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# Freezing storm ices Super Bowl practices, roads

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — An icy rainstorm locked up traffic Saturday, forcing the Super Bowl teams to change their schedules and leaving many fans ordering room service rather than enjoying the town.

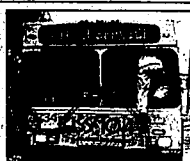
The St. Louis Rams canceled a Saturday practice session, heeding the advice of state troopers who said the highways between the team's hotel and the Georgia Dome were too treacherous to navigate.

The Tennessee Titans decided against driving to the Georgia Dome, too, opting instead for an outdoor tent to review their plays.

"When you've lived in Philadelphia as long as I have, I don't panic quite as much," said Rams coach Dick Vermeil. But lots of people in Atlanta do.

Hundreds of crashes littered the city's slick streets and police advised against driving. A 47-car pileup tied up interstate traffic, and thousands of football fans trying to escape their hotel rooms had trouble finding taxis.

Brian Butchart climbs into his bus to prepare it for towing after it slid on icy roads Saturday in Atlanta.



### Super Bowl Sunday

It's finally here. Now what? Turn to Sports Section C, for a comprehensive guide to watching and enjoying today's big game.

- Get acquainted ... reading features on today's personalities
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# GROOVIN'

## Teen jazz musicians learn tricks of the trade

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Play with confidence. That was professional saxophonist Brent Jensen's advice to more than 20 teen-age musicians at his Saturday afternoon jazz improvisation workshop.

"It's a language," Jensen told his attentive, young audience. "That's what I say when I'm talking about jazz improvisation. Play with confidence, not apologetically."

Kristin Korb, her towering standing bass in hand, echoed Jensen's thoughts. "The thing is not so much what you play, but how you play it," she said, the aspiring jazz musicians tapping their feet in time with her resonating bass lines.

The two veteran musicians were giving some helpful pointers to the group of music students in one of the many jazz and blues workshops at the 5th Annual College of Southern Idaho Jazz Summit on Saturday.

More than 600 musicians from junior and senior high schools in southern Idaho and the neighboring states of Utah and Washington participated in the two day event — which included workshops, demonstrations and jazz concerts.

"This is really all about knowledge," Jensen said, as he busily cleaned the reed of his polished brass saxophone after his midday workshop. "It's really important because it's non-competitive. The bigger festivals become more like sporting events. But this gets the kids thinking that music is something they can do the rest of their lives, maybe not vocationally, but something as fun."

Several musicians who attended Jensen's jazz workshop agreed that the summit and its workshops were a rewarding experience.

"What was really great was, as they were playing, for them to give us pointers right there on the spot," said Claire McKenna, a 16-year-old music student from Meadowdale High School in Washington. "They were definitely see JAZZ, Page A2



Musicians from Meadowdale High School in Lynnwood, Wash., warm up their instruments after the long bus ride to the Jazz Summit Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho. Some 28 school bands from the region participated in the two-day event.

# Pigs and politics

For even pro-ag lawmakers, hogs could prove to be a different animal

By Michael J. Jumea  
Times-News writer

BOISE — Idaho's debate over regulating pork and poultry industries seems unlikely for a Republican-dominated Legislature.

Regulating any business is not an idea any GOP member takes lightly.

But the debate doesn't hinge on whether the state should regulate confined animal feeding operations, but on how much the state should regulate them.

Eviscerating television images of bloated pigs floating in the swollen rivers of the Carolinas after hurricanes blew along the East Coast last summer, and fearing an environmental nightmare when a short-lived operation pulls out, most Magic Valley legislators bristle at the idea of huge industrial pig plants moving into their respective districts.

Lawmakers are concerned, even though many come to the issue from an agricultural background.

"There are some who say large pig farms should not be allowed in this state," said House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum. "But if they are going to be here, they say they must be heavily regulated."

To that end, many legislators believe the Division of Environmental Quality's temporary rules for pig and poultry superfarms will zip through both houses, and become law. But more measures are needed to guard the Idaho environment and lifestyle, some lawmakers say.

"In my opinion, they're not strong enough," House Speaker Bruce Newcomb said of the DEQ rules.

But Newcomb, R-Burley, admitted that he had not seriously talked to his constituents about the matter yet. He said many are likely to favor less strict regulations, because large livestock operations would pay heavy property taxes, easing the tax burden for everyone else.

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# Thousands hail arrival of 'Shovels of Solidarity' in Elko

By Karen Terrell  
Times-News correspondent

ELKO, Nev. — Several thousand people lined the streets of Elko Saturday afternoon to cheer the arrival of the Shovels of Solidarity (SOS) caravan from Montana.

The Montana entourage hauling an estimated 10,000 shovels from throughout the West was joined by a large number of supporters of the Jarbidge Rebellion to form a parade stretching out nearly seven miles.

### The controversy

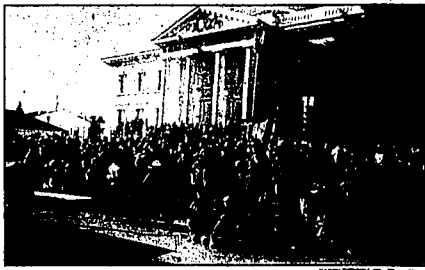
South Canyon Road, located at the entrance to the Jarbidge Wilderness Area, has been the subject of controversy since 1995 when flood waters made a bridge over the Jarbidge River inaccessible. Elko County commissioners have attempted to reopen the road leading to campgrounds, but have met with opposition from the federal government which in 1998 listed the bull trout in the Jarbidge River a "threatened species."

John Ellison, one of the parade organizers, said nearly every western state was represented in the parade and many of the vehicles were carrying shovels for the July 4 reopening of the South

Canyon Road. While a final shovel count has not been made, he said the tally will be well over the 10,000-shovel goal set by the SOS group.

Eureka, Mont., sawmill owner Jim Hurst started the shovel crusade last December after reading about the controversial closure of South Canyon Road. Once word got out about his idea of sending shovels to Elko County, the movement "took on a life of its own" with support coming in from all parts of the country. Hurst said people, especially westerners, want to protect the lands and keep them open for everyone to enjoy.

"The roadless issue is having a definite impact on all of us," Hurst said. Please see SHOVELS, Page A2



About a thousand people cheered from the Elko County Courthouse steps and lawn as truckloads of shovels paraded past them Saturday afternoon.



# Free scholar returns to America from China

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A college librarian who spent nearly six months in China for smuggling state secrets returned to the United States on Saturday. During the past 30 years, I never cried, but last night I cried all night," said Song Yongyi, looking tired but smiling broadly as he arrived at Philadelphia International Airport.

Song was detained in August and later charged under China's vague secrets law. He had been collecting newspapers and documents concerning the Cultural Revolution, the period from 1966 to 1976 when Mao Tse-Tung unleashed a wave of violence against opponents and a million people were killed.

He moved to the United States in 1989, earned master's degrees in Chinese literature and library science and has worked at Dickinson College since 1997. He has written articles and a book in Chinese on the Cultural Revolution.

Song received the unexpected news that he was being released on Friday. He praised his wife, Helen Yao, for helping organize a campaign among academics for his release. Though Song said the items he collected had all been published, he was accused by the Chinese Foreign Ministry of "purchasing or illegally supply-



Song Yongyi hugs his wife, Helen Yao, after his arrival in Philadelphia International Airport Saturday.

ing intelligence" to people outside China.

China's ambassador to the United States, Li Zhao Xing, said Friday that Song was released as a show of leniency after he "admitted all the facts related to his criminal activities ... and also voluntarily revealed evidence against illegal activities of others."

Song said he admitted nothing.

"In China we have a saying that the small officer gives small lie, bigger officer gives bigger lie and the state department gives the biggest lie. In my case, it's exactly true," he said.

He said he was tormented but not physically abused during his detention. "They didn't touch me physically, but I should say they mentally touched me. It is very

rutless," he said. "For instance, they not only arrested me, at the same time they arrested my wife. My wife knows nothing about my project. She is an artist."

Yao had been detained with her husband on Aug. 7, but was released in November.

"Every time they question me, they always say, 'Your wife said such and such, your wife identified such,'" Song said. "So I take them seriously. I say, 'I believe this is not true, bring my wife in.' Then they suddenly say, 'OK, we'll move to the next topic.'"

Song, who suffers from colon cancer, said the Chinese denied his requests to see a doctor. He planned to arrange a physical examination on his return home.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Penn., who has introduced a bill to grant Song U.S. citizenship, said he thought the release was an effort to smooth U.S.-Chinese relations. China would like Congress to stop reviewing its low-tariff trading privileges annually and grant the rights permanently as part of a deal to join the World Trade Organization.

"China's record has not been good on human rights," Specter said. "If China wants to be a respected member of the community of nations, they have to respect human rights."

# Judge refuses to stop new dietary guidelines' release

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nutrition experts who are revising the government's dietary guidelines should release their recommendations in the next few weeks despite a lawsuit that contends they are biased because of ties to the meat and dairy industries.

Groups representing vegetarians and racial minorities say that the 11-member advisory committee working on the revision should have included at least one representative of people who use federal nutrition programs.

But U.S. District Judge James Robertson on Friday declined their request to block the recommendations from being released. He noted during a hearing that the committee's proposed revision was unlikely to include any major changes from the current version.

The committee's work must be approved by the departments of Agriculture and Health and Human Services. The departments are expected to take public comment on the proposed revision for 60 days before deciding whether to approve it.


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# Administration proposes subsidies

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is proposing new farm subsidies that would take effect when commodity prices are low.

The "supplemental income" payments, estimated to cost taxpayers \$3.1 billion this year, would vary in size according to the fluctuations in crop revenue. They are meant to substitute for emergency subsidies that Congress has made the past two years to compensate growers for a collapse in exports and commodity prices.

"Payments will increase when times are the toughest and will taper off when prices rebound," Clinton said in a conference call Friday with farm broadcast.

The administration's proposal, which is similar to an idea

offered last year by Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas, is certain to run into opposition from many producers and lawmakers because of the limits on the payments.

The payments would be pegged to the average gross income nationally over the past five years for eight major crops — corn, wheat, cotton, rice, soybeans, sorghum, oats and barley — and would be capped at \$30,000 per operation. Most farmers would get far less than that because their annual "market-transition" payments, the fixed subsidies they receive under the 1996 law, would count toward the \$30,000 limit.

Some 1.3 million farmers currently receive market transition payments, and 200,000 get at least \$10,000 a year. Of those,

30,000 receive more than \$30,000.

"The size of an operation doesn't necessarily limit the difficulty that anybody has financially," said Dick Newpher, chief lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation, the nation's largest farm group. "We would like to help all of agriculture."

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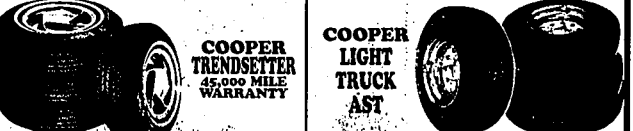
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NATION

# Dreams come, go with N.H. vote

For some, Tuesday could be the end of their candidacy

By Ron Foulmer  
The Associated Press

EXETER, N.H. — With 800 people packed into a school gymnasium to hear him speak, and a handful more braving subfreezing weather to shake his hand, John McCain soaked up the scene and said, "This is the highlight of my political life."

These are dreamy days for the men who want to be president. But there is anxiety, too. For some, the verdict of the notoriously fickle New Hampshire voters will spell the end of their candidacies — or signal the beginning of the end.

McCain's outcome is critical. Unlike national front-runner George W. Bush, McCain cannot afford to lose Tuesday's primary.

If Bush puts McCain away in New Hampshire, the Arizona senator may look back at Friday's jam-packed town hall meeting and realize, sadly, that it was indeed the highlight.

"The stakes are highest for McCain," said state GOP chairman Steve Duprey. "But every candidate has something to accomplish before leaving New Hampshire."

The front-runners must avoid lengthy nomination fights. The top challengers must strike quickly. The also-rans must catapult themselves into the first tier.

Steve Forbes, the millionaire conservative paying for his own campaign; finished a solid second in Iowa's caucuses, where McCain did not compete. After billing New Hampshire as a three-way race, Forbes needs to finish second or a close third for a decent return on his steep investment.

"The only poll that counts is on Tuesday," Forbes said Saturday at a Manchester diner as McCain and Bush led in voter surveys. "I would think that given what has happened so far this year, you would look at polls with a bit of a skeptical eye."

Dreaming big, he added, "I'm in through November, and then I'll be taking the oath of office."

On the Democratic side, Vice President Al Gore rocked rival Bill Bradley in Iowa's caucuses and could virtually end his threat



Presidential candidate Sen. John McCain of Arizona looks for his credit card while his wife, Cindy, gives him to Debbie Wamsley of 'The Village Quilter.' The couple bought a quilt Saturday in Wamsley's Chester, N.H., store.



Former President George Bush joins his son, Texas Gov. George W. Bush, at a campaign stop Saturday in Milford, N.H. Bush's mother and other family members also attended.

with another big victory Tuesday. Party leaders might start calling for Bradley to step aside, allowing Gore to save his resources for the general election fight.

The former New Jersey senator, however, shows no sign of quitting; tracking polls suggest he may have stopped his slide in

New Hampshire; he has enough money to compete beyond the state; and he already has scratched out a travel schedule through March 7, when a series of primaries are scheduled from New York to California.

"You go into a different kind of campaign. It's a national cam-

paign at that point," Bradley said.

Democrats have no delegate-awarding contests between New Hampshire and March 7, giving Tuesday's winner five weeks to build momentum and a sense of inevitability.

Inevitability has been Bush's greatest political asset on the Republican side, with many of his supporters backing him because he seems the most likely to succeed in November. Losing New Hampshire would suddenly make him vulnerable, especially if he lost by more than a few percentage points.

Yet Bush would still be the best-financed and best-organized candidate. "I'm in it for the long pull," Bush said Friday. Win or lose, "I will survive."

McCain can't say the same thing.

A significant defeat would strangle his candidacy in New Hampshire. A narrow loss would give him a moral victory, and he would likely compete in the Feb. 19 South Carolina primary.

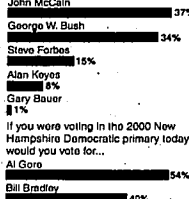
But that state favors Bush, as does follow-up contests in Michigan and Virginia. Even in his home state of Arizona, it's a close McCain-Bush race. Those hurdles would be all but insur-

## N.H. opinions

Recent polls of New Hampshire voters show Al Gore is ahead, and the GOP race is close. Here is a look at the poll results.

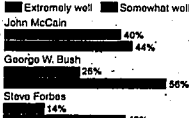
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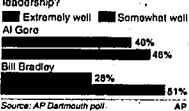


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How well does the following Republican candidate provide strong leadership?



How well does the following Democratic candidate provide strong leadership?



Source: AP Dartmouth poll

mountable unless New Hampshire weakens Bush.

"You have to win a primary to win the nomination," McCain strategist Mike Murphy said.

For lower-tier Republicans, staying in the race is a victory of sorts. Alan Keyes finished a distant third in Iowa, but did well enough to chase Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah from the race. That may have been Keyes' high point.

Social conservatives are not much of a force in New Hampshire, and he doesn't have the money to compete in coast-to-coast primaries.

Conservative activist Gary Bauer nearly dropped out after losing to Keyes, but decided to give it another week. The prospect of failure was hard to shake.

## Bradley's heart goes thump again

DUBLIN, N.H. (AP) — Bill Bradley was again answering questions about his health after experiencing another episode of irregular heartbeats in recent days, the fifth in a month.

Bradley said the episode, which he said occurred last Sunday or Monday, did not require a doctor's attention.

The Democratic presidential candidate sought to downplay the episode, and hadn't told staff about it until Friday, when reporters inquired. The candidate has a non-life threatening heart condition that periodically causes his heart to go out of rhythm.

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# Gore says he's become more pro-choice

MILFORD, N.H. (AP) — Vice President Al Gore retracted his 13-year-old statement equating abortion to "the taking of a human life" as he scrambled Saturday to keep the issue, a traditional stumbling block for Republicans, from tripping him up against Democrat Bill Bradley.

"Yes, my position has changed," Gore said. "I strongly support a woman's right to choose and it (Bradley) disputes that, then he is making a mistake."

Bradley began airing a new television ad in the state Saturday in which the former New Jersey senator calls himself the only presidential candidate who "has been pro-choice for everyone all the time."

Campaigning in Manchester, Bradley said, "I was pro-choice from the day I entered politics ... It's not an issue you can dance around."

To try and settle the bedrock question for many Democratic women, Gore indulged several reporters' questions as, coffee in hand, he walked through Milford's town square.

Gore, who represented Tennessee in the House from 1977-85 and the Senate from 1985-93, was asked whether he still



believes that abortion — in the questioner's words — "is the taking of a human life."

Obviously prepared, Gore was quick to recall that he had qualified the statement at the time. "I didn't write that. I didn't use the word 'humanly' and yes, my position has changed," Gore acknowledged.

Indeed, in a 1987 letter to a constituent, Gore wrote that abortion "is arguably the taking of a human life." In any event, Gore added that he "would not use that phrasing today."

Gore said the only abortion matter with which he had wrestled was whether public money should help pay for abortions for

poor women — the Medicaid funding for abortions he says he now supports. "I've always supported keeping abortion legal and I've always been attacked by the anti-choice groups for that position since the beginning of my career," Gore said.

In fact, the National Right to Life Committee gave Gore an 84 percent approval rating for anti-abortion votes he cast while in the House.

By contrast, the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League rated Gore's House career decidedly "anti-choice."

Among the 30 votes the group scored against Gore was his "yes" in 1984 to define the word "person" under four existing civil

rights laws to include "unborn children from the moment of conception." The organization characterized that as a move toward an "all out prohibition on abortion."

Nancy Greaney, a Gore supporter and former teacher from Bedford, was surprised to learn of Gore's record but said, "I'd never held it against him."

"I think people's opinions and beliefs evolve," Greaney said. Ellie Bosman, an undecided Democrat who shook hands with Gore in the Milford square Saturday, was conflicted about reports of Gore's abortion record.

"I don't think it's a crime to change your mind, but I wish more politicians would admit they changed their minds," the retired teacher said.

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# Judge orders changes to Megan's Law

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) - A federal judge has ordered New Jersey to rework its landmark sexual offender notification statute, warning that Megan's Law could be shut down for the first time.

U.S. District Judge Joseph Irenas said New Jersey has failed to implement consistent standards of how notifications are conducted. He wants tighter controls on who gets the information.

He ordered state Attorney General John Farmer to rewrite the law and issued an order to halt all sex offender notifications, but he agreed to delay its implementation to give Farmer a chance to appeal.

The ruling - in response to a class action lawsuit filed by the state Public Defender's Office - was handed down late Monday and disclosed Wednesday.

The law, named for a girl raped and killed by a released convict who lived in her neighborhood, instructs prosecutors to notify people whose sex offenders classified as a moderate or high risk move into their communities. The law demands carefully written notification plans for each case that map out which people on which blocks would be informed. The plans must be approved by a judge.

Public defenders say too many people outside the law's limits can learn about an offender's past. In one case, the notification was given to a newspaper. In another, a school employee handed out the notification to students.

All 50 states have some type of sexual offender law modified after the New Jersey law, but many have come under fire.

# Pigs

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"It's easy to make a decision in the abstract," Newcomb said. "But it's a different story when you look at what the costs really are."

Some legislators say the DEQ's regulations wouldn't go far enough, but the pork industry says the plan is excessive.

According to the language in the rules, only two Idaho hog farms are large enough to require state inspections, the Idaho Pork Producers Association says. In a news release last week, the association questioned what it calls the "significant cost" of hiring inspectors for DEQ.

The association also says the state's current mix of regulating different sectors of the industry, a job shared by the DEQ and the Department of Agriculture, is costly and confusing. Its proposed solution: the state should adopt federal standards enforced by one agency.

"Unless the state has a unified approach to regulation and inspection within one department on all species, the potential for mass confusion exists even within state and federal departments," the association's statement said.

Typically, state legislators are reluctant to defer to federal standards, preferring local solutions.

But local solutions aren't necessarily simple solutions. Cassia County commissioners are debating the merits of a large pork farm that has been proposed for the eastern portion of the county. Commissioners have imposed moratoriums on such operations - a move that drew fire from Burley city officials Friday. County officials, fearing getting in over their heads, want to wait for more information about the operations' impact on the surrounding

# Facing the Issue

## What's on the agenda?

At the Legislature's request, the state Division of Environmental Quality in November 1999 set a number of temporary rules regulating swine and poultry confined animal feeding operations. Those rules require approval from the 2000 Legislature. But many key legislators don't think the regulations go far enough to protect the quality of life in communities. Therefore, the Legislature is considering a number of bills to enhance the DEQ rules.

## What does the state want?

The DEQ regulations would set requirements to construct, operate, close or expand swine and poultry facilities. The rules are designed to ensure animal waste is properly controlled, so it does not adversely affect public health or the environment.

Here's a summary:

- No swine or poultry CAFO can be built, operated or expanded without the proper permit from DEQ's director.
- New CAFOs must have a one-time capacity of 2,000 animal units. For swine facilities an animal unit is 2.5 pigs each weighing more than 55 pounds, or 10 weaned pigs each weighing under 55 pounds. Poultry facilities measure an animal unit as 100 animals.
- Operations built one year before the rules are adopted are exempt.

## How will the state check on operators?

A CAFO operator will have to submit the following

paperwork:

- The legal structure of the company - including names and addresses of all directors, officers, registered agents and partners.
- The names and locations of all swine and poultry facilities the applicant has owned or operated within the last 10 years.
- Evidence of a valid and adequate water right, or a copy of an application filed with the Department of Water Resources to acquire the needed water.
- Legally valid proof that an operator can meet conditions and costs required to close the facility.
- Construction Plans, including detailed maps of the facility's layout, including applicable 100-year flood zones; the location of all structures within a two-mile radius; and all private and public water sources (wells, irrigation and drainage structures, wetlands, springs, lakes and reservoirs) within a one-mile radius.
- Facility construction specifications.
- Site characterization for the CAFO and any land application sites owned or operated by the applicant.
- A certified planner's report demonstrating compliance with the Nutrient Management Standard for land application of waste.
- A plan describing procedures for final closure of the facility that ensures no adverse impacts to the environment. The plan must include the estimated length of operation of the facility.

## What else does the state want?

- Existing operators cannot increase a facility's capacity by more than 10 percent or more without a

DEQ permit.

- Strict water quality standards: adherence to national standards for animal waste management; vector quality monitoring; construction designed to prevent unauthorized spillage; contingency plans; and the construction of animal waste stockpile areas to restrict runoff.

## What do local legislators want?

- A bill drafted by Sen. Denton Darrington, R-DeLo, would allow the formation of a committee of state and local officials to explore the effects of any proposed large CAFO projects. By giving local officials access to state agency expertise on ground water and air contamination and animal waste management, Darrington hopes to give local officials the tools to make wise decisions on a very complicated matter.
- A bill drafted by Sen. Clint Stenewit, D-Ketchum, and Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, and a similar bill being drafted by House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, would require CAFO operators to provide proof of financial solvency to complete construction of a proposed facility. This is designed to prevent speculators from trying their hand at the business. The bill would require the operator to purchase a bond covering the cost of cleanup when an operation closes.
- A bill drafted by Senate Assistant Majority Leader John Sandy, R-Hagerman, would limit an operation to the number of animals specified on a county conditional-use permit. The bill would outlaw under spillage of animal waste on roadways, and require livestock operators to comply with Idaho Department of Water Resources guidelines before acquiring a Department of Agriculture operating permit.

communities and environment.

Sen. Denton Darrington, R-DeLo, said the Legislature is doing everything it can to allow the counties and the DEQ's rules to deal with the situation.

"We don't want to interfere with the rules or the counties' authority on issuing special use permits," Darrington said. The special-use permit is the county's final approval of a project.

"Our only purpose is to assist counties and help them determine what they want," said Darrington.

With the DEQ's extensive temporary rules likely to become law, other bills are being written to fill in the gaps. In order to

doavetail the efforts and sort out a direction for the Legislature.

The House's Environmental Affairs and Health and Welfare committees have scheduled a meeting for Wednesday. A committee of senators will also attend the meeting.

One concern is committee jurisdiction.

"Right now there is an argument about exactly where these things should be heard," Jaquet said.

But legislators agree something has to be done to accommodate economic growth and environmental concerns.

"Adopting the rules is a step," said a Senate Assistant Majority John Sandy, R-Hagerman. "But

we will have to go further."

Working with large dairies is one thing, but huge hog farms are a completely different issue, Sandy said.

"A hog farm has the potential

to become a Superfund site."

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# Clinton urges nation to 'stay the course' on economic policies

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton urged the nation Saturday to remain on the course his administration has set, policies that he said led America from deep budget deficits to "unimagined economic strength."

In his weekly radio address, Clinton underscored the message from Thursday night's 89-minute State of the Union message and said the United States has arrived at a pivotal moment where it is possible to "shape the future of our dreams for our children."

Clinton, who has one year left of his second four-year term, said he will meet with Republican and Democratic House and Senate leaders Tuesday at the White House "to discuss how we can move forward together."

"Now is not the time to change course," Clinton said.

"If we will stay this course, we can pay the country's debt off for the first time since 1835."

Republicans, portraying the president as a wasteful big spender, said they will reject his new budget, write their own and carve an attention-getting tax cut out of the budget surpluses economists now project for the next decade and more. The Congressional Budget Office has set the figure at \$1.9 trillion by 2010.

"President Clinton has already figured out how to spend most of that money for new government spending programs, and that's before the ink's even dry on his big-spending State of the Union speech," Rep. Jim Nussle, R-Iowa, said in the weekly Republican response to the president's radio talk.

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Roving evangelist 'What's Your Name?' gains flock

HAZLETON, Pa. (AP) - He appeared out of the blue back in October, clad only in a dirty white robe as he walked barefoot along the two-lane highway into this struggling, former coal town.

Folks pointed at first as the man with the shoulder-length hair and krumpholtz beard preached to whoever would listen. Before long, though, many in this largely Roman Catholic community were embracing him as a holy man.

