



GOOD MORNING

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 Today: Fog early then sunny, high 35. Cloudy tonight, low 28.

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Low-tech toys: Who says kids nowadays want the fancy gadgets?

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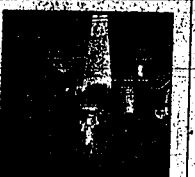
Golf fun: Blaine County's Recreation District is inching nearer to bringing two times to Hailey.

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It's Greeceaat!!! The annual Great Eight college hoops tourney tipped off Tuesday night in Chicago.

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TF shooting leaves man critical

Officers say little about early morning incident

By Gregory Hahn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Zachery Klundt answered his door early Tuesday morning and was greeted with a gun.

The 20-year-old resident of 3237 Addison Ave. E. was taken by helicopter to St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, said Nancy Howell, spokeswoman for the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department. It appears he was shot while standing in his doorway, she said.

Klundt was listed in critical condition when he was flown to Boise,

and his status hadn't changed by Tuesday evening. He was suffering from injuries to his face, neck and left shoulder, a St. Alphonsus spokeswoman said.

The call came to 911 dispatchers before 5:30 a.m.

Investigators were trying to piece together the shooting, but were releasing no more information Tuesday evening, Howell said. The deputies were being "tight-lipped" on specifics, including the kind of weapon used, the number of shots fired and whether they had any suspects.

Officers closed that section of

Addison west of center for much of the morning, and the small fleet of law enforcement vehicles amassed there came as a surprise to the few residents of a sparsely populated section of town that most people see only on their way to the interstate.

"I looked down and said there must be an accident," said Marvin Burpee, a neighbor.

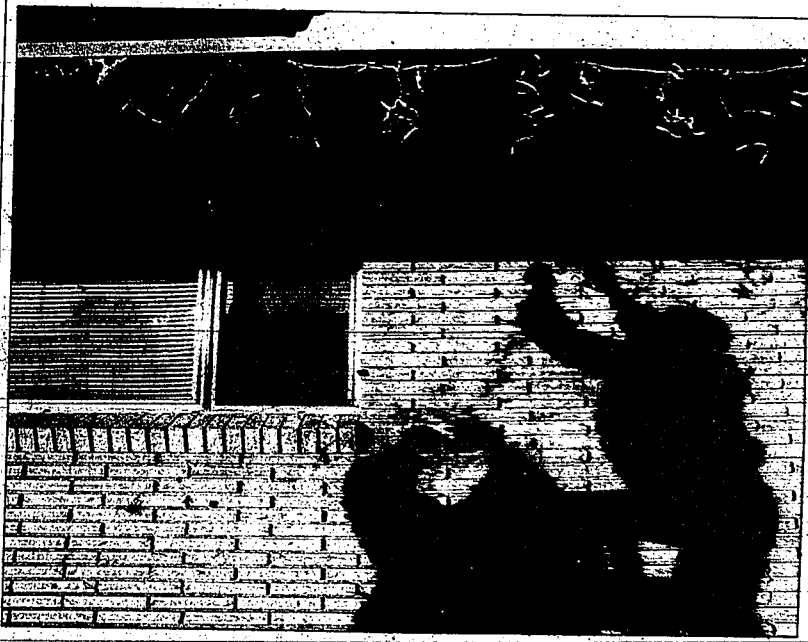
But the morning snow had yet to come — though the short-lived snowfall would make the sheriff deputies' job a little harder.

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A Twin Falls sheriff's officer keeps watch from inside his patrol car on an Addison Avenue East house where a shooting occurred Tuesday morning.

HELPING HANDS



Kate Allen, on the ladder, and Marie Giles help a string of Christmas lights on a house on Falls Avenue. The job came because her a living and were hanging the lights for an elderly client as a Christmas treat.

Cassia probes infant's death

By Ruth Stupeter
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Cassia County sheriff's investigators have made no arrests, and are still trying to determine how a 1-month-old baby suffered the injuries that might have caused his death early Monday morning.

An autopsy performed by a pathologist Tuesday determined the baby, Quinton Van Holland of Burley, had a fractured skull and had suffered a broken leg, Cassia County Sheriff Billy Crystal said. The leg had been broken 10 to 14 days before the baby's death, and the fracture had occurred just before death, Crystal said.

The infant had received no treatment for the broken leg, Cassia County Coroner Paul Young said.

The injuries had been identified by the detective working on the case, through his extensive training in the subject, as "text-book cases" of human-caused.

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Russia's Chechen campaign draws Western warning

Chicago Tribune

LONDON — The Russian military's "get-out-or-die" ultimatum to the people of the Chechen capital of Grozny galvanized Western governments Tuesday to begin considering limited curbs on aid to Moscow after months of inaction.

The 15-nation European Union said in Brussels that it was considering freezing research and technical assistance accords due to be signed with Russia — a mostly symbolic gesture. But it added to pressure on Moscow after the international Monetary Fund affirmed Monday that it would

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Groups push ban on off-roading in parks

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Environmentalists Tuesday launched efforts to ban four-wheelers, motorcycles and other off-road vehicles in national parks and in one-third of national forests.

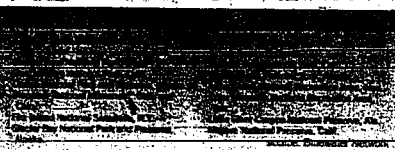
Use of the vehicles is growing swiftly and is crushing plants, harming wildlife, polluting the air and disrupting the calm and quiet of nature, the environmentalists said.

"Our public lands have essentially become sacrifice zones for motorized cowboys-to-get-their-kicks," said Russell Long, executive director of Bluewater

Target parks

Network in San Francisco. National Park Service and Forest Service officials — while acknowledging that off-road vehicle use is a growing concern — stopped short of saying a new national policy is needed.

Machines such as personal watercraft are acceptable in man-made lakes in recreational areas designed for such purposes, said Elaine Sevy, a Park Service spokeswoman.



Trapped civilians — 65

Panel will probe Mars program

Knight Ridder News Service

PASADENA, Calif. — Hours after engineers conceded the presumed death of Mars Polar Lander and its separate twin mini-probes, NASA announced Tuesday that an independent panel would conduct "a major rethinking of the Mars program."

The program, which costs \$275 million a year, is scheduled to continue until 2007. There have been three straight Mars mission failures: Mars Polar Lander, the Deep Space 2 mini-probes and Mars Climate Orbiter in September.

"NASA should rethink the process of building heavy faster,

NASA gives up on polar lander, promises 'major rethinking'

cheaper, smaller martian probes and emphasize reliability," said Fred DeJarnette, founding director of the Mars Mission Research Center at North Carolina State University. "I think there needs to be a little more time and funding for each of those projects to be a little more reliable."

In addition to the broad review,

a separate NASA board probably will form this week to look at the specific failures of the Polar Lander and mini-probes.

But NASA shouldn't concentrate on looking for a possible technological mistake, said Lynn Sacchini, a Boeing Corp. senior policy analyst who has criticized the agency's cut-throat space policy.

"Increasingly, what's not failing is technology," said Sacchini. "The failures are coming in bad engineering choices, bad management choices." He is the author of "Cassini on a Shoestring," a critical look at NASA's fester-



Flight engineers Joseph Burpee, left, and Phil Knoch hear Tuesday that no sign is detected from the Mars Polar Lander. Also in the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., is California Rep. David Dreier, center in back.

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THE REGION

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Camas Prairie

High 24 Low 14
Fog early today then mostly sunny. Cloudy Thursday. Good chance of snow, high 25.

Treasure Valley

High 37 Low 29
Fog early today then mostly sunny. Cloudy Thursday. Chance of rain/snow, high 39.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 31 Low 11
Partly cloudy today and mostly cloudy Thursday. Good chance of snow, high 31.

Eastern Idaho

High 30 Low 9
Partly cloudy today with high winds. Clearing tonight. Fog, cloudy Thursday, high 34.

Northern Idaho

High 30 Low 25
Fog early today then mostly cloudy. Same tonight. Cloudy Thursday, chance of rain/snow, high 34.

Northern Utah

High 35 Low 17
Mostly cloudy today with chance of rain. Partly cloudy tonight. Fog, cloudy Thursday, high 39.

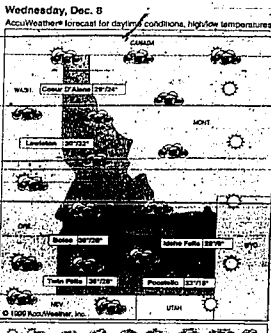
Northern Nevada

High 36 Low 27
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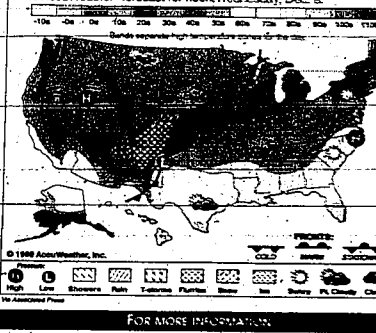
Today Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday
High 40 Low 28
High 40 Low 31
High 30s Low teens
High 30s Low teens
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Twin Falls Precipitation
Yesterday in Twin Falls
Last year: .01
Normal mo. to date: .32

Idaho weather



National weather



Idaho Highs/Lows
Boise: High 35, Low 17
Coeur d'Alene: High 35, Low 17
Canyonville: High 35, Low 17

The Nation

Albuquerque: High 19, Low 23
Anchorage: High 15, Low 14
Boston: High 40, Low 30

Lawmakers say Confederate flag should have flown just a short while

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Twenty-two former lawmakers who served when the Confederate flag was raised above South Carolina's statehouse in 1962 returned Tuesday to urge current legislators to bring it down.

Mars

Better, cheaper pilot
Speculation about causes of the failure is just beginning, ranging from a soil problem at the landing site to the martian south pole, problems with rocket fuel pyrotechnics and the angle of entry.

New computer virus comes in Y2K fix-it guise

NEW YORK (AP) — Computer security experts warned Tuesday of a new, first-of-its-kind virus that can update itself with potentially-malicious instructions from a Web site in Japan.

education at Trend Micro Inc. identified the virus's most worrisome aspect as its ability to add new capabilities as it rolls along.

Bans

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off-road vehicles and downplay vehicles users' efforts to improve trails and help the environment.

Russia

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continue to withhold a second \$600-million slice of a \$4.5-billion loan agreed with Russia in July.

Shooting

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"I felt sorry for these guys, trying to do some kind of an investigation when it's snowing like cats and dogs," Barnes said.

Burley

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injuries, Crystal said. Crystal said he could not comment further on the nature of Quinon's injuries.

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CORRECTIONS
Jerry Wertz is a local World War II veteran. His name was misspelled in a story on Pearl Harbor that appeared in The Times-News Tuesday.

McCain aids AT&T, gets funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. John McCain, whose presidential campaign rails against special-interest influence, raised \$10,000 from AT&T executives shortly after introducing legislation that would make it easier for the phone giant to expand further into the cable television business. McCain's bill would take away the Federal Communications Commission's power to approve telecommunications mergers, eliminating one of the two regulatory hurdles facing such industry deals.

As chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee, McCain, R-Ariz., oversees the communications industry and has other connections to AT&T. One of his for-

mer committee staff members, Paula Pless Timmons, lobbies for AT&T.

And close campaign adviser, former Rep. Tim Weber, also lobbies for the company and co-hosted a March 23 fund-raiser that raised \$120,000 for McCain's presidential effort.

Just two days after that fund-raiser, McCain first hinted that he would try to strip the FCC of its role in approving mergers. He introduced the legislation May 26.

Within two weeks, 10 AT&T executives had made maximum \$1,000 contributions each to McCain's presidential campaign.



A Fort Gibson, Okla., teacher talks to two students after school Tuesday as she escorts them off school grounds. Four students were shot at the school Monday.

Boy's friends search for answers

FORT GIBSON, Okla. (AP) — A day after a 13-year-old was accused of shooting four schoolmates, friends and neighbors in this small rural town were baffled as to why a popular, church-going, honor-roll student would do such a thing.

He liked video games, touch football and his mom's cookies. He had a birthday party every year.

And yet, on Monday, the seventh-grader allegedly opened fire outside the Fort Gibson Middle School with the gun his father had bought a few years ago at a Wal-Mart. Four students were wounded, though none of their injuries was considered life-threatening. A fifth student was injured by a bullet that ricocheted, police Chief Richard Slader said.

"He was always nice to everybody. He was real popular. You would never have known him to do anything like this," said Deanna Pruitt, an eighth-grade cheerleader.

Authorities and the boy's lawyer have refused to release his name because of his age and because charges have not been filed, but schoolmates who witnessed the shooting identified the boy as Seth Trickey.

"He was a no sir, yes sir kid," said Tina Mayo, who lives across the street with her 13-year-old son, Michael.

"We played football, Nintendo and hide and seek," Michael Mayo said of Seth's birthday party Friday night.

Police Chief Richard Slader

said the boy fired at least 15 times outside the school before a science teacher pinned him against a wall, and had more ammunition available.

Authorities said they weren't aware of any previous trouble involving the teen, who attended church regularly. He didn't leave any notes, and his parents have refused to let him talk with police. Because of his age, police need permission to question Seth. Officers searched his home and several school lockers.

Prosecution as a juvenile could lead to a sentence as harsh as incarceration until age 21 or as lenient as being returned to the custody of his parents with instructions to undergo treatment.

Researchers find way to make portlier pigs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here come the super pigs. Medical researchers using gene therapy have figured out a way to make young hogs grow 40 percent larger and faster.

Scientists say the technique, which stimulates production of the pigs' growth hormones, would be a boon for livestock farmers — and eventually could even be used to treat children with growth problems and to prevent muscle deterioration in AIDS and cancer patients.

"I think that over the long term this is going to be a defining

technology that will change the face of how agriculture is done," said the lead scientist, Robert J. Schwartz, a professor of molecular and cellular biology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

The prospect of biotech hogs also is likely to raise new questions in a growing worldwide controversy over genetically engineered food. The United States already is locked in a trade war with the European Union over the EU's ban on beef from cattle injected with hormones.

"I don't think most consumers are very interested in eating hor-

none-treated meats," Rebecca Goldberg, senior scientist for the Environmental Defense Fund, said Tuesday.

Livestock and poultry have been getting steadily bigger, leaner and faster-growing for years because of improvements in genetics, nutrition and housing, and the use of hormones in cattle.

But the results reported by Schwartz's team are especially dramatic. All the improvements made in hog production over the past two decades have pigs maturing only 10 percent faster than they used to.

Mattel's toy shipment draws fire

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The state attorney general is criticizing Mattel for donating poor-quality toys to disadvantaged children as part of a national anti-trust settlement.

A shipment to the Toys for Tots program at Fort Belknap included hundreds of "collector's cases" for Hot Wheels toy cars, but no cars that fit them. Many other toys that arrived Monday also appeared to be at least two years old.

Similar problems were noted with Mattel toy shipments to other states involved in the \$56 million deal, state Attorney General Mike Hatch said.

"They ought to get a little chutzpah in their public relation stocking for this," Hatch said. "We will reject any substandard toys they've sent us. The agreement says the toys are to be current and viable."

Mattel spokesman Glenn Bozarth said many of the toys were set aside in October 1998, when the four firms originally agreed to the settlement.

"We were prepared to deliver

them then," Bozarth said from the company's headquarters in El Segundo, Calif. "But we were asked to wait a year." He added that the company has offered to ship more toys to replace those deemed unacceptable.

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Politics hamper Cuban youth's case

Dad wants him back but U.S. presses anti-Castro agenda

MIAMI (AP) — If Elian Gonzalez had come from any other country but Cuba, he might be back with his father by now. Instead, the 6-year-old boy in Miami is the focus of a Cold War-style dispute in which the standard child-welfare practices have become entangled in politics.

Immigration lawyers and children's rights advocates say an unaccompanied minor, especially one as young as Elian, would normally be sent back to his home country if U.S. authorities located a competent parent or guardian seeking to regain custody.

In this case, though, the pleas of Elian's father are competing with the complexities of U.S. policy toward Communist Cuba and Fidel Castro.

Under anti-Castro laws in force for three decades, even a 6-year-old, brought to shore by the Coast Guard after his mother and other would-be refugees drowned, is eligible for permanent residency. No other country is singled out in this way under U.S. law.



Elian Gonzalez, shown here with the bicycle he received for his birthday, is the focus of a Cold War-style dispute between Cuba and the United States.

"The evidence in this case clearly demonstrates that the father is a fit and proper parent," said Jose Portiera, an immigration lawyer in Washington. "If any other country was involved, this case would be a slam dunk. The boy would have been placed

decided in Florida family court on the basis of humanitarian considerations. Jo Becker, advocacy director of the children's rights division of Human Rights Watch, said U.S. Cuba politics have complicated what might otherwise have been a straightforward case.

"In other cases where unaccompanied minors arrive in the United States, the INS is usually eager to get rid of them as easily and quickly as possible if there is a parent in the home country that wants the child back," she said. "If the case goes to a federal court, Becker said, the judge should try to reach a non-political judgment that serves Elian's best interests and considers the father's request to resume raising his own son.

Russ Bergeron, a spokesman for the Immigration and Naturalization Service, said his agency deals with many unaccompanied minors each year. Some of those who seek political asylum are allowed to remain for an extended period of time, even if they have parents abroad, he said.

Bergeron stressed that Cubans have a distinct status under U.S. law, and "the decisions we've made are in complete compliance with immigration law."

McCain calls for missile system, cutting weapons

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — On the anniversary of Pearl Harbor, Republican presidential hopeful John McCain called Tuesday for deployment of a missile defense system, cancellation of unneeded weapons and military pay raises to maintain America as the "greatest force for good on earth."

A 22-year Navy veteran and former Vietnam prisoner of war, McCain outlined a policy of "tough state rebalancing" to contain threats from nations such as Iraq and North Korea. He said his goal as president would be "not simply to contain regimes, but to drive them from power." The Arizona senator has risen sharply in the polls in recent months in New Hampshire, site

of the nation's first presidential primary next year, and is aiming his presidential campaign at independent voters as well as Republicans.

He criticized political leaders "on both sides of the aisle and at both ends of Pennsylvania Avenue who ask the military to do too much with too little, and who misdirect scarce defense dollars to their political priorities, rather than to vital defense needs."

The 1972 ABM treaty with the former Soviet Union does not allow deployment of a missile defense shield, McCain said. But he said the United States should discuss the issue with Russia to see whether that pact can be altered to permit deployment.

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Court weighs state, federal power balance

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court used cases involving air bags and oil spill liability to debate the question of when U.S. rules can override state authority to set environmental and safety standards.

Rulings expected by next summer could further clarify the balance of power between federal and state governments, which the justices have increasingly tipped toward the states in recent years.

The air bag case asks whether millions of Americans can sue automakers for not installing air bags in vehicles at a time when federal regulations did not require them.

Malcolm Wheeler, a lawyer for American Honda Motor Co., said Congress intended to block such lawsuits while air bag installation was phased in because it thought "chaos would occur if all 50 states could regulate independently."

Alexis Geler suffered severe head injuries when her car crashed into a tree in the District of Columbia. A federal appeals court threw out her lawsuit, saying that holding Honda responsible for failing to install an air bag would interfere with the government's decision to make them optional.

The regulations have stiffened since the 1980s, and cars made after 1997 must have air bags for the driver and front-seat passenger.

In the oil-tanker case, the Clinton administration asked the justices to rule that federal rules intended to prevent oil spills override states' authority to set their own standards.

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NATION

Gov. Bush Study: Even modest weight loss helps

touts his experience

PHOENIX (AP) — A day after a debate in which his presidential readiness again was questioned, Texas Gov. George W. Bush said Tuesday he is most qualified to lead the country because he's been an entrepreneur and runs the nation's second-largest state.

"That's what people have to decide in this campaign. Who's been in the position to make decisions?" Bush told reporters the morning after his second presidential debate.

