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# Bridge jump goes awry

## Woman is injured when chute fails

By Brian Haynes Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A California woman was seriously hurt Monday afternoon when her parachute failed to open during a jump from the Perrine Bridge.

Nazette Studebaker suffered serious back, neck and leg injuries after falling more than 480 feet into the Snake River. She was airlifted to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, where she was listed in serious condition Monday night.

Studebaker, 25, was making her first jump of the day from the bridge, which attracts BASE jumpers from around the world because it is one of the few places in North America where parachuting is legal. BASE stands for buildings, antennas, spans, and Earth - the four platforms BASE jumpers leap from.

Studebaker was an experienced BASE jumper who had jumped several times Sunday with a group of friends, said Nancy Howell, a spokeswoman for the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office. But when Studebaker jumped at 12:20 p.m. Monday, something went wrong. After Studebaker somersaulted from the railing, the smaller

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# Opening up to the disabled



Lib Castillo works for the Idaho Migrant Council on its Gardner Street project. The council has received a U.S. Department of Agriculture grant to renovate one of the units to make it accessible to the disabled.

## Migrant Council gets grant to improve accessibility of duplex

By Gregory Hahn Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - One of the two-bedroom duplexes at the Idaho Migrant Council's Gardner Street housing project has sat empty for a while this summer.

When it reopens, it will be the first of the group's 24 units there that will be accessible to the disabled.

"We thought it would just need some minor changes," said the council's Lib Castillo, "but they have to remodel the whole unit to make it accessible." The changes, though, are being

paid for by a \$61,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development project. The money is part of a \$32.4 million chunk of federal money being spent to build 622 housing units for farm laborers and to repair 13 complexes around the country.

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman announced the loans and grants last week. "As we enter the new millennium," he said in a release, "no one in the United States should be forced to live in overcrowded,

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## Colt retreats from part of gun business

The Associated Press

HARTFORD, Conn. - Colt's Manufacturing Co., inventor of the six-shooter, "the gun that won the West" - is all but getting out of the everyday handgun business because of lawsuits against the industry.

Colt's plans to discontinue seven lines of consumer handguns. The company makes the famous .45-caliber automatic that was the U.S. military sidearm of choice for most of this century.

Sales to everyday consumers make up about 30 percent of the company's business. The New York Times reported Monday.

The company will continue to make its classic handguns: the .45-caliber automatic and the Model P, a replica of Samuel Colt's famous six-shot revolver. Both will continue to be available to the general public.

Handguns for the military, law enforcement agencies and collectors, which already make up the bulk of its business, also will continue.

In a letter sent to distributors last week, Colt's said the move was forced by lawsuits filed against gun manufacturers by 28 cities and counties around the country.

We have had to face the harsh reality of the significant impact which our litigation defense costs are having on our ability to operate competitively in the marketplace," Vice President Thomas H. Kilby wrote. A copy of the letter was obtained by The Associated Press.

## World's population hits 6 billion today

The Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS - The world's population reaches 6 billion today, according to U.N. demographers - having doubled since 1960 - with more than 1 billion young people just entering their reproductive years.

Even with a continuing decline in fertility rates and family size, the sheer numbers of the largest "youthquake" in history guarantee enormous population growth through 2050, U.N. population experts say.

Most of these more than 1 billion young people, aged 15 to 24, live in less developed nations where governments are struggling to provide education, jobs and social services - and they urgently need reproductive health information and services, the U.N. Population

Fund says. "Whether they get services will determine the future course of population growth," Dr. Nufus Saidi, the fund's executive director, said in an interview. "The decisions they make on the size of their family will determine the future levels of fertility, and the eventual numbers of the world's population."

And there is another "youthquake" coming, with 1.8 billion youngsters under the age of 15.

The world's population has doubled since 1960, partly due to some very positive developments including increased life expectancy and lower infant mortality, Saidi said.

She said the world's population would have been significantly higher without family planning efforts by organizations.

## New Internet plans could carry privacy risks

### Move could strip away anonymity

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Engineers designing a new way to send information across the Internet want to include a unique serial number from each personal computer within every parcel of data.

Critics warn that, if adopted, the move could potentially strip away anonymity and security enjoyed by tens of millions of home computer users who dial into America Online Inc. and

other Internet providers over traditional telephone lines.

The debate illustrates the unintended potential consequences of design decisions aimed at ensuring the Internet's stability into the 21st century.

The proposal by the Internet Engineering Task Force, an international standards body, would include the unique serial number for each computer's network connection hardware as part of its expanded new Internet protocol address.

These "IP" addresses, placed behind e-mails and all other information flowing across the Internet, must be as unique as

## GAY MURDER TRIAL BEGINS



Romaine Patterson, right, of State College, Pa., and other demonstrators dressed as angels stand outside the Albany County Courthouse in Laramie, Wyo., Monday, where jury selection began in the trial of Aaron McKinney, accused in the brutal slaying of gay Wyoming student Matthew Shepard. The demonstrators said they were honoring Shepard's memory. Please see story, page D4.

# Veto threat

## Congress, Clinton argue over spending

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - As this year's budget battle nears a climax, President Clinton is threatening to veto four spending bills. He and Congress are at odds over such issues as hiring teachers and police officers and regulating oil and gas companies that use federal lands.

The two sides are separated by about \$10 billion to \$20 billion - about the same magnitude as most end-of-session spending fights since Republicans took over Congress in 1995. Though substantial, the funds at stake amount to about 1 percent of the near \$1.8 trillion federal budget.

This year's tussle, however, is complicated by the GOP's stated refusal to pay for extra spending from the Social Security surplus. For decades, both parties have used that bill to find needed billions of dollars.

Having lost their coveted tax cut to a Clinton veto, GOP leaders want to cast themselves as defenders of the huge pension system - and, during, the president to do otherwise.

"Please work with us to guarantee the retirement security of our seniors and the quality of life of Americans before we give even more money to other nations," House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., and other GOP leaders said after Clinton threatened to veto a foreign aid bill he said was too small.

Clinton wants to be seen as the champion of education and other popular programs, and has begun tweaking Congress for next doing its work. Eleven days into fiscal 2000, he has signed just five of the new year's 13 spending bills.



Bill Clinton

# THE REGION

**Camas Prairie**

High 67 Low 31  
Mostly sunny and a little cooler. Mostly sunny and warm on Wednesday, with highs 70-75.

**Treasure Valley**

High 74 Low 46  
Mostly sunny and a little cooler. Northwest winds 5-10 mph in the afternoon. Mostly sunny and warm on Wednesday.

**Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley**

High 71 Low 31  
Partly sunny today and mostly clear tonight. Mostly sunny on Wednesday with increasing clouds.

**Eastern Idaho**

High 74 Low 37  
Partly cloudy, with west winds 5-10 mph. Mostly sunny on Wednesday with increasing clouds.

**Northern Idaho**

High 66 Low 48  
Partly sunny, with light clouds. Partly cloudy on Wednesday with a slight chance of light rain.

**Northern Utah**

High 70 Low 30  
Mostly sunny and cooler. Mostly sunny on Wednesday with highs in the lower 70s.

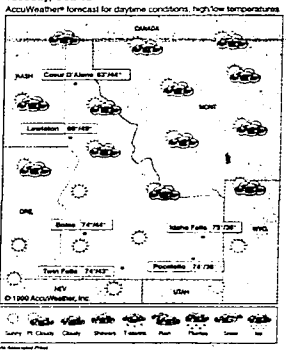
**Northern Nevada**

High 74 Low 41  
Mostly sunny and a little cooler. West winds 5-15 mph. Mostly sunny on Wednesday.

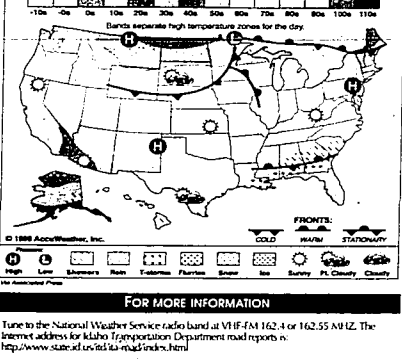
# MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
High 74 Low 43 Mostly sunny and a little cooler. West winds 5-15 mph.	High 77 Low 45 Sunny and warm.	High 60 Low 40s Windy and much cooler, with a chance of rain.	High 50s Low 30s Partly cloudy.	High 60s Low 30s Mostly sunny and a little warmer.

## Idaho weather



## National weather



## UV INDEX

Index: 3 (low)  
Burn time: 45 minutes

## ACROSS THE NATION

**Idaho:** Warm, dry, fall weather continued across Idaho on Monday. Skies were mostly sunny with only a thin veil of high clouds leading across the northwest from a large low pressure area over the Gulf of Alaska. It will remain generally fair through Wednesday with prospects for cooler temperatures by Thursday.

**Temperatures** were remarkably warm for this time of the year, approaching the 80 mark by mid-afternoon in the southwest corner of the state. Denver closed across the north limited afternoon highs to the low to middle 60s.

**Blessings:** Rain fell on the Southeast and Gulf Coast areas Monday while the Plains had fair skies and a storm moved into the Rockies.

**A cold front** pushed off the Northeast coast toward the Atlantic Ocean, producing partly cloudy skies over the Northeast.

**A trough of low pressure** ahead of the front was responsible for bringing rain showers and isolated thunderstorms to the Carolinas, Georgia, the Florida panhandle and along the Gulf Coast.

—The Associated Press

# YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday 77 46	Yesterday in Twin Falls ...
Last year 76 30	Month to date: ...
Normal 69 37	Normal mo. to date: ...
	Water year to date: ...
	Normal year to date: ...

## Idaho

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High	Idaho: Low
Boise	82	50	0.00	skipped at Boise and	25
Burley	81	42	0.00	degrees at Stanley.	
Coeur d'Alene	72	43	0.00	Nation: High 106 at	21
Grangeville	60	m	m	Pikes, Ariz. Low: 21	
Hagerman	m	m	m	at Truckee, Calif., and	
Idaho Falls	78	32	0.00	Windom, Minn.	
Lewiston	80	40	0.00		
Malad	80	32	0.00		
McCall	82	36	0.00		
Pocatello	67	31	0.00	Noon tomorrow: 11%	
Salmon	68	34	0.00	Noon tomorrow: 31.10	
Stanley	66	25	0.00	Pollen count: 6 flower	
Sun Valley	m	05	0.00	weight/brush, leaves	
				hold 4,350 high: 2	
				umes	

## The Nation

City	High	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	80	50	0.00
Anchorage	42	31	0.00
Asheville	67	43	0.00
Boston	66	62	0.00
Chicago	67	43	0.00
Dallas	67	44	0.00
Denver	83	44	0.00
Des Moines	67	45	0.00
Detroit	67	45	0.00
Honolulu	87	76	0.00
Houston	89	69	0.00
Indianapolis	71	54	0.00
Kansas City	74	54	0.00
Las Vegas	94	63	0.00
Los Angeles	88	61	0.00
Memphis	81	60	0.00
Miami Beach	87	77	0.00
Minneapolis	89	66	0.00
Mpls. St. Paul	66	38	0.00
New Orleans	95	73	0.00
New York	83	66	0.00
Oklahoma City	83	59	0.00
Portland	74	40	0.00
Portland, Ore.	64	53	0.00
Raleigh	81	54	0.00
San Diego	63	49	0.00
San Francisco	64	49	0.00
Seattle	53	47	0.00
St. Louis	76	52	0.00
St. Paul	81	60	0.00
Seattle	53	47	0.00
Spokane	72	46	0.00
Washington	72	46	0.00
Yuma	104	73	0.00

## Canadian Cities

City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Montreal	52	25	Edm.	63	42
Toronto	59	41	Vancouver	59	41

# Galileo probe endures close flyby of Jupiter

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The aging and glitch-prone Galileo spacecraft successfully flew within 380 miles of Jupiter's moon Io, overcoming huge doses of radiation and a computer problem just hours before the approach.

The probe made this classic "ever flyby" at 10:06 p.m. PDT Sunday, said project manager Jim Erickson of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

"We're thrilled that the spacecraft handled this flyby so well, particularly because it had to endure such a strong dose of radiation from Jupiter," he said Monday. "It appears everything went well."

As part of an extended mission, Galileo's instruments are studying the chemistry, heat distribution, gravity and magnetic properties of Io, Jupiter's innermost large moon and the only known active volcanic solar system object besides Earth.

"It gives us the opportunity to do comparisons between a non-Earth volcanic system and the Earth," Erickson said. "We learn something about both of them in the process."

Success was not guaranteed. Just 19 hours before the flyby, a memory error in a computer caused the spacecraft to enter a safe mode, and engineers worked up until two hours before the close approach to fix the problem.

Had attempts to recover failed, no science data or images would have been returned from the spacecraft 327 million miles from Earth, said Nagin Cox, deputy chief of the engineering flight team.

Cox was at home about 3 a.m.

Monday when she received the news of the error from JPL's flight control center. She quickly canceled plans to take part in her best friend's wedding and instead drove to JPL.

"The first thing that occurred to me is that we're in that window where we have a chance to recover if we start acting right away," she said. "We went through a period of a few hours where we were trying to get information on what had happened while we simultaneously put into motion the recovery plans."

# Encephalitis outbreak in NY

NEW YORK (AP) — The CIA looked into rumors that the recent encephalitis outbreak in the New York area was the work of terrorists and concluded it wasn't, an agency official said Monday.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press there's no evidence Iraq or any other foreign government was involved. The CIA "looked into rumors which appeared in British media and elsewhere," the official said.

City officials also played down any suggestions of bioterrorism.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention also said there was no evidence to suggest the recent outbreak was anything other than "Mother Nature at work."

Analysts at the CIA who deal with biological weapons said an Iraqi defector had claimed in April that Saddam Hussein was developing a strain of West Nile-like encephalitis for use as a biological weapon. The New Yorker reported in its issue that hit newstands Monday.

# Privacy

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addresses won't contain the sensitive numbers.

"Those folks concerned about the privacy issue could use this (alternate) technique," said Thomas Narten, an IBM software engineer working with the IETF.

Most home computer users currently are assigned a different IP address each time they connect to the Internet through a telephone line, which affords some extra security and anonymity. It's akin to a person using a different phone number every day to shield his identity and avoid prank phone calls.

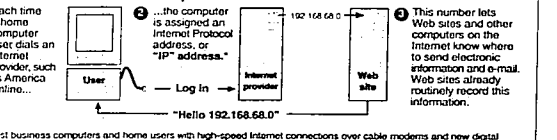
But under the IETF proposal, a portion of even those somewhat randomly assigned addresses could include the consumer's unique serial number — and that information would be stamped on every piece of information sent from his computer.

"I'm just winding the tape forward five years, when we all say, 'Oh, my God,'" said Richard L. Smith of Brookline, Mass., a security expert who was among the first to question the plan.

The danger worsens, critics warn, as Internet sites are expected to begin to share information about their customers.

# We know what you downloaded last summer

A new scheme for sending information across the Internet could take away anonymity and security. Here is the situation:



\*Most business computers and home users with high-speed Internet connections over cable modems and new digital telephone lines usually are assigned IP addresses that never change.

## THE PROBLEM

The 4 billion possible combinations of IP addresses are being exhausted.

## THE SOLUTION

The Internet Engineering Task Force is designing a new address scheme using addresses that are significantly longer. But each of these new addresses still must be globally unique. So IETF engineers have proposed including each computer's unique ethernet serial number to guarantee that no one is ever assigned the same IP address.

## THE IMPLICATIONS

Some privacy experts warn that the idea could be used to trace every piece of information sent across the Internet back to the exact computer where it originated.

Note: To view your computer's IP address with Windows 95 or Windows 98, click the "Start" button, then click "Run" and type "winipcfg" then press the "OK" button.

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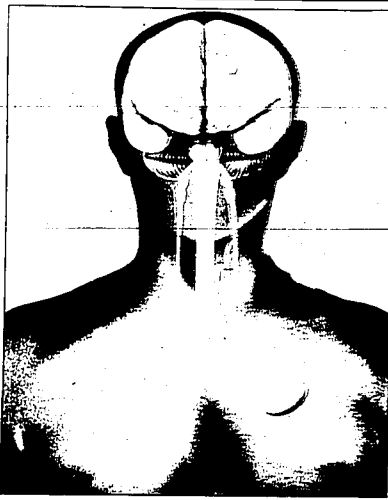
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NATION



The Cyberonics Inc. Neurocybernetic Prosthesis System, consisting of a generator and nerve stimulator electrode which transmits anti-epileptic electrical signals to the brain, is shown in this illustration. The government has granted permission for a nation-wide study of the pacemaker-like device.

## Fight depression by shocking the brain

WASHINGTON (AP) — The former shipbuilder had such severe depression, unrelieved by any of today's therapies, that he had trouble even leaving the house. Then doctors implanted a pacemaker-like device to stimulate a part of his brain thought important for mood — and that very day the man laughed.

"It was remarkable," recalled Dr. Mark George of the Medical University of South Carolina, who performed the experimental implant. "I said, 'Are you being forced to laugh or do you feel good inside?' He said both."

Stimulating a nerve that runs from the neck into one of the brain's most mysterious regions appears promising enough at relieving once-outretritable depression that the government has granted permission for a study at 15 U.S. hospitals.

The treatment, called vagus nerve stimulation, involves sending tiny electric shocks into the vagus nerve in the neck which then relays the messages deep into the brain.

About half of the 30 depressed patients treated in a pilot study — people who had failed every other treatment — "got a very good response," George said in an interview.

The results are not definitive, he cautioned. But he added, "Stimulating there really is a wonderful portal into the base of

the brain."

Indeed, scientists think stimulating this nerve could have even more far-reaching effects, such as enhancing memory or treating obesity by curbing appetite.

That's because the vagus nerve is what Dr. Mitchell Rosen of Brooklyn's Mount Sinai Medical Center calls "one of the information superhighways" between the brain and other organs. It relays messages, such as signals to regulate heartbeat, and sends messages back to the brain, such as when the stomach is full.

The nerve also reaches deep into regions of the brain thought to regulate mood and emotion, said Dr. John Bush of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, who heads the depression study.

If the implant truly signals the depressed brain circuits to act more normally, it could prove important for some of the estimated 3 million Americans with depression unaided by conventional therapy.

The stimulator is essentially a brain pacemaker. A generator the size of a pocket watch is implanted into the chest with wires snaking up the neck that zap the nerve every few minutes. Two years ago, the Food and Drug Administration approved the implant to treat severe epilepsy.

## Experts say Social Security ignores reality

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — As the Republican-controlled Congress itself in knots to avoid spending a penny of the Social Security budget surplus, economists and budget analysts say politicians have created an artificial crisis that has little or nothing to do with economics or the safety of retiree benefits.

While budget experts applaud the impulse to limit federal spending, they say politicians have elevated what is essentially an arcane accounting device to a matter of life-or-death national policy that somehow threatens Social Security recipients. Not so, experts say.

A good goal has been transformed into a political football that's very ugly, trying to scare people into saying if you dip into Social Security money it's somehow coming out of beneficiaries' benefits," said Robert Exby, policy director for the Concord Coalition, a budget watchdog group. "It has absolutely nothing to do with beneficiaries."

At stake here are the huge annual surpluses generated by the Social Security program, which for years has been collecting more payroll taxes than it needs to pay current benefits.

Technically, that extra money is being banked to pay baby boomer retirement benefits in the next century.

But just as a bank books deposits and lends out the cash, Social Security for years has been lending its surplus cash to the Treasury to pay the day-to-day bills of the government. Experts say that doesn't change the amount of the deposits in the Social Security trust funds, or retirees' entitlement to draw on them in the future.

When Social Security needs the money, the government will

have to make good — by drawing on non-Social Security surpluses, cutting other spending, raising taxes or running budget deficits again. Indeed, under current law, there is no way for Social Security to "save" its excess cash

except by reducing the national debt, which will essentially put the government in a better position to run up deficits again if that becomes necessary.

But now, in an escalating feud over which party is purer in its devotion to the giant national retirement system, congressional Republicans and Democrats and President Clinton have all taken the pledge not to lend out that Social Security cash anymore. Goaded by each other into firmer and firmer declarations that they will not "raid" Social Security, all

sides have promised to pass all 13 of this year's spending bills without touching any of the giant program's surplus.

Alex for Congress and the White House, though, that looks increasingly impossible. Congressional Budget Office figures show that the bipartisan demand for spending is so big — and the amount of non-Social Security money so tight — that politicians may have no choice but to dip into Social Security to make their spending bills work.

So should retirees cringe in anticipation that their benefits will shrink? Hardly. Despite the increasingly flamboyant rhetoric, Congress and the president could invade the Social Security surplus for much more than now seems likely without affecting the program a bit, experts say.

That's because it's the overall fiscal health of the government that will remain sound whether lawmakers "raid" Social Security for \$4 billion or \$40 billion — that determines how well equipped it is to meet its obligations to beneficiaries.

## Speaker faces challenge in divided House

Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON — Speaker Dennis Hastert is facing a growing challenge to his authority in a House truly divided against itself.