With hundreds of people gathering in fire halls, gymnasiums and open fields to listen to the stranger, his presence has some worried that the community has opened its hearts and homes too readily to someone they know little about.

But his supporters, fervent in their devotion, say they know all they need to know: The soft-spoken nomad is a messenger of God.

"I would walk through fire for him," said Connie Muir, a Roman Catholic who took him in to live with her family when it became too cold to sleep outside.

"He's blessed by the Holy Spirit. People's hearts are really changed after they've heard him."

Though he has preached for up



A congregation listens as Carl J. Joseph, also known as 'What's Your Name?', speaks during a visit to a hall in Mahanoy City, Pa., Jan. 16. 'What's Your Name?' has been preaching in the Hazleton, Pa., area since October.

to six hours at a stretch, he is a man of few words when it comes to himself.

In interviews, he would not divulge his birthplace or background, saying it would detract from his message. The robe and messianic appearance, he says, bring attention to his ministry and make him more approachable.

When anyone asks his name, he

replies "What's Your Name?" He says it is part of a Hebrew tradition to not reveal one's name to a person until you become their friend, and it is what the locals now call him.

Police checked his background and found nothing of concern. He was arrested in Greenfield, Ohio, in August after he refused to stop preaching to a crowd that became

unruly when police tried to break up the gathering.

He was identified in a police affidavit as Carl J. Joseph, 39.

The disorderly conduct charge was dismissed, and Hazleton police said they have yet to receive any complaints about Joseph.

He says his nine-year trek has brought him to 47 states and 13 countries. But never has he

remained in one place for so long before.

"People here have been wonderful. There's such a great need for spirituality today," he said.

"People feel desolate because they have gotten away from God and his church."

Hazleton - population 23,000 - and other towns in the region have gone through troubled times since

the coal industry went bust decades ago. Boarded-up storefronts line the east side of Pennsylvania city's main thoroughfare, and the unemployment rate for Luzerne County hovers around 6 percent.

"Lots of people around here are hurting, and this guy is the only sign of hope some of them have seen in a long time," said resident Robert Clark. "It worries me because people are putting all this stock in a guy who, to me, seems like he's got a screw loose."

Joseph has spoken to as many as 2,000 people at one gathering in Hazleton, and it is not uncommon to see several dozen people standing in a field at 2 a.m. listening to him preach.

Sam Lesante, host of a local cable program, has had him on his show four times - once for a three-hour call-in special.

"For three solid hours the phones were continuously lit up - they just rang and rang and rang," Lesante said.

His burgeoning popularity, as well as the nearly unrestricted access he has been given in local Catholic schools and hospitals, is causing some worry.

"Carl has always been welcome here to pray with us," said Monsignor Michael J. Delaney, pastor of St. Gabriel's Church in Hazleton. "The unusual element of his ministry was a concern. Being it's unusual, we also know we have to be both welcoming and cautious - but we wish him well in his efforts."

Lawmaker says Elian wants to stay here

MIAMI (AP) - About 200 chanting, flag-waving protesters marched in front of INS headquarters Saturday, demanding that 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez be sent home to his father in Cuba.

But Rep. Dan Burton, whose congressional maneuvering to keep Elian in the United States has infuriated the boy's father, said Saturday that the 6-year-old told him he doesn't want to go back.

"He's a very intelligent young man and I was able to ask him without any coaching a couple of questions," the Indiana Republican said after meeting for 30 minutes with Elian at the home where the boy is staying with relatives.

"The first question I asked him is how did he like living here and he said he liked it very much as he was blowing bubbles. And then I said 'Would you like to go back to Cuba?' And he was very firm in saying 'No' and this without any coaching."

Elian has been the subject of debate since he found clinging to an inner tube Nov. 25 off the Florida coast. His mother and 10 others traveling with him drowned in an effort to leave Cuba.

Elian's grandmothers were expected to continue a tour of the United States, where they have been campaigning for Elian's return. Cuba's Prensa Latina news agency said.

In Miami, the protesters at the Immigration and Naturalization

Service office yelled "Send Elian Home" as a small plane towing a banner with the same slogan passed overhead.

Cuban-Americans among the group said they wanted to show that not all Cuban-Americans want Elian to remain here. They said the 6-year-old had been kidnapped

and should be returned to his father.

"Every child needs a father, and a mother," said Juan Morales, a Cuban who has lived in the United States for eight years.

"If the mother dies, the person directly responsible is the father and not the uncle and not the United States."

Andres Gomez, national coordinator of the Antonio Maceo Brigade, a group that organized the protest and advocates normalizing relations with Cuba, said the demonstrators have a noble purpose.

"We are coming together in this case in defense of the most fundamental rights of a human being, which are the rights of a child," he said.

Later Saturday, the anti-Castro Democracy Movement, a group which wants Elian to stay put, launched a flotilla of about 20 boats to pay tribute to Elian's mother and the 10 others who

drowned. About 300 people, including about 200 aboard boats, took part.

Demonstrators released balloons into the air and threw flowers into the water as the American and Cuban national anthems played. Donato Daitymple, a fisherman who found Elian floating at sea, tossed

flowers arranged in the pattern of the Cuban flag into the water.

"Today we're here to remember ... the mother of Elian

Gonzalez, Elisabeth Brotons, and the other people who drowned in the unfortunate tragedy," said Ramon Saiz Sanchez, the leader of the Democracy Movement.

The INS has ruled Elian should return to his father. But its order has not been carried out because the government agreed to hold off until a federal court considers a challenge filed by the Miami relatives.

U.S. District Judge William Hoelwer originally said he would hear arguments March 6 on whether the relative's lawsuit should be dismissed. But on Friday, he moved that day up to Feb. 22.

In an attempt to block Elian's return to Cuba, Burton earlier this month subpoenaed the boy to appear before the House

Government Reform Committee, which he chairs.

At the time, Elian's father expressed outrage. "What right does that man have?" Juan Miguel Gonzalez said. "Who is he? He is no one. I am the father."

Burton said it is unlikely that Elian will actually appear before the committee, but he didn't rule that out entirely.

The Justice Department asserts that if Elian is not returned to Cuba, it could hurt attempts to retrieve American children taken out of the country by a foreign-born parent against the wishes of the child's American parent. Burton said the situations are not identical.

"We are talking about people who are leaving a totalitarian communist state," he said.



Elian Gonzalez stands in the doorway of his great-uncle's home wearing a "Batman" costume Saturday in the Little Havana section of Miami. Elian's future is still undecided as both his family in Miami and in Cuba continue to battle over his custody.

Black History Month celebrates founder Carter G. Woodson

WASHINGTON (AP) - Black History Month begins Tuesday with a tribute to the originator of the idea, Carter G. Woodson, half a century after his death.

Jacqueline Goggin, his biographer, will tell how he worked to popularize a knowledge of the past, particularly the African-American past.

For those who still find history too dry, tap dancers Brother Black and 10-year-old Carter Anthony Williams will also appear on the program at the

National Museum of Natural History.

"That's the way we always do it," said Jo Ann Webb, "we have a lecture and then some entertainment too."

Ms. Webb was among the officials promoting Black History programs among the 16 museums and galleries of the Smithsonian Institution.

Woodson, who died in 1950, founded what is now the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History

in 1915.

He first proposed "Negro History Week," held in the month that includes the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln, for whom Douglass helped recruit black troops in the Civil War.

The National Gallery of Art dis-

plays the memorial sculpted by August Saint-Gaudens to the first black soldier in the 888th Central Postal Directory, the Massachusetts 58th Regiment.

An audio taped guide with an account of the memorial by Gen. Colin Powell accompanies it.

By 1976 Negro History Week

had evolved into Black History Month.

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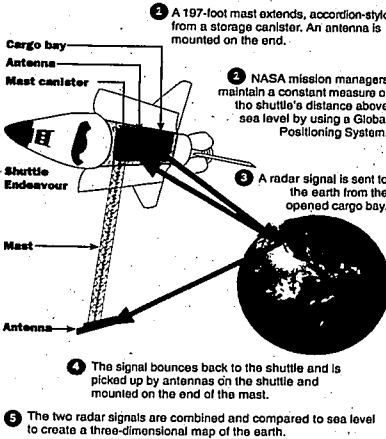
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### Mapping the earth

The space shuttle Endeavour will embark on its mission to take a three-dimensional snapshot of the earth's surface. Scientists are using radar technology to create the most thorough topographic map ever compiled. Here's a look at how it works.



Source: MountainHigh Maps, NASA

## Shuttle's mission will help rediscover Earth

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — To produce the consummate map of Earth, NASA will attempt a new feat: extending a boom from the space shuttle that's longer than the shuttle itself.

If the 197-foot radar antenna boom makes it out all the way following Monday's scheduled liftoff of Endeavour, it will be the longest rigid structure ever deployed in space. And it will allow scientists to measure the highs and lows of most of the Earth's terrain with stunning accuracy for environmental and military purposes.

"It will be like rediscovering our own planet," said Diane Evans, a scientist at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

Because of last-minute jitters over the safety of the mission, however, NASA has cut a day of mapping from the mission — to scientists' dismay.

"There are a lot of upset people out there right now," payload manager Scott H. Stibor said Saturday. "They're extremely frustrated because they feel like they've kind of been dealt a dirty deal."

Even with one less day, scientists still will be able to map more than 70 percent of the Earth's terrain. They expect to collect enough data to fill 13,500 compact discs and take one to two years to analyze.

A smaller, simpler version of the radar system flew twice on Endeavour in 1994.

"To get a fuller global snapshot, NASA teamed up with the National Imagery and Mapping Agency and added a fold-up boom with an antenna on the end. The larger, billboard-like antenna that flew before was anchored once again in Endeavour's cargo bay."

The 13 tons of radar will scan the Earth swath by swath; each swath will be 140 miles wide. The signals that bounce off the planet's surface will be received not only by the antenna in Endeavour's cargo bay but by the one on the end of the mast.

By combining images acquired simultaneously 197 feet apart in space, scientists hope to obtain 3D snapshots of the Earth's terrain. They expect to gather nine times more topographic data than what's currently available, and they expect that data to be twice as good.

If all goes well, a topographic

measurement will be made every 98 feet, with an elevation reading accurate to about 52 feet.

With that kind of detail, the Defense Department will have a better idea where to deploy troops, launch fighter jets and fire missiles.

On the civilian side, airline pilots will have a better grasp of landing sites. Communication companies will know where best to install towers for cell phones and satellites, and disaster relief teams will be able to better cope with floods and earthquakes.

"And that's not all. Almost as a byproduct of this mission will be a snapshot of the planet at the beginning of the 21st Century," said Michael Koback, a scientist at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. "Nobody in the world is going to be able to reproduce it unless they have a time machine."

"If we had pictures like that from 100 years ago, or before the Industrial Revolution," he said, "it would be an amazing source of scientific information."

Unfortunately, there will be holes in the map.

Just 1.5 weeks ago, NASA surprised scientists by shortening the mapping portion of the mission to nine days. Researchers had been counting on 10 full days to cover all the land surface beneath Endeavour's flight path: as far north as Hudson Bay and as far south as Cape Horn.

The reduced radar imaging will leave scientists with about 10 percent less coverage and data.

NASA officials said they want to leave enough time at the end of the 11-day flight in case the astronauts have problems bringing in the mast. If the mast becomes stuck, two astronauts will have to go out on a spacewalk to crank it in. If it cannot be cranked in, it will have to be cut loose and the shuttle will return without it.

The steel, titanium and plastic mast has never flown in space. In fact, NASA has never flown such a long, rigid structure in space. The shuttle, by comparison, is 122 feet long in orbit and 184 feet long at launch with its tank and booster rockers.

## Homeless group spurns nightie donation

### Coalition says firm exploits women

BOSTON (AP) — Like most lingerie companies, UndercoverWear offers a range of underthings to go over their heads. When they decided to donate to the homeless, they chose fashion — thousands of flannel nightgowns.

A national homeless coalition spurned the offer, along with a gift of \$200,000. The bottom line: UndercoverWear exploits women, the coalition said.

The Tewksbury-based business planned a February "Nightie for the Needy" campaign to donate 20,000 flannel nightgowns, plus \$200,000, to homeless shelters across the United States and Canada.

Debbi Karpowicz, company spokeswoman, said the Washington-based National Coalition for the Homeless seemed excited when the idea was first proposed several weeks ago.

But when UndercoverWear called back recently to go over details, the coalition's executive director, Mary Ann Gleason, refused to participate.

"She basically said to me there was no way they were ever going to get involved with us," Karpowicz said Friday. "They felt UndercoverWear exaggerated wealth and exploited women."

The 23-year-old company sells its underwear through 1,500 sales agents who host "lingerie parties," similar to Tupperware parties.

Their motto is: "We use supermodels, not supermodels," and products range from plaid nightgowns to skimpy panties.

At its peak in the 1980s, the



Doris O'Heam, corporate executive assistant at the UndercoverWear Lingerie & Fashion Company of Tewksbury, Mass., displays the style of nightgowns the company attempted to offer to a national homeless coalition but were rebuffed after the lingerie company was accused of exploiting women.

company had annual sales of \$75 million. In the mid-1990s, however, sales were in the \$25 million to \$30 million range, said company president Tiffany James, who wouldn't disclose current figures, citing ongoing litigation.

As a self-promotional gimmick to generate donations, James proposed having women send in pictures of themselves wearing their ugliest nightgowns. For each picture received, the company would donate a new nightgown — worth about \$40 retail — plus \$1 to a shelter. The company would make up any difference to reach its goal of 20,000 nighties and \$200,000.

Gleason said UndercoverWear didn't meet her criteria for accepting financial support. She said she objected to the ugliest nightgown gimmick: "It just felt weird to me."

She also took issue with the company's promotional materials, which boast of the mansion and vacation homes owned by the company president. "It was too big a disconnect," Gleason said.

Gleason said she urged UndercoverWear to call individual shelters, in part because her agency had no means to distribute the nightgowns and money.

Karpowicz, however, said

Gleason's tone was anything but encouraging.

The company said it was talking to another national homeless activist group about helping out, but it wouldn't disclose the group's name.

Social service agencies can walk a fine line in deciding what donations are acceptable, said Philip Mangano, executive director of the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance, a coalition of 73 agencies across the state.

Some shelters won't take money from liquor companies, for example, since alcoholism is often a cause of homelessness.

## Mime makes noise on talk shows

WASHINGTON (AP) — French mime Marcel Marceau told the National Press Club on Friday that he never speaks on stage, but "on the talk shows, very much ..."

Marceau, 76, answered questions on subjects that ranged from education for miming to his Jewish heritage and his admiration for Jesus Christ.

He will be performing silently at Ford's Theater until Feb. 13.

Nickel Miller, publisher for the theater where Abraham Lincoln was shot, said Marceau had added to the program his one-man rendition of all the participants in a murder trial. He did the number here, she explained, "because Washington is the center of our judicial system."

If he had not been a mime, Marceau told a questioner, he would have liked to be a painter. A book about him published in France includes reproductions of his paintings. Ms. Miller said. His host at the National Press Club remarked that Marceau's notes for his talk were covered with little sketches.

He had doubts about teaching his own art to children.

"Children can mime angels but they don't know social ... What is it? ... consciousness," he said. "Sometimes they can bring emotion in films, because films are a reality and they can play this reality. But the theater is full of metaphors and you have to teach children about this life. ... It's very much to ask of a young child."

He was asked about his Jewish heritage.

Anti-Semitism had affected him when he was a child, he replied, though it had not changed his life.

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IDAHO

# Changing Emmett

Small-town living close to Boise brings newcomers to town

EMMETT (AP) - For generations of Idahoans, Emmett has meant fruit.

Until recently, the cherry and apple blossoms that carpeted its hillsides in the spring were an area tourist attraction. People came from towns throughout the Treasure Valley to admire the view from Freezeout Hill, the valley below them awash in delicate shades of pink and white.

At harvest time, they returned and climbed tall ladders to pick fruit at do-it-yourself prices in orchards that never seemed to end.

"When I first moved here, it looked like a painting," Emmett resident Melissa Merrill said. "It was like nothing you'd ever seen, Garden of Eden."

Merrill was not recalling the boary past. She moved to Emmett two years ago.

In that time, the orchards have almost all been sold," she said. "Subdivisions are going in everywhere. They've practically clear-cut the fruit trees."

New homes dot slopes where a century of fruit growing has thrived for generations. From 1992 to 1997, the latest year for which Natural Resource Conservation Service figures are available, 1,100 acres of cropland in Gem County was converted to urban uses.

"What do you do when you can't grow fruit?" Emmett Mayor Ron Morgan asked. "In my opinion, you grow houses."

Maury Sanders has grown fruit in the Emmett Valley since 1946. A victim of falling markets and foreign competition, he owned 400 acres of orchards as recently as the early 1990s but has closed his packing plant and pulled out all but 80 acres of trees to build housing developments. Another 40 acres could go this year.

"When we were starting out in the fruit business, there were 30 packers in this valley," he said.

"Now we're down to one. The biggest closed last year. They had 700 acres, and they pulled their orchards to build houses and a dairy farm. It hurts to pull your trees. You accept the change, but you don't like it."

Wade Titus, who is 76 and has lived in Emmett all his life, remembers people stopping their cars to visit on scenic Freezeout Hill, named in 1864 when a freight wagon slipped on the ice and freighters hoping to avoid a similar fate camped out and nearly froze to death.

That site is just west of Idaho 16, the main commuter route between Emmett and the Treasure Valley.

"If you stopped there now, you'd get run over," Titus said. "Just before Christmas, I counted 150 cars going up that hill. Emmett's always been noted for our Cherry Blossom Festival. Now you can't hardly find a cherry."

The Cherry Blossom Festival has been the biggest event of the year for as long as most Emmett residents can remember. Now it's rivaled by a '50s cruise night. Long known as the "Valley of Plenty" for its abundant agriculture, which included fruit and the timber processed at its Boise Cascade sawmill, the new Emmett is a land of plenty for developers.

The latest: Arizona Cardinals quarterback Jake Plumber. The Boise native and his brother, Bert, recently purchased the former home of the late Andy Little, the "Idaho sheep king."

Where Little headquarters his sheep empire, the Plumbers are planning two subdivisions. Bert Plumber and his wife recently



Geno Goins, who has been cutting hair in Emmett since 1988, works on customer Warren Harris last week.

moved into the home Little built in 1923.

"We love it here," he said. "You drive down Freezeout Hill and step into a completely different pace. I even drive 20 mph."

The slower pace, lower taxes and cheaper building lots attract from Boise and other nearby cities. Gem County's growth rate for most of the 1990s was 25 percent, three points higher than the state average.

Like Nampa, Meridian, Eagle

and other Treasure Valley towns before it, Emmett is being discovered. Two new elementary schools are going up to accommodate the growth. Ninth-graders will be shifted from high school to junior high next year to ease crowding at Emmett High School.

Traffic on Washington Avenue, Emmett's once-sleepy main drag, is up to 14,000 cars a day.

Some say Emmett, population 5,400 and counting, could be another Eagle.

"Without a doubt, Emmett will be the next boom town," said developer-contractor Lowell Rosanbalm, whose 160-home Gem Park Estates is Emmett's newest and biggest subdivision.

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Maury Sanders, 85, turned some of his orchard land into subdivisions.

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WORLD

# Clinton champions the poor

## Demonstrators march at trade talks in Davos

DAVOS, Switzerland (AP) — Reviving his global trade pitch, President Clinton lectured world leaders Saturday on the perils of excluding workers and poorer nations from a share of the wealth open markets can bring. "Don't leave the little guys out," he said.

Before an audience of other presidents, prime ministers, politicians and 1,000 business leaders, Clinton gave a bullish endorsement of unfettered global trade and investment — as long as it recognizes concerns about workplace safety and a clean environment.

But he also cautioned developing nations against relying solely on trade agreements to build their economies, saying their leaders have a responsibility to run their governments with openness and accountability.

"There is a limit to what wealthy nations can do for people who will not take the necessary steps," he said.

The Davos meeting is the first convening of world economic leaders since the near collapse of the World Trade Organization meeting in Seattle two months ago.

In addition to showcasing Seattle as a premier port, Clinton had hoped to use that meeting to foster a new round of trade talks. Instead, the meeting foundered amid chaotic street violence and demonstrations against the very themes of globalization that Clinton went to Seattle to push.

Protests were also a presence in Davos. Outside the town's Congress Center, where Clinton spoke, police fired warning shots and tear gas in an attempt to control 500 anti-free trade protesters who defied a ban on demonstrations.

The demonstrators — many clad in ski gear — marched up the main street of this ski resort, waving banners reading "Yankee Clinton go home."

As he did in Seattle, Clinton told his wealthy, powerful audience to listen to their critics. He said he sympathizes with peaceful protests against the perceived harm that a rush toward interconnected trade and industry could visit on the environment, workers and the world's poor.

He also said he disagreed with critics who say a new round of global trade talks should be postponed. Poor countries that have embraced open trade have seen



President Clinton delivers a speech at the World Economic Forum Saturday in Davos, Switzerland. Clinton urged world leaders to embrace global trade but also recognize labor and environmental concerns.



A demonstrator wearing a ski mask hits a police officer laying on the ground with a ski as violence erupted during a protest against the World Economic Forum Saturday in Davos, Switzerland. Hundreds of anti-free trade demonstrators defied a ban placed on demonstration.

their economies over the past couple of decades grow at a rate six times greater than those with closed borders, he said.

"Too many of us live on the bare edge of survival without the means to move up," Clinton said. "Those who wish to roll back the

forces of globalization because they fear its disruptive consequences, I believe, are plainly wrong."

# Pakistan rejects warning on terrorism from U.S.

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistan rejected an unwarranted Saturday an apparent warning from the United States that it could be branded a sponsor of terrorism.

The foreign ministry said although the Pakistani government may be sympathetic to a secessionist uprising in Indian-ruled Kashmir, it is firmly opposed to terrorism and does not aid religious organizations involved in the insurgency.

"There is no warrant for any warning," the ministry said in a statement.

On Thursday, the United States warned Pakistan that it could be listed as a sponsor of terrorism — making it ineligible for virtually all U.S. aid — if it gave direct support to Harkat-ul-Mujahadeen, a militant group that operates in Kashmir and is headquartered in Pakistan.

The warning followed comments by U.S. State Department spokesman James P. Rubin earlier in the week that there has long been concern that agencies of the Pakistani government provided "general support" to a number of groups operating in the territory disputed by India and Pakistan.

Washington says there are links between last month's hijacking of an Indian Airlines plane and Harkat-ul-Mujahadeen, which was placed on the State Department's list of

terrorist organizations in 1997 when it was called Harkat-ul-Ansar.

Meanwhile Saturday, rockets fired from across the border in India slammed into the Pakistani village of Daholo Wali, killing two people and wounding three others, said Shahid Mahmood, deputy commissioner of the Sialkot region. "People were very frightened when the rockets hit. People didn't know what had happened."

Indian troops in the area have fired heavy mortars and waged regular gun battles across the border, he said. Several other rockets have landed without exploding.

The attack came just one day after two bombs shook Karachi, killing four people and wounding 32 others. Most of the dead and wounded in Karachi were worshippers at a mosque, which was heavily damaged by one of the bombs.

Azim Daoudpota, the governor of southern Sindh province, of which Karachi is the capital, blamed India for that explosion.

Pakistan and India, rival nations that have fought three wars since gaining independence from Britain in 1947, routinely accuse each other of planting bombs and sponsoring terrorism. Their troops are battling over the mountainous territory of Kashmir, which both countries

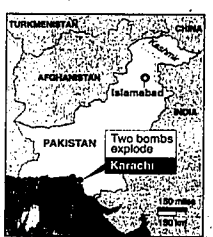
claim as their own.

Daholo Wali is slightly south of the Kashmir border.

Pakistan's Foreign Minister Abdul Sattar sent a letter Saturday to U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan complaining about relentless Indian attacks across the cease-fire line — known as the line of control — in Kashmir.

"India's provocative violations of the line of control are escalating tension between the two countries," Sattar wrote.

The contents of the letter were published by the state-run news agency, The Associated Press of Pakistan.



# U.N. negotiators reach agreement over food

## World in brief

MONTREAL — U.N. talks here finally produced rules governing trade in genetically engineered products Saturday, nearly a year after previous talks collapsed in the face of international discord.

The new rules are complex, and many may be subject to legal challenges or interpretations.

But for now they contain language letting a country ban imports of a genetically modified product if it feels there is not enough scientific evidence showing the product is safe.

It requires exporters to label shipments that contain genetically altered commodities such as corn or cotton. It also tries to dictate how those safety rules will coexist with free trade rules governed by the World Trade Organization.

The United States, a major producer of genetically engineered products, had opposed labeling and had fought import bans except in cases where the product is shown to be risky. It was forced to make concessions on those and several other points.

His party, now Austria's second largest, has been talking to the Austrian People's Party about forming a coalition that would control parliament.

Undeterred by the furor abroad, negotiators from his party and the center-right People's Party were planning to resume their talks aimed at setting up a joint Cabinet next week.

Haider is known for once praising Adolf Hitler's "orderly employment policy," and for later lauding veterans of the Waffen SS as "decent people of good character."

He has been apologetic ever since. But his party made stunning gains in Austria's Oct. 3 parliamentary elections, drawing heavily on voters who fear that EU expansion and a liberal immigration policy will cost them their jobs.

## Arafat, Barak to meet amid fading hopes for agreement

DAVOS, Switzerland — Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat will meet this week amid fading hopes for concluding the outline of a peace agreement by the deadline they set, Feb. 13.

"If they don't meet it, they'll reach some understanding about how to deal with that problem," a senior U.S. official said Saturday after a 30-minute meeting between Arafat and President Clinton.

The statement was the frankest admission yet that American mediators are likely to fall short of their target for a basic understanding about the future of Jerusalem, whether there will be a Palestinian state and other knotty issues at the core of the Arab-Israeli dispute.

