nadelman was the top Idaho golfer, shooting 216 (73-69-74).

Steelheads skate to 4-0 over Tacoma

BOISE - Behind the 45 saves of goalie Mikhail Yemelyenov and the play of Andreas Sjoland and Rob Dumas, the Idaho Steelheads shut out Tacoma 4-0 in a West Coast Hockey League preseason game Saturday night at the Bank of America Centre.

Idaho's Cal Ingraham gave the Steelheads a 1-0 lead 38 seconds into the second period with a power play goal assisted by Todd Robinson and Dumas. Sjoland made it 2-0 and teammate Andre Lupandin added a third score at the 15:04 mark. Rob Hartwell closed out the scoring with a goal at the 19-minute mark in the third.

Tacoma limited Idaho to only 17 shots while the Sabercats put 45 shots on net against Yemelyenov, who made 32 saves in the team's 2-1 loss against Utah in the national Hockey League Oct. 1. Idaho opens the 1999-2000 season Friday and Saturday.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Saksa-Harris, Undhjem-Hedberg take Bud golf titles

The Times-News

Results, Page D8

TWIN FALLS - As it turned out, Brian Saksa and Roger Harris didn't need to rock Canyon Springs Golf course Sunday. But these things just happen. Saksa and Harris entered the day tied for the Budweiser 2-man Best Ball tournament lead with Doug Reeves and Chad Urie. But Reeves and Urie shot a mediocre par 72 on their home course, and Harris and Saksa followed

Saturday's 3-under-par 68 at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course with a sizzling 9-under 63 in the canyon. Virgic Undhjem and Jennifer Hedberg followed up Saturday's 74 in the canyon with a 71 at their home course Sunday to win the women's flight by four strokes over Shauna and Jennie Robinson. It was the second bet-

ter-ball tournament win this season for Undhjem and Hedberg, who recently took the Snake River Canyon Better Ball title. Reeves and Urie slipped to a two-way tie for third in the men's championship flight at 137 with Jeff Roll and David Hanchey, who staged the day tied for 12th. Jim Lathrop and Carl Sklavos placed second, seven strokes behind the leaders. Tracy Harr and Danny Hite gave up a few strokes in the

men's first flight Sunday with a net 61 at Canyon Springs, and were forced to share that flight's title with Dick and Doug Fuchs, who began the day three strokes behind the leaders. Mike Standlee and Monty Bell finished alone in third at 119. Terry Newlan and Gary Schwertfeger improved on their Saturday score to move up one spot and take the second flight net title with a 114. Steve Root and Cory Ochsner finished in sec-

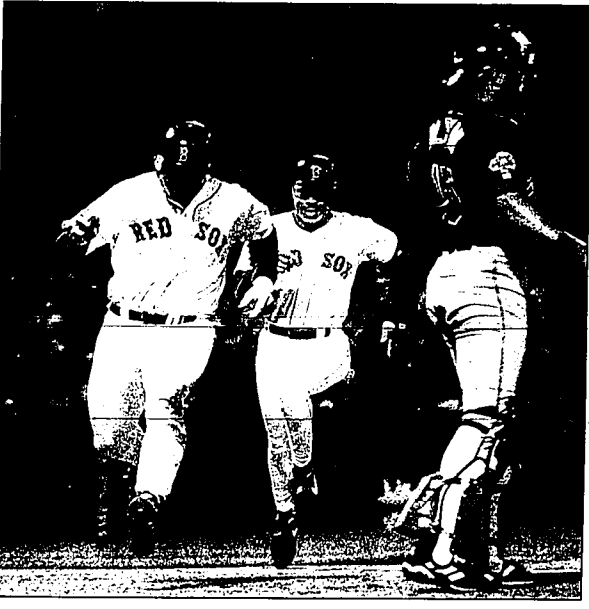
ond, along with Dennis Cornwall and Bob Benefiel, one stroke behind. First-round leaders Gary Hill and Arvel Michalek finished tied for fourth at 120. The teams of Paul Hash and Richard Greenwood and Blaine Doney and Keith Owens went to the wire at Twin Falls Municipal Sunday after sharing the first-round lead. Hash and Greenwood still had net Sunday for the flight title, while Doney and Owens finished a stroke behind.

Red Sox push Game 5

Set record in 23-7 win

BOSTON (AP) - Known more for collapses than comebacks, the tradition-bound Boston Red Sox are trying something new. A night after winning just their second postseason game in 20 tries, the Red Sox made it two in a row in record style - shocking the Cleveland Indians 23-7 on Sunday night to force a deciding fifth game in their first-round AL play-off series.

