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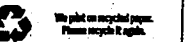
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Box Canyon deal firms up

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

HAGERMAN — At times it seemed like the deal might fall through, but the state of Idaho and the Nature Conservancy are close to purchasing Box Canyon and beginning the process of making it a state park.
The \$5 million purchase could be closed as early as Dec. 1. The complex tax rules surrounding land trusts complicated

Nature Conservancy to purchase land; state to make payments, co-manage park

the negotiations, and as the Nature Conservancy evaluated its security in the deal, the group wasn't sure it was going to work, said conservancy board member Sen. Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, who spent several years moving the project along.
"But we were never to the point of pulling out," conservancy spokeswoman Jody Holzworth said.

The Nature Conservancy will borrow the \$5 million on its own to purchase the land, which surrounds the canyon carved by water rushing to the Snake River from America's 11th largest spring.

The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation will pay a "significant down payment" and then slowly buy the land in installments, Parks and Rec Director Yvonne Ferrell said. Exactly when the first payment will be made has yet to be decided. The money, though, will come from Idaho National Environment and Engineering Laboratory penalties and money from releasing mitigation arrangements with the Idaho
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Spending bills talks progress

White House, GOP work on budget disputes

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — White House and congressional budget negotiators meeting Sunday at the Capitol wrangled over education funds and restrictions on mining and other industries as the two sides tried to further narrow their budget differences.
The disputes now cover only four of the 13 annual spending bills for the fiscal year that began Oct. 1. Several months of battling over how to allocate the projected federal surplus.
Republicans have begun moving toward some of President Clinton's demands on purchasing park lands, abortion and other issues as GOP leaders hope to broker a deal and send Congress home for the year by Wednesday.
"We could have it worked out" by then, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., told reporters.
The remaining bills cover seven Cabinet-level departments and other smaller agencies, as well as foreign aid. A fifth measure dealing with the District of Columbia's budget is all but finished.



Trent Lott

One of the White House's primary remaining priorities was securing \$1.4 billion to help communities in thousands of new teachers; the funding is part of Clinton's initiative to shrink
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FINE DAY FOR FUN



Paula Matting, right, and John Koop go for a spin down a leafy hillside at Shabbono Falls Park. Saturday's picnic weather was ideal for a group of teenagers looking for outdoor fun before going to the Minico High School Harvest Ball.

Military changes after fall of wall

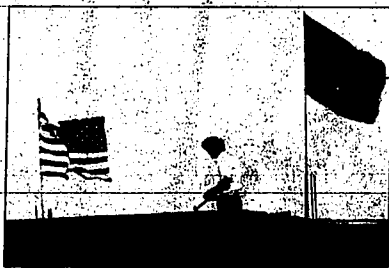
U.S. forces shrink, spread more widely

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The most recognizable change in the U.S. military in the decade since the Berlin Wall fell is its size — fewer troops, fewer weapons, fewer bases. Less well known is that the military now is more far-flung — showing the flag in such unlikely lands as Albania, South Africa and even Russia.

As a result, an American military in transition is doing more, in more places, with less.
As Defense Secretary William Cohen is fond of saying, this is not the bipolar world of the Cold War in which the United States and the former Soviet Union were locked in a superpower struggle.

Today, American forces operate in obscure places such as East Timor, Haiti and Kosovo. Defense dollars now go toward stopping black market Russian nuclear materials and preparing against North Korean long-range missiles.
In just the past year, U.S. forces have participated in a 78-day NATO air war over Kosovo while keeping a shaky peace on the ground in Bosnia — even as



An Albanian contractor is seen displaying the American flag along with the Albanian flag on a new building near the Tirana, Albania, airbase in this May 10 photo.

U.S. warplanes skirmished almost daily in the sky over Iraq.
"Within a very short period of time we had more people involved in more deployments, of longer duration, of a greater variety — than ever before," Cohen said in a speech last week.

This is partly because the nature of security threats has changed since 1989 and partly because the Clinton administration, recognizing that change, is

using the military as a tool to prevent future conflicts.
"Preventive defense," is what William Perry, Cohen's immediate predecessor, calls it.

In many ways the American military is busier now than in the final days of the generation-long Cold War. The Berlin Wall then symbolized not just the East-West division of Germany but also the split between Moscow and its communist allies

on the one hand and Washington and its capitalist allies on the other.

When the wall came down on Nov. 9, 1989, the Soviet Union still was the focal point of the U.S. military's structure, planning and thinking. While the Pentagon was moving into non-traditional duties such as fighting the drug war, it was also toward stopping the Red Army in central Europe. Now the United States is helping Russia improve the security of its nuclear weapons.

Retired Army Gen. George Joulwan was a 2nd Lieutenant when he was first sent to Germany in 1962 — just months after the wall went up. He commanded the Army's 5th Corps in Europe when it came down.
Looking back, Joulwan said the military did not realize how difficult the post-Cold War changes would be.

Leighton Smith, a retired Navy admiral, said that the adjustment has been slow but believes the U.S. military is stronger today in some ways.
"We have gone down in numbers, but we have gone up in technology," said Smith, who was director of operations at U.S. European Command in Germany when the Wall came down and later commanded Allied Forces Southern Europe.

Roof falls on churchgoers, injures 23

The Associated Press

ALTA MONTE SPRINGS, Fla. — The concrete roof of a covered walkway collapsed Sunday as churchgoers socialized on services, injuring 23 people.

Dozens of people on and near the walkway had been sharing donuts and coffee at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church when the structure came down, witnesses said.

"I heard the crash, looked out the window, saw everything running, but I didn't know what it was all about," said Sister Rita Calligan, who heard the collapse from her home at the convent next door. "When I went over there, they were just lying on the ground with people all around them."

Of the people taken to hospitals, the most seriously injured suffered from a hip fracture and a spinal injury. None of the injuries was considered life-threatening, authorities said.

'Deadbeat' or dead broke? Some unwed dads would like to help

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — For decades, they have been the scapegoats of America's welfare increase: young inner-city men who impregnate their girlfriends, then drift away while taxpayers foot the bills for single-mother families.

In the current upheaval of welfare reform, however, these low-income, unwed fathers are getting a fresh look, in some cases accompanied by a trace of empathy.
"The stereotype is that these dads don't care," said Jose Adorno, program director at a New York City anti-poverty agency called STRIVE. "They do care. They're just scared."
The reason for the new focus on "welfare

Idaho's child support glitch — A12

dads" is simple — and mercenary. State and federal authorities are targeting them as a crucial source of financial support for the hundreds of thousands of single mothers being forced off welfare.

Traditionally, poor unwed fathers who fall to pay child support have been branded as "deadbeat dads," incurring as much public scorn and judicial wrath as wealthier men who shirk court-ordered support.

Attitudes are now beginning to shift, as some policymakers realize that tougher tactics to maximize child support drive many well-intentioned fathers underground.

Social workers and researchers suggest many welfare dads want to support their kids but are hamstrung by lack of income.

In Congress, there is bipartisan backing for the proposed Fathers Count Act, which would provide \$230 million for programs aimed at improving welfare dads' earning power and parenting skills.

"There's an increasing amount of sympathy for low-income fathers who are trying to do the right thing but are caught under a huge burden of debt," said Nick Gwyn, a Democratic staff member with the Human Resources subcommittee of the House Ways and Means Committee.

"We're trying to acknowledge the fact that some parents aren't so much deadbeat as dead broke."

Though welfare rolls have been cut in half nationwide since 1994, about 3 million families remain on welfare. There are an estimated 1 million fathers of welfare children — most of them black or Hispanic — with low income and education levels limiting their ability to pay support.

In the past, few programs were directed at these men, but so-called fatherhood programs are now sprouting nationwide, agencies like STRIVE. Adorno doesn't minimize the challenges his clients face.

"We're not trying to sugarcoat anything," he says. "The financial aspect of this is not going to be easy for some of these young fathers. They need to step outside into the sunlight and take responsibility for the mistakes they've made."

PHOTOS OF THE CENTURY



Residents of Corvallis, Ore., survey the rising Willamette River Feb. 7, 1998, during one of the worst floods of the century. Heavy rain and snowmelt combined to put the river six feet over the flood stage, sending water into parts of the town. Across Oregon, 17 counties were declared emergency disaster areas.

Court to hear student fee case Tuesday

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — A lawsuit by a student who objected to the use of his student fees to support liberal campus groups at the University of Wisconsin could change the way fees are spent on college campuses nationwide. The U.S. Supreme Court, which is to hear the case Tuesday, will decide whether public universities can use mandatory student activity fees to subsidize campus groups that pursue political goals. "The decision will affect, literally, every college and university in this country," said Brady Williamson, who teaches constitutional law at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The suit was filed in 1996 by then-law student Scott Southworth. A federal trial judge and the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in his favor that the subsidies unlawfully force some students to subsidize views they find objectionable.

If the high court upholds those rulings, it could bar schools from using student fees to pay for politically active groups, or it could issue a less sweeping remedy allowing students to opt out of giving money to groups they find objectionable.

University spokeswoman Sharyn Wisniewski said the school appealed the rulings because the fees help pay for a system that serves students a forum to discuss and deal with issues that might not exist without fee-supported groups.

The fee in question is \$15 per semester for each of the 38,000 students.

Antitrust official keeps door open

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's top antitrust official says the government is "looking at a full range of remedies" to punish Microsoft following a judge's ruling that the software giant misused its monopoly powers.

Despite U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson's preliminary findings against Microsoft, however, both the government and the company expressed a willingness to consider an out-of-court settlement.

In an open letter, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates said the company is committed to "a fair and responsible" resolution. The company's chief operating officer, Bob Herbold, said on the Sunday talk shows that "there's nothing we'd like more than to settle this case."



Joel Klein

Assistant Attorney General Joel Klein, who also appeared on three television programs, said, "Obviously settlement is always an option."

Neither Klein nor Herbold would suggest what an agreement might entail.

"We would need a settlement that deals with the very findings that the court made in this case, a settlement that produces consumer choice, innovation and competition in the market," Klein said on "Fox News Sunday."

He cited "serious issues here

about law enforcement and the antitrust laws. And of course if Microsoft were prepared to engage on those issues, we would be prepared as well."

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Clintons face hefty payments for house

Questions linger over financing of the deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Questions linger about the Clintons' \$1.7 million purchase of their post-White House residence in a New York City suburb. The first couple must cope with \$8,500 monthly payments even as they wrap up their eight years in the White House. President Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton dropped their original plan to rely on a wealthy friend and political fund-raiser for help in securing the mortgage for the Chappaqua, N.Y., home. But critics and some mortgage experts believe the financing the Clintons settled on still raises questions of special treatment. The Clintons got favorable terms to buy the five-bedroom, three-story wood frame house, with swimming pool and exercise room, where they say they will live after leaving the White House in January 2001. They officially bought the house last week. Mrs. Clinton must establish residency in New York if, as expected, she seeks the Democratic nomination for Senate from New York next year. "The basic, factual issue garbled here is fairly cut and dried: Did they get an extraordinarily good deal? No question," said Kenneth Harney, who studies the mortgage business and writes a syndicated column on real estate. In short, Harney said, the

Clintons are putting down less than most people who take out mortgages that size, and they did not have to make the usual choice between paying "points," or add-on fees, upfront, and getting a lower interest rate overall. That does not necessarily mean the loan is improper or even beyond the bounds that any bank might consider. Banks have a great deal of leeway when making this kind of "super-jumbo" loan, and may evaluate a variety of factors, including future earning power, that do not fit neatly into the calculations used for more modest mortgages, bankers said. "There is absolutely no suggestion that there is anything improper in this mortgage," said Jim Kennedy, spokesman for the White House counsel's office. Kennedy said the Clintons will pay about \$8,500 a month in interest, plus periodic lump sum payments toward insurance and taxes. Tax records indicate the Clintons will pay about \$26,000 annually in real estate taxes. The Clintons are borrowing the money from PNC Mortgage Corp., the nation's 12th largest home lender last year. PNC has not commented on the details of the Clinton loan and did not respond to a query Friday.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Commissioner will ask TF for zone change

TWIN FALLS—The City Council will hear a zone change request from a county commissioner today.

Commissioner Marvin Blomquist will request redesignation of property he owns to allow a mobile home park at 2916 East and 1560 South.

The council will also have canvas hallors for last week's municipal election.

The council will meet at 5 p.m. in the meeting chambers of Falls City Hall.

Glenns Ferry School Board eyes bus bids

GLENN'S FERRY—The Glenns Ferry School Board will meet today to consider bus bids.

The meeting begins at 8 a.m. in the school district's Administration Office Board Room.

The meeting is open to the public.

Build officials will discuss public disturbances today

BUEL—The City Council will discuss a public disturbance ordinance and the city's emergency mobilization meeting today.

The council will also consider changing the Joint Fire Board Agreement.

The public is invited to the meeting, which begins at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

Jerome commissioners will review update on spill

JEROME—County commissioners will meet at 9:30 a.m. today at the Jerome County Courthouse.

The commissioners will review an update on last September's fuel spill. The spill occurred when an automatic float valve malfunctioned causing the overflow.

Commissioners will discuss how much the spill cost the county.

Commissioner Chairman Roy Bassett will discuss the courthouse has received a "clean" rating and a review of the sheriff's department budget.

The meeting is open to the public.

Jerome fair board puts carnival on its agenda

JEROME—The Jerome County Fair Board will meet Monday in the Niles-Smith Building.

The board will hear a presentation on carnival bids for the 2000 Jerome County Fair and Rodeo.

The board will also discuss the fair schedule and contracts.

Galena Lodge hosts benefit dinner, auction

SUN VALLEY—Galena Lodge and the North Valley Trails will host their fourth annual Winter Benefit Dinner and Auction at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at the Lincelight Room of the Sun Valley Inn.

Tickets for the benefit are \$50 and are available at Backwoods Steaks, Sports and the Elephants, Herb in Ketchum and at the Blaine County Recreation District in Hailey. For more information, call 1-208-725-1549.

Hailey theater will host Wazzen Miller movie

HAILEY—The premier showing of "Haley" Wazzen Miller's 20th anniversary movie will be played at 8 p.m. Friday at the Liberty Theatre on Main Street in Hailey.

A pre-show party featuring hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine will be held at 6 p.m. at Clemen's.

Silent auction items including: full-body, crocheting and whitewater rafting trip.

Tickets are \$50 a person, available at Formale Sports in Ketchum, (Round Hill) in Hailey and Steaks and Sports in both towns.

The advance ticket will be show beginning at 5 p.m. Nov. 15 at the Liberty Theatre. Tickets are \$8 and are available at Steaks and Sports in both towns. Proceeds will benefit the Hailey Ski Team and Hailey Ski Camp.

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JOB SHARING



Gary Taylor, left, and Richard Pendleton (who turns working as Hazelton's police officer and the city maintenance worker.

Some Hazelton residents question city arrangement

By Julie Pence
Times-News correspondent

HAZELTON—Some Hazelton residents are questioning whether their small city really needs so much police protection.

"Hazelton has only 500 people, and we don't need 8 hours of patrol," said former Mayor Kern Douglas. "It's not like we have a crime wave around here."

For the past 14 years, the city has relied on the Jerome County Sheriff's Department to patrol the streets. But last July the city decided to form its own police force.

The county had been spread pretty thin on the east end, said Mayor Ervid VanSickle, and the City Council wanted more of the city ordinances, such as animal control, enforced.

"The county didn't have the manpower, and the city didn't have enough money to hire its own police," VanSickle said. "We were in a Catch-22 situation."

Standards Trained) certified officers with police uniforms and expects them to wear firearms when in uniform. Though a city policeman is not required to carry a gun when in uniform, VanSickle said he has been advised by both the city attorney and the county prosecutor that putting an officer on the street without a firearm would be unwise.

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gion. To take care of the problem, last summer the city hired two men, Gary Taylor and Richard Pendleton, to take turns fighting crime and hauling garbage. Nearby Valley School District agreed to help the city pay the men's salaries in return for them putting in some hours as school resource officers. Taylor is paid \$2,500 per month and Pendleton makes \$2,000 per month.

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Reality sets in during tour of Holocaust sites

Tip highlights TF teen's study of Nazi atrocities

By Pat Marcantonio
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—June Jones touched the barbed wire of Auschwitz.