## Japan cult offers money in effort to clean up image

TOKYO, Japan — As part of its campaign to clean up its image, the cult accused in the 1995 nerve-gas attack on Tokyo subway offered Saturday to pay \$186,900 a year as compensation to the victims.

Tatsuko Muraoka, who replaced Shoko Asahara as guru of the Aum Shinri Kyo cult this month, said several tens of thousands of dollars will be paid to the victims immediately.

"I don't intend to deny that I bear a heavy responsibility," she said. Fumihito Joyu, one of the cult's leaders, appearing before reporters for the first time since his release from prison last month.

The announcement comes as Aum tries to soften its image. Tokyo toughened its laws last month to let authorities seize Aum's assets more easily and monitor the cult more closely.

—compiled from wire reports

## Russian military claims advances in Grozny

STARIE TAGI, Russia — Russian forces advanced through snowy alleys and seized shell-shattered high-rises from rebels Saturday in the Chechen capital, Grozny, but Chechens said they were letting the Russians move in so they could attack from behind.

The Russians' assault on Grozny has concentrated for more than a week on Minutka Square, which they advanced toward on Saturday.

Taking the square would give federal forces leverage to push the rebels out of the city center.

Meanwhile, Russian presidential aide Sergei Yastrzhembskiy said 54 rebels surrendered in northeast Grozny to forces led by pro-Moscow Chechen leader Bislan Gantaimirov.

Speaking on Russia's ORT television, Yastrzhembskiy called the move a "psychological breakthrough." Many of the rebels were wounded.

## Populist proposes ban on immigration in Austria

VIENNA, Austria — Far-right populist Joerg Haider, whose party rose to prominence in Austria after stoking anti-foreigner sentiment last fall, predicted Saturday that a government featuring his party would impose a nearly complete ban on immigration.

Haider said the only foreigners who would be allowed to move to Austria would be seasonal workers who would leave after several months.

He made the announcement as the stream of foreign criticism continued over the possibility of his Freedom Party's inclusion in government.

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School children show their eagerness in their new tent classroom in the earthquake hit western Turkish city of Duzce on Wednesday. Only three of the 87 schools in Duzce survived the quake that devastated northwestern Turkey in August and November and most classes are now in tents, most without electricity and some with no access to water.

## Turkey kids return to school

DUZCE, Turkey (AP) - School may be just a cold tent, but 13-year-old Hacer Oncer is happy to be in class for the first time since a massive earthquake destroyed her city late last year.

"We like being back," she said, warming her hands before the single gas heater during recess.

Only three of the 87 schools in Duzce survived the quakes that devastated northwestern Turkey in August and November and most classes are now in tents, most without electricity and some with no access to water. But returning to school has brought back something of normal life and given the children - and their parents - a routine after months of idleness. Psychologists say that

can help the children recover from the traumatic experience. "They are better since they went back to school," said Arife Atasoy, looking over at her three children. "They need it. Children can't waste a year like this!"

"In war zones or in situations of natural disasters, when things are very disrupted, the best thing we can do is to make sure that life is normalized," said Rune Sturland, a psychologist with the U.N. Children's Fund.

UNICEF's \$14 million plan for Turkey's quake recovery includes psychological help for school children. "When routines are re-established it gives children a sense of safety. It is also very positive for the parents that their chil-

dren have meaningful activities, leaving the parents to deal with their own issues," said Sturland.

Many children were happy to be reunited with their teachers. "A little one was so happy to see me," said Gonca Ozel, a primary school teacher. "They had told her that I had died in the quake so she didn't want to come. But when she saw I was alive, she stayed."

More than 18,000 people died in two tremors on Aug. 17 and Nov. 12. The second earthquake was centered in Duzce, 120 miles east of Istanbul, and destroyed or seriously damaged most buildings of the city of 80,000 people. Tens of thousands of people still live in temporary housing - prefabricated homes, tents or makeshift huts.

## Mexican students loot offices

MEXICO CITY (AP) - It looked like something out of a Y2K nightmare. Hard drives from disemboweled computers lay ruined on the floor beside piles of trampled floppy disks and mountains of wrecked paper files.

As striking students this week abandoned some of the buildings they had occupied since April, authorities of Mexico's National Autonomous University discovered sacked offices and the loss of records that can never be replaced.

The worst destruction was found at the coordinating office of the vast system of prep schools affiliated with the university, which is widely known by its Spanish acronym, UNAM.

Televized images of the plundered offices provoked public outrage, and newscasters glumly shook their heads as they reported that vandals had forced open safes and file cabinets, and rung up expensive bills to phone-sex services.

UNAM Rector Juan Ramon de la Fuente, however, said Friday the blame could not belong to students - who he said would never cause such damage. Instead he pointed to "community organizations" - rough-and-tumble leftist groups that specialize in organizing squatters to seize buildings.

Strikers have welcomed the leftist groups in a bid to swell their ranks. De la Fuente said the involvement of such outside groups is a major impediment to solving the 9-month-old student walkout.

## SLIP SLIDING AWAY!



Israelis play in a new snow-covered park Saturday in Jerusalem one day after a rare snow storm dumped 15 inches of snow. The storm is blamed for at least nine deaths. A combination of unusual occurrences, during which a polar jet-stream met up with a flow of subtropical air just the right time - around midnight - produced the moisture, scientists said.

## Iranian council rejects moderates

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - The hard-line council supervising next month's legislative elections in Iran said Saturday that it was disqualifying more than 10 percent of the nearly 7,000 candidates, Tehran radio reported.

The election is shaping into a battle between the hard-line ruling clergy and reformists who

want greater political and social freedom. Most of those rejected are reformists, among them some top leaders.

Twenty-five percent of those disqualified were not being allowed to run because of their affiliation with illegal political groups, the Guardian Council said in a statement.

## Survey: lighten workload, see more success from students

Los Angeles Times

BEIJING - Concerned that excessive pressure on students is harming the image of China's government and education system, officials here announced new rules this month to address some worrying trends: first-graders cramming for midterm and final exams; middle-school students still doing homework long after their parents have dozed off; growing young bodies burdened with 20-pound book bags.

In recent years, Chinese officials and parents have expressed hopes that the nation's schools can train more creative thinkers and confident citizens, not number-crunching, test-taking drones. Yet many Chinese fear that the new rules may hinder their children's advancement.

"Any school you apply to now requires high scores. If we don't push our kids, how are they going to succeed?" one parent complained to the Beijing Youth Daily newspaper. "If the school assigns too little homework, we'll have to assign some more." The Education Ministry's new rules suggest how heavy the burden on students has become. They call for:

- No mandatory classes during evenings, weekends or vacations.
- No written homework for first- and second-graders. For other primary school students, no more than one hour of homework a day.
- No assigning extra homework as a form of punishment.
- No tests for primary school students other than in Chinese and math classes, and no entrance exams for middle school.
- No percentile grades for primary school students. Instead they will receive broad assessments: excellent, good, pass or fail.
- Critics point to a slew of surveys and statistics that indicate the education system is grinding Chinese kids down, not building them up. One-third of Beijing high-school students polled by the Chinese Academy of Sciences suffer from school-related psychological stress or depression. A poll of urban youths by the China Youth and Children's Research Center found that 82 percent of respondents ages 10 through 15 said they had "no ambition to achieve personal success." The survey attributed the lack of motivation to excessive pressure for good grades.

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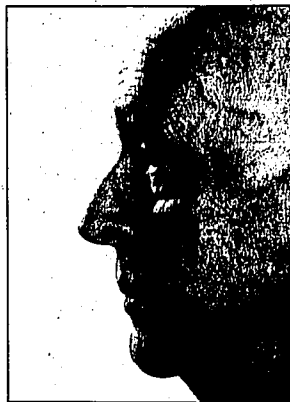
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# Noted photographer shows works



World-famous French photographer Henri Cartier-Bresson, 91, is shown earlier this month in the Claude Bernard gallery in Paris, where his most famous shots taken around the world between 1932 and 1999 will be displayed until Feb. 26. The 90 black and white images are on sale in what is being billed as the first ever commercial exhibit by France's most famous living photographer.

PARIS (AP) - Henri Matisse, aging and infirm, grips a struggling rod in one hand and sketches intently with the other. A shriveled old woman from Cape Cod celebrates the Fourth of July with an American flag draped around her neck.

Familiar and still poignant decades after they were shot by Henri Cartier-Bresson, these white photographs on sale in what is being billed as the first ever commercial exhibit by France's most famous living photographer.

Widely credited with bringing the sensitive eye of a trained artist to photojournalism, Cartier-Bresson, 91, was on hand - somewhat reluctantly - for the VIP opening at the Claude Bernard gallery in Paris last week.

The show, which runs until Feb. 26, brings together Cartier-Bresson's most famous shots taken

around the globe between 1932 and 1999.

Cartier-Bresson turned his back on a lucrative family textile business to study art at the age of 20. He went on to found the legendary Magnum photo agency in 1947 and became known for seemingly simple shots of ordinary people in ordinary situations.

"I never think about photography," he told Associated Press Television News in a rare interview.

"It's a way of recording what I see in an instant," he said, and he summed up his lifelong credo: "As (Gen. Charles) De Gaulle used to say: 'Aim well, shoot fast and get the hell out.'"

The results are "decisive moments" - also the title of one of Cartier-Bresson's 12 books. An elderly woman, hand outstretched, wears an American flag made like an apron, on July 4, 1947 on Cape

Cod. An anonymous couple sunbathes, their heads hidden behind a parasol, on a rocky Normandy beach.

"What's a picture?" Cartier-Bresson said, clutching his cane. "What counts in photography is geometry, a sense for form where everything is in place. It's not trivial."

The collection also features intimate portraits of some of the country's greatest intellectuals - S. S. Beckett, Jean-Paul Sartre, A. S. Giacometti, Andre Breton and Albert Camus, among them.

"These photographs are little pieces of Cartier-Bresson's life," said gallery owner Claude Bernard. "He was very close with these people."

Bernard said he and the photographer sorted through several thousand photographs before deciding on the final selection - and their price tags.

"He agreed to the sale because he wanted to share his work with the younger generation, and for that reason, he kept prices modest," Bernard said.

Prices range from \$3,000-\$5,700. Among the highlights is "Behind the Gare Saint-Lazare," considered by many critics as his greatest photograph with its subtle contrast of geometrical forms and feeling of complete spontaneity.

The photograph depicts a man leaping over a puddle and frozen in midair, with his shadow forming a symmetrical V-shape, contrasting to the circular forms in the water and the vertical fence above the railroad tracks.

Cartier-Bresson has always shot with his trusty Leica, the quietest of cameras, working only with black and white film, and notably, without a flash. Thrusting a subject in the limelight, he said, was a sure way to destroy it.

# War on smoking hits Third World

## Officials in Kenya lead the attack against country's tobacco habit

Los Angeles Times

**NAIROBI, Kenya** - Officials and health care activists, determined to fight an increase in smoking-related diseases in another Third World market, are pushing legislation to reduce Kenya's growing demand for tobacco.

A bill sponsored by the Ministry of Health with the backing of anti-smoking activists calls for a crackdown on placing cigarette billboards in areas accessible to children under age 18 and would prohibit tobacco companies from sponsoring sporting events. It also would ban tobacco advertising on television and radio, impose stiff penalties for selling cigarettes to underage smokers and declare most public places to be smoke-free.

The bill comes as concern is rising about an explosion of cigarette smoking in Third World countries.

With the United States and Europe beginning to win their own wars against smoking, research by the World Bank shows that cigarette manufacturers are seeking to boost markets in developing countries.

Kenyan health care officials seem determined not to allow more of their citizens to get hooked. Although no official statistics exist, medical observers estimate that as many as 5 million people, about a third of Kenya's adult population, are smokers. And the numbers are rising.

The Tobacco Control Committee, affiliated with the Kenya Medical Association, accuses the tobacco industry of using advertising strategies that target young people. It blames lax regulations for the increase in smoking among youth.

Only a basic warning is required on cigarette packs, and in some cases it is nearly illegible. Some billboards carry no warnings at all. Unlike in the United States, proof of age is not required when purchasing cigarettes in Kenya.

"(Cigarette) advertisements

are very attractive, especially to young people like me, because we normally want to look like the people we see in the advertisements," said Edwin Onyango, 18, a high school graduate who started smoking at age 13.

"Tobacco is a drug, and at any kiosk you can get a (cigarette) stick," said Dr. Charles Maringo, vice chairman of the Tobacco Control Committee. "We need to change those dynamics."

Anti-smoking activists want the final tobacco bill to require that at least 30 percent of a cigarette pack be covered with a stronger warning, such as "smoking kills," and state the quantity of substances contained, such as tar, nicotine and carbon monoxide.

Anti-smoking forces also are pushing for the creation of a Tobacco Products Regulatory Board, which would monitor and regulate marketing and sales.

Kenya's poor may suffer disproportionately from smoking-related diseases because tobacco is cheap. Individual cigarettes can be purchased for less than 4 cents apiece. The most popular brands here retail for less than \$1 for a pack of 20.

Medical officials confirmed an increase in the number of cases of tobacco-related lung cancer, asthma, cardiovascular disease and premature death.

Still, it is unclear whether parliament will approve new controls.

More than a million Kenyans owe all or some of their livelihood to tobacco through farming, retailing or advertising. Cigarette manufacturers say that, without tobacco, the Ministry of Finance's revenues would suffer a shortfall of nearly \$100 million a year.

"Smoking is purely an adult choice," said Titus Mutiso, manager of corporate and regulatory affairs at British American Tobacco (Kenya), which has done business in the country since 1907. "The public is appropriately informed of the risks. ... Our advertising is targeted at adults who have already made a decision to smoke."

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## EDITORIALS

### SIRC COMM needs a tune-up to provide better service

Something was lost and something was gained when the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center assumed control of dispatching emergency crews through out much of the Magic Valley.

SIRC COMM, which coordinates the movements of law enforcement and fire crews, has allowed small towns to pool their resources. The upshot is a system that means more individually. That cost-effectiveness is good news, especially for smaller agencies.

But SIRC COMM is far from perfect. Officials in Gooding County and elsewhere say they are frustrated occasionally when the wrong agencies are summoned for help to the wrong locations.

SIRC COMM's biggest client, the Twin Falls Police Department, has discovered that centralized dispatching doesn't always meet the department's goals. The police station in Twin Falls has all but ceased to be a public building after normal working hours and on weekends.

Meanwhile, SIRC COMM's dispatchers don't have time to resolve routine issues the way the department's dispatchers once did. At a time when Twin Falls police are trying to get closer to the citizens they serve, they unwillingly have become more distant.

To meet its goal of community policing,

the Twin Falls Police Department is about to resume in-house dispatching for non-emergency calls. It will continue paying the lion's share of the bills for SIRC COMM, while paying for independent dispatching on the side.

Everyone who pays a monthly phone bill in the Magic Valley is paying for SIRC COMM. The \$1-a-month service fee has been collected for years, but it's not being spent in a way that's equitable. Everyone is paying for high-quality dispatching, and some are paying for it twice. That's not fair.

The fault for these lapses doesn't belong to SIRC COMM employees, who work hard to provide hometown-style service across a huge and varied region.

Rather, the system's management structure - in which authority is diluted among many member counties - has some built-in weaknesses. SIRC COMM's legal structure also makes it well-nigh impossible for participating agencies to leave. So all have a strong incentive to make the system work.

Continued public discussion is needed, focusing on improved accountability and appropriate service to SIRC COMM's diverse customers. The system may not be a perfect design for emergency dispatching, but it's what we have. Let's work to make it better.

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### Better-recheck the math

Terrell Donicht, the Twin Falls school superintendent, didn't get it quite right when he insisted his district is in the bottom 1 percent nationally for spending on a per-student basis.

Speaking to the Twin Falls Rotary Club earlier this month, Donicht stated that Idaho's 46 districts are in the 50 states in per-student spending. He added that the Twin Falls School District ranks 100th among the state's 112 school districts in per-student spending.

But those two statistics don't add up to

Donicht's contention that the district is in the bottom 1 percent nationally. The two statistical rankings can't be combined.

It's true that the Twin Falls School District is below the state and national averages in per-student spending at roughly \$4,000 per pupil, per year.

But, of roughly 16,000 school districts nationwide, the Twin Falls School District ranks around 11,000th, according to Education Week magazine. That puts the district around the 31st percentile, not in the bottom 1 percent.

## The Times-News

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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Stephen Hargren, William Brock, Clark Walworth, Steve Crump and Kevin Richter.

## LETTERS

### Give us industrial hemp

Idaho farmers may have an opportunity to put a new crop in their rotation, one with the ability to bring many value-adding industries and new jobs into Idaho's economy. Gov. Kempthorne, in his State of the State speech, said this is just what Idaho needs.

The crop is industrial hemp. Its scientific name is *Cannabis sativa L.*, which is distinct from the word *cannabis*, traditionally made from hemp. You probably also know hemp is a cousin to marijuana, an illegal drug. Hemp is not the same as marijuana. Let me say that again. Hemp is not marijuana, in the sense that a California poppy is not an opium poppy.

Hemp once was a dominant crop in the world's economy. The prime obstacle to growing hemp in the United States today is the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration. The DEA's concern is that marijuana would be substituted for hemp in the field.

The only way hemp farming will be possible in Idaho is if our state government first authorizes it, then seeks DEA approval. (Hemp production actually has never been illegal, just hopelessly restricted by the federal government.)

Hemp is valuable for its fiber and its seed. Hemp fiber is used to make high-quality paper, textiles, a great variety of construction materials, animal bedding, plastics and many other manufactured products. The seed has many uses, too, and is rich in high-quality oil, protein and essential nutrients.

Agrometically, the plant is beneficial. Its deep root system opens up the soil. It is disease and pest resistant and out-competes weeds. In rotation, it raises grain yields, is nematode resistant and works in a transition to organic growing.

Generally, production and processing of this plant have less environmental impact than other similar crops. Idaho should be out in front on this. Please contact your state representative or senator on this important issue and to express support for a bill being introduced by Rep. Tom Trilling of Moscow. We need to begin variety testing today for Idaho's soil, climate, etc. The best book on the subject is John Roulac's "Hemp Horizons."

Industrial hemp offers a competitive economic opportunity that Idaho, quite frankly, cannot afford to miss. L.A. WINNEN SCHOEN Bellevue

### Blinded by greed

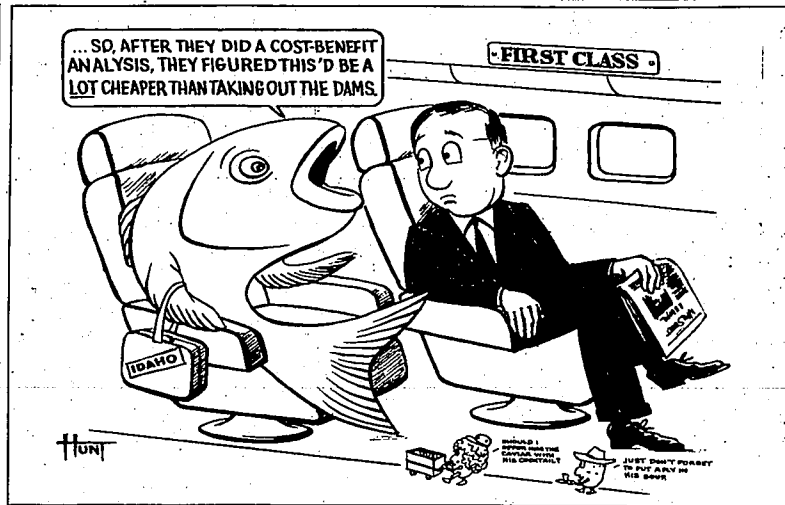
I am deeply offended with Acha's inaccurate reader comment being printed so boldly in your paper. How much does such coverage cost? I was limited to 400-plus words and he gets nearly 1,200!

Many have suggested The Times-News was in Acha's pocket and would do his bidding, I, believing in goodness and fairness, continued overlooking things that were obviously slanted. There is a darkness around that I haven't been accustomed to before. I see a paper touting to be the informant of the people but in reality are supporting the shameful ruin of a few decent citizens and the sacrifice of a community, the destruction of a way of life and a disregard for hundreds of citizens who have loudly asked for some consideration. Your obvious support of this horrendous plan destroys my position as ever being representative of the people or the facts or having any objectivity.

I would ask you: When did it happen that decency and caring for your neighbor became a commodity that was tradable? Who should decide which families are destroyed and which are untouched? If you would not support something this vile and dangerous being placed next to your children, then whose would you sacrifice in the name of greed?

People are contacting me from all over the country telling of the sad experiences they've had with this type of operation. They simply tell me that this will destroy our lives. People are sick, communities divided, families ruined, homes are being abandoned, and pollution is undeniable in every state that these insane bastions of filth and greed are allowed. What group of people would willingly do this here against the wishes of residents and against all common sense. Risk cannot be bought off - you cannot wish away billions of gallons of dangerous waste sitting atop porous lava with a direct pathway to the Snake River via the Raft River.

Our lives are being threatened, our futures are being toyed with, our history is being dismissed, our lives are being trampled. We appreciate the interest and kindness shown to us by many and appreciate those who will stand with us to protect the health and safety of our children and the integrity of this country. TOM GARNER Malta



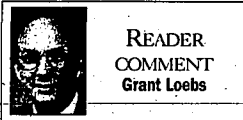
### Legal system did not coddle Thrush

On Feb. 22, 1999, 2-year old Hailey Williams was killed by Jesse Thrush.

The killing of this child and the progress of the criminal case against former Twin Falls County Sheriff's Deputy Jesse Thrush has riveted the attention of the people of this county. Justifiably angry citizens have flooded The Times-News with letters to the editor denouncing the way the case was handled by the legal system. Many writers have sharply criticized District Judge Daniel Meehl's sentence. I agree with much of their criticism. But the perception that Mr. Thrush got special treatment from police and prosecutors because he was a sheriff's deputy is unfortunate and inaccurate. It is important for the public to understand exactly what happened in this case.

Hailey Williams was killed in Filer. Soon after Thrush injured Hailey, Filer Police were called to the crime scene. Filer immediately requested that another agency do the investigation. They knew and worked with Jesse Thrush and wanted to make sure there was no possibility he would be treated differently because of that relationship. Because the Filer Police Department correctly recognized this conflict of interest, the Twin Falls Police Department was assigned to do the investigation. Soon after Thrush's arrest took the case, Hailey died from her injuries.

TFPD Detectives Curtis Gambrel and Dan Lewin were assigned to the case. They did not know Jesse Thrush and did not work with him. Gambrel and Lewin conducted an exhaustive investigation, which included aggressive interrogation of Jesse



READER COMMENT Grant Loebis

Thrush. They brought the results of their investigation to the Twin Falls County prosecuting attorney's office where I reviewed them. I concluded two things. First, that the evidence against Jesse Thrush supported a charge of first-degree murder, because under Idaho Code Section 18-4003(d), "any murder committed in the perpetration of aggravated battery on a child under twelve years of age is murder in the first degree." And second, that my office, like the Filer Police Department, had a conflict of interest because we had worked directly with Jesse Thrush when he was a sheriff's deputy. In fact, my office had several ongoing cases in which Thrush was a witness. I needed to get another prosecuting agency to handle the case to avoid any perception that Mr. Thrush would be given preferential treatment because of his former employment. Nevertheless, to start the legal process and allow the police to arrest Thrush, on Feb. 24, 1999, I filed first-degree murder charges against Jesse Thrush for the killing of Hailey Williams. Soon thereafter, I asked the Idaho attorney general to handle the case for me because of the conflict of interest. Since that time, my office has had no contact with Thrush's case.

Deputy Attorney General Ron Howen was assigned to prosecute the case. Mr. Thrush retained the counsel of Hailey attorney R. Keith Roark. Through negotiations, they determined that Mr. Thrush would plead guilty to the crime of voluntary manslaughter (Idaho Code 18-4007), which is punishable by up to 15 years in prison. Jesse Thrush pled guilty on Aug. 16, 1999.

Howen and Roark argued Thrush's sentence before Judge Meehl on Nov. 19, 1999. Howen cited the vulnerability of the victim and the violence of Thrush's act and asked Judge Meehl to send Jesse Thrush to prison for five to 15 years. Thrush's attorney argued that Thrush had an exemplary record and asked the judge to send him to the county jail for six months, or to the 120-day rafter program, and then place him on probation.

On Dec. 23, 1999, Judge Meehl handed down a sentence largely accepting the arguments of Thrush's attorney. Judge Meehl's sentence has been reported in detail, most recently on the Jan. 23 Times-News front page. I can't explain why Judge Meehl accepted Mr. Roark's arguments on Thrush's behalf. Clearly, Deputy Attorney General Ron Howen strongly disagreed with Judge Meehl's sentence. I agreed with Ron Howen that this crime deserved a lengthy prison sentence.

The sentencing decision was Judge Meehl's alone and does not reflect on the entire criminal justice system.

Grant Loebis is the Twin Falls County prosecutor.

### Support the shovelers

We would like to express our support for the people of Jarbidge, Nev., and of Elko County in their confrontation with the federal bureaucracy.

In case you haven't heard, this concerns the destructive closing of the South Canyon Road by the U.S. Forest Service (a road that has been in existence for about 100 years). This is a prime example of the lock-up and 40-mile land acre land grab proposed by "King William Clinton."

In the past few weeks, a public swell of support has developed from at least six neighboring states in addition to people from Rhode Island, Florida, Arkansas and others. Nevada is not alone in this fight!

I would like to commend Suzanne and Kelly of "Idaho today" on KLLX 1310 for their in-depth, almost single-handed reporting of this situation since last October. They have made it a top local concern. Jarbidge and to the Elko hearings chaired by Idaho's own Helen Chenoweth-Hage and have had many credible, knowledgeable guests on their show.

This subject has also been mentioned on KBAR 1230's "Back to the Farm" with Zeb Bell and Ben Reed. Zeb Bell has had Grant Gerber, the Elko attorney for this cause, on his Sunday evening show on Pax 85.

Beyond that, the coverage by the rest of the local media has been somewhat dismal. The only TV coverage during the shovel brigade event at D&B Supply was from Boise 1, for one, would like to see more on the local news and some in-depth, personal reporting from The Times-News - not just AP press releases far from the front page!