"The other two elected officials have spent a lot of time in Washington," he said, referring to his rival, Sen. John McCain of Arizona, and Orrin Hatch of Utah. "If you listened very carefully, everybody was attacking Washington last week."

Although Bush, the front-runner, didn't make any major missteps in the debates, his scripted and sometimes vague answers have failed to silence questions about his political left and readiness to lead the country.

Revenue allows stamp price rise to wait until 2001.

WASHINGTON — The Postal Service made a \$363 million profit in fiscal 1999, permitting it to postpone the next rate increase until 2001, postal officials said Tuesday.

It was the fifth consecutive year the agency has finished in the black, and the profit was \$163 million more than expected, said postal chief financial officer M. Richard Porras.

The post office still carries a \$3.5 billion accumulated deficit, but over the next years of operating in the red.

Academics reassess Reagan in more positive light

WASHINGTON — Academics are taking a second look at Ronald Reagan, and they like what they see.

"Reagan's treatment by academics is far better than many people — especially many conservatives — might surmise it to be," writes Grove City College professor Paul Kengor in this month's Heritage Foundation Policy Review.

Many conservative politicians generally don't have a sympathetic audience among the professors who create their historical legacies.

He cites surveys showing the nation's social scientists to be a liberal bunch who, even on a good day, were disinclined to give anything better than a gentleman's C to Reagan's presidency.

"It is therefore all the more surprising — it is indeed stunning — to see that Ronald Reagan ... is actually rated well among academics in the 'learned journals,' and in certain major academic books," Kengor writes.

Instructor removes her strip class from college campus

GUTH HADLEY, Mass. They will be taking it off campus.

Mount Holyoke College lecturer Susan Scotto is moving her controversial class in response to a Northampton studio.

During the last school year, 65 students at the prestigious women's college took the free brown class in striping.

—compiled from wire reports

Study: Even modest weight loss helps

CHICAGO (AP) — Overweight women who lost as little as five pounds handled everyday activities more easily and had fewer aches and pains, a study found.

Gaining as little as five pounds had the reverse effect in normal-weight and overweight women, the researchers reported in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

The four-year study of more than 6,000 nurses, ages 46 to 71, is one of the few to show that small changes in weight can have a big effect on quality of life.

Most research on overweight people has focused on dire long-term risks — diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, stroke and cancer.

"The vast majority of overweight people don't end up getting those diseases. But when we're talking about things like being able to walk up stairs, we're talking about something that potentially affects everyone," said Dr. Ichiro Kawachi, a professor of medicine who helped lead the study at Harvard-affiliated Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

A separate study in JAMA reported that obese women are more than six times as likely as lean women to have a silent

inflammation in their arteries that may boost their already elevated risk of heart disease. The study involved more than 15,000 Americans.

The results were first reported in April at a meeting in Washington by obesity researcher Marjolijn Visser of Vrije University in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

The findings suggest that low-dose aspirin — already used to prevent heart attacks and strokes in people with cardiovascular disease — might also benefit the obese. But researchers said more study is needed before such treatment can be advised.

Parents sacrifice eyes to save baby

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — With cancer ravaging 18-month-old Jalen Howsare, his parents did the only thing they could try to stop the spread of the tumor. They let doctors remove his eyes.

"The most important thing is to have Jalen around and healthy," Jalen's father, Tom Howsare, said.

"If he doesn't have sight, we can deal with that. And we think he's strong enough to deal with that."

The family from Solon learned Monday that doctors found another sign of cancer after Friday's operation.

Jalen had an illness known as bilateral retinoblastoma. He had about 100 small tumors in his right eye and 50 in the left.

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OPINION

Now is the time to get involved in INEEL replacement oversight

"What goes around, comes around" is a cliché that applies to the Citizens Advisory Board for the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. Because of federal regulations that set term limits for board members, six members (out of 15) of the INEEL Citizens Advisory Board are due for replacement next year. As a charter member of the board, I would like to make a personal request for anyone interested in affecting decisions made by the site manager at INEEL to apply. Your first reaction may be to say, "You've got to be kidding! No one can have an effect on bureaucratic decision making." All I can say is, "Try it, you'll be surprised!"

The concept behind establishing the CAB was to provide public input from a representative cross section of Idaho citizens, rather than rely solely on public meetings and formal public hearings. The problem with public meetings is that you can give input, but getting feedback on how, or if, the input was used is nigh impossible. The CAB, on the other hand, makes formal recom-

READER COMMENT
Ben Collins

mendations and demands formal feedback - which it gets! Another plus for the board is that all of its recommendations on INEEL issues are arrived at through consensus. It's a tough, frustrating process, but results in the most comprehensive and useful recommendations. Not only that, all meetings are facilitated by a contract mediator to get over the rough spots during CAB deliberations. The board meets every other month beginning with January, so it involves six meetings a year, and members are reimbursed for travel expenses. Keep in mind you do not have to be a nuclear physicist to be considered - just the opposite. The secretary of energy is strongly emphasizing selection of a diverse cross section of lay people that truly represent Idaho's public. With that in mind, I strongly suggest anyone who has a strong interest in doing his or her part to help clean up Idaho's nuclear

waste legacy should make an application. And, on a personal note, being on the CAB with Reacht B&W as the new contractor will be a rewarding experience. They have set a two-way challenge for themselves: perform, integrate and expand. To do this, they have an operational plan based on five key themes: (1) completion of cleanup, (2) achieve operational excellence, (3) improve integration of INEEL activities, (4) enhance INEEL's scientific contributions as a national laboratory, (5) commercialize and transfer technology and diversify regional economy. If you are interested in taking an active part in this new era of cleanup and waste management at INEEL, call Jason Associates at the following number and ask for an application to the CAB: (800) 320-1662. Time is of the essence because the CAB Membership Selection Committee will be making recommendations for new board members at its regular meeting in January.

Ben Collins is a retired federal employee living in the Buhl area. He can be reached at 543-8169.

LETTERS

Some questions for TF

- Does anyone have a spare bedroom to rent by the night?
- Does Twin Falls have a shortage of hotels and motel beds?
- Do we need more retail outlets?
- How many eateries are in town?
- How many conventions per year will be held in Twin Falls with a new convention center?
- Can the Perrine Bridge accommodate more north and south traffic?
- Will the quality of your life be enhanced with the proposed new hotel?
- Is bigger better?
- Is there a Santa Claus?

KEN REID
Twin Falls

time about workmen's comp and about how the working men and women are being shafted.

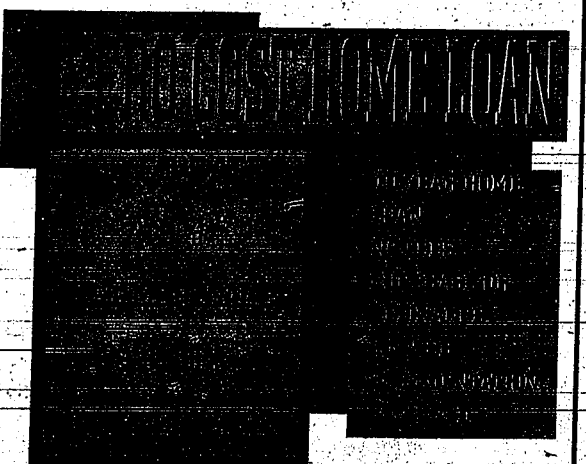
Workmen's comp is completely out of control and needs to be reformed in the worst way. I have a daughter-in-law who was hurt on the job in Boise, and she is having one heck of a time getting any medical help at all. I was contacted by some people who are having the same problems. I suggested to them that they should contact the governor's office and discuss their problems with him. They agreed, and so I called the governor's office to set up an appointment. After about two weeks of no reply from them, I called back and was told that the governor would not meet with them and they should take their complaints to the workmen's comp department. Well, excuse me, but aren't these the same

people we were wanting to complain about?

It seems our governor wants to wave the flag in one hand and bury his head in the sand so that he doesn't have to face some of the real issues that are going on out here - the ones the men and women are faced with every day. All of this kind of reminds me of something my grandfather once told me about the politicians of the '20s and '30s during the Great Depression. He said that those politicians reminded him of zebras. They were strange animals that were fascinating to watch but if you took away their stripes, and looked a little closer, all you would find was just a stupid old jackass.

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Not in town: The Gooding City Council considers banning the slaughter of livestock within city limits.
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Section B

AROUND THE VALLEY

Ejection from van into gorge kills man

BLISS - A Blackfoot man died in a freak accident on Interstate 84 over the Malad Gorge in southern Idaho. Authorities said Brad Wren, 16, plunged to his death late Monday when the van he was riding in slammed into the interstate guardrail after skidding on ice, throwing him through the side window and over the guardrail 50 feet to the wall of the gorge.
Gooding County Sheriff Shawna Gough said Wren died immediately. Damage to the van was limited.

Wendell School Board changes meeting date

WENDELL - The School Board will not hold its regularly scheduled meeting today.
The board will hold its next meeting at 7 p.m. Dec. 15 in the high school library.

Buhl School Board holds schedule review

BUHL - The Buhl School Board today will review what classes will be offered at the high school next school year.
Up for discussion will be what courses the district will provide through the Advanced Educational Technical Education Coalition - a consortium of school districts and businesses pooling resources to offer advanced technical training to juniors and seniors.
The board also will consider whether to change the date of its monthly meeting.
The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the district office.

Blaine commissioners mull stream alteration work

HAILLEY - Blaine County commissioners told representatives for St. Luke's Regional Medical Center they've agreed to alter their homework before the commissioners approve an application for a stream alteration permit.
The permit would allow St. Luke's to install water and sewer wastewater pipelines across the Big Wood River for the new St. Luke's Wood River Hospital just south of Hailley.
St. Luke's earlier asked for and received permission to bore under the river. But it has not yet attempted the bore. And Blaine County engineer Jim Kooser has doubts it can be done. Boring has been done in the Boise area where the soil is sandy. But the rocky bank near Hailley would be more difficult to bore through.
Commissioners continued the request to a later date so St. Luke's can take up its mind whether it wants to bore or to lay water and sewer lines across the river in open trenches. To get commissioners' approval they must first provide additional information about the impact of such a project to the Department of Water Resources and allow the public to comment.
"Basically, it's all down to 'You're not ready. We're not ready, either,'" said Commissioner Len Harlie.

Crapo nominates Magic Valley academy hopefuls

TWIN FALLS - Nine Magic Valley leaders will be invited to attend one of the country's prestigious military academies.
Sen. Mike Crapo announced his nomination while honoring World War II veterans Tuesday.
Crapo-nominated Justin Nelson of Halley and Pete Schlemmer of Burroughs in West Point; Greg Van Der Hoven of Hooty in the U.S. Naval Academy; Will Black of Jerome and Andrew Ryan and Chris Wilson of Twin Falls to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy; and Rok Deddic of Burley, and Kelly Kramer and Jaina Wright of Twin Falls to the U.S. Air Force Academy.
To be considered for future nomination, contact Crapo's regional director Linda Norris at 734-2515.

Forest Service recognizes Breckenridges for help

PIECABO - The Forest Service has recognized the conservation efforts of the Breckenridges family in U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo, Saturday presented a Forest Service land stewardship award to Katie Breckenridge of Piecabo and her family on behalf of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.
Compiled from staff and wire reports



Twin Falls resident and former oil refinery worker Robert Howells speaks with Calvin Ozaki, the deputy general manager for the Advanced Fibred Waste Treatment Project being proposed at INEEL (Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory), at Tuesday's open house on the proposed incinerator at Cavanaugh's Best Western.

Incinerator idea draws tepid response

By M.S. Norkkoyva
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Dale Hoskins is concerned that the federal government is bringing in radioactive waste from all over the country to be incinerated at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.
"Our politicians are not looking out for our best interests," he said. Hoskins, of Buhl, maintains a public drinking water system.
He was one of a small number of people who stopped in at an open house Tuesday for a proposed radioactive waste treatment plant at INEEL. Like others who came, he was interested in the issue and looked for answers to his concerns.
The federal Energy Department wants to build a facility to treat up to 6.5 million cubic feet of plutonium-contaminated waste, some of it stored at INEEL. The government has hired BNFL Inc. to build and operate the facility.
BNFL Inc. - the American subsidiary of British Nuclear Fuels Limited, owned by the British government - has applied to the state for a permit to build the plant and to the federal Environmental Protection Agency for a permit to handle a toxic substance.
Tuesday's open house was meant to provide information about those permits.

The state and federal permits would allow the facility to treat about 3 million cubic feet of waste - that's about 11,000 dump truck loads. About 2.3 million cubic feet of that waste now is stored above the ground at INEEL. And about 22 percent of it - "for 650,000 cubic feet - would be incinerated."
The waste includes tools, lab equipment, protective clothing and sludges of solvents contaminated with PCBs.
The government says the only way to treat PCBs is to dispose of it to incinerate it.
Robert Howells of Twin Falls, looked over the displays of maps and posters describing the plant, the treatment process, and the waste. He is not favorably impressed.
"I think they're doing the right thing," he said. "What the government is proposing is better than just burying it in the ground," he said. He is retired and worked for Atlantic Richfield Co., a large oil company.
But the displays and the information contained a dozen thick binders - the permit applications - are just paper, said Brian Monson, head of the state Division of Environmental Quality's hazardous waste program.
"They will have to demon-

strate to us that they can do what they said they could," he said. "Otherwise they don't operate."
Monson's office is authorized by Environmental Protection Agency to oversee hazardous waste, such as solvents and oils, he said. But the EPA still has authority over toxic substances, such as PCBs.
"And since the waste to be treated contains PCBs as well as solvents, both agencies would issue permits. But before they do, experts will assess the risks to human health and the environment of the proposed operation."
If the application meet the requirements, a permit would be issued that would allow construction of the facility. But before the incinerator would be allowed to operate, it must pass a trial burn, Monson said.
Following the trial burn, risks would again be assessed, this time based on the results of the test burn, he said. State and federal officials would oversee the test, to ensure it is conducted in accordance with a set process and established criteria.
Because of the high visibility of the project, Monson probably will be on hand for the test burn.
And if the incinerator passes the test, oversight would contin-

ue. A new computer system allows state officials to monitor operations 24 hours a day. Officials would know immediately if there's a problem, Monson said.
Officials could order the incinerator to be shut down, and would require the problems to be corrected resuming operation.
Once treated, the wastes would be shipped to a disposal facility in New Mexico.
The treatment plant is required by a 1995 agreement between Idaho and the federal government. The agreement requires that some wastes stored at INEEL be removed from the state by 2035.

The contract between BNFL and the Energy Department includes treating an additional 100,000 cubic meters of waste from other federal sites across the country. But if the facility treats more waste than the 3 million cubic feet covered by the permit, a new or amended permit would be needed.
In addition, the state's agreement requires that waste brought into the state must be treated within six months and must be shipped out again within six months of being treated.

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Simpson: Ag could face more tough times

By Ruth Streater
Times-News writer

HEYBURN - In the wake of a troubled World Trade Organization negotiations in Seattle last week, Idaho's agricultural interests look to face more tough times.
The European Union is defending its own agricultural interests, and farmers and ranchers are hampered by disinterested representatives from Congress and might not understand the rural lifestyle of the West.
That's the sober message Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, brought to Heyburn Tuesday in a dialogue with locals, whose ag interests are being considered by world leaders following last week's WTO conference.
Simpson said last week's trade negotiations broke down when a small group of free-trading countries seriously challenged the European Union, which is trying to protect its own ag culture.
"They're going to do everything they can to protect their small family farms," he said.
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Court upholds ruling against 'ambassador of God'

BOISE - The Idaho Court of Appeals upheld a judge's ruling against a self-proclaimed "ambassador from the Kingdom of God" who filed an admittedly frivolous civil complaint against federal, state and county officials.
The three-member court, in an unanimous opinion issued Tuesday upheld 5th District Judge Roger Burdick's decision to reject Monte J. Hutchinson's lawsuit and order him to pay attorney fees.
Hutchinson filed his Aug. 4, 1997, lawsuit against everyone from the Twin Falls County prosecutor to President Clinton after being convicted of two misdemeanors for driving without a license and putting plates from another vehicle on his car. He admitted the violations, but argued that the court had no jurisdiction over him because as an "ambassador from the Kingdom of God" he was subject only to the U.S. Supreme Court.
All the federal defendants were quickly dismissed from

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TF City tags new enviro manager

Jerome man chosen to fill the vacancy

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - David Lewis is ready to jump right into his new job.
The city of Twin Falls recently hired 52-year-old Lewis, of Jerome, as environmental coordinator, replacing Brad Gilmore who resigned in August.
Gilmore found himself at the center of controversy in January after writing a series of letters to The Times-News under the fictitious name "Omar Howler." The letters expressed strong views on a proposed hog farm and criticized Twin Falls County Commissioner Marvin Hoppleman.
Gilmore at first denied writing the letters, but he later admitted writing them to City Manager Tom Courtney. He was reprimanded by the city. Gilmore worked more than two years in the \$35,000-a-year job.
Lewis applied for the vacancy six months ago. He was offered the job last week, and his first day on the job was Monday. The city will pay him \$28,000 a year.
"And why did he take the job?"
"Well, number one, I wanted to do something for the community," he says. "I'd number two, to have an environmental job close to home."
Before taking the job, Lewis talked with local environmentalists, including an environmental officer he served 18 months in Kuwait, dealing with environmental affairs.
"It's a bit hard commuting back and forth from Jerome to Kuwait," Lewis joked.
Lewis already has met several times with local environmentalists. He plans to jump right into the job, he said.
Twin Falls city engineer Gary Young said he hired Lewis based on his qualifications. Lewis was on a list of 19 or 20 candidates.
Lewis interviewed four or five people. Young said "We had out-of-state people apply and a lot of public health and safety people that were not environmentalists."
Lewis' office is in City Hall.

Times-News staff writer John T. Huddy can be reached in Twin Falls at 733-0931, Ext. 237 or by e-mail at huddy@magicvalley.com

Jerome's crime rate noses down

By Dicie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Crime in the city of Jerome is down, and the state wants to know why.
Jerome Police Chief Bill Reid received a letter recently from Robin Ellison, crime data reporting analyst with the Idaho State Police, asking for details on crime statistics in Jerome from 1993 and 1999.
Jerome reported a significant drop in crime rates, but more than doubling in drug-related arrests.
"It is FBI policy to review and identify any crime data fluctuations," Ellison wrote in a letter to Reid.
Reid has an unofficial explanation.
"When I came on board I told everyone we were going ultra-modern in our police practices - back to the 1950s," he said. "We've added reserve officers and have more officers in the field. I believe in preventing crime rather than solving it after it has happened."
When Reid was hired in September 1998 he started a

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OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0933, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 8 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



James 'Jim' A. Wiley - Jim was born on November 14, 1908, in Norton County, Kansas, the son of William Allen and Cecelia Augusta Archer Wiley. In 1914, Jim left Kansas with his family when he was six, for Gooding, Idaho, where he lived with his family until 1927. Jim went to Nevada, where he was a ranch hand, angler and prospector...

THOMAS and his sister Frances.

Thomas was preceded in death by his sister, Leona Powell. The funeral service will take place at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 9, 1999, at the Second Ward LDS Church in Idaho Falls. Bishop Mike Walto conducting. Burial will follow at the Hazelton White Mortuary on Wednesday from 1 to 8 p.m., and on Thursday from 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. at the church.

Dean of Jerome; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Gladys J. Lowman, and her grandparents. Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 10, 1999, at the Howe-Roberts-Jurora Chapel in Jerome, with the Rev. Bob Adams officiating. No viewing is planned. Burial will follow in the Jerome Cemetery.

BURLEY

GOODING



William 'Bill' L. Shobe, age 75, died Monday, Dec. 6, 1999, at home with his family. Bill was born Feb. 2, 1924, in Mandan, North Dakota, to Noble and Agnes Shobe. He served in WW II in the Medical Corps. Bill married Rosa Schmitz on Dec. 27, 1949, in Bismark, North Dakota. He lived in Gooding for the past 30 years, fulfilling a lifelong dream of operating his own trucking business. Bill was a member of the Gooding Elks Lodge #1746, since 1969.



