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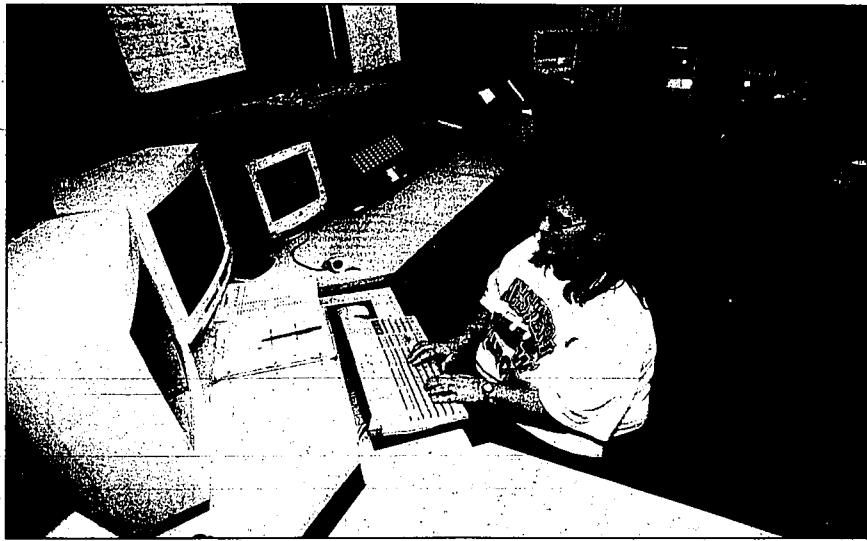
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Dissension over dispatch



Deo Silver is a dispatcher at the Southern Idaho Regional Communications office in Jerome. The regional enhanced 911 system has been operating for three years.

SIRCOMM agencies look for explanations, solutions

By Brian Haynes Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It's been three years since the regional enhanced 911 system powered up, but many of the doubts and complaints that welcomed its birth continue to hound the dispatching operation. In recent weeks several cities throughout the four-county area have questioned the quality of service from the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center, and some have even

opted to stop payments until their complaints are addressed. They say they aren't getting what they're paying for. Others say the system isn't perfect, but neither were the old systems. But most, no matter which side they're on, agree that SIRCOMM will be around for a long time to come so they might as well work things out. "The people voted to put the system in, so we'll do what we can to make it work," Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough said.

Gooding County agencies started down that path 11 days ago by agreeing to form a county-wide committee to hash out problems with SIRCOMM and relay them to the county's SIRCOMM board representative. During the next several weeks, officials from cities in Gooding County will meet with SIRCOMM representatives to talk about problems and solutions face to face, said Roy Prescott, Jerome County commissioner SIRCOMM board member. Among the chief complaints

about SIRCOMM are officers and emergency workers being sent to wrong addresses, or the wrong agency being dispatched to a call. The dispatch center's director agrees that mistakes are made, but not to the extent some agencies say. "I won't tell you it doesn't occur," Jeff Rodeman said. "These are computers ... but we still have humans on our side and on the reporting party's side, so mistakes are going to happen." Please see SOLUTIONS, Page A2

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SLIPPERY SLOPES

'Tis the avalanche season, but knowing what dangers to look for can save lives

By Karen Bossick Times-News correspondent

GALENA SUMMIT - The snow tickled my ears and filled my nostrils as it packed in around me. Buried, I realized in a split second of panic that I could very well suffocate. But my avalanche canine wouldn't let me. The husky clawed her way through the snow with a flurry of digging until she reached my body. She wrapped her teeth around my ski jacket and yanked, pulling me out of the hole in which I'd been buried. I had been in no real danger. Bruce Smith of the Galena Backcountry Patrol had dug a snow cave and buried me to give me some practice searching for an "avalanche victim." But the heavy snows of the past week that triggered small avalanches and slides on Bald Mountain, a "controlled ski area," served as a wake-up call. On Baldy after the big dumps, deep

Danger alert

Avalanches most frequently occur when it's snowing or in the first 24 hours after a storm, according to the Sun Valley Avalanche Center. Here's an abbreviated paraphrased avalanche hazard evaluation checklist provided by the center. Assign a red, yellow or green light to each question to decide whether it's safe for you to be in a certain area on a given day. (Red, of course, means stop; yellow, proceed cautiously; and green, have fun.)
Q Slope: Is it steep enough to slide. How are the sun and wind affecting snow stability? How anchored is the snowpack?
Q Snow stability: Is fresh snow lying over a weaker layer? How well are layers bonded to each other? How much stress will it take to make the top slab fall?
Q Weather: Is the weather contributing to instability via heavy precipitation in a short period of time, raging wind, and rapidly rising temperatures?
Q Route selection: Is there a safer alternative?
An Avalanche Beacon Clinic for snowmobilers will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Woodside RV in Halley. The clinic, put on by the Sun Valley Avalanche Center, is free.



Jim Woodyard of Sun Valley isolates a column of snow the size of a shovel blade. By pulling on it - first lightly and then harder - he can tell how stable the snow is in that area. It's one of several tests people can do to avoid being caught in an avalanche.

Iowans vote tonight

Candidates urge folks to turn out for first contest

Newsway

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa - Mary Landis brought a friend to Bill Bradley's rally Sunday, hoping to convince her that Vice President Al Gore was the better Democrat to support in today's presidential caucus. Instead, Landis left the rally at Cornell College in Mount Vernon no longer sure whom she would support. "I was hoping maybe it would turn her off," Landis, 80, a retired office manager from Cedar Rapids, said of the friend. "It's ironic. It's turned me on ... I think either one of them will be very good."

More from Iowa - A3

It's voters like Landis whom presidential hopefuls hoped to woo in the final days before Iowa's caucuses. Democratic and Republican candidates crisscrossed the state, pleading their cases at churches and schools. They urged Iowans to bring family, friends, neighbors. Turnout matters here.

"They say we're behind," Bradley, a former Jersey senator, told a cheering crowd of hundreds at Cornell College on Sunday. "As I look around at this crowd, I say we could surprise a few people. ... Help us out in this campaign."

Bradley, who has been trailing Gore in the polls, got a boost Sunday with endorsements from five newspapers, including the Des Moines Register, the state's largest. That editorial, which described the difficulty in choosing between Gore and Bradley, called Bradley's vision "compelling" and wrote of his "fundamental decency."

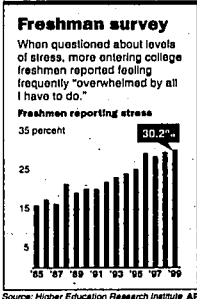
The other endorsements came from smaller newspapers in Iowa and New Hampshire, the site of the first primary, which will be held Feb. 1. Despite the endorsements, the Bradley camp continued to downplay its expectations, saying it is up against the "entrenched power" of Gore.

Research confirms link between heart disease, baldness

CHICAGO (AP) - Men who are losing the hair on the crowns of their heads have up to a 36 percent greater risk of experiencing heart problems, including heart attacks, a study found. Men with a receding hairline are not at increased risk, but those going bald at the crown should pay special attention to their blood pressure and cholesterol levels and lead a healthy lifestyle, researchers say. "It's similar to having a family history for a disease. You can't alter your family history or your baldness, but there are many ways to modify your risk factors," said Dr. JoAnn Manson, one of the study's authors and chief of preventative medicine at Harvard's Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Manson's study, published in Monday's edition of the Archives of Internal Medicine, found that the greater the hair loss on the top of a man's head, the greater the risk.

Among men with high cholesterol levels had almost three times the risk for heart disease when compared with men with a full head of hair who also had high cholesterol. Past studies have confirmed a link between hair loss and heart problems, but this study is among the largest. It also is one of the first to include detailed information about different patterns of baldness and to identify the risk pattern in men of all ages.

Students show up bored, broke



WASHINGTON (AP) - College freshmen say they often were bored as high school seniors, coming late to classes or missing them entirely, evidence of what university researchers call "academic disengagement." These students also worried about how to pay for college and one-quarter indicated there was "some" or a "very good" chance they would have to work full time while in school. The 34th annual American Freshman survey questioned first-time, full-time college freshmen last year about their habits

and attitudes during their final year of high school. More than 260,000 students at 462 two- and four-year schools participated in the research by the University of California, Los Angeles' Higher Education Research Institute, primarily during summer orientation or in the first few weeks of college. A record 40 percent of the students said they were "frequently bored" in high school classes, compared with the one-quarter who answered yes when the questions first was asked in 1985. More students also reported they

were late to classes or skipped them. Also, 30 percent of respondents said they often felt "overwhelmed by all I have to do" - the highest percentage since the question was first asked in 1985, when 16 percent felt that way. Students increasingly are worried about the cost of higher education. A record 25 percent of students said there was "some" or a "very good" chance they would work full time while in college. Just 16 percent answered that way in 1982, the first year that question appeared.

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THE REGION

Camas Prairie

High: 36 Low: 25
Cloudy with 60 percent chance of snow. Snow tonight, changing to rain tomorrow.

Treasure Valley

High: 43 Low: 37
Cloudy with good chance of rain. 80 percent chance of rain tonight.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 37 Low: 19
Cloudy with chance of rain or snow. Same tonight and Tuesday.

Eastern Idaho

High: 35 Low: 22
Cloudy with scattered snow showers early. Mostly cloudy tonight and Tuesday.

Northern Idaho

High: 30 Low: 25
Cloudy with a chance of snow. Same tomorrow changing to rain in the afternoon.

Northern Utah

High: 46 Low: 35
Cloudy with good chance of rain. Cloudy and breezy Tuesday with 50 percent chance of rain.

Northern Nevada

High: 43 Low: 35
Cloudy with good chance of rain or snow possible tonight and Tuesday.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

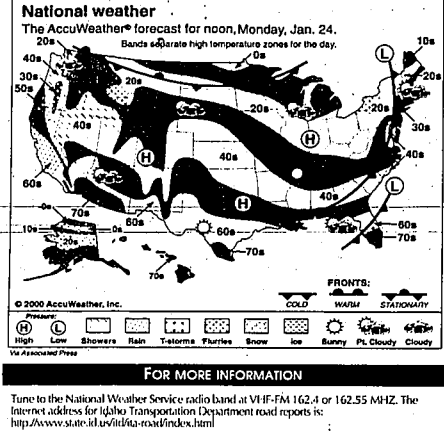
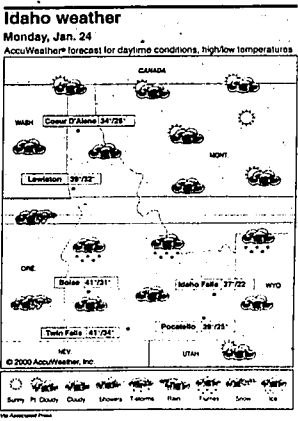
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
High: 41 Low: 34 Rain probable.	High: 46 Low: 35 Rain probable.	High: 40 Low: 32 Mostly cloudy; rain or snow possible.	High: 30s Low: teens Mostly clear.	High: 30s Low: teens Partly cloudy.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation	Yesterday in Twin Falls
Yesterday	36 22	Moist to clear: .73
Last year	27 13	Normal mo. to date: .88
Normal	36 18	Water year to date: 1.59
		Normal year to date: 3.93

Idaho

Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High, 46 degrees at Lovell, 27 degrees at Sunley.
Boise	38	26	Nation: High, 90 at Kingsley, Mo.
Burley	40	23	Low, -31 at Saranac Lake, N.Y.
Coeur d'Alene	30	18	
Grangeville	m	m	
Hagerman	m	28	
Idaho Falls	25	18	
Lewiston	m	28	
Malad	m	23	
Malla	39	19	
McCall	24	13	
Pocatello	34	18	
Salmon	23	7	
Shawley	17	-7	
Sun Valley	m	m	



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ROAD INFORMATION
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SKYWATCH
Sunset today: 5:41 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow: 7:59 a.m.
Lunar phase: Waxing crescent, Jan. 28: new; Feb. 5: first quarter; Feb. 12: full; Feb. 19: full.

ACROSS THE NATION

Elsewhere: Rain stretched across the southeastern corner of the nation Sunday, with freezing rain and snow icing highways in some areas, and heavy rain fell on parts of California.

A broad band of rain extended diagonally from southern Louisiana across Mississippi, Alabama, the Florida Panhandle, Georgia and the Carolinas.

Freezing rain during the night coated northern Georgia, glazing roads and knocking out electrical service to more than 500,000.

— The Associated Press

Political, emotional struggle weighs on Cuban boy

Knight Ridder News Service

MIAMI — With his great-uncle removed the guiding hand, the little boy in the blue sweatshirt raced around the corner of the house with a cousin and disappeared.

Clearly, weeks at the center of a politicized tug-of-war is wearing on Elian, the miracle Cuban shipwreck survivor who for all his international notoriety Sunday was just a small child who did not

get to see his grandmothers.

Outside the home of the boy's extended family in a modest section of Little Havana, Miami church leaders shouted over a homemade public address system, promising a peaceful and safe welcome for the women they had hoped would fly to Miami Sunday. Leaders of the city's powerful Cuban exile community had offered a private plane for the trip.

"We have invited them and

they have not answered us," said Rev. Ovidio A. Amador of Little Havana's United Methodist Church. "We have told them we would be responsible for their security."

Raquel Rodriguez and Mariela Quintana, however, remained in New York City, where, bundled against the unaccustomed cold, they prayed tearfully at Manhattan's interdenominational Riverside Church for the boy's return to Cuba.

jammed against the home's chain-link fence.

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'Reverse 911' technology alerts community to danger

SCARBOROUGH, Maine (AP) — Richard Peterson awoke to the telephone ringing. The clock next to his bed read 3:20 a.m.

He was groggy as his wife grabbed the phone, but both were instantly on alert when they heard the recorded warning message from police: Lock the doors, turn on the lights, and be prepared for a door-to-door search by officers.

Hours later, Peterson saw a teenager dart out of the nearby woods. He dialed 911, and within minutes the suspect was in custody.

The episode this month is a

success story for Scarborough's "Reverse 911," an automated telephoning system that allows police to quickly alert whole neighborhoods about potential problems.

"The public loved it," said Joe Giacomantonio, communications resources officer for the Scarborough Police Department.

Scarborough is the only community in Maine that provides the service but the technology is catching on across the country. Scores of agencies have put similar systems to use over the past five years, and police are using the tool in novel ways.

Avalanche

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snow stopped people in their tracks, packing in so tightly around their skis that some had to take 15 minutes digging themselves out so they could resume their downhill journey. I couldn't imagine being buried in a real avalanche after that. If that had felt like a gentle snowfall, an avalanche of debris would certainly feel like concrete.

Unfortunately, it's time to strap on your avalanche antennae. If you're heading into the backcountry to go skiing, snowshoeing, boarding or snowmobiling. The relatively snowless December may have lulled some into complacency regarding avalanches. But the snows of the past couple weeks should warn the hairs on peoples' necks.

That collapsing, whumping sound you hear echoing through the hills isn't the sound of a seal pounding its tail, folks. It's the

loud, clear sound of avalanche danger, made all the more hazardous thanks to the hardened snowpack of December that acts as a slide for the newer snow. That frozen dead that formed on top of snow during stary cold nights — with no new snow has created some weak snowpacks particularly at lower elevations.

"I cut loose on Baldy, but I exercise caution in the backcountry. It's not a place I want to get hurt or buried," said Smith.

Smith and others, like Sun Valley Avalanche forecaster Janet Kellam, play it safe and teach others to be safe by performing a few simple tests out in the backcountry to determine how safe it is to play on any given slope on any given day.

Some of the tests, like a Rutschlock test, require a little work. Others are as simple as looking around for clues as you ski or snowshoe to your destination.

Sagebrush poking through the snow helps cement the snow, keeping it from sliding. Sculpted snow indicates the wind has been blowing from a certain direction. Wind can transport enormous amounts of snow across the surface, and onto downward slopes, building comices capable of cutting loose any time.

Slopes that get sun generally bind and stabilize quicker than slopes in the shade because snow blends together under heat — "the Betty Crocker effect" — Kellam likes to call it.

Conversely, too much warming too quickly should raise a red flag. Step one ski off the trail to see if you can start a mini-slide. Poke your pole through the snow, pick up a fistful of snow.

"You don't want to be on a packed trail all the time because that's what you're going to feel — a packed trail," said Kellam. "If you hear a crunch, that's a good sign. That's your weight pushing snow into denser snow down a consolidate."

In contrast, a hollow drum like sound indicates you've stepped on a thin slab, which can be a dangerous place to be.

In addition to observing all the signs around you, Smith suggests you perform a few simple tests. One of the most telling is a Rutschlock or snow stability test. Cut out a block of snow the length of your ski and the width

of your ski pole four feet deep on a slope that's 30 degrees or steeper. If the block collapses as you cut it, turn around and go home — it's too dangerous in the backcountry. Step on it, hop on it, jump heavily on it, and perform multiple jumps until you make it collapse. The more you have to do to make it collapse, the more stable the snow conditions.

Finding the snow is unstable on a steeper slope doesn't necessarily mean you need to pack up your toys and go home for the day, though. It may just mean you want to ski gentler slopes with an angle of 20 degrees instead of 35 degrees, said Brian Dirksmeier, a Galena Backcountry ski patrolman.

You can determine a slope's angle with an inclinometer, or study some of the runs on Baldy: Lower Holiday and Inhibition are 36 to 38 degrees. The Ridge is 25; Blue Grouse, 28; the steep part of Graduate, 32.

Don't base your decision to ski a particular slope on one snowpit, though, Dirksmeier cautioned. It's like deciding to get married with the benefit of one date. Instead, he said, perform a few tests to tell you how stable the snowpack is.

Solutions

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The center recently took a step toward cutting down mistakes by hiring four employees to answer incoming calls. The employees are dispatched to focus on dispatching, Rodemann said.

Mistakes will still happen, he said, but he wants to see complaints come through the proper channels instead of smoldering among the agencies and never being dealt with.

"What good does it do to sit and complain all the time when you really need to talk to us to fix it?" Rodemann said.

Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousey agreed, saying some people with problems would rather complain or question the system.

Whenever his deputies have a problem — which hasn't been very often — they go through the proper channels and usually get an acceptable explanation, Tousey said.

Even with the minor problems, SIRCOMM is "better than the system we had by a lot," he said. "It's far more efficient."

Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver, who was once on a Los Angeles police officer, agreed. "The reason for the problem is that the department is very lucky to have a facility like SIRCOMM serving the Magic Valley," he said. "It's one of the best-run organizations I've been associated with."

But as technologically advanced as SIRCOMM is, it doesn't fit the mission of its biggest user, the Twin Falls Police Department.

That kind of a dispatch center is incompatible with community policing," Chief Lee DeVore said. "We see our mission as service. They see their mission as dispatching. ... We want people not to get hand calls, but handle problems and issues."

To get closer to its mission, the department is creating a service center that will handle non-emer-

gency calls and allow walk-in reports well into the evening, a service that disappeared when SIRCOMM took over, he said.

SIRCOMM will continue dispatching emergency calls, he said.

The dispatchers do a good job, but the system can't be changed for just one agency, he said.

Part of the reason for the recent troubles is the large number of agencies under the SIRCOMM umbrella. Meshing the needs, philosophies and attitudes of 50 many agencies was an impossible mission, and a certain amount of unhappiness should be expected, DeVore said.

If a county was unhappy enough to consider leaving, it would face a long and costly road, said Marvin Hempleman, a Twin Falls County commissioner and former chairman of the SIRCOMM board of directors.

The joint powers agreement between Gridley, Jerome, Lincoln and Twin Falls counties requires a two-year notice before leaving, he said, and even if a county stops using the system, it's still responsible for its share of debt used to build the facility. The debt won't be paid off for another 13 years, he said.

Whether cities can back out of the system or refuse to pay, however, is a legal issue yet to be decided, he said.

Buhl Police Chief Terry Tipton, whose department has had minor problems but nothing major, said any of the current troubles can be solved as long as agencies cooperate.

"I know they've been under ridicule the last couple of years — some deserved, some not," he said. "We need to get together and make it work."

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Caucuses have candidates scrambling for power bases

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — On the eve of the Iowa caucuses, Republican and Democratic presidential candidates canvassed churches and national talk shows Sunday, scouring this snow-crust-ed state for last-minute support even as they began looking ahead to contests in New Hampshire and beyond.