The people in Jarbidge are our neighbors and their situation is a local concern. Considering the western land grab, it should be our national concern. What has happened in Jarbidge can happen anywhere!

Please educate yourselves and your friends and lend your support to correct this situation. As someone else stated, "Do it for the children" or they won't

have the opportunities we have enjoyed. If allowed to continue, the only people able to view the West will be doing it from a presidential helicopter surveying the King's Land.

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### Be kind to forest workers

Your recent editorial concerning the user fees charged on public lands was at least about as distasteful as any editorial. You said that as taxpayers we shouldn't have to pay fees to use our public lands and made reference to some ridiculous average salary of employees in the Sawtooth National Forest. You also suggested that our congressional delegation lake action to reverse these fees.

Silly me! I have always thought that the one cardinal rule at newspapers was to make sure you had the facts before following an editorial. You know, unlike our federal representatives, ask questions before you shoot!

I know several people who actually work on our public lands and a few of them were amazed at the average salary figure you quoted in your editorial. It seems they work for much less - while, I might add, working in an increasingly hostile environment around increasingly hostile public who believe they can do just about whatever they please on public land. Many of these public servants have been spurned on, harassed, been physically and verbally assaulted, and even have had weapons pulled on them by drunken, abusive morons who have been raised on a generation of anti-government propaganda that started with Reagan and continues with extremists like Helen Chenoweth-Hage, Larry Craig, John Carpenter and their wacko followers. I would not want to be alone in the woods with these nutcases wearing a Forest Service uniform for any amount of money.

You also fail to mention that our wonderful Republican Congress has repeatedly slashed the money available for the maintenance and recreation programs of the Forest Service in each of

the last five federal budgets. The money has to come from somewhere. Wanna guess as to how our delegation voted?

There are enough wackos out there stirring up hatred for Forest Service employees without a newspaper adding fuel to the fire. The next time you encounter a ranger, be sure to tell him or her that you think they are performing well at what has become an increasingly thankless job. Let them know you appreciate the job they are doing. When you see a green Forest Service vehicle, wave and smile. Don't flip them the finger and scowl. KEITH HULL Boise

### Let's get a Republican in there

I'm responding to your editorial of Jan. 26, "Don't let lobbying decide who gets Carla Reed's job."

First of all, the Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee has to follow state laws and Republican Party rules in the appointment process of a selecting three candidates to be sent to the governor to fill the vacant Twin Falls County Commission seat. In that regard, the Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee will follow the letter and spirit of those laws and rules.

In addition, we agree that we want this process to be legal, fair, honest and open. At the end of this process, we want the best three qualified Republican candidates' names to be sent to Gov. Kempthorne.

Finally, we need to cast a wide net to find the best Republican applicants that we can to fill this vacancy. We encourage and request all qualified Republican candidates to apply to the Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee at P.O. Box 1733 in Twin Falls or contact me at 735-0712.

If history is any indication, I anticipate that many qualified Republican candidates will apply for this position, and we will have a spirited selection process.

MICHAEL S. MATTHEWS Republican Central Committee Twin Falls County Twin Falls



# Honor on the campaign trail

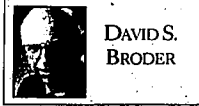
**M**ANCHESTER, N.H. — One of them will certainly not win the presidential election this year and the other two face long odds. But at least for one day last week, John McCain, Bill Bradley and Orrin Hatch had the satisfaction of knowing that they acted in a way that did them honor.

The three men were in the Senate together for years, and three more dissimilar politicians would be hard to find. And yet, each of them found, at a moment of maximum pressure, a way to express something that was so genuine it made you want to cheer.

Hatch lost everything in this race except his sense of humor. But the Utah senator was gracious and uncomplaining in his farewell remarks, as he had been droll and direct during the earlier Republican debates. He is more proof that the quality of an effective legislator counts for little in today's presidential politics. Bob Dole learned that in 1996, when he had to struggle with the never-elected-to-anything Pat Buchanan for the Republican nomination and then decided he had to leave the Senate and his powerful post as majority leader to wage his losing race against Bill Clinton.

Even more apropos to Hatch's case was the 1996 experience of Sen. Richard Lugar of Indiana, who came and went in the presidential race without anyone knowing it. For 15 years or more, Hatch and Lugar have been Senate heavyweights — dealing with a range of issues that affect every aspect of national policy from Russian-American relations to the character of the federal judiciary. Both have worked effectively within their party and across partisan lines.

As senators, both received plen-



DAVID S. BRODER

ty of news coverage. Lugar told me the other day that by the time he ran, he had appeared more frequently on "Meet the Press" than all but four people — Dole among them — in the program's half-century history. "But that doesn't guarantee everyone is going to know you in Iowa or New Hampshire." Hatch also told me he was surprised to discover his own anonymity.

It is futile to fault voters for their lack of even minimal attentiveness, but it is certainly true, as Lugar said, that "you have to have money and organization, or your ability and record aren't going to matter."

McCain is struggling to overcome those handicaps in his contest for the Republican nomination with George W. Bush, and on Wednesday, he ran into one of those reporters' questions that might have been better left unasked. Testing the Arizona senator's commitment to the anti-abortion cause, a journalist asked what he would do if his own teenage daughter became pregnant.

"The final decision would be up to Meghan," McCain replied, later amending his response to say that it would be a matter the family would discuss and decide.

That evening, in the Republican candidates' debate, Alan Keyes, determined to show his own inflexibility on the question, challenged McCain's response as an inadequate guarantee that he would fight to end abortion rights. McCain responded that his record as an opponent of abortion was unblemished, but "I will not draw

my children into this discussion." Keyes persisted, and later in the debate, a grim McCain did what no other Republican candidate has had the guts to do: They have listened respectfully as Keyes has called for the abolition of the income tax, an outright ban on gays in the military and other implausibilities. Finally, McCain told the self-proclaimed moral authority to take a hike. "I've seen enough killing in my life," the Vietnam veteran said. "I know how precious human life is. And I don't need a lecture from you."

If that put-down was overdue, so was Bill Bradley's finally reacting with anger to the campaign Vice President Gore has been running against him. Gore has hammered relentlessly at the New Jersey senator's health care plan, suggesting many times that Bradley would end Medicaid and endanger Medicare, placing millions of elderly and needy — especially minorities — at risk. He also has said that Bradley voted for the Reagan budget, without noting that Bradley led the fight against the tax cuts that were at the heart of Reaganomics.

After weeks of protesting feebly against these distortions, Bradley in the Wednesday night debate finally put the question into the right context: "If you're running a campaign that says untrue things," Bradley said, "if you can't be a president who gets people's trust." Since trustworthiness is the quality voters understandably prize above all others after their experience with Clinton, that question resonates.

Hatch has lost, and McCain and Bradley may well lose, too. But they sure have had their moments.

David Broder is a Washington Post columnist.

# LETTERS

## Let Thrush move on

I'm sorry, maybe I'm way off base, but I feel that Jesse Thrush needs a little compassion in his plight. How many of you who have written letters of condemnation about him would have been in his exact circumstance under similar conditions? I think it could have easily happened to many of us, including myself.

What does one do when the one he/she loves asks him/her to care for a "special needs" toddler who suffers from Down Syndrome? Even if he/she isn't exactly confident that he/she can handle the child, he/she may well likely agree to do the task so that harmony will prevail. What does the person do when he/she finds the child to be beyond his/her control and there is no one immediately available to turn to for guidance or help. In the perfect world, the majority of us would do all in our power to remain calm and obtain competent help to deal with the situation.

Unfortunately, Mr. Thrush and most of us are not perfect and we do not live in a perfect world. Mr. Thrush lost his cool, just as a great many of us would have lost our cool, and he acted on impulse. I'm sure he never intended to injure or kill the child, it just happened. Would this not have happened to you had you been caring for the child? Are you positively sure?

What about the mother? Didn't she have the ultimate responsibility to see that the child was safe and given proper care? Isn't she just a little bit liable in the situation for relying on someone to care for the child that probably shouldn't have been asked to do

so in the first place? I think it was a horrible mishap with horrible consequences. I think people should not be so quick to condemn Jesse Thrush because any one of us could have ended up in the same circumstance. He's suffered (and is suffering) enough. Leave him alone and let him get on with his broken life.

TOM GRIGGS  
Twin Falls

## Plea to Halley's supporters

To all the supporters of justice for Halley Williams:

I wish to thank each and every one of the people who have written in letters in protest to the lenient sentence Jesse Thrush received for this crime. I do feel that we might get justice for Halley if people like you would write these letters to Judge Meach, your congressmen and even the governor. They have to know we do not feel this was a correct application of the law in this case.

As Halley's grandmother, I feel the judge was saying it was no big deal Jesse killed this helpless baby. He is such a good guy and a sheriff's deputy and a fireman so we should not punish him as we do other citizens. This is wrong!

Please, everyone who feels as I do, write a letter to this judge letting him know we do not appreciate him placing so little value on this child's life.

PAULA ROWLAND  
Twin Falls

## Do the crime, do the time

I read the article on the Thrush case, and for what it matters, I feel he should do a sentence time. If he gets off on probation, it is telling everyone that a sher-

iff's deputy is above the law. Whatever happened to "if you do the crime, you do the time?"

I don't care if he has a spotless record, it also conveys the message to the outside world that it is OK to commit a crime if you have an "emotional overload." What would this world be if we all did something like this when we were emotional? God help us!

KATHY SABEY  
Wendell

## What about Jerome?

Just a note to tell you how much we enjoy The Times-News here in Arizona six months of the year.

However, it seems there is very little news from Jerome. Maybe nothing happens over there.

PAUL MALONE  
Jerome (Currently in Queen Valley, Ariz.)



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William Brock

Times-News Opinions Editor  
Times-News Columns Editor

Some people have noted a recent change in the name of the column. As you know, William Brock is credited with the name as well as the content. I will be continuing to write the column under the name of William Brock.

What do you think about the incident involving Jesse Thrush and the child? I have read the article and the letters to the editor. I am sure that you have all read the article and the letters to the editor.

So, I am sure that you will be able to see that the name of the column is now William Brock. I am sure that you will be able to see that the name of the column is now William Brock.

## Heavy-handed police

After much deliberation, I've decided to swallow my pride. Quite embarrassingly, Twin Falls city police officers recently came to my house. I had lost my temper and was cursing in front of my young son — for which I deserve condemnation. I'm actually thankful that I have neighbor(s) who care enough to be concerned and that we have a responsive police force.

The problem arose after I sheepishly admitted that I was angry over a speaker installation. An officer asked me to go get my identification. I politely told him that this was not a situation where I needed to get it for him.

Officer Sklar then, with his hand on his gun, began yelling at me, telling me something like: "Do what the — officer tells you to do and go get the — license." I tried to explain that, given my legal education and experience, I knew that they legally could not force me to show them identification. The remaining police officers began moving toward me. Fearing for my safety, I got my ID. They ran a warrant check. It came up clean. They left.

The officers wanted my ID to run a warrant check; they were willing to use force to get it, and they apparently have been taught to do it that way. There was absolutely no evidence of domestic violence or child abuse. My wife attested to their safety. There was no sign of any crime for them to investigate, during which my iden-

# LETTERS

tification would be instrumental to the operation of justice." (A police spokesman cited the "obstruction of justice" statute as authority for their actions.)

To Chief DeVore We (American citizens) must have a valid driver's license to operate a motor vehicle on public roads, and we must produce it upon demand "while driving on a public road." We do not, to my knowledge, have to carry papers to prove who we are (on our own property, much less) This is the United States, not Nazi Germany! When you have officers who are willing to show the threat of force at the drop of a hat, you play a dangerous game, teaching them to demand the production of identification under any circumstances. Sooner or later, the city of Twin Falls is going to have a serious lawsuit on its hands. Taxpayers, can you say serious money?

DANIEL J. DOUGLAS  
Twin Falls

## Divorce hurts kids, too

I'm a teen-ager that lives in Idaho, and I have been faced with a problem lately that many teens and children have to face — divorce and custody battles. I think that it is a hard thing to face.

I think that there should be more ways to get the right information and more information on the child's life. The justice system is so not right and fair with many cases. The court system needs to get more information to get the child in the right place and the child support

the right amount.

In my case, the judge did not get enough and the right information to make a good amount for me and my brother. He lied about many things to get the cost down — \$150 a month for two is not enough money to pay for the basic and simple things in life. I think we need better people or more people to help children and teens go through this horrible process of divorce and child custody. The children of this world do not need extra pain because we have enough troubles already!

Thank you. A hurt teen speaking for all kids and teens in this problem.

ANGELA HENSON  
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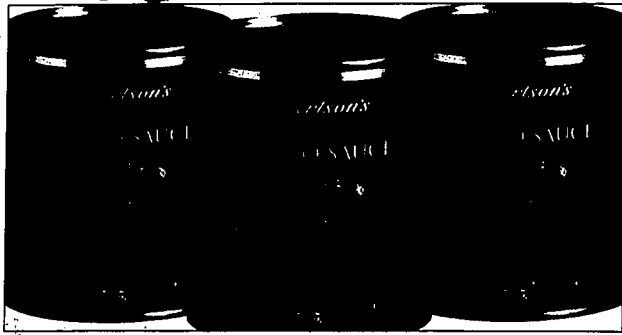
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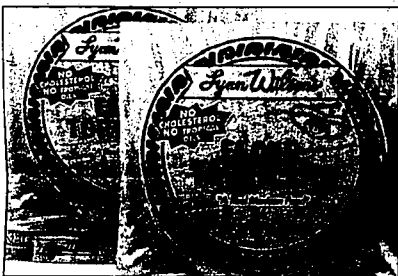
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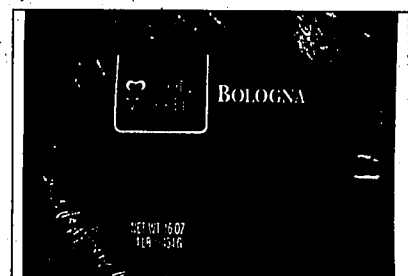
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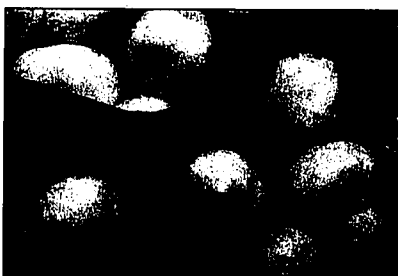
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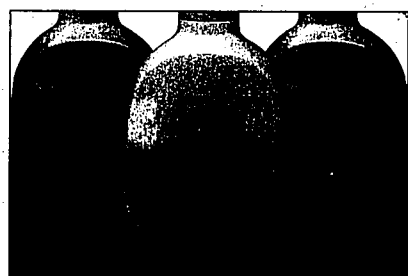
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## Could the Super Bowl get sillier?

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Where have you gone, Joe Montana? The Super Bowl, the most anticlimactic event in sport, has finally gone jiggy.

At 4 p.m. precisely, 125 million football fans on troubled tele will sit down and watch: "Yes, Boomer, some of the greats of the game will gather for the ceremonial coin toss: Johnny Unitas, Lawrence Taylor, Kurt Warner."

Kurt Warner, in case you've been going to church for the past 19 Sundays, is a guy from Iowa who had thrown precisely 11 passes in the National Football League before St. Louis Rams coach Dick Vermeil took him aside in the locker room last August.

"Kurt, our starting quarterback blew out his knee. It's up to you now, kid. Go out and win one for Iowa! Win it for corn tassels!"

There's a scene in the new football movie, "Any Given Sunday," in which coach Al Pacino tells his third-string quarterback:

"Forget the playbook, you're back in the neighborhood, it's getting dark and your mama is calling you for supper. Just tell everybody to run down to the Buick that's parked at the end of the block and you'll be home."

That's pretty much what Warner, a veteran of the bumper-pool-style Arena Football League, does best. Despite the presence of Marshall Faulk, one of the league's best ball-carriers, the Rams don't feature their running game. Faulk is basically a fifth pass receiver; Warner averages 8.4 yards per completion, highest in the league.

You're in familiar with football, that means that all the Rams run down to the Buick at the end of the block and wait for Warner to throw them the ball.

Yet the St. Louis team is positively conventional compared with the Tennessee Titans, who must have bought their Rinslo Blue-colored uniforms off the back of a truck in Kuala Lumpur.

These fellows are the congealed remnants of the old Houston Oilers, a franchise that has since exits than Lt. Columbo. Six years ago, the taxpayers of Houston in their wisdom declined to build the Oilers a new stadium. The team's owner, Bud Adams, took umbrage.

"I'm moving to Tennessee!" he thundered.

"No you're not," shot back the mayor. "You've got a lease!"

"I'm still moving!" Adams replied.

The Oilers paid \$4 million to get out of the final year of their lease after playing the 1996 season in Houston with one foot on the Astroturf and the other on the train. And they did not attract a lot of fans.

Come the day of the move, there was a bigger problem: Nashville, the destination of Adams' dreams, didn't have a stadium available.

So the team, now improbably called the Tennessee Oilers, played the 1997 season in Memphis. It's pretty sure it wouldn't be there in '98. Their attendance was worse in the NFL. Go figure.

So after the team finally fetched up in Music City, Adams decided not to be run out of town. He rechristened the ballclub the Titans after the nickname that the New York Jets abandoned 35 years ago.

To most people's surprise, the Titans didn't sink. They beat betwined teams all the way to the Georgia Dome in Atlanta where they play the Rams this afternoon.

One or the other of them is going to win, I suppose, followed by gruesome consequences:

Either grocery clerks are going to be running around pass routes through the aisles at Winco for the foreseeable future, or your son is going to demand that you buy him a Titans replica jersey that's the color of a week-old braise.

Whoever, it's not gonna be pretty.

**Times-News features editor Steve Crump has the Niners and points.**

# Volunteers give children voice in court

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - On most days, Tom Burton can be found flipping burgers or chatting with customers at the local hamburger joint he co-owns in Burley.

But in his spare time, Burton looks out for the best interests of children who have been caught up in the court system by no fault of their own. He's one of the dedicated volunteers with the Court Appointed Special Advocate, or CASA, program, also known as the Guardian ad Litem program.

CASA volunteers play a vital role in providing judges with carefully researched backgrounds of children to help the court make sound decisions about their futures. A CASA volunteer is a trained citizen appointed by a judge to represent the best interests of a child in abuse and neglect cases, child custody cases or other situations where the child has become involved in the court system.

## Want to help?

The Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program needs volunteers. In the Magic Valley, CASA is involved in 123 court cases and has only 25 volunteers to look out for the interests of children involved in those cases. Twelve of the cases are in the Mini-Cassia area where there are just four CASA volunteers. To learn more about volunteering for CASA, call Tiffany Preston at 208-324-6590.

"Whose responsibility is it to look after the child?" he asked.

Agencies such as the Department of Health and Welfare often have heavy case loads and CASA volunteers free up workers to concentrate on other aspects of cases involving children. Burton said he often sits down with a DHW caseworker and offers help and suggestions on the cases he is involved with.

The cases Burton helps the court with are not always cut and dried and don't always have the happiest endings, he said.

"I tell myself I'm going to do right by this child," he said. "But then it bogs down and I think that there is no way I can make a difference."

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Tom Burton, a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program volunteer, visits with a customer at Burgers Etc. in Burley. Burton is one of four CASA volunteers in the Mini-Cassia area.

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## PIZZA PARTY FOR PRIZE PUPILS



Jackie Plastino, left, and Sonnie Strolberg teach academic skills and English as a Second Language at Twin Falls High School. Every nine weeks their 'Homework Club' goes out for pizza.

# New language, new life

## Instructors teach more than English

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Seven languages represented at the dinner table make for a typical get-together when two Twin Falls High School teachers host a student party.

Sonnie Strolberg and Jackie Plastino, chosen by The Times-News as this month's A+ Teachers, teach English to students who are learning to speak it as a second language.

## Welcoming newcomers

Many of Sonnie Strolberg and Jackie Plastino's students are refugees. They arrive in Twin Falls through the College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center, knowing little English.

The two teachers offer suggestions about getting to know students from other countries:

- Use simple words and speak in simple sentences.

- Remember to speak slowly; not loudly. Volume has nothing to do with understanding.
- Befriend them. The teachers suggest showing them the area's sights, such as Shoshone Falls or Sun Valley. Most refugees come from areas that have public transit, and when they first arrive in independent Twin Falls they generally lack transportation.

teachers help them not only with English but with life in a new country. "I lived with Mrs. Strolberg for almost two months, because my father . . ."

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**A+ Teachers**

Each month of the 1999-2000 school year, The Times-News will profile an outstanding Magic Valley teacher.

To nominate a teacher whose special efforts are paying off for students, contact Jennifer Sandmann at 733-0931, Ext. 241, or e-mail at jgsandmann@magicalvalley.com

# Skiers glide the rails on old track beds

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** - A century ago you would have seen freight cars loaded with ore and bullion plying their way through the narrow river valley between Ketchum and Bellevue. On Saturday, hundreds of skiers skied along the very beds where railroad tracks once sat in the 13th annual Rails to Trails celebration.

Classic Nordic skiers changed along as skate skiers waltzed in by synchronized fashion under royal blue skies. They passed fishermen casting their lines in the gurgling Wood River, a majestic bull elk stationed near the golf course on Buttercup Road and dozens of yellow splashes in the sparkling white snow, courtesy of the Labrador retrievers and other furry friends running the trails with their human companions.

The mercury was barely nudging seven degrees as Denise Smith of Twin Falls got on the

ski trail near the River Run Ski Lodge at the base of Baldy. But the blazing sun had warmed the valley into the 30s by the time she arrived at the East Fork Road aid station to catch a shuttle bus back to her car.

"I haven't been on cross-country skis in 14 years and, what with two kids and more pounds than I will ever confess to, it's been a workout," she said.

"But what a gorgeous day and fascinating, too. I never realized the railway was here before."

The Rails to Trails celebration commemorates the building of the Wood River Trails system, which was 16 years in the making.

In 1917, killing 17 men, And of how Union Pacific lowered several old boxcars into the river and filled them with huge boulders in 1965 to prevent what is now called Boxcar Bend from washing out completely.

"The signs are real interesting," said Lynn Crawford, of Boise. "Too bad they don't leave them up permanently so you can

stop and read them while biking or Rollerblading during the summer."

Casey, a fluffy white bison frise clad in a red cardigan, padded along with her owners Bernice and Charlie Frederick, of Richland, Wash.

"She says, 'I'm getting tuckered out,'" Bernice interpreted for her. "Not as much as I am," interjected Charlie.

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# Residents to discuss new levy proposal

By Barb Nelwert  
Times-News correspondent

**HAILEY** - Blaine County residents will get an opportunity tonight to hear more about a \$39.5 million plant facilities levy now under consideration to ease overcrowding in area schools.

The proposed plan includes construction of two new schools and improvements at existing schools in the district.

The Strategic Facilities Committee that developed the building plan wants public input on the proposal so it can fine-tune its recommendation before presenting it to the School Board for its approval on Feb. 7. The board will then decide the specifics of the plan and whether it will be financed through a plant facilities levy or a bond issue.

If voters pass the proposal with the necessary 55 percent margin, the \$39.5 million price tag would make it the second largest plant facilities levy to be approved in Idaho history, falling in place behind Meridian's \$75 million plant facilities levy passed in 1998. A larger levy - \$100 million - failed this past April in Fremont County.

If the School Board were to finance the projects under a bond issue which requires 66 and two-thirds percent approval, it would rank as the second largest bond issue to be passed, just behind a \$44 million bond issue passed by Boise voters in 1996. Two larger bond issues failed - a \$79 million bond issue in Boise in 1995 and a \$45 million bond issue in Pocatello in 1996.

The facility master plan under consideration includes:

- Construction of a new \$19.6 million high school near the existing high school in Hailey.
- Construction of a new \$8.1 million elementary school in Hailey.
- A \$5.5 million addition and renovation to the Carey School.
- A \$2.7 million expansion to Wood River Middle School.
- A new \$1.9 million school bus garage.
- An additional \$1.6 million in upgrades to Bellevue, Hailey and Hemingway elementary schools.

Rather than build a new high school, the strategic facilities committee debated an option to make renovations at Wood River High School to accommodate the growing student population in Blaine County.

However, renovation of the existing school would cost \$12.2 million and would necessitate building a separate facility for a technical center to house the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition academies at a cost of \$5.5 million. Under this option, student capacity at the old high school would be 900 to 1000 students.

Wood River High School currently has 732 students, but considering current student population.

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# Red hot sale: Piece of California desert history changes hands

**BAKER, Calif. (AP)** — It seems this wide spot in the road has always had desert heat, but it also has the legendary Bun Boy restaurant and the world's tallest thermometer.

They are familiar monuments to anyone who has ever made the hot, dusty desert run along Interstate 15 to Las Vegas.

Now the monuments have a new owner.

"This place has been here for decades and I can't imagine them changing it," said Marti Schmidt, who retired from Thousand Oaks who stops at the Bun Boy on the way to and from Las Vegas with her husband, Al.

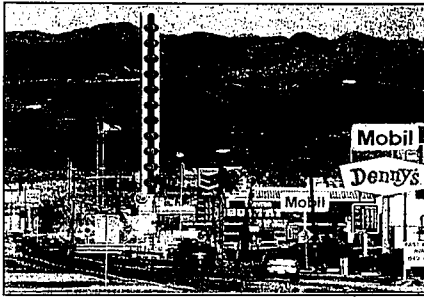
"She needs't worry."

"The history will remain," said new owner Steve Carter.

After all, the Bun Boy Restaurant has been pulling people in for nearly three-quarters of a century.

"The Bun Boy, founded in 1926, and has 134 feet tall thermometer were among the core properties sold last week to Carter, who declined to disclose the sum his company paid.

The sale marks the first time



Visitors drive through the town of Baker, Calif., as the world's tallest thermometer stands in the background at the Bun Boy restaurant Thursday. The Carter Co., which owns Burger King franchises throughout the desert, recently bought the town's major businesses.

the restaurant has completely changed hands.