She gazed into the ovens where thousands of Jews and other concentration camp victims met the Nazis' "Final Solution."

She visited Oskar Schindler's factory and stood over Hitler's bunker.

For the young student of Holocaust history, a recent trip to Europe was both a dream come true and a look at true-life nightmares.

Jones, 19, of Twin Falls, has been studying the Holocaust since the sixth grade when she saw a television documentary.



June Jones studies the ovens at the remnants of the Dachau concentration camp in Germany. Jones went to Europe in August to visit sites related to the Holocaust, which she has been studying since sixth grade. She has read more than 400 books and has collected her own

file of information on the subject.

She doesn't want people to forget the Holocaust victims, said Jones, who is not Jewish. Personally, she has gained greater respect for life through her study.

Her interest became such that she helped arrange for two Holocaust survivors to speak in Twin Falls in October 1998.

But after the presentation by Eva and Leslie Aigner, Jones knew she had to go to where the history took place. So she saved her money and went in August with friend Lee Hendricks, formerly of Twin Falls, who is studying history in Fairbanks, Alaska.

They spent almost one month visiting Germany, Poland and the Czech Republic, focusing on many sites of Nazi atrocities.

"I thought I would be better prepared," Jones said of the trip.

She found the Auschwitz camp in Poland well preserved, eerily so.

"It looks like they left yesterday," Jones said.

Jones didn't become emotion-

al during the day they spent touring the infamous death camp. They walked past displays of human hair, glasses, soap bowls and other items left behind. Jones said she felt self-conscious and almost an intruder on the memories of those who died.

"I think I was numb part of the time," she said. "It was really shocking. It is different when you see it. I broke down when I was back in the hotel."

The facts she learned in books came home on the tour of Europe.

In Berlin, she visited the remnants of the foundation of SS and Gestapo headquarters where the Jews' fate was decided. Jones also saw the Opernplatz, the square where the Nazis burned books on their rise to power in spring 1933. She saw the stadium where African-American Jesse Owens won the Olympic medal to the chagrin of Adolf Hitler. She also saw neo-Nazis.

In Krakow, Poland, she

Pilot math program helps Jerome students

By Kelly Bryant
Times-News correspondent

JEROME—Jerome High School students are learning there is algebra after high school.

They're busy writing equations to help solve insurance questions and using formulas to help solve construction problems.

It's all part of a pilot math program to help "level off" the playing field" between classrooms and subject areas being taught, said Ken Wright, head of the Jerome High School math department. Wright has been a

math teacher at Jerome for 26 years. Wright and his daughter and colleague Karl Wright have put a lot of energy into getting the pilot program up and running. Their days often begin before 6 a.m. and continue well into the night.

Ken Wright said one of the goals of the program is to help students master math concepts. The program is still in its first trimester and teachers are finding out that some techniques work better than others. Students work at their own pace and test out of one concept.

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Jerome High School math teacher Ken Wright, sitting, works with Jerome students, from left, Tyler Barnham, The Pettigill and Chad Seibold. Jerome High School recently began a pilot math program that teaches students how math concepts apply to real life and helps students master those concepts at their own pace.

Two at the scene

Incident with EMT's shows importance of communication

By Ruth Stromer
Times-News writer

RUPERT—It isn't often that two ambulance crews meet in critical accidents on a particularly brutal boulder and another is questioned. But when it happens, it almost always leads to a discussion on how to improve communication.

When two different emergency response units—emergency medical technicians from Minidoka Memorial Hospital and paramedics from Jerome's Unistar Enterprises, LLC—arrived on the scene of an Oct. 26 accident in which one woman was killed and six people were injured, a brief conflict played itself out: Should the injured be taken to the nearest hospital, or to the closest appropriate hospital?

Minidoka Memorial Hospital subscribes to the Roman, Unistar Enterprises, LLC, on the Roman, philosophy, and when the two met on the boulder between entities, some "bumping of heads and sorting of subvers" ensued, said Unistar chief executive officer Larry Wood.

From Unistar's perspective, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center was the most appropriate facility for a multiple-system trauma patient, according to Wood. Whether MMH could provide the most appropriate care for into emergency personnel, Wood said, produced a squabble.

Jerome County has an excellent trauma center, but the emergency medical technician official on the scene of an accident in Minidoka, Unistar paramedics receive 2,000 hours of training, while the EMTs receive 160 and 180 hours of basic training before they become paramedics.

"They bring the emergency room to the scene," Wood said of paramedics.

But MMH administrator Carl Hanson said the paramedics should be getting the critically injured to a facility as soon as possible so a decision can be made as to what is the best facility for the patient to receive further treatment.

"We prefer a medical director to make decisions about the care of a patient," Hanson said.

Hanson said the district has no major authority on the basis of training. Rather than making the decision on the basis of training, the individual is more important.

"From my perspective, we'll like to know who they are," before allowing them command of a situation, Hanson said.

In addition, crews from separate facilities do not always know when the other is coming. While Jerome County has a trauma center as Gooding and Twin Falls counties, Minidoka and the other five paramedics have their own dispatch centers.

"I wish there was a way for us to come up with a better way for communication," Wood said.

Patient care was not compromised because of the communication, according to Steve Throckmorton, director of the Minidoka Unistar transported the critically injured patient to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and the other five paramedics. "We think they were treated and stabilized."

The number of critical accidents along the highway 196-208 corridor has increased significantly in the past several years and can be counted on one hand, Wood said. But the incident shows a communication and knowledge of protocol and medical services.

"If you don't know what you're doing, you don't know what you're doing," Wood said.

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THIS WEEK AT CSI ON THE AGENDA

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Today CSI Booster Club Luncheon, noon to 1 p.m., Taylor 277.

Tuesday Helping Hands administrative update, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Aspen 108.

Community Education Center Advisory Board, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Taylor 277.

Community Mentoring for Twin Falls GATE students, 1:15 to 2:15 p.m., Taylor 256.

Six-month visitors chemistry demonstration, 2 to 2:45 p.m., Shields 116.

Boise Flight Service aviation safety meeting, 2 to 9 p.m., Shields 113.

GLAB - gays, lesbians and bisexuals, 6 to 8 p.m., Taylor 258.

"Where in the Universe is Carmen Sandiego?" 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Golden Eagle men's basketball against Northwest Nazarene University JV, 8 p.m., CSI gymnasium.

Wednesday EFA Leadership Workshop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Taylor 256, 258, 276 and Fine Arts Auditorium.

Utah Small Business Development Center Level I & II Tax Education Program, 6 to 8:30 p.m., Taylor 276.

Utah Small Business Development Center Level I Business Planning course, 6 to 8:30 p.m., Taylor 276.

Community Education Center home buyer education class, 7 to 9 p.m., Taylor 277.

Auto Parts work dump training, 7 to 10 p.m., Desert 104C.

Thursday American Express Advisors, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 277.

Baptist Campus Ministries Bible Study, 7 to 9 p.m., cafeteria.

Friday CSI Ski Swap, 3 to 9 p.m., Expo Center.

CSI Outdoor Program - Introduction to Kayaking, 6 p.m., Taylor. Cost is \$20. Equipment is provided, sign-up and payment in advance are required.

"Larry Cat in Space," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

CSI Department of Music Jazz Ensembles and Combo, 8 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Golden Eagle men's basketball - Lassen Invitational, played in Reno, Nev.

Saturday Cross Country NJCAA Nationals in Lansing, Mich.

Certified Nursing Assistant winter test, 8 a.m. to noon, Aspen 108.

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's standardized child passenger safety training, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Canyon 128.

Northwest Nazarene University comprehensive examination, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Canyon 101.

United Church of God Bible Study, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Senior Annex.

CSI Ski Swap, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Expo center.

"Where in the Universe is Carmen Sandiego," 2 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

"Larry Cat in Space," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

CSI Outdoor Program Introduction to Kayaking, 6 p.m., Taylor. Cost is \$20. Equipment is provided, sign-up and payment in advance are required.

"Where in the Universe is Carmen Sandiego," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Magic Valley Astronomical Society meeting, 7 to 8:15 p.m., Shields 117.

November Star Party, 8:30 p.m. in front of Herrert Center.

Magic Valley Arts Council presents "Trio Voronezh," 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

Golden Eagle men's basketball - Lassen Invitational, played in Reno, Nev.

Sunday Grace Baptist Church of Boise, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Evergreen A05.

CSI Ski Swap, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Expo Center.

Opera Idaho presents "Magic Flute," 2:30 to 4 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium.

CSI Outdoor Program - Introduction to Kayaking, 6 p.m., Taylor. Cost is \$20. Equipment is provided, sign-up and payment in advance are required.

Golden Eagle men's basketball - Lassen Invitational, played in Reno, Nev.

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Today Bull City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall council chambers.

Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse.

Camas County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Camas County School Board, 7 p.m., high school.

Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Cassia County School Board, 7 p.m., central office, 237 19th St., Burley.

Dietrich School Board, 7:30 p.m., school's business room.

Eden City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Elmore County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Holley City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall.

Hansen City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.

Idaho City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers.

Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall.

Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.

Malheur County Regional Medical Center Board, 6 p.m., Sage Room at MVRMC Education Center.

Malta City Council, 5 p.m., Malta Electric Coop conference room.

Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Richfield City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 180 W. Lincoln.

Richfield School Board, 6 p.m., high school.

Shoshone School Board, 7:30 p.m., Lincoln Elementary School.

Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Twin Falls County Parks and Waterways Advisory Board, 7:30 p.m., Parks and Waterways building, 430 South Ave. W.

Valley School Board (Eden-Hazelton), 7 p.m., superintendent's office.

Tuesday Blaine County School Board, 7:30 p.m., school in the district.

Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., district office.

Hagerman School Board, 7 p.m., elementary school.

Kimberly City Council, 7 p.m., community center.

Merritt City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.

Murtaugh School Board, 7:30 p.m., high school library.

Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 8:30 a.m., City Hall.

Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Wednesday Blaine County Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Castleton City Council, 7:30 p.m., 1827 Planning Center.

Deer Creek City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Idaho Regional Board meeting, 7:30 p.m., Airport center, 910 E. Ave. H, Jerome.

Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Glenns Ferry School Board, 7 p.m., administration office, 821 Old Highway 30.

Heburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Murtaugh Highway District, 7 p.m., highway district office.

Paul City Council, 7:30 p.m., city office.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., office building, at 246 Third Ave. E.

Twin Falls Public Library Board of Trustees, 5 p.m., library board room.

Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., board room at high school.

Friday Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

Firefighters get the upper hand

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Cloudy and cooler weather plus a drop from an tanker airplane helped firefighters get the upper hand on a wildfire in the South Hills Sunday.

Fire Service officials estimated that the 3,200-acre fire was nearly half contained Sunday evening. A called-in air drop from a tanker helped firefighters keep a flare-up from taking off.

The fire started before noon Saturday, just south of the Nevada-Idaho border. Strong winds pushed the fire north into

Sawtooth National Forest, burning through grass and sagebrush. More than 75 fire fighters worked on the fire, with help from two heavy-duty seven fire engines and one tanker plane.

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Assessors say ag lands have no place in urban renewal

CALDWELL (AP) - County assessors say state law funnels too much money from agricultural land into urban renewal agencies, taking money away from other taxing districts and burdening taxpayers.

The Idaho Association of County Assessors wants to change the law during this winter's legislative session to keep agricultural land from being included in urban renewal.

"As the value increases in the area, (the urban renewal's share) could be quite substantial," said Canyon County Assessor Charles "Chuck" Johnson, who supports the changes.

Urban renewal districts use tax increment financing, essentially looking for the taxes for most local tax entities. As the value of the property in the urban renewal district increases, local tax entities - cemetery, ambulance and highway districts - get roughly the same amount of money they always had. Urban renewal and the local school district get the difference, with urban renewal picking up the lion's share.

Agricultural land has been key to the success of Kampa's urban renewal program. Land worth only thousands of dollars when the district was created five years ago is now worth millions.

Twenty-three acres of farmland in north Kampa was worth only \$13,700 in 1996. But the same property, now owned by Micronpc.com (formerly Micron Electronics), is worth \$581,000 today, according to county records.

The taxes from the extra value go to the North Nampa Urban Renewal District.

Canyon County's share of Micron's tax increment was \$2,752 in 1995. Last year, the county only got \$2,828, while the urban renewal district got \$1.46 million.

"Ag land is not a blighted area," said Minidoka County Assessor Max Vaughn, who questions the use of agriculture land for a program designed to clean up distressed parts of cities.

"They're stretching the statute,"

Albion Rep. Jim Kempton agrees urban renewal agencies have gone too far. He proposed similar legislation last winter, but his bill never got a hearing in Nampa Sen. Jerry Thorne's Local Government and Taxation Committee.

Thorne said he does not remember that particular legislation.

"It's a philosophical problem," Kempton said. "If you encompass large blocks of ag land, what is there to renew in the

first place?"

And while the Association of Idaho Cities opposed Kempton's bill last winter, Executive Director Ken Edwards said a decision on the latest bill has not been made.

"It's premature to talk about any position we will take," said Harward, the former Kampa finance director who was instrumental in forming the city's Urban Renewal District.

SERVICES

Lawrence J. Benson, of Buhl, 11 a.m. today at the Buhl First Presbyterian Church (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

Joseph T. Shelby, of Bountiful, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls and Rupert, 11 a.m. today at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls; friends may call from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. before the service at the funeral chapel.

Anthony Earl Barnes, of Elmsen, graveside service at 1 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (White Mortuary).

Dee W. Taylor, of Buhl, 1:30 p.m. today at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery in San Diego, Calif. (Farmer's Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Clair D. Hess, of Englewood, Colo., graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Riverside Cemetery, 15400 N. 5150 W. in Riverside, Utah; friends may call from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. today at the Rogers and Taylor Funeral Home, 111 N. 100 E. in Tremonton, Utah.

Lela N. Harris, of Pocatello, 10 a.m. Tuesday at Grace Lutheran Church, 1350 Buldy in Pocatello; viewing will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. today at downward Hansen Funeral Home, 241 N. Garfield in Pocatello, and one hour before the service at the church. Interment will follow at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Glenn William Dassetz, of Twin Falls, 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Christian Center Foursquare in Buhl.

Church, 181 Morrison St. in Twin Falls; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary with the family greeting friends from 6 until 8 p.m.

Nels E. Nelsen, of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary.

Willie E. Brimson, of Glenns Ferry, memorial service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Three Island Community Church in Glenns Ferry (Summers Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel in Mountain Home).

Donald E. Edinborough, of Baker, Calif., 2 p.m. Saturday at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER Admitted Stephanie Boddien and Joe Byrne, both of Twin Falls; and Donna Hedger of Filer.

Released War Falchild and Inge Larsen, both of Buhl; Robert Ellison of Hansen; Jodi Smith of Twin Falls; and Howard Dye of Hazelton.

OBITUARY

For obituary rates and information, call 733-9931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadlines are 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

BUHL

George W. Clark, 83, of Buhl, passed away Nov. 6, 1995, at Bridgeway Estates, Twin Falls, with family and friends by his side. He was born July 31, 1916, near Sulphur Springs, Ark., the son of Andrew and Viola Clark. He was raised on the family farm and attended the Wann School near Southwest City, Mo. He married Beulah Ford on March 18, 1939. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and had a milk business in California, then in the Magic Valley. He worked on a farm near Castletown until he went into the trucking business for himself in 1949. He hauled for Weaver Produce for many years and continued custom farm work. In 1964 the family moved to Decio where he farmed and continued trucking. He returned to Buhl in 1971. In the following years he continued trucking. He hauled for the Western Idaho Potato Co. of Nampa, and the Green Giant Co. in Buhl. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Beulah Clark; sons, Dennis (Donna) Clark of Buhl and Fred Clark of Buhl; daughter, Linda (Wayne) Stahlecker of Buhl; grandchildren, Tracy (Serena) Clark of Buhl, and Jodi Smith, Clerk of Issaquah, Wash., Lynette

Stahlecker and Gary Stahlecker of Buhl; great-granddaughter, Kaitlyn Clark of Buhl; sister, Nellie Cunningham of Southwest City, Mo.; brother, Lovi Clark of Buhl; and nephews, two brothers, five sisters and two half sisters preceded him in death. He is a member of the First Assembly of God Church in Buhl. He served on the Church Board of Deacons both Buhl and Decio. He was a wonderful husband, a great father and grandfather. He enjoyed his grandchildren very much and gave them their first "driver's education" at an early age with his pickup truck's farm tools. He loved traveling and riding horses. He will be greatly missed by all. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the First Assembly of God Church in Buhl. Burial will follow at the West End Cemetery. Friends may call from 2 to 7 p.m. Monday at the Farmer Funeral Chapel. Memorials are suggested to the Buhl Quick Response.