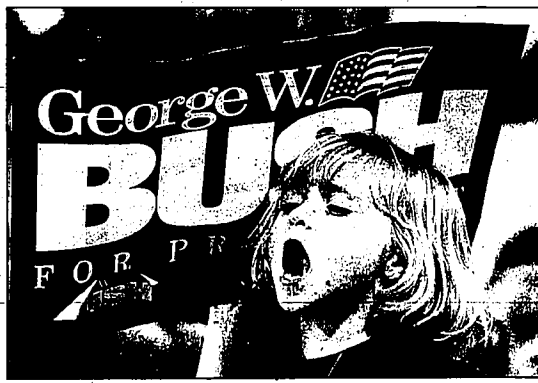
"This is the first step in several steps of the journey," Bill Bradley, the former New Jersey senator who trails Vice President Al Gore in Democratic polls, said on CBS. Entering the first election contest of Campaign 2000, Republican George W. Bush and Gore held wide leads in polls of voters who planned to visit schools, civic clubs, fire stations and other sites Monday to support one of eight major contestants.

The underdog candidates, all resigned to losing, were still shooting for fact-saving finishes and Iowa's true reward: Momentum for New Hampshire's Feb. 1 primary.

"This is a marathon, not a sprint," said Republican Steve Forbes on NBC's "Meet the Press."

The footage in Iowa, a test of political organization, favors the national front-runners. A Des Moines Sunday Register poll of 1,200 likely caucus-goers showed Gore leading Bush among Democrats 56 percent to 28 percent. Bush led Forbes 43 percent to 20 percent in the Jan. 16-21 survey, which had an error margin of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

Bradley is in danger of finishing worse than expected in a contest that traditionally punishes candidates who fail to meet expectations.



Makaela Burke, 4, tries to get the attention of Republican presidential hopeful George W. Bush Sunday during his rally at the Hoover Intermediate School in Waterloo, Iowa.

AP photo

His latest poll rating was beneath the intentionally-low threshold his advisers set as a measure of accomplishment: The 31 percent showing by Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., in a second-place finish behind then-President Jimmy Carter in the 1980 caucuses.

With the rest of the GOP field in single digits, Forbes has long said he is the conservative alternative to Bush. The argument would carry greater weight if, after pouring millions of dollars into Iowa since his failed 1996 bid, Forbes fares better than the new poll suggests — 23 points behind Bush.

The polls show, that about one

in 10 voters are undecided, giving the candidates incentive to campaign hard Sunday.

"I don't want my voters to take anything for granted," Bush told reporters after appearing on ABC's "This Week."

In the lengthy TV interview, Bush struggled with his explanation for supporting a sales tax increase in Texas after making a no-tax pledge. The second-term governor said he had qualified the promise by also pledging to reform education funding in the state, an effort that presumably led to the tax proposal.

Dismissing the issue, Bush said "There's pledges all the time" and

Iowa and New Hampshire

They're big... every four years

These two small states influence the vote of the presidential election every four years, but they differ from the U.S. as a whole.



	N.H.	Iowa	Iowa State rank	U.S.
Population	1.2 mill.	2.9 mill.	30	270 million
In metro areas	60%	44%	40	83%
65 yrs. and up	12%	35%	5	13%
White	88%	N/A	N/A	83%
Births to teen moms	7.2%	49	11%	13%
Household income*	\$39,400	11	\$33,200	31
In poverty	6%	50	10%	14%
Home ownership	67%	34	73%	10

Does winning lead to White House?

Winning the Iowa caucuses or N.H. primary does not guarantee victory in the general election. In look at winners in recent years:

Iowa caucus winner	N.H. primary winner	President
'88 Dem. Richard Gophardt	Michael Dukakis	George Bush
'92 Dem. Tom Harkin	George Bush	Bill Clinton
'96 Dem. Bill Clinton	Bill Clinton	Bill Clinton

*Per 100,000 *Median
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reviewed a record as governor that included two major tax cuts. He also continued to flesh out his views on abortion, a crucial issue to many GOP caucus-goers. Asked about the topic for the fourth day, he predicted that Texas would outlaw first-trimester abortions if the Supreme Court reversed itself and let states impose strict anti-abortion laws — a position Bush says the court should take.

Maintaining a caucus tradition, several campaigns had supporters papering churches and their parking lots with leaflets. Religious conservatives represent a third of likely caucus-goers and are more likely than most voters to attend

the sessions. Though Forbes is expected to get a lion's share of the conservative vote, former ambassador Alan Keyes, Washington activist Gary Bauer and Sen.

Orrin Hatch of Utah are carving up the religious base. Keyes, Bauer and Hatch are likely competing for third place; finishing lower could doom their candidacies.

'American Beauty', 'Toy Story 2' score big at Golden Globe awards

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — "American Beauty," a dark fable of life in suburbia, captured the Golden Globes for best drama, director and screenplay Sunday night, while "Toy Story 2" was judged the best comedy movie.

Denzel Washington's portrayal of a boxer wrongly convicted of murder and Jim Carrey's uncanny impersonation of the comic Andy Kaufman won top movie actor honors as real-life stories ruled at the awards ceremony.

Picking up his Globe for best dramatic movie actor, Washington was accompanied to the stage by Rubin "Hurricane" Carter, whose story was told in the film "The Hurricane."

"Everything that has happened with this film and this moment is about the love that has come from him," Washington said.

Carrey was named best movie actor for "Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events." He won best dramatic actor for "The Truman Show."

"Second year in a row — what's going on here man?" said Carrey. "I'm the Tom Hanks of the Golden Globes."

The best dramatic film actress Globe also emerged from a true story. Hilary Swank won for her breakout role in "Boys Don't Cry," in which she played a young woman who was killed after her masquerade as a man was discovered.

British actress Janet McTeer won best actress in a musical or comedy film for her performance as a Southern mom in "Tumbleweeds."

Tom Cruise of "Magnolia" and



Michael J. Fox won a Golden Globe award Sunday for best performance by an actor in a musical comedy or television series for his role in "Spin City."

Angela Jolie of "Girl, Interrupted" won motion picture supporting actor honors.

"All About My Mother," from Spanish filmmaker Pedro Almodovar, won the foreign-language movie award.

A poignant moment in the television categories came when Michael J. Fox was named best actor for the comedy "Spin City," which he announced he is leaving because of his fight against Parkinson's disease. But he handed it lightly.

"Actor out of work — news at 11," Fox said.

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few major awards at the Emmys last year, was named best drama series and dramatic acting trophies went to Eddie Falco and James Gandolfini. The acclaimed mob drama also earned a supporting actress trophy for Nancy Marchand.

HBO's other winners were "Sex and the City" as best TV comedy, its star Sarah Jessica Parker as best actress, "RKO 281" as best miniseries or made-for-TV movie, and Halle Berry as best actress in a miniseries for "Introducing Dorothy Dandridge."

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Report: Special ed programs lag

WASHINGTON (AP) — Many children with disabilities are getting substandard schooling because states are not complying with federal rules on special education, an independent agency reports.

U.S. officials are not forcing compliance, and as a result, parents often must sue to enforce the law, according to a review of more than two decades of enforcement of the federal special education law.

In too many cases, children with disabilities are taught in separate classrooms and schools are not following other regulations meant to protect these students from discrimination, the National Council on Disability said in a report released Tuesday. The Associated Press obtained an advance copy.

The problems have persisted for years in many locations, said the council, which makes recommendations to the president and Congress.

"Federal efforts to enforce the law over several administrations have been inconsistent, ineffective and lacking any real teeth," the report said.

Officials at the Department of Education, the federal agency responsible for overseeing compliance with the 1975 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, said it has been monitoring under the Clinton administration.

"We cannot that the responsibility of enforcement of this law should not be borne by the backs of parents," said Judith Heumann, assistant secretary of the office of special education

and rehabilitative service.

"Some states are not where we want them to be and are not implementing the laws as they need to," Heumann said. "We've been spending significant time increasing our monitoring, technical assistance and enforcement."

Nearly 6 million American children receive special education instruction and services at a cost of almost \$40 billion, about \$5.7 billion of which is federal money.

The special education law was meant to end discrimination against children with disabilities. Many of these children had been excluded from public schools, institutionalized or placed in programs that provided little or no learning. The law was strengthened in 1997.

Clinton unveils his final budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's last budget will be crammed with election-year proposals to distribute federal largesse to as many Americans as possible.

He is asking Congress for billions of dollars to expand health care coverage for the uninsured, offer tax breaks to the middle class and help the elderly pay drug bills.

Surprise is about the only thing the budget will lack when it is formally released Feb. 7, thanks to a stream of announcements from the White House in recent weeks.

The president will hit highlights of his spending initiatives in his State of the Union address Thursday night before a joint session of Congress. The speech also will contain Clinton's wish list of legislation he wants enacted in his last year in office.

In the budget area, Clinton is expected to provide more details on his tax-cut proposals. The administration already has said it will seek roughly the same amount in tax cuts — about \$250 billion over 10 years — as Clinton proposed last year.

But presidential aides say more tax relief is intended for the working poor and families struggling to pay for college and for long-term care for elderly relatives. That will leave less money for the proposal Clinton made last year to establish a version of the earned income tax credit to help low- and middle-income workers

save for retirement.

Budget experts say the new proposals show the president has learned from past budget battles and made positive revisions, either to better reflect budget realities or make it more difficult for Congress to reject popular programs in an election year.

"Many of his initiatives have been polished a bit," said Robert Reichbauer, a former head of the Congressional Budget Office who is now at the Brookings Institution. "He is putting forward proposals that have some chance of being accepted by a Republican-controlled Congress that is first and foremost interested in survival."

One example is Clinton's health care proposal. Clinton said last week he wants to spend \$110 billion over the next 10 years to help provide health care coverage for at least 5 million of the 44 million Americans who now lack

health insurance.

While Clinton's plan would be the biggest expansion of federal health coverage in 35 years, it stops far short of the measure he put forward in his first term to make sure all Americans have health insurance.

Clinton's new health plan also reflects something many of the other budget proposals do: an effort to boost the presidential campaign of Vice President Al Gore.

The Clinton health proposal is very similar to the one Gore is promoting on the campaign trail, employing an incremental approach that builds on existing government health programs:

Big firms scour Sundance festival

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — Artisan Entertainment, which picked up a bargain blockbuster "Blair Witch Project" at last year's Sundance Film Festival, was one of the first distributors to cut a deal for a film at this year's festival.

The company, along with Summit Entertainment, bought the comedy "Chuck & Buck," Artisan President Amir Malin said Sunday.

Sources who spoke on condition anonymity said the purchase price was \$1 million, the same amount Artisan paid a year ago for "Blair Witch Project" which grossed \$140 million after its release last summer.

Malin said "Chuck & Buck" has commercial appeal, but its potential should not be compared to the phenomenal success

of "Blair Witch."

"I think it would be unfair to set the bar so high on any film or company with the likes of "Blair Witch," Malin said.

"Chuck & Buck" tells the story of a 27-year-old slacker who visits a childhood buddy, now a go-getter in the Los Angeles recording industry. The dark comedy centers on loser Buck's efforts to rekindle his friendship with Charlie, who was called Chuck as a boy.

The movie was directed by Miguel Arteta, a filmmaker originally from Puerto Rico whose first movie "Star Maps" showed at Sundance in 1997.

Artisan representatives first saw the movie Friday and signed

the deal with the filmmakers the next day.

Also picked up over the weekend was an all-night rave movie called "Groove" bought by Sony Pictures Classics, according to festival organizers.

Two short films also were acquired. AtomFilms, which distributes short features over the Internet, bought the life-after-death comedy "In God We Trust."

The movie was directed by Jason Reitman, son of filmmaker Ivan Reitman, who directed "Ghostbusters."

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Patrick Maroney of the Christian Defense Coalition, right, argues with a Washington police officer when informed he and other anti-abortion protesters had to leave the area near Fourth United Methodist Church in anticipation of President Clinton's arrival for services Sunday. The demonstration is part of activities leading up to the annual March for Life scheduled for today.

Major defies Air Force, faces jail

ELLENDALE, Del. (AP) — Maj. Sonnie Bates is so cautious about following military rules that he won't talk to a reporter in his home without first changing out of his uniform.



Maj. Sonnie Bates

But the decorated pilot has not followed all his orders. Bates, 35, is believed to be the highest-ranking officer in the Air Force to face a court-martial for refusing to be vaccinated against anthrax.

"I fully expect to be in a court-martial inside of six weeks," he said. "And I'll lose the court-martial. I don't have any doubt."

An investigating officer is to hold a hearing next week at Dover Air Force Base where Bates will be able to argue against the charge. He doesn't expect to win, and he believes the Pentagon intends to make an example of him.

Lower-ranking soldiers concerned about getting sick from the anthrax vaccine won't be as likely to resist the shots after a major has been court-martialed and sent to Fort Leavenworth, Kan., Bates said.

"I'm doing what I've always been trained to do and taught to do," he said. "If you know it's right, you stand up for it. And likewise, if you know it's wrong, you have to challenge it. No matter what the consequences."

The military has ordered all of its 2.4 million reserve and active-duty soldiers, sailors and airmen to be inoculated as a defense

against biological warfare.

Several military personnel have been prosecuted for refusing the shots, and some reservists have quit to avoid taking them. The military says they are safe.

"The consequences of Bates' decision are severe. He could lose his rank and pension. He could lose his house. And he could face up to five years in prison, away from his wife and three children.

That is a thought that terrifies Roxane Bates. She doesn't know what it will mean for Seth, their 7-year-old autistic son.

"Seth can't accept change easily. I don't know how he's going to handle it," she said. "He'll ask every day where his dad is."

Maj. Frank Smolinsky, chief of public affairs at Dover Air Force Base, said the proceedings don't have to lead to a court-martial. There are several steps in the process that could lead to the charge being dismissed, Smolinsky said.

But in the Bates home, the family is convinced that it will end badly. It has meant weeks of anxiety, sleepless nights, crying jags.

The night before Bates heard

the charge read against him, his wife's grandfather died. In her kitchen, Roxane Bates recounted how the death added to her stress.

"Pop-Paw died?" Candy, their 14-year-old daughter, interrupted. "Oh my God, Candy, I didn't tell you," her mother said. She clasped her hands to her face and Candy twisted into tears.

"You can see what this has done to us, done to my family," she said. "I'm so worked up about things I forgot to tell my daughter her great-grandfather died."

Bates is tall, with a long stride. He grew up poor and put himself through Northern Kentucky University. He joined the Air Force in 1986, the year he graduated with a bachelor's degree in math.

His study is littered with plaques for commendations and medals, including one for landing a plane in October 1998 after a storm knocked out its instruments.

His concerns over the anthrax virus grew after he was assigned to Dover Air Force Base in August. He said 12 to 15 members of his 250-member squadron were out sick with serious illnesses; thyroid damage, infected cysts and lesions. The only common thread was their illnesses followed anthrax injections, he said.

"Never in my time in the Air Force have I seen such a sick unit," Bates said.

ated at 16 miles wide by 964 miles long, says Preston Burch, deputy program manager for space science operations at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md.

NASA might destroy observatory

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — To avoid the dread of a 17.5-ton astronomy satellite tumbling at random out of the sky, NASA is considering sending it on a controlled suicide dive over the Pacific in March.

The 9-year-old Compton Gamma Ray Observatory is still on a scientific par with the newly mended Hubble Space Telescope despite the failure of one of three gyroscopes in December.

But NASA isn't sure whether the Compton Observatory can function in orbit if another gyroscope breaks. And with 1-in-1,000 odds of such a big, out-of-control satellite hurtling or killing someone, NASA is loath

to take chances.

So engineers are scrambling to determine by mid-February whether Compton can manage with just one gyroscope for pointing. If one gyroscope is enough, the spacecraft will continue, perhaps for several more years, to collect gamma rays from such violent objects as quasars, pulsars, supernovas and the areas surrounding black holes.

If not, ground controllers will use Compton's two remaining gyroscopes to guide the satellite down through the atmosphere over an empty part of the Pacific Ocean sometime around March 14. Pieces that survive the fiery plunge will rain over an area esti-

Freezing storm cuts power on East Coast

ATLANTA (AP) — Rain and freezing temperatures spread a coat of ice across parts of Georgia on Sunday, knocking out electrical service to more than a half-million customers.

Many of those households and businesses could be without power until at least Tuesday as crews struggle over slippery roads to reach downed lines and ice-coated tree limbs continue to snap, pulling down more.

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Like father, like son - Geddes men make powerful Statehouse team

BOISE (AP) — Not that anyone doubted, but Gov. Dirk Kempthorne made it clear last week just how much sway the name Robert Geddes holds in southern Idaho and Statehouse politics.

During his annual budget message to the Legislature, Kempthorne recognized the presence of the only lawmaker not named Robert Geddes representing District 32. The governor on Jan. 7 appointed Monpelier businessman Clair Cheirrett to replace Rep. John Tippett of Bennington, who resigned after a prominent two-term tenure.

"It was your good fortune that Bob Geddes — Third is not of voting age yet," Kempthorne joked.

But the chief executive only a minute before had been at his most sincere in congratulating Sen. Robert L. Geddes on his election two days earlier as Senate president pro tem, a position left vacant by the Jan. 10 death of veteran Sen. Jerry Twigg of Blackfoot.

And just a few minutes before that Kempthorne had been escorted into the House chamber by Rep. Robert C. Geddes, co-chairman of the powerful, budget-setting Joint Finance Appropriations Committee.

Robert L., the third-term senator and son, and Robert C., the 12th-term representative and father, are one of only a few such immediate family combinations in any state Legislature. And along with the New Mexico brother-in-law of House Speaker Raymond Sanchez and Senate Courts, Corrections and Criminal Justice Chairman Michael Sanchez, the Geddeses are the nation's most powerful set of legislative relatives.

The elder Geddes, a retired Preston farmer, is leaving the



Legislature after this year. At 72, he wants to spend more time with his wife, Carma. He stayed for the current term only at Kempthorne's personal request.

But at 44, the younger Geddes hopes to stick around until term limits bar him from the ballot in 2004, and to justify the confidence his colleagues showed by electing him president pro tem over Republican Floor Leader Jim Risch of Boise.

A strong relationship with his father helped prepare him for the challenge.

"My dad has always given me a lot of responsibility throughout my entire life," Sen. Geddes said. "He's trained all of our family members to take responsibility and to make decisions."

The senior environmental specialist for Solutia Inc. is a husband and father of five children — including Robert W. Geddes, a freshman at Soda Springs High School. But he has lived in a rented Boise house with his own father and mother during the three-month legislative session each year since 1995, when then Gov. Phil Batt appointed him to fill a Senate vacancy.

Their legislative service together since then continues a shared history in politics that dates back to 1983, when the third of Rep. Geddes' four children substituted for the elder Geddes in the House for a few days.

"It's been a great experience — one of the greatest I've ever had — to have my son follow in my footsteps and to go much farther than I have gone," Rep.

Geddes said.

Sen. Geddes said his father's personal tutelage and reputation have helped both in his acceptance by colleagues and his motivation to excel.

"When I was a freshman, I think to some degree people already knew who I was. They knew and understood what my background was. They knew what I represented. They compared me to my dad, which, while I haven't tried to fill his shoes over here, I think the expectations perhaps were a little higher," he said.

"It's put a little bit of worry and pressure on me because I know that they expect me to do what's right because my dad always has. But at the same time it's also given me a huge incentive to be involved with the right things so that I can live up to his expectations."

Newly elected Senate Republican Caucus Chairman Judi Danielson of Council, who has served with both men, said what she sees most similar about father and son is their soft-spoken, thoughtful manner and a willingness to listen that inspires confidence.

House Speaker Bruce Newcomb calls them simply "two of the finest people I've ever known."

Newcomb ran for his leadership job a year ago only after making sure the elder Geddes was not interested in seeking the position he lost in a difficult 1987 race with Tom Boyd of Genesee.

"I've always considered him an example of how you handle a loss," he said. "He just went about his business and was a real gentleman. And I think young Bob is just like him."

Rep. Geddes disagrees. He believes Sen. Geddes is better.

Potlatch Corp. wastewater concerns tribes, officials

LEWISTON (AP) — Fish are not the only creatures that can be affected when Potlatch Corp.'s wastewater is released at the confluence of the Clearwater and Snake rivers.

People who eat fish taken from the rivers could be digesting chemicals used in the process of making pulp and paper and tribal officials are concerned.