The Illinois Republican governs with an uneasy hand over a fractionated legislative body where a mere handful of dissenters on any particular issue can — and often do — carry the day and undermine his leadership.

In the fierce legislative battles of this summer and fall, the speaker has been a quiet warrior who has accumulated many new scars. Last week, a bipartisan "patients' bill of rights" passed overwhelmingly in the House, despite his strong opposition. Now he has come down to wire on a late-year spending confrontation with President Clinton that he desperately wanted to avoid.

Even the party's frontrunner for the presidential election, George W. Bush, saw fit to criticize Hastert's proposal to stretch out federal payments to the working poor under the earned income tax credit, causing the speaker to back down. If Hastert smarted that he would be used as a foil in Bush's effort to define himself as a "compassionate conservative."

But now, two major tests loom that will affect his future authority and effectiveness as speaker, according to Rep. Ray LaHood, R-Ill. The first is a Democratic effort to raise the minimum



Dennis Hastert

wage, an issue that in an election year becomes difficult for some Republicans to oppose.

Hastert sees the minimum wage issue as so important that he has named a task force of GOP members to develop a leadership strategy. His spokesman, John Feerey, said the speaker might combine a minimum wage boost with tax relief for small businesses in order to pre-empt the Democratic plan.

"The truth is that if he doesn't put together a winning strategy (on the minimum wage), the premise that Democrats will be in control of things may have some standing," said LaHood.

But the second issue mentioned by LaHood may be the most important of all: How he ultimately stands up to Clinton in a showdown over government spending expected in a

few weeks.

This is high-profile new territory for the former wrestling coach, and whether he is up to the task is something Republicans will be watching closely. GOP members agree that Hastert's predecessor, Newt Gingrich, despite all his bluster and bravado, usually lost out in one-on-one negotiations with the president. "Gingrich

was inept," said LaHood in a comment shared by many other GOP Republican members.

At the very least, the GOP majority in Congress would like Hastert to succeed in getting appropriations bills signed by Clinton without sacrificing the party's principles, violating spending limits or shutting down the government.

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## Universities could begin telling parents on students

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — When it comes to college, Mom and Dad often pay the bills and Junior has the fun, partying without having to worry about a scolding for staying out too late or drinking too much.

Now, Junior may have to start worrying.

Congress amended federal confidentiality laws last year to give universities the option of telling parents when students under 21 violate campus codes on drugs or alcohol.

Some schools — including the University of Delaware, Indiana University, Penn State and most colleges in Virginia — already have notification policies in place.

Others — like the huge University of California system — have to deal with strict state privacy laws that prevent them from telling parents about student misbehavior unless the student's safety is threatened.

"Nationally, campuses find themselves in a dilemma. The public expectation is that students will graduate with good grades, get good jobs and do so in a safe environment," said Nancy Schulte, the coordinator of drug education services at George Mason University in Virginia who has served on national alcohol task forces.

"Universities are trying to balance taking care of students, knowing that they also have to establish their own independence and take responsibility for their own actions," she said.

As administrators work to shape the University of Illinois' policy, they know where students stand on parental notification — firmly against it.

A recent advisory referendum asked the university's students if the college should notify parents of students who break alcohol and drug codes. More than 5,800 students voted against the idea and 1,211 voted for it — the highest turnout for a student election in at least 10 years.

"Students have a right to live here free of the possibility of having their mommy and daddy called," said student government president Jeff Shapiro.

"This law is absolutely a violation of the privacy of students," he said. "If they are worried about underage drinking, there are other methods that need to be exhausted first."

## College student put in hospital with meningitis

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Antibiotics were made available to more than 1,500 students at Michigan State University after a sophomore became ill with bacterial meningitis.

Students who live in the university's Wilson Hall began lining up Sunday night to receive drugs to fight the potentially fatal disease. Valentine Gutierrez, 18, a business freshman from Texas, was among those in line.

"At first I wasn't going to, but then I thought, 'I do live on his floor,'" she said. "Better safe than sorry."

Adam Busuttil began feeling ill Friday night, passed out in his Wilson Hall dorm room on Saturday evening and was taken by ambulance to Sparrow Hospital.

He remained in critical condition this morning, university spokesman Deb Osbourn said.

Two Michigan State students have died of bacterial meningitis since 1996.

# Army wants to put 'lean' back into fighting machine

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The Army that intimidated the Soviets and routed the Iraqis will join battle this week with a foe it has never overcome: its own ponderous size.

Sprung by criticism of its plodding performance in Kosovo and its long-standing resistance to change, the Army's top officials are launching what they describe as an aggressive initiative to make the force lighter, faster and more lethal. They will experiment to develop new battlefield equipment and an organizational structure they hope will ultimately supplant the old division structure

that dates back to the 18th century and Napoleon's Grand Armee.

"Our heavy forces are too heavy, and our light forces lack staying power," the Army chief of staff, Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, declared last spring as he assumed the service's top post.

Observers within and outside the Army say this campaign is about more than a new generation of hardware; it is a struggle to find a back identity for a force that last six years with the end of the Cold War it was built to win. And some impetuous reformers, while praising Shinseki's new direction, fear this effort could melt away as some others have, leaving

the Army stalled in its past. The Army will kick off its reform effort on Tuesday at a

*'Our heavy forces are too heavy, and our light forces lack staying power.'*

— Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, Army chief of staff

convention in Washington, at which officials for the first time will sketch their hopes to develop a lighter, 20-ton tank, and a new troop unit that falls about midway between the current heavy and light divisions. Ultimately,

this new organization may be used throughout the force.

The goal is to develop forces strong enough to prevail against likely foes in the future, yet light and mobile enough to reach the scene of conflict quickly.

The Army is acknowledged to be without peer in large-scale land engagements, such as the Persian Gulf War, the central European war it feared it might fight with the Soviets and the major "regional" wars it has long been preparing to take on in the Middle East and Korea. No tank rivals the M-1 Abrams, which, with its 120-millimeter cannon, was able in the Persian Gulf War

to accurately pinpoint and smash Iraqi tanks before their crews knew the enemy was present.

But the wars of tomorrow are less likely to be this kind of engagement. They are more likely to be fast-breaking conflicts in remote locations, where U.S. forces must arrive quickly on battlefields that may lack the convenient seaports and high-quality airfields needed to handle its present massive equipment.

And the Army won't have the six months it took to prepare for the Persian Gulf War — and perhaps not even the four weeks it needed to deploy two Apache gunships and associated gear in last spring's Balkan war.

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GORE ROARS; BRADLEY PURRS

Race indicates style can win over substance

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) - Bill Bradley peers over half-moon reading glasses, offering Democratic activists another sub-



Al Gore



Bill Bradley

If you don't, I want to talk to you. You know what my policies are. If you don't, I want to talk to you," he tells 500 supporters on the banks of the Des Moines River.

Pointing to a black woman in the crowd, he says, "You know I'm for improving race relations?" Singling out a man with a union hat, he shouts, "You know I'm for labor!" And gesturing at young women, he says: "You know I'm for a woman's right to choose?"

The Bradley campaign is unprepared for its rush of success.

Suddenly swarmed by reporters, the candidate demands more private meetings with supporters. Three events are wiped off his public schedule without the knowledge of communications director Anita Dunn.

"I think we're experiencing growing pains," she says with a sigh. As she spoke, Bradley lopeped past - his head and shoulders rising out of a pack of reporters and photographers.

"It was more fun when nobody was around," Dunn said. She's serious.

For months, Gore kept a phalanx of Secret Service agents and staff between himself and the cameras. The new Gore is more accessible.

Are you too timid? a reporter asked. "Oooh!" Gore says, grinning facetiously. "A dart." He pulled an imaginary barb out of his shoulder, hands it back to the journalists and takes the next question.

Bradley is seated at a classroom table, both his hands stuffed awkwardly in his pockets. His eyes wander from his small audience.

Just hope you understand from what I said today that I'm on your side," he tells community college students, pulling one hand out of his pocket to scrape something stuck to the bottom of his shoes.

"I jumped the fence and got several of you on the way in," the vice president shouts to a crowd of 300 supporters in Iowa City. "But if I didn't shake your hands, find me before I leave!"

Kiki Fiskoff stops Bradley in a school hallway to say that government shouldn't require motorists to wear helmets. At 6-foot-5, Bradley looks down on her and blinks. And blinks again.

"I voted to require them," Bradley says with no emotion or explanation. "I thought you should know that."

The former New York Knicks didn't seem to notice her

Knicks jacket. "He was curt," Fiskoff says afterward.

Gore grabs an infant, Ann Marie LaSord, from her grandparents and plants a big kiss on her cheek. "Still about kissing babies, isn't it?" Fort Dodge, Iowa, resident Kelli Rollman shouts. Gore nods his head, still beaming for the cameras.

Susan Bordenaro is introduced to Bradley at a Carlisle, Iowa, farm. She is a school teacher who supports Gore but could be wined off by Bradley.

Bradley asked one question: "What grade do you teach?" "Ninth through 12th," she said. "That's great. Very important," Bradley mumbles. He gives her a quick peek on the cheek and walks away.

Bradley's supporters say they're attracted by his low-style, high-substance pitch.

"He's refreshing in these days of glitzy politics," says Ed Baker, 76, after hearing Bradley's farm policy. "Anybody can speak pretty words."

Like the rat-tat-tat of a machine gun, Gore spits out-poll-tested words and Democratic verities.

"I support equal pay for equal work."

"I support a woman's right to choose."

"I'm for a Supreme Court that respects our American spirit."

"I am pro-union, pro-labor, pro-collective bargaining."

Iowa State University students heard a doubleheader: "Let's pass a national hate crimes law and, while we're at it, let's get the guns off the street!"

His suit coat off and his shirt sleeves rolled up, Bradley tells a group of farmers that he's a can-do kind of guy. And to prove it, he grabs his tie and flips it over; a piece of transparent tape holds the thick and thin strands in place.

"Sometimes a politician has to solve a problem," he says.

Bauer begins tour with shots at Forbes, Bush

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) - Republican presidential hopeful Gary Bauer said Monday that rival Steve Forbes should dismiss any campaign workers who may have helped spread rumors that Bauer had an affair with an aide.

"If Steve Forbes had character, I think he would fire some people," Bauer told reporters as he began a three-day bus tour of the state. (My wife) Carol and I had to go through a miserable couple of weeks."

Charlie Jarvis, a former Bauer aide who now is an unpaid consultant for the Forbes campaign, said two weeks ago that Bauer spent "hours and hours and hours behind closed doors with a

young, single woman." He made no further specific allegations. Bauer has denied allegations by former campaign staffers that he had an "inappropriate" relationship with a female campaign aide.

Bauer blamed the Forbes campaign for the remarks, which he called character assassination, and said such unfounded attacks would prevent a serious discussion of the issues. Anyone involved in spreading the rumors should be fired, Bauer said.

Forbes spokesman Greg Mueller said no one in the Forbes campaign spread the rumors, and that no one would be dismissed.

Dole campaign says formal kickoff is set for Nov. 7

WASHINGTON (AP) - Republican Elizabeth Dole said Monday that she will formally kick off her campaign on Nov. 7, hoping that date will turn into the anniversary of her election to the White House.

"It's exactly one year before the first presidential election of the new millennium and our selection of that date reflects my sense that we will make history," Dole said in a release.

The Dole campaign also confirmed on Monday that she will join other Republican presiden-

tial candidates in New Hampshire's nationally televised debate Oct. 28 at Dartmouth College.

Dole, who has been campaigning since early this year, will launch her official kickoff swing in Des Moines, Iowa. From there, the tour traces her strategy for next year's early nominating contests.

She will appear in Manchester, N.H., and Columbia, S.C., on Nov. 8 before wrapping up the hoopla in her hometown of Salisbury, N.C.

Doctors, politicians shake heads at Trump's tactics

Knit Riddor News Service

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Note to Donald Trump: If you decide to run for president, you'll likely have much bigger problems than catching a cold by shaking voters' hands.

The billionaire real estate developer told a network news show on Thursday that he finds handshakes "barbaric," an assessment that health experts and veteran politicians find questionable.

In an interview with producers of the NBC program "Dateline," Trump not only revealed that he isn't a "big fan" of the social gesture, he went on to say that "shaking hands, you catch colds, you catch the flu, you catch this, you catch all sorts of things."

Not exactly, said Santa Clara County, Calif., health officer Dr. Martin Fensterheib.

"You'd have to take your hands and put them in direct contact with your mouth and nose in order to get those germs," Fensterheib said.

And there's a revolutionary product available to consumers that can kill those microbes. Perhaps The Donald's heard of it. It's called soap, Fensterheib said.

That Trump's knowledge of virus transmission leaves a little something to be desired is something that excusable, health experts said, because many people don't understand how germs are transmitted.

But if the casino owner and



Donald Trump

beauty pageant organizer expects to become the Reform Party presidential nominee for 2000, he might get better off mimicking seasoned politicians, who generally are more concerned about votes than germs.

President Clinton regularly greets his constituents with firm handshakes - although he reportedly cleans his hands with an antibacterial lotion immediately after a hand-shaking session.

Republican presidential hopeful and Texas Gov. George W. Bush has no such handshake hangups, assured his spokesman Scott McClellan.

And if hand-shaking was as dangerous as Trump believes, our politicians would be logging a lot of sick time, said David Voschink, communications officer for San Jose Mayor Ron Gonzalez. Instead, "they seem to be thriving on it."

Indeed, that an aspiring politician would scorn one of politics'

most basic traditions - he wrote in his 1997 book that "To me the only good thing about the act of shaking hands prior to eating is that I tend to eat less," is mind-boggling to many in the business.

"I voted to require them," Bradley says with no emotion or explanation. "I thought you should know that."



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## Listening to words Twin Falls Library starts up books on CD collection

By Kellen Gaston  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Babette Coates regularly checks out books on CD from the Twin Falls Public Library, picking up new titles for her husband, a long-haul truck driver.

"My husband listens to them on the road, and he really likes them," Coates says.

Books on compact disc may help busy people like the Coates family fit literature into their hectic lives, spinning a convenient way to catch up on best sellers and other books.

The Twin Falls Public Library has purchased new fiction, non-fiction and other genres of books on CD as they become available, but lack of availability and cost are hurdles libraries say they face in expanding their collection. A book in hard cover runs about \$25 in cost, but the same book on CD can be as high as \$65, or more.

"Selection is one thing we struggle with," says Arlan Call, library director. "We would like to have more books on CD in the library, but we have a hard time getting new titles from our distributors. It seems the publishers we deal with are waiting to see if people like the books on CD before they release a lot of titles in that format."

Librarians have found the CDs have advantages and drawbacks.

Books on CD are more durable and have better sound quality than books on cassette, but the tabs on the corners of the CD cases often break, and listeners are often faced with organizational challenges when dealing with multiple CD sets, Call says.

A few books on CD have an improved book-like cover with CD-sized pockets. But as many as five to seven CDs may be required for one book.

The CDs usually contain unabridged or condensed versions often released on cassette.

The Twin Falls Library has about 50 titles in its books on CD department, including best sellers, how-to manuals, and self-help books. Patrons also have dozens more CD titles.

Acquisitions representative, Carmine Olson, is constantly searching out more titles for the collection.

"Books on cassette are getting old," says Susan Ash, library adult services supervisor. "CDs last longer, and people like to use them on long trips. The market is opening up more, so we plan on getting more titles. When we first had the CDs in stock, the library has been empty in two days."

The library already has an extensive musical CD collection, composed mainly of American classic genres, such as jazz, country and western, blues, and standard classical titles. Other titles include operas, children's books on CD, and musical selections for young readers.

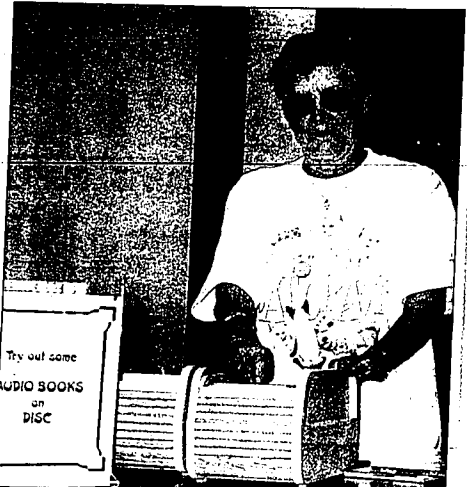
The Community Library in Ketchum also has a CD collection of about 30 best-sellers and instructional titles. The library also faces availability challenges with distributors, and rely somewhat on donations from patrons to supplement its collection.

"New titles are very hard to find," says Missy Foote, Community Library administrator. "Many best-selling authors are putting their new works out on CD, so we maybe have one of each title on the shelf at a time. They're very popular."

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### Books on CD

Area libraries with a books-on-CD collection include the Community Library in Ketchum, and the Twin Falls Public Library. The Halley Public Library, Burley Public Library, and the Jerome Public Library have books on tape. For more information on the books on CD collection at the Twin Falls Public Library, call 733-2964.



Babette Coates browses through the books on CD collection at the Twin Falls Library. The library has about 50 titles on compact disc.

## STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN



By Ruth Strout  
Times-News writer

BURLEY - So one appreciates 50 helping hands more than a staff of two. About 47 volunteers contributed several hundred hours Sept. 25 to the maintenance and restoration of the Oregon Trail at the Milner Historic Recreation Area for National Public Lands Day.

"Our (recreation) crews are usually very people-oriented," says Elaine Newman, U.S. Bureau of Land Management. "National Public Lands Day brings government agencies and the community across the country for projects, such as trail and bridge building, improving wildlife habitat and restoring shorelines and wetlands."

At the recreation area, the BLM joined forces with an area Eagle Scout and his group of more than 20 young people to restore an historic site.

When trails overcame the Oregon Trail route, the cats were nowhere to be found. Trail markers were also hard to spot because they were driven directly into the ground and set lower to the ground. Volunteers cleared out the stage on a



Scouts help restore the Oregon Trail site at the Milner Historic Recreation Area during National Public Lands Day.

one-mile portion of the trail and relocated new concrete markers to the side, so they can be easily seen. Moving the markers bears historical significance as well.

"We hope this will keep it more like when the immigrants were coming through," Newman says.

The group also installed about 30 parking/traffic barriers and rebuilt a pole fence.

This year marks the sixth Public Lands Day at 200 sites across the country, and the second year there have been activities at the Milner Historic Recreation Area.



Above, Gary Mechem, speech and language pathologist, tests Steve Swearingen's hearing at an annual eye and hearing screening for elementary school students in Minidoka County Schools. The Rupert Lionsess and Heyburn Lion women provide assistance testing students. Lions groups in the area help provide glasses for needy students.

Left, Pauline Chavez worked as a "mom volunteer" during eye screenings Sept. 23 at Big Valley Elementary School in Rupert.

## BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE



Students Emily Marshall, Patrick Crozier, and Anna Loft and board member Bryan Capps and Principal Gail Cushman pose outside construction at the Jerome High School. Eight new classrooms are being built on the south side of the building.

## B.J. & Friends bring smiles to centers

By Betty Taylor  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - The group, B.J. & Friends is named after founding member B.J. Olson, but the band is synonymous with entertainment.

The group donates its time to perform at assisted-living centers and senior citizen centers in the Magic Valley, including the Twin Falls, Kimberly and Butl Senior Centers as well as Valley Vista Village, Bridgeview Estates, Woodstone Retirement Center and the Heritage Retirement Center.

The group also performs at events such as the Festival of Trees, Octoberfest,

American Legion conventions, and weddings.

Three of the women are original members - Olson, Shirley Robinson and Sally Klass. But the group is looking for more people to join the band.

Some of the members are getting on in years, with some players in their mid-80s and beyond, says Olson who's been with the group for 12 years.

Playing with B.J. & Friends does take a commitment because the group plays at least seven times per month at senior and assisted living centers, Olson says. But they also are looking for people to fill in, at some of the appearances, she says. The band is down to six people, but at

one time, there were up to 12 players. A great camaraderie and a sense of rhythm are the only requirements for band members.

"It just makes me feel good," Olson says. "I love to play music and it brings smiles and happiness to the faces of people and that's why we do it."

B.J. & Friends members, from left to right: Lois Williams, Sally Klass, B.J. Olson, Edna McGowan, Shirley Robinson and Maryann Bellas entertain at the Kimberly Senior Center.





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 • Quilting 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
**Thursday:**  
 • Pinocle at 1 p.m.  
**Friday:**

Quilting from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
**Lunching:**  
**Monday:**  
 Quilting 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**Agapeas Senior Citizens Inc.**  
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**Wednesday:** Ham turkey sandwich.  
**Friday:** Birthday dinner, pork chops.  
**Monday-Swiss steak.**

**Wednesday:**  
 • Blood pressure check.  
**Thursday:**  
 • Crafts 9 a.m.  
**Friday:**  
 • Elus 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.  
 • Bingo at 11 a.m.  
 • Pinocle at 1 p.m.  
 • B.J. and Frank at 12:30 a.m.