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Campaign efforts made a difference

Extra concern helped get new mayor elected

By Lorraine Cavenar
Times News writer

RUPERT — It made a difference that Audrey Newirth went out and knocked on every door in Rupert. It made a difference that she is concerned about the large Hispanic community in Rupert. It made a difference that people see her as fiscally sound. And it didn't make a difference that Audrey Newirth is a woman — the first woman mayor in Rupert's 100-year history.

These were some of the comments Rupert residents made after Newirth's victory on Tuesday. This outpouring of support coupled with Rupert's readiness for change brought Newirth a landslide win.

"What we saw was a vote for a change," said Rupert Renaissance Coordinator Chris Jackson.

Newirth is very civic-minded, Jackson said.

"This is a natural step for her," she said. "She will be a servant of the people."

Newirth's long history of volunteerism endeared her to many voters, said Rupert American Arts Director Patti Hansen.

Newirth volunteers a minimum of 10 hours a week keeping the books for the Red Cross.

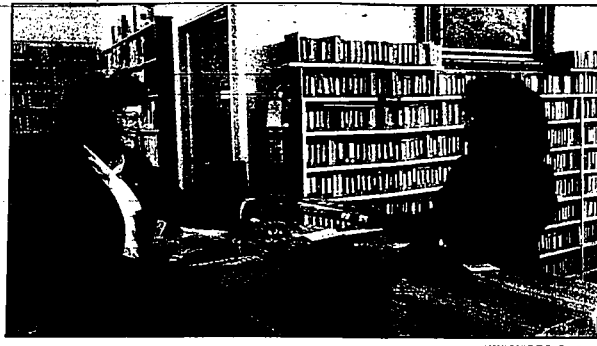
"When we submit our books to our state meetings, we always get compliments," Hansen said. "She is detailed, systematic, and concise."

Jackson agreed that Newirth's background in accounting was an important quality for a mayor.

"People like to know where their money is going," Jackson said.

And Newirth has known where people's money has been going for years. She worked in a bank when she first came to Rupert and then later in the capacity as treasurer for several different organizations, including most recently the Rupert chapter of the American Red Cross and the city's DeLamy Memorial Library.

In fact it was an issue over money that led Newirth to run for mayor, she said. She said she was upset over the way Rupert's City Council treated the library's



Audrey Newirth, left, who was elected Rupert's mayor on Tuesday, visits with Tessie Fowler at the DeLamy Memorial Library in Rupert. Newirth has been the treasurer for the library for the past several years.

budget.

When an issue over library funding from the city came up, it appeared as if the city was cutting the library's budget. Although City Administrator Roger Bagley claimed the cut was a mistake that was corrected, it was enough to raise Newirth's eyebrows.

"When someone moves to town one of the first things they check out is the library," she said. "If the library is not being maintained, people might go elsewhere."

She also saw a report printed for Rupert Renaissance that did not appear to be clear.

"I couldn't read it and could see problems," she said.

Newirth was also upset about plans to close the Rupert swimming pool.

"A swimming pool — that is a must for Rupert," she said.

"There is enough support out there that we can make some money. There are grants out there we can apply for."

Newirth realizes it can't be done all at once, she said, but she plans to work for a better future for Rupert's youth.

"We need to invent ways to get programs for youth," she said.

Newirth has been a friend to the Hispanic community and that community supported her when she put her name on the ballot. The group raised more

than \$600 to pay for radio advertising for Newirth on both English and Spanish radio stations.

"I want to treat everyone equally, help them set up new businesses, be an advocate for everyone," she said. "I care about people."

She said one of her goals is to help get viable businesses into the buildings around the Rupert Square. She said she would also like to help Rupert bring in some new clean industries such as technology or packaging.

"I'm looking at several angles to bring in things that won't put an overload on the sewer system," she said.

She said she also plans to take time to visit every store in Rupert.

"Stores here have some really nice things if people will stop and look," she said.

Newirth said taking over the mayor's seat will change her life in many ways. She will have to give up some of her volunteer jobs and will only be able to practice with her singing group, Variations, every other week because the group meets on Tuesdays — city council nights.

Mayor Dwinelle Allred has offered his help to Newirth, she said.

"She will soon learn there are many demands from the community and requests for funding for programs," Allred said.

But Allred can see that Newirth is ready to face the challenges.

"I'm impressed with her efforts in getting out into the community and contacting voters," Allred said. "If she shows the same enthusiasm she showed during the campaign, she'll be successful."

The fact that Newirth is a woman should not be an issue, Allred said.

"Gender does not determine the quality of the mayor," he said.

Hansen said whether it was because Newirth was a woman or because she had no prior experience in city government, many people underestimated her. But Hansen said it was Newirth's determination that led her to win the position.

"She doesn't say 'can't' or 'won't,'" Hansen said. "She finds a way."

Listening to people is one way Newirth plans to help solve problems, she said.

"I will keep an open door policy — communicate with anyone and everyone," she said. "I know I can't solve all the problems, but I can listen. Sometimes by listening you can come up with a solution."

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Child injured in Moscow crash dies

MOSCOW (AP) — A crash involving a tractor-trailer rig last week that killed three mothers has now claimed a fourth victim.

Carter Knoke, 10 months old, died Friday in a Spokane hospital of injuries suffered in Wednesday's crash.

The child had been in critical condition since the crash that killed his mother, Melody Michelle Cook, 25, of Genesee, Idaho.

They were in a car driven by Jennifer Knoke, 27, of Moscow, Idaho, who also died in the crash.

The other victim was Linda Lindberg, 48, a Spokane Valley mother and grandmother, who was driving a separate vehicle.

The truck driver, Geoffrey Johnston, 46, of Caldwell, plead-

ed innocent Thursday to three counts of vehicular manslaughter, a charge that carries a maximum sentence of one year in jail and a \$2,000 fine for each count. He is being held on \$75,000 bail.

He will now face a fourth charge of vehicular manslaughter.

The 14-mile stretch of highway between Moscow and Genesee has seen many traffic accidents. State records show 25 accidents in 1996, 26 in 1997, 28 in 1998 and 33 so far this year.

Wednesday's accident brought the number of deaths this year to 25. The road is the state's main north-south highway.

Idaho residents have long lobbied state lawmakers to upgrade the highway, often referred to as a "goat trail."

Reservation police obtain grants

LEWISTON (AP) — While criminal justice on the Nez Perce Indian Reservation is still a cloudy issue, the Nez Perce Tribal Police Department has taken clear steps in expanding its jurisdiction.

"The department, just barely two years old, recently received more than \$700,000 in federal grants," said Sheriff Geoff E. Idol, and by the end of next September, when the tribe's fiscal year is over, the police force will boast 14 new vehicles and

five more police officers, bringing the official total up to 25.

When the department was created in March 1997, it had a budget of \$500,000 and seven field officers covered the reservation.

Today, the department's budget has not seen much of an increase, Idol said, but has been supplemented, if not eclipsed, by federal grants.

The grants are from the U.S. Department of Justice and one is from the U.S. Department of the Interior.

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the too much time in uniform and not enough time on city maintenance.

"The weeds are getting taller and the streets are getting dirtier," said Douglas, who challenged the arrangement at last month's City Council meeting.

Douglas said from his business on Main Street in downtown Hazelton he sees one man in his police uniform all day.

"VanSickle said the men are doing more police work than the city planned in the beginning because of the contract with the school. He said one week one man mows lawns, cleans the sewer lift stations and maintains the irrigation while the other man works at the school before classes start and at noon. In the afternoon the police the city and write reports. The next week the men switch duties. The resource officer had been expected to work at the wellhouses between stints at the school, but it soon became obvious that changing uniforms in order to attend to the water was a waste of time, VanSickle said.

Hazelton business owner Teresa Rust said she has heard citizens express concern about what the city expects from the men who are to perform three jobs simultaneously.

"When they were talking about hiring those guys as police officers and resource officers at the school, people in the area were concerned about how they were going to do the police work and the city work at the same time," she said.

But business owner Lee Schwartz said the two men are hard workers.

"I don't see any difference in the amount of work they did before they started the police work and now," she said. "We deal with the boys at our repair shop and we know that they take their work very seriously."

Gary Taylor had already been patrolling the east end for the Jerome County Sheriff's Office before years while doing water-time maintenance work for the city of Hazelton.

"When we hired Gary, we gave him a lot of things that he had been getting done, and he took care of it in less than 8 months,"

VanSickle said.

But Taylor's 60-hour work week was "bumming him ragged" so the city decided to hire him away from the Jerome sheriff's department and make him a part-time policeman and a part-time maintenance worker. The city also decided to recruit another city worker to do the same.

It isn't the first time Hazelton has used a city employee to perform dual duties as a cop and city maintenance worker. From 1970 until 1985, Hazelton resident Jack Taylor performed all

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Mrs. Gore, Mrs. Bradley will speak in Boise

BOISE (AP) — The wives of the two front-runners in the Democratic bid for the presidency will speak at the Ada County Democrats' dinner on Nov. 18.

Tipper Gore, wife of Vice President Al Gore, and the Schlant Bradleys, wife of candidate Bill Bradley, will speak at the Ada County Democrats' JFK Dinner at Boise State University.

Former Robert Kennedy aide of the Ada County Democrats and a member of the state party's executive committee, said, "I am truly delighted to have both Mrs.

Gore and Mrs. Bradley as speakers at the Ada County biennial JFK Dinner. Having not one, but two such impressive speakers demonstrates the importance of Ada County's and Idaho's Democrats to the national Democratic leadership."

Bethine Church, the matriarch of Idaho Democrats said, "I think it will be good for the party. The two-party system has pretty much been lagging here lately. I think that to show young people that remarkable people like these are connected with the

Democratic party will be a double boost. I hope people from all over the state turn out to see them."

The event, Roberts said, may draw more attention to the race and spend more discussion about the campaign. The county party is not taking a stand on either candidate, Roberts said.

Church has strong ties to the Gores.

"I think that the more that Democrats know of both of these remarkable women, the better off everyone will be," she said.

"As a longtime friend of Tipper Gore's, I think she is one of the exceptional people of my time in Washington. I knew Al's father and him as a little boy. When Tipper came with him to the Senate, she was in the Senate wives organization with me and was always so warm and gracious."

Tickets for the JFK Dinner cost \$25 per person. The event will begin at 6 p.m. Nov. 18 at the Student Union at Boise State University. For more information or reservations, call 331-2128.

Owner's illness cancels annual Thanksgiving meal

ASHTON (AP) — For the first time in 15 years, town residents will have to celebrate Thanksgiving without Mary Christwell's annual feast.

Christwell and her husband have hosted a free Thanksgiving dinner at their restaurant every year to help families who otherwise could not afford a nice holiday meal.

This year, a liver ailment is keeping her from her seasonal good-will.

"I'm just sick about it," she said.

"We were in Albertson's today, and usually by this time of year, I'd go to the manager and tell him,

"I'm taking 20 turkeys out of here today. You can arrest me, or you can turn your head the other way."

The manager has always taken the second option, choosing to donate the turkeys rather than argue with the "Holiday Lady."

When Christwell and her husband, Don, began holding the meal at their Trail's Inn restaurant in 1984, approximately 80 people came from all over the area and as far away as Salt Lake City.

Now Christwell's liver is swollen to the size of two footballs, and her breathing is labored because her liver is taking up space her lungs would normally use.

"She's not bedridden," said her sister Rosy Lindsey. "But she does tire very easily. Anyone she does anything, she has to stop and rest."

Christwell's family considered carrying on the Thanksgiving dinner, but fear she will not be able to resist helping them, putting her health in jeopardy.

Another restaurant owner, Jill Lehmkuhl, is considering organiz-

ing the dinner, but will not know until later this week because she may be out of town over the holiday.

Christwell, known in Ashton as the "Holiday Lady" for the Thanksgiving feast and the Christmas gift drive she organizes, joined the list for a liver transplant in the spring. When a liver becomes available, she will have just four-and-a-half hours to get to a Salt Lake City hospital for the operation.

Christwell expects a liver might become available in the next three to nine months.

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before moving on to another. Students who have mastered the concepts can also work independently on projects to advance through the course more quickly.

Teachers have discovered that students in higher-level classes display more independent working skills while students in lower-level classes need more guidance.

Wright said some students are very independent workers while others need more guidance from teachers.

Students are expected to do homework for 15 to 20 minutes

each day. Some students have completed final exams already and are now working on advance projects to earn higher grades. Wright said motivation is the key to success.

Students conduct independent research and work on problem-solving skills and students who write problem-solving equations receive higher grades.

Teachers are still working on a grading system that's fair to all students.

Jerome is looking ahead to the year 2005 when the state will implement standards testing for graduation. Like

other schools, Jerome High School wants its students to be prepared.

Teachers are keeping a close eye on their students so they can give them the help they need before they get lost on a concept. Wright found an accelerated math program that coincides with the school's math curriculum and is researching software tutorial programs so students can work on their problem areas in their spare time in the school's computer lab. Technology is part of the program, but students are also getting plenty of drill in

the classroom.

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walked through the site of a ghetto where Jews were held before they were shipped to the camps.

Reminders of the Holocaust weren't as apparent in Germany, she noticed, but in Poland, everywhere she seemed to see memorials of the massive losses.

Back in the states, she has started a correspondence with Elie Wiesel, Holocaust survivor and Nobel Peace Laureate.

Hendricks had written Wiesel, a Boston University professor, and told him about her interest. Jones said.

For someone so young, Jones knows much about a dark period of time.

"This fall, she plans to attend Boston University to study more history."

"I figure I have a pretty good start at it," Jones said. "(But) I had a long road of school ahead."

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“He hasn't been sacked since Moby Dick was a minnow. It's going to be tough, but we'll find a way to get it done.”

—Miami defensive end Jason Taylor about an upcoming game against Peyton Manning and the Colts

IN BRIEF

Ericson's eagle, double eagle hole

TWIN FALLS—An eagle 3 on Canyon Springs' par-5, 471-yard 16th hole normally would be good enough to win the hole. Not so on Saturday for Michael Ericson as his father Ed holed out using a 5-iron to card a double eagle. This was the elder Ericson's first double eagle.

Upset loss drops Penn State to No. 6

Penn State's loss became Virginia Tech's gain. Tennessee, Florida and Kansas State made out pretty well, too, in this week's Associated Press Top 25 college football poll. While Florida State (9-0), idle on Saturday, strengthened its hold on the No. 1 spot, the Nittany Lions' national championship hopes were dashed in a 24-23 loss to Minnesota. The upset dropped Penn State (9-1) from No. 2 to No. 6, and moved the Golden Gophers (6-3) into the Top 25 at No. 20.

The Hurricanes (8-0), who pulled out a 22-20 win over West Virginia on a last-play field goal, moved up a notch to No. 2, with the Volunteers (7-1) and Kansas (6-1) also moving up one place, to Nos. 3-4, respectively.

The defending national champion Vols beat Notre Dame 14-14, the others defeated Vanderbilt 13-6.

Kansas State (9-0) also went ahead of Penn State, moving to No. 5 after a 20-14 win over Colorado.

The Seminoles received season-highs of 60 first-place votes and 1,746 points Sunday from the 70 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. The Hoopes held the remaining four first-place votes and 1,656 points. Tennessee had 1,599 points, 57 behind Virginia Tech.

In the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, the top 5 matched the AP's Florida State, Virginia Tech, Tennessee, Florida and Kansas State. Penn State was eighth in the coaches' poll.

The updated Bowl Championship Series standings, which determine the terms for its designated national title game (this year, it's The Sugar Bowl on Jan. 4), will be released today.

Kwan takes gold at Skate Canada

SAINT JOHN, New Brunswick—Michelle Kwan won the gold medal at Skate Canada on Sunday, giving her 16 wins in 18 figure skating competitions in the last two years.