The Environmental Protection Agency is charged with setting limits on chemicals that can enter the river — and possibly humans — and those limits are included in Potlatch's draft permit. Alan Prouy, Potlatch director of environmental engineering, says the limits in the draft permit already are being met by the company.

But the limits were formulated using outdated and inaccurate figures about fish consumption. "The fish consumption rate doesn't exist tribal health," said Rick Eichstaedt of the tribe's water resources division. "The EPA is responsible for protecting the most vulnerable portion of the population and that is the population which eats fish."

The limits are based on a com-

plex risk assessment formula that involves the rate at which the chemicals are absorbed by fish, the potential effect on human health and how much fish is eaten by the human population. Tribal fish consumption is much higher than the fish consumption rate used by the Environmental Protection Agency, Eichstaedt says.

The Environmental Protection Agency's fish consumption number used to develop human health criteria is 6.5 grams of fish per day, about 5 pounds a year. But an agency-funded study conducted by the Columbia River Inter-tribal Fish Commission released in 1994 found members of the four Columbia River tribes consume 10 times that much.

The survey showed tribal members consumed about three times as much anadromous fish as resident fish. Salmon was the fish most often eaten, followed by trout, lamprey and smelt.

Big Payette Lake might not freeze in time

MCCALL (AP) — With Winter Carnival only a week and a half away, residents and city officials wonder whether the Big Payette Lake will be frozen in time for the activities which begin Jan. 28.

Resident Jayne Brown inherited and has since maintained records of the lake's ice break-ups dating back to 1910. Brown said the last year the lake did not freeze over was during the winter of 1933-34.

"January thaws are not uncommon," she said. "It's better now than in February during Winter Carnival."

Brown said her records show several years when the lake did not freeze over until mid-to-late January. The latest date she has on record by which the Big Payette Lake iced over was during the winter of 1979-80 when it froze, coincidentally, on Jan. 28.

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Dads-to-be: watch out for the hammer

So my wife and I are preparing for childbirth.

When I say "my wife and I," I of course mean "my wife." She will be the most directly involved. On behalf of all men, I just want to take a moment here to get down on my knees and thank whoever invented our current biological system, under which the woman's job is to have the baby somehow go from the inside of her body to the outside of her body, in clear violation of every known law of physics, and the man's job is to stand around looking supportive and periodically, no matter what is actually happening to the woman, say, in an upbeat and perky voice, "You're doing great!"

My wife thinks the only fair system would be if, every time the woman had a contraction, she got to hit her husband on the back with part of her choice with a ball-peen hammer. Of course she is kidding.



HUMOR
Dave Barry

But only because her contractions have not yet started.

We've been going to Childbirth Classes, which involve sitting in a classroom filled with expectant couples and a mounting sense of dread. The teacher usually starts with a scientific discussion of childbirth, in which she shows us various diagrams and models to give us an idea of what will be happening when the Big Moment arrives. In my opinion, the most informative way to do this would be to hold up a bowling ball and a drinking straw, and say, "Basically, THIS has to go through THIS. Ha ha!"

But our teacher keeps it fairly technical. After a while, we're starting to feel confident about this childbirth thing. We're thinking, "OK, all that has to happen is the cervix has to dilate to 10 centimeters! How hard can that be? I wonder what a cervix is? Also, a centimeter."

So we're pondering these abstract questions and maybe thinking about what we're going to have for dinner later, when suddenly, with no warning, the teacher turns out the lights and shows a horror movie.

Oh, it starts out innocently enough: There's a nice couple consisting of a woman who is pregnant and a man who is supportive-looking and generally has a beard. It seems like a nice, normal couple. Then she goes to go into labor. You want to stop her. It's exactly like those scary movies where the heroine goes down into the basement, and you want to shout, "DON'T GO DOWN INTO THE BASEMENT!", except in the childbirth class you want to shout "DON'T GO INTO LABOR!"

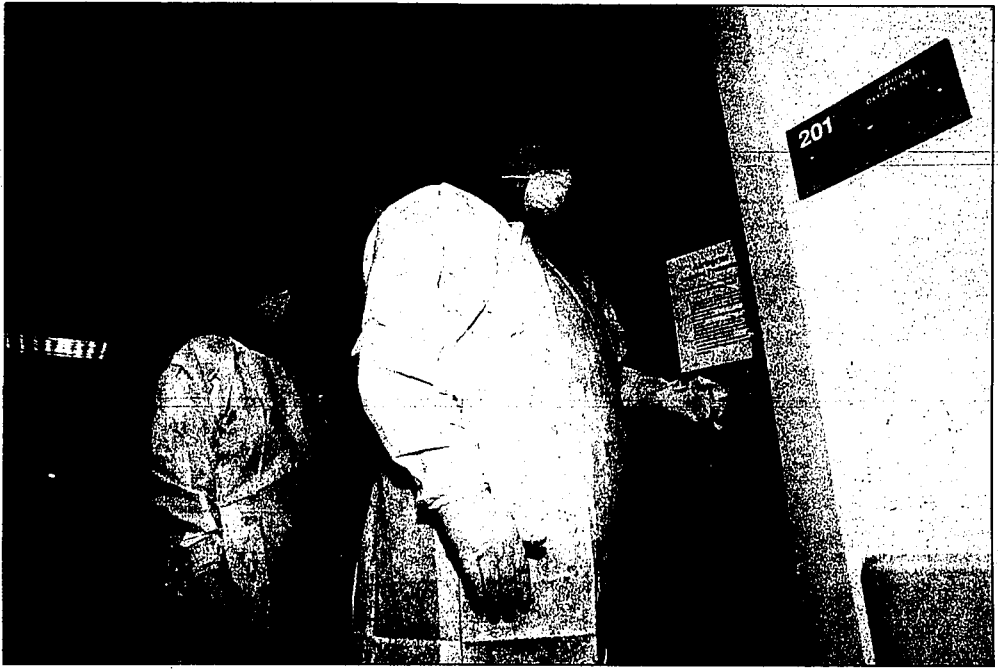
But she always goes on into labor. It seems to last a LOT longer than necessary. Her husband keeps telling her she's doing great, but you can tell from her expression that he's very lucky she doesn't have a ball-peen hammer.

When the woman gets to approximately her 15th year of labor, she begins making noises that you rarely hear outside of nature documentaries, and her husband edges back a little bit in case she gets her hands on a pistol. When the woman in the movie makes a noise identical to what you'd hear if a live yak went through a garlic press, I unsquint just enough to see it happen. The Blessed Event, the timeless miracle that makes the whole thing worthwhile: An alien bursting out of the woman's chest cavity.

No, seriously, what happens is that the woman has a baby, via a process that makes what happened in "Alien" look like an episode of "Smilebugs." Then our childbirth-class teacher turns the lights on, and the pregnant women all turn to face their husbands, and they all have the same facial expression, which says: "This is NOT fun." We like an episode of "Smilebugs" and patting their arms in a reassuring manner. Because we're sure they're going to do great.

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Flu's nasty cousin



Linda Brannan, certified nurse's assistant, and Konal Brown, registered nurse, are dressed in scrubs that allow them to enter a patient care isolation room at Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital.

It's called RSV, and it tends to hit this time of year

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Two weeks after Bradley Baxter was born, he contracted a respiratory infection. On the second day of his illness, the baby began having trouble breathing.

"I thought it was just a common cold," said his mom, Melissa. "But he was really congested."

It was a weekend, so the Baxters took their son to the emergency room of the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. He was diagnosed with respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and admitted to the hospital.

He was released a couple of days later. As a precautionary

Wash your hands!

Hand-washing is the most important safeguard against RSV and other infections, said Cheryl Becker, immunologist for the South Central Health District Health Department.

"And you should cover your nose and mouth when you sneeze," she said. "That will go a long way toward preventing transmission to other people."

For a child not sick enough with RSV to be hospitalized Becker said he should be cared for as with any cold or flu. Make sure he is getting enough fluids, stays in out of the cold, kept warm and resting. Aspirin should never be given to youngsters with a virus.

"It's the same kind of care you take for any kind of respiratory ailment," Becker said. "We don't really need to know that it's RSV or influenza instead of a cold virus. It's not going to affect the treatment of a child that is home, because you don't use any kind of special antibiotics for influenza or RSV or cold virus because it's not going to be effective."

measure the hospital provided him with an apnea monitor.

Bradley was home for three days when the alarm sounded. He stopped breathing twice.

"I tapped his foot and stuff and he came back," said his dad, Jay. "So we took him in again."

Now 2 months old, Bradley is

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The Orlando Sentinel

About the only good thing one can say about the flu is that, it doesn't discriminate. Influenza is an equal-opportunity giver of misery. But, like a presidential candidate, the flu loves to kiss children.

Influenza, the highly contagious viral infection of the respiratory tract, commonly known as "the flu," is passed from person to person by sneezes and coughs. Children have less accumulated immunity than do adults, and in the close quarters of a day-care center or school classroom, kids become easy targets. And

because flu viruses invade the body through membranes of the eye, nose or mouth, "cooties" are not the only bugs that children spread when they touch their peers.

Outbreaks are most common in winter and early spring, when as many as 40 percent of children can become infected, experts say. Children are often confined to bed rest those first miserable days when fever, chills, muscle aches, runny nose and rough coughs turn a bouncy, vigorous child into a pitiful, lethargic creature. Once the fever breaks and the child's vigor and appetite

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Regardless of cause, ear problems still plague children

Newsday

The recent news that a child's susceptibility to getting middle ear infections can be inherited may be cold comfort to parents.

Seventy-five percent of children have at least one bout of otitis media — the medical term for infection of the middle ear — by their third birthday, according to the National Institute on

Deafness and Other Communications Disorders. Almost half of that percentage will get three or more infections by the time they are 3 years old.

But the real worry is usually not the illness per se; it's the potential loss of hearing. Otitis media is the No. 1 cause of hearing loss in children. As a result, otitis media is the most common reason for children get-

ting antibiotics and having surgery.

But in the last several years, there's also been growing concern about the overuse of antibiotics, which has led to resistant bacterial strains.

Although adults can get it, otitis media tends to strike younger children, in part because of their immature immune systems. Children also

tend to have shorter, straighter eustachian tubes, the small passageway that connects the middle ear to the upper part of the throat. Shorter, straighter tubes make it harder to let air into the middle ear and drain mucus.

And the adenoids in children tend to be larger. Composed largely of cells that fight infection, adenoids can become so enlarged they interfere with

the eustachian tube or they become reservoirs of infection.

Bottle fed babies — especially those placed on their backs where fluid can accumulate in the throat — appear to have higher rates of otitis media than breast fed babies, who are protected by the mother's antibody.

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Road trip: What to sew before you go

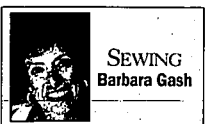
Planning a trip this winter? Even the most experienced travelers puzzle about what clothes to take along.

Now there's a great new book geared to sewing enthusiasts who love to travel, but the information is valuable for non-sewers as well. It's called "Sewing a Travel Wardrobe" by Kate Matthews (Lark Books, \$24.95).

I particularly liked the guidelines for assembling the outfits — styles and fabrics that pack easily, are good coordinates and are comfortable to wear.

"Every trip will require a different combination of clothes," says Matthews. "Study the features of your trip. What's the purpose of it — vacation, business, family obligation, or perhaps a combination of these? What's the destination, the length of stay, method of travel and, of course, the weather?"

"Think about core pieces and



SEWING
Barbara Gash

build around those by planning ahead. Visit your own closet, and also study your pattern collection."

The author also addresses packing in a practical, thought-provoking way.

More tips:

- Keep styles simple. Avoid bulky surface treatments that only take up space.
- If you're planning to layer, be sure that the outer pieces fit over the under layers. Check hem lengths for compatibility.
- Use patterns that are flexible, perhaps reversible or with detachable parts such as a

removable lining in a coat.

- Choose travel-friendly fabrics: lightweight, wrinkle-resistant and easy care. Dark or subdued colors are always wise choices.

Matthews includes sewing tips, accessory ideas and words of wisdom from prominent sewing experts who travel a lot. She also shares about 30 how-to projects geared to travel, such as vests and jackets, tote bags and hats. And to inspire you to make something special for that next trip, there are descriptions of travel wardrobes by designers who have used their sewing abilities in creative ways.

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Swallowing a bitter pill

Think taking aspirin can prevent a heart attack? It can reduce some risk, but not for everybody. The distinction is costing Bayer Corp. \$1 million for a consumer education program to settle government charges that Bayer's advertising oversold aspirin's benefits.

Overall recall

Parents, L.L. Bean is recalling two lines of children's overalls after determining youngsters could choke on the snaps. The recall covers L.L. Bean's traditional blue denim overall, sold in sizes 6 months through 4T, and cotton lined woodland overalls, lined with red flannel and sold in sizes 6 months through 3T. You can identify the former by a full snap crotch, pockets, and a sewn-in label reading "0DB48." The latter have a full snap crotch, a front zipper, pockets, and a sewn-in label reading "0HS39."

Health notes

Cleaner recall

Also, cans of Easy-Off oven cleaner sold between November and this month are being recalled because of reports a faulty spray valve has caused burns. The yellow 16-ounce aerosol cans, with "Heavy Duty" printed in white letters beneath "Easy Off," have the lot number B9305-NJ2 on the bottom.

Don't get gassed

Home heating systems are the leading cause of non-fire, non-vehicle-related carbon-monoxide poisonings, according to recently released figures. Federal safety officials urge consumers to make sure their heaters are properly used, and recommend installation of carbon-monoxide alarms.

—Compiled from wire reports

HEALTH & FASHION

Swooning? Some have trouble staying up Ears

New York Daily News

NEW YORK — When Mark was in the hospital for pneumonia at age 8, his father passed out when he saw him hooked up to an IV. Diagnosed at birth with a heart murmur that triggered numerous, terrifying hospital visits, Mark grew up to inherit more than his father's even features.

He can watch "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" or pass by a murder victim without blinking, but subject him to a medical lecture and he falls out of his chair. He had to bolt biology classes

whenever anatomy was discussed. When his dentist mentioned that his surgeon was performing liver transplants, Mark fainted in the chair. Any description of an invasive procedure portends a whole constellation of alarming physical warnings: Profuse sweating, lightheadedness and a terrifying descent into a doomed sense of helplessness, with eventual loss of consciousness.

Eight percent to 10 percent of the population has fainted for nonmedical reasons, and another 15-20 percent has felt faint with-

out an underlying illness, says Ronald Kleinknecht, chairman of the Western Washington State University psychology department. Kleinknecht researches "syncope" — fainting for non-physical reasons, and says we all fall into one of four categories: Nonfearful nonfainters; fearful and phobic people who don't faint but avoid stimuli that causes them anxiety; fearful fainters; and nonfearful fainters. The last group may be "fascinated" by a medical procedure or topic and then "boom! They're down."

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ies. Infants and very young children in day care also have a higher rate, as do those raised around smokers.

There are actually two types, or perhaps stages of otitis media: acute otitis media and otitis media with effusion, or fluid.

In acute cases, an infection — often a virus followed by a secondary bacterial invasion — fills the middle ear, a grape-sized cavity usually filled with air located behind the eardrum. Fluid, either produced by the bacteria or the body's immune response to the bacteria, fills the middle ear and can cause a severe earache, a fever, pressure in the ear, nausea and a temporary loss of hearing. Untreated, the infection can also travel to nearby parts of the head, including the brain.

Acute cases are treated with antibiotics. But there has been growing concern about antibiotic use: The bacterium *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, the most common cause of acute otitis media, has developed strains that are drug resistant. A group of experts convened by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention concluded last January that amoxicillin should remain the "first-line" treatment.

If after three days amoxicillin appears not to be working, alternative antibiotics or combinations should be used.

The CDC said it is normal for fluid in the ear, called effusion, to remain for up to six weeks after symptoms of the infection have disappeared. However, if a child has one infection after another or the fluid doesn't drain for months, it can lead to permanent hearing loss or learning delays. But treating this effusion with antibiotics over long periods of time appears not to have little effect, studies have found, and the CDC has recommended against doing that.

Flu

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return, parents typically return the child to school.

That children remain contagious much longer than do adults — the flu virus remains feisty for three to five days in adults and between seven to 10 days in children — only increases the chances your children will bring home something more troublesome than their usual geometry assignment.

And when they do, a child longs to Drs. Mom and Dad for comfort. Parents can take two approaches: The first simply builds up your back, old-fashioned, tender, loving care.

Allow your child plenty of rest. Because high fever can dehydrate your child, give him plenty of fluids. To counter muscle aches, give him doses of nonaspirin pain relievers (acetaminophen).

Never give infants and children under 21 aspirin because of the risk of Reye's syndrome, a rare but serious disorder that most often damages the liver and brain, and sometimes leads to death. Researchers suspect Reye's is caused by an abnormal response to aspirin given during a viral illness, according to The

Harvard Medical School Family Health Guide.

Parents can take a more aggressive stance, with prescription drugs. A new class of antiviral drugs called neuraminidase inhibitors do not prevent the flu, but studies indicate taking them can get your child back in the classroom sooner, says Dr. Michael Muszynski, division chief of pediatric infectious diseases at Nemours Children's Clinic of Orlando.

"It doesn't cure the flu — you don't take it and then you're instantly ready to rock and roll," Muszynski says. "But it reduces the duration of the flu." But the drugs come with restrictions. Some of the drugs come with side effects as unpleasant as the flu. And some are not recommended for young children. Relenza, an orally inhaled medication, for example, is not prescribed for children under 12. And the first few puffs of Relenza must be taken within the first 48 hours of flu symptoms if they are to lessen the severity of the illness.

That poses a problem. Typically, "parents won't bring in the children until three days have passed," Muszynski says. To beat that deadline it helps to know what the flu looks like.

Muszynski describes a common cold as "slow, cold, and wet." It comes on slowly, teases with a scratchy throat for several days, doesn't cause much of a fever, and requires plenty of Kleenex for a runny nose. In contrast, the flu is "fast, hot and dry." It comes on fast, fevers can run from 103 to 105 degrees, and your nose remains relatively dry.

For parents with more than one child, the flu season becomes a shell game. If one child is sick, parents try as best they can to stash the well children.

Is a round of family flu a fair accomplishment?

"It's a pretty good bet," Muszynski says.

But Barbara Stewart, nurse at Howard Middle School in Orlando, suggests there are simple precautions parents can try to give their children a fighting chance. Encourage your children to frequently wash their hands. Warn them against sharing eating utensils or drinking from the same glass. Make sure they rest and eat a balanced, healthful diet.

And cross your fingers. "With the flu virus, if it hits you, it hits you," Stewart says. "I think this is the beginning of a tidal wave, but common-sense prevention can go a long way."

Virus

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doing better, although he still has some cold symptoms.

"Rebecca is the baby's pediatrician, said RSV is more serious in the very young — but adults get the virus, and the nasty respiratory symptoms that go with it, as well. Infants run the risk of stopping breathing, or become apneic." "In about 95 percent hospitalization is not required," he said. "Only 3.5 percent may need respiratory support and so hospitalization is required."

A kid with a family history of asthma is usually a little more sensitive and more likely to end up in the hospital. So too a premature infant and anyone with a lung disease.

An adult child who does not have good muscular tone is at more risk because he is not able to clear out mucous secretions very well.

Boesel said he sees a lot of RSV during the cold weather. The season varies from year to year, beginning in November some years and January in others.

Patricia Heath, a registered nurse and infection control practitioner at Magic Valley Regional, said in the past couple of years she's seen a rise in RSV, but not a significant elevation.

"I don't keep statistics, but it really fluctuates," she said. "There's some weeks we have very many and the next week nearly all our admits are RSV."

Heath said the average stay in the hospital is anywhere from three to six days, depending on the child's general health in the first place. These patients are given supportive treatment, such as oxygen. And Boesel said some kids aren't able to eat because they're breathing so fast, and so it's necessary to use an IV.

He said sometimes, especially in asthmatic patients, breathing treatments with a nebulizer are helpful. In some patients it might be necessary to suction out their lungs. Chest physiotherapy might also be beneficial. The disease usually runs its course if the patient has adequate support. The symptoms of RSV vary according to the age of the patient, Boesel said. In adults, it feels like a sinus infection or bronchitis. He said it acts like one of those bad colds that greatly affect the sinuses, and at the end of the first week settles in the center of the chest. A baby will have a very wet cough that sounds almost croupy.