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and children under 12 years-old \$2.50. Meals can be delivered Monday through Friday. Call 503-457 for more information. Free bus service to and from meals is available Monday evening, Tuesday noon and Thursday noon and evening. Please call 593-457 by 10 a.m. to arrange a ride.  
**December: Mean land.**  
**Wednesday: League.**  
**Thursday: Racer park. Birthday dinner, sponsored at 5:30 p.m.**  
**Friday: Turkey chicken.**  
**Monday: Baked potato bar, sponsored at 5:30 p.m.**

**Activities**  
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**Thursday:**  
 Exercises 7 to 8 a.m.  
 Quilting 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
 Board meeting at 3 p.m.  
**Wednesday:**  
 Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.

**Bus to Jackpot, St. Learning at 3:30 p.m.**  
**Thursday:**  
 Exercises 7 to 8 a.m.  
 Birthday dinner 5:30 p.m.  
 Bingo 1 to 3 p.m.  
 Blood pressure check at 11:30 a.m.

Quilting 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
 Evening meal at 5:30 p.m.  
**Friday:**  
 Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.  
**Monday:**  
 Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.  
**Wednesday:**  
 Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.

**Cards at 6 p.m.**  
**Friday:**  
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**Saturday:**  
 Community breakfast, 8-10 a.m., \$2.50 scores.  
**Sunday:**  
 All-senior-cent buffet at 1 p.m., roast beef, music by Leonard and Billy.  
**Monday:**  
 Exercises from 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.  
 Evening meal at 5:30 p.m.  
 Cards at 6 p.m.

**Filer Senior Haven**  
 222 Main St., Filer  
 Dinners served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday and at 6 p.m. on Friday. Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors. Home delivered meals available each meal time.  
**Tuesday:** Chicken leg and things.  
**Thursday:** Sliced ham.  
**Friday:** Macaroni and cheese, beef party.

**Activities**  
**Tuesday:**  
 Exercise at 10:30 a.m.  
**Thursday:**  
 Exercise at 1 p.m.

# FOCUS ON PEOPLE

## Twin Falls District names employees of the month

Patty Hadley and Charlyn Kalbfleisch, teachers at Bickel Elementary School in Twin Falls, were selected the Twin Falls School District Employees of the month for September.  
 Hadley, winner of the certified employee of the month award, has been a Title I teacher since 1989, grew up in Sandpoint, is married with three children and says teaching is the most important job a person can have.  
 Kalbfleisch, winner of the classified employee of the month, is a Title I aide, originally from Idaho Falls. She says her inspira-

tion is her family and says that her reason for teaching is wanting to make a difference.

## Twin Falls student begins junior year at Hanover

Alison Redman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Redman of Twin Falls, began her junior year this fall at Hanover College in southeast Indiana.  
 Hanover College, founded in 1827, is a private, coeducational liberal arts college, affiliated with the Presbyterian Church, organizers say.  
 Redman is a graduate of Twin Falls High School.

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 Call 734-8041.

## Genealogy User Group hears about clipboard use

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Computer Genealogy User Group will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Family History Center, 401 Maurice St. N., Twin Falls.  
 "More on Personal Ancestral File 4.02" and "Classic Clipboard," a free program to better utilize the Windows program clipboard will be discussed.  
 For more information, contact Howard Johnston at 423-4293 or how@micron.net

## St. Ignatius plans Greek dinner at Weston Plaza

**TWIN FALLS** - A Greek dinner featuring a raffle and Greek dancers will be from 6-8 p.m. Saturday at the Weston Plaza Convention Center at 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.  
 The dinner menu will feature pork shish-kabobs, phyllo dough filled with cheeses, rice pilaf, stuffed grape leaves, Greek salad, and Greek dessert.  
 Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$8 for children. Additional Greek dishes and pastries will be priced separately for purchase at the event.

A raffle will be held, with all the winners going for \$1 each, and 50 percent of the event will go to benefit St. Ignatius of Antioch-Catholic Church.

## General cancer support group announces meeting

**TWIN FALLS** - The Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center will host a general cancer support group meeting from 7:45-9 p.m. Thursday at the Cancer Center reception area at 420 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls.  
 Patients, spouses, family members, and friends are invited.  
 For more information, call Char Basilio at 733-2300, or Vangie Hamilton at 733-2201.

## Jerome County Historical Society plans meeting

**JEROME** - The Jerome County Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Jerome Library.  
 Sherri and Paul George will present a program with members of the Idaho Civil War Volunteers, discussing common Civil War soldier and disciplinary gear, inventory, uniform, food, and other items.  
 For more information, call Emma Coupe at 324-6372.

## St. Edward's Adult Singles group hosts roller skating

**TWIN FALLS** - The St. Edward's Adult Singles group hosts Thursday roller skating for singles, age 18 and over, their children, and grandchildren, from 3-4 p.m. Saturday at Skotland on Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.  
 Cost will be the \$2.00 per person.

and will include a Halloween treat.  
 For more information, call Todd or Sherri at 733-4912.

## Twin Falls High School PMSO gets together

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls High School PMSO will meet at noon Wednesday in Room G-6 in the new gym building at Twin Falls High School.  
 New officers for the 1999-2000 year are Midge Ahrecht, president; Donna Krueger, vice president; Diane Legg, secretary; and Sarah Hancher, treasurer. For more information, call 734-8670.

## St. Paul's hosts Oktoberfest benefit

**JEROME** - St. Paul's Oktoberfest will be at 6 p.m. Friday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 1301 Main in Jerome.  
 The event is sponsored by the Aid Association for Lutherans Branch 2803 to benefit the Magic Valley Lutheran Care Center. Music will be provided by the Aigrette-Gertrude Band.  
 For more information, call Veronica Lissman at 324-008.

## Jerome First Baptist Church hosts Fun Fair

**JEROME** - The Jerome First Baptist Church will host the Fifth Annual Fun Fair from 5-6 p.m. Saturday at 308 1st Ave. S. in Jerome.  
 Featured events for the whole family include carnival games, a cake walk, a mini-train, and a games walk-along. A lunch or dinner and bingo are also planned for the Fun Fair. OMS of

Jerome is sponsoring KidCare, photo identification and fingerprinting for children.  
 For more information, call Linda Dean at 324-8006.

## Le Livre et La Plume reviews 'The Locket'

**TWIN FALLS** - The monthly meeting of Le Livre et La Plume Literary Arts Society will be held Thursday at the home of Cathy Duld.  
 The book "The Locket" will be reviewed by Gloria Hush. Co-hosts for the evening are Judy Spitzer, Nan Evans and Marilyn Medford.

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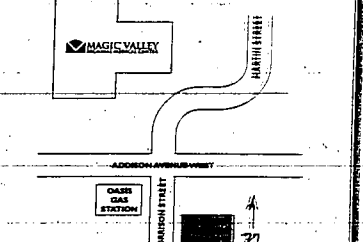
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## EDITORIAL

### Restore some balance in Jarbidge road dispute

The "New West" is a term that invogue these days, but Uncle Sam is making a big mistake by assuming that the Old West is dead and buried. The feds - from Bill Clinton down to individual agency land managers - should stop pandering to environmentalists and pay more attention to the farmers, ranchers, miners and others who live in the intermountain West.

The recent ruckus in Jarbidge, Nev., is the latest evidence of a system that's badly out of kilter.

A few years ago, just upstream of the town of Jarbidge, the West Fork of the Jarbidge River gobbled away a section of an Elko County gravel road. No big deal. Lots of little gravel roads in tight, narrow canyons get washed away every spring.

But rather than allow Elko County to repair the road, the Humboldt National Forest proclaimed the washed-out, 1,200-foot section would be left untouched.

The Forest Service argued that the road dead-ends after little more than a mile, anyway, and the West Fork of the Jarbidge is home to a dwindling population of bull trout. Another arm of the federal government, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, considers bull to be on the brink of extinction. Turning bulldozers and other earth-moving equipment loose on the washed-out road would supposedly lead to more silt in the river, which is bad for bull trout.

Not everyone in Elko County takes kindly to edicts from the federal government. In this case, they shouldn't have to, because there is clearly room for compromise.

The feds want protection for some rare fish. Elko County residents want their old road back. Those two aims aren't mutually exclusive. So the Forest Service should drop its resistance and look for ways to make the locals happy.

In short, the government should be more receptive to the wishes of local residents rather than continually currying favor with the environmental crowd.

There's deep symbolism here. Elko County residents who want their road back aren't bomb-throwing anarchists. They are taxpayers who rightly believe the central government should be responsive to their case.

Similar disputes between Uncle Sam and the locals are being mirrored all across the West. No grazing here, no off-road vehicles there, no trespassing somewhere else. Negotiations can settle some of these disputes at the local level, but the best way to end the War on the West is to elect federal leaders responsive to local wishes.

Keep that in mind when the next presidential election rolls around. Remember what eight years of the Clinton administration has accomplished, and then try to imagine another four years of maybe worse.

*The ruckus over a washed-out road in Jarbidge, Nev., is the latest evidence of a federal government that's badly out of kilter.*



### Tobacco lawsuit logic not up to snuff

DAVID A. RIDENOUR

When the federal government announced recently that it was suing tobacco companies to recover funds the United States spends each year on smoking-related health costs, more than one person quizzically asked: But doesn't the government support tobacco farmers?

Yes. This seeming inconsistency in the government's tobacco lawsuit is just one of many contradictions that ultimately show the lawsuit for what it truly is: a flawed legal filing designed more to build the political fortunes of a disgruntled and impeached administration than to do anything positive for the people or government of the United States.

The federal government's tobacco lawsuit is insincere, deceptive and, ultimately, hypocritical. The government itself distributed cigarettes free to servicemen until 1974. That is a full decade after the 1964 surgeon general's warning in its famous report that smoking causes disease.

To win the case, among other things, the government must prove that it paid Medicare benefits to smokers while unaware of tobacco's danger, despite the aforementioned surgeon general's report published before Medicare's creation.

The government profited more from tobacco sales than the tobacco companies. Tobacco companies make about 28 cents per pack. Cigarette taxes average 33 cents per pack. The government also saves 32 cents per pack because, by dying younger, smokers use less government benefits.

State governments further benefit from the 1998 "litigation tax" imposed when tobacco companies settled state lawsuits for \$246 billion.

The Congressional Research Service, Congress' objective, non-partisan

research arm, recently reported that, "All in all, smoking has apparently brought financial gain to both the federal and state governments, especially when tobacco taxes are taken into account. In general, smokers do not appear to currently impose net financial costs on the rest of society."

That is because the U.S. government itself has never smoked, and the law does not allow for one individual or entity to sue another for damage done to a "third party." Two years later, although the law has not changed, Ridenour herself announced the filing of such a lawsuit.

The lawsuit, in the words of a Department of Justice press release, was filed in part because tobacco companies allegedly "refrained from developing, testing and marketing potentially less hazardous products." Yet in the late 1970s, when tobacco companies were developing such products, the government made them stop.

The lawsuit assails tobacco companies for, as the Justice Department puts it, "failing to warn smokers about the effects of smoking." Yet it is common knowledge that cigarette packages carry frightening warning labels, and the government must think its labels are sufficiently dire, because that very government wrote them.

The federal government subsidizes the

sale of tobacco products on military post exchanges, making them less expensive, and thus more likely to be bought. Yet the Justice Department lawsuit is partially filed under the terms of the Medical Care Recovery Act, which allows the government, under limited circumstances, to sue persons who harm servicemen.

Logically, if tobacco companies can properly be sued for selling tobacco to servicemen, wouldn't it be proper to sue the government for doing exactly the same thing?

Logically, yes. Legally, no. You see, although the government waxes indignant about the sin of selling tobacco, it can't be sued for doing so itself unless it decides to let someone do so. Under the concept of "sovereign immunity," based on the ancient concept that "the king can do no wrong," the government can't be sued for selling tobacco, even if others can be.

So far, the government's moral outrage about tobacco sales and its conviction that the way to rectify this grievous wrong is by filing lawsuits don't extend to allowing anyone to sue the government.

It's a clear case of "do as I say, not as I do."

Perhaps the most hypocritical element of this lawsuit beset with contradictions is the fact that it was filed by this administration and this Justice Department.

The government's complaint cites the allegation that tobacco companies "made false promises" and "made false and misleading statements."

Since when does the cigar-chomping leader of this administration mind either of those things?

David A. Ridenour is vice president of The National Center for Public Policy Research in Washington.

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## LETTERS

### Twin Falls did Evel good

I recently flew all the way from Montgomery, Ala., to visit Twin Falls during the 25th anniversary celebration of Evel Knievel's historic jump over the Snake River Canyon.

Visiting Twin Falls was a dream come true for me, since I was only 10 years old when Evel made the original jump across the canyon and I did not get to go to the jump. I read all about Twin Falls in the new "Evel Ways" book, and I was pleased to find that the Snake River Canyon is even more spectacular to see in person and that Twin Falls is one of the best cities in America to visit.

The people in Twin Falls are extremely friendly and helpful to give driving directions or just to strike up a conversation with an out-of-towner. I had as much fun visiting with the people of Twin Falls that I was fortunate enough to meet as I did when I stood at the edge of the canyon. I have seen the recorded jump on TV, but there is nothing like picturing the jump in your mind while having someone describe it to you who actually saw the jump.

Brent White and Shellen Gilliland of the Magic Valley Mall put together the most professional and impressive display of original Evel Knievel memorabilia that second only to the "Evel Knievel-Happy Landings Display" permanently housed in the Smithsonian Museum in Washington, D.C. All of the mall employees did a fantastic job of working together to host the best Evel Knievel event that has ever taken place!

I understand that 25 years ago, there were some troublemakers that showed up to the canyon jump. I am thankful to the people of Twin Falls, as well as the chamber of commerce, to allow the clean

and beautiful city of Twin Falls to make its rightful place in history and to be celebrated by all of those who visit and celebrate Evel Knievel's greatest feat. I hope that Twin Falls will have many more celebrations honoring Evel in the near future, so that next time I can bring my family with me to explore the glory of Twin Falls.

JOEY HUFF  
Montgomery, Ala.

### Are there any other proposals?

Regarding the hotel proposals about the canyon rim.

Some people here had only negative comments about the proposal but none have proposed a realistic alternative. "Natural scenery," we have miles of canyon rim scenery. Residences have been constructed along the canyon rim, walking paths run along the canyon rim, public lands are along the rim, etc. We even have public parks, golf courses, residences, etc., inside the canyon itself. How much scenery do we need? We must understand that this property will be developed regardless of public opinion, opposition, ignorance and criticism. Spreading the hotels along the canyon rim will not be an attractive move for the gateway to our city. Don't be misled by public opinion!

These developers know what is attractive and want Twin Falls to remain the great community that it is. Thought and research has been put into this development in all purposes and benefits. Taller structures are the best proposal for this property. Let's support positive growth in our city and devastation of our economy.

RYAN HIGLEY  
Twin Falls

### 'Vito's' hits the spot

I would like to offer our congratulations on the latest incarnation of "Vito's Pasta House" in Old Towne. The food was superb, the price, presentation, music and service was perfect.

If I owned an Olive Garden, I would not want to go up against the new Vito's. MICKEY JOELSON  
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### Dancers were superb

It is a shame that no representative of The Times-News was among the fortunate people who stayed at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium on Oct. 1 to meet the Vela Luka Dancers and Ruzo Dalmatinske Singers and Orchestra after their performance. Those who were in the lobby witnessed a truly magical hour. What a spectacular magic Valley section picture it would have made!

The Croatian music troupe had only that afternoon realized that Twin Falls has a significant Bosnian and Croatian

population. The audience response during the stunningly beautiful performance made it apparent that many members of that population were present.

After the show, there were a few moments of hand-shaking and picture-taking before the performers realized that a good number of the people who had waited to see them shared their native language. Then, instigated by a refugee who is a choreographer himself and who led a similar group in Bosnia, an unscheduled performance began. After their energetic and probably exhausting show, these generous professionals spent another hour of song and dance with people who were obviously quite hungry for a taste of the rich tradition they have left behind. Everyone seemed to know the words and steps and the sight of the colorfully costumed troupe and a nearly equal number of audience members in street clothes, dancing and singing arm-in-arm, was beautiful. Particularly moving were the five or six local children who joined in circle dances and sang songs that are a part of a culture of

which they may remember little. When my husband and I left, all were about to adjourn to the Best Western to continue the celebration.

A local teenager, who looked as though he might be as happy on a skateboard as watching a folk-dancing group, was very perceptive when he said, walking to his car, "That was amazing. It was magic."

Thanks to Arts On Tour, the Vela Luka Dancers and Ruzo Dalmatinske Singers and Orchestra for bringing their culture and tradition to Twin Falls and sharing it with all of us.

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### Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

### Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

# Report exaggerates income inequality

A few days ago, the U.S. Census Bureau released its annual report on income and poverty in the United States, including data on income distribution. As it does every year, the Census found a yawning income gap between the rich and the poor. However, the report is a gross exaggeration; the income gap is a gully, not a canyon.

The Census Bureau measures income distribution by dividing society into fifths, or quintiles, and then calculating the share of total income received by each. In 1997, for example, the Census showed that the bottom quintile received 3.6 percent of income while the top quintile received 49.4 percent. We analyzed these data and found a number of flaws that make the income gap seem bigger than it is. First, the Census quintiles contain unequal numbers of people. The lowest-income quintile is significantly underpopulated, containing only 14.7 percent of the population, or 39.2 million people. The top quintile holds 24.3 percent of the population, or 64.2 million people. This demographic imbalance — not revealed in Census reports — skews the apparent distribution of income.

The quintiles are unequal because Census counts households, not population. Low-income

**ROBERT RECTOR  
AND  
REA HEDERMAN**

households are generally small, often single persons (retirees and young people just entering the work force). By contrast, high-income households are generally large, with multiple wage earners (90 percent of the households in the top quintile are married-couple families, most with two or more wage earners). So even though the lowest quintile has the same number of households as the top quintile, it has fewer people. Second, the Census neglects to take into account differences in the amount of work performed between quintiles. Consider: The bottom quintile contains only 11.5 percent of all working-age (18 to 64) adults and only 5.6 percent of all hours of work performed in the economy. By contrast, the top quintile contains 27.6 percent of all working-age adults and nearly one-third of all the hours of labor performed. There are nearly five hours of paid work in the top quintile for every one in the bottom. In short, some of the "income gap" can be explained by the "labor gap."

And third, the Census uses

income figures that fail to count taxes and many types of cash and noncash income. The Census should subtract taxes from the income of the top quintile and add welfare, food stamps, public housing and Medicaid to the income of the bottom. That alone raises the bottom quintile's share of total income from 3.6 percent to 5.6 percent and reduces the top quintile's share from 49.4 percent to 45.3 percent.

Actual differences in income in the United States are far smaller than Census figures suggest. Moreover, the income differences that do exist are the natural result of differences in behavior and ability between individuals. People at high-income levels tend to be married, work more hours per year, have high levels of skill and productivity and provide higher levels of savings and investment to sustain the overall prosperity of the economy.

Of particular importance are the growing numbers of single-parent families in the bottom quintile, a direct result of the alarming fact that a third of American children are now born out of wedlock. Those truly concerned with the well-being of lower-income Americans would do well to focus their efforts not on raising taxes on the most productive segments of society but on

raising marriage and work rates among the least affluent.

Robert Rector is a senior research fellow and Rea Hederman is a policy analyst at the Heritage Foundation. They wrote this commentary for the Los Angeles Times.



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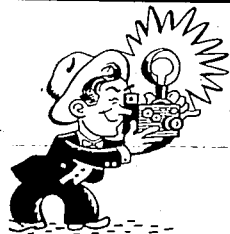
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66 The Rams are 3-0 because their strength of schedule is an oxymoron. The terminally mediocre Baltimore Ravens... the stunningly ineffectual Atlanta Falcons... the inexcusably awful Cincinnati Bengals... that's the three in 3-0.

Ray Ratto of the San Francisco Examiner before St. Louis '42-20 victory over the 49ers

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- High school volleyball
Bliss at Camas County
Gaming at Buhl
Highland at Burley
Carey at Dietrich
Rat River at Hansen Valley at Glens Ferry
Sheshone at Richfield
Castelford at Murtaugh
Wendell at Wood River
Century at Minico
Oakley at Hagerman
Twin Falls at Jerome

Girls' high school soccer
Ketchum at Buhl, 5 p.m.
Wood River at Minico, 5:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Boise State edges Idaho in soccer

MOSCOW - Ginger Sellick scored from 19 yards out on an assist from Kristi Biddle to score the game-winning goal for Boise State in the 71st minute of Sunday's 2-1 Big West Conference soccer victory over the rival Idaho Vandals.

Sara Best scored from nine yards out on an assist from junior Andi Kilduff to give the Vandals the lead at 27:05, and Sarah Burton tied the game for the Broncos at the 33-minute mark. Idaho returns home Wednesday for a non-conference match against Carroll College at 3 p.m. MDT at Guy Wilco-Field.

Help us find Idaho's top athlete of the century

BOISE - The World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame is searching for Idaho's finest athlete in the 20th century. The criteria to be eligible is that he/she was born or raised in Idaho and attended high school in Idaho. The Times-News will submit a list of eligible names and short biographical summaries of any suitable candidates by Friday, Oct. 15. The ballot will be introduced Oct. 27 and the winners will be announced at halftime of the Humanitarian Bowl.