“She fell during her free skating program, but she was so much better than the seven other skaters that she was the unanimous choice of the nine-member judging panel.”

The 19-year-old skater competed first in the exhibition gala and then got away early and fly-into California, where she has an exam at UCLA.

First place was worth \$30,000. Kwan also won \$20,000. American in Colorado Springs, Colo.

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Hollywood finish gives Woods fourth straight win

The Associated Press

SOTOGRADE, Spain—Tiger Woods had the right answer for every occasion Sunday in the American Express Championship. It was the highest point at Valderrama Golf Club, with the Rock of Gibraltar looming, he heard the roars for Miguel Angel Jimenez resound in the valley and responded with a chip-in for eagle on No. 11.

Even after his lowest moment, a triple bogey on the tricked-up 17th that knocked him out of the lead, Woods never lost his cool and kept his mind on the possibility of a playoff.

The result: another victory for Woods, and a question that no one can answer right now. When will he ever lose?

Woods became the first player since Ben Hogan in 1953 to win four straight tournaments by capturing the final official PGA Tour event of the year in a playoff over Jimenez, thanks to Hoganlike play and a Hollywood finish.

The record for consecutive victories on the PGA Tour is 11, set by Byron Nelson in 1945, and even that no longer seems unshakable. “Hopefully, next year I’ll play the same type of golf, and we’ll see about the number of victories,” he said making a 12-foot birdie on the first extra hole to become golf’s first \$6 million man.

“I’ve had a great season, and it’s nice to end it this way and to get a victory on a tough, tough, tough day.”

Tough? Bizarre? More like it. He made his winning putt under

floodlights around the 18th green, with the Spanish Civil Army ducked out in their paramilitary suits holding back a throng of fans in the fairway.

And only an hour earlier, it appeared the greatest round of Woods’ career would be wasted on the diabolical 17th hole, where a perfect shot rolled helplessly off the green and into the water, leading to a triple bogey.

“You can’t get down on yourself for hitting good shots,” Woods said. “The execution of the shot were all good. It’s just unfortunate.”

Jimenez, cheered by a Spanish gallery so partisan that it brought back memories of the Ryder Cup, made a bogey on the last hole to fall back into a tie and allow Woods another chance.

He took advantage, as he has



Tiger Woods follows through on a shot during the final round of the American Express world championship event in Valderrama, Spain, Sunday afternoon.

done all year, earning another \$1 million payday and bringing an end to one of the most memorable years in golf.

Woods has won eight times in his last 11 tournaments, including a victory against a world-class field in Germany. He became the first player since Johnny Miller in 1974 with

eight PGA Tour victories in five seasons, a feat matched by only five others.

By finishing the year with four consecutive victories, a streak that started and ended with a World Golf Championship title, he earned \$66 million, nearly \$3 million more than David Duval.

Modell stays home; Ravens win

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND—Sitting in his luxury suite, Art Modell would have loved the sight.

As his Baltimore Ravens celebrated, embarrassed Cleveland Browns fans came to the game seeking revenge, hung their heads and raved for the exit.

With Modell watching on TV back in Baltimore, refusing to return to the city he left four years ago, Eric Rietz rushed for two touchdowns and Baltimore's defense thrashed Cleveland rookie quarterback Tim Couch in a 41-9 rout of the Browns.

“It was three times bigger for him than it was for us,” Rhetz said of Modell. “We really wanted to win this game for real.”

Cleveland fans waited four years for a chance at revenge over Modell, the owner who took their beloved Browns to Baltimore in 1995. They also wanted a piece of Ravens coach Brian Billick, who earlier this week said the NFL hoped the Browns would win and that the game officials might be influenced by Cleveland’s 3-5 home record.

But the Ravens (3-5) didn't need help from anyone, snapping a three-game losing streak by dominating the expansion Browns (1-8), who managed just 10 first downs—five during garbage time in the fourth quarter with just 66 total yards.

“When I signed here, the first thing I heard from everybody was ‘Brian Billick is a bad man,’” said Orlando Brown said. “But ‘em up. That was on my mind the whole time. This is very disappointing.”

Following the game, Billick



Cleveland fans show their opinion of Baltimore owner Art Modell during the Ravens' 41-9 win over the Browns Sunday.

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spoke on the phone with Modell before being asked about his remarks that touched off the controversy and could lead to a fine from the NFL.

“Outstanding,” Billick quipped when asked about the officiating. “Unbelievable. I couldn't have agreed more with every single call.”

The 41 points were the most points ever scored by a Ravens team and the fewest they've ever allowed.

Modell must have been loving every second.

“He’s excited,” said Billick, who talked with his owner after the game. “He felt good who played

hard, worked hard and handled ourselves with class.”

Rod Woodson returned a late interception 66 yards for a TD and Matt Stovey kicked two field goals for the Ravens. Justin Armour, cut during training camp by Cleveland, had five receptions for 39 yards.

Couch, whose desperation pass on the final play at New Orleans gave the Browns their first win last week, finished 9-of-21 for 57 yards and was sacked four times.

As the clock wound down, the rookie sat dejectedly on the Browns bench with a towel draped over his head.

He was replaced at the start of the fourth by Detmer, who hit Terry Kirby on a 5-yard TD pass with 5:13 left.

“It was very disappointing,”

Couch said. “We wanted to put on a good show today and we were just not able to.”

Baltimore quarterback Tony Banks wasn't spectacular, but didn't make any mistakes, completing 14 of 25 passes with a TD for the Ravens. Rhetz had 17 carries for 117 yards, and broke open a still-close game in the third quarter with a 52-yard TD run.

Banks, who began the season as the Ravens' starting quarterback, looked like he wants to keep the job for the whole season in the first half.

He went 5-for-5 on Baltimore's first possession, completing a pair of third-down passes to keep the scoring drive alive. From the Browns 11, Rhetz plowed through a pileup at the 2 for the score.

Chebet leads 30,000 to marathon finish line

New York Daily News

NEW YORK—Slicing through the wind like a blade, flying through five boroughs as if he were being channeled by wind, Joseph Chebet crossed the finish line at Sunday's New York City Marathon, ahead of a pack of 30,000 people, and a runner-up

...He held a finger up in the air. He bent over in pain, and looked ready to lose his breakfast. Then somebody handed him a cell phone and had Chebet hold it to his ear, as if to phone home to Kenya. It was a bogus call, a sponsor's stunt to draw attention to Chebet's day that was not thoroughly legitimate.

“Last year I was only beaten in the last 500 meters, so I had the hope that I could win,” the 29-year-old Chebet said.

After consecutive second place finishes to countryman John Kogwe, Chebet did precisely that on a bracing day that was



New York City marathon winners Joseph Chebet of Kenya, left, and Adriana Fernandez of Mexico are all smiles after receiving their awards.

46 degrees at the start. He crossed in two hours, nine minutes, 14 seconds, surviving a war of wills, and surges, in the final three miles with Portugal's Domingos Castro (2:09:20).

There were no such dramas in the women's race, which Mexico's Adriana Fernandez won in a rout, her clocking of 2:25:00 the second-fastest in race history. Like Chebet, Fernandez

was runner-up a year ago, but made certain it wouldn't happen again, covering the second half (1:12:03) faster than the first (1:13:03).

“Chebet is somebody with incredible talent,” said two-time winner German Silva, who was one of the purchasers in the race. “It looked at the end like he could run to 50 kilometers (31 miles).”

Coupled with his victory in Boston last April, Chebet becomes only the third athlete (Alberto Salazar and Bill Rodgers are the others) to pull off the Boston-New York double.

The third-place finisher was Kenya's Shem Kororia. Kagwe, looking for his third straight triumph, stayed with the lead pack through 23 miles, before slipping to fifth (2:09:39).

“It is okay,” Kagwe said. “Some days someone has depression, some days you have happiness.”

Track leader dies

ROME—Primo Nebolio, the authoritative head of track and field's governing body for nearly 60 decades and one of the most powerful figures in international sports, died Sunday at 76.

Nebolio died at the Hotel del Circo after a heart attack at his home in Rome, the International Amateur Athletic Federation said.

His spokesman Giorgio Balzani said Nebolio recently was ill with a cold and high fever.

During his 38 years as head of the IAAF, and seven years on the International Olympic Committee, Nebolio was outspoken and solid with an iron grip in raising the profile and profits for track and field.

He retained his unchallenged hold on power despite rumors of ill health and frequent complaints about his authoritarian style. Olegan recently gave him another four-year mandate to lead the group. He was unopposed. For the past two decades, Nebolio was among the premier rulers in world sports, along with IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch.

—The Associated Press

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Wife of Coit dies of labor complications

INDIANAPOLIS — Nichole Muhammad, the wife of Indianapolis defensive back Steve Muhammad, died Sunday after giving birth to a stillborn baby.

Colts coach Jim Mora led off his postgame news conference with the announcement of Mrs. Muhammad's death during Sunday's 25-17 victory over the Kansas City Chiefs. The hospital said later that the baby was stillborn.

"You won't find a very festive locker room," Mora said. Mrs. Muhammad, 30, went into the hospital Saturday and that her husband, who was declared inactive for the game, spent the night at the hospital.

"He returned to the (team) hotel and then left around four in the morning. We heard this morning that she wasn't doing very well," Mora said, adding that club president Bill Polian notified the team after the game that Muhammad's wife had died.

The couple's baby was stillborn at 5:50 a.m. Sunday, and Mrs. Muhammad died at 1:30 p.m., hospital officials said. They gave no other details.

Boxing ring melee leaves official injured

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Two people were arrested and a boxing official was injured early Sunday when a chair-throwing melee broke out after a heavyweight bout.

More than 50 people were involved in the fight, which came after Hasim Rahman was knocked out — and out of the ring — by Oleg Maskaev of Russia.

Steve Senger, an alternate referee for the fight who was sitting ringside, was struck in the back of the head by a thrown chair. He was treated at the scene but did not require stitches.

There were no other injuries, police said.

Stewart family may not have case

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — A new state law may prevent the family of golfer Payne Stewart, killed in a Learjet crash, from suing the manufacturers of the aircraft.

Stewart and five others died Oct. 25 after their Learjet took off from Orlando, became disabled and then flew 1,400 miles on autopilot before crashing in South Dakota.

The new law, effective Oct. 1, exempts commercial planes that are more than 20 years old from product liability claims.

The plane Stewart was riding on was 23 years old. But legislative staff members who helped draft the new law-limiting law said they doubt the measure would apply to the Stewart crash. Legislation passed in a four-year period for product liability lawsuits against transportation manufacturers, including plane and ship companies.

Tauziat's victory spools Czech bid

LEIPZIG, Germany — Nathalie Tauziat of France continued a face-peeker roll, winning Sunday in the second time in three weeks when she spoiled Czech qualifier Kvetta Hrdlickova's chance to make tennis history in the Sprinter Open Cup.

The second-seeded Tauziat took advantage of the Czech's nervousness and fatigue in posting a 6-1, 6-3 victory at the \$520,000 event. Hrdlickova, ranked 67th, failed to become the lowest-ranked WTA player ever to win a tournament of this size.

She had fought her way into the finale by winning eight matches. In the semifinals, she ousted a top-10 player — France's Mary Pierce — for the first time.

Agassi defeats Safin for Paris Open title

PARIS — Andre Agassi added a Super 9 tie to his 1999 Grand Slam crowns, outwitting Russian teenager Marat Safin on Sunday to win the Paris Open.

The French and U.S. Open champion had a little too much savvy for the unseeded Safin, winning 7-1, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4 in 2 hours, 37 minutes.

Agassi called his game when it mattered, winning five of seven break points, compared to only three of 13 for Safin.

Borrowed clubs nets LPGA win for Hjorth

OSU, Japan — Her golf clubs never made it in time for the first round, bouncing from one airport to another.

Not that it mattered to Maria Hjorth. She borrowed some clubs and won the \$800,000 Mizuno Classic by five strokes on Sunday.

The Swede shot a 5-under-par 67 to capture the next-to-last tournament of the LPGA season. She earned \$120,000, moving up three places to 11th on the money list.

Hjorth finished the three rounds at 15-under 201. Tied for second at 10-under 206 were Laura Davies and three standouts from the LPGA's LPGA money-winner Fumiko Muraguchi, Aki Nakano and South Korean Ko Ok-hee.

McCord wins Senior Tour Championship

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. — Larry Nelson doesn't usually listen to Gary McCord, especially when the irreverent analyst knocks his own golf game.

"He's a very colorful character," said Nelson, who finished a second at McCord's Senior Tour Championship on Sunday. "But he's also very serious about his game. You can't shoot the scores he shoots without being serious."

McCord, who has found fame in the TV booth for CBS, in the movies in "Tin Cup" and as the best-seller with "Golf for Dummies," found it where he loves it most, as a champion golfer.

McCord showed that personality can play on the Senior PGA Tour, playing his final 36 holes in 13-under par. He earned \$347,000 and finished the year with \$993,211, about \$300,000 more than he made in 25 seasons on the PGA Tour.

Oklahoma rancher wins bass touney

CYPRESS GARDENS, Fla. — Darrel Robertson, an Oklahoma cattle rancher, walked away with \$600,000 in the Ranger M1 bass tournament Sunday, in a finish worthy of Hollywood.

Robertson, who had a 10-pound, 6-ounce tot for the final day's fish-off, caught his two winning fish in the final 15 minutes, using a lure he'd borrowed from someone else.

His win came just days after he faced pulling out when he was hospitalized with a kidney stone. Robertson fished the first day of the four-day tournament in agony, passing the stone Thursday night and going on to win.

He caught the winning fish, a 3-pound, 6-ounce fish and a 2-pound, 6-ounce bass, 15 minutes before the deadline on a Daiwa lightest-racing crankbait he'd borrowed from an amateur partner on the day of the tournament.

Lady Vols knock off U.S. national team

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — No matter how you look at it, Tennessee's 63-61 win over the U.S. Women's National Team on Sunday was a walk-up job for somebody.

Either the U.S. team that's tuning up for the 2000 Olympics needs to pick it up a notch, or the college basketball world had better look out for Tennessee. Maybe some of both.

The game came down to the final two possessions before 12:67.

The U.S. team led 64-63 after Tennessee stole an inbound pass and Kristen "Ace" Clement scored with 50 seconds left.

The national team tried to go inside to Lisa Leslie, who led all scorers with 18 points, but Michelle Snow stole the entry pass and the Lady Vols called time out with 17 seconds left.

Tennessee went to freshman Kara Lawson, whose running 8-footer banked in with 10 seconds left.

Compiled from wire reports

Seahawks win sixth; Bengals lose eighth

SEATTLE (AP) — Jon Kitna passed for three touchdowns in the first half and Ricky Waters scored his first touchdowns of the season as the surging Seattle Seahawks beat the struggling Cincinnati Bengals 37-20 Sunday.

Under new coach Mike Holmgren, the Seahawks (6-2) moved into sole possession of first place in the AFC West after their first-half success since 1984. Kansas City (5-3) fell to second in the division with a loss at Indianapolis.

It was the second win in six days for the Seahawks, who were coming off a Monday night win over Green Bay. The team could get more good news on Monday, when top receiver Joey Galloway is expected to end his season-long holdout.

The Bengals (1-8) lost their fourth in a row for the second time this season. They are 2-18 in their last 20 games over two years.

Jeff Blake threw a 75-yard TD pass to Carl Pickens in the first quarter for Cincinnati's longest play of the season. But Blake, starting in place of injured rookie Akili Smith, also threw two interceptions.

Waters, who had his second straight 100-yard rushing game, ran for a touchdown and caught a TD pass from Kitna. The three TD passes were a career best for Kitna, who was making his 13th career start.

Bengals linebacker Camute Curtis was carried off the field on a stretcher in the third quarter after injuring his neck while tackling Waters. Curtis was taken to a hospital for X-rays, but Cincinnati officials said he was able to move.

Waters gave Seattle a 7-0 lead on a 19-yard touchdown run with 2:54 gone in the game. After Doug Kelley kicked a 50-yard field goal for Cincinnati, Kitna found Waters in the end zone with an 8-yard pass with 6:36 left in the first quarter.