Dorothy W. Stephenson - Dorothy Wickel Stephenson, 87-year-old longtime Burley resident, died Monday, December 6, 1999, at the Burley Care Center. She was born January 3, 1912, at the family ranch in Elba; the daughter of Charles Edwin and Lillian Dail Miller Wickel. The ranch was later sold to Wayne Whitaker. She graduated from Albion High School in 1932, and attended Budge Memorial School of Nursing in Logan, Utah, graduating in June 20, 1940. Dorothy worked as a nurse in various capacities, including hospitals, nursing homes, private care and administrative care. She enjoyed nursing and caring for others. She entered the U.S. Army Nurse Corp in 1943, during World War I, where she earned the rank of First Lieutenant, serving two years in Gowen Field in Boise, then two years in South England. Dorothy married Chester J. Stephenson on October 6, 1955, in Elba, Nevada. He preceded her in death on April 30, 1968. Her yard of flowers were her enjoyment in her later years.

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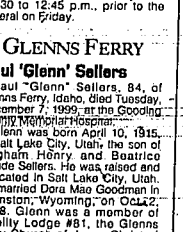
Lellon Earl 'Shorty' Allen - Lellon Earl 'Shorty' Allen, 83 years of age, passed away at his home in Hazelton on Saturday, December 4, 1999. He was born in Victor, Idaho, on November 16, 1916, the son of Henry Earl and Esther Parsons Allen. He married Hazel Porter on September 21, 1940, in Twin Falls, and their marriage was later solemnized in the Idaho Falls Temple in 1954. He farmed and worked in Hazelton in 1957, where he resided until his death. Shorty owned and operated Allen Truck and Repair for many years. Upon his retirement in 1987, his son Mark took over the business and his youth-ho was employed in a logging camp. He was a life-long lover of horses. Shorty was a member of the LDS Second Ward in Hazelton, serving as ward clerk. He also was a High Priest member. He is survived by his wife, Hazel; his children, Robert (Margie) Allen, Barbara (Gordon) Cropper, also surviving are two sisters, Ruth Wilson and Leola Goresma, both of Boise, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by three brothers, and two sisters. A private graveside memorial service will take place at Twin Falls Cemetery. A gathering of friends and family will be held on Friday, December 10, 1999, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the residence of Dr. Thad and Judy Scholtes, 550 Cindy Drive, Twin Falls, ID. Cremation and services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS



Teresa Marie Owings - Teresa Marie Owings, 41, of Twin Falls, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, December 6, 1999, at University Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah; following complications from surgery. She was born July 13, 1958, in Anacortes, Washington. She was a member of the LDS Church and had a great sense of humor, and the ability to give and take teasing to one and all. During Teresa's school years, she enjoyed playing sports, especially bowling and softball. Teresa enjoyed fishing in the mountains, camping and fishing. On her rides, she enjoyed the outdoors and gave us some of the colorful wildflowers and the beauty of nature. She is survived by her father and stepmother, Oliver (Dorothy) Lowman, Jerome; three sisters, Sue (Ron) Ernst of El Reno, OK, Cheryl (Cecil) Carroll of San Jacinto, CA, and Sally (Bill) McVahill of St. Paul, MN; one brother, Jimmy (Ray) Lowman of St. Paul, MN; one nephew, David (Dorothy) Credit of Cullman, AL; and a nephew, Cunningham of Jerome, two stepbrothers, Louis (Jill) Djan, of Wendell, and Lonnie (Heather)

GLENN'S FERRY



Paul 'Glenn' Sellers - Paul 'Glenn' Sellers, 84, of Glenn's Ferry, Idaho, died Tuesday, December 6, 1999, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital. Glenn was born April 10, 1915, in Salt Lake City, Utah; the son of Bright Henry and Beatrice Maule Sellers. He was raised and educated in Salt Lake City, Utah. He married Dora Mae Gooding, Evanston, Wyoming, on Oct. 22, 1948. Glenn was a member of Fidelity Lodge #81, the Glenn's Ferry Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and a lifetime member of Victory Chapter, Order of Eastern Star. He is survived by his wife, Dora Mae; of Glenn's Ferry; daughters, Kathryn Wilson of Lake Havasu, AZ, Victoria (Stephen) Wilcox of Clifton, Va., and Dana (John) Hise of Gooding; grand-children, Lisa Crane, Stephanie Wilcox, AnnMarie Wilcox, Sheridan Swanson, Chase and Brieanna Keegan Gies, and Kellie Gies; and grand-grandchildren, Tyler Roe, Ashley Rose, Paige Crane, and Bryan Nolan. He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters, brothers, and a grandchild, Beverly Stearns. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, December 9, 1999, at 11 a.m. at the Glenn's Ferry Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, with Bishop Rodney Warner conducting. Burial will be at the Glenn's Rest Cemetery at later date. Friends may call one hour prior to services at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of Dathary's Gooding Chapel.

SERVICES

William A. Johnson, of Miami, Fla., formerly of Buhl, services at 2 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, in Jerome. Family and friends may call one hour prior to services at the mortuary. Chase Lee Searle, of Raft River, services at 11 a.m. today at the Raft River LDS Chapel. Friends may call from 9:30 until 10:45 a.m. prior to services at the church (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Gerald 'Jerry' R. Corbell, of Modesto, Calif., services at 11 a.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl. Hazel L. Malstrom, of Dietrich, services at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in Dietrich. Family and friends may call from 7 to 7 p.m. today at Demaray's Shoshone Chapel. Olive E. Neher, of Buhl, memorial services at 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the Buhl Presbyterian Church (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl). Clarissa B. Kunkel, of Hollister, services at 2 p.m. Thursday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 5-8 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Robert 'Bob' Chester Rice, of Wendell, a celebration of life at 11 a.m. Friday at the Hageman Christian Center (Demaray's Wendell Chapel).

DEATH NOTICES

Loren G. Knapp - BOISE - Loren Grace Knapp, 85, of Boise, formerly of Elba and Hazelton, died Sunday, Dec. 5, 1999, at a Boise care facility. Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 10, 1999, at the Boise Valley Christian Community. Cremation is under the direction of Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel of Boise.

Chapel, with Father Henry Hansen officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Donald Dixon - PICABO - Donald Dixon, 82, of Picabo, died Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999, at his home in Picabo. Services are pending, and are under the care of Wood-River Chapel of Halley.

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Amy Love - TWIN FALLS - Amy Love, 93, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999, at Agnes Living Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

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Hulda Karbs - RUPERT - Hulda Karbs, 87, of Rupert, died Monday, Dec. 6, 1999, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital. Services are pending and are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

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Bonnie M. Slagel - BURLEY - Bonnie M. Slagel, 71, of Burley, died Sunday, Dec. 5, 1999, at her home in Burley. Graveside services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, 1999, at Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home & Twin Falls Cemetery. Invite you to attend the Memorial Christmas Tree Lighting Service, Saturday, December 18, 1999 at 7 PM at Parke's Funeral Home. 2551 Kimberly Road • Twin Falls 208-735-0011. Come join us in remembering your loved ones this holiday season. Special tree ornaments will be provided with the name of your loved one.

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Friends pitch in for cancer victim

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Cassia County Sheriff Billy Crystal does not understand why someone as wonderful as his sister Dixie Crystal is going through so much pain and suffering.

"It makes you wonder what in the world can cause something like that to happen to someone who is doing a good job in life," Billy Crystal said.

Dixie Crystal, who grew up on a farm north of Paul, was diagnosed with breast cancer about 14 months ago. She had surgery and received a complete round of chemotherapy and radiation treatments. The cancer was in remission, her brother said.

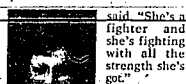
Her remission lasted until four months ago, when doctors discovered cancer cells in her brain. She began radiation treatments and gradually became so weak she had a hard time getting around.

She was admitted to the LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah a month ago. Doctors recently discovered a tumor wrapped around her spine.

"We are hoping she'll be well enough to enjoy some time with us," Billy Crystal said.

Dixie Crystal's last radiation treatment was Tuesday, said her friend Mary Agge (Neibaur) Fulmer. Fulmer grew up near the Crystals in the Paul area. She now lives in Salt Lake City and keeps in contact with her old friend.

"We are hoping she'll be able to regain some strength," Fulmer said.



Dixie Crystal

"I went really well and far exceeded what we thought," said Mary Fulmer, one of the organizers of the benefit. "We were hoping for a few thousand dollars."

A 1974 graduate of Minico High School, Crystal attended Brigham Young University. After returning from a mission for the Mormon Church, she began working in BYU's campus costume shop, where she helped design and make costumes for school productions.

About 10 years later, she and a friend went into business together and became involved in making costumes for movie productions and television shows, including "Promised Land" and "Touched by an Angel." Billy Crystal said his sister also made Marie Osmond's wedding dress and one of Osmond's line of dolls. Osmond contributed dolls for the benefit.

"Marie called her personally in the hospital," Bailey said. Bailey, a neighbor of Dixie Crystal's, got to know her neighbor when she helped get her back and forth from treatments. She said the community cares a lot about Dixie Crystal.

"Everybody really loves her," Bailey said.

The women in the wardrobe department of "Touched by an Angel" treat Crystal like an angel, Bailey said.

"They love her to pieces," she said.

The wardrobe women have brought Dixie Crystal meals and helped stock her freezer. They also donated memorabilia from the show for the benefit and spent money at the auction, Bailey said.

The auction included everything from items made by children in Dixie Crystal's neighborhood to an all-expenses-paid trip to New Year's Eve in New York's Time Square.

"We had a tremendous outpouring, even from people who didn't know her," Bailey said.

HELP OUT
A special fund has been set up at Bank One to help Dixie Crystal with her medical bills. Those who would like to make a donation may send their checks to Dixie Crystal Benefit, Bank One, 3020 Highland Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah 84106. Donations can also be made at any Bank One branch.

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A WHOLE NEW LOOK



Annette Braggner, the College of Southern Idaho's coordinator in Burley, left, talks with Jennifer Fisher, an assistant academic vice president of Idaho State University, about the new look of CSI's Burley branch. The school held an open house Tuesday to show off the remodeling recently completed at the college branch.

Rupert eyes Wilson Theater

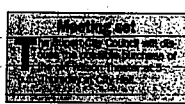
By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News writer

RUPERT — The old Wilson Theater renovation is a critical project that would be of significant benefit, Jerry Myers of Myers-Anderson Architects of Pocatello told the City Council Tuesday.

With two council members absent, no final decision was made on whether or not to go ahead with the \$50,000 purchase of the building.

Myers told the council that after discussions with art groups and other area groups, he decided the building is just what the city needs — a great place for films, public hearings, business groups, theater performances and other events.

After a complete electrical, plumbing, mechanical and structural evaluation of the building and an inventory of the facility, Myers determined the building could hold up to 600 seats — 400 on the ground floor and 200 in the balcony. He said the theater



The Wilson Theater in Rupert, Idaho, is the subject of a city council vote on whether to purchase the building for use as a theater.

space is a little smaller than Minico High School's auditorium and a little larger than the Burley Theater.

Upstairs rooms, currently used for apartments, could be used for meeting rooms or conference rooms, Myers said. The ground floor could be used as a theater, complete with a staging room in the basement.

Renovating the building back to its original 1920s look would not be a difficult task, he said. Significant detail of murals, wall scones and other design elements are still present in the building.

The renovation could include removing some hallways, walls and accesses that had been added over the years. He said

the front of the building could house four retail shops. He estimated construction would cost about \$2.4 million and that labor and materials could be donated. He said there are grants and other resources available to help pay for the project.

If the City Council approves the purchase of the building, the city would pay for the building but it would be up to the Rupert Renaissance to find the money for the renovation, Mayor Dvinelle Alfred said.

"It's a building worth saving," said Charlie Creason, president of the Rupert Renaissance. "It is part of our heritage. It can be the cornerstone of the revitalization of Rupert."

Daniel Wilson put \$70,000 into building the theater in the 1920s, Creason said.

"That was a lot of money back then too," he said.

Emotions, as well as money, could help the renovation become a reality, Alfred said.

"It's time to go out and do it," Creason said.

"If there are no witnesses or for other reasons the case can't be cleared within 30 days, the case is considered inactive but not closed. We don't tick a file in the drawer and forget about it," Reid said.

Times-News correspondent Dixie Thomas Reale can be reached in Jerome at 324-3670.

HOLIDAY AUTOGRAPH



Richard Paul Evans, author of 'The Christmas Box,' signs a copy for Judy McKendrick the Book Plaza in Burley.

Snake River Youth Center opens addiction unit

TWIN FALLS — The Snake River Youth Center will hold an open house Friday to open its new addiction unit.

The new unit has 12 beds and was set up to treat youths with drug addictions.

Twin Falls County commissioners will present the dedication

Valley in brief

plaque at 10 a.m. at the youth center, 1000 Wright Ave. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call 736-4215, Ext. 3109.

Blaine Recreation District holds special meeting

HAILEY — The County Recreation District will meet at 4 p.m. today at the courthouse to discuss Community Recreation Bond and whether it should be reintroduced.

—Compiled from wire reports

Simpson

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"It's unclear when they will," Simpson said.

"I'm not one who is disappointed we came out of Seattle without an agreement," said Simpson, who said he would rather have no deal than an unfair one. "Sometimes showing your differences and laying your cards on the table is progress."

Simpson believes future progress may come through more individual negotiations.

The European Union spends 17 percent of its budget on agriculture, far more than the United States does, Simpson said.

The union is very protective of its agriculture. "They went hungry once. They won't again," he said.

The United States problem is that it thinks in terms of "big deals" and "economic efficiency," said Gary Turner, president of the Idaho Farmers Union, who also attended Tuesday's meeting.

The United States has a definite surplus of raw materials. It needs to export, Turner said, but there are negative impacts on domestic markets.

Turner also criticized foreign aid for the United States to move toward genetic engineering, in an attempt to compete with foreign markets.

"They beat us up on our technology issues, but aren't willing to give us anything on human rights issues," he said.

The second obstacle for Idaho farmers might be in Washington, where decision-makers don't understand rural life and are too far removed from the issues.

"Congress is kind of a scary place when you live in the West," Simpson said.

Simpson said he is working on bringing a group of members of Congress West to listen to the interests of farmers, much as he did Tuesday.

John Pirtz of Fiberglass said he believed Congress thinks domestic farmers don't need, since raw goods can easily be imported with little impact.

"Once we lose our farmers, we lose a lot of jobs, a lot of product," he said.

In these opening stages of negotiations, where foreign and domestic ag interests will be weighed against one another, Idaho farmers have an opportunity to give Congress their take on how to best preserve their lives.

Suggestions at Tuesday's discussion included tightening up antitrust laws; taking responsibility from the federal government and giving it to the states; examining the reality of the Freedom to Farm Act, rather than the philosophy of reforming the current farm tax structure; the inheritance tax; and offering assistance to help indebted farmers get off the land; and the same way the government once offered aid to get people to

work the land.

The challenge may be convincing Congress of the importance of ag issues.

"We've kind of let agriculture be the caboose of the train," Simpson said.

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Crime

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program of community holding. Officers got out into neighborhoods to get acquainted with and talk to citizens.

"We are getting more calls from citizens," he said.

Reid also explains the increase in drug-related arrests. "We actively went after them," Reid said.

Jerome police also is closing more cases; its case "clearance rate," is up to 42.9 percent in 1999, up from 37 percent in 1998.

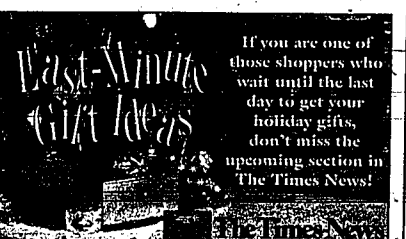
For a case to be cleared, it must be resolved in some manner — through an arrest, a dismissal of charges, or some other action.

How the numbers add up

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Labrador gives birth to 18 pups

LONDON, Utah (AP) — In a state well known for large families, there's a blonde maroon with the bragging rights earned by birthing 18 youngsters.

She's not blonde, really. More like yellow. As in Labrador retriever. Her name is Tawnie Allridge, and in September she gave birth to her giant litter. All but one has survived.

It's not a record for all dogs, but it's close. Research by Claudine Enger with the Calle-McZoy Public Relations Agency indicates the only other dog who has given birth to a larger litter is a Saint Bernard in England, who gave birth to 24. Several of those puppies died.

Tawnie's effort is good enough to earn her "Mother of the Year" honors from Iams, a maker of premium dog food. Dallen and Susie Allridge, Tawnie's owners, have been given a year's worth of dog food by Iams.

Ms. Enger is putting the word out in the Kennel Club's newsletter in January to see if any other Labrador retriever owners are aware of larger litters.

"We're pretty sure this is a record," said Susie Allridge. "I



Iams dog food company has named Tawnie, a Labrador retriever, 'Mother of the Year.' Tawnie's owners are Dallen and Susie Allridge of London, Utah.

know we've had quite a bit of interest from national and international newscasters." To feed the puppies enough

Search for missing boys shifts to Nevada

CEDAR CITY, Utah (AP) — The search for 18-year-old boys who escaped from a wilderness camp shifted Tuesday to Ely, Nev., where one of boys supposedly called the wilderness camp but no wire money.

Iron County Sheriff David Benson said the girl called a deputy Monday night expressing concern about her boyfriend and

saying he had just requested the wire transfer.

Police are trying to determine whether the tip is genuine or an attempt to throw them off the boys' trail. "We don't know. But we have a deputy tracking that down. We have to extinguish all of our leads."

The two teenagers are part of

a group of eight who allegedly assaulted their counselors and escaped on Saturday. Six of the boys have been apprehended.

The wire transfer led to an account from one of the escaped boys. That boy told deputies the other two were headed in the general direction of Ely when they split up near Beaver County, Utah.

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Deal for treating disabled dies

BOISE (AP) — A compromise between advocates for institutional and community-based developmental disabilities treatment was torpedoed Tuesday, but one of its architects managed to delay formal rejection of the deal by a special legislative panel.

"It's not some crass political maneuver," Rep. Bill Sali, R-Meridian, told his colleagues on the Committee on the Idaho State School and Hospital. "It really

represents some agreement among this working group to move toward the thing we need to help the people who need it."

Sandwiched between skepticism about the costs and the threat of a gubernatorial veto of half the deal, Sali handed off a vote to kill it by convincing the committee to give him another month to try to smooth ruffled feathers and iron out troubling details.

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Trim the tree: Our garden columnist tells you how to choose the best. Page C2

Some ideas for natural decorations

No matter how understated your style is, the rest of the year, decorating the holidays means color and lots of it. Fortunately, even in wintry areas, there are an abundance of choices. Here are some ideas for things to plant, pick or buy to make your home festive and beautiful.

ASK MARTHA
Martha Stewart

WINTER BERRIES

Winter berries can be used in wreaths, garlands and arrangements, and there are varieties that thrive in nearly every climate. Take a look in your own backyard. You might be surprised to find clusters of bright-red, orange, yellow or purple berries nestled among the foliage of your trees and shrubs.

Harvest them carefully. Be sure to use sharp shears, and snip a bit from each branch instead of cutting off whole branches.

If you don't have berries on your property, visit your local florist or garden center. Crafts stores may also carry pretty, preserved berries. The colors of these will determine how you use it in decorating. Dense clusters of pepper berries or Viburnum can be used over a ramael of formed into a lush wreath, while a bunch of hignersweet or similar vines arranged like flowers in a vase will have a twiggy, freeform look. (Be sure to keep berries away from children and pets. Some varieties, including mistletoe, are toxic.)

CHRISTMAS CACTUS

The Christmas cactus is a member of the genus Schlumbergeria. Like its relative, the Thanksgiving cactus, it was named for its habit of producing trumpet-shaped flowers during the holiday season.

Martha on TV
The cactus of the house plant year-round.