"I'm glad it's done," said seller Willis Herron, 75, a friend of

Carter. "My age and my health wouldn't let me do Baker justice. I think he'll do what I wanted to do, but I ran out of time."

## Voice

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There are often so many facets involved it is hard to know what the truth is, he said. Sometimes the child's life seems just as complicated at the end of the case as when it started, but he hopes something he has done has made a difference.

"The outcome isn't always something you're happy with, but you hope something can change in the future," Burton said.

Fifth District Magistrate Judge Michael Crabtree agrees with Burton that cases are never crystal clear.

"The court is most painfully aware of how fragile human lives are and how decisions impact people's lives," Crabtree said.

People involved in custody cases, for example, may have strong, opposite views.

"These views are forcefully held in each person's heart," Crabtree said.

He said information provided by CASA volunteers help judges make reasoned decisions. CASA volunteers take a close look at a child's environment to see how the child is doing in school and whether or not the child is getting adequate medical attention. CASA volunteers then make recommendations to the court on what would be best for a child.

The information they provide is invaluable, Crabtree said.

"These people are volunteers, giving time away from their business and livelihood," he said.

"Thank goodness they come."

Elise Heins said she became a CASA volunteer when she saw children who couldn't defend themselves caught up in

horrible situations.

"Parents use the child to sabotage the other parent. They pull the poor child apart," Heins said. "I find that reprehensible."

There are a lot of causes out there and many organizations that need volunteers. Burton said he'd had a good life and a stable home and he wanted to give something back. That's when he became a CASA volunteer.

Today, when Burton looks into the face of a child, he said he often wonders what's going on in that child's life.

"It is hard to imagine that the child may be going home to a living hell," he said.

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## Teachers

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had to go to Bulgaria," said student Emilia Kanazireva, 16, who is from the Eastern European country.

Though she knew little English when she arrived in Twin Falls three years ago, she speaks it fluently when she explains she is grateful to have had a place to stay.

"She no longer takes English as Second Language (ESL) classes but does attend Plastino and Strolberg's "Homework Club" after school.

ESL students, who are required to take the same general classes as all Idaho high-schoolers, in many cases don't have parents speaking fluent English at home to help them with their studies.

"It's very difficult when you have to prepare your assignments, yet you don't understand what the teacher was talking about," Kanazireva said, adding that teachers try to explain the material in every possible way.

The two teachers helped Japanese-exchange student Ayaka Muraki, 16, find a host family. And 18-year-old Aram Babayan of Armenia said Strolberg and Plastino visit his parents at home.

The teaching partners like to get acquainted with parents who aren't familiar with the American public school system.

"It helps the family realize there is a contact person at school they can call on," Strolberg said. In return, the families often treat Strolberg to tasty food from around the world when she makes her house calls.

"If you're not going to be traveling around the world, the next best thing is having the world walk through your door every day," Strolberg said. "I think I've come to see the world, people, religions and cultures from many different perspectives."

Principal Ben Allen describes the home visits as beyond the call of duty. The rapport the teachers have built with parents helps students transition to Twin Falls, he said.

With money in the budget for tutoring, Strolberg and Plastino were offered pay for working with students each day after school, but they wouldn't accept it, Allen said.

"They do it free of charge, because they believe that's their job," he said.

Plastino speaks English, French, Spanish, and is learning German. She said in the

Homework Club's first year one student showed up. The next year his brother came, too.

Now they have about 16 regulars, and it's open to all students, not just students learning English.

ESL classes began at the high school about five years ago, after the U.S. Office of Civil Rights required the district offer services for high school students who speak little or no English. The district offered ESL in the elementary and junior highs but not at the high school.

Before the high school program, many ESL students found teachers to connect with, but those who didn't left school, Allen said. Now the faculty relies on Strolberg and Plastino, who also teach academic skills classes for struggling ESL students, for help.

The state dropout rate for Hispanic students is between 40 percent and 60 percent, Strolberg said. She and Plastino are focusing on helping Hispanic students stay in school, and each year since ESL began, to a record of 26 in 1999.

About 150 students who don't speak English as their first language attend the high school, just

# Suspect to stand trial in 1996 slaying

**BOUNTIFUL, Utah (AP)** — Four years after the slaying of a Woods Cross Motel 6 clerk, one of the suspects is finally set to stand trial. Todd Jeremy Rettenberger, 21, was bound over Friday on charges of murder and aggravated robbery.

Prosecutors say Rettenberger was part of a group that killed Matthew Whicker and made off with \$499 on Oct. 29, 1996. Whicker, a 30-year-old multiple gunshot wounds to his chest and left shoulder.

Rettenberger's defense attorney,

Todd Utzinger, said his client, who has been waiting in jail for three years, is innocent and wants a trial to begin as soon as possible.

"This has gone on long enough," Utzinger said. "This whole case just continues to crumble around the District Attorney's Office, and the reason it's crumbling is because they have no case."

Woods Cross police Det. Bruce Timm testified that investigators found no fingerprints or footprints matching Rettenberger's at the scene of the

crime. Yet prosecutor Bill McGuire said he has "very credible" evidence against Rettenberger.

Michelle Kelly, who was driving past the Motel 6 around 9 p.m., said she saw Rettenberger running from the motel lobby with "his right hand tucked up against his wrist" and jump into a waiting car.

On Aug. 27, 1999, the state Supreme Court tossed out a confession Rettenberger made after two days of interrogation, saying he was coerced into admitting to the slaying.

# Idaho man seeks to change water right

**BOISE (AP)** — An Owyhee County lodge owner has filed a new water right application to try to resolve his illegal use of water without a water right for a commercial bottling plant.

If approved, the new right would take effect in July.

The Idaho Department of Water Resources says Matthew Olive of Murphy Hot Springs wants the agency to amend a

recorded right to allow him to divert nearly 39,000 gallons of water from a spring per day. The water would be bottled commercially in the Murphy Hot Springs area.

## Hailey

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The district has the 3 percent growth this year over the past decade, in another four years that figure will jump to 903 students.

If the high school was remodelled it would be outgrown in just five or six years. Superintendent Jim Lewis said, with no other options for expansion, students should be taken care of for the next 10 years with a new high school and locating the ARTEC academies in a wing of the old school, Lewis said.

In discussions with the College of Southern Idaho, Lewis said college officials are "very interested" in using a portion of the old high school for college classrooms with the possibility of adding on a performing arts center. CSI would operate much the same way it does at its Burley Center, with classes offered by Boise State University, Idaho State University, University of Idaho and Northwest Nazarene University.

The school district would offer a similar plan to the Blaine County Recreation District to lease the old gymnasium and other space for use as a community recreation center.

Lewis said including all building projects into one election issue would meet the district's building needs for the next 10 years. As such, the district would not have to ask voters to fund other capital improvements every four or five years, he said.

The final decision needs to be made whether to finance the \$39.5 million through a bond issue repayable with interest over the next 20 years, or through a 10-year plan facilities levy that would accrue interest only when money was borrowed.

Treasurer Mike Chatterton said the plan facility levy costs more per year but means tremendous savings in interest.

For example, for the owner of a \$100,000 house with a homeowner's exemption, the most a 10-year plan facilities levy would cost would be \$86.16 per year, or \$862 total. In contrast, if a bond was issued to finance the project, the homeowner would pay about \$58 a year for 20 years, or \$1,160 over the life of the bond, Chatterton said.

Due to the construction schedule, the district would need to borrow money only on a limited basis and could save as much as

\$18 million in interest if financed through the plant facilities levy, Lewis said.

Currently Blaine County residents have 13 more years to pay on a bond issue that provided funds to build Wood River Middle School. Property owners also pay a general maintenance and operations levy, an override levy, a small tuition levy for county students attending out-of-county schools, and a tort levy for liability insurance.

If a plant facilities levy were passed sometime this year, construction of the high school would be the first priority and would begin in the spring of 2001 with a completion date set for the summer of 2003.

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Joe LaVoie, right, and Jack Wallgren explore a mottled Naval swift boat Wednesday at the Naval Submarine Base in Bangor, Wash. Both men served on a similar boat in Vietnam while in the Navy. The boat is being transformed from a forgotten rust bucket resting on blocks into part of a memorial in San Diego to the 'brownwater' forces of the Vietnam War.

Micron president donates to BSU

BOISE (AP) - Micron Technology President Steve Appleton is offering to donate 10,000 personal shares of company stock to allow Boise State University to build an outdoor tennis complex. The stock is valued at roughly \$750,000, and Appleton challenged the university to match his offer.

The complex will be constructed on the site of the existing tennis courts and will include six courts with stadium-style seating. In the past, Boise State has had to haul bleachers from the football stadium to the courts so that spectators could watch the teams play.

"This will give us a showcase facility," Boise State University Athletic Director Gene Bleymaier said. "It will greatly contribute to our recruiting and hosting opportunities."

Bleymaier said Appleton's gift also will enable the Bronco men's and women's tennis teams to become major contenders for the NCAA Championship.

Fire district sues state fund over dividends

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho (AP) - The Hayden Lake Fire Protection District is suing the State Insurance Fund, claiming it has bilked all of its Idaho policyholders out of \$80 million in dividends.

"These insurance funds have just been taking too much of our money for years," Fire District Commissioner Wayne Johnson said. The lawsuit was filed Tuesday in 1st District Court.

The district says it filed on behalf of all employers who purchased workers compensation insurance policies from the fund after 1995.

"Class members are so numerous that joinder of all members is impractical," the lawsuit says.

However, George Parham, insurance fund chief legal counsel, said the suit cannot be called a class action until certified as such by a judge.

The lawsuit says the fund is required to fix premiums for different classes of employment, according to the risk of injury on the job.

Also, the fund has to set up a surplus and reserves that are adequate to pay claims.

When policyholders pay premiums over what is required to pay those claims, state law allows the fund to return that money in the form of dividends, the lawsuit says.

"They would like the money paid back to them that is tax deductible," the lawsuit says.

Authorities talked with Horn's son, but he was not charged.

The lawsuit goes on to say that the fund has fixed premiums at a much higher rate than needed for a reasonable surplus and has not returned enough money in the form of dividends.

"In 1994, the surplus was approximately \$75 million," it reads. "By the end of 1998, the surplus was approximately \$159 million."

An insurance expert the fire district hired testified in an affidavit he had compared the fund's surplus with those of 35 other insurance organizations and three other state insurance funds. In each case, the expert found Idaho's fund was holding too high a rate of surplus.

Eastern Washington last week involving counterfeit cash allegedly produced with computer equipment.

"We're seeing a real serious spike in these kinds of cases," Hicks said.

Officials say more counterfeiting starts at home

SPOKANE (AP) - Home computers increasingly are being used to make counterfeit cash in Eastern Washington, federal authorities say.

The latest example is a case in which a 9-year-old Spokane boy allegedly passed a counterfeit \$1 bill at school.

The boy's father, Rex Horn, is accused of producing the phony \$1 bill and nine counterfeit \$20s

on rented computer equipment, Assistant U.S. Attorney Earl Hicks said.

Secret Service agents tracked down the equipment to help make the case against Horn, agent David Hoffman testified Friday in a hearing at which Horn was ordered held on \$10,000 bond.

The case was the third in the house, Leslie Hall waived his preliminary hearing on charges of felony injury to children.

Police who responded almost did not see the 10-day-old twins in car seats because of the mess piled around them. The 3-year-old girls were locked in an upstairs bedroom with the heat turned up to 90 degrees.

Dannielle's mother, Bonnie Cuffe, 51, lived at the home and was also arrested. Cuffe, a nurse, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of injury to children in December.

Mother pleads guilty after police find children in home full of filth

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - A Post Falls mother has pleaded guilty to felony injury to a child by leaving her five youngsters in a garbage-filled house that reeked of human waste.

Dannielle Leontine Hall, 23, could be sentenced to 10 years in prison and a \$50,000 fine. She is scheduled to be sentenced March 15.

Hall and her husband, Leslie, 23, were arrested in December after police said they discovered the couple's 3-year-old twins, 10-day-old twins and 1-year-old boy in

Church expresses sorrow after four missionaries die in accident

OSCEOLA, Iowa (AP) - Mormon Church leaders released a message of condolence Saturday, following the fatal accident that took the lives of four Mormon missionaries in Iowa.

"At this time of grief and mourning, we extend our love and prayers to the families," according to a statement released by the First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. "These faithful young men were deeply loved and will be dearly missed."

Herman Heckathorn, 90, of Murray, was driving a pickup truck by a car carrying four Mormon missionaries on Friday, the Iowa State Patrol said.

The missionaries were west-bound on U.S. Highway 34 just west of Osceola, about 40 miles south of Des Moines. The driver tried to pass another vehicle but slid onto the shoulder, overcorrected and began to skid, the patrol said.

The car entered the eastbound lanes, where it crashed into a

pickup truck. Both vehicles burst into flames.

The four Utah missionaries had just left a conference on missionary work at an Osceola church.

They were identified as: Jay-son Ray Christensen, 20, of Harrisville; Jared Mont Fulham, 20, of Alpine; Bradley Alan Savage, 20, of Lehi; and Daniel Byrne Roundy, 19, of Kaysville.

Fulham's Utah bishop, Greg Wilder, described him as "a bright young man, very serious about his schoolwork." Fulham, "as his brother put it, 'always got the girls,' and he got to drive the fun cars," Wilder said.

Bishop William Harris described Roundy as a "devoted missionary" who "had a great enthusiasm for life. He was full of vitality and drive."

Bishop Ron Peck said Savage lost touch with his family on Christmas.

"He told them he liked where he was, knew he was doing the right thing and was the happiest he had ever been," Peck said.

All four had been on missions in Des Moines for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for less than a year.

W. Craig Zwick, assistant executive director of the church's missionary department said the young men were "right where they should have been."

Male church members are expected to serve two years spreading the Mormon message to assigned areas. Robert Rowley, who oversees the mission program in Iowa, said the church has 180 missionaries in the state.

Christiansen and Fulham worked and lived in Osceola, which is about 40 miles south of Des Moines. Savage and Roundy were in Lenox, in southwest Iowa.

"The thing we out here can only think is what a tragedy this is for (the families)," Rowley said. "To think their sons were going to be out here for two years ... and will not be able to return home."

Weather may have altered birds' travel

POCATELLO (AP) - Game officers counting waterfowl in southeastern Idaho were shocked the birds' numbers have plunged, but at this time of the year, extreme fluctuations may be typical.

Carl Anderson of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game flew a plane above the Snake River from the American Falls Reservoir to the Fort Hall river-bottoms, and counted about 18,000 birds.

"That's less than what we usually see. Quite a bit, actually," he said. Last year's count was 73,000.

Anderson said the lower numbers could be caused by changing weather conditions along the Pacific and Rocky Mountain flyways, two of four recognized waterfowl travel routes in the United States. Both border southeastern Idaho.

"The reason we were seeing lower numbers is milder condi-

tions that alter migration," he said.

American Falls Reservoir being almost entirely frozen also changed the distribution of birds.

"It's hard to say where they might have been," he said.

The 18,000 birds include 12,000 ducks, including mallards, goldeneye, widgeons and pintails; about 6,000 Canada geese and 140 trumpeter swans also were spotted.

WSU satellite loses radio contact after launch

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - After successfully releasing four small satellites earlier this week, Weber State University officials fear the rocket that carried them may be lost in space.

The school's JAWSAT - Joint Air Force Academy-Weber State University Satellite - satellite has failed to send radio signals to Earth and may be dead, The Salt Lake Tribune reported in a copy-righted story Saturday.

"Frankly, it doesn't look very good," Mike Wood, technical manager for One Stop Satellite Solutions, a Weber State University (WSU) spinoff company in Ogden. "We haven't been able to contact it or hear it."

Of the \$26 million total cost of the JAWSAT mission, about \$23 million was for the rocket and the launch.

After receiving a radio signal characteristic of JAWSAT at an unexpected time, controllers heard nothing from the satellite during three subsequent passes

over its California launch site, Wood said.

Ham radio operators in Ogden, Salt Lake City, Park City, the East Coast and South Africa plan this weekend to keep listening for JAWSAT, Wood said.

JAWSAT was launched Wednesday night from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. Once in orbit, JAWSAT deployed four other small satellites. But a WSU experiment and NASA experiment that stayed aboard JAWSAT pre doomed if the satellite cannot be contacted, Wood said.

The two experiments that remained on JAWSAT were WSU's \$1 million Attitude Control Platform, designed as a low-cost way to provide pointing

ability now lacking on small satellites, and a NASA experiment designed to measure electrically charged particles in space.

Even if JAWSAT and those experiments are lost, the Air Force considers the mission a success. The sole purpose, from the military's standpoint, was to prove the capability of using refurbished Minuteman II missile motors to launch small satellites for 30 percent less than the cost of using new rockets, Air Force Lt. Colleen Lehne said. And, JAWSAT has already done that.

The Air Force expects to reduce launch costs to \$13 million when refurbished Minuteman missiles are used for future missions.

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# Helping inmates die

## Hospices for prisons multiply

Los Angeles Times

PALESTINE, Texas — Juan Robles thinks there are two men within him.

The first one, easily enraged, is roused by violent impulses, swayed by his companions. That's how, eight years ago, he landed in the penitentiary for armed robbery.

The second Robles blends with empathy. He has a gift for easing others' pain; he responds intensely to the influence of peers. That's why he volunteers inside the prison hospice — for the sheltering, redemptive work of helping ailing inmates as they die.

The transformation of Robles is just one consequence of a surge in prison hospices, a trend slowly altering the culture of U.S. prisons. Devoted to physical and emotional comfort for the dying, hospice units might actually touch whole prison populations; according to some wardens, violence apparently diminishes when a prison starts a hospice.

Prison hospices are multiplying because of a national push for longer prison sentences, coupled with epidemics such as AIDS. With the prison population roughly triple what it was in 1990, dying naturally while behind bars is now common.

Last year, about 3,000 U.S. inmates died in custody — 50 percent more than just the year before. Today, a population plagued by its divorce from other humans is facing, in large numbers, the one experience all people share. To keep up with the needs of the dying, 12 states, including Texas and California, have prison hospices.

In any prison, the hush and humanity of a good hospice contrasts bluntly with the institution around it. But the idea of tranquil death takes on special irony in Texas, which executes more inmates than any other state. Last month, officials even flew an inmate from a hospital intensive care ward, where he'd been placed after trying suicide, back to death row to execute him on time. Although their roots are practical, hospices have had some unforeseen effects. Inmates surprise wardens by competing for hospice volunteer jobs. Once-casual visitors and volunteers now support hospices. And some prisoners' advocates denounce them.

Most unexpected of all, several wardens have cited anecdotal evidence that violence drops



Juan Robles, right, helps terminally ill Texas inmate Carlos Villareal deal with his pending death

markedly when a prison hospice opens.

The hospice at the Michael Unit in East Texas is one of five state or federal prison hospices in Texas, where 150,000 people are incarcerated. Near capacity with 19 patients, the Michael Unit hospice looks like a low-tech hospital wing.

Robles, rotating with other volunteers, bathes, soothes, feeds and comforts inmates whose prognosis is six months or less to live. Patients receive pain medication but no emergency action to resuscitate them. Family members can visit often.

But it's in the nature of prison hospices, says supervisor Joyce Miller, that the most intense support comes from other inmates.

"In hospice we treat the mind, body and soul," Miller says. "These guys get real close to the guys here. Usually when you take a prisoner in, there's already some strings cut (from their loved ones). Sometimes our hospice aides become the family of the person who's dying."

And maybe only other inmates understand the dread of dying behind bars, surrounded by other inmates, remote from those who once knew them best. "I've lost a lot — my wife, my child — since I came here," Robles said. "I put myself in (patients') place, and I'm afraid that I'll die alone."

At the Michael Unit, a maximum security prison in a dusty margin of the East Texas woods, the 3,200 inmates are noticeably

calmer in the nearly two years since the hospice started, Warden Larry Johns says. He thinks the hospice's nurturing climate helps first the patients, then the volunteers and finally the whole prison. "The philosophy changes in the setting itself," Johns muses. "The inmates change. It changes how we look at them."

"There's certainly no empirical data, but you will find a majority of wardens saying it makes sense from a security basis," adds Elizabeth Craig, president of the Colorado-based National Prison Hospice Association. Historically, the deaths of inmates have prompted violence, minor arson and vandalism, all of which might diminish when a prison has a hospice. Inmates often believe that companions who die in prison infirmaries are mistreated, even killed, Craig says.

But not all hospices, Craig stresses, are as comfortable as the Michael Unit, where each patient has a private room and relative freedom of movement through the area.

Ray Hill, a former inmate who is now a prison reform activist and Houston radio show host, has no use for the prison hospice system, even at its best. Hospices, Hill says, only detract from inmates' slim chances of actual parole to die at home. And, he adds, they obscure severe problems, such as undertreatment of epidemic levels of hepatitis C.

Robles says inmates he has cared for still face the fear and

psychic pain of dying — often terribly compounded by their circumstances. In his white prison scrubs, a small cross dangling from his neck, Robles has comforted inmates anguished at the dead relationships and distant families they leave behind.

Often too, dying inmates brood on questions of judgment. Their failures. Their crimes.

"My patients are always ready to talk. ... They want to talk about crimes in their free lives. Crimes for which they weren't punished," Robles says. "I think they want to get it off their chest."

Of all the patients he has seen, Robles identifies most closely with the Latino immigrants in hospice, the ones who can't speak English. The son of Mexican immigrants, he knows Spanish-speaking patients sometimes shrink from making requests of English speakers.

Rodolfo Fernandez Fonseca, who died of AIDS, Fonseca did not go easily.

"He was so aware," says Robles. "I've never seen so much emotional fear. It was so sad for me, not to be able to help." Finally, he talked to a therapist — one of the support systems that the hospice team provides — to overcome his grief.

Yet even that experience, Robles says, had a meaning it might not have for somebody outside a prison.

# Battling against grief - and death

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Emmett Fraser was 78 when he bought his new Harley-Davidson motorcycle. It had sleek chrome fenders and handlebars arched like a bighorn sheep's antlers.

He couldn't ride it, but having it was enough. It proved to him he wasn't old. "He didn't want to do anything he thought was for old people," said his daughter, Gina Brooks.

He'd battled skin cancer and depression for 40 years. But he always bounced back. His family learned to expect as much.

"Because of his depression, there were lots of times he could've been dying. But he'd get over them," said Gina's husband, Steve. "He was such a tough old bird."

It's not as if his family thought he'd live forever. But they didn't speak about him dying.

"Death in America is so hush-hush," said Patty Bullock, a social worker with Hospice of North Idaho. "I try to normalize the death process." Emmett died Dec. 6 in his daughter's hilltop home a few miles east of Coeur d'Alene. His children cleaned his body and rubbed fragrant oil on him, following an old Celtic tradition. His great-granddaughter kissed him.

"It wouldn't have been nearly the spiritual experience it was without Hospice," Gina said. "They took the pressure off."

Gina and Steve knew little about Hospice when they called the nonprofit organization last fall. Hospice offers nurses, aides and social workers to care for dying people during their last few months, and to help their families.

The North Idaho chapter cares for up to 18 families at one time. Medicare or insurance covers about half those people. Hospice raises money from donations and benefits to cover the costs of the rest. "I felt like there were these big hands around the house supporting us," Gina said.

Emmett first lost skin to cancer in 1959, 14 years after his release from a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp 30 miles from Hiroshima.

"He saw the mushroom cloud," Gina said. Cancer chipped slowly away at the father of three until he lost most of his nose in 1990.

"He had just enough nose left for his glasses to sit on," Steve said. He moved in with Gina and

Steve in Seattle that year. When the family relocated to Coeur d'Alene in 1993, Emmett moved into Coeur d'Alene's Loylton retirement and assisted living center.

Gina and Steve worked full time for the post office and worked that Emmett might need more attention than they could provide. His ears went next, and that's the route the cancer took to his brain. By last summer, radiation was no longer slowing the cancer's progress. Doctors proposed an experimental surgery that Emmett might not survive.

Emmett and his family chose to stop treatment. "The doctor at a Veterans Administration hospital recommended his family call Hospice."

"Hospice was there the next day," Gina said. "That's when we first knew that death was coming," Steve said. They didn't know how to prepare for death. Patty removed some of the mystery. She explained that Emmett's body would decline and that medication would change his natural functions.

"We needed that dose of reality," Steve said. She told them moving Emmett to a hospital was alright and not to feel guilty if that happened.

"She took away that feeling that we had to make it to the end," Gina said. "We could go day by day and everyone could be their best with Dad."

A nurse visited once a week. Emmett screamed in pain at one nurse. Gina compares the nurse to Mother Teresa.

"She was so calm," she said. Stress built. Extended family and Hospice workers trickled in and out of the Brooks home. Memories surfaced. Emotions expanded. One day, Gina, usually a gentle soul, barked at her mother and brother, and family relations temporarily collapsed.

Gina called Patty immediately. "That's such a normal part," Patty said. "When people are dying, a bunch of old stuff comes up, and everyone knows there isn't much time to work it through. I try to get things out, stop secrets."

Patty encouraged Gina and Steve to include their granddaughter, Lauryn Eve, in the dying experience.

*"I'm filled with so much gratitude for all the people who helped us. It's like they gave us an incredible tool box."*

Gina Brooks, daughter

# Texas program teaches manners

The Dallas Morning News

FORT WORTH, Texas — Reggie Colford has been kicked out of five schools and almost as many day-care centers. That's a lot for a 5-year-old.

"They said he was bad, didn't pay attention and was hyper," said Gary Randle, director of Hope Farm, an after-school center that meets in two former drug houses. "I could see the numbers were already on his chest. Everybody gave up on him before he even had a chance."

"But we've removed the numbers," Randle, who worked 15 years as a Fort Worth police officer, said he hopes to save boys like Reggie from a life where they are known only by their prison numbers.

"He started the program in 1990, offering youths everything from tutoring to etiquette lessons. Hope, an acronym for Helping Other People Excel, is funded by donations from foundations and individuals.