After getting his helmet knocked off on a sack by Myron Bell earlier in the series, Kitna threw a 20-yard TD pass to Mike Pritchard in the second quarter. Kitna threw this third TD pass of the half with 4:59 left, a 10-yarder to Derrick Mayes.

Seattle's Darrin Smith intercepted Blake in the end zone with 49 seconds left in the opening half.

The Seahawks lost starting defensive linemen Michael Sinclair (groin) and Sam Adams (knee) in the first half because of injuries. They did not play in the second half.

Jets 12, Cardinals 7

At East Rutherford, N.J., Keyshawn Johnson caught a 43-yard scoring pass from Rick Mirer with 5:29 left to give the New York Jets their first home win this season.

Artis Martin rushed for more than 100 yards for the third straight game, gaining 131 on 38 carries. The Jets (2-6), who had lost their previous four home games, sacked Dave Brown six times. Arizona fell to 2-6.

Bills 34, Redskins 17

At Landover, Md., Buffalo (6-3) scored on five of its first six possessions and Doug Flutie scrambled for a first down on four of them.

Flutie passed for 40 yards, and completed 16 of 22 passes for 211 yards and two touchdowns. Antwan Smith ran for two TDs as the Bills had their highest point total of the season. The Redskins fell to 3-3.

Jaguars 30, Falcons 7

At Atlanta, Mark Brunell passed for three touchdowns, Fred Taylor ran for 124 yards and the top-rated Jacksonville defense stifled the Falcons.

Jackie Battle (7-1) set a team record by sacking Atlanta quarterback four times. The Falcons (2-7) managed only four first downs and 58 yards in the second half.

Colts 25, Chiefs 17

Indianapolis Peyton Manning passed for 295 yards and threw a six-strike drive that resulted in 21 gains and scored on a 7-yard scramble early in the fourth quarter as the



Cincinnati's Tony McGehee (42) is interviewed by Seattle's Dave Williams (22) as Seahawks running back Waters moves in during the Seahawks' 37-20 win Sunday at the Kingdome.

Colts 20, Chiefs 17

Manning's 7-yard TD run gave Colts a 22-17 lead over the Chiefs (5-3). Mike Vanderjag added his fourth field goal of the game, a 37-yarder with 1:10 left.

Panthers 33, Eagles 7

At Charlotte, N.C., Carolina (3-5) forced five turnovers and converted them into 20 points to beat Philadelphia (2-7).

Carolina's Sean Gilbert had a sack and forced a fumble, and Kevin Greene had a sack and a fumble recovery to lead a defense that held the Eagles to 249 yards. Steve Beuerlein threw three TD passes, including two to Mutsin Muhammad, and John Kasay kicked four field goals for the Panthers.

Bears 14, Packers 13

At Green Bay, Wis., Brett Favre drove the Packers 73 yards in the last 3:19, but Ryan Longwell's 27-yard field goal attempt was blocked by Bryan Robinson as time expired.

The Bears (4-5) snapped a three-game losing streak despite losing starting quarterback Cade McNown with a sprained right knee after the second series of the game. The Packers (4-4) lost for the third time in four games, including consecutive home defeats for the first time since 1991.

Buccaneers 31, Saints 16

Trent Dilfer, benched the previous week for Eric Zeier, threw three TD passes as Tampa Bay (6-4) won in New Orleans (1-7).

Dilfer, back in the starting spot because of Zeier's injured ribs, threw TD passes of 62 yards to Jacques Green, 1 yard to John Davis

and 10 yards to Darnell McDaniel. Mike Alston rushed for 217 yards and a touchdown for the Bears.

Broncos 33, Chargers 17

At San Diego, rookie quarterback Gary Kubiak ran for 106 yards and scored twice as Denver (3-4) beat the Chargers (4-4) for the fifth straight time.

Jason Elam kicked three field goals for the Broncos, who were three yards short of beating back Chris Miller because of injuries to Brian Corne and Bobby Brown. The Chargers have followed a three-game winning streak with a three-game losing streak in which they've been outscored 58-20.

Steelers 27, 49ers 6

At San Francisco, Kordell Stewart led five scoring drives as Pittsburgh (5-3) handed the 49ers (3-5) their fourth consecutive loss.

Stewart, who has struggled this season, completed 15 of 26 passes for 129 yards. Jerome Bettis ran for two touchdowns and Elton Stewart set a franchise record for the fourth time in five road games this season.

Dolphins 17, Titans 0

MIAMI — Damon Howard threw two touchdowns passes and the Miami Dolphins' defense pitched a shutoff.

Sam Madison intercepted Steve McNair three times and Miami was again without Dan Stewart as the Steelers won for the fourth time in five road games this season.

Rams lose second in a row

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — The Detroit Lions, despite the retirement of Barry Sanders and mounting injuries, kept finding new heroes in surprising rise to the top of the NFC.

In a wild shootout Sunday, backup quarterback Gus Frolotte tossed a 12-yard touchdown pass to Johnnie Morton with 28 seconds remaining as the Lions beat St. Louis 31-27 for their fourth straight victory.

The win pulled the Lions (6-2) even with the equally surprising Rams (6-2) atop the conference, but gives Detroit a potential tie-breaking win.

"We proved that we are for real," Lions safety Ron Rice said. "One of the best teams in the NFL just came in here and got beat."

Frolotte, who completed 12 of 16 passes for 209 yards and two touchdowns, played the entire second half because Charlie Batch — who passed for 149 yards and one touchdown in the first half, sprained the thumb on his throwing hand.

On the winning drive, the Lions went 77 yards in 10 plays, the biggest of which was a 57-yard toss to Germaine Crowell in front of Rams cornerback Dexter McCleon on fourth-and-28 at the Lions 21.

"On fourth-and-28 or whatever it was, you just throw it up and let the guys run under it," Frolotte said. "It looked like both of their guys fell down and Germaine was just standing there."

"That was an amazing play. I just held the ball as long as I could and let it go."

McCleon was devastated by his mistake.

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AFC	Pittsburgh	10	3	0	.769
	San Diego	9	4	0	.692
	Denver	8	5	0	.615
	Indianapolis	7	6	0	.538
	San Francisco	7	6	0	.538
	Atlanta	7	6	0	.538
	Los Angeles	6	7	0	.462
	Buffalo	6	7	0	.462
	Philadelphia	6	7	0	.462
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"Any more questions about my troubled relationship with the media?"

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

NFL football, Cowboys at Vikings ABC 7 p.m.
Figure skating, professional championship ESPN 7 p.m.
NBA basketball, Jazz at Clippers FOX 8:30 p.m.

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OTHER VIEWS

Property owners alone can't fix Idaho's decaying schools

From the Post Register (Idaho Falls)

Whatever the size of Idaho's backlog of school building needs, the state still lacks a reasonable way of addressing it.

For almost a decade, Idahoans have been told they should spend \$700 million on needed school improvements. A study commissioned by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has come up with a new finding: The state needs only about \$274 million for school buildings.

But the state has not invested anything close to \$426 million in its school buildings during the last six years. The backlog didn't melt away. Idaho just lowered its standards and the committee's report reflects it.

To some extent, the state has made progress. In the last six years, voters in many areas have imposed new taxes on themselves to replace and repair rundown or inadequate school facilities. Swelling enrollments have compelled them to build new schools. And they've invested millions in computers and high-tech infrastructure.

Idaho has replaced 18 of its 71 worst school buildings. But the New study says:

Idaho must spend about \$62 million to fix safety and health problems. The state needs to spend \$74.6 million to deal with its worst buildings. Giving every student access to modern technology will cost \$61.4 million. Because Idaho's student enrollments will continue to grow, the state will need \$136 million more for new schools.

At \$700 million, the statewide back-

log intimidated some people and discouraged others from taking any action at all. So lowering the standard to a more attainable goal might be worthwhile — as long as the state gives parents the means to reach that less ambitious goal.

But it hasn't. Idaho requires school construction bonds to win a two-thirds majority vote — and the state insists that local taxpayers pay the entire cost of construction. That's the toughest standard in the country.

That's why it took repeated elections to pass a bond to replace Butte County's firetrap of a high school.

That's why Troy is stuck with a 95-year-old high school building that has failed two state safety inspections.

In his successful campaign for governor, Kempthorne pledged to do something about the problem. — But "aside from urging lawmakers to lower the two-thirds majority at the start of the 1999 legislative session, the governor has been silent on this point.

The courts may force Kempthorne and the Legislature to act. As long as property taxes remain the sole source for financing schools, some taxpayers will never go along with improving schools. So some school districts are suing the state. They say the system creates an unacceptable disparity among schools in Idaho.

Kempthorne and lawmakers shouldn't wait for a court order. Local schools need more tools to finance school construction. Whether the backlog is \$700 million, \$274 million or something in between, it won't disappear on its own.

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The Democrats' race gets interesting (sort of)...



Neilsen hotel is right vision for the future

Change is not necessarily a bad thing. It usually just takes some getting used to. Viewing Twin Falls growth from the College of Southern Idaho campus over 30 years, the outward expansion of Twin Falls has certainly been dramatic. Since CSI has been responsible for some of this development, I would like to think it has been positive for Twin Falls and its citizens.

Craig Neilsen's proposed Canyon Park property development on the canyon rim is a perfect example of such future development. The horses are gone. The pasture is now graded and prepared to become a major business development. The once nearly secret road leading down to Canyon Springs Golf Course now turns into a wide thoroughfare that gives access to two existing hotels and leads to future stores, restaurants, movie theaters and a hotel and convention center. The crowning achievement in the Neilsen plan is a 175-room hotel and convention center.

Here's why I think it would be a very good development for Twin Falls and the Magic Valley.



READER COMMENT
Gerald Meyerhoeffer

When northern Idaho visionary Duane Hagedone wanted to build his resort and golf course on the Coeur d'Alene shoreline, a number of Coeur d'Alene residents were afraid that it would spoil the lake's appearance. It's actually done just the opposite. The beauty of the high-rise hotel and its modern, tasteful surroundings have added yet more grandeur to the lake. Coeur d'Alene has become a tourist destination resort.

stop over in Twin Falls. I also see tremendous additional employment opportunities for graduates from the College of Southern Idaho's Hotel and Restaurant Management, Culinary Arts and Business departments. Our best local graduates of these programs too often pursue their careers far from southern Idaho. A business of this magnitude could be the perfect destination for some of our best and brightest. Finally, let's give credit to Craig Neilsen and his company for having the integrity to build and maintain a high quality operation. Mr. Neilsen and his family have been conscientious and supportive members of the Twin Falls business community for many years. We needn't worry that the Neilsen Co. would build anything that would detract from our scenic treasure.

Craig Neilsen knows and appreciates our community standards. If you look at other Neilsen businesses, you know this development will reflect all the positive beauty of the Snake River Canyon and will make us all very proud.

Gerald Meyerhoeffer is the president of the College of Southern Idaho.

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LETTERS

any person desiring to do any work within or upon any street or alley shall file an application to the City Council. This has never been done by our city clerk.

In July when the mayor, not the council, said he had no objection to Darlene Miller gravelling her end of the alley, he also said the rest of the alley would not be opened until the residents further down wanted it. Apparently, they haven't requested it, since they have filed suit against the city. In the Aug. 11th issue of The Times-News, your reporter, Margaret Jones, stated:

"When the town had been originally laid out, this area was available for a railroad spur." Where did she get this information — from the city or the county recorder's office? The original plat map was recorded with the state in 1908 and it does show a railroad spur!

Has this alley ever been taken before planning and zoning? Don't they have a voice in this? I understand residents of this block received letters informing them to have their property removed two weeks before a vote was even taken.

When did the council decide to construct this alley? Secret meetings are against the law! The mayor announced in August his intent to open this land without a council or official public meeting. According to your paper as well as court records, no construction vote has ever been taken! Doesn't the mayor, as well as the council, have to go by the rules? They enforce rules upon the citizens. What makes our city government think it doesn't have to follow rules?

CAROL DRURY
Hansen

Community pride survives theft
Our family (husband, two kids and myself) moved here from Las Vegas four years ago hoping to get away from the crime. We wanted our children to have a better quality of life. We were here not more than two months when we had our Christmas decorations stolen. My husband cut a 4-foot Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus out of wood. He sanded it, and I painted it all by hand. We also made 2-foot candy canes cut out and painted all also by hand. We decorated our front yard with all of this, and for what? To wake up the next morning to find it all gone! We thought we had left all that behind. Now I understand that things get stolen everywhere, and we are not ignorant to that, but this was just too bizarre.

We lived in Las Vegas all our life and never thought we would have to leave, but with the way things have changed

there, we felt we had no choice. We wanted our daughter (who just graduated from Twin Falls High School and our son who just started high school this year) to be able to go to a football game and not watch kids being shot around.

That was our last straw. I love Twin Falls and the people here, and will not let something like our Christmas decorations being stolen ruin that for us. To this me is still our heaven. We feel outcasts can be made again, but our kids' safety is more important than our Christmas decorations. We know it can get frustrating. We feel something has to be done when you feel like you can't decorate your own front yard. What do you think they did with my wood decorations? Probably was used for target practice.

Now I wouldn't say that the people in Vegas are ignorant, but yes, some can be rude, but also remember most of the natives have moved out and what you are seeing are 4,000 to 6,000 people moving in monthly from all over. When I was born there in Vegas, the population was only 63,000 and now it is well over 1.5 million. Now try to put that many people here in Twin Falls, and let's see if everybody is in a good mood.

Parents, please keep any eye out for Mr. and Mrs. Santa and some candy canes; we'd love for them to come home.

Thanks, Twin Falls, for allowing us to be a part of your community.

JERI DOBBS
Twin Falls

Write to us

The Times-News welcomes letters from readers on subjects of public interest. Because of space constraints, please limit letters to 400 words, include your signature, mailing address and telephone number. Writers who sign letters with false names will be permanently banned from publication. Letters may be brought to our Twin Falls of Butte office; mailed to P.O. Box 2445, Twin Falls, ID 83403; faxed to (208) 734-5388; or e-mailed to twnews@mtcnet.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

Bridge area is already congested

I am very lucky and thankful to be alive. Three weeks ago, I was involved in a shattering crash at the south end of the Perrone Bridge. I was attempting to cross Blue Lakes Boulevard North from Bellevue to the visitor center to work my shift.

I thought there was enough brake in traffic for me to get across but, evidently, I misjudged the speed of the oncoming traffic and was hit. I received a fractured vertebrae in my neck and my left arm was broken. I was airlifted to Saint Alphonsus Medical Center that night and spent 12 days there.

My accident happened less than a half hour after Mrs. Studebaker made her ill-fated parachute jump. There was no mention of my accident in the paper. At the present time, the speed limit both ways on the bridge is 60 miles an hour, I wonder how many more serious injuries and fatalities there will have to be before the city managers wake up to the fact that something has to be done about the traffic in that area.

The big concern seems to be whether or not more residential homes should be built in the area, plus other developments.

In the Oct. 31 paper, the editor was concerned about people suing to allow contractors to legally jump for fear of being sued if they are injured or hurt. How about doing something to protect who live here? Like reducing the speed limit or installing a traffic light before you create even more traffic in

the area. As for the studies being made as to whether or not another river crossing is necessary in the next 20 years, anybody with any brains at all can see it is necessary. ASAF.

JEAN DUFFEK-NUTSCH
Jerome

Hansen leaders must follow rules

The people of Hansen need to know the facts behind this alley on Block 6. The mayor refused to listen to 19 people at the June council meeting — all who own property on this block — to give Darlene Miller, the city clerk, access to her back yard.

The mayor refused to listen to 200 people at the July meeting — these people living in every area of Hansen, again to give Darlene Miller access to her back yard.

The mayor announced in the August meeting that the city had decided to build this alley through the whole block. The mayor motioned for a vote in September to have the residents remove their fences, trees, sheds.

According to city ordinance 12-04-020,

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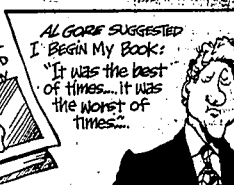
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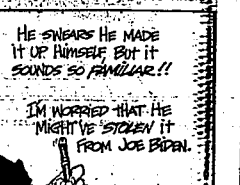
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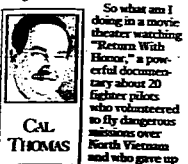


By Bruce Tinsley



They returned with honor

"Remember the Alphas," "Remember the Maines" and "Remember Pearl Harbor" were battle cries to rally the people who fight their liberty and lives in service of their nation. No one says "Remember Vietnam," because we'd just as soon forget that nasty war, except when it can be used as a weapon against politicians who sought to avoid it.