The plants have glossy, flat, arching stems and, most often, red and pink blooms; the stems can also be yellow, orange, purple or black. Like the Christmas cactus is native to the jungle climate of Brazil, it has very different needs than the desert cactus. Ideal conditions include indirect light, well-drained, moist soil and temperatures of at least 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

To encourage blooming by the holidays, give the plants a few weeks of lower temperatures and longer darkness at night each fall, and keep them in lower light than usual during the day. Once buds appear, return the plant to its normal conditions.

POINSETTIA

The poinsettia is one of many noticeable signs of the Christmas season. Its crimson leaves - the modified leaves that we think of as flower petals - mingle perfectly with deep-green foliage during the holiday season. Other colors, such as yellow, white, pink and red, are the result of creative breeding.

Try lining a mantel with several specimens for a vibrant display, or use miniature versions to dress up each place setting at the dinner table. When shopping for poinsettias, look for signs of a fresh plant: The cyathia - tiny, headlike, green or yellow flowers - should be in tight groupings at the tip of each stem. The stems should be stiff, the leaves a rich green and the bracts fully colored.

Maintain the plants by keeping soil just moist, watering when the surface is dry to the touch. Keep them away from drafts and heat sources, and provide them with several hours of sun (but not direct mid-day sun) daily.

Questions should be addressed to Martha Stewart, care of The New York Times Syndication Sales Corp., 122 E. 42nd St., New York, N.Y. 10018. Or visit The Times-News Online's Newslink page to contact Martha Stewart by e-mail. (Questions of general interest will be answered in this column; Martha Stewart requests that unpublished letters cannot be answered individually.)



The kitchen of the Reitsma house enjoys a stunning view and a small Christmas tree, but the room's claim to fame are the scenes Bruce Willis and Barbara Hershey acted out in it for the movie 'Breakfast of Champions.' Below, visitors will be greeted with a cherub and a nativity scene outside the front door.

Coming soon to a neighborhood near you ... Junior Club tour of homes

By Dhia Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - The Junior Club's 10th Annual Holiday Home Tour is Sunday. Here's the lineup of homes:

• Roger and Karen Blasius, 2178 E. 4400 N., Filer Drive seven miles west from Pole Line and Washington, turn right on 2200 E., go three miles, turn left. It's the first house on the right.

The Blasius home has a country Christmas feel. A river rock fireplace, green burgundy and plaid add charm and atmosphere to the modern-day farmhouse. You can almost smell the gingerbread baking.

• Ray and Janet Goffin, 3404 Ridgeline Drive. Go east on Falls, turn right on 3400 East. Follow that road until you turn into the Hidden Lakes subdivision.

This home was built in 1998. Walk through and experience the each festive, decorated room, including an exquisite master suite adorned in classic black and antique gold.

• John and Bonita Hopworth, 2145 Hillcrest Drive. Turn right off Eastland.

The butler will welcome you into this home rich in classic tradition with a touch of the

Holiday home tour

• John and Susan Reitsma, 738 Canyon Rim Road. Turn right at Pole Line and Washington, follow the road to Canyon Rim Road.

Christmas in The Reitsma home is a celebration of the birth of Christ. Whether you are marveling at the breathtaking

view from the kitchen or strolling around the indoor pool, the spirit of Christmas is adorned in both elegance and tradition.

• Carletta Smith, 1995 Filer Ave. Drive east from Twin Falls High School.

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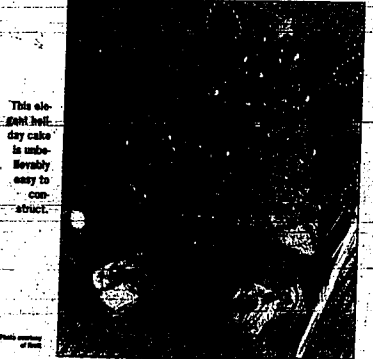
remodeled home decorated for the traditional family Christmas. Smith has created a God-centered home for her family - a cozy place where everyone can enjoy music and laughter.

• Larry and Kathleen Truett, 3691 N. 2600 E. Drive west on Highway 30 to 2600

East, turn left and go two miles. This home offers the true spirit of an Idaho Christmas.

Kathleen Truett has decorated all three levels with a warm and rustic charm. Upon entering the home, you will be transformed into an enchanted wilderness atmosphere.

Bake a cake that fits into the frantic season



This heavenly chocolate cake is unbelievably easy to construct.

This holiday cake calls for only five ingredients, plus frosting and a sharp knife. Six simple cuts with the knife produce further, use already prepared frosting and cut it to the desired colors.

HEAVENLY CHOCOLATE CAKE

1 package chocolate cake mix (2-layer size, not pudding in the mix variety)
1/2 cup unsweetened coconut
3 eggs
1 1/3 cups water
1 cup Miracle Whip or Miracle Whip Light dressing
White frosting
Sift cake mix and coconut in low speed 30 seconds. Ingredients: Beat with electric mixer on medium speed 2 minutes. Grease and flour 13-by-9-by-2-inch baking pan. Line bottom with wax paper. Bake at 350 degrees F. 35 to 40 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes. Remove from pan. Cool completely on wire rack.
Cut a 9-by-2-inch section from top of cake. Divide into four pieces. Use one for the tree trunk and the other three as presents. Cut remaining cake into one large triangle and two smaller triangles pieces. Arrange smaller pieces on tray to form tree-shape. Top with large triangle. Place trunk at base of tree. Frost tree and presents. Decorate as desired with decorator icings, candies, nuts and dried-fruit.

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The Washington Post

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FOOD & HOME

Getting the most from the Christmas tree

Let's go pick out a Christmas tree. First stop is the nursery center or hardware store to pick up the biggest tree stand made. This is the most important piece of Christmas decor you will ever buy. Don't skimp on the tree stand.

Christmas trees drink more water than you do. A 6-foot sheared Douglas fir can use up to four gallons the first week it's in the house. Get this stand with the glassed resin air.

Now to the tree lot. Look for the freshest tree there. A fresh-cut evergreen will have springy branches and needles. Run your hand along the branches. Make sure they are strong enough to hold your ornaments.

Do not cut carrot. Bend a needle between your thumb and index finger. It should snap like a fresh carrot. An old carrot is sappy and will not hold the evergreen needle past its prime. Don't let the proprietor of the tree lot tell you that the needles are rubbery because of the freeze-thaw weather.

Stand the tree upright. Thump it on the ground a couple of



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Wakworth

times. If just brown needles fall off, OK. If green needles fall off, pick another tree. Maybe another tree lot.

Pick a healthy tree. Look at the undersides of the needles. Are there pinpoint black spots? That is Swiss needle cast. Remember, Swiss needle cast dates twice as fast. Don't get that tree, either.

Once home with your tree, saw an inch off the end of the trunk and stick it in a bucket of water in the garage. Then go hunt up and untangle the lights. Spread a plastic garbage liner on the carpet where you will put the tree stand. You will miss the tree stand once or twice when you water, and you will thank yourself for planning ahead.

Once everything is ready, go back out and cut off another

inch or so off the bottom of the tree. Keep cutting straight across - you want the tree to stand straight up. You should see creamy, moist wood. Put the tree in the bucket of water or the filled tree stand immediately.

Seal up their wounds in 30 minutes or less. If you let the tree stand around with a fresh cut, water will have a dry tree. Put the tree in the water and keep it wet for the rest of the holiday season. That's why we bought the giant tree stand. If your tree stand won't hold three quarts of water, you will be getting up to a dried-out tree the next morning.

Healthy Douglas fir trees will last only seven to 14 days, tops, without water. With water, you can expect to triple the life of your tree.

If you can't find the really big tree stands in the stores, get a five-gallon paint bucket and fill around the tree trunk with rocks to weight it down.

Don't add anything to the tree's water. All your tree wants is fresh water and lots of it. Happy holidays.

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Aim for balance. Make an effort to eat two servings of vegetables while dining out. Order some fresh fruit for dessert. Pair protein, such as lean, skinless chicken, with carbohydrates such as steamed rice.

Ask how a food is prepared before ordering it. Grilling, steaming and baking ingredients adds fewer fat calories than deep-frying or sauteing. A few words to watch out for: "battered," "creamy," "cheese," "marinated in oil," "rich," "pastry" and "in its own gravy."

Think twice before reaching for those appetizers. A 7-ounce plate of fries (approximately 48 chips) with 12 ounces of cheddar cheese and one cup of salsa is packed with 2,498 calories and is whopping 174.5 grams of fat. The average, sedentary adult should consume just 2,200 calories per day to avoid gaining weight.

Remember that, even if it's not Burger King, you can have it your way. More than 80 percent of restaurants surveyed said they will serve sauce or salad dressing on the side, broil or bake foods rather than fry them if asked, and prepare foods in vegetable oil rather than shortening or lard.

Stop trying to be a member of the "clean plate club." Rather than eating your whole entree, take half home or split it with a dining companion.

Select your fare with care when dining out

By Julia Stevens
Knight-Ridder News Service

The menus at Max's Diner in San Ramon, Calif., each come with a simple disclaimer: "This is a bad place for a diet. This is a good place for a diet."

If only every restaurant reminded us that way.

Despite the fact that healthier foods are now being offered at most eateries across the country, experts believe that too many diners are still suffering primarily from high-fat, high-calorie fare, adding to already expanding waistlines and putting themselves at risk for nutrition-related health problems.

Here are some of the simple ways to boost your vitamin and mineral intake in a restaurant:

- Eat a light snack before you go to a restaurant so you'll be less likely to fill up on bread, appetizers, or alcohol before your meal has even been served.

- Be prepared for peer pressure, says JoAnn Hattner, a Palo Alto, Calif., nutritionist. Come up with a few returns in case your dining companions heckle you for ordering a salad or skipping dessert.

- Stay away from buffets. If you pay a restaurant for the opportunity to eat all you want, chances are you will, says Lilian Castillo, a registered dietitian with the Santa Clara County

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FOOD & HOME

Woodburning fireplaces offer lots of choices

Dear Jim: We spent three fine hours last week in the store to select a woodburning fireplace. We found one that is attractive, easy to install and especially real fun for our bruce. What design do you recommend?

— Paul E.

Dear Paul: Many of the new super-efficient woodburning fireplaces are truly beautiful. I use as a selection guide the minimum fireplace size for the room that bears most of my bruce. He also has a small pellet stove in my study/office, so my heart pumps surely has to come on in the winter.

Decorative mantels and marble, made of natural wood, stone, etc., are available to fit the mantel. You can build your own. Some mantels are made of brass gold-plated or real brass doors and trim pieces. If you really have a fireplace, choose a decorative insert that closes inside it.

A peninsula model (glass sides) is one of the most unique styles and will become the focal point of your room. It projects a radiant heat in all three directions and your family will surely gather around it often.

For warmth in two rooms, select a see-through design that mounts in an interior wall. If space is limited, a corner (two adjacent glass sides) or a bay model, that extends out just a little into your room, are options. For providing heat, a bench-containing fireplace design would be your best choice. These fire-



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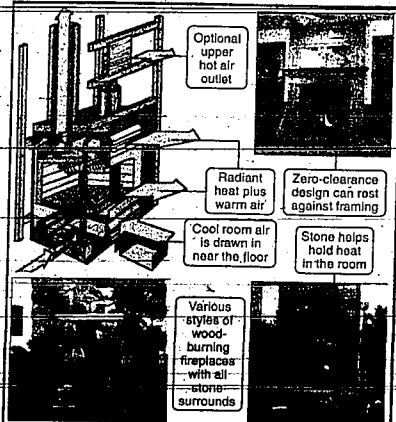
places do not look different than ordinary fireplaces, but some produce up to 80,000 Btu/hr. of heat. For clean fresh room air, some models (Heat-N-Glo) have built-in air cleaner modules.

If you are just an average do-it-yourselfer, a zero-clearance fireplace design is a good choice. The entire unit is insulated and has multiple walls. This allows it to be mounted in standard wood framing for simplicity. If you are handy with tools, consider a masonry model.

Heat-circulating woodburning fireplace designs incorporate natural air circulation to distribute heat. For more heat, optional blower kits are available that are easy to install yourself. Some are built-in-place with magnets. Variable-speed blowers allow you to control the sound level too.

I recommend an optional outdoor combustion air kit to fuel the fire. This not only reduces chances of backdrafting, but it eliminates chilly drafts and improves overall efficiency. Without it, burning a raging fire in an efficient masonry house can cause a furnace and water heater to backdraft.

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Turtle cookies: Experience a Bake-Off classic

By Linda Cicero
The Miami Herald

Q Back in the '50s a winning recipe in the midday Bake-Off contest was turtle cookies. I made them one time and they were delicious — but lost the recipe. The next first and best prize made with pecan halves. My children loved them. Can you help me find the recipe? I would be very grateful. — Valdeblon, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

A Recipe: Hatch of Chicago won the fourth Bake-Off in 1952. With this recipe, which is now considered a Bake-Off classic, she won with a family recipe for Orange-Kiss Cake, Peanut Blossom Cake and Peanut Blossom cookies.

SNAPPY TURTLE COOKIES

- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup margarine or butter, softened
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 teaspoon maple flavoring, if desired
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1 egg separator
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 to 2 cups pecan halves, split lengthwise

Frosting (see note): In a large bowl, combine brown sugar and 1/2 cup margarine; beat until light and fluffy. Add vanilla, maple flavoring, 1 whole egg and egg yolk; beat well. Stir in flour, baking soda and salt; mix well. Beat with glass mixer until stiff; refrigerate about 1 hour for firm handling. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease cookie sheets. Arrange pecan pieces in groups of 5 on greased cookie sheet to resemble head and legs of turtle. In small bowl, beat egg white. Dip bottoms in beaten egg white; press lightly onto pecan tips of pecans (should show). Bake at 350 degrees for 10 to 12 minutes, until edges are light golden. Immediately remove from cookie sheets. Cool completely. Makes about 42 cookies.

Note: To make frosting, combine 1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips, 1/2 cup butter, 1/4 cup 1 tablespoon margarine or butter in a small saucepan. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly until melted and smooth. Remove

from heat; stir in 1 cup confectioners' sugar.

Q Sixty years ago my mother-in-law baked a dish of dried lima beans that were out of this world. Today I can not find a recipe. Does anyone have such a dish? — Arthur Gage, North Miami Beach.

A Because you didn't provide any details as to what was in the recipe, I'll just guess and share them with you. My favorite of my mother's many wonderful dishes. This is not a dish for those watching calories or cholesterol, but it is wonderful. Often, my mother makes a pork roast in the bean mixture. For those unfamiliar with dried lima beans, they are very different from the pale green fresh or frozen ones we eat most often in dishes like succotash. When dried and reconstituted, limas are softer and have a milder

flavor. You can use them in any recipe that calls for white beans.

BAKED LIMA BEANS

- 1 pound dried lima beans
 - 8 slices thick bacon, diced (or substitute a 3- to 4-pound pork roast, browned on all sides)
 - 4 large onions, sliced and separated into rings
 - 1 cup dark molasses
 - 1/2 cup ketchup or chili sauce
 - 1 teaspoon dry mustard
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 1/4 cup cider vinegar
- Pick over the beans, removing any shriveled or broken ones, then cover with boiling water by at least 2 inches. Let sit until the beans have swelled to about twice their size, and have absorbed most of the water. This will take about 2 hours. Drain and discard the soaking liquid. Place the beans in a large pot with water to cover by at least 2 inch-

es. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to maintain a slow simmer, cover and cook until almost tender, about 40 minutes. Drain, reserving 2 cups of the cooking liquid (add water if needed to make 2 cups). Combine the beans and cooking liquid in a 3- to 4-quart casserole with lid. Add the bacon, onions, molasses, ketchup, mustard, salt and vinegar. Stir to combine, then cover and bake in a 300-degree oven for 2 hours. Remove lid and cook 30 more minutes; or until beans are tender. Makes 9 servings.

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FOOD & HOME

A pastry chef shows how to light up the holidays

By Kristin Eddy
Chicago Tribune

The holidays bring out the traditionalist in everyone, right down to making the same lovable but plain cookies every year.

For expert advice on something new, we turned to Valerie Grundy, a Chicago pastry chef who is the cookie decorating maven at Bittersweet Pastry Shop in Lake View, near Chicago.

ROLLING AND CUTTING DOUGH

Make sure the dough is chilled; if it is warm, it will be too soft to work with. Roll out dough on a lightly floured cutting board. The flour should give just a hazy coating to the dough to keep it from sticking; if it cakes in places, lightly brush off the excess with a pastry brush. Run the rolling pin gently over the dough, beginning in the center and sweeping outward. Turn the dough after every few strokes before rolling again. Most cookie recipes will direct you to roll the dough to a thickness of 1/4 inch or 1/8 inch.

"To help measure correctly, I suggest buying two long wooden dowels, in 1/4-inch and 1/8-inch diameters, and placing one on each side of the dough," says Grundy. "Then roll the rolling pin over the dowels until the dough has flattened to the same thickness."

Doughs can be purchased at hardware stores or kitchenware shops. Flour the cookie cutter periodically so the dough won't stick.

BRUSHING

Even when cookies are cut into traditional shapes, you can add

creative touches. A candy heart is affixed to a snowman, then brushed with a swath of edible gold glitter. The brush can also be used to paint feathery strokes of colored frosting over the cookie, or to blend colors together. Use a new, clean paint brush from an art supply store.

DRAWING

Put some finer details on your design by using a toothpick or wooden skewer. Pipe thin lines of colored frosting on a single-color frosted background. Use the end of the skewer to pull lines of frosting into curls, sunbursts, pinpoint dots or cross-hatch mark shapes.

ICING

A standard pastry bag, with tips of different shapes and widths, is the best way to have control over piped frosting. Use a variety of tips in the bag; then squeeze the frosting toward your tip. Steady the tip with your finger. You can also use a sturdy plastic freezer bag, fill with frosting and snip off a tiny end of one corner with scissors for piping.

FROSTING THE COOKIE

Decorations may be piped directly on the cookie or painted over a single-color frosted background. Either way, you need a good icing mixture. Royal icing, made by mixing confectioners' sugar with egg whites or meringue powder, is the classic frosting mixture. Glossy and smooth, it also holds its shape nicely when dry.

"It's a good idea to pipe an outline on the cookie with what is called 'flood' icing," Grundy says. This defines the perimeters of the frosting, which you can then fill with royal icing and not go

over the edge of the cookie." Flood icing is the thicker version of royal icing; the mixture is then thinned with a little water to make royal icing. Both of the icings may be tinted with food coloring, as desired.

HOLIDAY CUT-OUT COOKIES

Yield: 2 dozen
3 cups all-purpose flour
3/4 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 sticks (1 cup) unsalted butter
1 cup sugar
1 egg
2 1/4 teaspoons vanilla
1 tablespoon milk
2 to 3 drops lemon or almond extract, optional
Sift flour, baking powder, and salt into medium bowl; set aside. Cream butter and sugar in electric mixer until smooth and fluffy. Beat in egg, vanilla, milk and, if using, lemon or almond extract. Slowly mix in flour. Divide dough in half. Wrap in plastic wrap; refrigerate 1 hour. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Roll dough on lightly floured surface to 1/8-inch thick. Cut into desired shapes with 4-inch cutters. Bake on sheets until firm in center and golden around edges, 6-10 minutes. Cool on wire rack before icing.

Flood Icing and Royal Icing:
2 large egg whites
2 2/3 cups confectioners' sugar
Food coloring
Flood icing and royal icing
Flood icing: 2 Beat egg whites until frothy; cook in saucepan over low heat until temperature reaches 165 degrees on instant-read thermometer. Combine egg whites and sugar in bowl of electric mixer; beat on low speed 10 minutes. Use to pipe outlines on cookies.
Royal icing: Add 1 teaspoon

water to mixture. Spread with pastries on other small cookie to frost and decorate cookie.

Note: Uncooked egg whites may contain salmonella bacteria and should be avoided by young children, the elderly, pregnant women and anyone with a compromised immune system. If desired, substitute by mixing 3 tablespoons meringue powder with 3 tablespoons warm water. Blend with sugar as directed.