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Boston's Jason Varitek, left, and Darren Lewis score on a Trot Nixon double as Cleveland catcher Sandy Alomar stands by the plate during Game 4 of the American League Division Series Sunday night.

John Valentin had two homers, a double and seven RBIs as Boston scored the most runs ever in a postseason game, breaking the record set when Lou Gehrig and Joe DiMaggio led the Yankees to an 18-4 victory over the New York Giants in Game 2 of the 1936 World Series. Mike Stanley had five hits and Valentin and Jason Varitek each had four of Boston's 24 hits - another postseason record. Trot Nixon and Offernan each had five RBIs and Varitek had a record five runs as Boston scored in every inning but the sixth in the most-lopsided postseason rout ever.

Picking up on three days' rest for the first time in his career, Indians ace Bartolo Colon allowed seven runs on six hits and a walk. He left after allowing a two-run homer to Offernan with nobody out in the second - the first of Boston's two five-run innings. The teams return to Cleveland for Game 5 on Monday night, and with Pedro Martinez nursing a sore back, neither team will have its ace. Charles Nagy will start for the Yankees and Varitek had a record five runs as Boston scored in every inning but the sixth in the most-lopsided postseason rout ever.

Only once since the division series was added to the playoffs in 1995 has a team won the best-of-five series after losing the first two games. And now the Red Sox - of all teams - have a chance to make it two. The very same Red Sox who lost the 1948 AL pennant in a one-game playoff with the Indians,

and blew a 14.5-game lead over the Yankees in 1978 to lose a one-game playoff on Bucky Dent's home run.

And the very same Red Sox who lost the 1946 World Series after leading the St. Louis Cardinals three games to two, then blew a 3-2 lead in the '86 Series after the Bill Buckner's notorious Game 6.

But in the Indians, who haven't won a World Series since 1948

despite making the playoffs in each of the last five years, Boston may be meeting a team more cursed than itself.

After Cleveland took a 2-0 lead in the series and came to Boston prepared to sweep - especially after the Red Sox lost All-Star shortstop Nomar Garciaparra for a game - they return home hoping merely to move on.

Valentin, who twice committed costly errors at third base earlier

in the series, homered to help Boston win Game 3 and added another in the first inning on Sunday to make it 2-1.

In the second, Colon gave up consecutive singles to Stanley, Varitek and Darren Lewis before Nixon batted a double off the wall in center field to make it 5-2. Offernan followed with a two-run homer into the screen above the Green Monster to give Boston a 7-2 lead and end Colon's night.

Late heroics lift Pack over Bucs

The Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. - A couple of minutes after nearly giving the game away, Brett Favre gave himself quite a birthday present. Favre, who turned 30 on Sunday, led Green Bay on a last-minute, game-winning drive the third time this season, hitting Antonio Freeman with a 21-yard touchdown pass with 1:05 left as the Packers beat the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 26-23.

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Favre directed in 40 seconds against the Buccaneers' top-ranked defense. The Packers racked up 452 yards of total offense against Tampa Bay but looked to be in trouble when Mike Alstott's 22-yard touchdown run with 1:45 to play put the Bucs up 23-19.

The Packers got the ball back at their 27 with 1:40 to play, and Favre hit Bill Schroeder with a 42-yard touchdown. Favre got up holding his right arm, but it didn't slow him down. After a 10-yard draw by Dorsey Levens and a couple of incompletions, Favre threw a 21-yard bullet to Freeman, who caught the ball in the end zone while Ronnie Barber tackled him. It was the 13th come-from-behind win for Favre and the 16th time he led a game-winning drive.

Favre was 22-of-40 for 390 yards and two touchdowns. He hit Corey Bradford with a 23-yard TD pass with 12 seconds to play in Green Bay's 23-20 win over Minnesota two weeks ago, and he won the season-opener against Oakland 28-24 by hitting Jeff Thomason with a 1-yard scoring pass with 11

seconds left. The Packers (3-1) moved into first place in the NFC Central with the win, their eighth straight and 3rd in the last 34 games at Lambeau Field. Ryan Longwell kicked four field goals for the Packers.

The Buccaneers' (2-3), who haven't won at Lambeau Field since 1989, were crippled by four turnovers. Trent Dilfer threw three interceptions, including one to Darren Sharper with 13 seconds to play that sealed Green Bay's win.

Favre's last-minute heroics erased an embarrassing mistake. With 4:38 to play, Packers defensive end Keith McKenzie sacked Dilfer, forced a fumble and recovered it at Tampa Bay's 19.

But after the Packers drove to the 4, Favre was chased out of the pocket and then was called for intentional-grounding when he wildly flung the ball away to avoid a sack. After the 22-yard penalty, Longwell missed a field goal from 45 yards with 2:28 left. Tampa Bay then drove 65 yards to Alstott's touchdown, but the Bucs left Favre too much time.