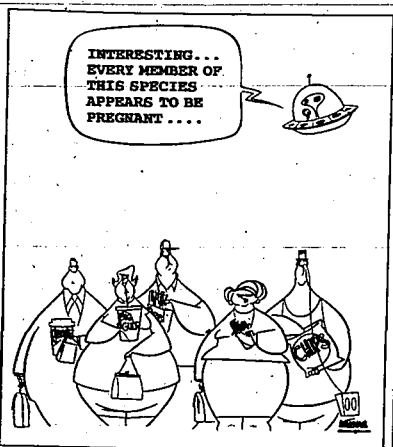
CAL THOMAS

So what am I doing in a movie theater watching "Return With Honor," a powerful documentary about 20 fighter pilots who volunteered to fly dangerous missions over North Vietnam and who gave up lives in horrendous conditions when they were shot down and captured by the North Vietnamese? Some friends had invited my wife and me to a showing of a film "presented" by Tom Hanks. Co-producer Terry Sanders tells me Hanks had never attached his name to a film in a public way and I played a part, but he was so impressed by our one that he wanted money to see it.

The film tells the story of young, clean-cut, dedicated men who believed that it was right and good to fight communism so that people in other parts of the world might enjoy the freedom with which we have been blessed. That's the way most people thought in the 1950s and early '60s until cynicism took over and "Hell no, we won't go" was translated into a new, first, materialistic philosophy.

"Return With Honor" allows the former POWs to tell their own stories. With the exception of one crack about the then-Defense Secretary Robert McNamara, however, the film is spot-on selection, the film is spot-on.

The first American pilot shot down and the longest-serving POW was Everett Alvarez, a Navy Lieutenant j.g. when he was



captured in 1964. At the film showing in Washington, Alvarez and his family sat behind us. This is an honest film. Imprisoned men cry. Some prisoners give in to interrogators. One pilot reminds us that no one knows how he would react despite the training, when confronted with such conditions. In talking of his weaknesses, American pilots never appeared so strong. We learn more of their secret codes used to communicate with each other and of Sunday services and flag salutes observed in separate cells but simultaneously practiced by pre-ordained sounds. We see the torture chambers and drawings of how men's bodies were tied and tightened until bones broke. And we are witness to incredible bravery and dedication, the kind that come only when ideals are part of belief and belief defines who you are beyond name, rank and serial number.

Following the showing, I met

one of Alvarez' sons in the lobby. I asked him what he thought of his Dad and of the film. He said he was proud of his father and that he hoped the film would be shown to schoolchildren and to others either too young to have remembered the war and what it did to America, or to those who lived through it and might need a refresher course on what true heroes are and bravery look like.

The film was completed last year but has been playing mostly in film festivals since then. The cost was underwritten by a nonprofit foundation and is showing in several cities until Christmas.

Go see this film. Cities where it's playing and other information can be found on the Internet at www.returnwithhonor.com. Take your children with you. It is more than a history lesson. It is a character lesson.

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

Allowing dams to remain puts Southern Idaho water at risk

Money may buy full-page newspaper ads, but it cannot buy the trust. In their ongoing campaign to protect the lower Snake River dams at any cost, the Pullup and Paperworkers Resource Council and Lewiston Chamber of Commerce are taking Idahoans for fools.

Amazingly, these groups want us to believe the fairy tale that barging young salmon around the dams is a remarkable success. And dam breaching would do little to help recover our fish. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Since the Corps of Engineers began its juvenile fish transportation program in the mid-1970s, Idaho's wild salmon and steelhead runs have plummeted by ninety percent. No one contests that figure. To sustain this ridiculous program, Northwest electrical ratepayers have spent hundreds of millions of dollars over the past two decades on this failed program.

The region is poised to spend up to \$21 million more next year alone. Barging has achieved nothing more than listing every species of salmon and steelhead in Idaho under the Endangered Species Act. By any conceivable measure, barging has proven a biological and economic disaster.

The Corps' fish-barging program has been rebuked by virtually every independent scientific panel that has addressed it. In its 1996 Return to the River report, the administration's Independent Scientific Group wrote: "Maintaining the current approach (fish barging) is unlikely to significantly improve the status of Pacific salmon in the Columbia River and is likely to result in further salmon declines and extirpations."

In 1998, the Northwest Power Planning Council's Independent Scientific Advisory Board issued a scathing report on the effectiveness of barging salmon, saying "It is impossible to reconcile a maximum transport (barging) approach to salmon recovery with protection of the remaining diversity of salmon and steelhead populations in the Snake River Basin."

READER COMMENT
DAN SKINNER

Last March, more than 200 Northwest scientists sent President Clinton a letter stating: "Since its inception, the (juvenile fish) transportation program has never sustained the minimum smolt-to-adult survival rate that is needed to begin rebuilding wild Snake River salmon and steelhead stocks. It has failed even to halt their decline."

I could go on.

But the Pullup and Paperworkers aren't content just to spread misinformation about the supposed "success" of fish barging. In an attempt to woo southern Idaho farmers over to their side, they also state in a recent ad that "flow augmentation using southern Idaho water will not work either."

This, again, is misleading. While flow augmentation by itself is not likely to recover Snake River salmon as long as the dams remain, a large body of scientific evidence shows that higher flows in the lower Snake River significantly increase sur-

vival for salmon and steelhead, especially fall Chinook.

In a recent "white paper," the National Marine Fisheries Service concluded: "Direct evidence for a survival benefit to fall Chinook from flow management is strongly supported by research results... Both Snake River Chinook travel time and survival are improved by increased flows." The bottom line is flow augmentation helps fall Chinook salmon. If the lower Snake dams remain, the ESA will almost certainly require that more water be taken from the upper Snake River to help them with or without Idaho's consent.

Contrary to what the PPRC and Lewiston Chamber would have us believe, the fact remains that removing the earthen portions of the four lower Snake River dams is vital to recovering Idaho's ocean-going fish runs.

It is by no means the only action that needs to be taken, but without it, all other recovery measures are likely to end in the same sort of abysmal failure and waste of ratepayer and taxpayer dollars that barging has produced.

Dan Skinner is a conservation associate for Idaho Rivers United.

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LETTERS

Stop crying about lost game

I attended the State A-2 Soccer Tournament this past week and see by your paper that Twin Falls is still a cry baby. I have a grand daughter who played for McCall, where half the team are freshmen. Twin Falls, with more than 1,100 students, and McCall, 355 students, came to a tie, 0-0. So Twin Falls blames McCall for its loss of 7-0 with Blackfoot. McCall, however, tied Blackfoot 2-2.

The Wood River game was a fast running, even game as far as I could see it was, evidently, their coach had to be a cry baby, even though they won 2-1.

I thought the officiating was the best I have seen. McCall had injuries and illness as much as the others, but didn't cry about it.

In a state tournament, reporters should not be biased but report all teams' accomplishments. They never even interviewed McCall coaches, nor told in the paper who won the championship between Blackfoot and Marsh Valley. Was this a tournament just between Magic Valley teams or all A-2 schools? Thanks so much for biased reporting and coaches who set poor examples for the girls under their teachings.

I did have five children go through the Twin Falls School system and was surprised they hadn't gotten over having to have a scapegoat for their own

problems.

VALENE COUCH
Twin Falls

(Editor's note: The result of the Blackfoot-Marsh Valley championship game was published in The Times-News on 31 Oct.)

Clinic provides A-plus care

It has been rightly said that you judge a person, a company or an institution by the way they treat you. I believe this to be true, and in support of it, I wish to give the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital an A-plus rating.

On Oct. 4, I had the misfortune to trip on one of the back steps at my home and crash on the cement block at the bottom of the steps, injuring the right side of my body, especially my right knee, ankle and foot. Of course, I needed medical attention. My husband took me to the emergency room of the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital where I was treated professionally but kindly by Dr. David Spritzer and ER nurses Margaret and Jeff. The X-ray technicians, Deanna and Warren, were equally professional and caring.

My follow-up care a week later with my regular physician, Dr. Robert Ward, and his nurse, Marie Eacker, was thorough and complete. Their personal concern for me was evident and much appreciated. If you have ever fallen unexpectedly, you

know that your pride and self-esteem are injured as well as your body, and you greatly appreciate and accept a tender loving care offered.

I have known of the outstanding care performed by the medical and clerical staff of the Twin Falls Clinic for many years. This time, I experienced it up close and personal. Davina in financial services even delivered some necessary papers to my home after her working hours.

I did not break my leg, ankle or foot, but I have hurt mightily from the deep bruises and sprains of several muscles, tendons and ligaments. As I am still recovering at home, I have had ample time to reflect and feel appreciation for the outstanding service provided to me by all clinic personnel involved in my care.

Mr. Michael Arheart, the new administrator of this fine facility, can be proud of the personnel that work under his supervision.

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Hunt for deadbeat dads goes awry

Idaho chases fathers who don't owe any money

BOISE (AP) — The state of Idaho chased 1,400 alleged deadbeat dads last spring who didn't actually owe any child support money.

Those cases should have been closed, for reasons ranging from the dads having died to the kids having grown up. But parents continued to get bills and delinquent payments from the state about delinquent payments.

The problem turned up in a legislative audit of the Health and Welfare Department.

In the process of fixing it, Health and Welfare also discovered 10 percent of its child sup-

port cases, about 7,000 cases, should have been closed.

"There are some significant findings here that trouble me," Karl Kurtz, state Health and Welfare director, said last week. "You have my word that we are in the process of evaluating each and every one of them and making some substantial changes," he told legislators.

The glitch is a blemish on the record of the state's highly rated child support enforcement program. The program had collected \$77.2 million in less than a year as of Aug. 1.

Child support consists of payments that courts order the non-custodial parent to pay, usually after a divorce. Health and Welfare tracks, receives and distributes the payments to the parent raising a child.

The state has identified

unpaid child support as the No. 1 reason families go on welfare in Idaho.

Tamara Priscock, child support project manager for the state, said any parents who paid money they didn't owe will get refunds.

The problem developed because of a switch to a new automated system in 1996, Priscock said.

The child support files were correct before they were changed over. But the conversion threw off some of the data, and child support workers didn't notice.

"Sort of when the dust settled, we found this problem," Priscock said. "We immediately implemented a massive, statewide cleanup effort."

From March to July, child support workers across the state

checked every file, comparing the court order and other records to what the computer system said. That check turned up the 7,000 problem cases.

Because the computer didn't think the cases were closed, it kept tallying up monthly payments and past-due amounts, and automatically sending the parents bills and delinquency notices.

Complaints poured in to Health and Welfare offices.

"That clued us in to the fact that we had a pretty big problem," Priscock said.

Health and Welfare recently took the first preliminary steps toward replacing the huge computer system that runs all of the state's benefit programs, including Medicaid, food stamps and welfare. The changeover is still several years away.

New mayor wants revision of Utah light rail plan

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Newly elected mayor Rocky Anderson is asking for revisions on a plan to build an east-west light rail line in time for the Olympics.

The plan was deemed dead by many after the City Council voted 4-3 last Thursday to break off negotiations on the spur with the Utah Transit Authority, Utah Department of Transportation and University of Utah.

Council members said there were too many drawbacks to the proposed 2.5-mile rail line that would connect downtown with the university.

The school is the state's second-largest employer and has about 44,000 faculty, staff and students who carry UTA passes.

Anderson met Saturday in his home with city officials and a group of business owner and residents who would be affected by the light rail.

State lags behind in preschool options

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — When it comes to spending state money on early childhood education, Idaho is rapidly becoming a rarity.

Other states are pumping millions of dollars into preschool and early childhood programs, convincing they will reduce welfare rolls, lower crime rates and make children better students, Idaho does not.

Around the country, preschool proponents say early childhood education programs are crucial to a child's success. They teach children to recognize sounds and numbers, give them a foundation in reading, which some say is crucial to success in school and in life.

In Idaho, some are skeptical.

No one has proven to legislators those programs make a difference, said Rep. Fred Tilman, R-Boise, chair of the House Education Committee.

He has studied the latest brain research, which claims most learning takes place between birth and age 3. If children are stimulated and challenged early

it increases their capacity to learn later on, the studies say.

"To him, that research contradicts all the hype that preschools work."

"Some say by (preschool) that it's too late to make significant gains," he said. "Nobody has shown us that it's that effective. There's a feeling preschools are just another baby-sitting program."

Tilman also questions whether the state needs to be involved in toddlers' lives. Parenting should be left up to parents, he said.

"How does the state affect a child's life from birth to age 3?" he said. "That's usually a parent's job. Are we ready as a state to step in and take that role?"

But many say Idaho has to get involved.

"If you don't have a good family life it may be the one thing that may help the child," said Sen. Betsy Dunkin, D-Boise, a proponent of state preschools.

"We have learned these years are important. Too many kids are not getting the important pre-literacy skills they need before they come to school."

Head Start, the country's longest running preschool, cannot help all the Idaho children who are eligible for the federally-funded project. Four children out of every five children who qualify for Head Start cannot attend because there is not enough money to pay for classes.

While the state is not investing millions in preschool programs, the number of preschool programs in Idaho is growing. Communities are starting their own and many are applying for grants from the J.A. & Kathryn Albertson Foundation.

The foundation has identified early childhood education as one of its four priorities and has committed to spending millions on it in the next few years.

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HOW THEY VOTED

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House votes

1) SUICIDE
The House on Oct. 27 approved, 271-156, a bill to ban doctor-assisted suicide. Although the measure includes provisions that give physicians more flexibility in prescribing drugs to reduce suffering among terminally ill patients, it stops short of permitting doctors to help patients commit suicide. Supporters of the bill said doctor-assisted suicide is wrong. Opponents said banning assisted suicide could make physicians wary of providing needed pain relief treatment for fear of prosecution. Congressmen Helen Chenoweth-Hage and Mike Simpson voted for the ban.

2) EDUCATION/CUTS
The House on Oct. 28 approved, 218-211, a \$314 billion spending bill for education, labor and health programs that includes a 1 percent across-the-board cut for all spending on government agencies. The bill also allocated \$425 million for the District of Columbia budget. Supporters said the measure provides sufficient funds for the programs without dipping into Social Security surpluses. President Clinton said he will veto the measure because of the agency budget cuts and because it does not provide funding for hiring more teachers. Chenoweth-Hage and Simpson



Mike Simpson



Helen Chenoweth-Hage

for consumers. Bill Craig and Crapo voted for the legislation.

House votes

5) BILL NUMBER: H-BANK
The House on Thursday passed, 362 to 57, a bill to overhaul the banking system. The measure breaks down barriers separating banks, securities firms and insurance companies. Supporters said the measure will help the financial industry better serve customers in a modern marketplace. Opponents said it would create giant financial conglomerates that will drive up costs for consumers. Chenoweth-Hage and Simpson voted in favor of the bill.

voted against the measure.

Senate votes

3) EDUCATION/CUTS
The Senate on Tuesday approved, 49 to 48, a \$314 billion spending bill for labor, health and education programs that includes a 1 percent across-the-board cut for spending on all government agencies. Supporters of the bill said it sufficiently funds programs without dipping into Social Security surpluses. Opponents, including President Clinton who later vetoed the bill, called the spending cut irresponsible and said money should be included to hire new teachers. Senators Larry Craig and Mike Crapo voted in favor of the bill.

4) S-BANK

The Senate on Thursday approved, 89 to 8, a bill to overhaul the banking system. The measure breaks down barriers between banks, securities firms



Larry Craig

and insurance companies. Supporters said the bill would put in place a rational framework for the financial industry. Opponents said the bill would create giant financial conglomerates that would drive up costs

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Frogs get first crack at the tub

I'm wondering if any of you readers out there have noticed any suspicious behavior in your part of the yard. I ask because the ones at my house are definitely up to something.

I live in South Florida, which has a hot, moist, armpit-like climate that is very favorable for life in general. Everything down here is either already alive, or about to be. You could leave your toaster out on your lawn overnight, and by morning it would have developed legs, a tail, a mouth, tentacles, etc. and it would be prowling around looking for slower, weaker appliances to devour.