"With Reggie, Randle said, "all we did was offer him hope and a lot of discipline. He loves it. Other somebody expects him to do well in school, to respect his teachers."

"Most of the youngsters enrolled at Hope Farm are 6 to 12 years old, similar to Reggie's. Others are worse."

"Some of these boys have mothers who are in prison," said Randle, who runs Hope Farm with a staff of five. "We have to re-program them. You have to give them an emotional change; otherwise their perspective — what they see — will control what they do."

"Before they walk in here, they have never held their heads up," Reggie, a kindergarten student

at nearby Morningside Elementary, still has his bad days.

On a recent afternoon, he had to confess to Randle that he had gotten into trouble at school.

"Somebody hit me, and I hit them back. I had an inappropriate day," he said, not daring to take his eyes off Randle, who dispenses discipline as quickly as he delivers hugs and compliments.

"What kind of boy are you?" Randle asked.

"I'm a Hope Farm boy," Reggie replied, accepting the punishment of a writing assignment instead of getting to play outside.

Reggie has waited in a long line to tell Randle about his day, even though he knew his news would be disappointing.

"They won't lie to me," Randle said. "They know not to lie. When they talk about the kind of day they had, they have to tell the truth."

Despite the bad report, Reggie receives encouragement, along with his punishment from Randle.

"Hope Farm boys listen and follow the rules," Reggie said.

There are 34 boys and one girl who attend the privately funded farm. The youngest is 4, the oldest 12. They meet each day after school and on some weekends for trips to Dallas Cowboys games or to camp.

All come from single-parent households, and many are raised by grandparents. Caregivers pay \$10 per semester to enroll their children.

"They mostly live in the neighborhood that surrounds the farm, an area under siege. Many of the prostitutes and drug users are people the children know.

Some are even their parents, Randle said.

"God has placed us between

the drug dealers and the crack-heads and the prostitutes," he said.

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Utah man faces charges in bathtub death of son
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# Anti-polygamy group slams Utah lawmakers after defeat of bill

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah has its head in the sand over polygamy, Democratic lawmakers and the anti-polygamy group Tapestry of Polygamy said Friday.

A day after the Utah House defeated a bill that would have established a special prosecutor to investigate abuse and fraud in polygamous communities, supporters turned their hopes to another bill

pending in the Utah Senate.

"We have tried to help 500 people come out of polygamy and we need help," said Vicky Frumty of Tapestry of Polygamy.

Senate Bill 8, sponsored by Sen. Ron Allen, D-Stansbury Park, would give the state attorney general's office \$500,000 to help sheriffs and county attorneys investigate and prosecute crimes of welfare fraud, tax fraud, domestic abuse and

sexual abuse in polygamous societies.

The same bill would set up a polygamy hotline and provide temporary housing for women and children leaving polygamous families. Hotline and housing funding were not part of the defeated House bill.

"It's time for Utah to take its head out of the sand," said Senate Minority Leader Scott Howell, D-Salt Lake City.

There are an estimated 25,000 people living in polygamous relationships in Utah, many of whom trace their beliefs back to fundamental Mormonism. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has disavowed the practice.

Utah was required to outlaw polygamy in its constitution as a condition of statehood and the crime of plural marriage has only been prosecuted a

handful of times.

But two years ago, two prominent members of the Kingston polygamous clan were accused of child abuse. Both men were convicted.

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Section C

## Of midnight strolls and Super Bowls

ST. GEORGE, Utah — The sticky wet scratched my brow, as the itchy stocking cap dampened from the steam rising off my shaved pate. I stopped to wipe away the liquid heat as cars raced past, some tooting their horns at me to rub it in.

It was Friday night in Utah's Dixie, and I was hoofing it. Still a few miles away from my hotel suite, I stood there drinking in the starchy, midnight air and pondering my next 1,000 steps. I'd missed the return team bus ride from Dixie College's Burns Arena, kind of like how the College of Southern Idaho's basketball teams left behind their games in Twin Falls in falling to the Rebels.

Not without self-blame, I continued the trek back to the hotel. I wasn't really lost, since the bus had already made a couple of previous trips from the hotel to the gym. I knew the route. And I didn't feel sorry for myself. The exercise — even in dress shoes and a tie — would do me good.

### SIDELINE VIEW

Kevin Hall

I had tried hailing a cab, but it never showed. Figuring I was in for a long stroll, I put my best feet forward and stumbled along the pavement path. It was an uneventful journey, save for the few beeps, raucous house parties and run-ins I encountered with rowdies sealing the fences around the college's football field.

In due time, I made it back to my room — a few ounces lighter, and better for it.

Just the same, next time I'll drive.

The trip down, with CSI booster Cory Lanting behind the wheel of a CSI van, was much more entertaining. A very capable driver, Lanting had long ago spent his summers driving new buses cross-country for a friend, and he'd also been a part-time driver for the Sun Valley Stages line.

He ably served as both tour guide and chauffeur on the almost 10-hour trip to the Utah-Arizona border. The other passengers, Lanting's wife Donna, men's assistant manager Jamie Smith and a trio of long-legged Golden Eagles — Matt Brown, Larz Stewart and Dean Browne — passed the time dozing or listening to their Walkmans.

But I rode shotgun, and Lanting kept my head from slumber as he passed the time with curious anecdotes about the rugged scenery. I now know the genesis for the name of the Scenic West Athletic Conference. One look out the window explained it all quite clearly, even without Lanting's added color.

A lifelong resident of the Magic Valley, Lanting especially enlightened me on the virtues and history of sugar. Fascinating stuff, mind you. Raised on a Rousee sugar farm, Lanting is now a retiree enjoying the RV life away from the Amalgamated Sugar factory. His 20-plus-year career was spent figuring out more efficient ways of extracting the sweet from sugar beets. Lanting speaks passionately about the beets, but my nose knows better.

I'm sticking with the American Football Conference and its Super Bowl representative, the Tennessee Titans, to finally quiet the bragadocio of the St. Louis Rams in today's big game. I know it's cliché, but the Titans are this year's team of destiny. Their miracle at Adelphi, the gridiron humbling at Indy and the utter debacle at Jacksonville — this team, the last of the NFL's old guard to make the Big Dance, will not disappoint.

No, that honor will not do; go to the Publisher's Clearing House, which will probably fall to pull into my driveway towards the end of the greatest day of the year to present me with a check filled with several zeroes.

Anyway, I still like my chances of picking this one.

Final score: Titans 27, Rams 23.

*Times-News sports writer Kevin Hall is spending his weekend missing his car and getting exercise on the road with the CSI men's and women's basketball teams. Leave him a message at 733-0931, Ext. 239, or e-mail him at kevin@magicvalley.com.*

## Surprise teams take global stage today

### The Associated Press

ATLANTA — This sure ain't your normal Super Bowl — no Cowboys, no Broncos, no Packers, no 49ers.

Just the Tennessee Titans and the St. Louis Rams, teams with shallow roots and little tradition in a matchup that no one envisioned five months ago. Heck, they were

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a combined 12-20 in 1998. The Titans were the Tennessee Oilers last year and the Houston Oilers before that. They've



played in three different cities and four different stadiums the past four years, finishing 8-8 in three of them. The Rams were in Los Angeles

until 1995, when they moved to St. Louis. They're led by Kurt Warner, a former supermarket clerk who played in the Arena League and Europe but ended up as the NFL MVP in his first season as a starter. Go figure.

"Last summer I hardly thought I'd be starting in the Super Bowl," says Warner, who inherited his job when \$16 million free agent Trent Green wrecked his knee in the preseason.

"I was questioning whether I was capable of being a backup. I was just hoping that I would get

an opportunity and show people what I could do."

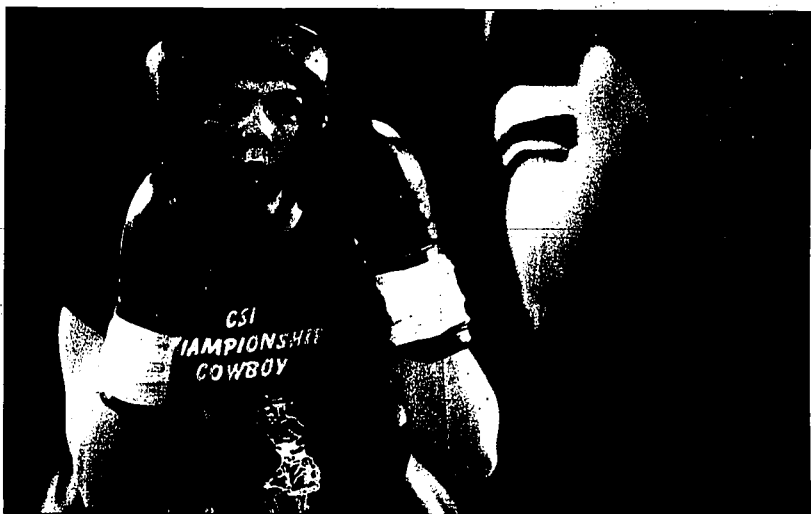
That's what both teams did to earn a trip to Atlanta for a frigid Super Bowl week in which they were forced to practice for an indoor game on freezing outdoor fields.

Today, they will play for a national audience largely unaware of their existence while they toiled in mediocrity and worse.

Both teams have done wonders for their history. Please see SUPER, Page C2

# Super Sunday arrives

## COME OUT FIGHTING



155-pounder Nat 'King Cole' Covey of Jerome gets ready to fight Tennessee 'Traveler' Nix from American Falls during the Rocky Mountain Regional Championship Boxing Smoker held Saturday night at the College of Southern Idaho's Expo Center.

## Smoker gives fans their money's worth

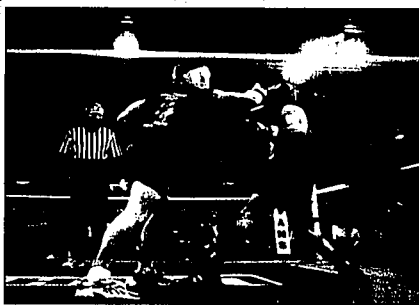
By Vin Cappiello  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Fans who paid to see Saturday night's annual CSI Rodeo Boxing Smoker surely got their money's worth. Far more than anyone in London who paid to see Mike Tyson bludgeon another overmatched opponent.

Tyson knocked down the portly Julius Francis five times before the bout ended 1:03 into the second round. That's just over four minutes of boxing. But the 3,000-plus people at the CSI Expo Center watched 16 bouts — two featuring women — all of which were conducted with sportsmanship and class.

The annual smoker is the CSI Rodeo team's largest fund-raiser of the year. Famed former world middleweight champion Gene Fullmer, guest of honor Saturday night, was recognized with a plaque by rodeo coach Shawn Davis.

There were just three knock-



At 145 pounds, Rolly 'The Rocket' Lisle fights Derrick 'Duckin' Anderson from Western Montana College during Saturday night's Boxing Smoker.

outs during the course of the evening. CSI rodeo team member Cody "Violent" Wright landed

five consecutive right hooks to the head of Brice "The Mice" Merrick, and referee Rick Adams

stopped the bout just moments into the second round.

"Tabbing" Justin Okesom of Uintah Basin stopped Ben "Ring My Bell" Kimball in the second round after two standing counts. And in the first women's bout of the evening, Sharridy "Smokin'" Surrage of Washington State University pounded away on an overmatched Kim "Inspector" Nimrock of Western Montana College. Nimrock's corner literally throwing in the towel in the middle of the second round.

But it was the second women's match — Jerry "Clime the Rime" LaVine of Kimberly vs. Renea "Take Me Home" Kauffman of CSI — that generated the most excitement in and out of the ring. LaVine and Kauffman brawled every second of each of the three, one-minute rounds. LaVine was clearly the aggressor, so much so that she punched herself into the arms of Kauffman, who wrestled her to the mat in the first round.

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## Spartan girls defeat TF in playoff opener

### Minico defense overwhelms Bruins

By Matt Peterson  
Times-News writer

RUPERT — The last time the Twin Falls girls' basketball team came to Rupert, it lost its best player and starting point guard, Christie Pina, to a knee injury.

In the Bruins' second visit to Minico High School this season, they lost a first-round Region III playoff game.

Committing 36 turnovers against a stifling Spartan press, Twin Falls fell behind early and never recovered, losing 50-39 Saturday night on the road.

Minico's Clare Bodensteiner led all scorers with 18 points and

seven steals. "Clare played really well," said Twin Falls head coach Lawrence Pfeifferle. "She's a very good player."

Teammate Lisa Patterson added 14 points and six steals in the winning effort.

"We've had 19 games this season, but it doesn't matter," Bodensteiner said. "(Tonight) was the first game of the season."

With the win, Minico (10-10 overall) advances to play conference champion Jerome Tuesday at Jerome. Twin Falls will host the winner of Monday's Century-Burley game Tuesday.

The only Bruin player to score in double digits was forward Kim Strunk, who had 11 despite missing most of the first half after a

Please see MINICO, Page C4

## Four local wrestlers finish third or better

By Dex Dutton  
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — Seven Magic Valley wrestlers started the day in the championship bracket, but only four finished in the top three places Saturday at the Red Halverson Memorial Invitational Tournament at Minico High School.

Blackfoot took home the first-place trophy with 224 points. Snake River and Bonneville tied at 132.5 for second, and Madison collected third with 116.5 points. The best placing for a Magic Valley school was Minico in the 11th spot.

Troy Egbert (130) of Jerome, the only Magic Valley wrestler to win his class, did so with a semi-final decision over Scott Tometz of Borah and a 1-0 decision win over Justin McKinlay of Blackfoot in the championship match.

### Red Halverson Memorial

For Egbert, whose slippery escape in the final seconds of the third round earned him the only point in the championship match, the win was sweet. "This feels good," he said. "It's my first first-place finish ever. Even from middle school on, I have had probably a dozen or more second-place showings and no wins."

"I just tried to go out and wrestle smart. I think the instinct is starting to click for me."

Though his squad placed last in the tournament, Jerome coach Des Case saw Saturday's late-round matches as a way for his team to learn.

"We are a young team," Case said. "Any mat time is a good time to learn from."

Turning in Minico's best finish, Jesus Tamayo (119) took second place with a 14-3 loss at the hands of Snake River's

Clint Wolfley.

"I was just wasn't setting up and reacting quickly enough," said his quicker reactions probably made the difference, Tamayo said. "He is a good wrestler."

Minico coach Brad Cooper said he feels Tamayo's second-place showing was very good considering the talent of his opponent.

"Wolfley is a good wrestler, he may even be one of the better kids in the nation," Cooper said. "Tamayo wrestled him tough tonight."

Cooper's squad was hurt by concussion injuries to Josh Anderson, who was unable to enter the tournament, and third-ranked Mike Borenger (140); whose first-round injury forced him to drop out.

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## CSI gets snowed

### Badgers shoot 28 extra free throws

By Kevin Hall  
Times-News writer

EPHRAIM, Utah — It's tough to win when it's eight on five.

That was the case Saturday night at No. 17 Snow College, where the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team found itself up against not only a tough Badgers squad, but also a brutally tough officiating crew.

At halftime, Snow had 19 more charity tosses that translated into 12 more points; by game's end, the numbers were a little more square, but not by much: Snow went 34-of-46 to CSI's 12-of-18.

Against those odds, the Golden Eagles didn't stand a chance, dropping the 97-82 game as the Badgers (9-2 Scenic West Athletic Conference, 20-3 overall) swept the season series.

Hala Kaufusi led Snow with 16 points, and Justin Bradshaw added 15. For CSI, Kendall Minor and Kenny Brunner each had game-highs of 17 points.

Though he admitted that the officials were very one-sided in their calls, Zeck took responsibility for the team's downfall.

"I don't know what to say," he said. "I take full blame for tonight. I didn't have my team ready tonight. Yeah, they shot 30 more free throws, but when you don't play with any emotion, any enthusiasm, and the coaches and the players aren't on the same page, that's a problem."

The loss dropped the Golden Eagles to 6-5 in conference, 18-5 overall, and into fifth place before all games were finished Saturday night.

CSI had trouble mounting any type of rhythm in the second half, and a key turning point came at the 18:16 mark. After Minor knocked down a three-pointer to pull Southern Idaho within 14 at 36-42, a brawl broke out when Snow point guard Bradshaw and CSI's William

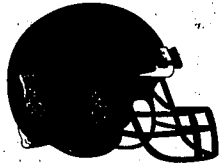
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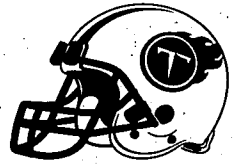


# St. Louis, Tennessee reach Super heights

The Tennessee Titans are the sixth wild-card team to advance to the Super Bowl. They'll try to stop the Rams, who have one of the most prolific offenses in NFL history.



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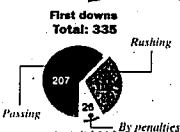
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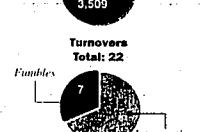
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Warner	23	92	4.0	1
Hakim	4	44	11.0	0
Bruce	5	32	6.4	0
Holt	3	25	8.3	0
Hodgins	7	10	1.4	1
Loe	3	3	1.0	0
Germaine	3	0	0.0	0
Justin	5	-1	-0.2	0

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Faulk	87	1,048	12.0	5
Bruce	77	1,165	15.1	12
Holt	52	788	15.2	6
Hakim	38	677	18.8	8
Proehl	23	349	10.6	0
Williams	25	226	9.0	6
Holcombe	14	163	11.6	1
Hodgins	6	35	5.8	0
Robinson	6	76	12.7	2
Lee	3	22	7.3	1

### DEFENSE



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### FIELD GENERALS

Kurt Warner, of the St. Louis Rams, stays in the pocket and hits his receivers down field while Steve McNair looks for short passes underneath and has the ability to run down field. Here is a look at their numbers.

Warner	Regular-season statistics	McNair
499	Pass attempts	331
325	Completions	187
65.1	Completion percentage	56.5
4,353	Passing yards	2,179
41	Touchdowns	12
13	Interceptions	8
109.2	Rating	78.6



### GRIDIRON STRATEGY

#### TITANS OFFENSE

The Tennessee Titans rely on a punishing offense that wears defenses down. As the game progresses, the running attack gets stronger.

#### RB George 27

The Titans will run Eddie George primarily between the tackles utilizing his size and speed to pound the defensive front and control the clock.

#### QB McNair 9

McNair has great running ability for a quarterback. Look for him to improvise and run the ball down field for a big play.

#### TE Wycheck 89

McNair likes to throw underneath pass coverage to tight end Frank Wycheck. If Wycheck matches up with a linebacker it will be an advantage for the Titans.

#### RAMS DEFENSE

Stopping the fierce running attack and keeping Steve McNair in the pocket will be the main concern of the Rams defense.

Todd Light and Dexter McCleon will be forced into man coverage most of the time. This will allow the defensive front to focus on McNair and keep an eye on McNair in a quarterback draw.

Flame middle linebacker London Fletcher will be allowed to roam free and pursue the ball. It will allow Fletcher to focus on Eddie George.

#### RAMS OFFENSE

Loaded with speed and athleticism the Rams passing game relies on big plays. Led by quarterback Kurt Warner the Rams passing offense was ranked No. 1 in the NFL this season.

#### QB Faulk 28

Out of the four receiver set the Rams spread the field for Marshall Faulk. If Faulk gets into the open field he is almost impossible to stop.

#### QB Warner 15

Kurt Warner must get the ball to his receivers. If the passing game gets going it will be hard for the Titans to keep the Rams out of the end zone.

#### WR Faulk 81

Marshall Faulk is an elusive style runner while Eddie George is a power running back. Both have great hands and the ability to create yards after the catch.



### RUNNING BACKS

Faulk	Regular-season statistics	George
253	Rushing attempts	320
5.5	Average per rush	4.1
1,381	Rushing yards	1,304
12	Touchdowns	13
87	Receptions	47
1,048	Receiving yards	458

#### TITANS DEFENSE

Tennessee plays a very physical style defense creating turnovers and constantly blitzing the quarterback.

Strong safety Blaine Bishop is excellent against the run. He must stop Faulk for the Titans to have success.

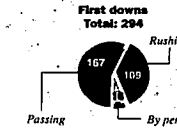
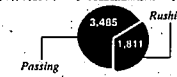
Starting free safety Marcus Robinson is out with a broken leg. It will be the responsibility of backup Anthony Dorslett to stop the Rams receivers from making big plays.

Rookie jersey Katoane Gill will have his hands full because the Rams will likely run the ball at him to counter his pass rush.



### OFFENSE

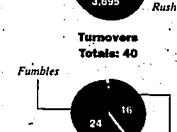
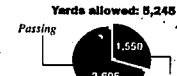
Total net yards: **5,296**



Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
George	320	1,304	4.1	9
Thomas	43	164	3.8	1
Hentrich	2	1	0.5	0
O'Donnell	19	1	0.1	0

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Wycheck	69	641	9.3	2
George	47	458	9.7	4
Harris	26	287	11.4	1
Byrd	14	261	18.6	2
Thomas	9	72	8.0	0
Neal	7	27	3.9	2

### DEFENSE



Player	Sacks
Titans	54
Opp.	25

### SPECIALISTS

Player	Punting (avg. yards)
Avg.	42.5
Opp.	42.9

Player	Kickoff return (avg. yards)
Titans	18.6
Opp.	21.0

Player	Kicking (Field goals)
Yards	20-29: 8/8, 40-49: 4/6

## Super

Continued from C1

The Titans were founded as the Oilers in 1960 as a charter member of the old AFL. They won the first AFL crown, but the closest they came to a championship after that was in 1978 and 1979, when Earl Campbell led them to AFC title games against the Pittsburgh Steelers of Terry Bradshaw, Lynn Swan and Mean Joe Greene.

The Rams were founded in Cleveland in 1937, then moved to Los Angeles in 1946, keeping the LA tag even when they relocated 40 miles south to Anaheim in

1980. They won an NFL title in 1952 with a star-filled team that included the likes of Bob Waterfield, Norm Van Brocklin, Tom Fears, Elroy Hirsch, Tank Younger and Deacon Dan Towler.

They reached the Super Bowl in the 1979 season with a defense led by Jack Youngblood and Hacksaw Reynolds, and lost in the NFC title game in 1983. But that was their last winning season until they finished 13-3 this year under Dick Vermeil, who returned from 14 years in a broadcast booth in 1997 and went 9-23 his first two seasons.

They had the NFL's best offense, scoring 526 points, about 33 a game, the third most ever. They were 8-0 at home and outscored opponents by an average of 25 points.

Warner threw 41 touchdown passes to join Dan Marino as the only quarterbacks to throw 40 or more. Marshall Faulk, obtained in a trade with Indianapolis, ran for 1,381 yards and caught 87 passes for 1,048, becoming just the second player in the 1,000-1,000 club.

The other main additions to 1998's 4-12 team were two free agents, guard Adam

Timmerman and linebacker Todd Collins. Defensive end Kevin Carter, the No. 1 pick in 1995, and second-year linebacker London Fletcher led the defense.

Perhaps most important, Vermeil let up on the Rams after working them as hard as any team in the league in his first two seasons, and brought in Mike Martz from Washington to run the offense.

"All the hard work we put in last year led to what we did this year," says defensive tackle D'Marco Farr, one of five Rams left from the team that moved

from Los Angeles after the 1994 season. "We were a lot closer last year than most people thought."

The Titans weren't as big a surprise. Football people knew they had talent and that their problems stemmed from their nomadic course from Houston to Memphis to Nashville, the changes in practice facilities and stadiums, and their lack of a home field.

In 1996, their last season in Houston, they were 6-2 on the road and 2-6 at the Astrodome, where some of their games drew less than 20,000 fans.



# Vermeil survives revolt for title shot

Rams players disagree with coach over what brought the turnaround

ATLANTA (AP) — As yet another losing season unraveled, the St. Louis Rams were fed up. Too many hours on the practice field, nothing to show for it. They whispered revolt — when they had the energy, that is. "It got to the point where before the game guys would be in the locker room sleeping because they were so tired from all the work they had put in during the week," cornerback Todd Lyght said. Most of it was only grumbling. Then four prominent players, including Lyght, boycotted the final team meeting of the 1998 season. That sent a message to the coach, who described it at the time as a "shot in the back." "It can all be remembered with a laugh, now. Winning a trip to the Super Bowl is a marvelous save. Dick Vermeil said the team wouldn't have committed at all if it had been undefeated during his previous two seasons in St. Louis. "My first year, we opened the season

and beat the New Orleans Saints, and I'd never seen a locker room more excited, and that training camp was hell," the coach said. Every chance he gets, Vermeil trots out his three-year plan of breaking down and weeding out the weaklings, then rising to the top with the survivors. The numbers appear to bear this out — eight starters remain from his coaching comeback season in 1997. But going from 4-12 to 15-3 was not as simple as: acquiring Marshall Faulk; getting lucky with Kurt Warner; cutting out the marathon practice sessions; and handing the play-calling to Mike Martz. For Vermeil, it's all about work ethic. He scoffs at the notion of a near-rebellion as any sort of catalyst for change. He said if he were starting a new program tomorrow, he wouldn't change a thing. He says injuries are the only reason he didn't turn the team around sooner. But the players know better. They believe the changes Vermeil made in the last year helped put them in the Super Bowl. They see the 63-year-old Vermeil as a born-gamer coach who understands the modern game and modern athlete, and is no longer trapped and doomed to repeat



St. Louis Rams coach Dick Vermeil stands with the Vince Lombardi Trophy in Atlanta Friday. The Lombardi Trophy will go to the winner of today's Super Bowl XXXIV matchup. his burnout stint. In his first stint as an NFL coach with

the Philadelphia Eagles from 1976-82, he called the plays and basically ran the whole show with an iron fist. Now he's a benevolent overseer. "The biggest thing he's done is let his assistant coaches coach," star wide receiver Isaac Bruce said. "He's not as young as he used to be. We have some coaches who really know how to prepare us to play, and he just sits in the back and watches the moment." Not only that, he realizes that fresher players make plays. Every so-called winning Monday meant an extra day off during the season. Players also got a four-day break during the bye week at the start of the playoffs, and in the days before their 49-37 rout over the Minnesota Vikings, he had them skip weight training. For the ultimate indulgence, Vermeil took in a movie with his wife, Carol, one night rather than obsess over possible opponents. Defensive tackle D'Marco Farr, who like Bruce has been with the Rams since 1994, isn't sure what has come over the boss. All he knows is he likes the new Vermeil, who has gobbled up all the coach-of-the-year honors and is totally enjoying himself in his first trip to the Super Bowl in 19 years.