Openings available at Gooding Elks tourney

GOODING - There are still openings for 12 teams in the Gooding Elks Two-Man Best Ball golf tournament Friday and Saturday at Gooding Golf Course. The format is a two-man best ball with a 10 a.m. shotgun start both days, and the entry fee is \$100 per team. For more information, call the pro shop at 934-9977. Compiled from staff and wire reports

Boston upsets Indians

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND - With Boston counted out and supposedly cursed, Pedro Martinez brought the Red Sox all the way back. After dropping the first two games of the series, losing Martinez and Nomar Garciaparra to injuries, the Red Sox outslugged the Cleveland Indians 12-8 Monday night to win Game 5 of their first-round playoff and to advance to the ALCS championship series.

With the shocking win, the Red Sox earned a shot at their hated rival, the Yankees, in the ALCS starting Wednesday night at New York. O'Leary hit a grand slam in the third and snapped an 8-0 tie in the seventh with a three-run homer as the Red Sox became the fifth major league team to rally from an 0-2 deficit in a best-of-5 series. Boston, which hasn't won a World Series since 1918, looked done after losing Games 1 and 2. But when Martinez pulled himself from his start in the opener after four innings with a strained muscle in his back, the Red Sox



Boston Red Sox outfielder Troy O'Leary is congratulated by teammates Brian Daubach (23), Nomar Garciaparra and John Valentin after hitting a three-run home run in the seventh inning, giving Boston over the Cleveland Indians in the deciding game of their Divisional Series 12-8 Monday.

season appeared doomed.

It got worse for the Red Sox when Garciaparra was unable to play in Game 3 because of an injured wrist. But they pounced on Cleveland's shaky pitching and scored nine runs in Game 3 before shattering records with their 2-7 rout in Game 4. But Martinez brought some san-

ity to a series of atrocious pitching, striking out seven to put an exclamation point on one his dominating 1999 season. The right-hander, who went 23-4 during the regular season, will now get a chance to pitch the Red Sox back to the World Series for the first time since 1986. Meanwhile, the Indians, who

have been waiting since 1948 to win a Series, were denied a third straight trip to the ALCS when their pitching staff collapsed.

Jim Thome homered twice and Travis Fryman hit a solo shot for the Indians, who will now spend the winter wondering why they could never shake an injury bug that plagued them all season.

Cleveland, which lost Game 3 starter Dave Burba to injury, also watched center fielder Kenny Lofton dislocate his left shoulder sliding into first base.

Cleveland's off-season could also include the sale of a team that has won five straight AL Central titles, but has yet to win the biggest one.

Coughlin beats former coach, Jets

The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - The student, Tom Coughlin, finally beat the teacher, Bill Parcells. It wasn't pretty.

In a snoozer of a Monday night game, Coughlin's Jacksonville Jaguars downed Parcells' New York Jets 16-6. It was the first time Coughlin, who was an assistant under Parcells with the Giants and credits the current Jets coach with boosting his career, defeated his mentor in four NFL tries, including two playoff games. The Jaguars, whose vastly upgraded defense has allowed just 52 points, never let New York (1-4) get going. Coughlin, Jacksonville (4-1) did much offensively, either.

It didn't matter with the way Tony Brackens, Carmell Lake and the Jaguars' defenders were performing.

Nor even an eight-minute delay to repair a tear in the artificial turf - which is in its final year at Giants Stadium - bothered them.

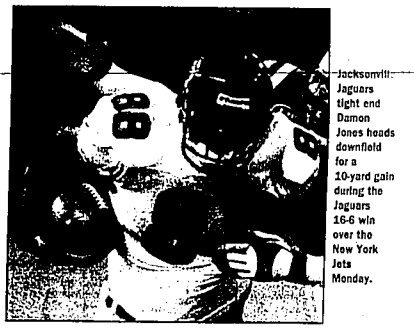
For the third time this season, the Jaguars, who had four sacks, held an opponent without a touchdown. And in reversing their playoff loss to New York in January, the Jags handed the Jets their fourth loss, as many as they had in all of 1998. New York has only one victory and, already, dim prospects for making the postseason.

Jacksonville, meanwhile, appears to have a playoff-caliber defense to go with what normally

is a high-powered - but lately has been a sputtering - attack. On the Jets' last real chance, Kevin Hardy stopped Curtis Martin for no gain on fourth-and-1 at the New York 45.

In all, the Jets gained 226 yards, 51 coming on the last, desperation drive. Mike Hollis kicked three field goals and James Stewart had a 3-yard TD run for all of the Jacksonville points. John Hall made two field goals for New York.

Jacksonville showed no signs of its recent offensive struggles and its first possession, marching 61 yards in 13 plays to Stewart's scoring run. Stewart, playing for injured starter Fred Taylor (hamstring) was involved in eight of the plays on the drive.



Jacksonville Jaguars tight end Damon Jones heads downfield for a 10-yard gain during the Jaguars 16-6 win over the New York Jets Monday.

Gordon and Co. combine for second straight win

The Associated Press

CONCORD, N.C. - Jeff Gordon and Brian Whitesell are 2-for-2. Gordon caught and passed Bobby Labonte with seven laps to go Monday, pulling away to win the rain-delayed UAW-GM Quality 500 at Lowe's Motor Speedway.

"I really should seriously consider retirement right now," Whitesell joked after clambering down from his race perch on the Hendrick Motorsports tool box.

Whitesell became Gordon's crew chief on Sept. 28 when Ray Evernham, the long-term mentor and friend of both, resigned to begin forming his own team.

Five days later, Whitesell made a late-race decision to keep his driver on the track while the other contenders pitted, and Gordon held on to win in Martinsville, Va. This time, Whitesell and the Rainbow

Warriors crew gave their driver some fast pit stops and kept improving the car throughout the day.

"We were good on long runs, but Bobby Labonte got a great jump out there," Gordon said. "He was good on new tires. He took off and I said, 'Man, we're done. We're going to have to race for a second or third.'"

"Then Brian made some small changes, the track came to us a little bit and the car just came to life. Man, he's awesome. I'm just so excited about having him."

It was the series-high seventh win this season for Gordon, who moved into a tie for 10th on the Winston Cup career list with Rusty Wallace at 49.

Despite the wins, it hasn't been a vintage year for Gordon, now fourth in the season points with a 42-under-par 241. Third-round co-leader Fox Hill of Longmont, Colo., finished five strokes back after a final-round 63.

Brierwood CC of Hamburg, N.Y., led the cross division of the Women's Oldsmobile Scramble

"The type of year we've had, we've been up and down, up and down. But, I'll tell you, this team is psyched; they're pumped up," Gordon said. "Winning is a big motivator. No telling what we're going to do in the future, but this year is going great right now."

Labonte, trying hard to catch runaway leader Dale Jarrett in the Winston Cup points, dominated the 334-lap race, leading five times for 136 laps.

He appeared on the way to an easy victory before getting hung up in lapped traffic in the late going.

Labonte had built a lead of nearly three seconds by the 309th of 334 laps, but saw Gordon looming in his rearview mirror after finally clearing the slower traffic six laps later. After that, it was just a matter of time as Gordon crept closer and finally moved by Labonte on the backstretch of the 1.5-mile oval on lap 327.

"That (traffic) cost a second and a half loss of time and I probably used up my right-front tire trying to get by those guys," said the bitterly disappointed Labonte. "It definitely wasn't the kindest thing I've ever seen."

"That plays a big role in your race when you run the last hundred and some laps under the green and you lose by less than a second."

Gordon's Chevrolet crossed the finish line .851 seconds - about 10 car-lengths - ahead of Labonte's Pontiac. The winner, who led three times for just 16 laps, earned \$140,350, while pole-sitter Labonte totaled \$157,250.

There were only two caution flags for a total of nine laps in the race postponed from Sunday. Gordon's average speed of 166.06 mph broke the previous 500-mile race record - 154.537 by Ernie Ivan in October 1993 - at the suburban Charlotte track.



Jeff Gordon passed Bobby Labonte with seven laps to go to capture the UAW-GM Quality 500 Monday in Concord, N.C.

Texas, Georgia teams capture Oldsmobile Scramble crowns

Compiled from wire reports

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. - Teams from Texas and Georgia each made a final-round charge and took national champions honors Sunday at the 1999 Oldsmobile Scramble National Championship at Walt Disney World Resort.

The Battleground at Deer Park (Texas) overcame a one-stroke deficit going into the fourth and final round by firing a 16-under-par 56 at Disney's Magnolia Course for a 60-under-par 228 to win the golf title.

Hanging Tree Golf Club (Westfield, Ind.) finished one stroke behind after posting a final-round 14-under-par 58. Marietta Country Club of Kennessaw, Ga., carded a 16-under-par 56 for a four-round 231 and third place.

Flint Creek Club (Peashtree City, Ga.) came from four strokes behind to capture the net title after posting an impressive 19-under-par 53 at Disney's Eagle Pines Course for a four-day total of 67-under-par 221.

Ocean City Golf and Yacht Club (Berlin, Md.) tied for second

in the net division at 222 with Stephen F. Austin GC (San Felipe, Texas).

Third-round co-leader Flint (Mich.) Golf Club birdied eight of the first nine holes in a 16-under-par 58 performance at Disney's Osprey Ridge Course to capture the inaugural women's scramble with a 42-under-par 241. Third-round co-leader Fox Hill of Longmont, Colo., finished five strokes back after a final-round 63.

Brierwood CC of Hamburg, N.Y., led the cross division of the Women's Oldsmobile Scramble

from start to finish with a final-round 62 and a 32-under-par 256 total. Scalawags CC of Chesterfield, Mich., carded an 11-under-par 61, to finish one stroke back at 257.

Four holes-in-one were recorded in the tournament, which featured 300 teams from around the United States. Each team is comprised of four amateurs and one PGA club professional. Teams who did not qualify for the final round participated in an 18-hole putting competition.

Running concurrently with the Oldsmobile Scramble, the Inau-

gural Women's Oldsmobile Scramble is a nationwide amateur golf tournament offered exclusively to women. Ten teams from five PGA of America sections qualified for the national championship. A percentage of the entry fees will be donated to Concept: Cure for the fight against breast cancer. In addition to the championship trophy, each winning professional in the Oldsmobile Scramble receives \$30,000 first prize, while each winning professional receives \$2,000 in the women's division.

SPORTS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Idaho signs Russian goaltender

BOISE - The Idaho Steelheads have signed goaltender Mikhail Blinov, just two days after the Chelyabinsk, Russia, native made 45 saves in a 4-0 pre-season shutout win over Tacoma...

Vandals linebacker earns honor

MOSCOW - University of Idaho linebacker Chris Nofaiga earned Big West Conference Defensive Player of the Week honors for his play Saturday in the Vandals' 28-10 victory over the University of North Texas...

Back sprain shouldn't keep Mailman out

SALT LAKE CITY - Utah Jazz forward Karl Malone has missed Wednesday night's exhibition against Vancouver. Malone, 36, was hurt sometime during training camp last week in Boise, Idaho, and the injury has persisted...

Norman wins fifth title of year

SHANGHAI, China - Not even a typhoon could prevent Magnus Norman from winning another final. The second-seeded Norwegian won for his fifth title of the year with a 2-6, 6-3, 7-5 win over top-seeded Marcelo Rios in the Heineken Open Monday...

Hewitt through to second round of Heineken

SINGAPORE - Australia's David Cup heroes went their separate ways Monday in the opening round of the Heineken Open tennis tournament. Lleyton Hewitt defeated American Paul Goldstein 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, while Wayne Arthurs fell to Dutchman John Van Lottum 7-6 (7-2), 7-6 (9-7)...

Schnyder beats Frazier in first round

ZURICH, Switzerland - Switzerland's Patty Schnyder returned from a five-week injury layoff to beat American Amy Frazier in the first round of the women's Swiss Indoors. The victory marked an important mental breakthrough for the Swiss player, who had arrived in Zurich with only four wins since the French Open in May...

Kafelnikov beats Enqvist in opening round

VIENNA, Austria - Top-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov, ranked No. 2 in the world behind Andre Agassi, beat Thomas Enqvist of Sweden 6-3, 6-4 Monday in the opening round of the \$800,000 CA Tennis Open in May. Kafelnikov will meet Jan Sieremink of the Netherlands in the second round of the ATP tournament...

Hardaway, Heat beat Israelis

TEL AVIV, Israel - Tim Hardaway had 24 points and nine assists Monday night in as the Miami Heat beat Maccabi Tel Aviv 126-91 in an exhibition game. The winning crowd of more than 7,000 at the Yad Elinas sports palace, the Heat took a 13-2 lead, but Maccabi tied the game 36-36 with 7:38 left in the half only to see Miami close the half with a 32-9 run...

Irvin expected to play again this season

IRVING, Texas - Wearing a protective collar around his neck, Michael Irvin flew home Monday and will await further examinations to determine the severity of his injury. Early indications suggest that Dallas Cowboys receiver will recover from a swollen spinal cord and herniated disc and play again this season. Irvin was injured when he was tackled early in Sunday's 13-10 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles, and now the question is how much time he will miss...

Shoshone shuts down Hagerman in two

The Times-News

BLAINE/NOVA - Arma Cox and Monica West led a high-powered Shoshone offense in a two-game sweep of Hagerman Monday night in Class 3-4 non-conference volleyball, 25-22, 25-9. "This kind of hurt us a bit," said Shoshone coach Steve Choules. "They had a few kills and they like to tip a net, and that kind of hurt us down a little bit. Our three missed free serves in the first game and called it Game 2 by a tie-breaker, Choules said. "It was a little bit tight."

Local sports

Hagerman 3-5 Hagerman's regular season in Idaho, tonight against Oakleyland Thursday against Hagerman.

Rimrock def. Glens Ferry 15-9, 15-13

GLENS FERRY - The Bears fell in two games to the visiting Rimrock Ramsers Monday night. No other information was available at press time. Glens Ferry plays Thursday in Valley - above

the Canyon Conference tournament will be - and hosts Declo in the regular season finale Oct. 22.

Bliss JV def. ISDB 15-13 15-12

BLISS - Led by the serving of Marci Victor in the first game and Darla Brienzline in the second game, the Bears junior varsity defeated the visiting Raptors in two games Monday night. Bliss coach Diana Butler moved her setters to the middle blocker position and her middle blockers to the setter position in the second game.

Boys' soccer

Buhl 2, TFCA 0 ISDB 1, Bliss 1 No report

Braves turn mouthy as Mets come to town

ATLANTA - All it takes is the mere mention of Bobby Valentine, the Mets and their brass crowd to turn the businesslike Braves into a bunch of loudmouths. "It's just that New York City thing that makes people like Brian Jordan and after Monday's workout at Turner Field. "I mean, whenever you go there they try to make you and put all over you. Eventually, you say, 'I can't stand New York.'"

Anything else, you? "We beat them nine out of 12. I don't know how Bobby Valentine can say a word," crier John Krukman said. "I'm not sure we have respect for him. Valentine doesn't have much respect for us."

How about it, skip? Braves manager Bobby Cox has a kind word to say about the sure he wouldn't have something nice to say about his Mets counterpart. "I really don't know Bobby Valentine either way," Cox said. Asked about such remarks, Valentine rambled his forehead with his lip.

"I know," he said. "Our guys are living, eating, and following who go about their business." "All this, and the NL championship series hasn't even started yet."

"Game 1 in tonight, with Great Mouthy pitching for the Braves," he said. "I'm sure they'll get that shutout World Series title in the '90s. Masato Yuhki stars in New York."

And this encouraging news for the Mets: All-Star catcher Mike Piazza seemed confident he will be able to return. Piazza missed the last two games of the first round victory over Atlanta because of a swollen left thumb. "I didn't want to say definitely," Piazza said. "But everything else is looking good."

The Mets, however, will be minus third-base coach Conde Ripke. He was suspended for five games by NL president Len Coleman on Monday for signing umpire Charlie Williams during the Saturday's clinching win over the Diamondbacks.

Former Braves catcher Benedict, currently the Mets' bench coach, will take over at third base. Ripke declined comment about his signing with Coleman, but said he was "not happy."

"Some people think all he does is..."

is each third base," Valentine said. "He does a lot more. He will be missed dearly."

The Braves beat Houston to reach the NLCS for the eighth straight time. And for the seventh time in a row, they're taking on a new opponent.

"Every year it seems like we're playing somebody different, and it doesn't feel like a rivalry," Madison said, referring to the Mets.

Madison is 25-13 against the Mets, including 3-1 this season. But the last time he faced them, New York blasted his bid for a 20-win season and chased him with eight consecutive hits in a seven-inning fourth inning.

"Their lineup is very balanced," he said. "They have a little bit of everything. They have the guys that can run the bases and the guys that can hit for you."

Madison will be followed by Kevin Millwood, Tom Glavine and Mike Smith in the best-of-five series. After Yuhki, Kenny Rogers, Al Leiter and Rick Reed will pitch for the Mets.

Yuhki was 9-0 in three starts against Atlanta this year. He smiled when asked about bitter feelings between the teams. "I don't dislike them or anything," he said through an interpreter. "We just have to beat them."

Madison was a bit surprised to see the Mets in October, considering they were two games out of the wild-card spot when only three left in the regular season.

Rucker was more complimentary - sort of. He praised the Mets' hitting, pitching and fielding, then added, "I'm really shocked to see how they had to squeak into the playoffs."

Valentine was aware of that assessment. "I never heard them say anything other than we underachieved," he smirked.

Piazza shrugged off the top-pitched headlines. "It's funny how the trash talking gets magnified," he said. One edge the Mets appeared certain to enjoy scored supporters. As of Monday, the Braves had 8,000 tickets left for Game 1 and 9,000 remaining for Game 2 at Turner Field.

Jordan, who talked to the Mets during his free-agent tour in the offseason, knows what to expect when series shifts to Shea. "I mean it's pretty tough in New York."

Braves vs. Mets 1999 National League Championship Series. METS WINNING PITCHERS: Rick Reed, Dennis Cook, Al Leiter. BRVES WINNING PITCHERS: Tom Glavine, Greg Maddux, Kevin Millwood, Mike Remlinger, Terry Mulholland. FIRST BASE: Ryan Klesko, John Olerud. SECOND BASE: Bret Boone, Edgardo Alfonzo. THIRD BASE: Chipper Jones, Robin Ventura. SHORTSTOP: Jose Hernandez, Ray Ordonez. CATCHER: Eddie Perez, Mike Piazza. OUTFIELD: Brian Jordan, Darryl Hamilton, Andrew Jones, Ricky Henderson, Gerald Williams, Roger Cedeno.

Kurt Warner: A natural on a field of dreams for Rams

It's hard to say Kurt Warner is living a dream because he played at Northern Iowa and in the Iowa Burntshirts of the Arena League. The more apt literary and cinematic comparison is Ray Embes, "The Natural." "Consider this: When Trent Green was injured in the third exhibition game and Steve Watson of the Rams' quarterback by default, Dick Vermeil considered the option. "I figured that he'd be OK by midweek through the season," Vermeil said Sunday after Warner threw five touchdown passes in the Rams' 47-17 game-winning victory against San Francisco. The 42-year-old St. Louis at 4-0 and the NFL's only unbeaten team. Vermeil is delighted to be wrong. A quarter of the way through the Rams' schedule, Warner has 14 touchdown passes and just three interceptions. He threw for three TDs in each of his first three games and then five Sunday. At that rate, he would throw six in a season, shattering Dan Marino's 1984 record of 48. He almost surely won't - every quarterback stumbles and every team is hard to struggle after but Warner is better than most.



Former Arena League quarterback Kurt Warner has led the St. Louis Rams to the only undefeated record in the league, particularly against the 4-0 Denver Broncos. But the Rams certainly have weapons - their receivers have

ANALYSIS Dave Goldberg. been so good that Marshall Faulk, the big offensive acquisition, has had little to do at running back. Lance Bruce, who missed most of the last two seasons with nagging injuries, caught four TD passes Sunday. When healthy, he may be the NFL's best receiver, right up there with Randy Moss, who's spent his sophomore season whining about the lack of passes thrown his way. Warner is due for a bad day, perhaps this week in Atlanta against the Falcons. They've already seen him once and they've finally got a little momentum with their first win. Yes, things can change quickly. Even for a natural like Warner. Dave Goldberg is a football writer for The Associated Press.

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SCORES AND STATS

By Steve Moore

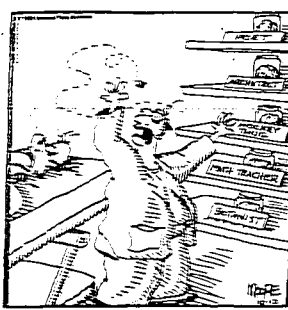


Illustration by the Frankforters depicts the winning team and winners of the PGA Tour.

BASEBALL

AL BOX SCORE

RED SOX 12, INDIANS 8

Box score for Boston Red Sox vs Cleveland Indians. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding stats.

MLB

1999-2000 Season

MLB season statistics including batting, pitching, and fielding for various teams.