So I am used to wildlife. I am used to the fact that, as I walk from my car to the front door - striding briskly to prevent fungus from growing on my body - I will routinely pass lizards, snakes, spiders, -snails and mutant prehistoric grasshoppers large enough for the Lone Ranger to saddle up and ride into the sunset on "Hi-ho, Silver! A-way-y-y. E E E E I I I I E S T R."

My yard has always had plenty of frogs. Until recently, these were plump, non-aggressive frogs who just sat there, looking pensively off into the distance, thinking frog thoughts. "How am I supposed to reproduce? You appear to lack organs!"

But lately my yard has become infested with a whole new brand of frogs - smaller, quicker, junior-weight frogs that are extremely jittery, as though they spent their tadpole phase swimming around in really strong espresso. And for some reason these frogs desperately want to GET INSIDE MY HOUSE. They hide in crannies on my front stoop, waiting, and when I open the front door, suddenly HOP HOP HOP HOP HOP, the stoop turns into the Oklahoma Land Rush, except that instead of hardy pioneers racing to claim homesteads, there are hordes of small, caffeine-crazed frogs bounding into my living room, moving far too fast for the human foot to stamp on.

The eerie thing is, within seconds, the invading frogs have ALL DISAPPEARED. Some go under the sofa, but many seem to simply vanish. I think maybe they've developed some kind of camouflage so they can blend into the living-room environment by taking on the appearance of a carpet stain or (if they are really organized) a pile of shoes.

All these frogs make me nervous. I'm wondering if maybe it could be a plague.

I say this because my wife is Jewish, and each year her family comes to our house to celebrate Passover with a traditional Seder. Seder means "seeds," but always grain in, on the theory that you should embrace as many religions as possible, because you never know when you will find yourself in an ascetic life. The eternal judgment of, for example, L. Ron Hubbard. So I participate in the Seder. In fact, at our house I always make the traditional matzo balls, using an ancient Presbyterian recipe (The matzo ball symbolizes the Old Testament story about how the Israelites, after following Moses all over the desert, finally came to a place where there was no bread.)

Anyway, there's this one point in the Seder ceremony when we all dip our fingers into our glasses of sweetened wine and drink it. The wine, and then we drop 10 wine droppers onto our plates while we sing, out loud, the names of the Ten plagues of Egypt. One of the plagues, blight, slaying of the first born, wild beasts, lice, boils, locusts, hail - and you guessed it - frogs.

So, seriously, one of the plagues is frogs. So I'm thinking that maybe, during the most recent Seder, when we were saying the name of the plague, we failed to make adequate wine droppers for the frogs.

Whatever it is, I don't like it. I don't like the idea of the frogs coming at night, watching the TV, knowing that all around me, hidden in the dark, thousands of beady little eyes are watching me on TV. I might maybe waiting for some secret sign. Perhaps you think I am crazy. Fine. Then perhaps you can explain to me why, when the frogs croak in the Budweiser commercial, my piano croaks back.

That's a wrap

Shawls move up in fashion world, but are scarce here

By Cathy Walworth
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Those of us in Real Winter Land who endure chilled banquet halls and convention centers want something that might complement evening wear a little better than our escort's black jacket.

Shawls are the perfect solution. They wrap around the shoulders, drape down the arms and stay there. No more shivers. But you can't find much in the way of shawls in these parts.

Not of any kind.

"Pendleton has done shawls in the past, but it was quite a few years back," said Dan Gutzman, buyer for Pendleton Woolen Mills in Portland, Ore. But the good news is that Pendleton buys directly from the sheep farmer and is able to shift gears in a hurry.

"Fashion is the dog that wags our tail," Gutzman said in a telephone interview. "Right now wool and woolsens are on the low end of the fashion list, but we can adjust quickly to the market."

The issue arises because Pashmina, a fine, elegant fiber, almost forbidden in its beauty, is white-hot in the fashion world just now. All by itself, it's the highlight of the romance of shawls back into fashion.

Pashmina is the inner coat of hair on a Himalayan goat that frolics about Nepal's mountains.

To keep warm, the goats grow a finer-than-fine down-like fur for winter insulation. When spring arrives, they scrape the fuzzy stuff off their bellies onto sticky bushes. Nepalese women gather the stuff like cotton, spin it and weave it into shawls so light and airy they can pass through a ring.

Elegant, drapy shawls that would be perfect for a Southern California patio party. But Idahoans need something with a little more to it, thank you. Something that will stand up to a snowy eve. Something like a fine wool.

OK. We can't buy a shawl, no matter how fashionable, how romantic, how warm, how elegant it is, in the Magic Valley.

So we make our own.

You can go about this in one of two ways: Hunt down a bolt of lovely wool fabric, or build a shawl from scratch and get a local spinner to spin the yarn.

First, the easy way.

"This one, a loose-weave gray heather by Booth Bay (a fine wool manufacturer) would make up beautifully into a shawl," said Donna Skinner, owner of Skinner's Sewing Shoppe, of a bolt of wool fabric. She has some Pendleton wool heathers in stock right now. And hoping to have the solid colors in soon.

Sewing up your own shawl makes you a lot of sense, even if you say you can't sew.



According to Donna Skinner, owner of Skinner's Sewing Shoppe, making your own wool shawl is an easy, inexpensive way to keep fashionably warm.

A Pashmina salls for around \$800. That's the starting bid. Don't even talk about the \$800 models. They come in two sizes: 28-by-78 inches and 36-by-80 inches.

A Pashmina for shawls

Wool comes on the back edge, there is no sewing. Just fringe the edges. If you don't know how to do that, Skinner will be happy to show you how.

And except for hemming under one edge, there is no sewing. Just fringe the edges. If you don't know how to do that, Skinner will be happy to show you how.

Or, you can order fabric online.

"I sell everything that is Pendleton," said Mark Novick, owner of the Silk Trading Company in Richmond, Va. "Everything they make, we sell - all the solids, hair, wool crepe, everything in 30 colors. Tell them they can choose from mohairs, camel hair, wool crepe, gabardine and all the Pendletons."

But Novick doesn't send out swatches to help you make up your mind.

"Tell me what you want," he said in a telephone interview. "I don't have samples. You tell me black."

Pendleton wool, there's only one black Pendleton wool. The buying public knows the name and that's all they want to know.

Isn't it scratchy? No, says Gutzman. Let's have a short course in fibers.

Pashmina is a cashmere mixed with silk for body and durability. The fibers are measured in microns: Cashmere, according to Gutzman, is usually 15 microns thick. Eighteen-micron wool is realistically the finest wool you can buy, he said. But that doesn't mean it's scratchy.

"We're working on the 'comfort factor,'" Gutzman said. "We're making an 18-micron fabric called Whisper Wool that

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All scrubs aren't created equal — HEALTH NOTES

DEAR PAULA: Are exfoliating scrubs and AHA or BHA products equivalent as far as the results for your skin?

—LINDA
"DEAR LINDA: While AHAs, BHAs and scrubs theoretically do the same thing, the ways they go about it provide very different results for the skin.

Scrubs (assuming they contain no irritating ingredients) perform a more immediate effect, due to their mechanical action, they are less penetrating. Less penetration can mean less irritation, but mechanical scrubs, particularly those utilizing ground-up nuts or minerals, can abrade or tear skin, which is a definite drawback. The other downside is that, because you are using grains, the exfoliation is less even and uniform. So, scrubs are good for getting off surface layers quickly, but the downside is potential irritation from skin abrasion.

AHAs, on the other hand, perform more slowly, but they can penetrate more deeply into the skin as well as more evenly. That's a great benefit for removing the built-up layers of sun-damaged skin. While AHAs don't abrade skin, they can be more irritating overall than scrubs.



BHA can penetrate even deeper into the skin than AHAs can. Because BHA can cut through lipids (like the stuff sitting in clogged pores), they are particularly good at improving the shape of the pore by exfoliating layers of skin cells built up along the walls of the pore. Sun-damaged skin doesn't require that kind of penetration. However, for some skin types, BHA can have an advantage. BHA is related to aspirin and therefore has some of its anti-inflammatory characteristics, which can be beneficial for those who have trouble with AHAs.

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A phoney surgeon

Who says doctors don't make calls? A Hong Kong hospital has suspended a surgeon after a patient complained he used a mobile telephone while performing an operation: The patient told local media he heard the phone conversation while he was under local anesthetic for keyhole surgery to remove a polyp in his intestine. "During the operation, I found the doctor talking. I was surprised because the conversation had nothing to do with my medical condition," the patient said. "The conversation was about buying a car and how much the car cost."

A surgical Web site

Little Miss Moffetts beware: A British woman who had three sleepless nights with headaches and strange noises in her ear got the shock of her life when her doctor discovered the cause - a large spider living next to her eardrum. The doctor removed the spider with a syringe but also raised a creepy possibility - that the arachnid was a female intent on laying eggs.

His and hers Viagra

Viagra could be licensed for use by women with sex problems in three to four years,

according to its manufacturer Pfizer Inc. Dr. Michael Sweeney, Pfizer's medical director, said preliminary results show the drug could be especially useful in helping post-menopausal women experiencing sex problems. The company is also looking at the potential to combine Viagra with hormone replacement therapy.

Sperm counts

Another sexy study: Biotechnology companies are racing to produce cows and sheep that produce human proteins in their milk for medical uses. Now Canadian researchers say they want to follow the same idea using pig semen. Francois Pothier and colleagues at the University of Laval in Ste-Foy, Quebec, say they hope to genetically engineer pigs to produce in their semen a human protein used to treat people with hemophilia.

No excuse for cheating

Is infidelity in men's blood? No, according to a Danish magazine survey of 100 "smart, successful" women between the ages of 22 and 34. Fifty-six percent of those surveyed do not believe that cheating is biological for men, although 66 percent say that men do cheat more than women.

—Compiled from wire services

FAMILY LIFE

A few thoughts about Veterans Day

I was listening the other night to a group of Vietnam Gulf veterans on TV, as they discussed the health problems they had had with Persian Gulf Syndrome. All of them had suffered in one way or another, probably from the shots required by the Pentagon, to supposedly protect them from Sarin - a form of nerve gas.

They were disgusted with the Pentagon policy - using something that was not proven and giving them shots that were damaging to their bodies, yet to a man (or woman) they all stated that, if asked to serve again, they would gladly give their lives for their country.

Here were people who, in common, had given their health for their country, but who still loved



AFTER CLASS
Gay Peterson

their country enough to serve again if necessary, and who vowed they would make the ultimate sacrifice should they be asked.

Thursday, Nov. 11, is Veteran's Day. World War I ended at 11 a.m. the 11th day of the 11th month 1918. The war had actually been won by the Allies much earlier, but they wanted it to end on a date that would be memorable and be remembered. So between the actual winning of

the war and when the war was officially over, more men on both sides died. But Nov. 11 became Veteran's Day. Armistice Day as it was called then, as the Allies had planned.

Mistakes have been made in every war in which Americans have participated - mistakes which have included unneeded loss of health or life or both. Yet as I have talked to or listened to discussions by veterans of all the wars of this century I have never heard one express hatred toward his country for what he went through, only a vast love for the country whose ideals he fought so hard to preserve.

How thankful and grateful we who did not take part in physically protecting our country and it's ideals should be to those who did. How much we owe these brave

men and women who were willing, in spite of hardship and misery and the facing of death on a daily basis for some, to give their all in defense of their country.

Though Nov. 11 is no longer a reminder of the end of World War I to the majority of us, it should be a day when we pause, at the very least, in our busy lives, and remember what we owe to our veterans.

Every day of us know veterans. We should appreciate what they did every day, but particularly on Nov. 11 we should make a special effort to give them our thanks and appreciation.

We owe them so much more.

Gay Peterson is a retired teacher who lives in Wendell. Write to her at petersonsmagiclink.com

Series in Kimberly offers help in coping with loss

TWIN FALLS - An informational series, "Hope for the Holidays," will be offered from 7 to 9 p.m. on Mondays, beginning today and Nov. 15, 22, Dec. 6, 13 and Jan. 10, at the Sacred Life Center, 500 S. Oak in Kimberly.

The series is facilitated by Joan Dalton Boyd and offers insights into coping with grief and loss. The presentation is free through a grant from the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Hospice Foundation.

For more information and to register, call 423-4504.

TWIN FALLS - The BridgeView Estates Alzheimer's Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Day Room of the Assisted Living facility, 1828 Bridgeview Drive.

For more information, call Jane Rice at 736-2933.

TWIN FALLS - Co-Dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Canyon

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View West Group Room. Fee is \$10. For more information, call 734-6760.

TWIN FALLS - A cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Education Center at MVRMC.

Pre-registration is not required.

TWIN FALLS - The Cancer Support Group will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday in the Cancer Center reception area.

For more information, call 737-2800.

TWIN FALLS - A CPR class will be offered from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in the doctors' meeting room at MVRMC.

Fee is \$11. To register, call 737-2007.

TWIN FALLS - An infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation class

will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Education Center at MVRMC.

Pre-registration is not required.

TWIN FALLS - A pediatric and adult CPR course, including bleeding and shock, will be offered by Magic Valley Lifeline from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the YMCA.

Classes are generally held the second Saturday of each month and meet the state requirements for ICCP and daycare licensing.

To register, call 733-4384 or stop by the YMCA. For more information, call 733-3767.

TWIN FALLS - A CPR class will be offered from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Nov. 16 in the doctors' dining room at MVRMC.

Fee is \$11. To register, call 737-2007.

TWIN FALLS - The Here and Now Bereavement Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Nov. 18 at

Hospice Visions, 1300 Kimberly Road.

For more information, call Flo at 735-0121.

TWIN FALLS - Co-Dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Nov. 17 at the Canyon View West Group Room.

Fee is \$10. For more information, call 734-6760.

TWIN FALLS - A prepared childbirth course will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Nov. 16 through Dec. 14, in the Education Center at MVRMC.

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Skill of anger management must be taught

DEAR ABBY: Anger — a normal human emotion when dealt with positively and assertively, not negatively and aggressively — can advance mankind.

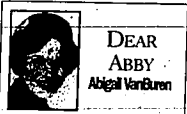
However, many people don't have the skills to positively deal with anger because they've never been taught the skills.

Anger-management skills classes should be part of the curriculum in all our nation's schools and prison systems. This would help eliminate some of the depression, domestic abuse, divorces, alcoholism, drug addiction, crime and murder in our country. I believe the benefits would far outweigh the costs.

For people who recognize their anger-management problems and want to learn the skills to enable them to deal with these problems positively, our society should make it "politically correct" to seek help through counseling. In other words, we should drop the stigma, as we have in the last 10 years or so in regard to alcoholism and drug addiction.

— CARL FOX, HURST, TEXAS

DEAR CARL: Although I'm not sure I agree that we should legislate in regard to alcoholism and drug addiction has been erased, I do agree that anger-management classes in schools could be helpful



DEAR ABBY: You goofed when you advised "Tony's Mom" to buy earplugs if counseling couldn't keep her husband from yelling at their 10-year-old son. All that yelling will only harden the child, and when he reaches his teens, it could become explosive.

I, too, was a "yeller" and found my teen-ager becoming increasingly angry, hateful and disrespectful. Instead of trying to force him to change, I decided to change myself. I focused daily on adhering to the following goals:

1. I showed my love for my son by touching him gently at least 10 times a day with hugs, pats, or just resting a hand on his shoulder

when he talked to me.

2. When I wanted his attention I went to him, touching him gently and speaking very softly, looking him in the eye.

3. I listened attentively to his stories, remarks, comments, etc. without judgment or criticism.

4. I stayed in control of my emotions and stopped yelling, which eliminated the power struggles.

This calmer, nicer approach reduced the arguments and resistance to what I asked. It was amazing how quickly I got my sweet, loving son back.

— WISER IN NORTH TEXAS.

DEAR WISER: Your suggestions are certainly worth trying — and in many cases could go a long way toward establishing a more loving family atmosphere.

However, I recommended family counseling because it can provide insight into how these disruptive patterns began, as well as methods for eliminating them and improving the level of communication between all parties.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 15-year-old boy who likes to read Dear Abby. I would just like to say that not just girls read Dear Abby.

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— PATRICK'S, CAMARILLO, CALIF.