# Montana, Lott take their place in Canton

ATLANTA (AP) — If ever there was a sure choice for the Pro Football Hall of Fame, it had to be Joe Montana, whose credentials include three Super Bowl MVP trophies and a first-of-its-kind record. So the organizers invited Montana and Ronnie Lott, a teammate on four San Francisco championships, to teams and also a first-year candidate, to be on hand for Saturday's election. It was worth the trip. Montana and Lott were elected, along with Pittsburgh Steelers owner Dan Rooney, defensive tackle Howie Long and old-timer nominee Dave Wilcox. Montana admitted he was apprehensive until the end. "Ronnie and I were kind of nervous about coming," Montana said. "What do you do if you're here and they don't call your name? Do you carry a bus tray around?"



Joe Montana



Ronnie Lott

## Notes from Atlanta

school is visible from Horan's porch, and he drives past the home of one of the victims every time he visits his mother-in-law. "I think about it every day," Horan said. Horan, who has three children, ages 10, 11 and 14, said he remembers hearing about the shootings while working as a loan officer near the Denver Broncos' training site. He went home immediately to check on his children, even though they were not Columbine students.

## Warner on the air?

Kurt Warner once thought broadcasting was his ticket to the Super Bowl. In providing a look at Warner's high school yearbook, SportsHuddle.com, a high school sports Web site, discovered that the St. Louis Rams quarterback also preferred basketball to football. "Kurt Warner wants to go into broadcasting (as) ... yep, you guessed it, a sports broadcaster," said his biography in the 1989 yearbook from Regis High School of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. "Warner's infatuation with sports could continue forever if he makes it in that field." Warner's high school coach, Gaylord Hauschildt, said that "Kurt's first love was basketball. Between his sophomore and junior years, he went to four basketball camps and no football camps. I asked him to attend a football camp, but he said, 'Coach, I can't.'"

## Sage advice from Howard

A member of the St. Louis media said the Rams stopped losing when he started turning sage as a good luck charm. Howard Balzer of Pro Football Weekly and all-sports station KFNS said he got the idea from a psychic who told him before the season that the team was surrounded by "negative energy" brought from somewhere else. The Rams moved from Anaheim, Calif., in 1995. He's been burning the herb before kickoff since the final preseason game, and the Rams are 15-3 after going 4-12 last season. "It works," Balzer said.

## He'll be watching

Willie Davis, who survived Tennessee's move from Houston and the seasons in Memphis and at Nashville's Vanderbilt Stadium, will be watching his former teammates play Sunday on television. The receiver was waived last February as the Titans looked for room under the salary cap, and he now operates several businesses in Houston. A close friend of linebacker Joe Bowden, Davis said he is picking the Titans to win the Super Bowl. "I always knew they had the talent to do it. I guess it was getting settled in Nashville. I want to see them win it," he said.



Tennessee safety Anthony Dorsett, the son of famed Dallas Cowboys running back Tony Dorsett, stretches before the team's practice session Wednesday in Atlanta.

# Injury elevates Dorsett to starter

ATLANTA (AP) — He looks a lot like his dad. He's built like him, too. The son is 5-11, 200 pounds. The father was 5-11, 190 when he played in his first Super Bowl with the Dallas Cowboys. Anthony Dorsett will play in his first Super Bowl today, trying to win the same kind of championship ring Tony Dorsett has won since 1978. But unlike his Hall of Fame father, the younger Dorsett isn't one of the biggest names on the field. He's one of the Tennessee Titans' special teamers, and he'll start against the St. Louis Rams only because free safety Marcus Robertson broke his leg during last week's AFC championship game. "But by getting the starting job, Anthony has put the Dorsetts in the NFL record book: They're the first father and son to do so in a Super Bowl. "I think someone needs to give us a commercial or something," said the 26-year-old defensive back, who deliberately uses Anthony — without the Junior — to establish his own identity. "I'm delighted as can be." "Neutral zone: This is the imaginary area above the line of scrimmage (that's where the ball is). Offensive and defensive linemen must stay out of the neutral zone when the play begins or it's a penalty. Alternate definition: The space between a Tampa Bay Buc fan and a Jacksonville Jaguars booster. "Quick out: A pass pattern in which a receiver breaks suddenly toward the sidelines. Also, the excuse your date makes for not watching the big game. I mean, how can she watch a dog that she doesn't even have! "Hall Mary pass: A long, long bomb, usually thrown at the end of the game. A quarterback prays it will somehow end up in the hands of his receiver. This also could refer to a guy's game-day illusion that the good-looking waitress finds

## Head to head

- 1973 Los Angeles 31, HOUSTON 26
- 1978 Los Angeles 10, HOUSTON 6
- 1981 Houston 27, LOS ANGELES 20
- 1984 LOS ANGELES 27, Houston 16
- 1987 HOUSTON 20, Los Angeles 16
- 1990 LOS ANGELES 17, Houston 13
- 1993 Los Angeles 28, HOUSTON 13
- 1999 TENNESSEE 24, St. Louis 21

will be in the Georgia Dome come gametime, cheering for his son. So, has Dad been calling with advice? "He's trying to make sure I keep focused and keep my head in the game with all this media frenzy and people calling for tickets," he said. "I'm doing what he says to keep my head on a level plane and just roll with the punches." Robertson's been talking to him, too. "He knows it's going to be difficult, but his attitude is difficult to get out there and have fun," Robertson said. "I keep talking to him about playing what he sees." Dorsett's football genes were noticeable from the outset. The first time he touched the ball in a Pop Warner game in Pittsburgh, he returned a kickoff 75 yards for a touchdown. "Immediately when I started playing ball, everyone was commenting on how we were doing things the same," the son said. "And everyone always remarked on how big our eyes get."

# Tips to understanding the big game

Watching the Super Bowl isn't brain surgery. It's more like observing military war games. Comedian George Carlin once called football a 20th-century technological struggle ... where the quarterback, otherwise known as the field general ... marches his troops into enemy territory, balancing an aerial assault with a sustained ground attack which punches holes in the forward wall of the enemy's defensive line. To cope with such complexity, here are a few terms and definitions that might be helpful for today's big game — or if you ever get trapped in an elevator with John Madden. • The red zone: No, it's not where you go after amassing an \$80 tab at the local sports bar. It's where an offensive team finds itself when it moves inside the opponent's 20-yard line. • Neutral zone: This is the imaginary area above the line of scrimmage (that's where the ball is). Offensive and defensive linemen must stay out of the neutral zone when the play begins or it's a penalty. Alternate definition: The space between a Tampa Bay Buc fan and a Jacksonville Jaguars booster. • Quick out: A pass pattern in which a receiver breaks suddenly toward the sidelines. Also, the excuse your date makes for not watching the big game. I mean, how can she watch a dog that she doesn't even have! • Hall Mary pass: A long, long bomb, usually thrown at the end of the game. A quarterback prays it will somehow end up in the hands of his receiver. This also could refer to a guy's game-day illusion that the good-looking waitress finds

him irresistible. • Wedge: A group of four or five linemen who form a wall to block for a kickoff return. Or anyone standing between you and the TV set. • In the grass: Because quarterbacks are so popular, defensive players aren't allowed to smash into them when they are "in the grass" of another defender. Considering the sense of this rule, quarterbacks now routinely "slide" onto the ground instead of being tackled. Of course, doing the same thing would result in unmerciful teasing in any respectable sandlot game. • Silent count: A quarterback uses hand or leg signals to start plays when the crowd noise is too loud. It also is the game-day timer mechanism that football-impaired loved ones use to count down the end of Super Bowl Sunday madness.

# TRIVIA CORNER

Test your Super Bowl knowledge with this trivia quiz. Answers follow.

- I — What was the name of the first "Super Bowl"? (5 points)
  - a) Which Super Bowl received the highest TV ratings? (5 points)
  - II — Two players have won the MVP award in consecutive years. Name them. (5 points)
  - IV — Dick Vermeil has led two different teams to the Super Bowl. Name the three other coaches to accomplish this feat. (5 points)
  - V — Tennessee is making its first Super Bowl appearance. Not counting the newest expansion teams, Cleveland, Jacksonville and Carolina, name five of the six NFL teams that haven't made a Super Bowl appearance. (1 point for each)
  - VI — True or False. The AFC has never won any of the eight Super Bowls played in the Super Bowl. (5 points)
  - VII — Who has the longest run from scrimmage in Super Bowl history? (5 points)
    - a) Marcus Allen
    - b) Emerson Hooten
    - c) John Riggins
    - d) Roger Craig
  - VIII — Who scored the first points in Super Bowl history? (5 points)
    - a) Don Chandler
    - b) Mac McSee
    - c) Mike Garrett
    - d) Elijah Pitts
  - IX — Who holds the record for the longest field goal in Super Bowl history? (5 points)
    - a) Who is the only running back to rush for over 100 yards and average over 10 yards a carry in his Super Bowl game. (5 points)
      - a) Tim Smith
      - b) Tom Matte
      - c) Marcus Allen
      - d) John Riggins
    - XI — The winning team receives the Vince Lombardi Trophy. What is the name of the trophy presented to the MVP? (5 points)
    - XII — Before this year, six teams had made only one Super Bowl appearance. Name five of them. (1 point each)
    - XIII — True or False. No punt has ever been returned for a touchdown. (5 points)
    - XIV — Name the only Super Bowl champion that had a losing record before its championship season. (5 points)
    - XV — Only one player has won the MVP while playing on the losing team. Who is he? (5 points)
    - XVI — Two players have rushed for 100 yards for the losing team. Who are they? (5 points)
    - XVII — Atlanta is playing host to its second Super Bowl. Name the five cities that have played host to just one Super Bowl. (1 point each)
    - XVIII — In six of the 32 Super Bowls, turnovers were equal. Only two teams have had more turnovers than its opponent and still won the Super Bowl. Name them. (5 points)
    - XIX — Tennessee is the sixth wild-card team to make it to the Super Bowl. Name the two wild-card teams that have won Super Bowl. (5 points)
    - XX — Only one Super Bowl has been tied at halftime. Which one? (5 points)

**BONUS** — There were no turnovers in only one Super Bowl. Which one? (5 points)

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**Answers**

  - I — The AFL-NFL World Championship Game
  - II — The 1982 Super Bowl between San Francisco and Cincinnati had a 49.1 rating.
  - III — Bart Starr (1967-68) and Terry Bradshaw (1979-80)
  - IV — Dan Stulj, Baltimore and Miami; Bill Parcells with N.Y. Giants and New England; and Dan Reeves with Denver and Atlanta.
  - V — Arizona, Baltimore Ravens, Detroit, New Orleans Saints, Tampa Bay.
  - VI — False. Oakland beat Philadelphia 27-10 in the Louisiana Superdome in 1981.
  - VII — a) Marcus Allen, 74 yards vs. Washington, 1984 Super Bowl.
  - VIII — a) Max McGee on 37-yard pass from Bart Starr vs. Kansas City, 1967 Super Bowl.
  - IX — Steve Christie, Buffalo, 54 yards, 1994 Super Bowl.
  - X — Tom Matte, Baltimore vs. N.Y. Jets, 1969, 11 carries, 116 yards for 10.5 yards per game.
  - XI — Pete Rozelle Trophy.
  - XII — New York Jets in 1969, L.A. Rams 1960, Philadelphia 1981, Oakland 1986, San Diego 1995, Atlanta 1999.
  - XIII — True.
  - XIV — The 1982 champion (1981 season) San Francisco 49ers were 6-10 in 1980.
  - XV — Chuck Woodley, Dallas in the 1971 Super Bowl.
  - XVI — Tom Matte, Baltimore vs. N.Y. Jets in 1969 had 116 yards and Thurman Thomas, Buffalo vs. N.Y. Giants in 1991 had 135 yards.
  - XVII — Houston; Pontiac, Mich.; Stanford, Calif.; Minneapolis; and Tempe, Ariz.
  - XVIII — Baltimore vs. Dallas in 1971 and Pittsburgh vs. L.A. Rams in 1980.
  - XIX — Oakland in 1981 and Denver in 1988.
  - XX — Cincinnati and San Francisco were tied 3-3 in the 1983 Super Bowl.

**BONUS** — Buffalo vs. New York Giants in 1991.



SPORTS

Lickliter, Mickelson lead charge to final

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP)—Phil Mickelson did everything but catch Frank Lickliter in the third round of the Phoenix Open.

Lickliter hung onto a one-shot lead over the 1996 Phoenix champion by shooting a 2-under-par 69 on Saturday for a 54-hole total of 13 under 200. Mickelson's charge seemed to have an effect when Lickliter, a non-winner in four years on tour, bogeyed the 18th hole minutes after Lickliter birdied it.

"I was trying to make those putts and I got pretty aggressive with them," said Lickliter, who has bettered his previous season every one of his four years on tour. "I was trying to get a little separation."

Robert Allenby was alone two shots back, with Paul Strackworts and Hal Sutton, Steve Flesch and second-round leader Tom Lehman bunched at 203. Lehman shot a 73 after playing the first two rounds with just one bogey.

"The way he played the first two rounds, I certainly thought he was going to have another 3-, 4- or 5-under-par round. So I feel very fortunate that my 6-under round put me in contention," said Mickelson, who has 65 matches at the best score of the day. Davis Love III also shot a 65.

Golf

Mickelson's 63 Thursday was worth a share of the first-round lead with Lehman, but he put himself in a hole the next round with a 73.



Gary Player Celebrating his Senior Skins win

One is all it takes for Senior Skins champ Gary Player

MAUNA LANI, Hawaii — Gary Player, shut out through the first 18 holes, staged the biggest comeback in the history of the Senior Skins Game on Saturday with a

birdie on the first playoff hole to win four skins and a \$220,000 jackpot.

Player trailed throughout the match as Senior PGA Tour rookie Tom Watson just off to a big lead, winning \$210,000 with seven skins through the first 14 holes at the Mauna Lani South Course on Hawaii Island.

Jack Nicklaus finished in third place with four skins and \$90,000 and Arnold Palmer's three skins was good for \$80,000.

Campbell sizzles in hot Heineken Classic

PERTH, Australia — New Zealander Michael Campbell overcame stifling conditions on the Victoria course and shot a 7-under-par 65 to take a two-stroke lead Saturday after the third round of the \$1 million Heineken Classic.

Campbell said Denmark's Thomas Bjorn, who shot 68, defied the weather to march clear of the field in temperatures that reached 115 degrees.

"I don't think I've ever played better tee to green," Campbell said. "With the hope of leading and Thomas playing so well, I lifted my game to an extra level." "I'm riding the crest of a wave, and when I play like this I think I can beat anybody in the world."

Agassi captures Australian Open title

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Better and faster as time goes on, Andre Agassi claimed his second Australian Open and his sixth Grand Slam title Monday in an artistic and bruising victory over Yevgeny Kafelnikov.

Five of Agassi's most exquisite, feathery drop shots and dozens of powerful groundstrokes sealed the strange and spirited from Kafelnikov in a 3-6, 3-6, 2-6, 6-4 triumph.

At 29, Agassi left no doubt that he rules men's tennis. In less than a year, he has won the French, U.S. and Australian Opens and finished runner-up at Wimbledon.

This time he put the exclamation point on his win with three aces up to 123 mph in the last game.

Agassi, the first player to reach four straight major finals since Rod Laver won the Grand Slam in 1969, pushed his career earnings to nearly \$20 million with the \$485,000 winner's check.

Kafelnikov raced to a 4-0 lead in the opening set as Agassi struggled to find his range and inflict any damage on serve.

But when Agassi broke back twice to make it 4-3, a sense of his ultimate triumph engulfed the match, even though he worked up losing the set.



Andre Agassi from Las Vegas, Nev., strains to return the ball against Yevgeny Kafelnikov from Russia during the first set of the men's final at the Australian Open Tennis Championships in Melbourne, Australia, today.

Kafelnikov's serve, and it was just a matter of time before he started holding his own.

That time came quickly as Agassi yielded only four points through his next four service games, then broke for a 2-2 tie, with the help of two double-faults by Kafelnikov.

Agassi then came up with two stunning drop shots from the baseline that caught a flustered Kafelnikov by surprise and closed out the second set with a 116 mph serve that Kafelnikov netted. Though the match was even

on the scoreboard, there was little doubt in Agassi's mind or in the thoughts of spectators that he was on his way to victory.

He breezed to a 4-0 lead, again slipping in the occasional drop among powerful groundstrokes, and won the set with ease.

The only nervous moment from then on came as Kafelnikov was about to serve the fourth set when a man wearing a red mask and holding a video camera leaped to the court and took aim at the players. But guards rushed to grab him and pulled him away.

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SPORTS

# Jordan's first move: fire Wizards coach Heard

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gar Heard was fired Saturday night as coach of the Washington Wizards, the team's first major move since Michael Jordan became head of basketball operations.

Heard was fired after the Wizards' 103-98 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers. Washington is 14-30 and in last place in the Atlantic Division.

Rod Higgins, an assistant with the Golden State Warriors and a former teammate of Jordan, will be the new coach.

Jordan joined the team last week and vowed to shake things up. It was immediately clear that Heard was not the man. Heard had very little one-on-one contact with Jordan from the start, and Jordan put on a jersey and used his own motivational tactics to live up to one of Heard's practices on Monday.

"It's been tough around here," said point guard Rod Strickland, who clashed with Heard early in the season. "The atmosphere hasn't been good. It's been a lot of negativity, so put it on the players, put it on the coaches, put it on everybody — things weren't right, and it wasn't fun."

Heard's old-school style didn't suit thirtysomething veterans, particularly Strickland, who is notoriously late for practices and admits to not giving his all on the practice court.

Now, he said, there's nowhere to go but up.

"It can't get any worse, I don't think," said Strickland, who scored 26 points and added 11 assists and seven rebounds in Saturday evening's win against Cleveland. "At least I hope."

## Timberwolves 96, Jazz 94

MINNEAPOLIS — Kevin Garnett had 29 points and 13 rebounds and Minnesota withstood Karl Malone's historic 35-point performance as the Utah Jazz 96 on Saturday.

Malone became the third player in NBA history to score 30,000 points when he made a layup with 8:53 left in the third quarter.

# Clawing their way to the top

## Top-ranked Bearcats pull off win No. 20

CINCINNATI (AP) — Kenyon Martin and Steve Logan scored 19 points each as top-ranked Cincinnati got its 20th consecutive win by beating South Florida 89-72 Saturday.

Five players scored in double digits as Cincinnati (20-1, 8-0 Conference USA) got its ninth consecutive win to tie its school record. Last year, the Bearcats established a school record by getting No. 20 on Jan. 30, and bettered the mark by one day this season.

South Florida (12-8, 3-4) gave the Bearcats their toughest challenge yet at home, where they've won 41 in a row.

## No. 2 Stanford 63, Washington St. 38

STANFORD, Calif. — Washington State was held scoreless for the first 6:12 of the game as No. 2 Stanford built an 11-0 lead. The Cougars (5-12, 0-8) eventually turned into a 63-38 win.

Jason Collins had 14 points and Mark Madsen became the 27th Stanford player with 1,000 career points as the Cardinal (17-1, 6-1 Pac-10) sent the Cougars (5-12, 0-8) to their ninth straight loss — their longest skid since an 18-game losing streak at the end of the 1989-90 season.

## No. 3 Duke 93, Clemson 59

DURHAM, N.C. — Chris Carrwell scored 20 points and Shane Battier had 17 and No. 3 Duke bolted to a 42-point halftime lead en route to a victory over Clemson. The Blue Devils (16-2, 7-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) warmed up for their showdown Thursday against arch-rival North Carolina by winning their 45th in a row at Cameron Indoor Stadium.

## No. 4 Syracuse 73, Boston College 65

BOSTON — Eran Thomas scored 22 points as fourth-ranked Syracuse set a school record for consecutive wins to start a season and retained the only unbeaten Division I team. The Orangemen (17-0 overall, 7-0 Big East) eclipsed their 16-0 start in 1917-18. Tony Bland added 14 points for Syracuse.

## NBA

He joined Wilt Chamberlain and career leader Kareem Abdul-Jabbar in the elite scoring group.

As a team, however, Utah has lost three straight for the first time since losing four in a row from Jan. 6-11, 1997.

## Pistons 90, Sixers 88

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Jerry Stackhouse scored three of his 26 points in the final 35 seconds as Detroit beat Philadelphia to end a six-game losing streak.

All-Star Grant Hill sat out the final 19 minutes for the Pistons after apparently re-aggravating his bruised right knee. Allen Iverson scored 27 points for the Sixers.

## Trail Blazers 81, Spurs 67

PORTLAND, Ore. — Steve Smith scored 15 points as Portland shut down Tim Duncan and San Antonio for the second straight game.

Scottie Pippen added 14 points and seven rebounds for the Blazers, who have won five straight and nine of 11. Duncan, who scored a season-low nine points in Portland's 105-95 victory in San Antonio on Jan. 19, got into early foul trouble and finished with 12 points. The Spurs' 67 points were a season low.

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## Pacers 94, Heat 84

INDIANAPOLIS — Reggie Miller scored 30 points as Indiana beat Miami in a battle of Eastern Conference leaders.

Rik Smits added 22 points as help the Pacers extend their winning streak at Conseco Fieldhouse to 15 games. Alonzo Mourning led the Heat with 24 points and 18 rebounds.

## Raptors 106, Bulls 89

CHICAGO — Vince Carter scored 15 of his 22 points in the third quarter as Toronto won its fourth straight.

Kevin Willis scored a season-high 21, Tracy McGrady had 18



Utah forward Karl Malone shoots over the reach of Minnesota guard Terrell Brandon in the third quarter of Sunday's game in Minneapolis. Malone made the shot, giving him 30,001 career points.

and Dell Curry 17 for the Raptors, who shot 59 percent. Ron Artest led Chicago with 18, and Elton Brand had 16.

## Hornets 100, Suns 79

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Eddie Jones scored 20 points and Charlotte used an 11-0 run early in the third quarter to pull away

from Phoenix. — Derrick Coleman added 19 for Charlotte, while Anthony Mason had 15, and Brad Miller and Baron Davis each scored 13.

Anielme Hardaway led the Suns with 24 points.

## Magic 103, Hawks 87

ORLANDO, Fla. — Chris

Patting had 19 points and 12 rebounds as Orlando ended Atlanta's three-game winning streak.

Orlando broke the game open in the second quarter, outscoring Atlanta 42-23 to take a 58-39 half-time lead. Corey Maggette added 18 points, and Darrell Armstrong had 16. Jim Jackson led Atlanta with 15 points.

# 'Rodman rules' already in place in Dallas

DALLAS — Call 'em the Rodman Rules: Practices will be optional, pre-game arrival times will be flexible. The Dallas Mavericks have already agreed with Rodman on a special set of rules should he decide to sign with the team.

"I gave him the option not to come to practice if that was important to him," said Mavericks coach Don Nelson. "Because he's a defensive player and a rebounder, he doesn't need to hone his skills offensively, and so practice for him is a way to work out."

As for showing up at the arena on game nights, Nellie won't exactly be watching the clock. — "He doesn't like to come sit around the locker room for two hours before a game. That bothers him. So I could live with him coming a little later," Nelson said. "Everybody else has to be there an hour and 40 minutes (before the game). I think we can bend the rules for him to come an hour and 15 minutes."

## Lakers send two All-Stars

NEW YORK — The Los Angeles Lakers, with the best record in the NBA, will be the only team with two starters in the All-Star game — Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Bryant.

In the final voting results announced Saturday, O'Neal and Bryant were joined in the Western Conference starting lineup by guard Jason Kidd of Phoenix and forwards Kevin Garnett of Minnesota and Tim Duncan of San Antonio.

Toronto's Vince Carter, the league's top vote-getter, leads an Eastern Conference lineup, that also includes Detroit forward Grant Hill, Miami center Alonzo Mourning and guards Allen Iverson of Philadelphia and Eddie Jones of Charlotte.

The game will be played Feb. 13 at The Arena in Oakland, Calif., home of the Golden State Warriors.

# McCleary badly hurt by slap shot; Flyers, Canadiens tie in Montreal

MONTREAL (AP) — Chris Therien took a shot at the Montreal net and saw Trent McCleary put himself right in the path of danger.

The slap shot from the Philadelphia defenseman during Saturday's 2-2 tie struck McCleary in the throat, causing a suspected fractured larynx and collapsed lung that required life-saving emergency surgery.

"I shot the puck, I saw him sliding, and it seemed like the puck was in slow motion," Therien said. "It didn't touch any of his equipment or his stick. It hit him square."

McCleary, 27, was given a tracheotomy to help him breathe. He was in "critical but stable condition," Gillian Ross-MacCormack, a spokesman for McGill University Health Centre, said late Saturday night. McCleary was taken to Montreal General Hospital after the accident.

"The next 24 hours will be critical," team doctor Lynn Crocchi said. "I'm not at the point yet where I can say that he's out of danger."

## Senators 3, Rangers 2

KANATA, Ontario — Grant Ledyard scored his first goal of the season with 61 seconds left Saturday night, rallying the Ottawa Senators to a 3-2 win over the New York Rangers. The victory snapped a five-game winless streak by the Senators.

## Mighty Ducks 7, Penguins 1

ITTSBURGH — Teemu Selanne scored a breakthrough goal on Anaheim's first shot and Paul Kariya had two goals and an assist as the Anaheim Mighty Ducks beat the slumping Pittsburgh Penguins 7-1 Saturday night. It was Pittsburgh's most lopsided home loss since Dallas beat the Penguins 9-3 on Feb. 12, 1994.