"It's one of those that you could be walking through the mall and pick out which child has it just by their cough sometimes," he said. "You have to test for it to know that it is there, but there's that cough that brings that diagnosis to mind."

Sometimes RSV is checked for during the season when it's prevalent to insure that youngsters who do not have it will be protected. It is said it may be done for the purpose of grouping children with similar diseases.

"If there is going to be one nurse that takes care of all the RSV positive kids, there is less chance of her transmitting the disease to someone else," Boesel said. "And so as part of the workup to try to find out what is going on we'll sometimes check for RSV, and to make sure that infectious disease procedures are met so it is not spread throughout the pediatric ward."

Times-News correspondent Juan Bean can be reached at 733-0830.

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HEMORRHOIDS
WHAT ARE HEMORRHOIDS?
Hemorrhoids are enlarged, swollen or dilated blood vessels in and around the anus and lower rectum that stretch under pressure, similar to varicose veins in the legs. They are a very common disorder and often clear up on their own or with minimal treatment. However, hemorrhoids can mask a more serious disorder and, therefore, must be evaluated and diagnosed properly by a physician.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF HEMORRHOIDS?
Many different problems, including fissures, fistulae, abscesses of irritation and itching, have similar symptoms. However, hemorrhoids are the most common symptom of internal hemorrhoids is bright red blood covering the stool, toilet paper, or in the toilet bowl. However, an internal hemorrhoid may protrude through the anus outside the body, becoming irritated and painful. This is known as a prolapsing hemorrhoid. Symptoms of external hemorrhoids may include painful swelling or a hard lump around the anus that results when the blood clot forms. This is known as a thrombosed external hemorrhoid.

HOW ARE HEMORRHOIDS DIAGNOSED?
A thorough evaluation and proper diagnosis by a physician is important anytime bleeding from the rectum or

blood seen in the stool lasts more than a couple of days. Bleeding may also be a symptom of other digestive diseases, including colorectal cancer.

WHAT IS THE TREATMENT?
Medical treatment of hemorrhoids initially is aimed at relieving symptoms. Measures to reduce symptoms include:
• Warm tub or sitz baths several times a day
• High fiber diet
• Ice packs to help reduce swelling
• Application of a hemorrhoidal cream or suppository to the affected area for a limited time.

HOW ARE HEMORRHOIDS PREVENTED?
The best way to prevent hemorrhoids is to keep stools soft so they pass easily, thus decreasing pressure and straining, and to empty bowels as soon as possible after meals occurs. Exercise, including walking, and increased fiber in the diet help reduce constipation and straining by producing stools that are softer and easier to pass. In addition, a person should not sit on the toilet for a long period of time.

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Can a person be allergic to exercise?

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Two possible causes

■ The immune system becomes sensitive to increased body temperature

■ Possesses the allergy-like reaction some people have to cold air

■ A food allergy that normally causes no trouble can flare up if a person exercises after eating

Some people are so sensitive that they have to carry antihistamine or an epinephrine injector when they exercise



Irritants where you exercise

For many people, the symptoms may be due to a completely different reason. Their exercise may expose them to an irritant or an allergen. Some examples:

■ Chemical dust, pesticide or pollen at a ball field

■ Commercial detergent used to clean gym towels

■ Mold in a locker room or shower area

■ Chemical in a swimming pool's water

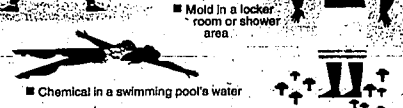
■ Vapors from new carpet or paint in an indoor exercise area

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But I've never had allergies before...

The better known pattern is for childhood or adolescent allergies to disappear when a person matures

However, new allergic sensitivities can develop in anyone at any age. If your symptoms improve after you take an antihistamine, you may well have an allergy. Your physician can determine whether your allergy can be treated.



SOURCES: Fit Happens, by Jessie Greggains

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It's time you know what's in cosmetics

DEAR READERS: For those who peruse the Web for fashion and beauty, you may be aware of the vast number of Web sites selling cosmetics.

Either the individual cosmetics and hair-care lines have their own URL, or there are huge beauty boutiques representing a whole array of lines.

What almost all of these sites have in common, with very few exceptions, is that they provide no ingredient listings for the products they sell.

This is such a blatant exclusion of information that it is almost pathetic or maddening, but hopefully actionable!

The major reason ingredient listings aren't there for you on these shopping Web sites is because they think you don't care. They can withhold that information they won't even send it when I've asked because they'll make money anyway!

COSMETICS Q&A
Paula Begoun

We can change that. We can demand that any cosmetic Web site we shop provide full ingredient listings for every product!

How do we do that? By going into the chat rooms and bulletin boards related to beauty and starting a very powerful consumer campaign, telling the companies and Web sites that don't provide ingredient listings you won't buy their products until they do!

It's that simple. And it doesn't count for the companies to just including the showcase ingredients that rarely

amount to more than 1 percent of the product. I'm talking about the complete, FDA mandated complete ingredient listing.

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- http://www.planetRx.com/
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http://www.sephora.com/ What great examples!

Paula Begoun is the author of "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me, 4th edition" (Bantam Press, \$19.95). Write to her at 13075 Gateway Drive, Suite 160, Seattle, Wash. 98168 or check out her Web site: www.cosmeticcop.com

The rich are in shape

The Associated Press

Homemakers, blue-collar workers and minorities share a similar approach to exercise, a study finds. They're less likely to do it.

In part, this might be because the typical recommendations for physical activity may be too male, too white and too wealthy to reach these groups, a researcher suspects.

"We must talk to people in a language they can understand," said researcher Carlos J. Crespo of American University.

Crespo and his colleagues analyzed data on the physical activity habits of 18,825 adults who took part in the federal government's third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, known as NHANES III.

Crespo's research is a new take on two problems that bedevil exercise advocates. One is that physical activity participation stubbornly refuses to rise. In the 1988-1994 NHANES III data, 23 percent of adults did absolutely no leisure-time physical activity. The other problem is that exercise is more common among well-off, well-educated white males.

In an analysis published in the journal *Medical Science in Sports and Exercise*, 47 percent of homemakers said they did no physical activity, compared with 40 percent of blue-collar workers and 29 percent of white-collar professionals.

Ranked by education, 47 percent of those who did not graduate high school were inactive, compared with just 26 percent of college graduates. By income, 47 percent of those earning less than \$10,000 a year were inactive, compared with 32 percent of those earning \$35,000 or

more a year.

Part of the cause of these differences might be economic, Crespo said. "One of the hypotheses is that, if you look at income, you are thinking of things you can do to improve your health," he said. And it's not just the ability to pay the dues at the health club.

For instance, men with money can hire people to do chores and free up more time to exercise, Crespo said. Poor people may feel they have more pressing needs for their scarce money and may feel their neighborhoods are not safe enough for outdoor activities such as walking, he said.

However, a separate analysis of NHANES data, also by Crespo, indicates that ethnic status has its own relationship with exercise.

That study in the *American Journal of Preventive Medicine* found 40 percent of Mexican-Americans did no physical activity in their time off, compared with 35 percent of blacks and 18 percent of whites.

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Duct tape: Fashion statement?

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Teen culture isn't whack, it just needs a little duct tape. The gray rolls, the same stuff lying in the junk drawer, are cutting edge these days. Kids wearing duct tape would hate it if you called them trendy because trendy is for the social set and those who wear designer labels.

Duct tape is not a stealth status symbol. These kids are wearing duct tape not because everyone else is wearing duct-tape. To them, cutting off a piece of duct tape and patching a hole in their jeans or repairing a loose sole on a pair of Converse All Stars is, like, you know, functional. Like it totally makes sense. Making a prom dress or a tuxedo out of duct tape is, like, so anti-corporate, anti-world hype, anti-commercialism.
"I know in the punk scene,

they use Super Glue and safety pins, and they are into do-it-yourself," says Danielle Joray, 15, a 10th-grader at Eleanor Roosevelt High School in Greenbelt, Md. "It's finding the cheapest possible way without giving in to big corporate kind of stuff."

They wear duct tape not because they don't have the money to buy something new. Money is not the problem. It's wearing the brand-new stuff that is the problem.

"Most of them have the money," she says, twisting a bracelet she made by cutting the tops off tube socks and taping them together with duct tape. "They just don't feel like it."

Danielle calls herself "half raver, half punk."
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HEALTH & FASHION

Implants: Approach with caution

The Washington Post

They can improve vision, help regulate the heart and pin together broken bones. They keep clogged arteries open, stabilize blood sugar in people with diabetes, prevent pregnancy and enable the deaf to hear.

Medical devices, from artificial joints and breast implants to pacemakers and insulin pumps, are now – literally – part of life for an estimated 25 million people. Nearly one in every 10 Americans has some type of implant. But their benefits and risks are still poorly understood by consumers, an expert panel concluded last week.

Consumers are not getting enough information, said Edward N. Brandt Jr., director of the Center for Health Policy at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center and co-chairman of the panel, which was convened by the National Institutes of Health. "Their expectations are built up. They think everybody's troubles are over if they can just get an implant."

Most Americans who receive medical implants experience no problems. But the panel concluded that consumers are not adequately informed of a device's benefits, risks, potential complications and expected longevity. It recommended that patient consent forms be streamlined to include such information prior to surgery. It also called for a national monitoring system that would track implanted devices and retrieve implants that are no longer needed for study.

The information gap about these devices is significant, even

Medical implants: Artificial parts for the body

A remarkable variety of devices has been developed for permanent implantation in the body. An estimated 10 to 10% of Americans have one. These are the major types:

- Active Implants:**
 - 1 Prosthetic limbs
 - 2 Cochlear (inner ear) implants
 - 3 Drug pumps
 - 4 Heart pacemakers or defibrillators
 - 5 Insulin pumps
 - 6 Hearing and muscle stimulators
 - 7 Electrode sources
- Bones and joints:**
 - 8 Bone staples
 - 9 Internal or external devices to steady or support part of body
 - 10 Prosthetic replacements
- Cardiac:**
 - 11 Coronary stents
 - 12 Prosthetic heart valves
 - 13 Prosthetic aortic valves
 - 14 Prosthetic mitral valves
 - 15 Prosthetic tricuspid valves
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 - 18 Prosthetic aortic root
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for health professionals. Panel member Janet Wittes, president of Statistics Collaborative Inc., a Washington consulting firm, had two intra-ocular devices inserted in her eyes to improve vision. "I have no idea what type of model they are," said Wittes, noting that the information would be helpful in case of a recall or other problem.

Design flaws prompt recalls of medical implants from time to

time, and these defective implants are usually studied carefully so that improvements can be made. But the panel found that no one tracks the vast majority of medical implants that work well. Only by systematically collecting these devices and assessing their normal wear and tear can researchers learn valuable information to help with future innovation and design, the panel noted.

Breast cancer support group meets

TWIN FALLS – The Breast Cancer Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. today at the Cancer Center reception area.

For more information, call Char Basila at 737-2800 or Jody Tremblay at 733-3700.

CPR courses are set

TWIN FALLS – A Standard First Aid (adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid) nine and one-half hour course will be offered at 6 p.m. today and Tuesday at the American Red Cross.

Pre-registration and pre-payment is required for all classes. For more information, call 733-6464 or 1-888-367-6321 or visit the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

Senior helps employers

TWIN FALLS – "Survival School for Employers" will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday in the Education Center at MVRMC.

Those attending need to bring their company handbook. Participants will learn how to deal with workplace legal issues including Sexual Harassment Law, Family Medical Leave Act, Americans with Disabilities Act,

To do for you

Non-Compete Law, Drug Free Workplace and Workplace Violence Prevention. Individualized critiques will be provided.

Fee is \$59 for first attendee from a company and \$49 for each additional person. To register or for more information, call MVRMC Occupational Health at 737-2906.

Co-dependency group meets

TWIN FALLS – The Co-dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Canyon View West Group Room.

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

Childbirth course offered

TWIN FALLS – A childbirth refresher course will be offered from 7 to 10 p.m. Thursday in the Education Center at MVRMC.

Pre-registration is required, call 737-2900.

Learn lifesaving skills

TWIN FALLS – A Community First Aid and Safety (infant, child)

and adult CPR, and first aid nine-hour course will be offered at 8 a.m. Saturday at the American Red Cross.

Pre-registration and pre-payment is required for all classes. For more information, call 733-6464 or 1-888-367-6321 or visit the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

Infant CPR class available

TWIN FALLS – An infant CPR class will be offered by 7 to 9 p.m. Feb. 1 in the Education Center at MVRMC.

Pre-registration is not required.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 948, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

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Trans fatty acids lurk undetected by many

The Washington Post

First it was cholesterol, then saturated fat. Now trans fatty acids are the latest dietary demon. Like those nutrients, trans fats raise blood cholesterol levels and significantly increase the risk of premature heart disease.

Trans fats have been nicknamed "phantom fat" because the Food and Drug Administration does not require it to be listed on food labels. Much of this fat comes from liquid vegetable oils that have been converted to solids because they stay fresher longer than conventional shortenings.

On average, Americans consume about five grams of trans fat per day, accounting for about 3 percent of their total calories, according to a 1999 study in the Journal of the American Dietetic Association.

While that may sound tiny, research has linked even small amounts of trans fat to an increased risk of heart disease. A 1994 Harvard University study found more than twice the risk of heart attacks among those who ate partially hydrogenated oils, which are high in trans fat, compared with those who consumed little trans fat. Several large studies in the United States and elsewhere, including the Nurses Health Study, also show a strong link between premature death and consumption of foods high in trans fatty acids.

"Trans fats are unique in that they affect blood lipids in every way that is harmful," said Water

Americans' Consumption of Fat

Americans on average eat just over five grams of trans fatty acids a day, according to a federal survey of eating habits. These findings were published last year in the Journal of the American Dietetic Association. Public health officials have urged Americans to reduce their fat intake drastically, consuming no more than 30 percent of calories from fat.

For a typical diet of 2,000 calories a day, total fat consumption should be about 66 grams, with saturated and trans fat combined limited to 20 grams.

The table below shows that most Americans far exceed the recommended 10% of fat consumption.

Age	Tot. Fat, Trans (grams)	
Boys and Girls 3-5	54	21
Boys and Girls 6-11	69	26
Boys 12-19	92	34
Girls 12-19	87	25
Men 20-49	91	32
Women 20-49	61	21
Men 50-69	77	26
Women 50-69	55	18
Men and Women 70 and older	57	19

Source: Journal of the American Dietetic Association

C. Willett, chairman of nutrition at the Harvard School of Public Health in Boston.

This hidden fat raises low-density lipoprotein (LDL) – the harmful form of cholesterol – and low-

ers protective high-density lipoprotein (HDL) – the so-called "good cholesterol."

Many Americans are still struggling to sort out the health effects of saturated, polyunsaturated and mono-unsaturated fat. Butter and other whole-milk dairy products, as well as meat, poultry and other animal products contain saturated fat, which raises the risk of heart disease.



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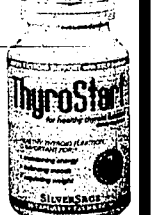
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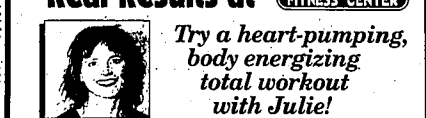
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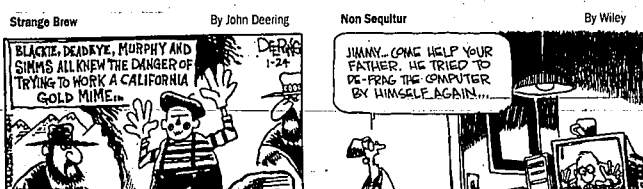
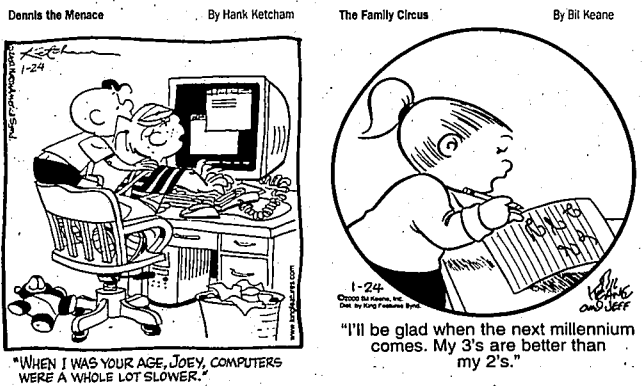
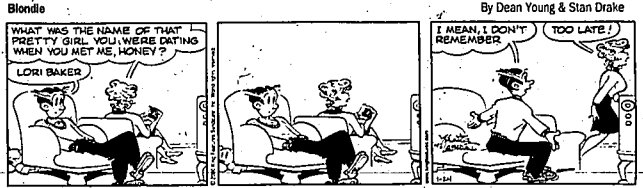
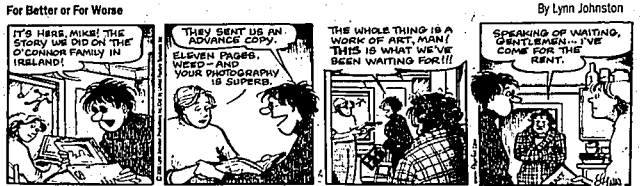
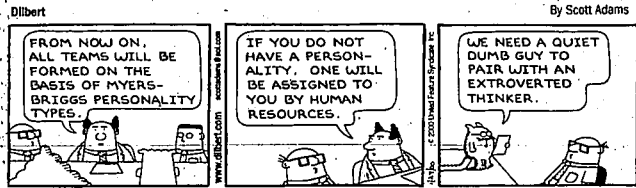
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OTHER VIEWS

Supreme Court should strike grandparent visitation law

From the Deseret News (Salt Lake City)

No one can pinpoint when it happened or why it happened, but society has slipped beyond the point when family disputes can be hammered out sitting around the kitchen table.

Instead, arbiters are required to resolve family issues that families either cannot or refuse to address themselves.

Witness the divided family in Washington state, whose case is now before the Supreme Court. Grandpa and Grandma are suing for regular visitations of the children fathered by their son. He and the children's mother never married. After their son committed suicide, the mother married and is making a new life. When she comes to her children visiting their father's parents, she objected to a state court ruling that required her, among other things, to let them spend the night regularly. No one, not even the mother of the children in the Washington case, disputes the value of the grandchild-grandparent relationship. What the Supreme Court must wrestle with is whether the parents have the liberty to rear their children as they see fit, without government interference, so long as the parents do not certifi-

able harm. Most of us would agree that they do.

Recent oral arguments in the case hinted that the Washington state law may be overly broad. In other words, the Washington state law enables "any person," relative or non-relative to petition a court at any time for visitation rights. The difficulty with this particular statute is where does the court draw the line?

As this page has said before, it is tragic that parents, grandparents and other close relatives cannot set aside their differences when it comes to their children. Most children would benefit greatly from a stable grandparent relationship when their immediate family dissolves. But, just as some parents use their children as pawns, some grandparents seek visitation for selfish reasons. And a court fight may serve to further disrupt a child's life.

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LETTERS

What were you thinking?

To Ezra Miller: I am a sophomore at Twin Falls High School. I may be your age or even a year older.

Your letter caught my eye. "Caps can" should be better in the Jan. 7 issue. There has never been a letter that made me want to ask, "What is running through your mind?" To me this letter made no sense.

Not all caps are like you have described. You said that caps drive 60 mph in a 35 mph zone? Have you ever thought that they're on their way to a call?

You commented, "You police should stop eating donuts and stop your computer games while on duty." We'll get 'em next time, Bob. I've never seen the police stop for donut breaks. If you look really closely, you will see that they are drinking coffee or caffeine beverages. For cops that have long shifts or strange hours, these beverages help keep them going.

A country of "justice and freedom?" It's just not possible. People had too much freedom, which caused wars. There were people that thought whites were superior and blacks should be diminished. They took what they believed into their own hands.

You said, "The police in Filer chase you down for going a millenth over the speed limit. They are targeting young people. The police are communists." You should have said, "The police in Filer seem to be watching young people. Especially the ones who are going a mile, perhaps, faster than the speed limit." Even though I am a young citizen of Twin Falls, I can understand this because there have been many accidents involving teens. They might be going a little faster than what the speed limit reads. The police are watching out for safety. It might be a good thing that you or one of your friends are stopped. It might save your life.