GINGERBREAD COOKIES

Yield: 18 large cookies
2 sticks (1 cup) unsalted butter, slightly softened
3/4 cup light brown sugar, packed
1 egg
1/2 cup dark molasses (not blackstrap)
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
3 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons ground ginger
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 teaspoon each: salt, ground cloves

Cream butter in large bowl of electric mixer until smooth; beat in sugars until fluffy and frothy about 4 minutes. Mix in egg. Mix in molasses and vanilla. Sift flour, ginger, cinnamon, baking soda, salt and cloves into medium bowl. Add flour mixture to butter mixture in batches; mix until just combined. Shape dough into two discs. Wrap in plastic wrap; refrigerate 1-2 hours. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Roll dough on lightly floured surface to 1/4-inch thick. Cut into shapes. Place on greased cookie sheets. Bake 12-15 minutes, until firm. Cool on wire rack before icing.

Adapted from a recipe in "Butter Sugar Flour Eggs," by Gode Gode, Rick Tramonto and Julia Moskine.

How to quench a craving for Carrot-Raisin Salad

By Ellen Hawk
The Baltimore Sun

A recipe request for Carrot-Raisin Salad brought interesting and tasty responses.

Karen Welsh-Susio of Nottingham, Md., was looking for the salad. Ray Saunders of Alexandria, Va., responded: "This recipe is from the 1996 'Luby's Cafeteria 50th Anniversary Recipe Collection' and is designated as one of the most requested recipes," he wrote.

CARROT-RAISIN SALAD
2 pounds carrots, peeled and trimmed
1 cup raisins, plumped (see note)
1 cup canned, crushed pineapple, drained
1 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup powdered sugar
Shred carrots using large holes of grater. In a large bowl, combine carrots, raisins and pineapple. In a small bowl, blend well the mayonnaise and powdered sugar. Pour over carrot mixture and toss lightly to coat evenly. Cover and refrigerate at least 2 hours. Serves 8.

Note: Plump raisins by soaking them in water several hours or overnight in the refrigerator. Drain well before using.

This candy, requested by Lillian Mink of Rising Sun, Md.,

brought a recipe from Wendy Mellinger of Smithton, Pa., who recommends using an old cookie sheet when making the brittle.

"Once you've cut out the squares, you'll find cutting marks on the pan," she said. "I use an old cookie sheet just for candy making."

BLACK-WALNUT CRUNCH
6 cups sugar
1 tablespoon butter

2 tablespoons molasses
1/2 cup cider vinegar
2 cups water
1 teaspoon almond extract
1 teaspoon orange extract
3 cups black-walnut meats, finely chopped
Place the sugar in a large saucepan, add the butter, molasses, vinegar and water. Cook to the soft-crack stage (between 270 degrees and 290

degrees on a candy thermometer). Stir briskly for about 30 seconds, then quickly add the extracts and nuts. Pour onto buttered cookie sheet or into two 9-by-13-inch buttered baking pans. When cool, cut into pieces. Store in an airtight container. Makes 3 1/2 pounds brittle.

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By Linda Gioia
The Hartford Courant

It's time to take a deep breath and forget about the plan for that holiday party. Here are 10 rules to help you pull off a wondrous party.

1. Whenever you feel an anxiety attack coming on, repeat the mantra of Jay Gineswsky, owner of The Whisk catering company in Canton, Conn. He suggests that you "keep it simple." No one expects you to be Martha Stewart.

2. Go with a party idea that feels comfortable. The year-end holidays offer a lot of inspiration: tree-decorating, caroling, a cookie exchange, ringing in the New Year.

Wendy Mogle, founder and co-owner with her husband of www.Shindig.com, a Web site that offers free advice about entertaining and sells party products, hosts an annual cookie exchange for 35 women. Everyone brings four dozen cookies and a wrapped book for a grab bag. The food is a help-yourself menu of soup, salad and sandwiches. At the end of the party, each guest gets a four-dozen assortment of cookies.



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3. Clean, but not as you do when your mother-in-law comes to visit. Put the biggest pieces of clutter in boxes or laundry baskets in boxes that are in a room where the guests won't go. Stuff dirty clothes in the washing machine. The one room that should sparkle is the bathroom.

4. Create the mood. Keep the lighting medium to low (the bet-

ter not to see the ducts and light candles to set a festive mood. Aromatic candles, which are all the rage now, are a two-for-one soft lighting and an inviting aroma.

5. Have a pot of mulled cider—or at the least, a few cinnamon sticks and cloves in water, a simmering on the stove.

6. Shop on-line or at a grocery store or specialty shop that deliv-

ers. Gineswsky's current favorite Web site is www.freshness.com. The site offers fresh and smoked seafood such as Alaskan salmon and halibut. It's not cheap, Gineswsky warns. "But this is the time to splurge a little"—a whole 5- to 6-pound King salmon is about \$70—but you'll get a spectacular main dish as well as a conversation piece.

6. Decorate the party site. One good thing about December parties is that even the busiest households scatter decorations here and there for Christmas or Hanukkah.

7. Make an edible centerpiece. An assortment of fresh fruits in a cut glass bowl, a beautifully decorated cake (purchased, of course) on a pedestal plate or an aromatic candle surrounded domino-like rows of cookies will add interest to a table.

8. If soups are your forte, mix up a big pot of hearty soup, and serve it in mugs with thick slices of bread.

Accept all offers of food. If a friend makes an hors d'oeuvre to die for or great cookies, accept the offer to bring them and lavish heaps of praise on the cook

at the party.
9. Never apologize. If anything goes wrong, greet it with a sense of humor.
10. Have fun at your party.

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Post '80s Americans turned to health food and takeout

By Beverly Bundy
Knight Ridder News Service

Hung-over from the excesses of the 1980s, America sobered up in the 1990s. The stock market crash of 1987 had put the skids on opulent restaurant openings. Warnings from the American Heart Association and the American Medical Association had people comparing cholesterol rates and fiber intake. The Food and Drug Administration issued dietary guidelines placing an emphasis on grains and vegetables and limiting meats and fat.

And yet, despite those concerns, the goddess-of-things-grate Martha Stewart became the symbol of food and living for many. For so many, in fact, that she was able to take her company public in 1999, making a fortune-selling time-strapped consumers how to spin sugar, roof their gingerbread houses with gold leaf and carve an ice sculpture with a chain saw.

Here are some recipes from the times.

HILARY CLINTON'S CHIPS

- 1 1/2 cups unfilled all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup oven baking soda
- 1 cup solid vegetable shortening
- 1 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

- 2 eggs
 - 2 cups old-fashioned rolled oats
 - 1 package (12 ounces) semi-sweet chocolate chips
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease baking sheets. Combine flour, salt and baking soda on wax paper. Beat together shortening, sugars and vanilla in large bowl with electric mixer until creamy. Add eggs, beating until light and fluffy. Gradually beat in flour mixture and rolled oats. Stir in chocolate chips.

Drop batter by well-rounded measuring teaspoonfuls onto greased baking sheets. Bake in preheated 350-degree oven for 8 to 10 minutes or until golden. Cool cookies on sheets on wire rack 2 minutes. Remove cookies from sheet onto wire rack to cool completely. Makes 7 1/2 dozen.

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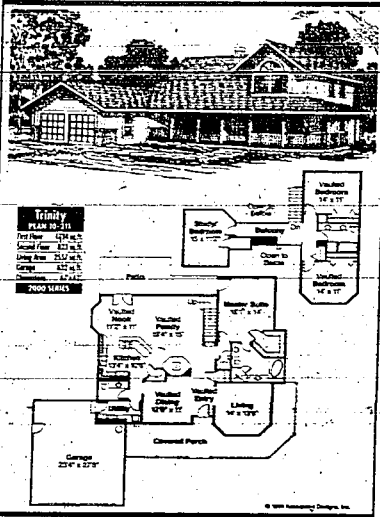
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- 1 8-oz. can tomato sauce
- 1/2 c. dry red wine (optional)
- 1 T. sugar (optional)
- Salt & pepper to taste

1. Heat oil in large skillet over med.-high heat. Add ground beef and cook until brown, breaking up with fork, about 5 min. Using slotted spoon, transfer meat to plate.
2. Add onion and garlic to skillet and sauté until onion is tender, about 5 mins.
3. Stir in basil and oregano and cook 1 min. more.
4. Return beef to skillet. Add tomatoes, tomato sauce, wine, sugar, salt and pepper. Reduce heat to med.-low. Simmer until sauce is thick, about 30 mins.

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Whether family traditions or new delights, make your cookies special

By Susan Selasky

Knight Ridder News Service

Christmas is when cookies shine. Some are favorites we make every year - cutouts decorated with icing and sprinkles or thumbprints filled with dollops of jam. Others are new delights that catch our eye from the cover of a magazine or the pages of a glossy new baking book.

SNOWBALLS
1/2 cup pecan halves, lightly toasted
1 cup confectioners' sugar
Pinch of salt
1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1 3/4 cups all-purpose flour (see note)
To coat:
1 1/2 cups confectioners' sugar
Place two oven racks in the upper and lower thirds of the oven and preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Place the pecans on a baking sheet and bake for 10

minutes or until lightly browned. Cool completely. In a food processor fitted with the metal blade, process the sugar with the toasted pecans and salt until the pecans are powder fine. Cut the butter into a few pieces and add it with the motor running, processing until smooth and creamy. Scrape the sides of the bowl, then add the vanilla. Add the flour and pulse until a dough forms.
If using an electric mixer, soften the butter and cream it with the sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the vanilla extract and scrape the sides of the bowl. Grate the nuts until powder fine and whisk them with the flour and salt. Add the flour mixture to the butter mixer on low speed until a dough forms.
Chill the dough at least one hour and no longer than three hours. Roll the dough into 1-inch lightly floured your hands if needed. Place the balls 1 1/2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes

or until they barely begin to brown. For even baking, rotate the baking sheets from top to bottom and front to back halfway through baking. Remove from the oven and cook the cookies on the sheets for 2 to 3 minutes. Place the confectioners' sugar for the coating in a bowl. While cookies are still hot, roll them in the sugar and transfer to wire racks to cool completely. Roll again in the sugar. Makes about 4 dozen 1-inch cookies.
Storing: Place in an airtight container at room temperature for about 1 month.
-From "Rose's Christmas Cookies" by Rose Levy Berenbaum
-Tested by Susan Selasky for

the Free Press Test Kitchen
APRICOT LINZER BARS
1 cup hazelnuts
1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
3/4 cup butter
1 cup sugar
4 teaspoons unsweetened cocoa powder
3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 egg
1/2 cup apricot preserves
Sifted confectioners' sugar for coating
Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Grease and lightly flour an 11-by-7-inch baking dish; set

aside. Place the hazelnuts on a baking sheet and place in oven to 12 to 15 minutes or until skins begin to pop. Remove from the oven - leave oven on - and roll hazelnuts in a clean kitchen towel to remove skins. It's OK if all the skin is not removed. Grind the nuts in a blender or food processor. Transfer to a bowl and stir in the flour set aside.
In a large mixing bowl, beat the butter with an electric mixer on medium to high speed for 30 seconds. Add the sugar, cocoa powder, cinnamon, cloves and salt. Beat until combined, scraping sides of the bowl occasionally. Beat in the egg and egg yolk until combined. Beat in as much of the flour-nut mixture as you can with

the mixer and, if necessary, use a wooden spoon to stir in any remaining flour.
Evenly spread about 2 cups of the batter into the prepared pan. Spoon the apricot preserves over the batter to within inch of the edges. Drop remaining batter by spoonfuls over the preserves. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes - or until - lightly browned and a wooden pick inserted into the batter comes out clean. Cool completely in the pan on a wire rack. Sift powdered sugar over the top before cutting into bars. Store in the refrigerator or freezer. Makes about 24 bars.
-From "Cookies For Christmas, Better Homes and Gardens.

Freezing and shipping holiday cookies, goodies

Knight Ridder News Service

It's never too early to start up your holiday cookie baking season. Here are some tips for freezing and shipping from the Detroit Free Press Test Kitchen.

Freezing
Fresh-baked cookies are best, but most cookies and cookie dough freeze well, including dough for butter and sugar cookies. Dough will keep about two days in the refrigerator; it will keep frozen for 2 to 3 months, wrapped well in freezer-quality plastic wrap and placed in a sealable plastic bag. Press out as much air as possible. Thaw dough in the refrigerator overnight and follow the recipe for assembling and baking.
If you are making cut-out cookies, cut the dough into desired shapes and place them on a baking sheet. Flash-freeze on baking sheets for 2-3 hours. When frozen, remove and transfer the cookies to heavy-duty plastic sealable bags or airtight containers and freeze. When ready to bake, remove them from the freezer, bake, cool and decorate as desired.

pan if desired. When partially thawed, cut them into halves or cut them after baking, wrap well individually and freeze.

Freeze cookies without frostings and glazes, which will weep when thawed.

Shipping
Most small- and medium-size cookies, brownies and bar cookies ship well if packaged with care. It's best to wrap each variety separately in plastic wrap. Cookies should be packed tightly in tins or other airtight containers to avoid movement during shipping. After packing, place the container in another shipping box and secure with crumpled newspaper, bubble wrap or foam shipping pieces to cushion. Wrap softer brownies, blondies and bar cookies individually in plastic wrap.

According to "Joy of Cooking Christmas Cookies" by Irma S. Rombauer, Marion Rombauer Becker and Ethan Becker (Scribner, \$16.95), delicate cookie varieties should be carefully packed in tins with crumpled newspaper. If they don't keep them from jostling each other. Extremely thin, brittle cookies and tender, crumbly ones do not travel well, and do cookies with sticky glazes or moist fillings such as jams or buttercream.

Cold poached salmon

By Joe Stump

Knight Ridder News Service

Tell someone you're poaching fish and he may think you've dined elegantly.

As a cooking method, poaching - a gentle simmering in liquid - lags behind frying, grilling and other techniques in popularity.

But as Jan Huber, executive chef at the Hyatt Regency in Wichita, Kan., explains, poaching is the perfect method for preparing one of those large sides of salmon that grace elegant buffets and parties.

"If you're going to serve it cold, it will come out nice and clean looking," Huber said. "It will be flavorful - it won't be bland - but it won't have any of the caramelization like if you roasted or sautéed it."

COLD POACHED SALMON
1 side salmon, about 3 pounds
Cooking liquid:
1 bottle white wine (or equivalent water)
1 cup wine vinegar
2 large onions, chopped
2 large peppercorns
2 carrots, chopped
2 stalks celery, chopped
2 bay leaves
2 teaspoon thyme
2 cups parsley
2 teaspoons salt
For garnish:
Hard-cooked eggs (yolks and

whites separated), chopped
Capers
Red onion, chopped
Remoullade or basil aioli sauce (see below)

Combine water, white wine, vinegar, onions, peppercorns, carrots, celery, bay leaves, thyme, parsley and salt and boil 30 minutes. Lower heat until liquid is just below boiling point. Add salmon to liquid, skin-side down. Cook 6 to 7 minutes. Remove from heat. Let fish stand in cooking liquid 1/2 hour. Refrigerate in cooking liquid several hours. Remove fish to plate, garnish and serve with remoullade crackers or bread.
Note: If salmon side is too large, for skillet or pan, lay in 9-by-13-inch baking dish and pour over boiling cooking liquid. Cover with foil and cook in 350-degree oven for 10 minutes. Remove and proceed as above.

Remoullade sauce: To 2 cups mayonnaise, add 2 tablespoons finely-chopped capers, 2 tablespoons finely-chopped anchovies, 1 tablespoon finely-chopped sweet pickles, 1 tablespoon finely-chopped parsley, 1 teaspoon anchovies, 1 teaspoon Worcestershire, 1 teaspoon lemon juice, and salt and pepper to taste.
Basil aioli sauce: To 2 cups mayonnaise, add 1/4 cup roasted garlic, finely chopped; 1/4 cup fresh basil, chopped; and salt and pepper to taste.

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“It's a public place. It's like going to the mall. You go to the mall to shop, you go there to cool out. What's the big deal?”

“Toronto Raptors forward Charles Ogbley, on being named as a patron of a mob-correlated Atlanta strip club

Minico football drops to Division II next fall

By Matt Peterson
Times-News writer

RUPERT — The Minico football program received an early Christmas present Nov. 30 when the Idaho High School Activities Association's Board of Directors approved the reading of an appeal to move the team to the A-1, Div. II ranks next fall.

The appeal, filed by Minico activities director and head football coach Tim Perrigo, would end the Spartans' two-year stay in the state's largest division.

“Our kids are excited because this gives us a shot at making the playoffs,” said Perrigo, whose team finished the season 3-6, but failed to win a game against an A-1,

Div. II opponent. “It's something our program needs.”

Because the 2000 football schedules have already been made, the Spartans will continue to play against A-1, Div. I teams next year. Come the postseason, however, Minico will be able to qualify for the A-1, Div. II playoffs. That qualification will be based on the team's record against A-1, Div. II opponents: Burley, Century, Jerome and Rigby, as well as the Spartans' performance against the two smallest A-1, Div. I schools they play.

In 2001, Minico will receive a full A-1, Div. II schedule.

Perrigo initially petitioned for the move in September, but was denied.

“We didn't sell our numbers enough,” said Perrigo, whose school has an actual enrollment of roughly 1,400 — almost 100 students less than the designation for A-1, Div. I schools.

When the IHSSAA moved the Spartans up to the A-1, Div. I level two years ago, it counted district numbers that included kids at the Idaho Youth Ranch, Minicasta Opportunity Center and juvenile detention center — none of which participate in athletics. Those figures bumped the school over the 1,500-student mark.

“It looks like we're a bigger school than we actually are,” said Perrigo. “This time, I think they took an honest look at the numbers.”

For a program that has had just two winning seasons since 1970 (1972 and 1981) and only one playoff appearance (1994) in its 44-year history, the move would apply only to football, helps further the Spartans' rebuilding efforts on the gridiron, Perrigo said.

The IHSSAA Board of Directors' second, and final reading of the appeal will be Jan. 18.

No major holdups to the appeal's passing are expected, said IHSSAA Executive Director Bill Young.

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Guards lead Great Eight action Blaine district inks deal

Backcourt duo leads sixth-ranked Huskies past No. 2 Arizona

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Khalid El-Amin and Albert Mouring, the elder of the game's starting backcourts, led No. 6 Connecticut to a 78-69 victory over No. 2 Arizona on Tuesday night in the Great Eight.

The juniors, two years older than Arizona's starting tandem of freshman guards, didn't have very impressive shooting guards but came up big enough to lead the defending national champions to their sixth straight win since a season-opening loss to Iowa.



Michigan State forward Morris Peterson, right, shoots over Kansas center Eric Chenoweth in their Great Eight tournament game Tuesday in Chicago.

El-Amin finished with 23 points on 9-of-24 shooting, but was 4-for-8 from 3-point range — mostly against Arizona's 2-3 zone — and helped keep the Huskies in front for the game's final 30 minutes.

Mouring, who has struggled this season as he tries to replace Big East player of the year Richard Hamilton, one of the shooting guard, finished with nine points, but five came at the start of an 11-0 run that gave the Huskies a 73-61 lead with 1:11 to play.

Gilbert Arenas, one of the Wildcats' freshman guards, had 18 points, while Loren Woods added 16 and Michael Wright had 14. Wright had 10 rebounds and Woods had nine.

Jason Gardner, Arizona's other starting guard, finished with nine points on 2-of-9 shooting.

The loss was the first of the season for Arizona (6-1), which is in the middle of a three-game stretch against Top Ten teams as it beat then-No. 9 Texas last Saturday and plays host to No. 4 Michigan State on Saturday.

Connecticut (12-37-30) at halftime and Arizona made several runs, getting as close as 56-44 on a dunk by Richard Jefferson with 8:00 left. But the Huskies had enough each time and then secured the win with the 11-0 run that Mouring, who had been 2-for-2 from the field until then, started with a jumper and a 3-pointer, his only one of the game.