Favre hit his two starting wide receivers early in the game. Schroeder caught a 51-yard pass from Favre on Green Bay's first play of the game, and Freeman caught a 19-yard touchdown pass moments later to cap a 77-yard drive.

The Buccaneers' much-maligned offense struggled, and one first-half drive culminated in an interception by Green Bay's Jermaine Smith. Martin Gramatica kicked three field goals for Tampa Bay.



Green Bay's Desmond Howard jumps on the back of teammate Antonio Freeman after Freeman caught a touchdown pass in the first quarter Sunday night against Tampa Bay.

SPORTS

Valentine: Braves don't respect Mets

NEW YORK (AP) - It remains to be seen if the New York Mets' bats and arms are ready to meet Atlanta in the NL Championship Series. It's already clear their mouths are in top form.

"I see no reason that we should have any affection for them," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said Sunday. "We have a great respect for them. I think we still have to earn our respect. They've shown us very little."

New York advanced to its first championship series in 11 years by beating Arizona 4-3 in the first game of the series Saturday, winning the best-of-five first-round series in four games.

Just nine days earlier, after going 5-1 against New York over the final two weeks, the Braves declared the Mets finished, declared them out of the wild-card lead with three to play.

"This is the next best thing to winning the World Series," said Braves third baseman Fred McGriff, who was annoyed by taunts from the Shea Stadium fans. "I told them to go home and put their Yankees' stuff on."

"That remark has stuck in the minds of many Mets players and fans." "It was a pretty mature statement,"



Chipper Jones, center, will be a key figure in the National League Championship Series against the New York Mets.

Valentine said sarcastically, "and an incorrect one - we're not dead yet. I don't think it was lack of understanding. I think he was very confident he wasn't going to have to deal with them again this year. Guess what? He's going to have to deal with them this year."

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ing three in Atlanta and winning two of three in New York. Jones was the biggest nemesis, hitting .400 with seven homers and 16 RBIs in 39 at-bats. In the three-game sweep at Turner Field from Sept. 21-23, he was 4-for-9 with four homers and seven RBIs.

"I don't think he's going to be as magical ever again as he was in that one series," Valentine said on a conference call Sunday after leaving Mass. "I don't think anyone

Strawbery shows he's to be feared at plate

ARLINGTON, Texas - There were many reasons the New York Yankees, as mature and mellow as the Yankees clubs were once and factionalized, won the American League Division Series over Texas. They pitched superbly, played better defense and actually scored a few runs.

chance minutes after their Game 3 shutout of the Rangers on Saturday night. Safe inside, their pitcher wrapped locker room. The New York players celebrated their third trip to the AL Championship Series in four years with the traditional champagne spray.

day suspension from baseball, went back to the minors and, with the blessing of manager Joe Torre and his teammates, returned to New York on Sept. 1. "It's been a tough year to say the least," said Strawberry. "I've tried not to think about it all, to be honest. With what I've been through, I just try to stay in the day and focus on the future."

Hingis defeats Pierce, wins third Porsche event

FILDERSTADT, Germany (AP) - Top-ranked Martina Hingis captured her seventh title of the year and added another Porsche to her car collection Sunday when she beat Mary Pierce 6-4, 6-1 in the final of the Porsche Grand Prix.

"I think it must be the toughest final I ever fought," said Kucera, whose last title dates to 1996 in New Haven, Conn. "For me, this was my greatest final. I believed in myself and I won."



Referee Ron Ruff, left, holds up the arm of Margaret MacGregor as she wins the first sanctioned man-versus-woman boxing match, against Lol Chow Saturday night.

"I still have a little place in the garage," she said. "It's always special to play here, where I won my first title."

"In the fifth set, the two players traded early breaks and appeared to trade games to draw a suspenseful final point. Kucera got the upper hand, winning the final point.

MacGregor. "I hope I've done good for boxing." Asked what she thinks she proved, she responded: "Just that I'm a winner."

Under pressure from Hingis, she could not hold serve at the start of the second set. She saved the break points in the third game but a forehead winner by Hingis made it 3-0.

SEATTLE (AP) - Margaret MacGregor and Lol Chow made a historic history and proved that a woman who can beat a little can beat a man who can't box at all.

Woman beats man in boxing gender bender

BASEL, Switzerland - Slovakia's Kucera defended for two months this year with an injured wrist, held off Tim Henman on Sunday to capture the Swiss indoor title in five sets.

Rain from typhoon washes out Heineken Open final

Israel falls to Spain, qualifies for tourney

Indoor championship

SHANGHAI - Rain from typhoon, that hit southern China washed out Sunday's final in the Heineken Open tennis tournament.