I see that you have never "scored," drank or done anything harmful. This is what society says teens do. If you

read up, you will see that we are no longer thought of as "troubled" teens. I've even noticed teens doing community projects and helping others in the last few years. We have taken our masks off and introduced people to the "real" teens we are.

The police are paid to step into a community. They are paid to put down the law and make this world a safer place. SAMANTHA PRICE, Twin Falls

Price-fixing has to be stopped

The Times-News editorial in the Dec. 28 paper brings out some good points: with regard to the high cost of gasoline. True enough, Utah refineries' transportation costs for crude oil may be higher than some places and maybe even the cost of operations.

But what gets me is the difference in price between Salt Lake City and southern Idaho. It doesn't take 18 cents a gallon to get gasoline from Salt Lake City to Burley. It's more like 2 cents per gallon through the pipeline which most local dealers use. I don't know what the price of gasoline is in Salt Lake City today, but a couple of months ago when gasoline was \$1.38 virtually everywhere in the Burley-Rupert area, I bought gasoline in Salt Lake for \$1.20. Last weekend, I bought gas again for \$1.20 down there.

In recent weeks, I have bought gasoline in the upper Snake River area for 10 to 15 cents per gallon cheaper than in Burley-Rupert. Up until recent months, you could often buy gas in Twin Falls cheaper than here. Now all this doesn't make any sense any more you see it?

Collusion! It's so obvious one would have to be blind not to recognize the price gouging going on here. If we can't get the attorney general to close this price-fixing down, we're just going to have to live with it. Oh yes, I see where he is now asking for help from the federal government. Good luck. We might get a reply by next Christmas. RALPH MAUGHAN, Rupert



PERSI system is good - and getting better

Two profound sets of facts were disclosed during the deliberations of the 1999 Legislative Interim Committee charged with evaluating the benefits and needs of the Public Employees Retirement System of Idaho.

First, facts showed current PERSI benefits are excellent, discrediting the historical complaint that benefits do not provide for a dignified retirement.

Second, other facts persuaded the committee to adopt "gains sharing." A potentially huge enhancement in which all participants (vested and non-vested employees, retirees and taxpayer-employers) will share.

PERSI is a defined benefit retirement program that primarily covers employees of state and local governments and school districts. It is designed to supplement Social Security, which is an integral part of the state's employee retirement package.

The majority of its fund assets, which totaled \$6.4 billion on June 30, are invested in marketable equity securities. Taxpayer-employers and employees pay 62.5 and 37.5 percent of the plan's required contribution costs, respectively.

Excellent market performance is primarily responsible for the total elimination of the \$1 billion plus vested liability that existed during the early 1990s. By the end of 1999, PERSI vested benefits were fully funded. In addition, a 12 percent reserve (one standard deviation) was available to cushion against possible future downward market fluctuations.

In evaluating the adequacy of current benefits, analyses of different levels of gross income and employee classification were presented. One analysis compared the spendable income of an average

READER COMMENT

Rep. Dennis Lake and Sen. Hal Bunderson

retiree (65 years old, married, gross income of \$38,400 and 23 years of service) for the year immediately before and after retirement, both without and with Social Security spousal benefit. Pre-retirement spendable income (gross income less non-discretionary reductions for federal and state income taxes, FICA and PERSI) was compared with the new retiree's spendable income (Social Security and PERSI benefits, less federal and state income taxes).

This analysis shows that such 65-year-old employees will retire today with 100 percent of their pre-retirement spendable income replaced by spendable retirement income, 125 percent for those eligible for spousal benefit. Higher paid employees receive gradually less down to 80 percent and 65 percent, respectively, for a person grossing \$80,000. Other than losing the taxpayer-employer paid subsidy for medical insurance, almost all retirees will continue to live with virtually no negative change in their standard of living. Further, this benefit is guaranteed for life.

Clearly, any further enhancement to the PERSI defined benefit package is not warranted. Albeit, designing an allocation component for pre-retirement medical costs may be desirable.

The "gains sharing" legislation approved by the committee is a concept wherein portfolio market gains in excess of that needed to fully fund vested benefits and reserves are available for distribution to plan participants. Distributions would be based on the relative amount each participant contributed into the fund as follows: Taxpayer-employers would receive a credit against future contributions; employees, whether vested or non-vested, would receive a credit to their individual defined contribution account and retirees would receive cash.

Depending on portfolio performance through fiscal year 2000, "gains sharing" distributions could begin next fiscal year. For example, if the PERSI portfolio performance over the past 10 years were repeated over the next 10 years and no new defined benefit enhancement becomes law, there would be a total of \$3.2 billion of "gains sharing" available for distribution, for an average of \$320 million per year. To be perspective, employer and employee contributions totaled \$288 million in 1999.

A key feature of the "gains sharing" enhancement is that it will not require the taxpayer-employer or employees to pay anything more. Rather, it allows all participants to share in the market gains from their investment.

With the addition of "gains sharing" and effective communication of the facts regarding current benefits, it should become clear to all that the existing PERSI retirement package provides outstanding benefits. This knowledge should be a strong selling point in recruiting and retaining the high-quality public employees we have and need in Idaho.

Rep. Dennis Lake, R-Blackfoot, and Sen. Hal Bunderson, R-Meridian, served on the Interim Legislative Committee dealing with the Public Employees Retirement System of Idaho. Their comments do not reflect the opinions of the entire committee.

Remember: A fish is a terrible thing to waste

The next time you're having fish for dinner, think about this: often, more than one fish had to die to catch the fish you're eating. Fish that are the wrong sex, the wrong species, or the wrong size regularly are hauled in by fishermen and thrown back dead or dying into the sea. If you think that's wasteful, you're right.

Efforts to reduce "bycatch" - or the indiscriminate catching of fish and marine life other than those targeted by fishermen - have been a priority of marine conservationists for years. But until Congress passed new rules governing America's fisheries in 1996, the problem of bycatch wasn't effectively addressed in our nation's fishing laws. And now, more than three years after the new law called on regional fishing councils to do something about bycatch, the issue is still not getting the attention it should.

How big a problem is bycatch? An international fisheries organization estimates that 27 million tons of fish are caught unintentionally and thrown away each year by fishermen worldwide. That represents one-quarter of the world

BRAD SEWELL

catch - wasted. Huge amounts of fish are caught in nets and lines and discarded because they are too small, not the right kind of fish, or are not allowed to be brought to shore for sale.

An example of a fish species that has been harmed by bycatch is the scup, a tasty eating fish popular with both commercial and recreational fishermen. The problem: young scup regularly are caught incidentally in the fine mesh nets fishermen use to catch squid off the Maryland coast. With millions of scup discarded dead each year by squid fishermen, the species is now at the lowest level ever recorded and is considered "severely depleted" by fishery managers, scientists and conservationists.

An obvious solution to the decline in scup populations is to keep squid fishermen out of the relatively limited areas where young scup concentrate. This proposal and others aimed at reducing scup bycatch have been under consideration by the federal government's National

Marine Fisheries Service, and it is expected to make a decision on the issue soon. What the agency decides to do will signal whether the stewards of our nation's fisheries are willing to grapple with the appalling waste associated with many modern fishing practices.

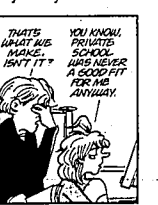
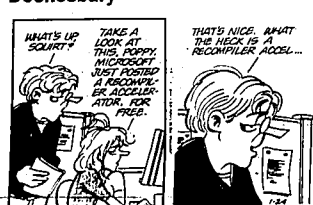
News that the world population hit the 6 billion mark last year should have all of us thinking about things we can do to preserve our natural resources so they can continue to support humankind for centuries to come. One of those things is to protect the world's fisheries, a key source of protein for populations throughout the world.

Protecting fish species from bycatch is not just about fish; it's about all of us. We need to ensure that these species are available well into the future to support robust commercial and recreational fishery eries.

If we don't do something now, many of these fish may be gone for good. And we'll all be wondering how our government let them get away.

Brad Sewell is a senior project attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council.

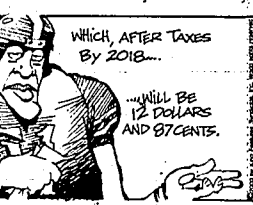
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Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



By Garry Trudeau

It was a very good year – for others

“Stock markets around the world came roaring back to life in 1999,” according to The Wall Street Journal, which was great news for workers in the 18 countries with retirement systems that allow personal retirement accounts.

But here in the United States, where the stock market also boomed, American workers remained trapped in a Social Security system that requires them to pay record-high payroll taxes in exchange for meager returns.

In Australia, for example, the stock market grew 12.5 percent during 1999. Australian workers invest 9 percent of their income in personal accounts to pay for future Social Security benefits. Although this is less than the American system's 10.6 percent retirement payroll tax (which includes both the employer's and employee's share), Australians can expect higher benefits because their taxes earn more. The difference between what an Australian retiree earns and what an American retiree earns is on the order of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Sweden is another example, and perhaps a more striking one because of its enduring reputation as the laboratory of the socialist welfare model. Despite this pedigree, Sweden recently reformed its Social Security system to permit personal accounts. In 1999, its workers earned 79 percent on the part of their Social Security taxes that can be invested in the stock market. That's right – for every \$1 in stocks they bought through their private accounts, they earned \$1.79, nearly doubling their money.

Or how about Denmark, where workers earned 22 percent last year on their invested Social Security taxes? Or Great Britain, which has allowed partial individual investment since 1978 and is even now debating ways to further reform its retirement program? British workers with retirement funds in the stock market earned 17.5 percent last

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year. Not too shabby, as they say on Fleet Street.

In this hemisphere, workers in seven countries are able to use the stock market to enlarge their nest eggs. Workers in Chile saw their stock market rise by 49 percent in 1999, as did those in El Salvador. Mexicans earned a whopping 83 percent. Even the smallest gain, 14.7 percent in Bolivia, dwarfed U.S. returns.

So how did American workers do in 1999? The U.S. stock market rose 19 percent last year. Unfortunately, this growth did not add one penny to Social Security benefits. The average American two-income couple in their 30s can expect to earn only 1.2 percent on their Social Security taxes. If they were allowed to invest their taxes in stock index funds and government bonds, they could retire with \$525,000 more than Social Security will provide.

High-income workers needn't worry; they can always afford to sock extra money away in a stock portfolio. The middle and low-income workers for whom Social Security is the main source of retirement income who need to take advantage of the surging economy, but are barred by their government from doing so.

Instead, these workers must pay taxes into a system that the Social Security Administration itself says will run huge deficits before most workers reach retirement age. By 2015, Social Security's annual deficit will reach \$21 billion in 1999 dollars. And by 2025, the red ink will climb to almost \$200 billion a year.

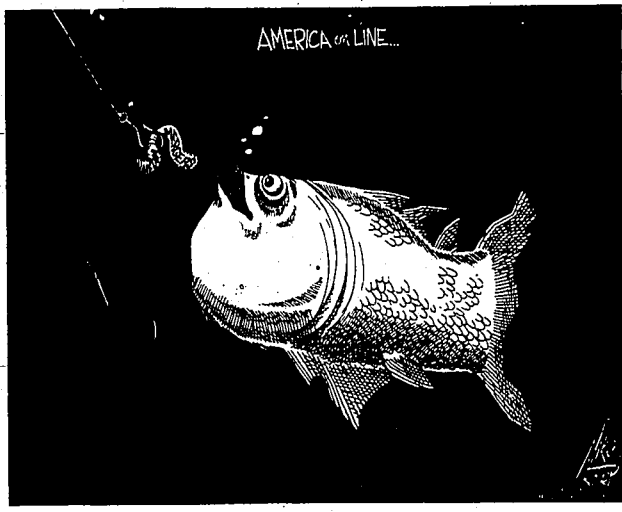
Without personal accounts, there are really only two ways to “solve” this problem. Congress can either raise taxes by almost 50 percent or cut benefits by about a third. In other words, Americans must either pick the pockets of their children or their retirees. Either one would be morally wrong – not to mention political suicide.

But as other nations have shown, there's a better way: Allowing workers to invest their payroll taxes in private accounts that tap market growth. If workers in Chile or Peru can use such accounts to provide a more secure retirement, why can't Americans? If socialist Sweden and capitalist Australia can agree that personal retirement accounts benefit all, why can't the United States work out the details of such a system?

Supporters of personal retirement accounts don't need to argue that stock markets always go up. On a day-to-day basis, they obviously don't. What's important is that over the long term – which is how people are supposed to invest for retirement – markets do rise, and they always beat Social Security. In fact, in every 20-year period since Social Security was created in 1935 the stock market has outperformed the government retirement program.

It's too late for American workers to reap the benefits of the market gains of 1999. Let's hope the same won't be true of future years.

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The chief insists there are no drugs in the high school. It is apparently the one place there are no drugs in Jerome! I find it hard to believe. He probably is just ignoring the situation and hoping everybody else will too.

Talking about “ignoring” things. How did the chief ignore the “house of prostitution” doing business only a few blocks from City Hall and the police station? If the chief pleads ignorance of that situation, he is derelict in duty. And if he knew of it he is still derelict in duty.

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Ricks College feels pressure of more students, adds summer term

REXBURG (AP) - Ricks College is experimenting with ways to accommodate increasing numbers of students. Ricks' current enrollment of 8,840 is 240 more than the number the college's facilities were made to handle, according

to Steve Davis, assistant director of admissions. "That puts pressure in places we're uncomfortable, like housing, library and sporting events," Davis said. To handle more students, Ricks

College is adding an eight-week summer term that will begin June 19 and end Aug. 11. Ricks will continue to offer its traditional three five-week summer terms, with the second term beginning near the second week in June.

"A lot of high schools are still in session and have to wait until July to come. This term gives those students a chance to come a little earlier, and get a few more credits," said Jim Gee, assistant academic vice president.

Even with efforts to accommodate more students, the college still turns many away. On average, Ricks College turns down 1,500 applicants for the fall semester, although it only turned away about 800 in 1999, according to Davis.



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Wendell at Filer, JV - 4:30 p.m.
Hagerman at Murkough
Raft River at Orting
Buhl at Twin Falls

Boys' basketball
Magic Valley Christian at Bliss, JV - 4:30 p.m.
Burley JV at Dietrich

IN BRIEF

Vandals' strength coach snags award

MOSCOW - University of Idaho strength coach Tommy Boyer... awarded by a vote of conference peers...

Boyer-Kendrick, a 1993 University of Montana graduate...

First Security Games start Jan. 29 in Salmon
BOISE - The amateur-oriented First Security Winter Games...

Among the highlights, the Boulder Mountain Tour...

Idaho residents as well as out-of-state skaters are encouraged to participate...

Vandals fall to Cal State Fullerton late Saturday

MOSCOW - A great shooting night by the University of Idaho Vandals...

The Vandals were playing shot for shot with the Titans when Ike Harmon stole the ball...

"I'm getting pretty old. I didn't want to go to the Super Bowl in a wheelchair before the game..."

McNair almost had to use a wheelchair before the game. He spent much of the week wearing a boot to protect an injured toe...

There was little pain in McNair's stats - except for the Jags who won 15 games this year and lost just three...

It began with a six-play, 76-yard drive that ended on the go-ahead touchdown on a sneak by McNair.

Jason Fisk recovered a Kyle Brady fumble at the Jaguars 35, then tight end Frank Wycheck returned the favor by fumbling back to the Jaguars.

Two plays later, Fisk and Josh Evans sacked Mark Brunell in the end zone for a safety, and it was 19-14.

It also set up seven more points: On the ensuing free kick, Derrick Mason, who earlier set up a score with a 44-yard kickoff return...

McNair's return was his third on the PGA Tour in as many years, and the \$540,000 check was the largest of his career.

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SWAC gets wacky at the top

By Kevin Hall Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Things are definitely heating up in the Scenic West Athletic Conference basketball season.

At the midway point after Saturday night's play, three teams are deadlocked at the men's standings while Snow College has tracked down Utah Valley State College for first place on the women's side.

The College of Southern Idaho men, after sweeping North Idaho and Ricks colleges over the weekend for their fifth and sixth straight SWAC wins...

and Snow.

"This week coming up is a huge weekend for us," said CSI head coach Derek Zeck. "We made some serious strides in our defense against a very good Ricks team on Saturday and we've gained some confidence on the road with wins (two weeks ago) at CEU and at Colorado Northwestern."

The suddenly sizzling and defending Region III champion Dixie Rebels (4-5 SWAC, 12-9 overall) are riding a five-game win streak of their own and have last year's Region III tournament MVP Maurice Baker back in full force.

Zeck said the Golden Eagles are going to need their steadily improving defense to play at the top of its game if they want to come out of the long weekend with a pair of wins.

"It's a long drive and both places are very tough to play at," he said. "Snow is a similar team to Ricks in the type of offense they run. We've just got to take care of business."

For the CSI women (4-5, 11-10), wins have been sporadic at best. Although the ball-hawking defense on display Saturday in their 78-74 loss to Ricks produced nine steals and forced 24 turnovers, the 52-32 deficit in rebounding and 16 missed free throws eventually spelled the Golden Eagles' fate.

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SWAC standings (through games of Jan. 23)

Table with columns for Men's basketball (SWAC Games, All Games) and Women's basketball (SWAC Games, All Games). Lists teams like Snow, UVSC, Ricks, CEU, NIC, Dixie, CSI, CNCC, TVCC with W, L, T records.

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CSI women's games on HEZJ 1450 AM



St. Louis defensive end Grant Wistrom (98) and Tampa Bay tackle Jerry Wunsch (71) scramble for a loose ball after Tampa Bay quarterback Shaun King fumbled it during the second quarter of the NFC championship game Sunday.

Rams head to the big game

The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS - The Midwest Express offense came alive just in time.

Kurt Warner threw a 30-yard touchdown pass to Ricky Proehl with 4:44 to go Sunday, lifting the mistake-prone St. Louis Rams to an 11-6 victory over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the NFC Championship.

The Rams, who struggled all day on offense, rode their unheralded defense and Warner's late heroics to the Super Bowl.

They will play Tennessee, which won the AFC crown in Jacksonville 33-14. The Titans beat the Rams in Nashville during the regular season, 24-21, but

St. Louis opens as an 8-point favorite for next Sunday's game.

Tampa's gallant defensive effort wasn't enough against the Rams because backup cornerback Brian Kelly couldn't stay with Proehl down the left sideline on the long third-down pass.

Proehl, the Rams' No. 4 wide receiver, leaped to haul in his first touchdown of the season. He finished with six catches for 100 yards.

"If you are ever going to bet on someone coming up with a big play, bet on Ricky Proehl," Rams coach Dick Vermeil said.

The winning score was set up when Buc rookie quarterback Shaun King was picked off by another rookie, cornerback Dre

Super Bowl XXXIV

Sunday at Atlanta's Georgia Dome, 4:25 p.m. (ABC) St. Louis Rams (15-3) vs. Tennessee Titans (15-3)

Rematch of Oct. 31. Halloween game at Tennessee where Titans held off St. Louis 24-21, scoring three touchdowns in the first quarter. Rams quarterback Kurt Warner threw for 328 yards and three touchdowns in the losing effort.

Opening Line: Rams by 8



A video review that overturned an 11-yard reception by Bert Emanuel to offset a sack hurt Tampa Bay with 47 seconds remaining. King then threw two

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Titans skin Jaguars 33-14

Tennessee moves on to Super Bowl

The Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - The once-homeless Tennessee Titans never felt so cozy on the road. And they're not done traveling yet.

Next stop: the Super Bowl in Atlanta against St. Louis.

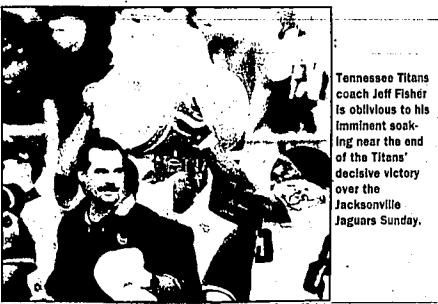
America's wandering waifs, who have played in four stadiums in three cities in four seasons, upset the Jacksonville Jaguars 33-14 on Sunday behind the scrambling of Steve McNair and a defense that forced six turnovers.

The Titans trailed 14-10 at the half but scored 16 points in about 45 minutes in the third quarter to pull away.

It's the first Super Bowl trip ever for the franchise that began in the old AFL in 1960. The Rams, who beat the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 11-6 for the NFC title, opened as 8-point favorites.