DEAR PATRICK: You're right. My readership includes all ages and both sexes.



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Must be wolves just don't want to talk with people

Where's the most dangerous place in the world's ocean? That, distinction, say some seasoned sailors, goes to Drake Passage, 100 miles of deeply disturbed icy waters. They drive up higher-than-house waves and batter sea traffic between the southern tip of Chile and the Antarctic Peninsula. It's no place to take a date.

If you have any hair left to lose, you lose more of it seasonally. In the Spring or in the Fall. Even as you'd expect of mammals that molt.

Contrary to previous report: When the year 999 slipped over to 1000 at the turn of the last millennium, the Latin date was written: CADCXL. So advises retired professor Dr. Cliff Tremblay, who taught the History of Mathematics.

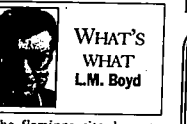
African violets are an endangered species in Africa.

In India's Konarak, statues decorate the ancient Surya Temple, and some of same are said to be so risqué, they startle approaching visitors on the stairs below, and in such wide-eyed and open-mouthed stance, those shocked newcomers sometimes fall backwards and injure themselves. Critics said, "Drape the statues or put in handrails." The government took bids on handrails.

Most cultures have had their liquor drinkers, but in none known have the women been heavier drinkers than the men.

Q. Did you say wolves don't bark?

A. They go "woof." One woof at a time. And snarl, squeal and howl. But they don't bark. Theorists think dogs learned to bark to communicate with people. Maybe so. Wolves don't want to communicate with people. Understandable.



WHAT'S WHAT
L.M. Boyd

The flamingo sits down to bathe and then stands up. This is a curiosity is that the flamingo otherwise doesn't sit down much. It's on its feet, or foot, whichever, more than any other bird.

Rapid Reply: Quite right, ancient Egyptians so respected their pet cats that they mummified them, then entombed them with mummified mice so they'd have something to eat in the hereafter.

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Got to keep your cool out in public, Gemini

IF NOVEMBER 8 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are excellent organizer, when people are up to it. You could be successful in business enterprise. Capricorn, Cancer persons play amazing roles in your life, even have these letters, initials in names — H, Q, Z. Throughout year emphasis has been on publicity, cooperative efforts, marital status. You will travel in December. May is your most memorable month of the year 2000.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Spread emotional wings, but know when to say, enough is enough. Experiment, explore, discover, utilize what you find, you'll be doing the right thing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): New Moon in your Seventh House coincides with clash of ideas, legal rights, marriage. Protect self in emotional disputes. You could be vulnerable to falsehood.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your kind of day! Plenty of mental challenges, variety of sensations. Public display of anger would prove disaster. Virgo figures in scenario.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Control fighting spirit. You get more through diplomacy, give opposition wriggle room. Emphasis on home, family, exotic recipes. Libra plays role.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): New moon position accents land, real estate, conclusion of adventure. Toss aside preconceptions and imprint style, do not follow others. Pisces figures prominently.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Powerful day, you'll be dealing

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

with executive who has faith in you and will show it. Focus on promotion, production, earning power. Cancer native is involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You worked for this — make the best of it, burdens you should not have carried are lifted. Strive for universal appeal. Study language, customs of persons in other lands.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You could be talk of the town. New Moon in your sign promotes publicity, personality, sex appeal. You need not take second best to anyone. Leo plays role.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Cycle indicates that what had been kept secret will be revealed — to your advantage. Focus on cooperative efforts, legal rights and marital status.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You are person of the world. You are sophisticated and will show it. People are drawn to you with their problems, you solve many. Gemini stresses on doing part.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You could run off with all prizes. You solve puzzles, adjust yourself to changing domestic situation. Your talents gain added recognition, also more money.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Day of discovery. Your intellectual curiosity surfaces, you learn where you stand and why. Member of opposite sex does care, will show it. Your written words convey power.

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Now for the easy part: vesting a trusted family or non-family member with power of attorney can be helpful. Nominating a trusted person or professional to be executor of your estate is another option. Placing your assets in trust and having a family member, professional, or trust officer manage the trust often works well.

Taking the first step is the most important thing you can do. Confide in a friend or professional, get your bearings, and then take action. Once the financial management issues are decided and the plans are implemented, family relations will have a better chance of succeeding.

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Hottest weight-loss plans go against grain

The Washington Post

NEW YORK — Robert C. Atkins, maitre d' of the current low-carbohydrate diet rage, looks weary this afternoon. He has just finished a call to his radio show for eating Smart Start cereal for breakfast.

That's Dumb Start! If you don't believe me, test your blood sugar before and after," he tells "Jim," who adds that his triglycerides are "over 800."

"Oh my God!" says the doctor. "Stop eating carbohydrates!" Seems like everywhere you go, someone has stopped eating carbohydrates. Your sister-in-law, who heard about it from a friend, has lost 12 pounds on Dr. Atkins; two of your friend's office mates are doing Protein Power; the guy you talk to at a cocktail party has lost 25 pounds; the woman your husband had lunch with is doing The Zone.

At least five books are current or recent bestsellers — the champ being "Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution" with 158 weeks on the New York Times list — not to mention the subsidiary cookbooks and updates. There are low-carb discussion groups on the Net, low-carb recipe exchanges and low-carb dinner parties.

Low-carbers have thrown off the yoke of low-fat, low-calorie and food pyramid hegemony — despite the stern disapproval of the medical establishment and the \$30 billion fat removal industry. Friends and family watch in shock as they eat bacon and eggs, blue cheese dressing, butter on their broccoli — and lose weight. They have said goodbye to bread, pasta, sugar and, of course, Smart Start.

Adherents of the low-carb way of life earnestly believe that it is more than just another chapter in the unending saga of American weight loss schemes. The fact that it was the regime proposed in the first successful diet book — William Banting's 1864 "Letter on Corpulence" — only seems to add to its mystique. (Banting, an English cake-maker, had gotten so fat he had to walk downstairs backward.)

Atkins started the current revival of low-carb dieting. His first "Diet Revolution" was published in 1972, his most recent earlier this year. Altogether, his five books have sold 6 million copies, and he's selling power bars and vitamin supplements. His clinic — the 25-year-old Atkins Center for Complementary Medicine in Manhattan — treats 100 patients a day and is expanding. And every day, Atkins receives testimonials to his low-carb, high-fat, high-protein regime.

Twenty carbs a day. Thirty carbs a day. In the obsessive world of dieting, these details are major issues. Each of the best-selling low-carb gurus has a finely calibrated variation on the basic theme, which runs like this: While the low-fat imperialists have long argued that if you eat fat you get fat, the low-carb insurrectionists say, hey, what do we feed pigs and cows to fatten them? Bacon? No, grains. Carbohydrates! That's what makes fat!

Each of the New Lifestyles (few use the word "diet" anymore) starts with a boot camp of at least two weeks during which followers greatly reduce the carbs from their diet, kick the sugar habit, turn their bodies into crackling fires of fat-burning and use a lot of toilet paper.

Of course, all of the low-carb

Lifestyles, like every other weight reduction scheme ever invented, are dependent on the same food group: lettuce. Green lettuce, red lettuce, arugula, bibb, Boston, iceberg, shredded, bedded and headed.

After this, the gurus splinter over what to the unpracticed eye appear to be minor differences: Atkins forbids fruit. Protein Power allows carrots, and lets you subtract fiber content from carb totals. Every low-carber finds a different path to enlightenment.

"The Zone," by Barry Sears, a PhD from Massachusetts, should be subtitled "The Diet for Math Majors." Followers must calculate everything that goes into their mouths into "Zone Blocks."

A basic omelet requires 16 ingredients, including conchard and one macadamia nut. Sears suggests that those who "enter the Zone" achieve spiritual superiority to a reduction in body fat. His latest book is also full of sentences like, "When the stool is isodense with water (ie, it floats), that becomes a very good indicator of optimal eicosanoid balance." Sounds great.

Some people go with Michael R. Eades and Mary Dan Eades of Little Rock, Ark., the doctor authors of "Protein Power." Among the many charts and lists in their book, they provide handy carb equivalents like "7 Skittles 3 French Fries" (neither of which one should be eating).

"In college I was obsessed with low-fat," says one 24-year-old Washingtonian who works for a political consulting firm, explaining her devotion to Protein Power. "I would become unglued if I couldn't get skim milk for my coffee. I played four sports a year and worked out. But I never lost weight and I didn't have any muscle."

Overweight: What can be done

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HEALTH & FASHION



Kate Pierson of the B-52s is among a phalanx of bodacious redheads now on the scene.

Do redheads have more fun?

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — If blondes have more fun, then redheads have more fun. That, at any rate, is what a lot of career tops will tell you, since they seem to have strong opinions about the shade.

Take Kate Pierson of the B-52s, for instance. "I definitely think colors have a vibration, and certain colors make you feel a certain way," she says. "Red is a flamboyant color, a passionate, vivacious color. I think that red suits my personality. I can't believe the transformational power that red can have. I think there's a redhead in everybody waiting to come out."

Despite the fact that crimson locks have gone in and out of fashion over the years (think Lucille Ball, Rita Hayworth and

Molly Ringwald), Pierson hasn't deviated from the shade since she hit the big time at about 20. (How many years is that? Approximately 31). Her true color is light brown with red highlights.

Not that Pierson feels she's missing out on anything: "A lot of times I'll walk down the street and hear men say, 'Hey, Red! Hey, foxe Red!' It's a better image than a dumb blond — which I think is very unfair."

But what about those redhead stereotypes — that they're fiery and short-tempered? Pierson's not in total disagreement.

"There's a definite mystique about redheads. They might be aggressive, mischievous, fun, free-wheeling, you just never know. There's always something unexpected."

Brows turn into a worldwide obsession

Knight Ridder News Service

If you pre a woman who has watched the new ABC show "Once and Again," you have probably, at some point, attempted to analyze just what it is about Seia Ward that makes her so inhumanly gorgeous.

We believe we have the answer: It's the eyebrows.

Don't laugh, you beauty neophytes. The brows have it these days, and Ward's are truly sublime: narrow and richly hued, arched in just the right place. Listen as they whisper, "I am woman. See me furrow."

OK, maybe our fixation on Ward's supercilias was prompted less by their perfection and more by all the fuss over brows these days. At salons and beauty counters nationwide, the eyebrow biz is booming.

Lancome has a new brow kit on the market; makeup giant Shiseido sells more than a million of its men's eyebrow-grooming kits in Japan each year; and top salons are adding high-priced eyebrow specialists to their roster of higher-priced hairstylists.

"The eyebrow is, I think, the biggest thing we can change in the face," says Aki Shiratori, owner of Images by Aki Salon in Dallas. "It's really the framing of the eyes, so I think it's very important."

A messy brow drives Shiratori nuts, so he frequently offers to pluck the eyebrows of his regular

Tips for stylin' eyebrows

Guidelines for the eyebrow challenge:

1. Hold a pencil parallel to your nose so that it intersects the inner corner of your eye. Your brow should begin where the pencil ends.
2. Hold the pencil on a diagonal so it touches the outer edge of your nostril and intersects the outer corner of your eye. Your brow should end where the pencil ends.
3. Want an arch? It should be highest at the point in the brow that lies straight above the outer edge of the iris.
4. If you want your eyes to look closer together, leave less space between

the brows. Further apart, leave more.

5. "Slightly bowed makes your nose look bigger," says Marcia Klugra, owner of the ultrahip Bilal Salon in Soho, in the October Vogue.

6. "Don't spend lots of money for an eyebrow pencil," says Aki Shiratori, of the Dallas salon Images by Aki. Shiratori says regular pencils work just as well (and cost less) than

plus, break it in half and you've got two). The light-browed can stick with a plain old No. 2. If you have darker brows, he thoe to the art-supply store for dusky-toned.

— Knight Ridder News Service

haircut clients before they even know they need it. He even does it for free.

"I can't stand watching that (bad) eyebrow," he says.

Shiratori is tweezing more and more men these days, too, fixing man-brows that are too bushy or "washed out." In Japan, he notes, young men especially have jumped on the brow bandwagon, prompted by the example of Nagano gold medalist Kazuyoshi Funaki. Funaki, who sported a unibrow during his winning ski jumps, later emerged publicly with a professionally plucked brow. His fans followed suit.

Have you any idea the lengths to which people will go for the perfect eyebrow?

"For years, of course, women have tweezed and waxed and

electrified themselves to achieve the brow of the moment. In the '30s, Greta Garbo popularized the high, thin arch. In the '50s, Audrey Hepburn defined eyebrow style with her thick, heavy brows (accentuated by those super-short bangs). Eyebrows shrunk again in the '60s (Twiggy and crew again in the '70s and '80s), and now the trend-setters have settled (for this season at least) on "the natural look."

Today, the routes to brow bliss

are plentiful. Women and men have never been blemished with more ways to craft the "in" brow. There are jip-hity razors made especially to shave that hairy ridge above the eyes. If you don't grow hairs, are your maintenance, you can have some tattooed on. Can't see those little numbers? Clearly enough to grab 'em? Try the tweezers with the built-in magnifying glass.

On the Shoppingprivate.com site — <http://www.shoppingprivate.com> — even a pair of ordinary B&W tweezers is hawked as "the official facial hair removal tool of the rock group Oasis."

Perhaps the most convenient (hairy) alternative is a simply stencil on the eyebrow of your favorite celebrity. At <http://www.shop4eyebrows.com> / Hollywood lowbrrows — eye brows — are available at the click of the mouse.

For \$19.95, you can mimic the bedroom brows of Heather Locklear or the power brows of Tyra Banks. All it takes is a stencil and Eyebrow's own "creamy powder" to fill in the blanks.

Science hasn't found the cause of psoriasis

The Orlando Sentinel

The cause of psoriasis, a chronic skin disease, is not known, cure, there is no known cure.

The noncontagious condition, which typically appears for the first time between ages 15 and 35, causes the skin to form thick, silvery scales called plaques. These are caused when the skin grows too fast.

The plaques generally form on the knees, scalp, navel and elbows. Some people experience painful and itchy scales that can limit movement of the joints.

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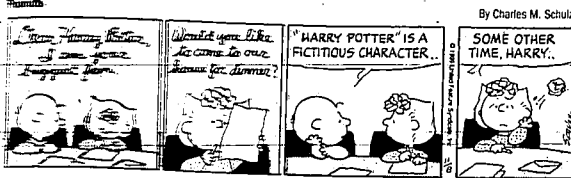
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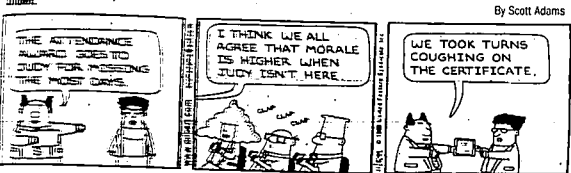
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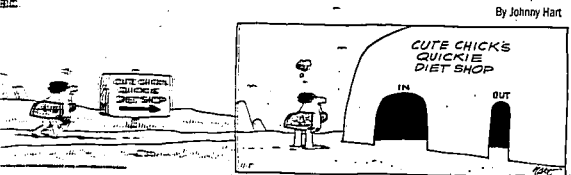
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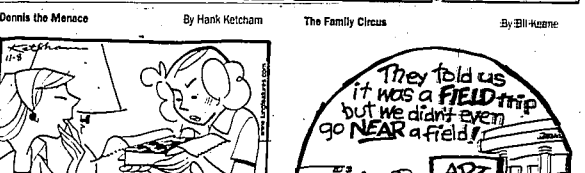
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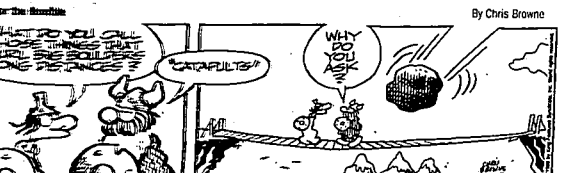
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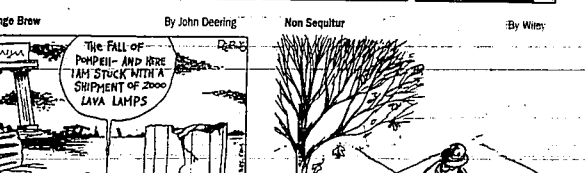
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