Tony Roberts scored 15 points for the Huskies, while Kevin Freeman had 10.

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Boys' basketball

Valley at Buhl
Idaho Falls at Twin Falls
Gooding at Declo
Hagerman at Shoshone
Blackfoot at Burley
Minico at Hiley

IN BRIEF

TF Ladies hold party Thursday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Ladies Golf Association will hold its annual Christmas party at the home of Colleen Adams on Thursday at 6 p.m.

Adams lives at 323 S. 700 W. in Jerome. For more information, call Adams at 734-2225 or Linda Rockne at 734-9914 or 733-3326.

CSI plans inaugural Hall of Fame reception

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho is inviting the public to the inaugural CSI Hall of Fame reception Saturday at 4 p.m. upstairs in the Taylor Building.

The college will be honoring key individuals who have made an outstanding impact on creating or building CSI's athletic tradition. President Jerry Meyerhoefer will induct the members, and refreshments will be served.

The inductees will be introduced at halftime of Saturday's basketball game against Dixie College. Tip-off is at 8 p.m.

CSI men's b-ball drops out of Top 20 poll

TWIN FALLS — It's been a roller coaster ride this season for the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team through the National Junior College Athletic Association Top 20 basketball poll.

Ranked No. 20 to begin the season and jumping to No. 9 after a 9-0 start, the Golden Eagles found themselves unconsciously removed from the poll on Tuesday after being voted out of the poll by the National Junior College Athletic Association and Utah Valley State College.

Region 18's lone representative in the 2000 National College (12-0) while Snow College, which defeated Region 18 defending champion Dixie College, 61-69, received an honorable mention in both the men's and women's poll.

In the women's Top 25 poll, Ricks (10-0) jumped from sixth to No. 4 after it beat both Colorado Northwestern and Eastern Utah over the weekend while Utah Valley (9-1) moved seven spots from No. 24 to No. 17.

Correction

In Sunday's paper, there was an incorrect subhead in the College of Southern Idaho women's basketball story. Also, Tonya Phillips' name was misspelled. The Times-News regrets the errors.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Golden Eagles trio receives volleyball All-America honors

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — All-everything on the floor this season, the College of Southern Idaho volleyball triumvirate of Fabiana de Abreu, high jumper Popenko and Roberta Robert became NJCAA All-Americans on Tuesday.

De Abreu, a two-time selection, was named by Popenko on the first team, while Robert made the second team.

“I thought (the selections) were pretty much on,” said CSI coach Ben Stroud. “(Robert) could've been on the first team, but you're never going to get three on the first team — you're lucky to get two.”

Popenko and de Abreu were also named to the NJCAA All-Tournament team.

The Golden Eagles, who finished third at the annual tournament Nov. 22-24 after winning it the past six seasons, were joined by several other Region 18 players on the nation's premier junior college roster.

Salt Lake Community College's Kelli Sarpis, who was a co-MVP at the tournament, and Sylvia Strzinska joined de Abreu and Popenko on the first team, while Brian Radka Festora garnered second team honors.

Utah Valley State College Wolverine Ale Domingos was



also named to the second team, while Bicks College outside the Golden Eagles were recruited, and once eligibility is established around January, each should be able to adapt their games accordingly, Stroud said.

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Hornets grab share of boys' A-3 poll lead

TF Bruins earn recognition in A-1 ranks

The Times-News

Two wins in as many outings and a season-opening loss by Firth were enough to vault the Declo High School boys' basketball team into a six-way Malheur top this week's Associated Press poll.

The Hornets (2-0) and Mustang (1-0) overtook the state's premier Class A-3 slot by garnering four and three votes respectively in weekly voting conducted among the state's sportswriters and broadcasters.

Firth, which retained one first-place vote, fell to No. 4, while Teton collected one first-place vote as well to remain No. 3. Lapwai won its opener and remained No. 5.

Valley received the poll's other first-place nod, but failed to crack the Top 5.

The biggest bomb for local teams dropped in Class A-1, where defending state champion Pocatello and Centennial each won their first two games but Centennial overtook the top spot from the Indians.

While the Indians grabbed seven No. 1 votes to the Parrots' two, enough voters ranked Centennial ahead in total points (40-39) for the Boise-area school to edge the Gate City's namesake.

program out of the top overall spot.

Pocatello's wins over Boise and Timberline were collected by an average of just four points, while Centennial beat Bonanza and Hillcrest by a nine-point average.

In the shadow of all that tussling for the premier position, Twin Falls quickly but quietly gained the recognition of state sports media as an “other receiving vote.”

At Twin Falls is already one-quarter of the way toward equalling its win total through all of last year's 419 campaign. The Bruins' first opener by a Mountaineer whizzer last week at Mountain Home 59-57, and beat Skyline 64-61 on the road the following night.

“I don't even think we've played our best ball yet,” said Twin Falls coach Dan Vogt. “Our effort and all-around play are paying off. We're just trying harder, playing some good pressure defense.”

Twin Falls makes its home debut tonight against Idaho Falls and all but assured of a spot in next week's Top 5 with a win over the

Complete poll results — D3

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SPORTS

Wendell preserves conference record

The Times-News

WENDELL - Led by the Wendell Trojans, who were as many as 16 points in the third quarter, withstood a late rally by the visiting Filer Wildcats Tuesday to collect a 50-44 win and remain undefeated in girls' high school basketball conference play. Tracy Brandina led the Gooding girls with 13 points, while Mandi Turner and Libbie Loughmiller scored 17 and 18 points respectively for Filer. "They're a tough team," said Wendell coach Ryan Pope. "You can't really attack them." The Trojans (4-1, 2-0) next play at home against Gooding Thursday.

Local sports

"It was a very fast-paced game," said Declo coach Kim Johnson. "Both teams like to run."

The Hornets (5-3) play at Aberdeen Thursday night.

Bliss JV 44, ISDB 35 - BLISS - Sundir Birendrine scored 28 points, leading the Bliss Junior Varsity to a win over ISDB.

Aubrey Thompson recorded 25 of ISDB's 35 points. "It was a good game," said Bliss coach Lane Durtsch. "We started up by a good three, and we carried it by a good three, and we carried it by a good three, and we carried it by a good three."

The Bears (1-6) play at Camas Thursday.

Castleford 72, Hansen 55 - CASTLEFORD - Outsourcing Hansen 22-11 in the first quarter and 23-18 in the fourth, the Castleford Wolves hammered out a win against the Huskies Tuesday night.

The Wolves (3-3) overall, 2-1 conference, host Camas on Saturday.

Camas 39, Richfield 29 - RICHFIELD - Camas jumped to a 14-7 lead and fended off a late Richfield rally.

Michelle Ward led the Tigers with 10 points, but fouled out in the fourth quarter. Richfield was forced to foul, and Camas sank six of 13 from the line.

Declo 43, Kimberly 37 - DECLO - The Hornets broke a close game, open after intermission, capitalizing on Bulldog mistakes created by their relentless press.

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The Tigers (1-5) travel to Ketchikan Saturday.

Shoshone 59, Dietrich 36 - DIETRICH - The Indians put four girls in double figures as they defeated the Blue Devils Tuesday night.

Shoshone's Monica Uhrig led all scorers with 17 points. "They executed their offense well," said Dietrich head coach Gary Olson.

The Devils (4-3) travel to Camas Thursday.

Buhl 35, Wood River 32 - RUHL - With five seconds left in the contest, Laura Stutzman of Buhl hit a jumper to bring the Indians from behind and give them the win Tuesday night.

Stutzman, a senior forward, scored all her six points in the final period.

Stutzman really stepped it up in the fourth quarter," said Buhl coach Joe Shepard.

The Indians (1-4, 1-1) host Twin Falls on Friday.

Boys' basketball Glenns Ferry 52, Hagerman 44 - HAGERMAN - Despite jumping out to a 14-4 first-quarter lead, the Pirates only scored three points in the third quarter, allowing the Pilots the opportunity to win the game in high school boys' action Tuesday night.

"We controlled them the first two quarters," said Hagerman assistant coach Lonnie Finkbeuser. "We did a good job rebounding and not allowing fast-break opportunities."

The Pirates (1-1) travel to Shoshone tonight.

Kimberly - Rounding out the Top 5, Kuna stayed No. 2, American Falls dropped to No. 3, St. Maries checked at No. 4 and Snake River extended to No. 5.

In Class A-4, Mackay's 30 start was once again enough to garner all 10 first-place votes. Clark (1-0) led No. 2 behind the defending state champion

Miners, followed by a tie between Bluffman (1-0) and Murtagh (2-2).

Shoshone's 35-33 loss to Gooding in last week's opener bumped the Indians out of the fifth spot, clearing the way for 5-0 Nona.

Also receiving Class A-4 votes were Oakley, Shoshone, Dietrich, Council and Troy.

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Hansen 75, Magic Valley Christian 24 - HANSEN - The Huskies pounded out a 20-lead after the first quarter and never looked back, beating the Conquerors 75-24.

"It was another strong performance by our upper classmen," said Hansen coach Brady Swallow. "We shot the ball well early and our free-throws better the first half. That's something we've been working on."

The Huskies (2-2) host Carey Saturday.

ISDB 52, Bliss JV 51 - BLISS - Eric Henson scored 18 points, most of those coming in an exciting second half, as the Raptors continued to improve upon one of their better starts in recent years.

"Our defense hunted down the Bears at the end," said ISDB coach Mikkel Nelson.

ISDB improved to 3-1, and next plays at Kenchen on Thursday.

The Pacers won their fourth straight despite shooting only 36 percent from the field and going eight minutes without a field goal in the second half.

Tim Duncan had 30 points and 22 rebounds for the Pacers.

Miller, who was 5-for-9 from 3-point range, hit a 3-pointer with 1:26 left that gave the Pacers a 81-77 lead. After Duncan missed a jumper and Indiana got the rebound, Miller assisted on a basket by Rik Smits that gave the Pacers an 83-79 lead.

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Tim Duncan of the San Antonio Spurs, left, gets past Indiana Pacers center Rik Smits for a dunk in the first quarter Tuesday.

Pacers spurn Spurs; Grizzlies stop Mavs

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his last four games, added 12 assists as the Pistons won for the second time in their last six games.

Jerry Stackhouse added 26 points, including four points in the final 37 seconds as the Pistons snapped the Bucks' two-game winning streak.

Glenn Robinson, who signed a one-year, \$12 million extension on Monday, had 30 points for the Bucks. Ray Allen added 21 points, and Sam Cassell had 17 points and 17 assists for Milwaukee.

DALLAS - Shareef Abdur-Rahim had 26 points and 15 rebounds, and Brent Price hit two 3-pointers down the stretch as Vancouver snapped an 11-game losing streak with a 104-95 victory over Dallas on Tuesday night.

Michael Dickerson added 21 points and Othello Harrington had 16 to help Vancouver get its first road win of the season after a game drawn the previous straight defeats away from home.

After several close calls, Vancouver finally closed out a game drawn the previous straight defeats away from home.

During the 11-game losing stretch, the Grizzlies had lost five games either in overtime or by margins of four points or less. In six of the 11 defeats, Vancouver went to late-game leads.

Dallas' Dirk Nowitzki matched his career-high with 31 points, but was scoreless in the fourth quarter.

NEW YORK - John Starks blew kisses to the crowd, only to have Latrell Sprewell make him feel like he was anyone but home.

In his first game at Madison Square Garden since being traded, Starks couldn't stop Sprewell when they were matched head-to-head. Sprewell scored all 21 of his points in the first half while Starks scored 17. New York Knicks defeated Golden State 83-83, sending the Warriors to their 10th straight loss.

"I was just going at John. I was going at whoever," Sprewell said. "I wanted to have a better game than I had in Golden State."

It was the second meeting of the season between Sprewell and P.J. Carlesimo, the coach he once choked, and it was a different atmosphere from the night 25 weeks ago in Oakland when Sprewell spurned Carlesimo's attempt at a pregame handshake and engaged in a vulgar dialogue with the coach.

Sprewell said he refrained from shaking Carlesimo's hand because such an gesture would have been seen as insincere.

Allan Houston and Larry Johnson finished with 15 points apiece, Karl Thomas had 14 and Camby Simmons had 12. Golden State with 25, and Cummings had 15.

SPORTS

Baseball's free agent deadline approaches

SPORTS IN BRIEF

NEW YORK (AP) - John Stearns... free agent deadline of the offseason approached Tuesday night, and teams cut off negotiations with many of their former players.

and Cincinnati said so long to outfielder Greg Vaughn and pitchers Steve Avery and Mark Wohlers.

and Jeff Blauser. The Mets declined arbitration with pitcher Orel Hershiser and the Indians said no to all their free agents, including designated hitter Harold Baines.

before next May 1. Also, teams can sign these players without losing amateur draft picks as compensation.

Mincio holds spaghetti dinner Friday

RUPERT - A spaghetti dinner will be held Friday, Dec. 10, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the back gym at Mincio High School.

Pengelly leaving Cougars for personal reasons

PULLMAN, Wash. - Washington State starting point guard Blake Pengelly has left the team for personal reasons, Cougars coach Paul Graham said Tuesday night.

Pick up Mincio fruit on Saturday

RUPERT - People who purchased fruit from either the Mincio baseball or girls basketball team can pick it up Saturday, Dec. 11, at the Mincio High School fieldhouse between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Mariners sign first baseman John Olerud

SEATTLE - First baseman and Seattle native John Olerud has been signed to a three-year contract, the Seattle Mariners announced Tuesday.

Dayne takes AP college Player of the Year

NEW YORK - Ron Dayne had his reasons for staying at Wisconsin instead of running off early to the NFL.

On Tuesday, he won The Associated Press' College Player of the Year Award in balloting by AP member newspapers, TV and radio stations.

Report: Players received strip club perks

NEW YORK - A mob-connected Atlanta strip club provided thousands of dollars worth of strippers and booze to professional athletes including Patrick Ewing and ex-Knicks Charles Oakley, according to federal sources and investigative records.

Gold Club owner Steven Kaplan has been identified for years as a close associate of the Gambino crime family. He was indicted last month on charges that the strip joint served as a skimming operation for the mob.

NBA spokesman Chris Brienza said league rules do not prohibit players from receiving free food and booze from restaurants and clubs, but he said it is prohibited from receiving anything of material or monetary value.

Walker heads list of Hall of Fame inductees

NEW YORK - Herschel Walker, the 1982 Heisman Trophy winner from Georgia, and coaches Jerry Claiborne and Jim Young were inducted into the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame on Tuesday night, along with 11 other college stars.

Walker, who was inducted into the Heisman season, two years after helping the Bulldogs win the 1980 national championship as a freshman, in three seasons, Walker ran for 5,259 yards before leaving school early to sign a \$5 million contract to play pro ball in the NFL.

Walker was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame on Tuesday night. Claiborne coached Virginia Tech, Maryland and Kentucky during a 28-year career that ended in 1980, and Jim Young guided Arizona, Purdue and Army before retiring in 1990 after 16 years as a coach.

Walker's college years were honored during the football foundation's annual awards dinner.

Walker (Arkansas); guard John Hannah (Alabama); running backs Chris Gilbert (Texas), Billy Kilmer (UCLA) and Greg Pruitt (Oklahoma); defensive back Frank Lewis (Virginia Tech); linebacker Steve Kinzie (Tennessee); quarterback Chuck Long (Iowa); and defensive lineman Joe Palumbo (Virginia) and Ed White (California).

Yankies decline arbitration to Girardi, Sojo

NEW YORK - Joe Girardi's career with the New York Yankees came to an end Tuesday when the team failed to offer their former catcher salary arbitration.

SCORES AND STATS

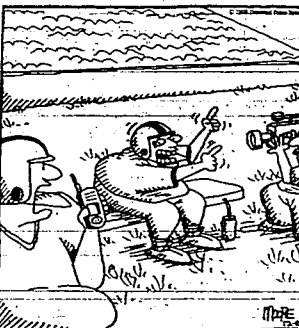
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By Steve Moore



"Past, Doug. It's your mom. She says you have a big chunk of food stuck between your teeth."

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Russians urge Chechens to leave

But their bombing often keeps residents from hearing warning

ACHKOFMARTAN, Russia (AP) — Hiding in basements, terrified residents of Grozny Tuesday remained mostly unaware of Russia's ultimatum to flee or risk being killed by a massive attack on the Chechen capital this weekend.

Many civilians in Grozny have been too scared to venture outside amid the relentless Russian bombing, so many have not seen the leaflets dropped by Russian planes Monday carrying the threat of air and artillery assault set to begin Saturday. Strong winds also reportedly whisked many of the leaflets away.

While word of the ultimatum reached world capitals and provoked outrage in the West, Grozny residents have no access to news coverage about the threat, as the shelling has wiped out television and radio transmissions.

Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin brushed off the foreign criticism, saying calls for restraint by President Clinton and other leaders were "prompted by kind intentions."

Moscow announced Monday



Russian helicopters took off last Tuesday near Grozny near the Chechen capital of Grozny. They are part of an attack on Chechen towns as Russian troops close in on Grozny in an attempt to capture the city.

that it would open a safe corridor for civilians to flee Grozny, but jets bombed the city Tuesday, making it dangerous to move. There was no confirmation whether a safe corridor existed. Clinton, European Union foreign ministers and the United Nations refugee agency criticized the Russian plans for Grozny, saying they would seriously risk Russia's image abroad and risk

civilian lives.

"Russia will pay a heavy price for these actions, with each passing day, sinking more deeply into a morass that will intensify extremism and diminish its own standing in the world," Clinton said Monday.

Putin repeated that Russia would not seek a political solution with the Chechens, as the West has been urging, unless Chechnya

turns over militant leaders who invaded Russia and have been taking hostages for years. "If some representatives of foreign states are indeed so much concerned about the situation in the North Caucasus, let them use their influence not only for putting pressure on the Russian leadership, but also to force the terrorists to release their hostages," Putin said.

Student wounds four in Dutch school attack

VEGHEL, Netherlands (AP) — A teen-age student apparently bent on revenge opened fire inside a high school in the Netherlands on Tuesday, wounding a teacher and four students in the first school shooting in Dutch history.

In a drama now chillingly familiar in the United States but unprecedented in this country known for its strict gun-control laws, the 17-year-old suspect fired more than 10 shots inside the regional vocational school in Veghel, about 60 miles south of Amsterdam. He then surrendered to police.

Church bells rang in sympathy through the rainy evening in Veghel; a working-class industrial town infused with the smell of chocolate from a factory that manufactures Mars candy bars for the Netherlands.

The victims were taken to hospitals, where two of the students were in critical condition. The teacher, a 46-year-old woman, and another student were in similar condition and out of danger after surgery. A fifth student suffered a minor bullet graze wound, police said Tuesday evening.

Police did not identify the suspect, in line with Dutch privacy laws. The gunman opened fire

with a pistol of unknown caliber in a school hallway and in a computer room crowded with students shortly after 2 p.m.

"There was panic in the school," police spokeswoman Gerda Preusting said.

Preusting said the suspect was upset over a romance and appeared to be hunting for someone who was not there.

Students gathered outside the school told Dutch television that the suspect was upset over a relationship involving his sister and another student and may have been intent on avenging her honor. Police said they had no further details about a motive.

"I heard the noise and went to find out what it was," the school janitor, who declined to give his name, told The Associated Press at the scene. "I thought they were firecrackers, and then I saw him shooting. He definitely knew who he was going after — he was chasing him."

The suspect's target escaped unharmed, the janitor said.

Dutch television showed the classroom floor smeared with blood, cluttered with papers and littered with shards of broken glass.

A bloodied bookbag lay crumpled on the floor.

Floodwaters ravage Vietnam's countryside

TAM KY, Vietnam — Thousands of soldiers and relief workers flew and boated their way through Vietnam's flood-ravaged central provinces Tuesday to deliver emergency supplies to people who have lost their homes and food.