"It's about time," said Titans owner Bud Adams, who founded the franchise in Houston then moved it after the 1995 season for when he couldn't get money for a new stadium.

"I'm getting pretty old. I didn't want to go to the Super Bowl in a wheelchair before the game. He spent much of the week wearing a boot to protect an injured toe and hid the pain as well as he could.



There was little pain in McNair's stats - except for the Jags who won 15 games this year and lost just three, all to the Titans.

McNair ran nine times for 91 yards, including a 49-yard scramble to set up one of his two 1-yard sneaks for touchdowns. He also had a 9-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter to Yancey Thigpen, who left in the second quarter with a broken toe. The Titans also lost safety Marcus Robertson with a broken ankle.

Tennessee won Sunday as it has all season: a little offense, a lot of defense, and a big contribution from special teams. All of it turned during the 16-point spur in 4 minutes, 28 seconds in the third quarter.

Son of Swedish comedian wins the Hope Classic

The Associated Press

BERMUDA DUNES, Calif. - Tournament host Bob Hope set the final round Sunday just in time to see Jesper Parnevik, the son of a famous Swedish comedian, put on quite a show.

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Parnevik closed with a 6-under 65 - his 11th consecutive round under par - to finish at 331 for a one-stroke victory over Rory Sabbatini. The victory was his third on the PGA Tour in as many years, and the \$540,000 check was the largest of his career.

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Jesper Parnevik Gets friendly with Hope Classic prize

him from reaching the green in two. He hit his third shot over the palms to 20 feet, but his putt for a playoff never had a chance.

"I'm not in a situation where I feel like I lost the tournament," he said. "Jesper ... he played well under the gun. The more opportunities I have, the less times this will happen."

David Toms and J.L. Lewis each had a 68 to finish at 333. David Duval, the defending champion who closed with a 59 last year, took himself out of the race early. He didn't make a birdie until the par-5 eighth, made only one birdie on a par-4 and finished with a 70.

Matt Gogel, who started the final round of the 90-hole...

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SPORTS

Mavericks give Nelson No. 900

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) - The absence of Grant Hill was too much for the Pistons to overcome Sunday night as the Dallas Mavericks beat Detroit 99-91 for coach Don Nelson's 900th career victory.

Cedric Ceballos had 22 points and 10 rebounds and Michael Finley added 18 points and 10 boards as Dallas handed Detroit its fourth straight loss.

Nelson became the sixth coach in NBA history with 900 victories. Hill sat out with a bruised hip and he suffered Saturday in Chicago. He is not expected to play again until Thursday.

Jerry Stackhouse led all scorers with a season-high 36.

T'wolves 99, Warriors 81

OAKLAND, Calif. - Terrell Brandon wasted little time re-establishing himself as the driving force behind the Timberwolves' offense as Minnesota set a team record with its fifth straight road win.

Brandon returning to the Minnesota lineup after missing three games with a strained right calf, had 15 points and nine assists as the Timberwolves defeated Golden State 99-81 Sunday night.

Kevin Garnett had 22 points and 15 rebounds for Minnesota, which has won nine of its last-10 road games.

Alonzo Mourning led the Heat with 23 points and 11 rebounds.

Lumme's late goal lifts Phoenix over Sharks 3-2

PHOENIX (AP) - Jyrki Lumme flipped the winning goal into the net with 44 seconds left in overtime and sent the Phoenix Coyotes to a 3-2 victory over the San Jose Sharks on Sunday night.

The victory kept Phoenix in first place in the Pacific Division with its division-leading 26th victory. The Coyotes are 10-4 in their division and 20-9-2 against Western Conference, the best marks in the conference.

Keith Tkachuk assisted on the winner, passing to Lumme about 15 feet out on the slot while being knocked to the ice. San Jose goaltender Steve Shields, who was at the side of the crease and could only flail at the puck as it flew past.

The game started hours after California ended Keith's assignment to Philadelphia, ending speculation that Coyotes owner Richard Burke wanted to unload Tkachuk and his \$8.3 million salary to the Pittsburgh Penguins in a three-way deal involving the Hurricanes and New York Rangers.

Rick Tocchet and Louie DeBruin scored earlier for the Coyotes, and Todd Harvey and Owen Sorensen had the third-period goals as the Sharks surged back.

Flyers 4, Penguins 4, OT

PITTSBURGH - John LeClair scored with a minute to play and the Philadelphia Flyers tied the Pittsburgh Penguins 4-4 Sunday night despite squandering a third-period lead.

The Penguins led 2-0, fell behind 3-2 as the Flyers' top-ranked power play scored twice, and LeClair kicked the lead out on goals by Ilya Sierg and Robbie Brown 1:04 apart in the third period.

But with the Penguins trying to run out the clock and win for the second time in seven games, LeClair directed the puck past

Rams

incompletions, and the sellout crowd received superonic noise levels in Trans World Dome.

"We knew we had to be patient. They have a tendency to force you to do things you don't normally do," said running back Marshall Faulk, the NFL Offensive Player of the Year.

It helped that Tampa Bay was more inept on offense than the usually quick-striking Rams.

The Bucs only gained 203 yards; the Rams had 309, 91 below their regular-season average.

That brought the battle into the trenches, with the Rams holding the Bucs to Martin Grammatica's two field goals, while they got a poor snap, and Warner's dramatic strike to Proehl allowing the team with the worst record of the 1990s heading into this season to play for the NFL championship next Sunday.

NBA

Golden State

Raptors 94, SuperSonics 77

TORONTO - Tracy McGrady and Antonio Davis each had 17 points and 11 rebounds as Toronto snapped a three-game losing streak.

Vince Carter, who scored 13 points in 25 minutes, got into third-quarter foul trouble and didn't play in the fourth for Toronto, which had lost five straight to Seattle.

Kevin Willis had 12 points and 12 rebounds while Charles Oakley had 15 points on 7-of-9 shooting.

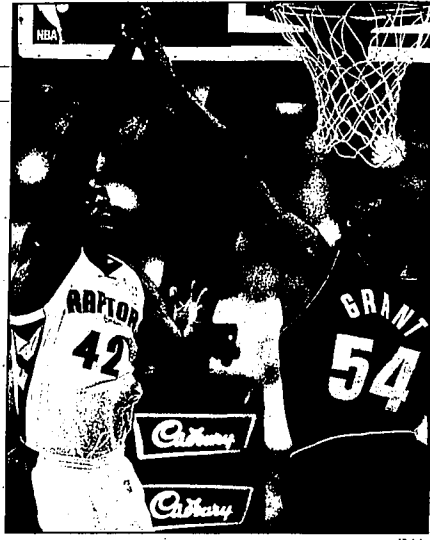
Gary Payton scored 29 points for the SuperSonics, who shot only 40 percent from the field and matched their season low for points.

Rockets 101, Heat 88

HOUSTON - Matt Bullard scored a season-high 24 points and led a 3-point barrage as Houston extended its winning streak to six games.

The Rockets hit 15 of 31 three-pointers. Their previous season high was 13 for 32 on Nov. 20 at Seattle.

Alonzo Mourning led the Heat with 23 points and 11 rebounds.



Toronto center Kevin Willis, left, and Seattle forward Horace Grant battle for a rebound in the first half of Sunday's game in Toronto.

Golf

Continued from B1 tournament just one stroke back, didn't make a birdie until the 18th hole. Still, that 25-foot putt made a difference of \$18,500.

Scranton wins Subaru Memorial tourney

NAPLES, Fla. - Nancy Scranton won her first LPGA Tour title since 1992, paring the second hole of a playoff with Sweden's Maria Hjorth in the Subaru Memorial of Naples.

"It was very satisfying," Scranton said. "Basically I've done it. I've gotten play, but when I felt like I could play. It was just so satisfying to have worked hard and got the rewards for working hard."

Scranton, 38, who had reconstrutive shoulder surgery in 1996, closed with a 2-under-par 70 to match Hjorth at 13-under 275 on The Club at The Strand. Hjorth, 26, shot a 64.

On the second playoff hole, the par-4 10th, Hjorth left her approach shot right of the pin, but for the victory, while Scranton knocked her approach within 15 feet.

Hjorth had a 6-footer for par, but the ball broke right across the hole at the end, leaving Scranton to tap in a 1-foot par putt.

Scranton earned \$127,500 for her third title.

Julie Inkster (67), Dale Eggleing (69), defending champion Meg Mallon (69), Tina Barrett (70), and Sweden's Cathrin Nilsmark tied for third at 276. Nilsmark missed a 15-

foot par putt on No. 18.

Archer takes two-stroke win at Mastercard

KAILUA-KONA, Hawaii - George Archer won the MasterCard Championship for the second time in 10 years, closing with a 3-under-par 69 on Sunday for a two-stroke victory.

Archer, 60, who began the round three strokes behind leader Graham Marsh, took the lead with an eagle on the 53rd yard seventh hole, and birdied two other par-5s.

The 1969 Masters champion had a 9-under 207 total on the Hualalai course. Marsh shot a 74 to tie for second with Lee Trevino, Hale Irwin and Dana Quigley, who all had 72.

Archer earned \$199,000 for his 19th senior victory, and first since the 1998 First of America Classic. He won 12 times on the PGA Tour.

Gronberg wins with final birdie

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa - Sweden's Matthias Gronberg rolled his 40-foot eagle attempt to within inches at the 18th hole, then sank a birdie putt to win the South African Open Sunday.

Gronberg's 72-hole total of 14-under-par 274, including a closing 67, beat Zimbabwe's Nick Price, Argentina's Ricardo Gonzalez and South Africa's Darren Fichardt, the third-round leader, by one stroke.

Rain delayed the completion of the round, to the extent that Fichardt had to finish in the gathering gloom.

He was the only player on the course when Gronberg finished with a chance of catching the Swede.

Open

Continued from B1 second set, but rallied back to 3-3, only to see Likhovtseva sweep the last three games. Williams gave Likhovtseva the first of her three match points with a backhand into the net, then dumped another backhand into the net on the final point.

The victory gave Likhovtseva, 24, the first Grand Slam quarterfinal berth of her career.

No. 4 Nicolas Pietrangeli of Germany beat South Africa's Wayne Ferreira 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 Sunday to reach the quarterfinals, joining No. 1 Andre Agassi and No. 3 Pete Sampras, who got there a day earlier.

Defending champion and No. 2 Yevgeny Kafelnikov is scheduled to play tonight against Belgium's Christophe Rochus.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Cops arrest Semholos kicker on bribery accusation

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - Sebastian Janikowski, Florida State's two-time All-American kicker, was arrested at a nightclub early Sunday and accused of attempting to bribe a police officer into releasing his roommate.

The arrest was yet another problem with the law for the championship Florida State team.

Bribery is a third-degree felony but it is up to the state attorney's office to officially charge Janikowski. However, police said he can be charged with greater or lesser offenses.

Janikowski was released from Leon County jail at 7:42 a.m., EST, on \$1,000 bail.

The arrest stems from a dispute at The Grove nightclub, where police Officer Chris Knight was working as an off-duty bouncer. The club told Knight that Janikowski was welcome, but his friends were not, police said. Knight told Janikowski's roommate, Aaron Silverman, to leave.

Police said Janikowski offered \$300 to persuade Knight to let his friend go.

Fatality accident injures Chiefs' LB Thomas

LIBERTY, Mo. - Kansas City Chiefs linebacker Derrick Thomas was hospitalized Sunday after a one-car highway accident that killed a passenger in his car.

Thomas' condition was not immediately known, although there were local media reports he had broken his back. Chiefs spokesman Bob Moore confirmed that another person had died, but could not say who the person was.

A Liberty Hospital spokesman would confirm only that Thomas, 33, had been admitted.

The one-vehicle accident occurred on Interstate 435 in the northern part of Kansas City, Mo., a Missouri State Highway Patrol dispatcher said.

NHL puts Rangers' Stevens in substance abuse program

NEW YORK - New York Rangers forward Kevin Stevens was placed in a substance abuse program Sunday.

Stevens, on indefinite leave from the team, is under the supervision of the substance abuse and behavioral program of the National Hockey League and its players' association.

Dr. Dave Lewis and Dr. Brian Shaw, the program's doctors administering Stevens' care, which includes medical assessment and in-residence treatment.

Stevens, 34, has three goals and five assists in 38 games this season with New York.

SWAC

Top-ranked Bearcats maul Marquette 72-60

MILLWAUKEE - Iermione Tate had 15 points as top-ranked Cincinnati won its 10th straight game, 72-60, over Marquette on Sunday night.

The Bearcats jumped to a 27-point halftime lead but allowed two big runs by the Golden Eagles in the second half. Marquette trailed 58-49 with five minutes to play but couldn't get any closer.

Cincinnati's season-long pattern of quick starts and sloppy finishes continued. With relentless defense and dominating inside play, Cincinnati jumped out to a 23-2 lead after 12 minutes and led 39-12 at halftime, holding Marquette to 4-of-26 shooting.

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SPORTS

No. 2 Tennessee rebounds with 71-65 win over Kentucky

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Michelle Snow had 18 points and seven rebounds as No. 2 Tennessee held off late Kentucky charge to win 71-65 on Sunday.

The Lady Vols (4-1 Southeastern, 14-3 overall) rebounded from their worst-ever SEC loss, a 27-point defeat Monday at No. 7 Georgia. Semeka Randall and Kara Lawson followed with 15 points and Tamika Catchings had 11 for the Lady Vols.

No. 3 Louisiana Tech 85, Western Kentucky 61. BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — Betty Bennett matched her career-high with 11 points and Anyana Walker added 16 points and 12 rebounds as No. 3 Louisiana Tech (4-0 Sun Belt, 13-2 overall) defeated Western Kentucky.

Michigan St. 71, No. 4 Penn St. 63. EAST LANSING, Mich. — Becky Cummings scored 18 points and Kristen Rasmussen had 17 as Michigan State beat Penn State, snapping the Lady Lions' 12-game winning streak.

Texas 81, No. 6 North Carolina State 77. AUSTIN, Texas — Alisha Sear and Edwina Brown each scored 25 points as Texas (12-6) held off No. 6 North Carolina State in the ACC Big 12 Challenge.

Western Kentucky 61, Tennessee 71. Bowling Green 61, Louisiana Tech 85. Kentucky 65, Tennessee 71.

North Carolina State 77, Texas 81. Penn State 63, Michigan State 71.

Florida 63, Georgia Tech 71. Wake Forest 61, Virginia Tech 71.

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NCAA-Top 25

No. 7 Georgia 68, No. 10 Auburn 54.

AUBURN, Ala. — Kelly Miller had 19 points and seven assists to lead No. 7 Georgia to a win over No. 10 Auburn.

The Lady Bulldogs (4-1 Southeastern, 19-2) capped a week that saw them beat No. 2 Tennessee 78-51 on Monday and why Georgia Tech 86-58 on Thursday.

No. 8 Iowa St. 79, North Carolina 67.

AMES, Iowa — Stacy Frese and Megan Taylor each made four 3-pointers and Desiree Francis added 12 points and 12 rebounds, leading No. 8 Iowa State to a victory over North Carolina.

Iowa State (14-2), which won for the 10th straight time, led by 30 with 7.5 minutes left before coach Bill Fennelly cleared his bench and North Carolina (10-8) rallied by pressing the Cyclones' reserves.

No. 13 Illinois 82, Northwestern 65.

EVANSTON, Ill. — Allison Curtin scored 20 points, helping No. 13 Illinois snap a three-game losing skid with a win over Northwestern.

Tajua Catchings added 19 points and Shavonna Howard scored 14 for the Illini (5-3 Big Ten, 15-7). Leslie Schack scored 18 for the Wildcats (6-11, 3-4).

No. 14 LSU 69, Mississippi 59.

BATON ROUGE, La. — Marie Ferdinand matched her career high with 25 points as No. 14 LSU beat Mississippi 69-59 on Sunday, extending its Southeastern Conference winning streak to four games.

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DeTrina White added 13 points and 15 rebounds. Katrina Hibbert had 12 points and April Brown 11 for the Lady Tigers (5-1 SEC, 14-4 overall) over Mississippi (0-4, 11-6) on Sunday.

No. 18 Old Dominion 76, American 51.

WASHINGTON — Lucienne Berthieu had 13 points and 13 rebounds as No. 18 Old Dominion beat American for the 19th consecutive time.

Old Dominion (6-0 Colonial Athletic Association, 13-3) took advantage of 24 Eagles turnovers and 15 offensive rebounds to extend its conference winning streak to 89.

No. 19 Purdue 71, Indiana 65, OT.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Katie Douglas scored 24 points and grabbed 15 rebounds as No. 19 Purdue held off Indiana in overtime.

No. 21 Tulane 84, South Florida 78.

TAMPA, Fla. — Janell Burse scored 19 points and No. 21 Tulane overcame a 17-point second-half deficit to beat South Florida.

Tulane (5-2 Conference USA, 16-2) won its second consecutive game after dropping two straight.

Monica Echeverria had 23 points and Alya Shepard added 19 for South Florida (1-6, 10-8), which has lost seven in a row.

No. 22 Mississippi St. 85, Alabama 65.

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Jennifer Fambrough scored 21 points and LaToya Thomas had 20 as No. 22 Mississippi State snapped a 26-game losing streak to No. 22 Alabama.

The Lady Bulldogs (4-2 Southeastern Conference, 15-2) had not beaten Alabama (1-3, 11-6) since 1981.

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Lady Vandals down Fullerton 72-69

The Times-News MOSCOV — The University of Idaho women's basketball team built a pair of comfortable leads in each half, but had to hold on against Cal State Fullerton, 72-69 on Sunday.

The win lifted the Vandals to 10-7 overall and more importantly improved their record to 3-1 in the Big West Conference. The Titans fell to 2-14 overall and 1-3 in the BWC. Senior All-America candidate All Nieman, the Big West's leading scorer, plus Idaho's 21 points. She also led the team with eight rebounds and seven assists in

33 minutes. "Alli has been our top player all season and that is really showing," said Idaho head coach Hilary Recknor. "When we needed a basket today, she converted."

The score was tied at 36 at the intermission after the Vandals had led by as many as six points in the first half.

Idaho opened the second half, building an eight-point lead at 52-44 by the 12:38 mark.

Fullerton answered with a 14-0 run to take a six-point margin as Heather Cunningham scored six straight points and Kristina Naumovic dropped in five during

that stretch. From that point on, there were seven lead changes and one tie before the Vandals sealed the victory with a long three-pointer from Woolf and a Julie Wynstra jumper.

A Naumovic triple got the Titans within three points late, but a potential game-tying shot was blocked by Darci Pemberton as time expired.

Whitescie and Naumovic led the Titans with 15 points, while Whitescie grabbed 12 rebounds.

In Boise, the Lady Broncos pounded out an 87-77 over Cal State Irvine to tie Idaho atop the conference at 3-1.

Jets will announce Groh as coach

The Times-News Al Groh, one of the more nondescript assistant coaches in the NFL, is about to take over a high-profile job.

The New York Jets are set to announce Groh as their new head coach today. Although he will replace one of the coaching icons of pro football, Bill Parcells, Groh doesn't seem concerned.

"I feel very ready for this if it were to happen," he told the New York Post. "I don't minimize the size of the job. I'm not trying to make it sound as if I would be

taking over at some small high school, but I don't see this as that big a deal."

But it will bring to an end three weeks of uncertainty for the franchise.

Groh, the team's linebackers coach, is a former defensive coordinator under Parcells, and wouldn't deviate much from the approach his boss has taken.

"It's confirmed by the results," Groh told the newspaper from Mobile, Ala., where he was scouting players in the Senior Bowl. "The system of putting a team together, running a team, the

way that he has been spearheaded by Bill is one of the most successful operations in the history of the league."

"To be in three different Super Bowls, to resurrect two programs, with New England and the Jets, obviously it works. And all of us that have been in it feel very confident in implementing it given our own opportunity."

New York already lost another coach, Adam Cuccinelli, when the line coach the past three seasons, accepted an offer Sunday to become the defensive coordinator for the Cleveland Browns.

AmericaOne's Cayard says he has edge

The Times-News HUTCHINSON. "That's not the enemy," he replied with a smile. "It's just a bump on the way to the enemy."

If Hutchinson sounded cocky, he's not alone. Much can be gained by a skipper and crew's beliefs before a big AmericaOne Cup showdown, and the sailors of AmericaOne do not look worried.