Spain was the runaway winner in Group 6.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Scramble will benefit George McAdams

KIMBERLY - Pleasant Valley Golf Course will hold a four-person best-ball scramble to benefit George McAdams, offsetting his medical costs incurred from treatment for leukemia.

MVYSA looks for spring soccer coaches

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Youth Soccer Association, the Twin Falls affiliate sponsor of all Twin Falls sponsoring youth soccer programs, is looking for coaches for the spring season for girls and boys ages 11 through 18.

Glenns Ferry holds baseball, golf benefit

GLENN'S FERRY - The Glenns Ferry Pilot golf and baseball teams will hold a fundraiser Sunday, Oct. 17, at Vineyard Greens Golf Course.

Wood reveals heart ailment; career secure

CHICAGO - Kerry Wood had a secret, and he carried it with him throughout the 1999 season as he recuperated from elbow surgery.

Now, after nearly a year of tests and a positive diagnosis from the best doctors he could find, Wood has decided to let the world know about the problem in his heart.

Wood made two trips to Mesa Lutheran Hospital in Arizona during spring training "because I was worn down, had no energy," he recalled. "They couldn't keep my blood pressure up, so they did some tests on my heart and found a little hole ... and it was leaking."

Rains delays UAW-GM 500 race

CONCORD, N.C. - A steady rain Sunday forced NASCAR officials to postpone the UAW-GM Quality 500 to Monday.

It is the first event on the 1.5-mile oval was rescheduled for 9 a.m. on Monday.

It is the first time in the 40-year history of the suburban Charlotte track that the fall race has been postponed. The last Winston Cup event postponed by rain was in April of 1998 in Martinsville, Va.

The worst part about rain is the sitting around," said driver Ward Burton. "You can only play so many card games, tell so many jokes and take so many naps. You can only look up at the sky and shake your head so many times."

Jeremy Mayfield prefers starting a race when the odds of finishing are good, rather than having a race shortened by bad weather.

Hamm scores go-ahead goal in soccer win

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - Borrowing some basketball strategy served Mia Hamm well on the soccer field.

With play around the Brazilian goal, Hamm took a left-footed cross from Kristine Lilly and fired with her left foot from about 15 yards out. The goal was her second of the game, the record 114th of her international career and gave the Americans a 2-1 lead.

Lilly added a penalty-kick goal in the 88th minute after Cindy Parlow was taken down by Brazil's Devis inside the penalty area.

The Americans rallied from a 2-1 deficit to sweep the three-game, round-robin tournament with South Korea, Brazil and Finland. However, this victory was nothing like earlier shutouts of the South Koreans and Finland.

Israel falls to Spain, qualifies for tourney

Israel lost to Spain 3-0 on Sunday but still qualified for a playoff for soccer's European Championships next year.

Israel had the same number of points as Austria but finished in front on head-to-head results and a point ahead of the Cypriots.

The tournament features 16 teams and so far 12 have qualified, including co-hosts Belgium and the Netherlands. Eight teams will compete in a November playoff for the remaining four berths.

The 10 teams joining the co-hosts are: World Cup champion France, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland.

The other seven teams in the playoff are: Denmark, England, Ireland, Scotland, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

SCORES AND STATS

BASEBALL

AL playoff box scores

CLEVELAND

P	R	H	R	E	B	SO	IP	W	L	SV
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.0	0	0	0

Playoff game

SPRINGFIELD

P	R	H	R	E	B	SO	IP	W	L	SV
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.0	0	0	0

MAJOR LEAGUE GAMES

Team	Opponent	Score
Atlanta Braves	Philadelphia Phillies	5-2
Baltimore Orioles	Washington Nationals	5-1
Boston Red Sox	New York Yankees	3-2
California Angels	Los Angeles Dodgers	1-0
Chicago Cubs	St. Louis Cardinals	1-0
Cleveland Indians	Pittsburgh Pirates	5-1
Colorado Rockies	San Diego Padres	2-0
Florida Marlins	Miami Marlins	1-0
Los Angeles Angels	Seattle Mariners	3-2
Los Angeles Dodgers	San Francisco Giants	1-0
Minnesota Twins	Chicago White Sox	3-1
New York Yankees	Baltimore Orioles	3-2
Philadelphia Phillies	Atlanta Braves	2-5
Pittsburgh Pirates	Cleveland Indians	1-5
San Diego Padres	Colorado Rockies	0-2
Seattle Mariners	Los Angeles Angels	2-3
St. Louis Cardinals	Chicago Cubs	0-1
Washington Nationals	Baltimore Orioles	1-5