FOOTBALL

NFL Standings

NFL standings table showing AFC and NFC divisions with columns for W, L, T, Pct, and PF.

POSTSEASON BASEBALL

Postseason baseball results including NLCS, ALCS, and World Series.

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Postseason football results including AFC and NFC playoffs.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

College football statistics including Division I-AA and Division I-AAA.

NHL PLAYOFF TEAM STATS

NHL playoff team statistics including Eastern and Western Conferences.

BASEBALL POSTSEASON HISTORY

Historical baseball postseason results from 1903 to 1999.

ON THE AIR

TELEVISION

Bowling, PGA, NFL, etc.

Television schedule table listing programs and times.

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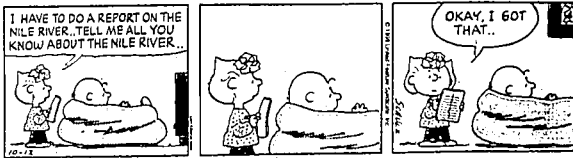
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MLB transactions.

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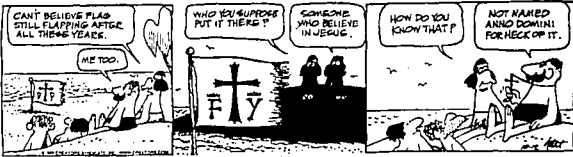
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Hagar the Horrible

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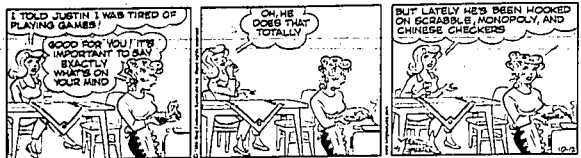
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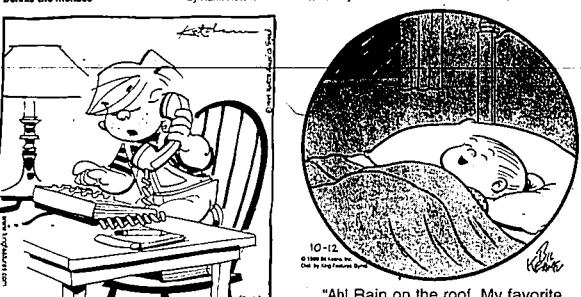


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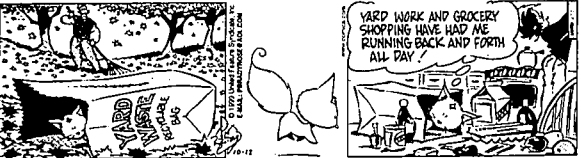
By Bil Keane



"IT CAN'T BE A WRONG NUMBER, I ONLY USED THE ONES ON OUR PHONE."

Rosa is Rosa

By Pat Brady



Zits

By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott



Luan

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Murder one: A man is changed in connection with a Washington state trooper's death.

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### TF School Board to decide bus route

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls School Board today will be asked to decide whether to alter a bus route in the Canyon Ridge housing area off Falls Avenue.

The board received a petition in September from 70 residents who requested a school bus drive down into the neighborhood to pick up elementary school students. Parents were concerned about safety.

District administrators are recommending the School Board deny the request. The district says it would be too expensive to add another route, and other options would require students who live in the subdivision to board the bus earlier than they do now or stay on the bus longer if they live close to school.

In other business, the School Board will review the district's financial audit, discuss whether to change the name of Twin Falls Alternative Middle School to Twin Falls Bridge Academy, approve an updated special education manual that includes changes in federal law and state rules, and authorize advertising for bids to convert Twin Falls High School boilers from coal to gas.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in the district office at 201 Main Ave. W.

### Twin Falls council discusses airport issues

**TWIN FALLS** - The City Council will discuss the Joint Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport at its meeting tonight.

The council will consider amending the city's airport operations ordinance. David Allen, the airport manager, has requested amendments to the ordinance, pertaining to airport regulations.

The council will also consider a request from Allen, requesting the city to take on the costs of permits for private hangar and commercial aviation operations.

The council will meet today at 5 p.m. in Twin Falls City Hall meeting chambers.

### Twin Falls County planners meet Thursday

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission will have public hearings on several requests at its Thursday meeting.

The commission will hear a request from Duane R. South and Kerry R. South to split about 38 acres located west of 3573 N. 2700 E. in Twin Falls. The two want to split the property into two parcels, measuring 18.2 and 19.4 acres.

The commission will meet at 7 p.m. in the Twin Falls County Office Building meeting room. The public is welcome.

### District legislators hold traveling office hours

**FAIRFIELD** - District 21 Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, and Reps. Wendell Jaquet, D-Ketchum, and Tom Radinger, R-Scrubbs, will hold office hours Wednesday.

The lawmakers invite citizens to come to the meeting with any questions or concerns. Here's a schedule: Fairfield: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., Chancy's Restaurant.

Gooding: 10:15 to 11:30 a.m., City Hall.

Wendell: Noon at the Chamber of Commerce Luncheon, Farmhouse Restaurant.

Shoshone: 2 to 3 p.m., City Hall.

Dietrich: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., The Eagle.

Richfield: 5 to 6 p.m., City Hall.

### Cassia County holds public hearing on rezone

**BURLEY** - A public hearing regarding a rezone will be held today at 2 p.m. at the Cassia County Courthouse.

The area to be considered for rezoning lies between 2000 South and 300 South and Idaho Highway 27 East and 50 East.

The Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission recommended that the area be rezoned from industrial-commercial to residential-agricultural. County commissioners will consider the issue.

The public hearing will be part of the commissioners' regular weekly meeting, which begins at 9 a.m.

In other county business, Oakley city manager David Babbitt will meet with the commission regarding a grant for Oakley's drinking water.

Compiled from staff reports



Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars post 2136 hand out several dozen flags to students at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School in Twin Falls Monday. Twin Falls classrooms will receive nearly 100 flags, enough to put one in every room.

## Veterans share flags, ideals

### VFW members hope to put the stars and stripes in every Twin Falls classroom

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Foreign war veterans on Monday afternoon delivered stars and stripes to Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School students.

About a half dozen veterans from the Twin Falls Veterans of Foreign Wars presented U.S. flags to student council members. The veterans want every classroom in town to have a flag. They also presented students with a flag that flew over the White House for the school flagpole.

The VFW post will present 97 flags to Twin Falls public schools, thanks to about \$800 in

donations from area businesses, said Commander Keith Munsee said. The flags will replace old flags or provide flags for classrooms that don't have them.

More than 600 flags were requested by schools for Magic Valley classrooms, said Dale Smith, the VFW's district commander.

It's a statewide VFW project that so far has generated at least 7,000 requests for classroom flags at a cost of \$6.50 each, state Commander T.C. Brock said. "The highlight of my life was when I was on Iwo Jima and turned around to see the flag flying atop Mount Suribachi," said Stan Sorstensen, a World War II veteran from Twin Falls.

He said he thinks younger Americans will learn to appreciate the flag the same way that he did. However, he added, he hopes they do not.

"We are proud to have served this country during war time. Please appreciate the freedoms that we all enjoy," Munsee said as he handed a school flag to students.

Students say it's hard to imagine the men at Monday's ceremony actually fought in combat, but many of them said their grandfathers had served in World War II. The students said they can show respect to veterans by standing at attention during the pledge of allegiance or singing of the national anthem.

"You don't need to be screaming around. You need to be paying attention," Scott Dadds, 15, said.

"Older classrooms say the pledge of allegiance daily. Principal Wiley Dobbs said, and classes take turns raising and lowering the school flag.

"It's a very important part of our school to be respectful to the flag, respectful to the national anthem, and respectful of the people who have given so much that we can be free," Dobbs told students.

Times-News staff writer Jennifer Sandmann can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 241, or by e-mail at jsandmann@magicvalley.com

## Hospital looks to set up satellite clinics

By Brian Haynes  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley's largest hospital could be coming to a town near you.

The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center hospital board passed a strategic plan Monday night that recommends possible satellite clinics outside Twin Falls. The plan also includes goals of improving customer satisfaction and patient care while expanding the hospital's regional reach.

The plan recommends affiliating with Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital and other health-care providers to improve access to

### Goals set

The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center has outlined its goals in its strategic plan. The plan includes:

- Improving patient care and the work environment.
- Establishing satellite clinics in the Magic Valley.
- Working with other hospitals and health-care providers.
- Expanding ambulance service to Jerome.

care. The two Twin Falls hospitals, which have competed in recent months about collaborating.

The hospital's strategic plan also recommends possible clinics in Buhl, Wendell or Idaho Falls while expanding ambulance services beyond Twin Falls County, by serving Jerome.

The strategic plan's other goals include:

- Creating a customer-focused culture, adopted by all employees and administrators, in order to effectively signal to customers that Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is focusing on patient and customer satisfaction.

Creating a health-care delivery system for the Magic Valley that will provide access to a wide range of high quality, affordable

health-care services. The goal is to improve the quality, costs and access to health care in the Magic Valley.

Establishing Magic Valley Regional as the regional provider of health care in southern Idaho. Magic Valley Regional is the largest hospital, with the most comprehensive services provided in the Magic Valley.

The document is a long-term plan will be reviewed regularly and changed as community needs change.

Times-News writer Brian Haynes can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 238.

## One commission hopeful drops out, one signs in

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - One candidate has taken his name off the list for a soon-to-be open county commissioner seat, while another has put his name on.

Carl Legge has dropped out of the running for Elgin Blahnik has put his name on the list of candidates running for the com-

missioner's position being vacated by Dennis Maughan, who has resigned to become the regional director of the state Department of Health and Welfare.

Also in the running are Bill Brockman, Bruce Bacon, Jim Bieri, Mike Bevan and Gary Wignall.

Twin Falls County Republican Chairman Gary Grindstaff said the Republican committee will

meet the candidates at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning office, 246 Third St. E.

The filing deadline is 5 p.m. Oct. 22.

Those interested in adding their names to the list can call Grindstaff at 545-5755.

The committee will choose the top three candidates at 7 p.m.

Oct. 26 at the planning and zoning office, after hearing short speeches from the candidates and holding a question-answer session.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne will choose the new commissioner from among the three candidates. The next commissioner will serve until the term expires in January 2001.

Olson said the regulations will be brought to a vote in the next couple of weeks.

Critics have maintained a moratorium will make people more wary about CAFOs, and will discourage industries from locating in Mini-Cassia.

But Turner said he doubts hog

think we need to keep it an economic issue," Turner said.

In addition, in making a cost-benefit analysis the county needs to look at the social cost as well. The county started doing this and should continue on that path, he said.

An extended moratorium will postpone the arrival of large-scale CAFOs in Cassia County until after January, when the Legislature receives proposed Division of Environmental Quality Livestock regulations. Cassia County is prudent in extending the moratorium while

## Sandy hits the road fund

### Senator takes second-biggest hunk of out-of-state travel budget

The Times-News and the Associated Press

**TWIN FALLS** - Sen. John Sandy spent more of the state's money on out-of-state travel in the last budget year than all but one Idaho lawmaker.

However, his expenses barely overshadowed a retired Democratic legislator who spent only five of the 12 months of the budget year in the Legislature.

Sandy, a Republican, spent \$5,220. The only lawmaker who spent more on out-of-state trips - House Environmental Affairs Committee Chairman Jack Barracough, R-Idaho Falls - cost the state \$6,362.

Former Idaho Sen. Bruce Sweeney, D-Lewiston, received the largest travel expense of \$5,206, including reimbursement for meetings he attended seven years ago.

The money was spent in the fiscal year ending June 30, according to a report about legislative spending on out-of-state meetings produced by the controller's office.

Sandy said his involvement in several national committees and task forces added up over time.

"The more you want to volunteer your time, the more they take you up on it," Sandy said.

Sandy sits on the Council of State Governments' River Governance Committee and is co-chairman of its National Environmental Task Force.

He also has spent the past two years traveling to meetings to set up this summer's Council of State Governments/West meeting in Magic Valley.

The groups give Idaho lawmakers the chance to learn from how other states are dealing with the same issues. He also faces, he said, and they give the state a chance to weigh in on national questions, too.

"If we're not active participants, guess somebody else has their way and we won't have a place at the table," Sandy said.

He also defended Barracough's travel expenses. He said the fourth-term lawmaker, a retired hydrologist at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, is valuable to the state.

"If you tried to hire a consultant to try and do what he's doing, you couldn't afford it," Sweeney said.

Sweeney started serving on the Idaho Transportation Board last December.

In March of this year, he received \$3,103 as reimbursement for attending 1992 meetings of the Pacific Northwest Economic Region in Portland, Ore., and Seattle and the Western Legislative Conference in Guam.

Sweeney, who served as assistant Senate Democratic leader his last two years, received the other \$2,103 to attend meetings last year of the Pacific Fisheries Legislative Task Force in Alaska and Pacific Northwest Economic Region on electrical industry restructuring.

"I was very diligent in submitting my stuff," says Sweeney, a businessman. "A lot of people have been late to submit, but probably not this late."

Times-News staff writer Gregory Hahn contributed to this report.

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Homemade plane turns up missing

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - AULTS are searching for an experimental, homemade airplane that left Ogden Monday morning with only two hours of fuel, the Civil Air Patrol report...

The plane left Ogden at 10:30 a.m. and was last spotted near Promontory Point, said Leonard Wojcik of the Civil Air Patrol...

aircraft around 3:30 p.m. Monday. Wojcik said the plane is white, orange and blue. No other information about the plane, its pilot, or any possible passengers was available.

SERVICES

Hawker and Sandberg Funeral Home, and on Saturday at the church an hour prior to services.

Lee Truxell, of Twin Falls, family and friends are invited to celebrate his life at a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the Kimberly Senior Citizen Center (Lee's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

DEATH NOTICES

Lois Mink - WEWELL - Lois Mink, 66, of Wendell, died Monday, Oct. 11, 1999, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. Funeral services are pending under the direction of Demary's Wendell Chapel.

Jenny L. Stewart - TWIN FALLS - Jenny L. Stewart, 95, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Oct. 10, 1999, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital. At her request, no services will take place.

Eva Higley - BURLEY - Eva Higley, 81, of Burley, died Monday, Oct. 11, 1999, at LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City. Arrangements are pending and are under the direction of Payne Mortuary.

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Donnie McCandless - JEROME - Donnie McCandless, 65, of Jerome, died Sunday, Oct. 10, 1999, in Hailey, Idaho. Services are pending under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Beverly Renfrow - JEROME - Beverly Renfrow, 40, of Jerome, died Sunday, Oct. 10, 1999, at her home in Jerome. Cremation services were handled by Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Demary Chapel in Gooding.

OBITUARIES

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

OAKLEY William "Bill" J. Harvison - William "Bill" Joel Harvison, 79-year-old Oakley resident, died October 9, 1999, in Salt Lake City, Utah.



He was born January 8, 1920, in Marble, Arkansas, where he grew up. He was the third child of Irl and Frances Harvison. After serving his country during World War II, he married his sweetheart of 52 years.

For close friend of many years, to those he visited, you should know he treasured his time with you. Memorial services will be at Demary's Chapel in Gooding, at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 14, 1999.

RUPERT Larry G. Freeman - Larry Glen Freeman died October 8, 1999, near Massacrua Rocks, Idaho.

He was born September 13, 1922, in Mitchell, Nebraska, to Louis Alexis Freeman and Cynthia Bernette (Barrett) Freeman. Larry was their ninth son-the seventh son of an only son, as he sometimes said. He married Elsie June Cameron on May 21, 1948; they later divorced. On October 20, 1974, Larry married Ruth (Carlson) Snapp in Cedar Bluff, Nebraska.

He lived in Nebraska, and in Idaho Falls. In September of 1994, they moved back to Rupert. Larry survived with his wife, Ruth, of Rupert; by four sons, and one daughter; Randall and wife Julie, of Ridgefield, Ct.; Robert "Bob" of Sacramento, Ca.; Cynthia Race and husband Roger, of Ocala, Fla.; Ron and wife Renee, of Twin Falls, Id.; and Roger of St. Louis, Mo.; by three step-children: Jay and wife Sue Snapp, of Woodbury, Ut.; Sherry Ann, wife Ben Riding, of West Jordan, Ut.; and Susan and husband Glenn Hunsaker, of Rupert, Id.; by 6 grandchildren, 12 step-grandchildren, and 16 step-great-grandchildren. He is survived by his wife, Ruth, and by many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, by two sisters, Ruth Mahor and Mabel Osterman, and by six brothers, Donald, Harle, Robert, Lester, Louis, and Paul Freeman.

PAUL Irene F. Reidingler - Irene Florence Reidingler, a 59-year-old Paul resident, died October 9, 1999, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital.



She was born April 23, 1940, in Tappen, North Dakota, the daughter of Adam and Freda Hunt. She grew up in North Dakota. She moved to the Min-Casta area in October of 1958. She married Herbert Reidingler on March 22, 1959, in Paul, Idaho, at the Paul First Baptist Church. She was employed at Conner Corp. for 41 years in her younger years. She also enjoyed taking care of her grandchildren, cooking, sewing, fishing and gardening. She was a member of the Paul First Baptist Church. She is survived by her husband, Herbert of Paul, three daughters: Cindy (Boyd) Acker of Ruby, Pa.; Patsy (DeVore) Boyer of Rupert, and Michelle (Kathy) Smith of Paul. She has grandchildren, two brothers, Arnold Hall of Fargo, North Dakota, and Malven Hall of 1-day, Montana. Three sisters, Emma, Miller, Ruby, Phyllis, Kramich, and Ruby Wall, none of Madras, North Dakota. She is survived by her parents and two brothers. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, October 13, 1999, at the Paul First Baptist Church, with Pastor John Eulowski officiating. Friends are invited to call on Wednesday, October 13, 8 p.m. at Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel, and one hour prior to services Wednesday at the Church.

Georganna Ingersoll, of Rexburg, is being buried today at the Rupert 7th Ward Building. Family and friends may call one hour before the service at the church (Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel).

Patricia "Pat" L. Lefler, of Twin Falls, services at 1 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

William J. Brodeur, of Twin Falls, services at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the West End Cemetery in Boise; friends may call from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. today at the Frazier Funeral Chapel in Boise.

Daisy E. Babbal Harper, of Moreland, Idaho, services at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Blackfoot West State Center. Family will meet friends from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at the Hill.

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Some names are omitted at patient's request

Admitted: Conley Malone of Merring; Mildred Mortimer and Curtis Plank, both of Twin Falls.

Victi Peterson of Hagerman.

MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Some names have been omitted at patient's request.

Admitted: Lori Hall, Yuliana Madrigal and baby boy, Echo Roberts and baby, Angelica Sanchez and baby boy, Tricia Chavez and baby girl, Yadira Chavez and baby boy, all of Rupert.

Tristan Maxfield-of-Burley; Baldeemar Artega, Jondrea Ruiz, Mary Walters, Valentina Pomo, John Schenk, and Wayne Andrews, all of Rupert.

HOSPITALS

CITY OFFICIALS

get cranky over market

BOISE (AP) - City officials are fed up with the lack of progress on an unfinished sewer main and have asked engineers to find a way to make the owner finish the building or tear it down.

GOVERNOR

Washington governor seeks fact-finder to study Yakima water issues. OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) - Gov. Gary Locke agreed Monday to seek an independent "fact-finder" to study ways to better coordinate the limited use of water in Washington's arid Yakima River Basin.

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He was preceded in death by his parents, 2 brothers, and 1 sister. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, October 14, 1999, at the Hansen Mortuary-Burley Chapel, 321 East Main. Friends and family may call at Hansen Mortuary on Wednesday, October 13, 1999, from 6-8 p.m. Burial will follow at the Gem Memorial Cemetery. The family requests that contributions be made to the Cancer Research Fund.

JEROME

Beverly Renfrow - Beverly Renfrow, 40, of Jerome, Id., beloved wife, mother, daughter and sister, died in her home Sunday, Oct. 10th, after a lengthy illness.

She was born Oct. 16, 1958, in Boise, to Harold and Shirley Grimm. She married William Bissonette in 1978. They were divorced a few years later, after the birth of two lovely daughters, Jamie and Vicki. In 1988, she met and married David Renfrow of Fairfeld, Id. Their son Carl was born in 1989. They lived in Hailey for a number of years, until moving to Jerome in 1995. Bev was a loving mother and daughter. She will be remembered for her laughter, her many acts of kindness, sense of humor, her cheerfulness, and beautiful artwork. She is survived by her husband David Renfrow of Jerome; her children, Jamie and Vicki Bissonette, and Carl Renfrow, all of Jerome; her mother, Shirley Grimm of Nampa, and brother Jay Grimm of Seaside, Ore. She has numerous cousins, aunts and nephews and friends who loved her very much, as well as her sister-in-law Kris, and her Aunt Mary and Uncle Gary. She was preceded in death by her father and grandparents, and

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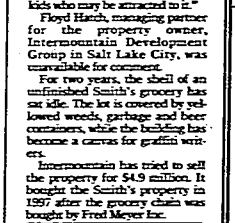
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# Dropping enrollment raises worry

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — Cassia County School District officials are concerned with dropping enrollment.