Torrential rains triggered by a cold spell have dumped more than six feet of water in some areas since Thursday, flooding hundreds of thousands of homes. The deluge displaced about 1 million people, and left many of them in need of emergency food and water. At least 114 people have died.

The central provinces, home to 7.5 million people, had only just begun recovering from devastating floods last month. The areas affected include some of the country's most well-known destinations, from the white sands of China Beach to the ancient port city of Hoi An.

Vietnam's rescue forces responded rapidly to the latest disaster, learning new lessons from the November floods, which claimed nearly 600 lives.

Within 48 hours of the rainfall Thursday, military helicopters were making airdrops of food to flood-torn areas. By Sunday, more than 5,000 soldiers had been dispatched to help relief efforts.

Slave workers' lawyers will reject German offer

BERLIN — Lawyers representing victims forced by Nazis to work during World War II said Tuesday they plan to reject the \$4.2 billion offer by German industry and government, stalling negotiations once again.

As the Wednesday deadline set by Germany's chief negotiator neared, a U.S.-based Jewish group released a list of more than 250 firms still operating that used Nazi labor, and urged them to join the fund.

German President Johannes Rau also urged German companies to come up with the "necessary figure to make possible an end to negotiations in 1999."

"Germany's moral responsibility must not be lost in financial discussions in these difficult negotiations," Rau said.

Lawyers for the victims are still pressing for a fund closer to their most recent demand of \$5.2 billion to \$7.9 billion.

Indonesia won't prosecute generals for atrocities

JAKARTA, Indonesia — Indonesia's top generals will not

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be held accountable for atrocities committed by their troops, the defense ministers said Tuesday — dashing the hopes of many that the new government would take on the powerful military.

Juwono Sudarsono, the first civilian defense minister in nearly 50 years, acknowledged soldiers committed many crimes during three decades of authoritarian rule but said their superior will escape prosecution.

"We can't go into the high ranks, as they were just carrying out state policy," he said.

N. Korea calls for tearing down wall that doesn't exist

BEIJING — For South Korea, the tank traps, razor wire and minefields that line its border with North Korea are necessary defenses against feared attack. For North Korea, however, they are nothing short of criminal.

At a rare news conference Tuesday, a senior North Korean diplomat accused South Korea of erecting an "unprecedentedly gigantic wall of division" along the heavily fortified border in an effort to keep the Korean peninsula divided.

The diplomat, North Korea Ambassador Cho Chang Joo, described the wall as made of reinforced concrete, 23 miles long — the breadth of the Korean Peninsula — 16 to 26 feet tall, 33 to 62 feet wide at the base and 9 to 25 feet wide at the top.

But while there are concrete barriers on the border, no such wall exists. South Korea Embassy spokesman W. Key-chul dismissed Cho's statements as "just propaganda."

China slams U.S. over stand on banned group

BEIJING — Rebuffing U.S. criticism, China said Tuesday that it was protecting the human rights of its citizens by banning the Falun Gong spiritual group.

It accused the United States of ignoring the group's dangers.

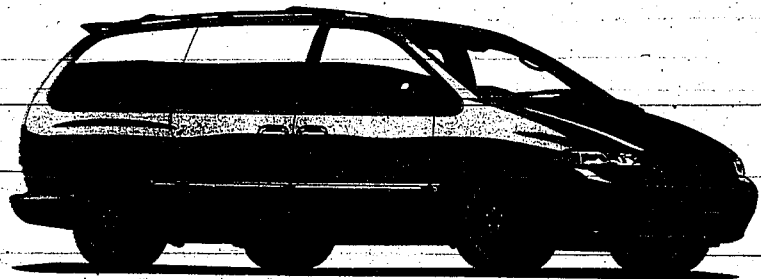
Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiyue's comments came a day after President Clinton criticized China's crackdown on the multi-million member group as a "troubling example" of the government's "most serious" human rights abuses.

Clinton said the group's activities "test the limits of freedom."

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Fishermen say marine mammals eat salmon

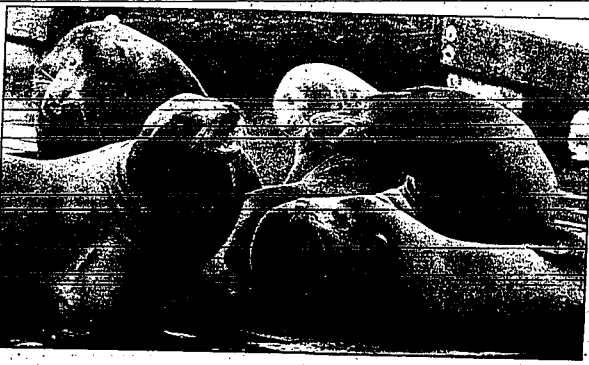
They seek right to shoot harbor seals, sea lions

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. (AP) - West Coast fishermen fed up with harbor seals and sea lions eating salmon right off their lines are pushing the federal government to let them start shooting at the bumpy marine mammals.

Recent studies of commercial fishermen in the Monterey Bay show that about 30 percent of the fish on their lines are being eaten by the sea lions and harbor seals which flock to their boats for easy meals.

Commercial fishermen in California, Oregon and Washington say that data, coupled with a booming sea lion population and declining salmon counts, make it necessary to return to pre-1994 policies, which allowed them to shoot marine mammals taking their fish.

In addition, they say the Coast Guard, harbor patrols and game wardens should be instructed to keep the populations under control. "We're talking about a big furry animal that everyone loves to look at and a slithering animal that many people say is just a fish, but we have to protect the one that's diminishing even if it isn't the cutest," said Rich Hughtett, executive director of the



Sea lions sit this week on floating blocks in San Francisco's marina.

Fishermen's Alliance of California.

But fisheries scientist Donald Alley said fishermen are pointing their finger at an easy target when they blame sea lions and seals for salmon's problems.

"Personally, I would want to have the blood on my hands for all those sea lions," he said.

Populations of California sea lions and Pacific harbor seals - protected under the 1972 Marine Mammal Protection Act - have increased from 60,000 to more than 250,000 during the past decade, according to the National Marine Fisheries Service. At the same time, salmon stocks have dropped so sharply that earlier

this year several species went on the endangered list.

The sea lions and seals - rarely seen in the 1950s - can now be found at many river mouths and under many West Coast piers, where tourists drop them off bits and snap their photos. They've also been known to make pests of themselves, scrambling onto fish-

ing boats, biting people on beaches and hanging around river mouths of migrating fish.

But environmentalists and ocean advocates say the key to saving salmon is not reducing marine mammals. Instead, they say additional limits need to be placed on people logging along creeks with hatcheries and drawing water from stream habitats for building developments.

"There's no doubt that seals and sea lions eat salmon, but there's no consensus that they are the cause of the declining numbers," said Kristin Gaffney of the Center for Marine Conservation.

Next spring Congress will reconsider the Marine Mammal Protection Act. In anticipation of those hearings, state officials in California, Oregon and Washington, as well as some local leaders, have been pushing federal officials to drop sea lion and harbor seal protections.

The debate continued Tuesday in Santa Cruz, Calif., when the county Board of Supervisors refused requests from local fishermen to endorse a resolution asking Congress to remove sea lions and harbor seals from the protected list. "What we have here is competition for salmon between humans and sea lions, and I think the specter of humans killing sea lions makes that competition a little unfair," said Santa Cruz County supervisor Mardi Wurmhoudt.

Feds move troublesome wolf pack

BOISE (AP) - A wolf pack which had a run-in with livestock has been rounded up in their McCall case enclosure and headed to near Montana's Bitterroot Wilderness Area.

The Bass Creek wolves being held at the Snowden Wildlife Sanctuary near McCall will be released, Idaho's Nez Perce Tribe has announced.

They were the first pack to establish a home range in the Bitterroot Valley in many decades. But the lead alpha wolves started to kill livestock to feed their new pups.

Biologists from the tribe and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service captured and relocated the pack in the McCall enclosure. The alpha male was accidentally killed and an outbreak of parvo virus killed three pups. The remaining female and five pups were captured Monday for relocation.

"Of course, we would rather see the wolves returning to our monitoring area in central Idaho, but relocating them to northwest Montana will contribute more to regional wolf recovery in the northern Rocky Mountains," said Wilfred Scott, vice-chairman of the Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee. "This will move us closer to the point where the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will delist them."

The tribe has worked with the federal government for the last five years to manage the wolves released in Idaho. The population has expanded to more than 115 wolves in 12 packs, spread across 13 million acres in Idaho. "Hopefully, this is the last time members of this pack will be captured and handled for many years," said Curt Mack, tribal wolf recovery coordinator. "Yesterday the pups' health was reviewed again and they were outfitted with radio collars by the capture crew before being transported to Montana for release."

Seattle police chief leaves office early after WTO violence

SEATTLE (AP) - Seattle's police chief has submitted his resignation after being severely criticized for his handling of the violent protests that disrupted the World Trade Organization conference.

Police Chief Norm Stamper on Tuesday became the first chief to step down among city officials following last week's WTO debacle. At a news conference with Stamper at his side, Mayor Paul Schell again said he would not submit his own resignation.

Stamper and Schell have

become the focal points of anger from demonstrators, residents, police officers and civic leaders for a police strategy unable to cope with violent demonstrators that cost downtown merchants nearly \$20 million in lost retail sales and property damage.

Stamper also has long been unpopular with many rank-and-file officers.

Stamper said he had planned to announce his retirement in January anyway but did so earlier in hopes it would remove politics from the examination of

what went wrong in handling the conference.

He said he would cooperate in any investigation of the police department's role in dealing with the demonstrations and civil unrest.

"I'm not going to be coy in refusing to answer questions" about his own performance, he said.

While declining to answer several questions about the WTO rioting, Stamper did say some accounts putting blame on him were inaccurate. "I don't accept

the label of either victim or martyr," he said.

Schell praised Stamper for his "sense of duty and sense of responsibility," and said he had tried to dissuade Stamper when he was told of the chief's decision Sunday.

For his own part, Schell told reporters he does not intend to resign. "I'm going to see this through," he said.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer broke word of Stamper's resignation in an interview published Tuesday morning.

Stamper's resignation, which takes effect in March, follows nearly nine months of turmoil over the integrity of the police internal investigations section, the latest in a series of episodes that strained relations between Stamper and the city's 1,200 uniformed officers during his nearly six-year tenure.

"He has not been in touch with the rank-and-file," said Seattle Police Officers Guild President Mike Edwards, who said police were poorly prepared for the challenge the WTO presented.

Idaho labor will wait two years to push wage issue

LEWISTON (AP) - Organized labor in Idaho now wants to wait until 2002 before trying to place an initiative on the ballot requiring prevailing wages to be paid on public construction projects.

The Idaho AFL-CIO convention last summer adopted a resolution endorsing an initiative campaign for next year.

But the federation's executive board decided it needs more time to conduct research and educate the public about the need to restore the state's prevailing wage law, AFL-CIO President Dave Whaley said.

The Republican-controlled Legislature repealed the law 14 years ago.

Organized labor already has a full plate of work to do for presidential, congressional and local

elections next year, Whaley said.

Dan O'Brody, a Pocatello-based organizer for the International Brotherhood of Painters and Allied Trades, said labor knows it faces an uphill battle to restore the state's prevailing wage law.

"You can't just jump into something like this," he said. "This takes a lot of combined effort from everybody."

About 40,000 signatures of registered voters - including 6 percent of voters in each of 22 counties - would have been required by April 30 to get an initiative onto the ballot next November.

Pete Skamser, state director for the National Federation of Independent Business, said he has heard no reports about petitions being circulated to place the initiative on the ballot.

Protection group buys Utah farm

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - In one of its costliest land purchases in Utah, The Nature Conservancy has spent almost \$3.5 million in private and government funds to buy a 404-acre farm containing Great Salt Lake wetlands and pastures where migratory water birds feed.

More than \$2 million of the total came from the Utah Reclamation, Mitigation and Conservation Commission, a federal agency assigned to improving the state's wetlands as com-

penation for damage from the Central Utah Project and other federal water development projects.

The property becomes part of The Nature Conservancy's Layton Islands Preserve, which now protects 3,000 acres of marsh and grasslands on the western edge of Layton. "Development is coming right up cheek-to-jowl on these sections," said Dave Livermore, The Nature Conservancy's state director. "This is the front lines of urban sprawl."

Utah official wants tobacco funds for health issues

FARMINGTON, Utah (AP) - Gov. Mike Leavitt wants to use the state's tobacco settlement windfall for cancer research, education, medical care and to combat illegal drugs.

The state expects to receive \$316 million in tobacco money in the coming year, and the governor on Tuesday laid out a list of suggestions about where it should be spent.

His proposal read more like a public policy wish list, in individual items adding up to more than \$316 million.

But Leavitt's spokeswoman, Vicki Varela, said the governor was giving lawmakers options rather than pitching a concrete plan.

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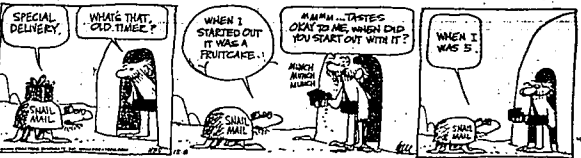
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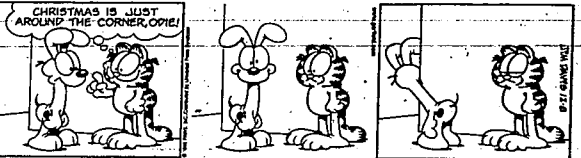
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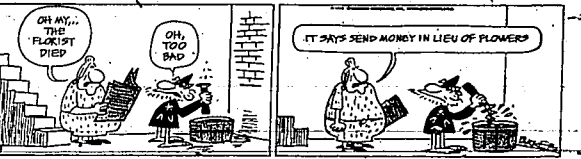
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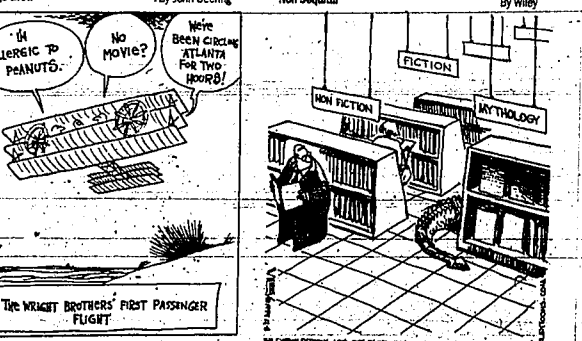
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Emma Thompson becomes a mom

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LONDON (AP) — Emma Thompson has given birth to a daughter, her agent said Monday. The baby was born Saturday at the Hospital of St. John and St. Elizabeth and weighed 5.5 pounds.

"At this moment, we are calling her Jane," she said. Ms. Thompson, a two-time Oscar winner, was formerly married to actor Kenneth Branagh.

Actor Glover speaks

to cables about black fares. NEW YORK — Danny Glover, who filed a complaint with the city after five taxi drivers passed him by, told a group of cabbies they should find another line of work if they are afraid of black people.

"If a driver fears for his life if he takes a black person into his cab, then perhaps he has to have a total different understanding of who black people are and perhaps he needs to get an other job," the actor told a forum of taxi drivers Sunday.

Farooq Bhatti, the head of a driver's group, responded to Mr. Danny, except on apology for what happened with you."

Glover filed a complaint on Nov. 3.

A week later, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani announced an undercover operation and threatened to seize the cabs of drivers who refused to pick up minority passengers.

Since then, 39 drivers have been cited.

People in the news



British actress Emma Thompson, 49, gave birth Saturday morning to a 7.5-pound girl whom she and father Greg Wise have yet to name.

Houston, Spears, Twain vie for 3 music awards each

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Whitney Houston, Britney Spears and Shania Twain each got three American Music Award nominations Monday.

The Dixie Chicks, Lauryn Hill, Jennifer Lopez and TLC had two nominations each, as did the Backstreet Boys, Garth Brooks, Kid Rock, Ricky Martin, Santana and George Strait.

Brooks, Kid Rock, Ricky Martin, Santana and George Strait. The awards broadcast is scheduled for Jan. 17 on ABC. Listeners choose the winners.

Muhammad Ali becomes citizen of Italian community

CIMISO, Italy — Muhammad Ali was a hit in Sicily. The former heavyweight champion, now slowed by Parkinson's disease, was awarded Italian citizenship of the town of Cimiso on Monday.

Ali, 57, who often tours the globe as an envoy for peace, was on the island of Sicily for a conference on peace talks for the east African nation of Burundi.

He attended a brief town hall ceremony in Cimiso, a town of about 2,500 people. A few hundred fans greeted Ali, who responded by throwing phantom punches.

All's speech is limited by Parkinson's, a degenerative nerve disease, but his intellect is unaffected.

Carrey says he lost himself in Andy Kaufman character

LOS ANGELES — Jim Carrey so deeply is immersed himself so deeply in the role of late comic Andy Kaufman for the film "Man on the Moon" that he forgot the character of Jim Carrey.

After the movie wrapped: "I spent three weeks thinking, 'What do I like again? What do believe? How do I feel about that?'"

"I had completely let that go.

You completely lose yourself," Carrey said. Kaufman's parents, Stanley and Carole Kaufman, "treated me like Andy." Carrey told the Los Angeles Times for a story published Sunday.

"Carol Kaufman sent me a letter saying, 'We knew what Andy was like until 1983 and now we know what he's like now,'" Carrey said. "It was gratifying and frightening and weird and wonderful."

Carrey, 37, who starred in "The Mask" and "The Truman Show," said he is well aware that fame can be fleeting.

"I wake up some mornings and sit and have my coffee and look out at my beautiful garden and I go, 'Remember how good this is. Because you can lose it.'"

'Gilligan's Island' alumni donates items for charity

BLUEFIELD, W.Va. — Castoffs from West Virginia's most famous shipwrecked castaway are going on the auction block for charity.

Denver — Gilligan in the 1960s TV series "Gilligan's Island" — is donating autographed items from the show to benefit the Bluefield Union Mission.

Among Denver's donations: a "Gilligan's Island" play school set, and autographed denim shorts, worn by actress Dawn Wells, who portrayed Mary Ann.

"I think it's a good cause," said Pringle, a resident of nearby Princeton. "It goes right to the local people." The auction is scheduled for Dec. 18.

Sagittarius - prepare for a winning streak

IF DECEMBER 9 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are a determined person who finishes what is started, are attracted to finance, the stock market, and when pressure is on you are up to it. You are passionate, creative and when you love, it is all the way. Capricorn, Cancer, both persons play major roles in your life, could have these letters initials in names: H, Q, Z. During the year 2000 your most memorable, romantic month will be April.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You gain foothold on major objectives. People who once ignored you will now take you seriously and carry your favor. Without being vindictive, let it be known you have a good memory.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Interest in the man or girl will surface. You could be center of attention. People ask you questions concerning travel, romance. This may be necessary.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Attention revolves around how to beautify home, personal surroundings. Material success prominently, individual must feel heightened. Libra plays role.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Define terms, outline boundaries, see people, relationships in realistic manner. Places individual makes grand gesture but lacks financial backing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You might be treading where angels fear. Highlight confidence, deriding-do. You'll be involved in serious financial transaction. You have eye in hole.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Emphasis on universal appeal, creativity, preparations for long journey. Check details, costs.

People who eat alligators outnumber the alligators that eat people in an open area? Q. Is it true there's liquor in outer space? A. What the astrologists recognize as ethyl alcohol is one of the common gases out there, and distillers note ethyl alcohol is what makes the difference between the Scotch and the soda. If it has feathers and a wishbone, it's a bird, no matter what else it might appear to be. So say the classifiers.

Dear the women of Fiji preferred to be returned to Diot was unheard of. Then several years ago television showed up there. Now the women crave the thin.