FOOTBALL

NFL standings

Conference	Team	W	L	T
AFC	Pittsburgh	7	1	0
	San Diego	6	2	0
	Indianapolis	5	3	0
	Cincinnati	4	4	0
	Oakland	4	4	0
	Denver	3	5	0
	Houston	2	6	0
NFC	Green Bay	7	1	0
	Philadelphia	6	2	0
	Minnesota	5	3	0
	Seattle	4	4	0
	Atlanta	4	4	0
	San Francisco	3	5	0
	Washington	2	6	0

IN THE BLEACHERS

By Steve Moore



MacMurray 2-0 (1-1) vs. Idaho State 1-1 (0-2)

Team	W	L	T
MacMurray	2	0	1
Idaho State	1	1	0

COLLEGE

Collego poll

Rank	Team	W	L	T
1	Alabama	7	0	0
2	Ohio State	6	0	0
3	Michigan	5	0	0
4	Florida	5	0	0
5	Washington	4	0	0
6	Georgia	4	0	0
7	Michigan State	4	0	0
8	Nebraska	3	0	0
9	Illinois	3	0	0
10	Arizona	3	0	0

ON THE AIR

TELEVISION

Channel	Time	Program
1	7:00	Baseball, Yankees, Game 5
2	7:00	NFL Football, Jaguars at Jets
3	7:00	ABC 6 p.m.
4	7:00	ABC 7 p.m.
5	7:00	ABC 8 p.m.
6	7:00	ABC 9 p.m.
7	7:00	ABC 10 p.m.
8	7:00	ABC 11 p.m.
9	7:00	ABC 12 p.m.

TRANSMISSIONS

Station	W	L	T
Atlanta Braves	7	1	0
Baltimore Orioles	6	2	0
Boston Red Sox	5	3	0
California Angels	4	4	0
Chicago Cubs	4	4	0
Cleveland Indians	5	3	0
Colorado Rockies	4	4	0
Florida Marlins	3	5	0
Los Angeles Angels	3	5	0
Los Angeles Dodgers	3	5	0
Minnesota Twins	3	5	0
New York Yankees	3	5	0
Philadelphia Phillies	2	6	0
Pittsburgh Pirates	2	6	0
San Diego Padres	2	6	0
Seattle Mariners	2	6	0
St. Louis Cardinals	2	6	0
Washington Nationals	1	7	0

PGA Bets King scores

Player	Score
Tommy Alton	65
Tommy Alton	66
Tommy Alton	67
Tommy Alton	68
Tommy Alton	69
Tommy Alton	70
Tommy Alton	71
Tommy Alton	72
Tommy Alton	73
Tommy Alton	74
Tommy Alton	75
Tommy Alton	76
Tommy Alton	77
Tommy Alton	78
Tommy Alton	79
Tommy Alton	80

SOCCER

Team	W	L	T
Atlanta Braves	7	1	0
Baltimore Orioles	6	2	0
Boston Red Sox	5	3	0
California Angels	4	4	0
Chicago Cubs	4	4	0
Cleveland Indians	5	3	0
Colorado Rockies	4	4	0
Florida Marlins	3	5	0
Los Angeles Angels	3	5	0
Los Angeles Dodgers	3	5	0
Minnesota Twins	3	5	0
New York Yankees	3	5	0
Philadelphia Phillies	2	6	0
Pittsburgh Pirates	2	6	0
San Diego Padres	2	6	0
Seattle Mariners	2	6	0
St. Louis Cardinals	2	6	0
Washington Nationals	1	7	0

TRANSACTIONS

Player	Team	Transaction
Tommy Alton	Atlanta Braves	Released
Tommy Alton	Atlanta Braves	Released
Tommy Alton	Atlanta Braves	Released
Tommy Alton	Atlanta Braves	Released
Tommy Alton	Atlanta Braves	Released
Tommy Alton	Atlanta Braves	Released
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Tommy Alton	Atlanta Braves	Released

Sprewell on missing camp: 'That's just me'

NEW YORK (AP) — Jarrett Sprewell, family offered a feeble explanation Sunday for missing the first week of training camp, and the country, doing a 30-hour stretch run in their first exhibition game.

"Without any practice time, that's just not going to be ready to play," said coach Earl Van Gundy, who met with Sprewell and general manager Scott Layden for 45 minutes Sunday morning at the team's pregame facility.

Sprewell said he had simply ignored the Knicks' phone messages as he drove across the country, doing a 30-hour stretch run from Oakland to Milwaukee, arriving before dawn Wednesday, and then continuing on to New York on Thursday with his brother and a friend.

Sprewell nonchalantly explained that he drove instead of taking a flight because he wanted to pick up some things in Milwaukee and he wanted to be sure that his car, a Mercedes-Benz sedan, made it to New York.