Prada is formidable. The two boats raced five times in the three-month-old Cup season; Prada won the first two, AmericaOne the last three. All were decided by a minute or less except for one, when Prada's mast crashed to the deck.

Under race rules, last weekend the teams dropped shrouds that have hidden their hulls and keels, allowing the wind to catch the sails — very similar hull shapes and reasonably similar keels, winged balusters and rigging.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Driver escapes serious injury

JEROME - The driver of a car that rolled over near Jerome, escaped with minor injuries, despite being thrown from the vehicle Sunday afternoon.

Benjamin Brandt of Fort Collins, Colo., 29, was eastbound, driving a 1977 Ford station wagon on Interstate 84, when a rear tire blew at about 1:30 p.m. The blowout forced the car to slide onto the left shoulder, where it rolled over and Brandt was ejected, the Idaho State Police reported.

He suffered back pain and minor cuts and bruises, ISP reported.

Water Users elects officers at meeting

BOISE - The state's largest water user group elected new officers - including two Magic Valley men - at the 62nd annual convention of the Idaho Water Users Association held last week.

Dan Shewmaker of the Twin Falls Canal Company was named First Vice President and Harold Mohlman of Rupert will serve as Second Vice President.

Henry Weick of the Nampa Meridian Irrigation District was named the association's new president. He replaces Terrell Sorenson of the Falls Irrigation District.

The group also adopted a dozen resolutions for the coming year covering a variety of topics ranging from Idaho water sovereignty to endangered species and federal involvement in Idaho water issues.

A number of people also were honored with special awards at the convention.

Buhl well still being repaired, water slow

BUHL - Due to delays in repairing Well No. 5, Buhl residents in the McCollum area will continue to experience low water pressure and volume until Tuesday.

Ketchum planners hold public hearings

KETCHUM - The Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a number of public hearings today to review plans for work on an island in the Big Wood River.

The public hearings schedule follows:

- At 5:35 p.m. consideration of a request to shift lot lines at 220 and 225 Gem Street in the Springs Subdivision and to expand the existing building envelope at 220 Gem Street located in the limited residential and mountain overlay zones.
- At 5:45 p.m. a review of design plans for an accessory dwelling unit at 415 Clubhouse Drive in the Bigwood PUD Subdivision.
- At 5:50 p.m. a proposed zoning ordinance amendment to change the side and rear yard setbacks adjacent to Idaho Highway 75.
- At 6:10 p.m. a proposed zoning ordinance amendment to change the side and rear yard setbacks to the same as the front yard setback when adjacent to Idaho Highway 75.
- At 6:15 p.m. consideration of an application by Thunder Spring-Warehouse LLC to subdivide four buildings within the Thunder Spring Planned United Development.

The Wood River proposal called the Rosenberg/McCaw Stream Alteration, calls for removing a portion of the eastern side of an island within the river channel, about 420 cubic yards above the water line, and removal of 90 cubic yards of the west channel just downstream of Adams Gulch Bridge.

The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. with consideration of alterations of subdivision building design plans.

Red Ribbon Week comes to Murtaugh today

MURTAUGH - Murtaugh School District will celebrate Red Ribbon Week with a number of activities that begin today.

Schools across the country hold Red Ribbon Week to promote drug abuse prevention awareness. "Like Me, Drug Free" will be the theme in Murtaugh.

The Standards, a Twin Falls singing group, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Hulse Gym. There is no admission charge, and the public is invited.

Compiled from staff reports

City considers expanding water treatment

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls city officials could receive the final go-ahead today from the state Division of Environmental Quality to expand the city's wastewater treatment plant.

The DEQ has reviewed the city's plans to expand its wastewater treatment facility and has determined that the project poses no environmental issues, City Engineer Gary Young said.

The City Council, acting on a recommendation from Young

Council meets

The Twin Falls City Council will meet at 5 p.m. tonight at City Hall.

and City Manager Tom Courtney, last week put off approval bids from construction firms interested in working on the project. The council set the bid approval for today instead.

The reason for the postponed decision was to give the DEQ time to review the bids, which range from \$6,090,000 to

\$6,697,000.

"I'm anticipating an approval letter from the DEQ prior to the meeting," Young said.

If a letter does not come, Young said a bid will be recommended for approval anyway. The bid's approval would be contingent on DEQ approval, Young said.

The city's water treatment plant is located in the canyon near the city's pipeline replacement project.

Expansion includes:

- A new blower system.
- Several piping changes.

An addition to the plant's laboratory.

The project's will cost an estimated \$7.4 million. The city will pay for the plant's expansion with an \$8 million state revolving loan.

That project is separate from the city's water system improvement projects. That work includes the addition of several new wells and two new reservoirs south of town and the replacement of more than 2,000 feet of pipeline that connects the city's main spring-fed water source near the Canyon Springs

Golf Course to the city's water plant.

Crews have been working in the canyon since mid-December to replace the deteriorated pipeline. The well and reservoir work was completed in December.

The pipeline replacement work should be done by April 14, project engineers have said.

"It's going great," Young said.

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Marie Wamsley, a Wood River High School teacher's aide, serves Smokey Mountain pizza to freshman Dan Moore. The pizza is one of the new lunch items available at the school.

Wood River students are eating a la carte

By Barb Nelwert
Times-News correspondent

New Items

Now a la carte lunch items at Wood River High School are so popular they're selling out in the first 10 minutes of the lunch period. Students can buy a slice of Smokey Mountain cheese or pepperoni pizza for \$2, a Smokey Mountain salad for \$2, a Subway turkey, veggie or ham sandwich for \$3.50 and a Taco Bell burrito for \$2.

to a minor extent, to show kids that staying on campus isn't a bad thing," said WRHS Parent Teacher Organization Co-Chairwoman Sue Woodyard. "It's not about closing campus."

With the open campus policy, a typical 30-minute lunch period witnesses more than 100 cars filled with three to four students each racing downtown to grab fast food from the delis at local grocery stores.

Concerned with the limited amount of time students had for lunch, parents approached the school district to investigate ways to keep more students on

campus. Gripe interviewed a contract food service company that provides lunch alternatives for high schools in the Idaho Falls area.

"It became very apparent that we could do as much as a contract food company if we just tried it," Gripe said.

Gripe joined forces with the PTO to conduct a survey to find out what kinds of foods students liked and how much they could afford to spend. Parent volunteers staffed the food carts to get the program off the ground. Now a plan is in place for high school organizations to man the carts as fund-raisers.

The school's debate team, which has an expensive and demanding travel schedule, was eager to take on the task and will operate the carts for \$9 per day. The school's National Honor Society, a service organization, will take over for the third trimester.

Sophomores John O. Casey and Thomas Zyga, major pep-peroni fans, have enjoyed the pizza booth since their means of

transportation - Kris Yeats' car - broke down over Christmas. They may be without wheels, but they can enjoy their favorite food without leaving campus.

Gripe was afraid that providing retail food to students would destroy her hot lunch program. Surprisingly, the hot lunch count has remained steady.

A la carte lunch sells between 56 to 64 slices of pizza, 10 to 12 salads, a dozen burritos, and two dozen sandwiches each day, keeping anywhere from 50 to 80 students on campus during the lunch period.

In addition to lunch alternatives, students can buy bagels and cream cheese before school, along with any leftover pizza. Between 100 and 150 bagels are sold each day.

"I really got excited to see the kids are asking for things and we can fill those needs," Gripe said. "I can see it can do nothing but grow."

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New system lets folks dig deeper at the library

By Lorraine Cavener
The Times-News

Help with homework

With LIL-D, the Libraries Linking Idaho Database Project, students now have big city resources through their hometown schools and public libraries via the Internet.

Students will find interesting and readable articles on almost any topic. LIL-D has full-length articles with photographs and drawings from thousands of magazines, newspapers and reference books. Using their library cards, library patrons can log on to LIL-D at home and have access to con-

based information.

David Dick, a frequent user of LIL-D, said he likes using the system because he can find a magazine article he likes and then e-mail it to someone else.

"I saved me having to copy and mail the article," Dick said.

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David Dick uses the LIL-D system at the Burley library as Librarian Julie Woodford looks on. The new computers and software can access periodical and news articles from 20 years ago.

Just a phone call away

Lawmakers are ready for feedback

The Times-News

BOISE - With the delayed legislative session now under way, talking to your legislators is as easy as dialing an 800 number or clicking a mouse.

Here's a rundown of the best ways to reach Magic Valley lawmakers during the session:

Online: The state's home page is located at <http://www2.state.id.us/index.html>. Click on "Legislature" and follow the easy directions from there.

Telephone: 1-800-626-0471. Senators have individual phone lines, but they're a long-distance call from the Magic Valley.

Fax: 208-334-5397.

Email: infocntr@iso.state.id.us. Mail: Address a letter to your legislator at the Idaho State Legislature, State Capitol Building, P.O. Box 83720, Boise. The ZIP code for the Senate is 83720-0081; for the House, it's 83720-0038.

Here's a list of the area's legislators and their committees:

- District 20, Elmore and Owyhee counties
 - Sen. Robbi King, R-Glenns Ferry; Judiciary and Rules (vice chairwoman); Commerce and Human Resources; Health and Welfare. Phone: 332-1339.
 - Rep. Frances Field, R-Grand View; Agricultural Affairs (vice chairwoman); Appropriations; Resources and Conservation.
 - Rep. Sher Sellman, R-Mountain Home; Education; Judiciary, Rules and Administration; Local Government.
- District 21, Blaine, Camas, Lincoln and parts of Elmore and Gooding counties
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Highway safety campaign stalls

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Idaho residents often call U.S. 95 a "goat trail," and the reference isn't one of affection.

The number of fatal accidents on the narrow north-south route through steep terrain has risen in recent years, while efforts to find state money for highway improvements have stalled.

As the budget debates continue, relatives of accident victims wonder why more isn't being done to improve a highway that often leaves no margin for error.

"I've heard it's been called Deadman's Highway for 20 years," said Vicki Treadwell, whose daughter died in a head-on accident last year near the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation town of Worley.

"There's no reason for them to leave it that way."

The highway is a two-lane road through most of its 538-mile route through Idaho, from the Idaho-Canada border to the Oregon-Idaho border southwest of Boise.

Last year, 35 people died on

that stretch of road — its highest toll for the 1990s. Over the decade, 255 people died in 208 fatal collisions on Idaho's portion of the road, which continues south through Oregon to Nevada.

Three people have died in separate accidents on the Idaho stretch of U.S. 95 so far this month.

"From my perspective, the road is basically too narrow and too winding in some sections," said Chuck Winder, chairman of the Idaho Transportation Board.

"You basically have a formula for accidents."

Two legislative proposals for statewide votes on bond issues to fund highway improvements died in the Senate Transportation Committee in 1996 and 1997. A 1998 measure, which would have asked voters to pay for improvements by increasing registration fees on newer cars and trucks, cleared the Senate but failed in the House. A proposal last year to use state gas tax money died in the Senate.

Last year, Congress declared the road a high-priority corridor and proposed setting aside \$1.2 million for improvements, but the funding has yet to receive final approval.

The state Transportation Board has approved \$120 million for 25 projects in northern Idaho — including improvements to U.S. 95 — over the next five years, said Barbara Babic, a state Transportation Department spokeswoman.

Compared with other Idaho roads of similar length and use, U.S. 95 consistently has a higher accident rate per vehicle miles traveled, according to an analysis of computerized accident records kept by the state Transportation Department.

The analysis, conducted by The Spokesman-Review newspaper of Spokane, Wash., also found the accident rate was highest from 1995 to 1998 along a 100-mile stretch from Kootenai County's southern boundary to Bonners Ferry in Boundary County, the state's northernmost county.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

- Today**
CSI Booster Club luncheon, noon to 1 p.m., Taylor cafeteria.
- Tuesday**
GLAB (gays, lesbians and bisexuals), 4 p.m., Taylor 258.
Reptile Review - Mingle in the Jungle, 6 p.m., Herrett Center.
"Where in the Universe is Carmen Sandiego?" 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
"A Geologist's Collection," gems and minerals display, Herrett Center, Browning-Keveren Gallery (Tuesdays-Saturdays through May).
- Wednesday**
Twin Falls School District Gifted and Talented chemistry program, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Evergreen A09.
Quickbooks Pro 99 - An Introduction, 6 to 9 p.m., Evergreen C93.
- Thursday**
South Central Tourism-Recreation Development Association board meeting, 1 to 4
- Friday**
American Association of Medical Assistants certification examination, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Aspen 145.
CSI women's basketball against Dixie College, 5:30 p.m., played in St. George, Utah.
CSI Outdoor Program avalanche awareness workshop, 6 to 10 p.m., Shields 115. Cost is \$25 for CSI affiliated, \$50 for non-affiliated.
"How to Build a Planet," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
CSI Department of Music presents the fifth annual Jazz Summit concert featuring Jim Hair, the CSI Jazz Orchestra and Bobby Shaw, 7 p.m., Fine Arts auditorium. Tickets are \$6 for students, \$8 for adults.
CSI men's basketball against Dixie College, 8 p.m., played in St. George, Utah.
- Saturday**
CSI Outdoor Program
- Sunday**
CSI Outdoor Program open paddling, 6 to 9 p.m., YFCA. Fee is \$4.50, equipment provided.
Magic Valley Bible Church, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Shields 117 and 118.

SERVICES

Lawrence Alfred Hodges of Twin Falls, memorial service at 9 a.m. today at White Mortuary Chapel.

Myrtle R. Jibsof of Fremont, Calif., service at 11 a.m. today at the DeLoe Stake Center (Hansen Mortuary).

Belva May Goddard Mix, formerly of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. today at the Heyburn LDS Chapel. Family and friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church (Hansen Mortuary Burial Chapel).

Almira Lorraine Burt of Rupert, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Albion Cemetery (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Luke Vanderbrink of Twin Falls, graveside memorial rites at 2:30 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

Marjorie "Marge" Ashenbrenner of Twin Falls, prayer vigil with rosary at 7 p.m. today at St. Edward's Catholic Church; memorial funeral Mass at 11 a.m.

Tuesday at the church (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

Valentino "Sparky" Gomez of Burley, graveside service at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Santa Maria, Calif. (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Olive A. Ward-Sweat of Richfield, service at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Richfield LDS Church. Friends may call from 11:30 a.m. until time of the funeral Tuesday at the church (Demary's Shoshone Chapel).

DEATH NOTICES

Audrey M. Price
TWIN FALLS - Audrey M. Price, 73, of Twin Falls, died early Sunday, Jan. 23, 2000, at her home following an extended illness.
Arrangements are pending under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Mary Ellen Pluatz
TWIN FALLS - Mary Ellen Pluatz, 67, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Jan. 23, 2000, at the Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital following a recent illness.
Arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Howard B. Rodman
TWIN FALLS - Howard B. Rodman, 80, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Jan. 23, 2000, at the Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

OBITUARIES

For obituary notes and information, call 734-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

FILER

Steven Borja. Memorial services for Glenda will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday, January 26, 2000, at the Filer Church of the Nazarene, 315 Yakima, Filer, with Rev. John Forster officiating. Concluding the services there will be a Remembrance Gathering Potluck at the Nazarene Church following at 7 p.m. The family suggests memorials be given to the American Cancer Society, C/O Hazel Wilder, 359 Orchialara Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83401.

Glenda Jo Hoobler
Glenda Jo Hoobler, affectionately known as Ms. Glendie, 41, of Filer, died Friday, Jan. 21, 2000, at her home with family at her side from complications while battling lung cancer.

Glenda was born Feb. 22, 1958, in Indianapolis, Indiana, the daughter of Joe T. Borja and Linda L. Ping. She was raised in Guam along with three brothers, Joseph, Richard and Steven, and a sister, Ivotta. She met Charles while he was stationed aboard the USS Proteus AS-19 in June 1960. They were married September 11, 1961, in Sinajagua, Guam, where their sons Brandon C. and Jeremiah L. were born. After Charles retired from the U.S. Navy they moved to the Twin Falls area calling it home.

She was employed at Amalgamated Sugar Co. from August 1995 to June 1999. She worked the outdoors, spending her loved ones, and good company. Survivors include her husband, Charles of 18 1/2 years; their two sons, Brandon and Jeremiah; a son, Zachariah M. Sanderson of California; one brother, ISG Richard (Sophia) Borja of Ft. Stewart, Ga.; sister Ivetta Borja of Mooreville, Ind.; an adopted sister, Nancy Krastine of Spring Valley, Calif.; father Joe T. Borja of Webster, Fla.; and mother and father-in-law, Ed and Carole Gough of Twin Falls. She was preceded in death by her mother Linda Ping and two brothers, Joseph and

Sweat, 82, died Friday, Jan. 21, 2000, at her home.

She was born August 1, 1917, in Haden, later known as Tonia, the daughter of Bryant and Anna Fullum Campbell. She attended school in Tonia and Driggs. During the depression she worked as a housekeeper to help supplement the family income.

On September 19, 1935, Olive married Clifford Ward in the Salt Lake Temple. Their first home was in Tonia where they farmed. In the early years, they lived in Driggs, Ashton and later Rexburg. In 1946 they moved to Richfield. In Richfield, they worked for Nelson Ricks Grocery Co. and in 1972 formed Ward's Cheese. Clifford passed away on March 14, 1989.

In May 1990, she served a family history mission in the Illinois Chicago Mission. On June 10, 1996, she married Eldon Sweat in Richfield.

Olive was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in various ward and stake capacities. She enjoyed gardening and crocheting and was well known for her doll collection. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren were the light of her life.

Surviving are her husband, Eldon of Richfield; three sons, Jay, Dan and Lowell; four daughters, Richfield; two daughters, Sharon Ward Christensen of Provo, Utah; and Joyce Ward of Orem, Utah; six sisters Edna Hanson (Hopkins) and Lela Thomson of Rexburg, Idaho; Ardell Smellie of Tonia; Jarris Vandertoolen and Luenna Orr of Salt Lake; Lorraine Phelps of Bountiful; and two brothers Paul Campbell of Idaho Falls, and Wendell Campbell of Tonia; 24 grandchildren; and 33 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by one brother, Garret M. sister, Valerie; and one grandson, Jared.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Richfield LDS Church with Bishop Lowell Ward officiating. Burial will be in the Richfield Cemetery. Friends may call at the church on Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. until the time of the service. The family suggests memorials may be made to the Richfield Quick Response Unit.

Glenda Jo Hoobler
Like a glimmering light in a vast sea of darkness, your beauty was a beacon of guiding light. Unconditional Love radiated from you like the warmth of the mid-day sun. Warming the deepest reaches of my heart. Peace was found with your embrace. Calming a raging storm that brewed in my soul. When the worries of the day erupted like lightning in the night sky. You brought PEACE, LOVE, AND HAPPINESS for all to share. Baby I love you, be free of your pain, I'll miss you, but I'll be OK with you always. Love you always. Chuck



Olive Almedia Campbell Ward Sweat
Olive Almedia Campbell Ward

ON THE AGENDA

- Today**
Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse.
Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Elmore County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Gooding County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.
Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission 7 p.m., city council chambers.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall.
Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.
Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Tuesday**
Burley Public Library Board of Trustees, 5:30 p.m., library conference room.
Camas County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.
Gooding County Memorial Hospital Board, 7:30 a.m., conference room.
Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Hailey Town Center.
Minidoka County Democratic Party, 8 p.m., courthouse.
Shoshone Planning and Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 8:30 a.m., council chambers, City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Wednesday**
Cassia Regional Medical Center Board, 5 p.m., board room.
Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Heyburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Thursday**
Bellevue City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Friday**
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Idaho vineyard expands operations

SUNNY SLOPE (AP) - Ste. Chapelle Winery needs take care of a simple economic problem: too much demand and not enough supply.

The winery plans to at least triple its complex and expand its vineyards to solve the problem, said Steven Roberto, managing director and wine maker.

That also will mean more community events, lodging and facilities when the expansion takes place in about three years.

"There's a tremendous demand for our products," Roberto said. "Idaho is very hot right now. We are being re-discovered... for our quality and value."

Ste. Chapelle's sales are the strongest in the Pacific Northwest, he said.

The winery has added a square mile of new grapes and will expand that, Roberto wants to produce 200,000 cases per year, up from the approximately 140,000 the additional vineyard acreage will push the percentage of local grapes in the wine to 100 percent from the 90 percent it currently is.

But the expansion plans will do more than increase the volume of wine production.

"We want to expand the concerts and the community activity here at the winery," Roberto said. "We want to have more events and lodging and food."