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omar

Give time to study of language. Aries, Libra persons play leading roles. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): New approach to relative who owes you a favor is necessary. Be independent without being arrogant. Let it be known that time is a factor. Leo represented.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Spotlight on proposals — partnership, marriage. Discern direction, motivation, re-establish relationship with parents. Cancer, Capricorn persons will play mystical roles.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your kind of day, this Dec. will be the start of a winning streak. In matters of speculation stick with number 3. Keep resolutions concerning exercise, diet, nutrition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Some wishes come true in unorthodox manner. Scorpio plays important role, proves to be valuable ally. Focus on research, prefronting. You will uncover error.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Febr. 18): Be analytical, be aware of subtle clues. You are going places, the right place. Relative seeks your company on trip. Be sure it is not a wild goose chase. Virgo involved.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Avoid making promises that cannot be kept. Money involved, so is home and family protection. Visitors comment, "Your house is beautiful." Taurus figures in scenario.

DEAR ABBY: My mother and stepfather would love to be the guardians of my children. My children adore both of them. The problem is my mother has a drinking problem. She never drinks during the day or even every day. However, she entertains a lot, and when she does, she often drinks too much and becomes loud and slurry. I cannot expect her to listen to me tell them not to drink and smoke when I indulged in both nasty habits.

Now that I am free of these substances, I don't know if I should approach my mother about this issue. Should I tell her that I wouldn't want my children growing up in a household where alcohol is used irresponsibly, and give her a chance to clean up her act and quit? Or should I just mention that I have selected someone else in my will to be my children's guardian and let it be a surprise should the occasion arise?

DEAR STACKING: Your children must come first. Arrange for someone other than your mother to be your children's guardian. Then contact Al-Aaon and inquire about an intervention program for her. With the help of an intervention team, talk to your mother about her binge drinking and the effect it had on you while you were growing up.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I decided to host a small but formal New Year's Eve party. I called my neighbor to tell her, and to invite her and her family. She graciously offered lots of help and proceeded to give me her guest list.

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ed to our close family and friends; therefore I could extend the invitation only to her, my husband and their children. She replied that she didn't think it was out of line to invite her own guests — and that they probably wouldn't show up anyway.

It has caused a lot of friction between us, and I have since canceled the party, which I really didn't want to do. Can I still have the party but not invite them? They live right up the street.

A. DILEMMA, PACIFIC, CALIF.

DEAR A. DILEMMA: Just when I think I've heard everything, I receive a letter about a neighbor like yours. To invite people to a party and assume they "probably won't show up anyway" is foolish. What if they DO show up and you're not prepared for them?

Give the party, and allow me to be the first to wish you a happy, healthy new year. Make one of your resolutions to have little to do with your nery neighbor. It doesn't take a crystal ball to predict she'll be angry when she learns she wasn't invited.

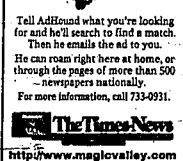
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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Urban Renewal Agency meets Friday

TWIN FALLS — Treasure Cove Golf-N-Games Inc. is scheduled to begin negotiations Friday with the Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency about developing a portion of the property the agency owns in Old Town.

Treasure Cove submitted a brief proposal by Monday's deadline to build a family entertainment center on about one-quarter of the property, said Dave McAlindin, Twin Falls economic development director. The remainder of the property at Shoshone Street and Effra Avenue South — where the former Twin Falls Feed & Ice burned down — would be used for off-street parking, he said. The agency bought the property about a year ago for \$250,000.

A meeting is set for 7:30 a.m. Friday in the Twin Falls City Council chambers, 321 2nd Ave. E.

Treasure Cove, owned by Julie Mahler and her mother, Shirley Huck, would move from its building next to Fred Meyer on Blue Lakes Boulevard North to the Old Town site. Mahler would be sole owner if the business moves.

Idaho mining company looks to Alaska mine

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho — The Greens Creek Mine near Juneau, Alaska, is for sale and Hecla Mining Co. is among the potential buyers.

Coeur d'Alene-based Hecla already owns a 29.7 percent interest in the underground silver mine and would like to become the operator, said Hecla spokeswoman Vicki Veilkamp.

"We think it's a world-class ore body. It's an underground, hard-rock mine, which is what Hecla is an expert at," she said.

Kennecott Corp., a U.S. subsidiary of London-based mining giant Rio Tinto PLC, owns the majority interest in Greens Creek. Kennecott and Hecla have been partners in the mine since 1987.

Greens Creek produced 2.8 million ounces of silver for Hecla last year. It also holds zinc, lead and gold with ample reserves for the future, Veilkamp said.

Hecla has said of first refusal on an additional 12.5 percent of the mine. That means it could buy the property by matching the winning bid.

The company could purchase the remaining interest by offering 10 percent more than the top bid.

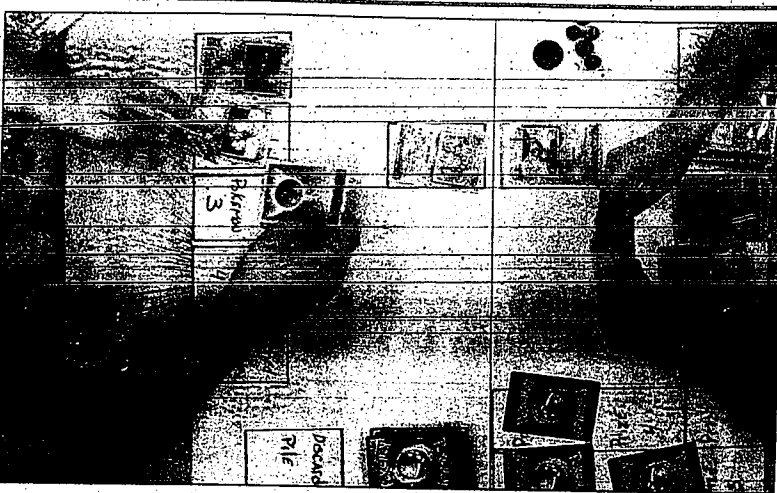
Greens Creek is located on Anahim Island, an area known for its brown bear population.

Virginia plans to educate consumers on electricity

RICHMOND, Va. — Virginians could pay \$30 million during the next five years to learn how to use electricity after competition is introduced to the state's power industry.

The State Corporation Commission has developed a consumer education plan, "Virginia Energy Choice," and has forwarded it to the General Assembly. The legislature, which must approve the plan in the state budget, has ordered the commission to develop an education program.

Compiled from staff and wire reports



Derek Ottaviano, 11, of Fairlawn, N.J., left, faces off with Nicholas Cliffe, 10, of Teaneck, N.J., during a recent Pokemon card game match at a Toys R Us store in Paramus, N.J.

No bells, whistles or flashing lasers, please

No-tech toys still score big with children surrounded by computers and gadgets

The Associated Press

PARAMUS, N.J. — When 10-year-old Nicholas Cliffe talks about what he likes to do best in his free time, he puts playing with his Pokemon trading cards at the top of his list.

So on Saturday mornings, when he used to sit at home playing video games, he goes to a nearby Toys R Us store to play in a Pokemon card game.

"I love the game," said the fifth grader from Teaneck, N.J. "I have to think I have to come up with a strategy. It's not like anything else I play with."

So much for techno-toys taking over the toy world — this time last Christmas, when sluggish sales of dolls, action figures and board games led many adults to believe that kids only wanted interactive toys. This holiday season, two things topping many kids' wish lists — Pokemon trading cards and Harry Potter books — aren't technologically savvy but are selling like wildfire.

"We live in a world where even the microwave takes, so it is perfectly natural that we'd see technology find its way into many kids' playthings," said

Chris Byrne, a New York-based toy industry consultant. "But the reality is that kids don't want to play just with toys with all the bells and whistles built in. They want to be imaginative during playtime and use their minds."

In recent years, toymakers have stepped up their high-tech offerings to make playtime more entertaining and challenging for today's computer-obsessed kids. Store shelves are crammed with everything from talking dolls to toys that connect to personal computers.

But many kids say they want more than high-tech in their toy chests.

"A lot of games you just plug in, and it tells you what to do," said 12-year-old Derek Ottaviano, of Fair Lawn, N.J. "But sometimes I like playing with stuff that puts me in control and lets me decide what my next move will be."

Like millions of kids nationwide, Derek is hooked on Pokemon — a phenomenon that originated in Japan three years ago as a Nintendo Game Boy video game and has evolved into a popular cartoon, a movie and toys.

Much of the Pokemon hype is

focused on trading cards. There are 150 in all, each representing a different "pocket monster" that players are challenged to collect, trade and nurture in hopes of becoming the greatest Pokemon trainer in the world.

Many children simply buy the cards and trade them like they would baseball cards. There are some hard-to-find cards that sell to collectors for more than \$50, but a starter set with 61 cards has a suggested retail price of an affordable \$7.99.

Others, especially older children, use the cards in a complicated game that challenges players to use their pocket monsters' powers to topple the opponent.

The game has become so popular that chains like Toys R Us and Burger King hold weekly competitions at their stores. Many children also form their own leagues on school playgrounds.

While some parents complain that their children are obsessed with the cards, others say they have helped improve their children's skills in organization and sportsmanship.

Many of the two dozen children gathered at a Pokemon league one recent Saturday at a

Toys R Us in Paramus, N.J., spent time teaching each other how to play and sharing strategy. Every game ended with a handshake between opponents.

"They would never learn so much just playing a video game or with a doll like Furby," said Marie Lanau, whose son and two nephews are Pokemon fans.

While the Pokemon trading cards are the must-have toys of the year, the Harry Potter books are outselling the rest of the publishing world. The first three books in the series — four more are due out in the coming years — have topped best-sellers lists for months.

The stories, written by British author J.K. Rowling, outline the education of Harry, a young English wizard at the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.

Kids can't seem to put the books down — some even have given up playtime to read.

"I couldn't stop reading it once I got it," said Brandon Cobb, 9, of Hackensack, N.J., who read the first in the series "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone." "It was a long book, but it was worth it."

Penny's cuts dividends, plans business reinvestment

Knight Ridder/Tribune Business News

DALLAS — J.C. Penney Co. cut its quarterly dividend to shareholders almost in half on Monday, saying it will instead reinvest those funds in its businesses, including its struggling chain of 1,150 department stores.

Penny's board of directors reduced the quarterly dividend to 28.75 cents from 54.5 cents a share, a 47 percent decline. The reduced dividend was announced in Twin Falls and Burley, \$270 million a year.

It was the first dividend cut for Penny since the late 1950s, when the payout to shareholders

was reduced to fund its rapid expansion into new suburban shopping centers and malls nationwide. Historically, the 98-year-old retailer has raised its dividend payment, even if it was only a penny a quarter, which is what happened last year.

James E. Osterreicher, chairman and chief executive officer, said the decision was "necessary

to increase long-term stockholder value."

Penny will "reinvest a significant portion of our earnings to strengthen all our businesses' operations, including updating our traditional retail formats, continuing to strengthen and grow our drugstores and expanding our e-commerce business."

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Y2K worries clear resort

The Associated Press

PARK CITY, Utah — What was supposed to be a mid-of-the-century boom in looking more like a bust at this ski resort community.

"Dec. 28 is the mass exodus," said Tonja Hanson, reservations manager for Park City Mountain — Reservations. "Tourists are leaving town in droves."

Vacation bookings are down drastically over past Christmas-New Year's holidays.

"A lot of big Fortune 500 companies are forcing their employees to stay home," said Hagon, who predicted a resurgence once the New Year begins.

"Come early January, we'll get slammed with phone calls when people realize there's still a stock market, that their money's still there, that planes are still flying."

Mountain, it is a buyer's market. Studio condominiums can be had for \$165 a night over Christmas and New Year's. Low-end holiday rates usually are closer to \$250.

Room occupancy has stalled at around 30 percent for this year's holiday. It typically runs about 60 percent during the week of Christmas and 20 percent during New Year's week, according to Shawn Stinson, spokesman for the Park City Chamber of Commerce Convention & Visitors Bureau.

"It's a huge combination of everything," said Pat Smith, manager of Utah Ski Reservations, which coordinates lodging between ski resorts and hotel or condominium owners. Smith said the lack of snow so far this season hasn't helped, but that Y2K's ripples are mostly to blame.

At the Park City Marriott, double occupancy in 120 rooms are running \$220 on New Year's Eve, which is what the hotel usually gets for its non-holiday winter rates.

Entrance to a ring-dine at the millennium dinner-and-dance at the hotel, originally priced at \$399 per couple, has been cut to \$299 per person.

"We're just covering our costs," said general manager Paul Christensen.

Fatti Hess, manager of Resort Property Management, said marketers probably erred in dismissing indications earlier in the year suggesting the turn of the millennium would not draw many out-of-staters.

"Maybe we should've lowered rates and gone after a different market."

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Productivity takes a big leap Blue chips are a little unstable

WASHINGTON (AP) Workers' productivity, a key to national economic vitality, grew at the fastest rate in seven years in the third quarter. At the same time, companies' labor costs actually declined—a recipe for keeping inflation at bay.

Tuesday's report was good news for investors wary of signs of inflation that could trigger another interest rate increase from the Federal Reserve.

"It is hard to see where inflation is supposed to come from," said Gerald Cohen, an economist with Merrill Lynch in New York. The Dow Jones average of industrial stocks rose immediately after release of the government report but closed down 118 points Tuesday, at 11,106.65.

Analysts expect the drop in investor jitter about the outlook for some big companies, such as Coca-Cola.

"To get strong productivity growth at this point in an expansion is really an extraordinary achievement," said Martin Baily, chairman of President Clinton's Council of Economic Advisors.

The U.S. economy's continuing upswing is at a peacetime record of eight years and counting.

Productivity, defined as the amount of output for each hour of work, rose at 4.9 percent annual rate from July through September.

At the same time, unit labor costs, considered a good measure of inflation pressures, fell at a 0.2

percent annual rate—the biggest drop since spring 1995. Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and other economists have linked the recent years' upturn in American productivity to massive investments that businesses have made in computers and other technology.

As long as workers are increasingly productive, employers can afford to pay them more because of increased output without needing to raise prices.

If productivity falters, however, pressures for higher wages can result in price increases. The Fed already has raised interest rates three times this year, trying to prevent inflation, and Greenspan has said the nation's central bankers are staying alert for any slowdown in productivity.

The Fed's policy makers' next meeting is Dec. 21. Fed analysts now expect them to touch interest rates again this year.

"The Fed's policy makers and his son Christmas can probably go to Cologne shopping and skip the next meeting," said Sung Won Sohn, an economist with Wells Fargo & Co. in Minneapolis.

However, many wonder for how long workers' productivity gains can continue to offset the effects of very low unemployment, which is compelling employers to offer wage and benefit incentives to attract and keep workers.

"You just need a slight slowdown in productivity for the unit labor costs to trend upward,"

said Kathleen Stephansen, senior economist with Donaldson, Luffin & Jenrette Securities in New York.

In a separate report Tuesday, the Fed said American borrowers have slowed this fall compared with heavy summertime loans and credit card use. Revolving credit, primarily credit cards, fell at a 0.6 percent annual rate in October—the first decline in a year. Total consumer credit, excluding mortgage debt, rose by 3.7 percent.

The Mortgage Bankers Association, in yet another report, said the percentage of homeowners behind on mortgage payments fell to 4.1 percent from July through September, the lowest delinquency rate in almost four years.

The 4.9 percent third-quarter productivity gain was revised upward in Tuesday's report from a previous estimate of 4.2 percent, making it the fastest growth since the last three months of 1992, when productivity rose at a 7.4 percent annual rate.

It followed a small 0.6 percent productivity gain in the second quarter of 1999 and a 2.7 percent rise in the first quarter.

The slight drop in unit labor cost from July through September of this year came after a 4.2 percent rise in the second quarter and a 1.4 percent increase in the first. A prior government report had shown labor rising slightly, by 0.5 percent.

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks closed mixed Tuesday as investors again collected profits from last week's rally. A strong report on workers' productivity and selected strength in technology stocks enticed some buyers but failed to lift the broad market.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 118.36 to close at 11,106.65. The decline was the Dow's steepest since Oct. 25.

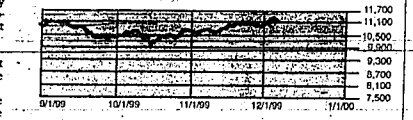
Broader stock indicators were mixed. The Nasdaq composite index rose 40.91 to 3,596.92, its 20th new record close since Oct. 29, largely due to a 23 percent gain by Internet search company Yahoo!

The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 14.17 to 1,409.17. Most analysts expected increases to each in some of the gains that have come from the market's big rally. The Nasdaq has risen 63 percent this year, the S&P 500 set a new closing high last Friday when the Dow has come within 40 points of its closing record of 11,326.04, reached Aug. 25.

"Given the strength of the market last week, it's not unusual to see some scattered weakness," said Robert Freedman, chief investment officer for the John Hancock Funds in Boston. "The upward momentum is still there, but we're seeing some profit-taking and some weakness in a couple of stocks."

For a second consecutive session, Coca-Cola dragged the Dow lower, falling 4.3964 to 60 as of 5:45 P.M. The company said Monday chairman and chief executive M. Douglas Ivester is stepping down after a troubled 2.5-year tenure. On Tuesday, at least two Wall Street analysts downgraded their ratings on Coke stock. Microsoft fell 2 7/16 to 93. On

Table with columns: Close, High, Low, Net change, % change. Values: 11,252.84, 11,106.65, 11,068.65, -118.36, -1.05



Monday, government lawyers filed papers that detail Microsoft's alleged antitrust violations, laying the ground for a federal judge to rule on the case early next year.

Other Dow losses were scattered across sectors: Johnson & Johnson fell 3 7/16 to 52 1/2. General Motors fell 4 2/3 to 72.625 and S&P lost 4 1/16 to 93.

The Nasdaq might have fallen prey to profit-taking Tuesday, guaranteeing at least a short-term boost while fund managers who track the index buy shares to keep their portfolios up to date.

Beyond Yahoo!, technology shares were mixed. Online auctioneering eBay fell 12.75 to 163.75. Computer maker Gateway fell 4.375 to 66.50 on concerns about a supply crunch at Intel will prevent Gateway from meeting consumer demand.

At least one tech corporate news item hand, investors slumped past the latest good news on the U.S. economy. The Labor Department reported American workers' productivity grew in the third quarter of 1999 at the fastest rate in seven years, while labor costs

declined.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has said the nation's central bankers are staying alert for any slowdown in productivity as a possible early warning of inflation. The Fed has raised interest rates three times this year in an effort to keep inflation under control, and the new report offered some indication that rates will remain untouched in the months to come.

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Bond investors applauded the report, sending the yield on the 30-year Treasury bond down to 6.24 percent from 6.24 percent last Monday. And the new report offered some indication that rates will remain untouched in the months to come.

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Oil producers hold steady on output limits, prices

WASHINGTON (AP) - Major oil-producing nations are showing unusual discipline in holding to production limits that have doubled output since the past year, an official of the agency that represents oil-consuming nations said Tuesday.

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Table of livestock prices for items like Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep.

Washboards still sell for Ohio firm

Former owner Mike Taylor said the company no longer stay in business after 12 years leading Columbus Washboard, founded in 1895 and inherited by his wife from her uncle.

Penny

Continued from E4. M. Oestreich said in the announcement. Although the cut was expected on Wall Street, trading was halted after the afternoon announcement.

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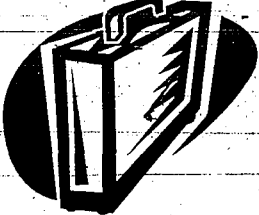
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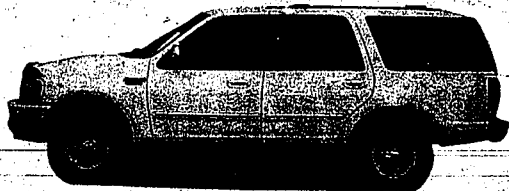
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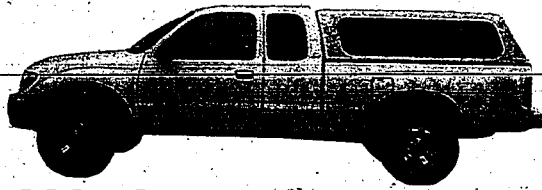
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