"That's just me. I like doing things myself," he said. "I wasn't trying to send message,

handles it will be between them."

Sprewell said his lateness had nothing to do with his contract situation. Entering the final year of a four-year deal that will pay him \$3 million this season, Sprewell is eligible to sign an extension during the season.

Madison Square Garden president Dave Checketts said over the summer that the Knicks were eager to begin discussing an extension, although it is unclear now if the Knicks will be a little more reluctant to commit as much as \$50 million or \$70 million to Sprewell in a long-term deal.

What also remains to be seen is how this episode affects Sprewell's relationship with Van Gundy following a season in which they didn't see eye to eye on the question of whether Sprewell should have been a starter or a sixth man. Van Gundy didn't move Sprewell into the starting lineup until the Eastern Conference finals against Indiana.

"I don't think relationships are important unless they affect performance," Van Gundy said.

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SPORTS

And then there was one

Win over 'Niners leaves surprising Rams as NFL's only unbeaten team

The Associated Press
 With nine straight losing seasons, the St. Louis Rams have the longest streak of futility in the NFL. Now they have another distinction — the league's only undefeated team.

NFL
 Kurt Warner threw five touchdown passes, including four to Isaac Bruce, as the Rams beat...

San Francisco 42-20, San Diego
 The 49ers broke a 17-game losing streak against the Broncos and improved to 4-0.

"I've been waiting all my career to watch my quarterback take a knee to beat this team," said defensive tackle D'Marcus Furr, a sixth-year Ram who had been 0-30 against the 49ers.

New England and Dallas got their first losses Sunday, leaving the Rams alone with a spotless record. It's been an amazing turnaround for a team that hasn't reached the playoffs since 1989 and lost starting quarterback Trent Green with a preseason knee injury.

"We've finally caught up with the best team in our division," said coach Dick Vermeil, who hugged owner Georgia Frontiere and blew kisses to the St. Louis crowd after Sunday's game.

Warner, a former Arena League quarterback, threw TD passes of 13, 5, 45 and 42 yards to Bruce. He also found Jeff Robinson for a 22-yard score.

Warner, who leads the NFL with 14 TD passes, completed 20 of 28 passes for 323 yards. Bruce had five receptions for 134 yards.

San Francisco quarterback Jeff Garcia, making his second straight start in place of ailing Steve Young, was 22-of-36 for 233 yards but was intercepted on the 49ers' last three possessions.

Eagles 13, Cowboys 10
 At Philadelphia, Doug Pederson threw a 28-yard TD pass to Charles Johnson as the Eagles (3-4) overcame a 10-point deficit against the Cowboys (5-1) in the fourth quarter.

Dallas receiver Michael Irvin was taken off the field in a stretcher in the first quarter after getting tackled and hitting his head on the artificial turf. Tests showed swelling in Irvin's spinal cord and a herniated disc, but he had movement in his hands and feet. (See related story on this page.)

Chiefs 16, Patriots 14
 At Kansas City, Adam Vinatieri missed a 32-yard field goal attempt in the closing seconds that would have won the game for New England. The ball hit the right upright and bounced backward.

Brew Blidese's 27-yard completion to Shawn Jefferson set up the field goal by Vinatieri, who had already missed three game-winning field goals this season for the Patriots (4-1). Elvis Grbac engineered three second-half scoring drives for the Chiefs (3-2).

Bears 24, Vikings 22
 At Minneapolis, Chicago (3-2) scored five touchdowns and turned three of them into touchdowns to beat Minnesota (2-3).

Vikings rookie tight end Jim Klemsmeyer fumbled twice, and Bears linebacker Sean Harris recovered one in the end zone for a touchdown. Barry Miller intercepted Matt Cassel, Cunningham's fuffed pass on the Bears 18 with three minutes left to preserve the victory.