And because of the loss in students, and the loss of state money, the district is putting off a purchase of security cameras for the schools.

District enrollment is down by 117 students since last year at this time. The overall enrollment in 1988-89 was more than 5,200.

"It is getting to be alarming numbers," Jerry Doggett, superintendent of Cassia County School District, said at a Cassia County School Board meeting Monday. "It is a concerning situation."

The district will lose \$272,000 in state money because of the loss of students, said Ed Evans, an auditor for the district.

To partially compensate for the lost money, the district has

reduced 2 1/2 staff positions from last year, Doggett said.

The majority of the loss came from Declo High School and Declo Junior High School. Doggett can see no reason for the drop in student population.

Less of students after harvest is also not a contributing factor, as it has been in the past, Doggett said.

The board made no indication of what the district intends to do to compensate for the loss of state money.

Because of cost, however, the board did not approve the request for security cameras to monitor halls at the schools.

The cameras could be needed, Doggett said.

"There has been a burst of vandalism in some restrooms at the high school," Doggett said.

The board did approve \$4,600 to buy cellular phones for school principals for emergency use.

In other business the board approved the technology plan for

1993-2000, presented by Mike Holmes, the district director in technology.

The technology department plans to replace 104 computers. There is not enough money to replace all 204 computers that need to be replaced, Holmes said.

"We are trying to get the job done on the main campus," he said. "We cannot do the same money."

The key is not quantity, but quality, including hardware, software, training and faculty strategies, he said.

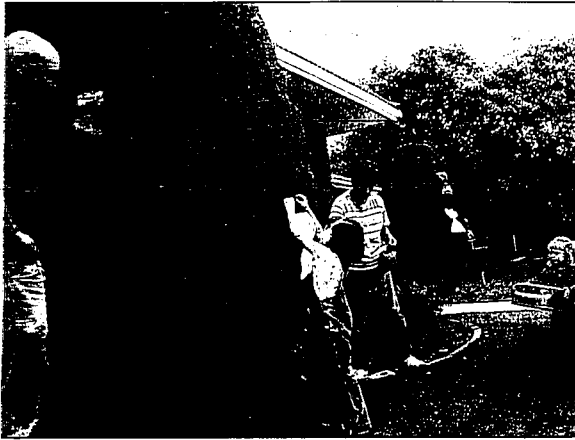
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# SPOOKY PREPARATION



Jim and Pat Jensen watch as their grandchildren, Cami, 4 and Cassi, 2, hang Halloween decorations on a tree outside their home Monday.

# Man faces murder one charge in connection with trooper's death

**PASCO, Wash. (AP)** — A Pasco man accused of killing a state trooper during a traffic stop here was charged Monday with aggressive first-degree murder in a potential capital case.

Bail was set at \$2 million for Nicolas Solorio Vasquez, who appeared in Franklin County Superior Court shackled in handcuffs and arm and leg restraints.

Prosecutor Steve Lowe has 30 days in which to decide whether to seek the death penalty.

The court proceeding was translated into Spanish for Vasquez, 28, who was out on bail on a pending drug charge when Trooper James Saunders, 31, was shot.

Cour papers say that at about 7 p.m. Thursday night, Saunders pulled over a small pickup truck, which a witness said had only one occupant — a short Hispanic man wearing a cowboy hat and a black and white coat.

Other witnesses heard gunfire and found Saunders dead at the scene. The pickup was gone.

It is not known why Saunders stopped the pickup in Pasco, near the spot where U.S. 395 crosses the Columbia River from Kennewick.

A witness told detectives that Vasquez arrived at his home between 9:30 p.m. and 10 p.m., and made a telephone call and left behind a black-and-white flannel jacket, court papers say.

The pickup was found in a garage in Kennewick on Friday. Vasquez's fingerprint was on the driver's side door.

court papers say. Vasquez and another man, Juan Reyes Morales, 37, of Basin City, were arrested late Friday night in Basin City, about 25 miles north of Pasco. Police said they were attempting to flee.

Morales made a preliminary court appearance in Franklin County District Court on Monday. He was being held for investigation of rendering criminal assistance. Bail was set at \$50,000.

A motive for the shooting is still underdetermined. "We're working on that. We have some ideas," Lowe said at a news conference after Vasquez's court appearance. He declined to elaborate.

A memorial service for Saunders, a seven-year veteran of the Washington State Patrol, is planned for Thursday in Kennewick, followed by another service in Leavenworth later that day.

The state patrol's Lt. Jim Keightley said his agency was "ecstatic" that someone had been arrested and charged in Saunders' death.

"We simply did not want to bury Trooper Saunders while his assailant was walking around free," Keightley said.



Nicholas Solorio Vasquez, 28, faces a murder charge in connection with the shooting death of Washington state trooper James Saunders.

Arraignment for Vasquez was scheduled for Tuesday. He was out on bail on a pending charge of delivery of cocaine when he was arrested, Lowe said.

Vasquez also was charged in 1997 with shooting an acquaintance in the stomach in Franklin County, but the charge was later dismissed when the victim was deported.

Vasquez is a Mexican national, who has been deported from the United States multiple times. His legal status was unclear Monday, but it doesn't appear he's entitled to be here, Lowe said.

# Bar, tavern owners can't concur on the usefulness of breath testers

**BOISE (AP)** — Owners of bars and taverns are divided over the accuracy of a breath analysis machine some drinking establishments have set up for patrons.

Tom Challenger, who owns the Main Street Bistro in downtown Boise, said the machine serves as a deterrent to drinking and driving.

"I've watched some blow into it and show real surprise when they find out it would be a .08," Challenger said. "It makes them stop."

Tom Frerberger, manager of the Elmer Bonquet, will not have a Talking Computerized Alcohol Tester on the premises.

"I just don't trust the accuracy," he said.

"I've seen them in bars where I've worked before, and watched as a guy who's had no alcohol blows the same level as one who really doesn't need to be driving."

At the Bistro, patrons drop 50 cents into a coin slot, blow through a straw and wait for a digital readout and an oral assessment of their condition, Challenger said.

Responses range from "You are OK" to "You are bombed, unsafe to drive," a police officer by the sound of a blown siren.

Challenger said the crowd his bar attracts makes a difference in the reception his machine gets. "Sure, some of the rowdies use the machine just to see how high they can send the reading,"

he said. "But I see an awareness in most of my customers, who are mostly in the 21-to-25 age range, about drinking and driving."

Feresa Schoenfeld of Meridian, who bought 15 of the machines and has placed eight of them in local bars, said some bar owners were not receptive to having the machines installed.

"Some have told me they're afraid of getting sued," she said. "One owner said he didn't think his customers would appreciate its presence."

Schoenfeld tests her machines every two weeks using a formula provided by the company that makes the machines, American Alcohol Analyzers of Marshfield, Mass.

# CAFO

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Animals will be discouraged by the moratorium, as they have already encountered resistance and have often been rejected in several jurisdictions.

Wang Dorn — a financial advisor for Spaworth Farms, a company considering Cassia County as a location for a large hog opera-

tion — said Monday that he doesn't have enough information about the new moratorium to comment. Sawtooth Farms has proposed setting up a multi-million dollar value operation of more than 2,000 animal units, which would be built east of

the commission first wants to

visit a CAFO of equal magnitude to the one Sawtooth Farms is proposing. The commission is working on the details of a trip to an operation in Lamar, Colo.

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# Imported snails hit Yellowstone

**YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP)** — Scientists gathered in Yellowstone National Park this week to assess the threat of exotic species and plot a strategy against them.

Their concerns range from the impact of transplanted mountain goats migrating into Yellowstone from the Beartooth Mountains to the effects of exotics on imperiled grizzlies.

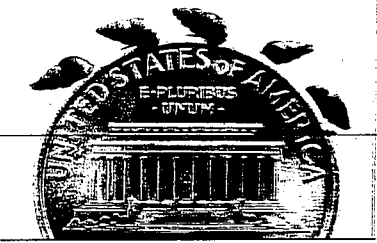
John Varley, who heads the Yellowstone Center for Resources and oversees park resource management, there are cases where something can be done but in others it is already too late.

"At times you feel as if you want to throw up your hands because we're facing these other species from all sides," Varley said.

Great Lakes species that found its way into Yellowstone Lake and threaten cutthroat and species dependent on them, park officials have launched an expensive netting program.

A European fungus called blight has been devastating white bark pine trees not only in the park but parts of Idaho and Montana for decades. In some areas it has killed more than 90 percent of white bark pine trees, spelling trouble for grizzlies, which rely on its nuts to build protein stores before going into hibernation.

The Forest Service is trying to



New Zealand mudsnails such as these have introduced risks in and around Yellowstone National Park, biologists say. There is concern they will displace native species.

raise resistant whitebark pines, but prospects for successfully defeating the fungus appear limited.

New Zealand mudsnails, tiny snails with conical shells, have infested the Madison and Firehole rivers to the point that they outnumber all native crustaceans.

The snails shut a trap door in their shell when eaten by fish that digest them, but not the fish undigested, protecting themselves but cheating the fish of nutrition.

And then there is whirling disease. Caused by a parasite intro-

duced from Europe, the disease has crippled trout so that they swim in circles.

Early this week, biologists in Yellowstone Lake were generally not optimistic any sign of the crippling effect. Biologists are not sure whether park staff may have some immunity to the disease or whether predators simply pick off the crippled fish before anyone notices them.

Parasites and other predators are not sufficient to control whirling disease with some success, but the increasing army of crabs has begun to overtake the park's amphibians.

understand love and marriage in Idaho, Montana and other western states.

Lance said the shift occurred the idea of shifting from one another federal circuit when he was in Washington recently to testify on various cases in the capacity as the newly elected judicial commissioner of the American Legion. He met with Montana Sen. Conrad Burns, a longtime advocate of splitting the 9th Circuit, and suggested Idaho and Montana might be better suited to one of the three circuits.

Burns spokeswoman Jan Lindgren said Burns "is open to all options at this point. The current court is as far as the reversal would be required."

# Idaho attorney general says he wants state in a different federal court circuit

**BOISE (AP)** — As more Idaho judges and lawyers bristle at federal court decisions handed down from San Francisco, Attorney General Al Lance is reiterating his dissatisfaction with the nation's largest, most far-flung federal appellate court.

A year after he harshly criticized a congressionally chartered commission for refusing to recommend breaking up the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, Lance says Idaho should consider bolting to another federal circuit court that better reflects Idaho's values and interests.

He said Idaho and Montana should shift to either the 8th Circuit covering much of the central and upper Midwest including the Dakotas and operating from

St. Louis and St. Paul, Minn., or the 10th Circuit generally covering the plains states and Colorado and based in Denver.

Many western leaders, led by relatively conservative members of Congress, have been pressing for years to split the 9th Circuit up by essentially limiting it to California and one or a few other states and creating a new 12th Circuit for the Northwest states and others.

They have complained that the existing appellate court is so heavily dominated by California cases that cases from the other states are mired in delays. They also say the 9th Circuit is top-heavy with liberal California judges who do not appreciate or

# Center helps young addicts get clean and sober

**POCATELLO (AP)** — The MK Place substance abuse treatment center and shelter continues to help adolescents from 12 to 17 get sober.

Seventeen-year-old Carol has been addicted to alcohol for two years. She spoke of her addiction as she neared the end of a six-week intensive rehabilitation program at MK Place.

Carol's alcohol abuse landed

her in court this summer. She faced three citations for underage consumption of alcohol within three months. It was not her first time in court. She had been there before for using marijuana.

When she most recently faced the judge, he gave her two choices: go to jail or enter a substance abuse shelter.

"All my friends were users. When I go back home, I know I won't have any friends for a while," Carol says.

During her week at the MK Place shelter, she participated in group and individual therapy, art therapy classes and attended nightly Alcoholics Anonymous meetings.

"People would be surprised to see how many teenagers are at these meetings," Carol says.

judges for the upcoming Nov. 2 election.

The resource officer's contract with Minidoka County School District is to be approved.

Notice of the proposed contract with a local improvement district and an award for the bid for Walnut Street.

Compliment from said reporter

# Minidoka County considers rezone

**Valley in brief**

**RUPERT** — Minidoka County commissioners will meet today at the Minidoka County Courthouse in Rupert, beginning at 8:30 a.m. A rezoning hearing for Aaron and Alice Higgins is scheduled for 2 p.m.

# Rupert City Council considers annexation

**RUPERT** — The Rupert City Council will meet at 7 p.m. today at the Rupert City Hall.

Annexation of Whispering Pine subdivision is expected.

The council is also scheduled to appoint election clerks and

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Barbara Bush campaigns for George W.

Former First Lady pays visit to Boise

BOISE (AP) - The 2000 presidential campaign hit Idaho for the first time on Monday as former First Lady Barbara Bush...

has not generated much excitement in the state. And the \$100-a-person event at the Boise convention center only served to underscore that.

While Bush's financial support from Idaho has been modest - just 49 people accounted for \$13,700 of the \$37 million he raised through June - it has overwhelmed the cash given to all the other candidates in both parties combined.

The other GOP presidential contenders received only \$5,500 combined from Idaho contributors and the two Democratic opponents - Vice President Al Gore and former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley - another \$28,500.

Since June, Bush has raised another \$19 million, but the sources of that cash will not be available until the new campaign finance reports are filed later this month.

Bush's closest rival in Idaho was Gary Bauer, who got \$3,225 from 10 contributors, followed by Elizabeth Dole with \$1,350 split between two people.

With more money already amassed than any of his opponents could dream of, even with federal matching funds, Idaho means relatively little to Bush in his bid for the nomination.

While the state will have 28 delegates to the national convention, five more than in 1996

because of the GOP struggle over Idaho government. Bush needs 1,033 to win. And the candidate commitment of Idaho's delegates will not be decided until late May, well after the nominee has been determined.

And if history is any indication, Bush will claim the state's four electoral votes in November 2000. The last time Idaho backed a Democrat for president was in 1964 - Lyndon Johnson over Barry Goldwater.

But Idaho Democrats, though their delegate strength at the national convention will be just as small, could have some say in what appears to be an ever-tightening race between Gore and Bradley.



Murder suspect Aaron McKinney is escorted by Albany County deputies to court in Laramie, Wyo., Monday as jury selection got under way in his death penalty trial for the beating death of Matthew Shepard.

Americans get reprieve from eviction

PUNTA BANDIA, Mexico (AP) - Nearly 300 Americans were temporarily spared eviction from their Baja California beach homes Monday, but their legal problems are far from over.

Mexican federal officials arrived at 8 a.m. to inform residents of a narrow strip of rugged coast land 100 miles south of the U.S.-Mexico border that they must vacate to settle a decade-old land dispute.

But the officials were met with a road barricade - an 8-foot mound of sand surrounded by about 20 cops - and a crowd of angry Mexican communal land owners and their American renters, mainly retirees and weekend visitors from California.

"I wish they would get this resolved so we could relax," said Jois Hofmann, a retired teacher from La Habra Heights, Calif., near Los Angeles.

Since the mid-1980s, the Americans have built small cottages to \$500,000 homes overlooking the Pacific bay south of Ensenada after buying long-term leases from peasant families that the Mexican government says does not legally own the land.

The Mexican Supreme Court two years ago ruled in favor of five other families who claim they are the land owners. A final appeal was rejected in July and eviction notices were sent in August. Monday was supposed to



Edward Phinney, right, R. Lopez, center, and Iosa Mendoza hold signs as they block the road leading to the Punta Bandia development in Punta Bandia, Mexico, Monday. Over 300 Mexican and American residents of the area blocked the road to prevent Mexican officials from serving an eviction order.

be moving day. But Gilberto Hershberger, legal affairs director for the Mexican agency forcing the eviction, retreated after talking to some of the protesters. He said he would return to Mexico City to let federal authorities and the courts work out a solution.

"We didn't come here with the capacity to remove them by force," Hershberger said.

The dispute stems from Mexico's land reform program in which large plots of land were given to peasants in 1973. The peasants, in turn, leased it to individuals and developers, who then leased it to Americans.

Under Mexican law, foreigners can't own property within 65 miles of the border or 50 miles of the coast. They can purchase 50-year, renewable leases that are held in a bank trust. An estimated 50,000 Americans have taken advantage of the law to live in Baja California.

The land reform program awarded 95 families about 18,000 acres in Baja California. Five families later challenged the borders, claiming it did not include the 180 acres where the

Americans built their homes and a developer built the Baja Beach and Tennis Club, a resort hotel. The Americans many of whom spent their life savings to build retirement homes on the Mexican coast, were caught in the middle.

"We were never told that this was in litigation," said Barbara Belding, 55, a candy store manager from Riverside, Calif., who owns a weekend home in Punta Bandia.

Still, the Americans feel they have achieved a small victory by at least buying more time.

Wheat harvest exceeds expectations

BOISE (AP) - Beleaguered Idaho wheat growers, two years into a severe market depression, wound up compounding their problems this year by harvesting more wheat than they expected, bringing in their fourth largest crop.

In spite of mid- to late-summer projections that the crop could be the smallest in five years, the Agriculture Department estimated the 1999 harvest at 104.5 million bushels, 2 percent higher than last year's and the eighth straight crop in excess of 100 million bushels.

Typically, winter wheat accounts for 60 percent or more of Idaho's annual production. And while that harvest was still the smallest in eight years at 54 million bushels, the lower production estimates during the summer turned out to be unwarranted as the crop came in nearly at the mark forecast last spring.

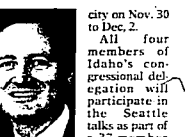
Nationally, wheat production was 9 percent below the 1998 harvest with both winter and spring varieties off. Even so, it totaled more than 23 billion bushels and with Idaho's contribution only added to the huge stockpiles that have been dragging on the market for years.

That problem was no more evident at the Idaho Wheat Exchange, a straight quarter of relatively modest declines in the amount of wheat in storage around the state were abruptly reversed this summer. The government reported that wheat in storage reached 50 million bushels, up from 35 million bushels in Sept. 1, 1998.

Nationally, wheat stockpiles is approaching 1 billion bushels.

Crapo prepares for World Trade Organization talks

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - Members of Congress from both parties do not seem at all hesitant to admit that the United States, under both the Bush and Clinton administrations, blew it when it came to agricultural issues at international trade talks in Uruguay that concluded in 1993.



Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, is the WTO Trade Caucus for Farmers and Ranchers.

"In the last round of talks, agriculture was used as a trading tool, as one of the 'gimmies' if you will, so the United States could get trade concessions in other industries," said Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho.

Consequently, agricultural trading competitors, like Australia, Canada and European countries, have been able to enjoy highly subsidized or unfair trading practices that have played a role in the lowest commodity prices in 30 years, Crapo said.

"This time around, we're going to put agriculture as the highest priority," Crapo said, even if it means 37 members of Congress from farming and ranching states tagging along behind U.S. negotiators at the Seattle talks. Crapo is taking advantage of his Banking Committee position as vice chairman of the Senate's Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance to bring a congressional hearing to Idaho Falls to talk about agriculture's role in the coming international trade talks.

Crapo and Subcommittee Chairman Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo., will host the field hearing Saturday at the Idaho Falls City Council chambers.

In addition, Crapo's staff begins more than two weeks of hearings Tuesday in 36 Idaho cities.

At a recent news conference in Washington, D.C., U.S. Sen. Larry Craig and U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, both Idaho Republicans, joined two North Dakota Democrats to announce formation of the agricultural trade caucus.

"We're tired of U.S. trade negotiators giving away the store when it comes to the interests of family farmers," U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., said.

Crapo's staff, led by his state director of agriculture, Don Dixon of Idaho Falls, will begin its hearings Tuesday in Blackfoot. The staff then moves to the Aberdeen and American Falls.

Former Idaho State official speaks out about resignation

POCATELLO (AP) - The former director of the Janet C. Anderson Resource Center contends Idaho State University officials misunderstood the function of a women's center.

MaryAdelle Revoy said she and Dean of Student Affairs Douglas Cores agreed that she should resign last month after "I was told I offended the Mormon community and two-thirds of Pocatello."

"They asked if I'd write an apology and I said, 'No,'" she said. "I'm not sorry for what I said. I told the facts."

Offending remarks were published last month in the Idaho State Journal. Revoy said a woman who was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints came to the center to discuss the possibility of seeking an abortion because she did not believe she could find help elsewhere.

"If I'd have chosen to stay, the conditions were that I talk to the press," she said. "I wouldn't be allowed to make any public presentations, and everything I wrote had to go through the dean's office."

Covey said Revoy's professional standards did not mesh with the university's expectations for the center.

The center was originally envisioned as a women's center but at the behest of President Richard Bowen the name was changed, professor Sarah Bowman said, maintaining that not calling the center a women's center was progressive.

"We've never had a women's center. We're going a step ahead of others. We think we're in advance of other people," Bowen said.

Second trial opens in gay college student's murder

LARAMIE, Wyo. (AP) - Almost a year to the day after gay college student Matthew Shepard died with a cracked skull, jury selection began in the murder trial of the man accused of instigating the attack.

A few anti-gay protesters demonstrated outside the courtroom Monday, along with people who came to honor Shepard's memory by wearing angel costumes to spread what they said was a message of love.