The new location will run 40,000 to 50,000 square feet compared with the current site at less than 20,000 feet.

Judge sentences former union official

BOISE (AP) - Terry Perez, 42, has been sentenced to six months home detention and a fine of \$900 for embezzling from the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union.

Perez served as president of the union's Local 2-652 in Idaho Falls from Jan. 1993 to Jan. 1997.

The court granted Perez leniency because he accepted responsibility for his crime from the outset of the investigation and paid full restitution of \$16,043 prior to his sentencing.

Chief U.S. District Judge J. Lynn Winnill also placed Perez on probation for three years and prohibited him from serving as a union officer for the next 13 years.

Perez pled guilty last September to filing duplicate claims with Lockheed Martin and the union for the same work.

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Mapes Hotel supporters, from left, Nanna Rassa, Ruth Zopf and Angela Whited all touch the Megabucks machine for luck late Saturday at the Peppermill casino in Reno, Nev.

Taking a gamble on history

Preservationists turn to slots to save historic hotel

RENO, Nev. (AP) — They tried everything else — petitions, protests, lawsuits, even an appeal to the Nevada Supreme Court.

So local preservationists waging an 11-hour battle to save the historic Mapes Hotel decided to do what people do best in the Biggest Little City in the World: gamble.

"They threw caution to the wind and plugged more than \$400 worth of silver dollars into a slot machine to try to win a \$33 million jackpot and buy the vacant hotel-casino the city plans to blow up on Jan. 30.

"It was a true last-ditch effort," said Mercedes de la Garza, a local architect and member of the Truckee Meadows Heritage Trust.

"It was a spontaneous thing," said Toni Harsch, president of the local trust, created two years ago to try to save the Mapes.

"It had been in the news the last few days how large the jackpot was. We had 50 people surrounding us cheering us on," Harsch said Friday. "It was not an act of desperation. Think what a great story it would have been if we hit it?"

The group of about 20 activists won their \$400 back, but they failed to hit the progressive Megabucks jackpot connected to slot machines throughout

Nevada.

They said it was only fitting to give Lady Luck some say over the fate of the Mapes, a 12-story brick, art deco building at the corner of the Truckee River and Reno's main street.

Built in 1947, the Mapes was the first building in the nation constructed specifically to house a hotel, casino and live entertainment under one roof.

During its heyday in the 1950s, entertainers such as Mae West, the Marx Brothers, Sammy Davis Jr. and Ray Bolger performed in its top-floor, window-walled Sky Room with its spectacular views of the Sierra Nevada.

Nanna Rassa, a member of the Truckee Meadows group, said several citizen activists intended to continue the effort independently through the weekend at casinos in Reno.

"We're going to see if we can win Megabucks for the Mapes," she said.

Harsch said the first attempt at the jackpot was fun but that the local organization would have no formal connection to any continuing efforts to gamble their way to victory in an ongoing effort to reverse the City Council's decision to demolish the Mapes on Super Bowl Sunday.

"It is not our way of saving the Mapes," she said Friday, pointing

instead to an ongoing effort to attract a last-minute bid by a developer to rehabilitate the building.

"We are not giving up. There is still time to turn this around if the City Council would be responsive," Harsch said.

The city owns the Mapes. The council voted Sept. 13 to demolish the 12-story building to expand its riverside district of art galleries, restaurants, retail shops and a 12-screen movie theater.

The council has rejected several bids to rehabilitate the Mapes, primarily raising concerns about the financial backing available.

Would \$33 million have changed the City Council's mind?

"That would be very interesting if they actually bid it. It would almost be a dispensation from God," Councilman Dave Rigdon told the Reno Gazette-Journal.

"Let's see once they have cash in hand," Councilwoman Sherrie Doyle said.

Vacant since 1982, the Mapes was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1984. The National Trust listed the Mapes as one of America's most endangered historic buildings in 1998 and has never lost a battle to save a building on that list.

Housing program offers over \$1 million

BOISE (AP) — Affordable housing developers have until mid-February to apply for \$1.35 million in HOME program funds, according to the Idaho Housing and Finance Administration.

HOME funds are distributed in a competitive process to local government, housing authorities and both nonprofit and for-profit

developers. Developers must create non-profit, permanent matching funds that can include cash and land donations to receive HOME funds.

HOME funds can help construct or rehabilitate multifamily housing, create programs that provide home owner assistance or to provide housing

opportunities for limited-income persons with special needs.

The 1999 reauthorization of HOME funds and Housing Tax Credits assisted builders in constructing 682 new rental units. Of those, the Idaho Housing and Finance Association said 611 were set aside for limited-income families.

Library

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"It has amazing potential."

As a financial advisor, Dick said he uses the system often to research many topics, such as long-term health care.

The tool has kept Dick from having to dig through paper archives or sit at microfilm machines, he said. A person can either make a paper printout of an article or save the information on a disk which can be purchased at the library.

"There is a whole host of information," he said. "It is a researcher's dream."

It's like having the information from the library at your fingertips, he said. But instead of digging through stacks of cards, information can be found on LILI-D by typing in a key word.

"It enables you to not only be efficient, but effective," he said.

Having access to this much information can make a person's life easier, Dick said.

"This represents the changing dimension of libraries — from a set body of knowledge to a portal," he said.

But no matter how good of a tool it is, Dick said the LILI-D will never replace books.

"There's nothing better than curling up in front of a fire with a good book," he said.

While the Burley library has the new LILI-D system, the Rupert library also has some new tickets to learning.

The DelMara Memorial Library is working to meet the needs of Rupert's large Hispanic population and will provide other computer opportunities for all library patrons.

The library has applied to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for a grant which would allow the library to get four computers and 32 software programs. Each computer and software package is worth about \$2,700 — for a total of more than \$10,000 in software and computer packages.

Librarian Joan Falkner said she's confident the library will receive the grant.

The foundation is giving the grants to the poorest areas and Rupert qualifies, Falkner said. If the grant is received, the computers will be installed in June.

The software programs include Encarta Encyclopedia, several Spanish language programs and many other software programs to facilitate learning

in the community.

"There is no way the library could afford those programs on its own, Falkner said. She said the library often receives requests from patrons for the programs but does not have the budget for it.

In addition to the Gates Foundation grant, the Rupert Renaissance just received a \$5,000 grant from the Idaho Community Foundation to purchase books, software and videos to help educate the Hispanic community, said Chris Jackson, Rupert Renaissance coordinator.

One of the goals of the library is to become more user-friendly for the Hispanic community, especially children, Jackson said.

The library is trying to increase usage by 25 percent. With the new materials, the library will be able to partner with the Minidoka County School District and the United Methodist Church's after-school Hispanic program.

Times-News staff writer Lorraine Cavener can be reached in Burley at 677-4042 or by e-mail at lcavener@magicvalley.com.

Blaine planners hold public hearing

HAILEY — The Blaine County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on an application to move a building in the Thunder Meadows Subdivision outside an avalanche hazard zone at 1:30 p.m. today at the old county courthouse at 206 First Ave. S.

Valley in brief

Local food banks need to fill empty shelves

TWIN-FALLS — Local food banks are always in need of food donations particularly during the winter months.

There are some places to donate food for the hungry:

- Valley Housing Coalition, 507 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls (734-7736)
- The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls (733-8720)
- Helping Hands Mission, 1250 Miller Ave., Burley (678-9140)
- Frontier Mutual Association Food Bank, 262 E. Ave. A (324-2972)

Those interested in donating food may also call the South Central Community Action Network:

Twin Falls — 734-2307
Jerome — 324-8857
Heyburn — 678-3515

Cassia Sheriff shifts detectives around

BURLEY — In what he called an effort to improve ties between the patrol and detective divisions, Cassia County Sheriff Billy Crystal has shifted some people around.

Two detectives were moved into the patrol division, and two patrol officers were moved to the detective division — they're getting some cross training, Crystal said Sunday afternoon.

Of the two detectives, one had no patrol experience and the other hadn't had one for many years, he said.

"It's in no way a demotion or a disciplinary action," Crystal said.

—Compiled from staff reports

Typical American farmer is older

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — Deloris Stokes said she won't stop farming until he is laid in the earth he plows.

At 80 years old, he's not sure how much longer that will be. But, farming has been his life since he was 15 years old. He raised his family on a farm as he raised turkeys, then grain.

"Everything I've got is invested in the land. I haven't got savings or a 401K," Stokes said.

With the price of land increasing, it is more difficult for a son to buy his father's farm. And with the prices of crops dropping, sons can't even afford to work alongside dad on the farm, Stokes said.

the business just as a sideline or hobby.

He said he expects that as older farmers leave the profession, much private grazing land will be up for sale. Property close to town will fragment into developments and property further away from town will consolidate into mega-farms.

"The young people won't want to hear this, but it looks as though ranchette owners may be our only growing constituency," he said.

Not so for Wayne Gibson in West Weber, Gibson, 62, is expanding and he and his two sons, both in their 20s, run a 400, milking-cow dairy.

Gibson said he doesn't have any plans to retire soon. His dad never did. At 87, the oldest Gibson still visits the five-generation operation often.

As a result, the American farmer is getting older. The average age of the Utah farmer has increased to 58, from 55 in 1987. With no one to replace the aging farmer, the farming landscape will change in the future.

Layne Coppock, a researcher at Utah State University, is predicting a state of "ranchettes" — or 5- to 10-acre homesteads. He began a study to determine how ranchers adopt new ideas and technology.

Instead, he learned that Utah's farmers are about to change hands and size.

Coppock randomly interviewed 10 percent of the grazing livestock producers in the state and found that 37 percent are more than 65 years of age. Twice that many gave age as one reason they were not investing in their property.

In addition, many were planning to sell. Nearly 40 percent of those 65 years of age said they would retire soon. One-third of those who do plan to sell their land to developers.

Coppock found that 62 percent of producers are already in

helping out, Wayne Gibson said he may "slow down." For him, slowing down means working five 12-hour days instead of seven. His 28-year-old son Kerry said that's how it is with the older generation of farmers.

"What they enjoyed was working and seeing the farm working. They don't know how to do anything else."

Kerry and his brother Ron say they are lucky. Each have bought shares in the family farm operation, splitting the business three ways. In order to make the farm support all three of them, Kerry Gibson said, they had no choice but to expand.

"I'm not at the stage in my life where I can move up. I have to find a way to make it pay."

The Gibsons buy more land when they can afford it. They are active in their community and in the Utah Farm Bureau.

Kerry Gibson said there's a future in farming for those who are willing.

"We are looking to the future and most of the farmers think that we're crazy. We might be. The Gibsons are considered foolish because they are expanding during what Stokes calls the greatest depression of commodity prices in the 20th century. And he remembers the Great Depression.

Kerry Gibson said that prices are so low, the family received the lowest milk check they have had in 22 years last week.

Box Elder County agriculture extension agent Lyle Holmgren said it's like having wages cut in half and still trying to make a go of it.

"The ones that will stay in business are getting bigger and bigger and bigger," he said.

Even expansion is becoming difficult.

James Barnhill, extension agent for Weber County, said that in some cases the cost of land has increased to \$30,000 an acre when the maximum a farmer could pay and still break even would be \$2,000.

"It takes such a large investment in some cases the cost of land has increased to \$30,000 an acre when the maximum a farmer could pay and still break even would be \$2,000.

"It takes such a large investment to be a farmer. You see sons are becoming doctors and dentists and business people. They'll keep a little bit of the farm as an heirloom and the rest gets developed.

Wayne Gibson said he cannot fathom a landowner who would not sell to the highest bidder unless selling to family.

"A person over 50 years old will be as much as he can get."

In Weber County coffee shops, the talk is switching from the low price of grain to how much developers will pay for land.

State park might see some quiet days

HEYBURN STATE PARK (AP) — In his resort holiday, this park at the southern tip of Lake Coeur d'Alene played host to plenty of visitors.

Locals and locals dined and danced and college kids from Pullman toasted Idaho's lower drinking age.

Fewer visitors come to the park these days and erosion from nearby hillsides has dumped mud into the shallow "wet park" to last resort, on Bewenach Lake, closed last winter. But now park managers are considering ways to

boost visitor use.

For now, the area where the resort stood will become a picnic area by summer. A 38-unit campground is located nearby, with a 15-day stay limit.

A scattering of mobile homes on park property will stay, too, until their aging septic systems fail. The park may in the future install a long-term trailer court for 30 units. From the Southwest we'd want 1 spot to park and camp over the summer.

Another option to draw visitors at Bewenach is building a road

from the resort parking lot to the St. Joe River across a ridge. But that is probably too costly and environmentally damaging, said park manager Fred Bear.

The Bewenach State Park was created in 1908 out of a section of the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation. A federal judge's decision in 1998 gave the tribe ownership of the lower third of Lake Coeur d'Alene. That decision, however, did not resolve whether the tribe also owns three lake inside the park, including Bewenach.

Fish and Game busy counting animals

BOISE (AP) — Fish and Game biologists remain busy across the state as winter conditions for counting big game have recently improved.

The herds in about one-third of Idaho's 99 hunting units will be surveyed this winter. Manpower, equipment and funding constraints do not allow surveying in all units every year.

However, the department has stepped up aerial surveys since 1998 when big game hunters had to pay more for tags. That money largely paid for

improved surveys.

Fish and Game continues to pursue intensive survey schedules through the winter, said wildlife biologist Jon Richard.

Observations of wintering big game animals are compared with prior surveys of the same areas. Officials will combine the information with hunter harvest data to aid the department in formulating recommendations to the Fish and Game Commission for fall hunting seasons.

Biologists may develop adequate information and analysis

for the commission in the next few weeks. They must complete reports on deer and elk seasons by March.

The public will have this chance to comment on the department's ideas in February before final recommendations are carried to the commission.

Aerial surveys were delayed this winter in most areas of the state because autumn weather continued late into the year. After snow did fall, dense fog and stormy conditions made it impossible for a number of days.

Contact

Continued from B4

Falls: Appropriations; Health and Welfare; Judiciary, Rules and Administration.

District 24, Jerome and Minidoka counties: Rep. Sean Cameron, R-Rupert; Finance (vice chairman); Resources and Environment. Phone: 332-1358.

Rep. John A. "Bert" Stevenson,

R-Rupert: Agricultural Affairs (vice chairman); Resources and Conservation; State Affairs.

Rep. Maxine T. Bell, R-Jerome: Appropriations (vice chairwoman); Agricultural Affairs; Resources and Conservation.

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Falls counties: Rep. Denton Darrington, R-Declu; Judiciary and Rules (chairman); Health and Welfare; State Affairs. Phone: 332-1317.

Rep. Jim D. Kempton, R-Albion: Transportation and Defense (vice chairman); Revenue and Taxation. Phone: 332-1146.

Rep. Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley: House speaker. Phone: 332-1111.

MORNING BREAK

Politicians should study Ghandi's philosophy



WHAT'S WHAT
L.M. Boyd

Lips of the human female are fullest from age 14 through 16, says a medical specialist. Credit: pubertal's estrogen surge.

"You know how you raise your eyebrows to show a questioning countenance? Monkeys do it, too."

Q. What was the name of that town in Mexico where mechanics refurbished old cars imported from all over for resale?

A. "Xalapa" sometimes spelled "Jalapa." About 70 miles northwest of Vera Cruz. Or so goes the report. Some but not all old word tracers agree the town's name gave us our word "jalopy."

Widest roadway in the world is

appears to be growing, there and elsewhere. Our Chief Frynoscicator thinks women by and by will own 75 percent of the U.S. plant nurseries.

Q. I know a girl with no navel. Could she have been born that way?

A. Maybe but not likely. Navels can get in the way of surgery, so surgeons sometimes remove them.

Q. When did Italy's Rome get its first McDonald's?

A. In 1986. Same year Colombian cartels shipped 75 metric tons of cocaine into the

United States - billions of dollars' worth. And more than 60,000 U.S. farms were sold or foreclosed in the rural West and Midwest - billions of dollars' worth. And the first flow of Nintendo video games began - billions of dollars' worth.

Q. What were Mahatma Gandhi's Seven Sins?

A. 1. Wealth without work. 2. Pleasure without conscience. 3. Knowledge without character. 4. Commerce without morality. 5. Science without humanity. 6. Worship without sacrifice. 7. Politics without principle.

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Stand up for principles, Scorpio

IF JANUARY 24 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You have unusual voice, appreciate music, could be associated with sound engineering. Taurus Libra, Scorpio persons play extraordinary roles in your life - could have these letters, initials in names: F, O, X. You are intuitive, fair-minded, will fight when cause is right. Let go of burdens not rightfully your own.

During February emphasis, will be on personality, relationships, marital status. Most memorable month this year - August.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): In answer to your mental inquiry, affirmative. Make new start, stress independence, courage, inventiveness. Leo, Aquarius persons play magnificent roles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Marital status figures prominently, you will be given choice of dinners, companions. It is not always easy to take charge of own fate, you learn that today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Forces tend to be scattered, confusion results if you are stubborn rather than determined. Keep

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omar

recent resolutions concerning exercise, nutrition.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your thoughts concerning personal trainer are constructive - do something about it. Obtain valuable hint from Gemini message. Please take care of yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Be ready for sudden change of plans - Virgo is impatient, takes it out on you. Turn on Leo charm, don't fight unless absolutely necessary. Virgo will apologize.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Study Leo message. Strive for domestic harmony. Lack of patience could be the downfall - be persistent, patient, determined. Change of residence, marital status due.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Others will express amazement at your ability to get in and out of tight spots. Base decisions on facts, not fantasies. Dialogue with Pisces

proves fruitful.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You get results and higher-ups will be impressed. Display fighting spirit without actually getting into fights. Capricorn plays dynamic role.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Look beyond the immediate, predict future concerning yourself, make it come true. Universal outlook important, be familiar with language, habits of those in other lands.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You emit personal magnetism, aura of sensuality, sex appeal. People compete to wine-and-dine you. Maintain emotional equilibrium. Avoid being obsequious.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Food, shelter, romance play major roles. Transform the ordinary into the extraordinary. Member of opposite sex declares, "There is no one else like you."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): With the Moon in Virgo in your Seventh House, questions concerning partnerships, cooperative efforts, marriage will arise. Face the music, answer to best of your ability.

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Good Samaritan gives breath of life to toddler

DEAR ABBY: Around Christmas, my wife, our daughter and son and I visited family in Baltimore. One day we decided to take the children to see Santa at a mall just outside the city. It turned out to be the scariest day of our lives.

Our son is only 14 months old. All of a sudden, he started to shake, his eyes rolled into the back of his head and he stopped breathing. My wife and I went into a panic. I started to give him CPR, but I was completely shaken up.

A lady walked over and said she was a nurse, so I stepped out of her way. By the grace of God, she got him breathing again. The ambulance arrived to take our son to the hospital. When I looked around for the lady, she was MIA. The doctors said my son had had a seizure due to a rapid rise in temperature.

It amazed us that a complete stranger would have the compassion to stop and help us. That nurse saved our son's life, and we are deeply grateful for her help. Life would be unbearable without him. We feel terrible that we weren't able to properly express our gratitude to our son's guardian angel.

- MELVIN AND JENNIFER

DEAR MELVIN AND JENNIFER: Your close call highlights the importance of parents knowing how to perform CPR and, if they have forgotten how to do it correctly, signing up for a refresher course. The Red Cross and the American Heart Association offer CPR courses,



DEAR ABBY
Abby Cadabby

and they're as near as the telephone.

P.S. If the Good Samaritan who helped your son is a Dear Abby reader, you will have delivered your message of thanks today. I'm keeping my fingers crossed.

Bad weather breaks water pipes, furnace

GREENWICH, Conn. - The bitter cold sweeping the Northeast is freezing pipes and making life miserable for many, including Phylcia and Ahmad Rashad. The Greenwich home of the actress and sportscaster was damaged early Thursday after a water pipe froze and burst, flooding much of their house. Also in Greenwich, New York Knicks guard Allan Houston and his wife, Tamara, were forced to evacuate Friday morning when a faulty furnace started spewing carbon monoxide, said fire officials.

Schumacher begins filming
CAMP BLANDING, Fla. - Hollywood is returning to Camp Blanding in northern Florida for another military thriller. Director Joel Schumacher said Friday he will begin filming "Tigerland" at a National Guard training center at the end of the month.

"Tigerland" is the story of six draftees in their final weeks of basic training at a Louisiana boot camp.

- compiled from wire reports

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