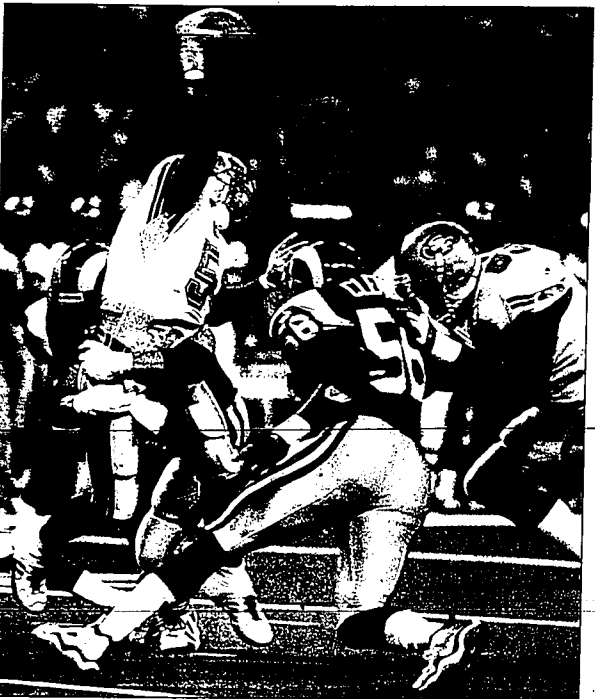
Bengals 18, Browns 17
 At Cleveland, Akili Smith threw a 26-yard TD pass to Pat Calkins with 5 seconds left to lift Cincinnati (1-4) over the Browns (0-5).

In his first NFL start, Smith completed 25 of 41 passes for 221 yards and two touchdowns with no interceptions. Cleveland rookie Tim Couch was 15-of-27 for 164 yards with one interception.

Bills 24, Steelers 21
 At Orchard Park, N.Y., Doug Flutie threw three TD passes and Eric Mingo had six catches for 50 yards and a score to lead Buffalo (4-0) over Pittsburgh (2-3).

Flutie completed 11 of his first 12 passes and finished 21-for-32 for 252 yards.

Chargers 20, Lions 10
 At Pontiac, Mich., Darrell Lewis returned a fumble 42 yards in the



San Francisco quarterback Jeff Garcia is hit by St. Louis' Grant Wistron as Charlie Clemons applies pressure during the Rams' 42-20 win over the 49ers Sunday afternoon.

fourth quarter and San Diego (3-1) shut out Detroit (2-2) in the second half. Chargers coach Bobby Ross faced his old team for the first time since being forced out by the

Lions three years ago.
Falcons 20, Saints 17
 Morten Andersen, who had

missed four of six field-goal attempts going into the game, connected twice in the fourth quarter as Atlanta rallied to win its first game of the year.

Andersen hit a 36-yarder to tie the game at 17 early in the final period, then hit a 44-yarder with about six minutes left to give Atlanta (1-4) the lead for good. The defending NFC champions beat the Saints (1-3) for the ninth straight time.

Cardinals 14, Giants 3
 At Tempe, Ariz., Jake Plummer had his best game of the season as Arizona (2-3) snapped a three-game losing streak.

Plummer, who began the day as the NFL's lowest-rated starting QB, completed 13 of 19 passes for 56 yards and a touchdown with no interceptions. He left the game early in the third quarter with a sore hip, but returned with 4:05 left. The Giants fell to 2-3.

Titans 14, Baltimore 11
 At Nashville, Neil O'Donnell threw a 27-yard TD pass to Yancey Thigpen in the third quarter, and the Titans (4-1) overcame an NFL record for penalty yards to beat Baltimore (2-3). Tennessee won its 10th straight AFC Central Division game despite being penalized 15 yards for 21 calls.

The previous record was 209 yards by Cleveland against the Chicago Bears in 1951.

Broncos 16, Raiders 13
 At Oakland, the Denver Broncos won their first game in the post-John Elway era despite losing Pro Bowl tight end Shannon Sharpe with a broken collarbone.

Brian Griese, the last-minute replacement for his own replacement, did a pretty decent Elway impersonation as the Broncos (1-4) blew a 13-point halftime lead before bouncing back to win.

Dolphins 34, Colts 31
 At Indianapolis, Dan Marino passed for 393 yards and hit Gronck Gaudsen on two big passes in the closing minutes as Miami (3-1) beat Indianapolis (2-2).

Marino, criticized by coach Jimmy Johnson after last Monday night's loss to Buffalo, threw the winning 2-yard TD pass to Gaudsen with 27 seconds left.

Marino got a second chance after his apparent fumble earlier in the drive was ruled an incomplete pass.

Cowboys, Eagles decry fans' reactions to Irvin injury

Knigt Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA — Michael Irvin lay motionless on the 39-yard line for several minutes. Suddenly real life had infiltrated a football game. Players from both teams watched in horror, their bodies sagging and spirits flooding with worry. One made the sign of the cross.

A stretcher rolling onto the field is the scariest sight in sport. After all, stretchers recognize no jerseys. It could happen to any of them at any time, especially in this sport. Ask Dennis Byrd or Reggie Brown or Barry Snodgrass, all of whom were sentenced to a wheelchair chair by this game. So both the Eagles and Cowboys prayed

for their fallen brethren. All the while, a crowd of at least a large portion of it, cheered.