Inside, the defendant, Aaron McKinney, 22, talked with his lawyers, looked at his notes and smiled occasionally as prosecutor Cal Rutenka briefed prospective jurors on the selection process and warned them they will be shown graphic evidence such as autopsy photos.

"Murder is never pretty," Rutenka said. "In order to be a good juror, you have to be able to examine those photographs."

Shepard, 21, a University of Wyoming freshman majoring in political science, died a year ago Tuesday, five days after he was pulled out of a bar, driven to a remote spot on the freezing prairie, lashed to a wooden fence

and pistol-whipped into a coma. Prosecutors say McKinney, accompanied by fellow rower Russell Henderson, 22, instigated the crime to rob Shepard of \$20, but that Shepard may have been targeted because he was gay.

McKinney could get the death penalty. Henderson pleaded guilty in April to murder and if serving life in prison. He is expected to testify.

McKinney has said he had no idea Shepard was gay and does not hate homosexuals. His lawyers are expected to try to pin the crime on Henderson by arguing that he lied to save himself from the death penalty when he implicated McKinney.

The killing provoked a national debate over hate crimes and led to measures across the country adding sexual orientation to anti-discrimination laws. However, hate-crime legislation failed in Wyoming last winter after lawmakers argued that gays and other protected groups would get special treatment.

The trial also opened on the day that gay activists call National Coming Out Day and the beginning of Gay Awareness Week.

Pocatello questions whether Boy Scouts can use schools rent-free

POCATELLO (AP) - School district officials are being challenged over allowing the Boy Scouts to recruit members in the schools and use district facilities at no cost.

Carole Wells, mother of an 11-year-old boy, objected to both practices after her son received a flier at school on joining the Boy Scouts last month.

"Even though they claim to be open to all boys, they're not," Wells said during a recent Pocatello School Board meeting. "They discriminate against atheists, agnostics and homosexuals."

Wells, her husband Stephen and their son are professed atheists who believe people are not born with religious beliefs but become indoctrinated.

The Scout policy on gays and atheists has been before the courts on in New Jersey and California. Lower courts in California have voided the scout policy against gay or atheist members.

Others. Those rulings are being reviewed by the state Supreme Court. But the New Jersey Supreme Court has ruled that the Boy Scouts' ban on gays is illegal under that state's anti-discrimination laws. The Boy Scouts are appealing that decision to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Pocatello School Trustee Jeff Ricks said he was not aware that the scouts distributed their literature in schools or used buildings rent-free. Administrators plan to prepare a report for the board's next meeting.

"We want to make sure we're within the law," Ricks said.

The American Civil Liberties Union is looking into the issue as well.

"This will not be the first time for what appears to be an unconstitutional practice to go on for years simply because nobody objects to it," said Jack Van Valkenburg, ACLU executive director in Idaho.

Elderly man dies after trailer fire

WEISER (AP) - An elderly man died early Monday from injuries suffered during a fire in his trailer.

Police identified the victim as Omar Lee Marsh, 81, of Weiser. Although he was conscious when pulled from his burning

trailer Sunday evening, authorities said he died from burns and smoke inhalation about 11 hours later at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

The cause of the fire, remained unclear. The small trailer was gutted.

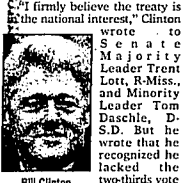
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# Clinton asks for vote delay

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton asked the Senate in writing on Monday to put off voting on the labor test ban treaty, warning that a likely defeat in Tuesday's scheduled vote would "severely harm the national security."

Republicans called his letter a first step toward possibly postponing the vote but sought further assurances the issue wouldn't come up again during his 106th Congress.



Bill Clinton

"I firmly believe the treaty is in the national interest," Clinton wrote to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. But he recognized he lacked the two-thirds vote needed for ratification. "Accordingly, I request that you postpone consideration of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty on the Senate floor."

By putting his request in writing, Clinton met one demand of his Republican opponents. The letter was silent on their insistence that Clinton promise not to revive it during the 2000 election season, but White House officials rejected that request.

"Even though we are campaigning under way in the United States, we have to take into account the larger national interest," said National Security Council spokesman David Leavy. "It would be irresponsible for the president to limit his tools-in-dealing-with-something-as-sensitive-as-nuclear-testing."

Lott's spokesman, John Cawartacki, said the letter was "merely a first step," and noted that Lott, joined by Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., Foreign Relations Committee chairman, has asked for agreement that the treaty not come before the Senate again before 2001.

"Senator Lott will discuss this reversal by the White House with his fellow senators on Tuesday," Cawartacki said. "Now there must be agreement reached in the Senate that it not come up again."

Sen. John Warner, R-Va., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, called the letter "a significant step forward" and was working with Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., to build support in both parties for postponing the vote until 2001.

# Police say girls were abducted, raped by boys

DETROIT (AP) — Four out-of-state teen-age girls were abducted at gunpoint and brought to Michigan, held for more than two weeks and repeatedly raped by as many as a dozen boys and young men, police said.

"Five suspects were taken into custody, including three teen-age boys and a 20-year-old man, police said Monday. Police Inspector Fred Campbell said more arrests would follow."

The victims and suspects are Laotian-Americans. Campbell would not confirm a Detroit Free Press report that the suspects were gang members.

The victims are 14, 15, 16 and 17, most from the Sheboygan, Wis., area, Campbell said.

The 17-year-old escaped last Tuesday when she saw a passing police officer, he said. She identified some of her assailants by names such as El Dog and Opaline.

"They had guns and they beat me up several times," police quoted her as saying. "People were in and out of the house all day and night."

The others girls also escaped last week.

# Humming economy takes fight out of wage hike plan

Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON — Congress is to debate a 20-percent raise in the minimum wage this week, but the situation is far different from the last time it confronted the issue in 1997. The soaring economy has taken the sting out of most of the arguments against an increase.

Opponents have traditionally argued that giving a raise to the nation's least well-off workers will cost jobs to teen-agers and the unskilled. But since the minimum wage was last raised to \$5.15 an hour in 1997, job opportunities paying at or near the minimum have soared, welfare

rolls have plummeted, and employment among teens has plunged to its lowest level since 1993.

Advocates of a \$1-an-hour boost in the minimum wage to \$6.15 have come up with a new view of the issue. The minimum wage, they say, is about working women. Nearly 60 percent of the nation's 12 million jobs that pay minimum and near-minimum wages are held by women, including more than 3 million women who are either raising or helping to raise children.

Raising the minimum wage "is a working woman's issue," said Jared Bernstein, an economist at the liberal Economic Policy

Institute, which supports the increase.

The increase is also supported by a large majority of Americans. An NBC/Wall Street Journal poll last March showed 75 percent favoring an immediate increase to \$6.15 an hour, with 23 percent opposed. A June poll by Peter D. Hart and Associates showed 74 percent of the public either much more likely or somewhat more likely to vote for candidates who say they will raise the minimum wage.

The forces lined up against raising the minimum wage includes the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Restaurant Association, the

National Federation of Independent Businesses Inc. and nearly 40 trade groups representing florists, fast-food chains, movie theater operators and convenience store outlets.

They wield an argument that has been well honed over the years: Raising the minimum wage costs jobs for the nation's least-skilled workers, and prices out of the job market the minority teen-agers and others who disproportionately lack skills and have the highest unemployment rates.

"People at the margin and the unskilled are the ones who must pay the price," said Richard Berman, executive director of the

Employment Policies Institute, a business-backed conservative think tank whose main mission is opposition to minimum wage increases. "Businesses either raise prices or provide fewer jobs."

But these warnings have been muted by the nation's economic boom. Millions of women leaving the nation's welfare rolls found work paying at or near the minimum wage. Teen unemployment fell from 17.3 percent in 1995 to 13.9 percent the first nine months of this year. Even the stubbornly high black teen unemployment rate fell to 27.6 percent last year, the lowest level since the government began keeping that statistic in 1972.

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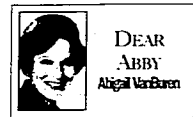
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Don't get involved in parents' family feuds

DEAR ABBY: I'm having a big problem with my mother who still feels she can control my life. She is mad at her siblings, and now only one remains because her brother just died.



her family. I want to say "yes," as I am not comfortable with "yes." My mother has been under psychiatric care since 1993. I don't feel I am betraying her. I just want all my family in my circle.

you want to try to make her change her mind. However, that is not the way you wish to live your life, nor is it the way you want to raise your daughter. Then let the chips fall where they may.

I was able to have it removed surgically, and now I am fine. Please continue to urge your readers to wear sunscreen and to have their moles examined.

If I choose to stay in contact with her last surviving sibling, Mother has told me she will feel betrayed and will no longer speak to me or her grandchildren. My husband and I are very family-oriented. We feel that our daughter should know all her relatives.

DEAR BIG PROBLEM: The next time your mother asks if you have talked to her sibling, tell her that if she chooses to isolate herself from the rest of the family, you think it is ill-advised, but

DEAR ABBY: About five years ago you printed a letter from a woman whose husband had just died from melanoma. She urged everyone to have their moles examined by a doctor.

DEAR THANKFUL: I'm pleased your story has a happy ending. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to remind my sun-worshipping readers to have this kind of checkup done annually.

Mother never told her siblings why she is angry with them, but I know. I'm not sure her reason is valid, especially since she told me that she found out while she was in a hypnotic trance.

DEAR ABBY: I'm having a big problem with my mother who still feels she can control my life. She is mad at her siblings, and now only one remains because her brother just died.

Although I was only 20 years old and did not fit the normal age range for mole with skin cancer, I decided to go to the doctor. Well, Abby, I DID have melanoma - usually the only form of skin cancer that can cause death. Luckily,

moment, consciously or otherwise. Accept commendations, flattery with aplomb. Money comes from surprise source, appreciate without being obsequious.

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Early football carriers hoped to avoid dogpile

Q. New houses changed after World War II. In came ranch-style homes. Out went the deck porches, with their rockers and gliders to lounge in the shade, high ceilings, little windows. Whimsy.



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Q. What was the secret of the Kraft success? A. Its creator James I. Kraft learned how to pasteurize cheese. That let him invent processed cheese. In 1916, this was a big deal.

Q. In football, where'd we get the term "dogpile"? A. That's what early ball carriers yelled when tackled. In the surreal hope it'd keep other tacklers from piling on.

Analysts say cigar craze is flaming out this year

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) - Two years ago, cigar sales were smoking. Buoyed by glossy magazines touting stories as an accessory of the hip elite, sales skyrocketed. In 1996, sales of premium, hand-rolled cigars jumped 67 percent.

The young and trendy. For them, cigars have come and gone. Everybody, if you will, has been there, done that, he said. It's the same story 200 miles west in Rochester, where restaurateur Ziad Wehbe isn't bothering to replenish cigar stocks at Oasis Mediterranean Bistro.

Beatty has wife's support in political run

NEW YORK (AP) - Annette Bening can sound quite optimistic when it comes to the possible presidential future for her husband, Warren Beatty.

People in the news

Bill Farley, a spokesman for Playbox Enterprises International, said, "If the restrictions go up, we'll live with them. We want to be a good neighbor."

the November issue of Cosmopolitan magazine. Even Boreznaz' favorite movie is a throwback to the past: "A Streetcar Named Desire."

But if he does choose to run, the 43-year-old actress who stars in the hit film "American Beauty" knows it will have an effect on the couple's three children - Kahlby, 7, Ben, 5, and Isabel, 2.

That's the same choice facing her character in the movie, which is set to be released in December. "I hope that it can offer something to other kids. Maybe if they think they're crazy, at least they'll know they're not alone."

Amos: Preacher's daughter rejects organized Christianity NEW YORK - Growing up with a Methodist minister for a dad, singer Troy Amos felt surprised by religion.

Grant admits she and Gill are now officially together NASHVILLE (AP) - Amy Grant and Vince Gill are now all item; that straight from the singer's prized vocal chords.

Ryder's motives for making film stem from dark period

NEW YORK - Winona Ryder's devotion to filming the best-selling memoirs of a young woman's life in a mental institution is deeply personal.

Hefner's neighbors say they are tired of his loud parties

LOS ANGELES - Hugh Hefner's neighbors say he has gone from Playboy to bad boy but they've had it with the traffic and screaming cars.

Boreznaz derives his appeal from decade of the 50s

NEW YORK - David Boreznaz may be among the hottest hunks of the new television season as the 244-year-old vampire "Angel," but his charm is vintage 1950s.

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Study says light will help raise test scores

The Seattle Times SEATTLE - Class size and teachers' skill matter, but a new study of three school districts suggests one good way to raise test scores is to let the sun shine in.

In Seattle, students in light-filled schools scored 9 to 13 percent higher on math and reading tests than those with the least light. In Fort Collins, Colo., the difference was 7 percent. In the Capistrano Unified School

District in Orange County, Calif., where researchers could compare fall and spring tests, they found more improvement in schools with better natural light - 20 percent in math, 26 percent in reading.

The study, done by a California energy-conserving firm, may be the best evidence yet to support the common-sense notion that natural light - even gray Seattle cloud beams - helps people work better.

Investigators with the Hucheng Malone Group rated the districts' elements according to the amount and distribution of light in their classrooms. Then it looked at standardized test results. After controlling for other factors that affect performance, such as family income, they found that students exposed to the most daylight scored significantly higher test scores.

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## Catholic Church pays 12-year-old to keep baby

LONDON—Weeks after the British government launched a moral crusade to cut the number of teen-age pregnancies, the Roman Catholic Church in Scotland has revealed that it is paying the bills of a pregnant 12-year-old to prevent her from having an abortion.

The announcement provoked a furious backlash Monday from abortion rights advocates and renewed the debate about how to curb Britain's teen-age pregnancy rate, the highest in Western Europe.

"We are talking... of money being offered to a child to keep a baby, which is morally wrong," said Sarah Colborn, head of the National Abortion Campaign.

Offering 12-year-olds cash for babies is tantamount to bribery," fumed Sue Carroll, a writer for the tabloid Daily Mirror. "And it stinks to high heaven."

But Monsignor Tom Connolly, a spokesman for the Catholic Church in Scotland, said the church's offer gives the girl "real choice, so the child in the womb does not suffer at all, irrespective of age or race or creed."

News reports said the unidentified girl, who lives in England and is midway through her pregnancy, was advised by teachers and social workers to terminate the pregnancy because of her age.

Her parents reportedly con-

tracted the Scottish church's Pro-Life Initiative, a program that offers alternatives to abortion set up two years ago by Cardinal Thomas Winning, the fiercely conservative leader of Scotland's 750,000 Catholics.

The family was offered immediate financial help if the girl chose to go ahead with the birth.

The church has not said how much it will pay, but it has indicated it will finance such items as a crib and stroller.

The Vatican was unable to provide information Monday on whether other dioceses make similar financial arrangements. A spokesman said it does not happen in Italy but pointed out that various groups, such as Mother Teresa's order, provide homes for unmarried mothers.

About 93,000 teen-agers, 8,000 of them under the age of 16, become pregnant in Britain each year. Just over half the pregnancies of those under 16 end in abortion.

Britain's teen-age birthrate is twice that of Germany and three times that of France. In the West, only Canada, New Zealand and the United States have higher rates.

Prime Minister Tony Blair last month called for a "new national moral purpose" after learning that two other 12-year-olds were pregnant by their teen-age boyfriends.



A soldier adjusts his rain coat while looking out over the mud that covers the La Aurora neighborhood of Teziutlan, Puebla, Mexico, Monday, six days after mudslides and floods devastated southeastern Mexico.

## Mudslide location was no surprise

### Officials knew of danger in devastated neighborhood

TEZIUTLAN, Mexico (AP) — The scope of the death and damage caused by last week's mudslides has shocked Mexico and the world. But where they occurred was no surprise: A zoning plan drawn up last year called for removing houses built helter-skelter-in-the-ravines of this mountainous city.

There seemed to be no rush. Some of the houses had been in place for decades, and officials lacked the funds or political might to force residents to less perilous locations.

But last week's pounding rains caused huge slabs of hillside to break away, sending avalanches of mud rushing down-on-houses below.



Holding her children, an unidentified woman cries in a Mexican military helicopter after it made an emergency landing following engine problems, in La Palmira Sunday in the Mexican state of Puebla.

By Monday, the official death toll stood at 34 across southeastern Mexico, but it was expected to go much higher. Unofficial counts, based on accounts from local officials and witnesses, ran as high as 600.

More than 271,000 were forced from their homes.

On a visit to Teziutlan on Monday, President Ernesto Zedillo announced a program to rebuild or repair houses destroyed by the disaster. Under the plan, low-income families who lost their homes were to receive land, \$2,000 worth of construction material and 88 days' worth of wages. Those whose houses were damaged were to receive \$200 to \$600 worth of material, while higher-income families were eligible for subsidized credits.

The flooding and mudslides were caused by more than a week of relentless rain, capped by a tropical depression in the Gulf of Mexico.

On Monday, forecasters were still predicting strong storms in nine states.

Washed-out bridges and roads have isolated hundreds of communities, while landslides destroyed or damaged houses in dozens of towns and villages.

The tobacco state capital, Villahermosa, was so gravely flooded that its streets became canals.

The deadliest damage was in Teziutlan, where rain fell for 60 hours without a break — and total precipitation equaled 30 inches.

By Monday, at least 69 bodies had been pulled from the muck at the worst of the mudslides in the La Aurora neighborhood. Dozens of desperate residents converged on City Hall, demand-



Soldiers dig through the mud that covers the La Aurora neighborhood Monday. Soldiers continue to look for victims under the mud, but are encountering fewer and fewer.

ing something be done about their damage or imperiled houses.

Across Mexico, poverty and inadequate housing have led people to build on any land they find — all too often on soft soil beside flood-prone canyons.

The city's recently appointed planning director, Jose Luis Olvera, said some officials have tried to discourage such settlements.

But others grant permits or utility services in exchange for bribes or political favors.

"It has not been possible to halt the construction," he said, puffing wearily on a cigarette.

On his wall, a city planning map showed La Aurora and other neighborhoods colored yellow as "precarious housing."

Until last year, there was not even a zoning ordinance in Teziutlan and the municipality of 180,000 people still lacks a building code.

Nevertheless, Olvera said, La

Aurora might have been safe with proper drainage and retaining walls.

But the neighborhood grew up haphazardly over 40 years and was so established that a factory was being built close to the slide area.

Authorities have already told the remaining residents near the slide area they will have to move.

"They are going to pay attention to us. There will be more police presence," Olvera said.

A dozen people from the La Gloria neighborhood wandered City Hall on Sunday looking for help.

They were forced to flee when huge chunks of earth tumbled onto their neighborhood last week.

Puebla's state university drew up a plan last year to remove residents from La Gloria's ravine, only about four blocks from the town's central plaza, so that it could be reforested and turned into a recreation area. But nobody had funds for the project.

## Milosevic blasts opposition as cowards, defends policies

LESKOVAČ, Yugoslavia (AP) — Defending his policies against years of war and economic ruin, Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic on Monday called opposition leaders seeking his ouster cowards and said they want to turn Serbia into a pro-Western colony.

Milosevic's first direct reaction to weeks of street protests against him came as major Serb opposition leaders — angry with could not raise his restaurant's prices because he would lose clients.

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messy egg-throwing battle with police who responded with tear gas.

Seven police officers were injured in the demonstrations. Police said they took in 27 protesters for questioning.

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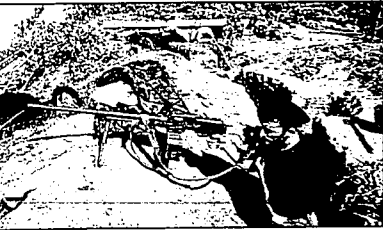
GROZNY, Russia (AP) — Chechnya's call for peace talks is a good idea, but the rebel region must first hand over its suspected terrorists, Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said Monday.

Putin reacted to Chechen President Aslan Maskhadov's offer as Russia's forces continued to fortify their positions in the northern third of Chechnya, bombing a strategic town 28 miles southwest of the capital, Grozny.

Russia continued shelling Chechen positions, especially around the town of Bamut. The rebels said they had recharged their weapons, sometimes by taking cover in Soviet-era missile silos.

Russian troops blocked off Grozny, a town 30 miles north-west of Grozny, where they believed Chechen warlord Shamil Basayev and his lieutenants were holed up, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported. The report could not immediately be confirmed.

Basayev is one of the leaders of the Chechnya-based Islamic militants that invaded neighboring Dagestan twice this summer with the aim of setting up an Islamic state. They also were suspected of bombing four Russian apartment buildings in September and killing about 300.



Chechen militants sit in a trench in the outskirts of the Chechen village of Chervonaya, Sunday. Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said Monday that Chechnya needs to hand over suspected 'terrorists' before there can be any talks on ending the fighting in the rebel republic.

Russia responded to the attacks ago by sending troops into Chechnya two weeks ago, raising fears of another all-out war there. During the first conflict in 1994-96, Chechnya fought Russian troops to a humiliating sundown. It won effective independence for itself, but was left devastated.

Although Russian troops have held off mounting a ground attack

on the capital, Russia has shown little inclination to negotiate an end to the fighting. Putin said he viewed Maskhadov's proposal "in a positive light, but I would change the priorities."

He demanded that the terrorists guilty of attacking Dagestan villages and bombing apartment buildings be extradited to Moscow, the Interfax news agency

reported.

"Give us the men whose hands and arms are stained with blood, and we will negotiate for full-scale talks," Putin said.

Giving Russian army headquarters, ITAR-Tass said a Chechen militant killed 32 villagers in Ramenskoye after the villagers asked rebels to leave. The reports could not immediately be confirmed.

Russian and Chechen forces clashed over the weekend along the Terik River, which cuts across the northern third of Chechnya and has effectively become the front line.

The Chechens said they inflicted heavy casualties and now hold the villages of Chervonaya and Chervyonnaya-Ulovaya on the north side of the river.

"It's a small victory, but it gives us self-confidence," said Chechen commander Said-Magomed Chumayev.

Chechen officials have complained bitterly that Russia's attacks indiscriminately hit civilians as well as militants. Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov acknowledged the civilian deaths on Monday, but said authorities were taking "all the necessary measures to avoid or keep to a minimum casualties among civilians, Interfax reported.



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611 Farms For Rent

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702 Farm/Ranch Supplies  
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1024 Stock Cars  
1025 Auto Services & Repairs  
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P.O. Box 548  
Twin Falls, Idaho 83303

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Burley, Idaho 83318

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Celebrate a special event in the lives of friends and loved ones with a Times-News Happy Ad. Display ads of any size are available at special rates. Call a Times-News customer service representative for more information.

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Line	BURLEY/TWIN FALLS	DEADLINE
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Tuesday	2 PM	2 PM Tuesday
Wednesday	2 PM	2 PM Wednesday
Thursday	2 PM	2 PM Thursday
Friday	2 PM	2 PM Friday
Saturday	10 AM	4 PM Thursday
As Week		

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Competitive rates on Chrysler "B" automobiles. Call Jeff Stecker at 734-8200

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We remove odors from air conditioning, chemical, tobacco, dairy, musty, pet, mildew, etc. For your free cleaning, call Cheryl Ar Co., 1-800-336-2932

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Reasonable prices, honest & dependable. 733-0931  
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URGENT CARE over 5 yr. experience. 542-0235

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A GOOD DAY CARE home like atmosphere in a professional daycare center. Int. of T.L.C. 123 1st & 2nd St., Twin Falls, Idaho. 733-0931

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Licensed child care lunches and snacks. Large indoor yard. 100% 25 year exp. All ages welcome. references avail. call 226-5784

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Expanding our shop. Offering GM experience helpful. Top Dollar opportunity. Plenty of medical. 401k. 800-878-7050.

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PT position available w/ a large replacement heater operation. Housing plus antie tortus and other benefits. Please call (208) 428-4269 for info.

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Leader/chopper operator. Wage DOE. 423-4269.

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Packaging tractor operator. Call 208-423-4269.

**ASSISTANT MANAGER - PRODUCTION**  
Leading food manufacturer is now taking applications for an Assistant Manager in production. Duties to include scheduling daily production, maintenance, shipping and receiving, and maintaining inventory. Qualified applicants should possess good mechanical ability and be able to lift at least 50 lbs. Call Jon at (208) 423-5566.

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Lube Tech/CGL Immediate Job Openings 8600 S. Hwy. 208 American Staffing 734-6452

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Full-time year round position for automotive/detail person. Must have experience in buffing, waxing, shampooing, etc. Apply in person with resume at BERT BARBAUGH MOTOR Downtown Wendell 254-6222

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**CARE GIVER**  
Seeking single person or couple to care for elderly couple. Night care only. Garden level job provided. Please send resume & references to Box 91005, The Times-News, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303

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Wanted: C-Store Clerks, full and part-time positions available. Must want to work and be available for all shifts, days, nights, and weekends. Only people need to apply. Waives D.O.E., benefits and weekends. Only 401k retirement plan. Need a change in your life? Apply in person at Kerbs O'Leary, 544 N. Overland, Burley, Idaho.

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ROUTE 736 400 Bk. Ruscly Ln. 2100 Bk. Oldwood Ct. 2000-2100 Flor Av E

ROUTE 746 1800-2000 Bk. 4th Ave. 1000 Bk. Alta Dr. 1500 Bk. Madrina Street 300-100 Bk. Morningside Drive 400 Bk. Wakefield

ROUTE 748 800 Bk. Elm St. N 700-800 Walnut St. N 1200-1400 Wilmore

ROUTE 786 800 Bk. Capri Dr. 200 Bk. Chicago Dr. 1500-2100 Bk. Falls Avenue East

ROUTE 792 1500-1700 Bk. 4th Ave East 1500-1700 Bk. Harmon Park Av. 200 Bk. Locust Ln 200 Bk. Morningside Dr

ROUTE 833 100-400 Bk. Harrison St. 100-400 Bk. Van Buren St. If you live on the EAST side of Twin Falls & are interested in being an independent newspaper carrier...

WENDELL (5)

The Times-News is currently looking for Independent Retail Carriers in the WENDELL area.

ROUTE 837 100-500 3rd Ave W 100-500 4th Ave W 200-500 5th Ave W 300-500 6th Ave W 300 Idaho 400-500 Lewiston N 400-500 Shoshone N

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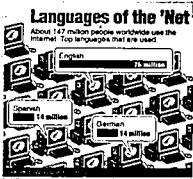
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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Idaho Works! meets at Job Service office

**TWIN FALLS** — The South Central Idaho Works! Boards meets today at the Job Service office in Twin Falls, 771 N. College Road.

The board includes representatives of many business-community sectors, workers, the College of Southern Idaho, state agencies and economic-development groups.

Agenda items include: reports from a long-range planning committee and a youth council; the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Business Plus II campaign; a child-care development task force; a summer youth program; and the Idaho Migrant Council.

The 2:30 p.m. meeting today is open to the public. The next meeting will be Nov. 9.

### Celebrate International Credit Union Day Oct. 21

**TWIN FALLS** — Some 97 million credit union members around the world will celebrate International Credit Union Day on Oct. 21, says the Idaho Credit Union League.

Regional credit union chapters and credit unions in Idaho will celebrate the day in different ways. Some will hold open houses, and most chapters plan a dinner for credit union "official family," the Idaho league said. The league said it represents the state's credit unions with assets of \$1.5 billion and 400,000 consumers/owners. It can be reached at 1-800-627-1820.

### Notice: Change in news submission deadline

**TWIN FALLS** — This week only, The Times-News will change its deadline for submission of news items to print in the Sunday Money section's YourBusiness column.

For the Oct. 17 edition, the deadline for YourBusiness submissions will be noon today.

Next week, the deadline will return to the customary noon on Thursday.

### Kmart stores commemorate 100 years with cake-cutting

**BURLEY** — Kmart customers can eat cake today.

The Burley Kmart store at 8 a.m. and the Twin Falls store at 9 a.m. will participate in a nationwide anniversary cake-cutting celebration to commemorate Kmart Corp.'s 100 years. Stores around the country will participate in the satellite-broadcast party. The public is invited.

Both Magic Valley stores have another special event coming up — a grand reopening as reformed Big Kmart stores on Oct. 22.

Compiled from staff reports

## CSI workshop aims to take pain out of small-business accounting

**By Virginia S. Hutchins**  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Time is precious to small businesses, and an accounting-software workshop starting this month promises to help businesses organize their finances with as little pain as possible.

The Intuit QuickBooks Pro accounting package is an excellent choice for small to mid-sized companies, the College of Southern Idaho says.

"It has all the functionality of a larger, more complex account-

**'Introduction to Quick Books Pro'**

**Presenter:** Jerry Reimer.  
**Dates:** Tuesday nights — Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9, 16 and 23.  
**Time:** 6 to 9 p.m.  
**Place:** College of Southern Idaho's Evergreen Building, in Wing Room 083.  
**Cost:** \$100 per person — includes

software application at a price that is significantly less," said Sherry Rust of the Idaho Small Business Development Center at CSI. The center is pro-

viding class materials and refreshments.  
**Registration deadline:** Oct. 22 — pre-registration is required.  
**Call:** 733-2824, Ext. 0830.  
**Class size:** Limited to 25 students — participants must agree to guarantee seats.

viding an "Introduction to QuickBooks Pro" course to be held in one of the college's computer labs.  
Setting up a company in Quick-

Books Pro requires an hour or less, Rust said. A few of the software's features are payroll, taxes, accounts receivable, accounts payable, invoicing, statements, credits, estimating and job cost and tracking.

"It has a graphical user interface, which makes it very easy to understand and use," Rust said.

"New releases of the software now support multiple users over a network, allowing you and your staff members access to the programs simultaneously."

During the five-week course,

participants will learn about accounts receivable and payable, tracking, aging, maintaining inventory, complete financial reporting, auditing files and more, a CSI announcement said. Students will progress through the workshop and class lecture on individual classroom personal computers.

Workshop presenter Jerry Reimer has taught software applications through a Magic Valley small business for the past five years. He helped small businesses design and set up

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## Recruits have plenty to choose from in career path

**The Associated Press**

There are lots of jobs out there, and companies are eager to fill them — with the right candidate.

The steady hiring trend of about three years is one of the longest in recent history, says Jeffrey Joerres, president and CEO of Manpower Inc.

"We haven't seen an unbroken trend of this length since the 1976-79 period," he said.

All major categories studied by Manpower in its regular Employment Outlook Surveys are increasing hiring: construction, manufacturing, transportation and public utilities, wholesale and retail trades, finance, insurance and real estate, education, service and public administration.

The only problem seems to be finding staff with the right training and background. Here's a spot review of some fields looking for recruits:



Amy Begg De Gooff, left, and Jeff Hall, both biology science graduates of the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., work with companies, government agencies and libraries to apply database management and Web page design to archives.

**E-commerce**

Business is bubbling on the Internet, so it's no surprise that e-commerce, as it's called, is a hot new specialty.

"The business-to-business side of e-commerce currently brings in about \$48 billion in revenue, and it's expected to jump to \$1.3 trillion by 2003," says Eugene Fram, J. Warren McClure research professor of marketing at Rochester Institute of Technology's College of Business.

There are and will be great opportunities for Webmasters, programmers, designers, database analysts, advertising experts and market researchers, he says.

"The technical aspect of the

industry deals with the development and operation of Web sites and the information technology that centers around it. The other side deals with marketing as it relates to understanding customers and creative advertising, appealing to a core customer base.

E-commerce specialists are a special breed responsible for pulling these two together."

**Brand marketing**

Marketing executives who know how to cut through the clutter to establish brand identity for companies are in high demand, says Deborah Delmon, a consultant with Chesapeake Delmon & New York search firm.

"Today companies really understand what marketing has to offer," he says. Marketers are wanted in every industry.

keting executives."

**Sales**

The same is true for sales and marketing, says Allen Salkoff, president and CEO of Management Recruiters International, based in Cleveland.

"Demand for sales and marketing people in information technology and telecommunications continues to skyrocket with no end in sight," he says.

"But some of the lower-profile industries, like printing and insurance, are also surging ahead. A few others, such as health care, machinery and chemicals, have leveled off from exceedingly high projections of the last half of 1998 but are still in the hiring mode."

**Interim management**

You have a good business head, but you don't want to be married to one company?

A lot of independent-thinking former corporate marketing managers and directors are becoming interim marketing managers, widening their expertise in a variety of challenging projects, according to McKinley Marketing Partners, a Alexandria, Va., interim marketing management firm.

Some DMs, as they are called, are driven to independence from a lack of career advancement in standard positions, according to Michelle Boggs, president and CEO at McKinley. They find a ready market as independents.

"DMs are mid- to senior-level professionals that are brought into companies that lack the necessary in-house expertise or staff for a new or immediate need."

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## American, Delta lower payments to travel agents, too

**Chicago Tribune**

The nation's second- and third-largest airlines have joined United Airlines in cutting the commission they pay travel agents for booking flights.

Like United, Fort Worth, Texas-based American Airlines and Atlanta's Delta Air Lines said they will now pay agents 5 percent of a ticket's price, up to \$50

for a round-trip domestic ticket and \$100 for a round-trip international flight.

The airlines offered no explanation for the reductions and refused to comment further.

Industry observers expect the other major airlines to lower their commissions as well.

The moves have been criticized by travel agents as anti-consumer.

John Closter, executive director

of trade group Midwest Agents Selling Travel, said the decision by the two airlines amounts to "another price increase to the consumer."

The commission, which now will be 2.5 to 3 percent of the average \$200 ticket, is "well below the cost of the commission," he said.

As a result, the consumer will see a big dipper and more persistent service fees, he said.

that the carriers want travel agents out of the business because an agent can give all the access options," he said.

AAA, the nation's largest leisure-travel agency, said the action by the airlines will force a deeper consolidation within the industry.

"Airlines need more than \$10 billion in profits during the last two years, yet they are asking

agents to accept a much lower commission which will have to be made up by charging consumers more for their tickets," said Sandra Hughes, vice president of AAA travel-rental services.

Despite the commission cut and the likelihood that many agents will charge a fee for booking a flight, Hughes said, travel agents are still the "best source for comparative airfare."

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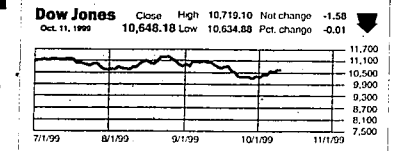
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Nasdaq hits new record, but broader market is flat

NEW YORK (AP) - The Nasdaq composite index climbed to a new closing high Monday as the promise of strong corporate earnings pumped up technology stocks. Broader market indicators ended an otherwise wise quiet session little changed.

The Dow Jones industrial average slipped 1.58 to close at 10,648.18, having gained up an earlier gain of as much as 63 points. Traders said the modest performance was expected after last week, when the Dow gained almost 377 points in its best performance in three months. The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 0.81 to 1,335.21.

The Nasdaq rose 29.38 to 2,915.95, surpassing its all-time closing high of 2,887.06, set Sept. 10.

The index, which is heavily weighted with technology stocks, benefited from strong performances from both industry leaders and highlighting new-comer eToys, the maker of a Web-search service that allows users to seek information by asking questions rather than typing in keywords.

Workshop

Continued from D1 small networks using Microsoft server applications and support for configurations to support their business needs. Rust said.

Reimer used Quick Books Pro to manage his business and taught it as part of his business workshop at the Small Business Tax Education Program.

Other upcoming fall offerings by the Community Education Center at CSI are expected to include supervisory classes, an economics and personal finance workshop and the Small Business Tax Education Program.

MUTUAL FUNDS table listing various mutual funds, their categories, and performance metrics.

## USER FRIENDLY

### E-mail acronyms

RAM and ROM are not the only acronyms you need to know around computers, especially if you use e-mail or visit chat rooms a lot. Here are a few common ones to know.

- Emotions or smiles**  
Turn your head to the left to view
- :-) Happy
  - :) Winking
  - :-) Frown/sad
  - :-( Tongue-lad
  - :-P Incapacit
  - :D Laughing
  - :O Screaming
  - :P Yawning
  - :P Tongue out
  - :P Crying
  - :P For joy
  - :P Sarcastic
  - :D Devilish
  - :D Angelic
  - :D Hug

- As a matter of fact**  
Back at the keyboard
- AAMOF BAK
  - BBFN Bye-bye for now
  - BTW By the way
  - CMUW Correct me if I'm wrong
  - See you later
  - Face-to-face
  - Fill in the blank
  - For your information
  - For your information
  - Ha-ha, only kidding
  - Hanging on your every word in any case
  - I know what you mean in my humble opinion
  - In other words
  - Know what I mean?
  - Laughing out loud
  - Oh, I see
  - On the other hand
  - Please, no "cussing" allowed here
  - Please, talk me more
  - Talking in advance
  - Tongue in cheek
  - Trying not to laugh
  - Thanks
  - Want to keep straight face
  - Thank you very much
  - With respect to
  - Yes, I understand
  - Yes, I will go private
  - Yuck
  - Laughing
  - Smiling

SOURCE: PC Novice

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## Technology that's bad for you

### Some worry new resources make people work faster than is healthy

Knight Ridder News Service

Technology has become a mixed blessing, because by speeding up how human beings get things done, it has forced human beings to do things faster than is good for them.

The New York Times best-selling book by James Gleick, "Faster: The Acceleration of Just About Everything," is a major work that documents with both wit and solid research how everything from the elevators we ride to the commercials we watch and

move to do them — and the worse we feel as a result.

Gleick, who warns about the manipulative tricks engineers use to make humans rush to meet the needs of their machines, was on the reporter's mind as he put his ATM card in the slot, punched in his identification number and hit the "\$100 fast checking" button.

The machine dealt out the five crisp \$20s in a matter of seconds, and a second later the receipt rolled out of its slot. The waiting beeper started to sound as the ATM card too popped out of its slot.

The beeper reminded the reporter of Gleick's discovery of technical literature in the journal Elevator World, discussing how buzzers are used to speed up

*It would seem, warn growing numbers of critics, that the faster our machines allow us to do things, the faster they make us move to do them — and the worse we feel as a result.*

The technology speed-up phenomenon bothers a great many people and already has generated a plethora of buzzwords: technostress, hurry sickness, data smog, information overload, road rage, burnout, Internet addiction, telephone tag, voice mail hell, cyberphobia, e-mail spam, multitasking mania....

A Chicago Tribune poll of suburban drivers released last month found that about a third say they talk on their cell phones during their commutes, more than 40 percent sometimes drink a beverage, and 25 percent say they have eaten a quick meal while driving.

Twelve percent confessed that the tension of commuting led to their making an angry and obscene gesture at least once to another driver during the past six months, and 20 percent said they had been on the receiving end of some form of road rage.

It would seem, warn growing numbers of critics, that the faster our machines allow us to do things, the faster they make us

feel as a result. That people will step quickly into the elevator and not dare use an arm or leg to stop the door from closing.

Engineers at the Otis Elevator Co., Gleick says, play tricks on their upwardly mobile customers. When you punch a call button, the particular elevator that will open on your floor won't necessarily be the one closest to your floor, because elevators often are programmed with their own agendas.

Floors with top executives may be given priority, for example. Or elevator computers may track traffic patterns and note that a capacity crowd is waiting on 14 every day at 11:47 a.m. and thus bypass 10, 11 and 12 (no 13s in most buildings) to avoid delays as people try to fit in while doors attempt to close.

"This gives the illusion of an instantaneous response and, as a side benefit, herds riders into a position of quick loading," Gleick said.

## Stick with this: Attach e-mail, rather than paste

Jim Cortes  
Chicago Tribune

### Computer Q & A

**Q:** I am trying to find a new job. I hope to be able to send my resume via e-mail. When I attempted to test the process by cut and paste, it was not properly formatted. I am using Word 97 through AOL. What is the best way to do this so it looks the same as it does when I enter it into Word?

—Joan Quigley

**A:** I assume that the people wherever you are sending your resume routinely use e-mail to screen job applications — and routinely take the time to download attachments to e-mail. If so, all you need to do is send your document as an attached Word 97 file.

Call up AOL e-mail and select Compose. Type the address where you want the resume to go and then type in an appropriate subject line. Next look at the bottom left of the e-mail window and you will find a blue box marked Attachments. Click there and you will get a file finder box for all the folders on your hard drive. This is to find the file that is your resume and click the open button. Now when you click Send, AOL will forward the Word file holding your resume, which can be opened and read by the folks at the other end. Break a leg on that job hunt.

**Q:** My wife and I recently moved to the Chicago area from London and have found your "Ask Jim Why" column very useful. We have a question regarding Microsoft Outlook/Outlook Express. Our Gateway portable came with Outlook Express. We have loaded a substantial number of contacts in the Outlook Express address book, including e-mail addresses. We now want to switch over to Outlook 2000 (the full version) for business purposes. We cannot seem to transfer all our contact information over to Outlook from Outlook Express. Is there a way this can be done without manually re-entering each item?

—Charles Sidles

**A:** Welcome back to the friendly side of the pond, Mr. S. Outlook is set up to import all kinds of address books from other software, not only Microsoft's own Express but also other competitors as Endura and Netscape. Just open the Contacts module in your new copy of Outlook and click on File. You will find a choice of Import that will walk you through moving your Express address book into the new program.

## Molecular computers may be close

Knight Ridder News Service

There is a cloud hanging over Silicon Valley.

For years, computer scientists have known that silicon, that wonder material that made the modern computer revolution possible, is under a death sentence.

Sometime in the next couple of decades, they say, an replacement for silicon chips must be found, or the steady growth in computer power that we are accustomed to will come to a halt.

A group of researchers in California think they have found

a solution — not in a computer lab, but in a chemistry lab.

A team at the University of California at Los Angeles and Hewlett-Packard Laboratories in Palo Alto, Calif., is working on ways to make computers that operate on molecular circuits, a development that, if realized, could send silicon chips the way of the dinosaur.

Continuous improvements in chip-making techniques have led to very small circuits, but the wavelength of the light used to etch the circuits will eventually pose a barrier to further miniaturization.

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