With news on Irvin positive, he was alert and had all of his motor skills while in a bed at the Thomas Jefferson Spine Trauma Center — the usual postgame banter in both locker rooms was interrupted by a scolding of the fans.

"It was ignorant — just stupid," said Deion Sanders, who gathered his players in prayer. "But I expect that (from the Philadelphia fans). You reap what you sow. You're ignorant, you get an ignorant team." Emmitt Smith said he was "disgusted to death."

Dallas coach Chan Gailey said, "There was no excuse for that. I'm disappointed and that's the

niciest term I can use!."

But it wasn't just Cowboys who berated a crowd that prides itself on the art of the boo.

Eagles wide receiver Charles Johnson momentarily stopped the discussion of this wondrous victory to offer a biting saloon.

"You know, we hear boos when we walk our cars or go to the grocery store that's part of the game," Johnson said. "But I'm sure it was truly disappointed standing on the sidelines hearing the boos when Michael Irvin went down. He is out there not moving and they are cheering for him. And the most disgusting thing was when the stretcher came out and they started cheering again."

Medical personnel attend to an injured Michael Irvin during the first quarter of the Cowboys' 13-10 loss to the Eagles Sunday afternoon.



Spain beats Australia to win Dunhill Cup; Begay takes PGA event

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland (AP) — Spain won its first Dunhill Cup amid 35 mph winds, defeating Australia 4-3 in the final round of the Fifth of May.

The Spaniards won 2-1 behind victories from Jose Maria Olazabal and Miguel Angel Jimenez. The Aussies' only win came against Spanish sensation Sergio Garcia.

Olazabal beat Stephen Leamy 7-5, and Jimenez downed Peter O'Dalley 7-5. Australia's Craig Parry defeated Garcia on the first playoff hole after the two finished at 3-under-par 69.

"It's been a good year," Garcia said. "I've played some good golf — two victories, Ryder Cup, Dunhill Cup, you probably cannot ask for more. And I'm looking forward to winning some more."

A losing finalist last year, Spain ousted two-time defending champion South Africa 2-1 in the semifinals earlier on the day. In last year's final, South Africa beat Spain 3-0.

Australia, a winner in 1985 and 1986, defeated Sweden 2-1 in the other semifinal. The United States was eliminated from the 16-nation event Saturday with a loss to Sweden.

The Americans received silent but polite treatment by the Scottish ballers after their rowdy Ryder Cup triumph last month.



Spanish team captain, 19-year-old Sergio Garcia, celebrates after the Spaniards won the Dunhill Cup over Australia at St. Andrews Sunday in Scotland.

defeated Garcia 7-0-7. Jimenez beat Brent Fretz 7-3-7, and Olazabal stopped Matt Gosslen 7-5-6. Gosslen sank a 40-foot eagle putt on the 13th hole.

Australia topped Sweden 2-1. Australia's Parry defeated Garcia 7-5-5. Sweden's Patrick Sjöland beat O'Malley 7-6-7, and Australia's Leamy stopped Jarmo Sandelin on the first playoff hole after both closed regulation with 80.

Begay wins Michelob touney
 WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — Walking to the 17th tee in regulation, Notah Begay was two shots behind Tom Byrum and Mike Weir and prepared to play it safe.

With a good finish, he reasoned, he would climb into the top 40 on the money list, qualify for his first trip to next year's Masters and go home more than happy. When he got to the tee, though, his aggressive nature took over.

Fleisher wins sixth seniors event

NAPA, Calif. — Even after six victories in his rookie season on the Senior PGA Tour, Bruce Fleisher still can't figure it out.

"All I can say is 'Wow,'" Fleisher said Sunday after a 5-under 67 gave him a one-stroke victory in the \$1.1 million Transamerica seniors event.

money list. He has won all four tournaments which he has been in sole possession of the lead going into the final round.

Fleisher played in 408 PGA Tour events between 1972-98, winning one tournament, in 1991. He earned just over \$1.6 million, never more than \$250,000 in any one year.

"I just think I got better with age," Fleisher said. "At least this moment in time. Maybe I wasn't ready to handle it before. That other tour is work. This is more fun."

Mi Hyun Kim wins by a stroke

KUTZTOWN, Pa. — Rookie Mi Hyun Kim fired a 2-under 70 that fought off three challengers Sunday to win the rain-delayed \$725,000 LPGA First Union Betsy King Classic by one stroke.

The 22-year-old Kim, who began the day tied with two others one stroke off the lead, finished with a 72-hole total of 8-under 280 and earned \$108,750. She won the State Farm Rail Classic over Labor Day Weekend for her first LPGA victory.

The start of the final round at the 607½-yard Berkleigh Country Club course was delayed for four hours because of heavy rain, and the leaders played the last few holes in virtual darkness.