## Lightning 2, Thrashers 1

TAMPA, Fla. — Fredrik Modin scored twice, including the go-ahead goal with 10:42 left in the third period Saturday night as the Tampa Bay Lightning snapped a seven-game losing streak with a 2-1 victory over the Atlanta Thrashers. The victory was



Montreal right winger Trent McCleary lies on the ice after being hit in the neck by a slap shot during the second period of Saturday's game in Montreal. McCleary is in critical condition after undergoing an emergency tracheotomy in the hospital.

## Red Wings 3, Devils 1

DETROIT — Kirk Maltby scored the first of three second-period goals, leading the Detroit Red Wings past the New Jersey Devils 3-1 Saturday night in a penalty-filled meeting between the NHL's conference leaders. Vyacheslav Kozlov and Sergei Fedorov also scored in the second period.

## Maple Leafs 3, Kings 2

TORONTO — Steve Thomas scored two goals, including the winner with 19 seconds left, as the Toronto Maple Leafs rallied from a two-goal deficit to beat the Los Angeles Kings 3-2 Saturday night. Bryan Berard and Thomas scored 90 seconds apart early in the third period to tie the game, then teamed up for the decisive goal.

## Blues 4, Avalanche 0

ST. LOUIS — Jamie McLennan stopped 21 shots and got his first win in more than two months as the St. Louis Blues beat the Colorado Avalanche. The shutout was McLennan's second of the season and seventh of his career.

## Panthers 2, Oilers 1

SUNRISE, Fla. — Ray Whitney and Bret Hedican scored and Mike Vernon stopped a season-high 38 shots Saturday night as Florida ended a two-game losing skid with a 2-1 victory over Edmonton. Florida had lost consecutive games to Eastern Conference powers New Jersey and Philadelphia, and was 1-3 in its five games prior to Saturday.

## Predators 3, Flames 1

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Vitali Yachmenev scored a short-handed goal and an empty-net tally, and Tomas Vokoun made 34 saves Saturday night to lead Nashville Predators to a 3-1 win over the Calgary Flames. It was Nashville's third win in four games, moving the second-year Predators within four points of the final playoff spot in the Western Conference.

## Bruins 1, Sabres 0

BOSTON — The Boston Bruins received a wake-up call from their owner Jeremy Jacobs and responded accordingly. Byron Dufoe made 25 saves for his third shutout, and the Bruins won only their second home game since Thanksgiving.

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# Tyson KOs Francis in Round 2

**MANCHESTER, England (AP)**—Mike Tyson gave a frenzied sellout crowd what it came to see with an explosive attack that knocked down British champion Julius Francis five times and stopped him in the second round Saturday night.

Tyson, fighting for the first time in Britain, needed a quick and clean victory, and he got it before 21,000 fans at the MEN Arena.

"This is what I want to do every time out," said the 33-year-old Tyson, who won for just the second time in his last five fights.

"I was surprised he kept getting up. I hit him with some good body shots."

Francis didn't run and did his best to exchange punches with the former heavyweight champion, who was wild early in the first round. Francis actually landed a couple good body punches.

Then, at about 2:18 of the round, Tyson sent Francis down for a 9-count with a short right to the jaw.

Just before the bell, Tyson landed another hard right that

put Francis down. A knocked-down fighter can't be saved by the bell, but Francis managed to scramble up at 7.

The second round lasted only 1:03 as Tyson came charging out of his corner to finish the job.

Tyson knocked down Francis with a left hook to the body. He got up at the count of 8, but then went down for a 7-count from a right to the body and right uppercut to the head.

Another right uppercut sent Francis down for the third time in the round and referee Roy Francis, no relation, halted the bout without counting.

"I went in thinking I had it right for fighting Mike Tyson," the 35-year-old Francis said. "But I didn't get it right. He's real powerful, but what surprised me was the short punches inside."

"Losing is not acceptable, but I got in some good shots and Mike Tyson knew I hit him."

Francis' troubles actually started when Tyson was allowed to enter Britain on Jan. 16.

There had been opposition because of his three-year prison term on a rape conviction.

Under British law, any visitor who spends more than a year in prison can be barred from the country.

But Tyson was eventually admitted and he became a media darling and very popular with the public. His appearance in Manchester produced \$34 million in business, according to the Manchester Evening News.

The 4 minutes and 3 seconds of action against Francis means Tyson has fought only 70 minutes and 3 seconds in 8 years and 7 months.

Tyson traveled to England because he has become more difficult to sell in the United States since his unimpressive fight against Francois Botha about a year ago. That bout was his first since he bit Evander Holyfield's ears.

Tyson, 223.75, was scheduled to return to the United States today.

He earned from \$8 million to \$11 million for his 47th victory and 41st knockout. He has lost three times and has the one no-contest.

Francis, 244.5 (21-8, 11 knockouts) earned \$560,000.

# Buhl overtakes Cheever, wins IRL's season-opening event

**LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP)**—Robbie Buhl took advantage of slow-moving traffic that blocked leader Eddie Cheever two laps from the end Saturday and went on to win the Delphi Indy 200 at Walt Disney World Speedway.

Buhl, who started 22nd in the 26-car field, was second, about a half-second behind, when the front-running trio of Cheever, Buhl and Buddy Lazier encountered heavy traffic on the narrow, 1-mile tri-oval.

Cheever, the two-time and defending champion in the Indy Racing League's season-opening event, was forced toward the outside of the track and Buhl's Force-Aurora sped past. Lazier also got past the faltering Cheever.

Buhl, who averaged 102.292 mph in the race slowed by eight caution flags, finished 3.165 seconds ahead of Lazier's Riley & Scott-Aurora.

Cheever, also in a Riley & Scott, powered by the only

Infinity engine in the race, wound up third.

The victory was the second for Buhl, who previously won in August 1997 in Loudon, N.H. On Saturday, he led a race-high 48 of the 200 laps.

"We had a good race," said the 36-year-old driver. "Cheever was being aggressive ... but we knew if we just kept up with him we could get it."

"I was just thinking, how I'm going to get by Eddie. It was just a matter of waiting for traffic and who was going to be hung up in traffic."

Both Lazier and Cheever were upset about what they considered blocking by some lapped cars, including those of rookies Sam Hornish Jr. and Doug Didero, both making their IRL debuts.

"It robbed of a really good race," Lazier said. "It robbed us of an honest finish."

It was a messy race, at least partially because the field had no track time on Friday due to a

rain that canceled qualifying and forced the IRL to line the cars up by last year's team owner points.

The track was still too wet Saturday morning for a scheduled warmup.

Defending series champion Greg Ray, who started from the pole, led the first 46 laps and was still in the chase until lap 138 when his gearbox cost him a long pit stop. He finished 180 laps and wound up 17th.

Two-time Indy 500 winner Al Unser's debut was cut short by an engine problem.

Unser, who started 24th because team owner Rick Galles had no points in the IRL last year, climbed all the way to ninth place before his day was ended after 64 laps.

"I was having fun, but you always have a good time when you're passing people and you've got a good car," said Unser, a two-time champion in the rival CART series.

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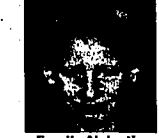
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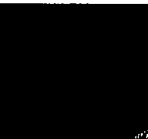
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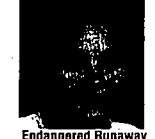
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SPORTS

# Maier wins Cup downhill, ties record

**GARMISCH-PARTEN-KIRCHEN, Germany (AP)** — Hermann Maier mastered an icy and treacherous course to win the men's downhill Saturday for his 26th World Cup victory or equalling the Austrian record of Franz Klammer.

**Winter sports**

Maier blazed down the Kandahar course, where he gained his first career victory nearly three years ago, to beat Kristian Ghedina of Italy in the last of the five classical downhill of the season. Maier posted a time of 1 minute, 55.77 seconds, beating Ghedina by 32 seconds. The Italian had raced before Maier and his time of 1:56.09 seemed incredibly fast — until Maier shattered it.

"I really fought very hard and took a lot of risks," Maier said. "I wanted to win badly, not only because of the record. I was surprised by how fast Ghedina went." Hannes Trinkl of Austria was third, well back at 1:57.15. Ghedina also finished behind Maier when the Austrian captured his first World Cup victory, winning a Super-G on Feb. 23, 1997. "It would be great if I can double tomorrow," he said of today's Super-G.

It took Klammer 11 years, from 1973 to 1984, to collect his 26 wins. Maier has achieved it in three years.

Klammer had 25 downhill victories and one in the combination. Maier is more versatile, with six downhill victories, seven in the giant slalom, 12 in the Super-



Hermann Maier of Austria celebrates in the finish area after winning the World Cup men's downhill in Garmisch Partenkirchen, Germany, Saturday. This was Maier's 26th World Cup victory, equalling the record set by Austrian Franz Klammer.

G and one combination.

With his eighth win of the season — third in a downhill — Maier also extended his already-overwhelming overall World Cup lead. He now has 1,410 points, nearly 500 more than Kjetil Andre Aamodt of Norway, who shared 12th place in the race.

Maier, a 27-year-old former bricklayer from Flachau, near Salzburg, is on the best way to recapture the overall title he first won in 1988.

### Goetschi wins bobsledding final, but not the title

**ST. MORITZ, Switzerland** — Switzerland's Reto Goetschi won the final two-man bobsled event of the season Saturday, but compatriot Christian Reich who got his first World Cup championship.

Backed by brakeman Cedric Grand, Goetschi posted the fastest times in both runs, including a season track record of 1 minute, 04.33 seconds in the opening heat. Always tough to beat on his home

track, Goetschi recorded another fast run in the second heat, crossing in 1:04.39 for a winning aggregate time of 2:08.72.

Reich, with Urs Aeberhar on the brakes, sat third after an opening run of 1:04.91, but he matched Goetschi's second-run time to finish second with an aggregate of 2:09.30. The winner of three of seven events this season, he topped the two-man World Cup standings with 224 points.

Goetschi was next at 209.

# Boat designer wins no matter where he goes

**AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP)** — From San Diego to Auckland to Milan and now back to Auckland.

It's been a scenic and successful journey for a middle-aged California boat designer who looks as if he might be comfortable on a surfboard and once had the Beach Boys singing group backing his ill-fated America's Cup syndicate.

Sometimes, Doug Peterson likes to shoot from the lip, so don't accuse him of being a traitor to the United States.

He says he designs boats for America's Cup teams trying to beat the United States because he wants the best chance of winning. He thinks through his options then decides who to bet on his brilliance on.

There is plenty of substance to Peterson, who, at age 54, still has thick reddish-brown hair with a

beard to match and is trying to win his third straight America's Cup.

"He's a great genius," said Bill Koch, head of the America's Cup syndicate that won the 1992 Cup in San Diego with Peterson on the design team. "He has that little bit of anti-establishment thinker about him, which is great."

"Three years later, Peterson was a winner again, this time as a key designer for New Zealand's Black Magic, which was much faster than Young America in sweeping all five races in the finals off San Diego.

"He's a highly intelligent human being," said John Bertrand, the Australian winner of the 1983 America's Cup who used a Peterson-designed boat as part of his preparations that year. "He has an opinion on everything and, generally, that opinion is very well worth listening to."

The Italians thought so. They hired him to design Prada for this year's races. Good choice.

The silver-hulled speedster would reach the America's Cup finals against New Zealand if it beats AmericaOne in the best-of-9 challenger finals now under way amid the shifty winds on Hauraki Gulf.

"There's nothing new about people working for different countries" than their own, Peterson said, "nothing new at all."

Born in Los Angeles and raised in San Diego, Peterson moved to Auckland after the 1992 races to meet the requirement that he live in the country for which he's working for two years before the America's Cup.

That changed to three years after the 1995 event, so he moved to Milan. For the past five months he's been in Auckland

during the trials.

"My kids love the mobility. I take them everywhere with me," said Peterson, a father of three daughters and one son. "My youngest daughter lived with me for a year in Milan and she learned Italian much better than me."

Should Prada defeat AmericaOne, Peterson would have a chance to beat one of his former employers, Sir Peter Blake. His syndicate is defending the Cup it won in 1995 in a boat Peterson designed.

And if Peterson and his Prada design team are successful against AmericaOne, he'll move closer to his third straight America's Cup.

"There was an element on the team that didn't want me there" this time, Peterson said. "Hopefully, they'll wish that they didn't let me go."

# SPORTS IN BRIEF

### Rest of football U.S. beats Florida's best

**ORLANDO, Fla.** — As it turns out, not all of the best football players are in Florida. Billy Volek connected with JaJuan Dawson on a 39-yard touchdown pass early in the fourth quarter Saturday to lift Team USA past Team Florida 21-14 in the Gridiron Classic. Dawson, the offensive most valuable player, set up another touchdown with a 49-yard catch and finished with three receptions for 106 yards. He was happy about returning to Tulane with bragging rights.

### Rescuers locate stranded Mets reliever

**DECKERS, Colo.** — New York Mets reliever Turk Wendell was rescued Saturday after spending the night stranded in the snowy Rocky Mountain foothills 30 miles outside of Denver. Wendell and his guide, Jeff Parise, were dehydrated but in good condition when found by a search team, police said.

### Mets sing new tune, invite Garth to camp

**NEW YORK** — While distractions are nothing new to the New York Mets, this one sings a different tune. The Mets have reached an agreement in principle with Garth Brooks, allowing the country singer to participate in spring training with New York. Brooks, 37, who hit .045 for the San Diego Padres last spring (1-for-22), will sign a minor league contract and train with the team in Port St. Lucie, Fla.

### US opens against China in Olympics

**SYDNEY, Australia** — The United States men's basketball team will play China in the opening round of the Olympic tournament, which begins Sept. 17. The United States, Italy, France, Lithuania, China and New Zealand were placed in Pool A. Pool B will consist of Australia, Canada, Yugoslavia, Spain, Russia and Angola. The two groups of six teams will play each other in a round-robin system in the preliminary rounds.

The top four teams from each group will advance to the quarter-finals, the semifinals and the final. Players on the American team include Tim Duncan, who led the San Antonio Spurs to last year's NBA championship, Kevin Garnett and Grant Hill.

### Gray wins 800 with homestretch surge

**FAIRFAX, Va.** — Thinking he'd lost the race when he was in sixth place on the backstretch, Johnny Gray kicked past the field on the inside in the homestretch to win the 800 meters Saturday at the Tidias D.C. Invitational, the first leg of the indoor Golden Spike Tour.

Gray's time was 1 minute, 49.38 seconds. In other events, Allen Johnson rebounded from an injury-plagued season and renewed his rivalry with Mark Crear by winning the 60-meter hurdles in 7.59, and Carlette Guidry scored an upset in the women's 60 in 7.27 in a race marred by three false starts. Tim Harden won the men's 60 in 6.57.

Tyree Washington took the 400 in 47.35, Melissa Morrison won the women's 60 hurdles in 8.89 and Regina Jacobs cruised to victory in the 800 in 2:01.71.

The meet debuted a shot put "pairs" event, with Tressa Thompson and Andy Bloom competing against Connie Price-Smith and Kevin Touth. Thompson and Bloom won with combined best throws of 126 feet, 9 inches.

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## Take-out pizza and other regional delights

Years ago, when I was young and idealistic, I agreed to let my then 6-year-old daughter invite several of her little friends over to my house for lunch. I still remember the dialogue.

"Do you like tuna fish?" I asked the kid with the freckles.

"I don't know, I've never heard of it."

The tone of the conversation was set. One child thought she was allergic to tuna fish ("because I'm allergic to everything"). Another child refused to try the tuna fish because it was mixed with mayonnaise and she only liked foods that were "seprah."

The brave little girl who finally agreed to eat the fish was asked if she could also have a side order of dog biscuits. She meant hush puppies. At least that's what I told myself.

Who does we get our food likes and dislikes, anyway? A lot of it seems to depend on where we grew up, on the "regional food" that we learned to love. But even then, real life can be confusing.

In the small Southern town where I was raised, one of our favorite foods was hot tamales.

Instead of the hot tamale dog man, we had our hot tamale man, and he pushed his hot tamale cart down all three blocks of Main Street every day.

We didn't have anything to serve with our hot tamales, either. I never even knew what a burrito or a nacho was until I moved to Idaho.

Sometimes, we would go to the store and buy a can of beans and pour them on top of our hot tamales.

At least we tried.

The rest of the time, we ate grits and turnip greens and pecan pie.

And we always cooked our food abundantly.

I added that last part after reading a story titled "Favorite Foods for Family Reunions," by Robin Bloksberg, in the "Farmer's Almanac." She wrote about the Smart family in Illinois, who bury their dinner in a hole in the ground.

Their "Baked Beans in an Outdoor Bean Hole" is a nod to the family antelope - loggers who were sent down river to work on the mill and camp cooks who went ahead of the loggers, by land, to put a pot of beans on top of coals in a hole beside the river.

Then there is the Grennia family in Michigan, who have their pig roasts where everyone feasts on barbecue with "Great-grandma's Cofeecake." Or the Deskins family in Virginia, with reunions where the family members bring homegrown and homemade dishes - beans, pickles and cakes to fill six long tables. Or the Snow family in North Carolina, with plenty of baked country ham, sweet potato cobbler and "Grandma Snow's Hypocrite Pie." (The pie is called hypocrite because it looks deceptively like an egg custard pie, but is actually a dried apple pie.)

Getting hungry yet?

Most of this sounds good to us, because we have traveled the states enough to have tried many of this country's regional foods. But what about the foods of other countries?

I'll never forget the Christmas when my family entertained a Russian family - and I set about to prepare the perfect turkey dinner with all the trimmings. I succeeded, I thought. But I could tell that my guests didn't like it so

They stared at the cornbread stuffing like it was Army surplus from another planet.

Oh, they were polite enough. They ate - sparingly. Then, I suspect, they went home hungry and opened a can of borsch.

I would probably do the same if I spent Christmas Day trying to eat unfamiliar food.

It's glad I live in the United States. That way, if I ever go to someone's house and try eating really strange food and start missing my Southern roots, I can always go home and order out for pizza.

That's Southern, isn't it?

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## The art of being polite



AFTER CLASS  
Gay Petersen

When I was growing up men still opened doors for women, took their hats off in the presence of a lady and never have said a swear word when a lady was within hearing distance. Ladies did not swear, at least in the presence of others, and when their ankles crossed and dressed up to go to church. Children referred to their elders as sir or ma'am, when in the presence of adults never spoke unless spoken to, and never called adults by their first names unless specifically allowed to do so by that particular adult.

Now perhaps those actions were carrying things too far, and perhaps with the advent of Women's Lib. And the 60's mentality men felt that if women wanted to be treated as equals they should be treated equally in all aspects of life, including opening their own doors, etc. Parents now were to be their children's friends, not their parents, so children no longer need to show deference to adults - in fact, adults should show deference to children. Forget about respect for an adult's decision. What did they know?

And so - gradually - the art of being polite was lost in many, not all, of course, cases. And I miss it.

Most people of my age group, most older and some younger adults still participate in this art form, but when I am around young people it is rare, or unheard of, but rare, for a young person to open a door for me, to say excuse me for some infraction of etiquette or stand aside so the person behind me can get ahead of them. Swearing is common among all groups - men, women and children -

regardless of who is present, and regardless of who hears them, and, as for offering a lady a chair or giving one up so that she might sit down, forget it.

I have heard that there are some schools in the United States that are now teaching courses in how to be polite. I find this very strange, and, as a taxpayer, I object, again, that schools should be forced to take on yet another subject which should be taught at home. I guess, however, that reviving the art must start somewhere, and, if parents have reneged on that part of their parental duty, someone has to do it.

I understand too that students are liking the class and are finding it much less stressful to be polite than to be rude. How refreshing.

Children must be taught early and often that in a civilized society being polite can lead to respect, and respect for all can lead to far fewer of the crazy reactions that society has come to expect.

Perhaps the reintroduction of the art of being polite can lead to a renewed society in general, and that renewal eventually lead us down the road to a more caring society. Hope springs eternal.

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## Parents can learn from kids' imaginary friends

Chicago Tribune

### A friend in need

Jean Elliott doesn't recall exactly when Ricky came into her life. She just remembers that when she was 4 or 5 years old, he was always there when she needed him.

"He was my buddy," says Elliott, now the public relations coordinator in the College of Human Resources and Education at Virginia Tech University in Blacksburg. "He was everywhere I went. He was sort of a protector. He made me feel comfortable."

To little Jean, Ricky was the perfect childhood companion.

He may have been something less in her parents' eyes - if they could have seen him. Ricky was Jean's imaginary friend.

"It caused them some mild distress," Elliott says, laughing. "Here was their youngest child with a little friend they couldn't see."

Elliott remembers Ricky as small, about 3 feet tall, and says he looked a little like Pinocchio. She'd open the car door for him and let him get in first when the family was going for a drive - no wonder her parents were slightly put off - and he'd accompany her when she went to play in the dark family basement, with its noisy old furnace and gurgling sump pump.

"I just remember opening the basement door and Ricky going down the stairs first. Then when it was OK, I'd go down there," she says. "I wouldn't play games with him. He'd just be hanging out, sitting on the stairs, watching while I played in the basement."

Children and their parents are apparently full of characters like Ricky. Experts may disagree exactly how common these make-believe friends are, but they do agree that they're all over the place.

"It's definitely more common than most people believe," says Marjorie Taylor, a professor of psychology at the University of Otago in New Zealand, who's written the phenomenon for 10 years. She has interviewed about 175 children, 100 of them three times over four years, as well as 400 adults, all of whom had imagi-

W hen they're around, sending children into a frenzy of giggling and play. But when they're not around, they're invisible. In a world of imaginary companions, Jean's was a special one.

"I know something a parent can do to help their child with this," says Taylor. "Sit back and enjoy the show or clean one's teeth and wait for them to go away." Taylor says, "He was everywhere I went. He was sort of a protector. He made me feel comfortable."

"I should recognize the beauty of this fantasy world," says Jean Owens, author of three books on childhood psychology. "Wouldn't you like to recapture those feelings as you adult life? To me it's such a wonderful time. Maybe parents should vicariously experience their children's joy."

"Parents can help their child find out their own way with an imaginary friend. They shouldn't," writes Georgia Wilson, an assistant clinical professor of psychiatry at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York, in her book, "KidStress" (Viking). "Imaginary friends can be a child's best and most effective stress-coping strategies. Instead of discouraging it, take notes."

"Parents can use imaginary friends to find out what is going on in a child's life," says Marjorie Taylor who has studied children's imaginary friends for 10 years. "If a child doesn't go to school, ask. Maybe the child will tell you. 'Bian-Bian is having a hard time at recess and doesn't like to go to school.' It's the child who is having the problem."

One thing parents shouldn't do is brand a child a liar for his or her adventures with an imaginary companion. And the occasional school hood misstep that gets blamed on an imaginary friend shouldn't alarm parents either.

"The shifting blame," Owens says, "I didn't do the cookie, Ralph ate it." A lot of parents get a little concerned. But this kind of play - that seems like a harsh term - is relatively common and harmless in young children. So the same thing is kind of applicable with "Ralph ate the cookie."

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## A FAREWELL GIFT

Parents weigh what's best for a child going off to college

### Chicken Soup for the Soul

About Jim Comstock

By Jim Comstock

"Choose the life that is most useful, and habit will make it the most agreeable."

— Francis Bacon

My wife and I had just finished the 150-mile trip home from our daughter's college. It was the first time in our lives that she would be gone for any length of time. We wondered how other people got through it.

Later, in bed, I thought of when I started college. My father had driven me, too. We rode in the farm truck. In the back was the trunk that I had pitched hay for that summer.

My mother had to stay behind to keep the cattle from getting into the crops. I, the fourth in a line of boys, was the first to go away to college. My mother cried, and I cried; after we were out of sight of the farm, I began to feel jellylike and scared.

The truck was slow, and I was glad I didn't want to get to the city too soon.

I remembered how my father and I stopped by a stream and ate sandwiches that my mother had prepared. My daughter's day was different, of course. We stopped at a classy roadside place and ordered fried chicken. Then, we went to the dormitory, and my wife and I were the first to enter. When she came back, she was wiping her eyes. It wasn't until we were passing through the next town that she remarked about the weather, and she discovered that she had forgotten to take her portable radio and record player. I told her she should have put it in the trunk with the other things, not in the back seat.

He gave me a brand new checkbook. "If things get pushing, write a small check. But when you write one, send me a letter and let me know how the traffic confuses you. Some things we can always sell." In four years, all the checks I wrote added up to less than \$1,000. My jobs chauffering a rich lady, janitoring at the library, reading to a

blind student and sitting with the professors' kids filled in the financial gaps.

"You know what you want to be, and they'll tell you what to take," my father continued. "When you get a job, be sure it's honest, and work hard." I knew that soon I would be alone in the big town, and I would be missing the furrowed ground, cool breezes and a life where your thinking was done for you.

Then my dad reached down beside his seat and brought out the old, dingy Bible that he had read so often - the one he used when he wanted to look something up in a friendly argument with one of the neighbors. I knew he would miss it. I knew, though, that I must take it.

He didn't say read this every morning. He just said, "This can help you if you let it."

Did it help? I got through college without being a burden on the family. I have had a good earning capacity since.

When I finished school, I took the Bible back to my father. But he said he wanted me to keep it. "You will have a kid in school," he told me. "Let the first one take that Bible along."

Now, too late, I remembered. It would have been so nice to have given it to my daughter when she got out of the car. But I didn't. Things were different. I was prosperous, and my father wasn't. I had gone places. I could give her everything. My father could give me only a battered old Bible. I'd been able to give my daughter what she needed.

Or had I? I don't really believe now that I gave her half as much as my father gave me. So the next morning, I wrapped up the book and sent it to her. I wrote a note. "It can't help you," I said, "if you will let it."

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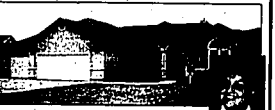
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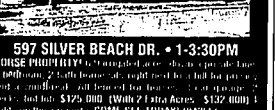
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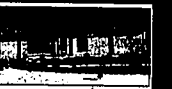
**\$51,000. IT'S A HILLBILLY DOLL HOUSE.** Garage has been converted to a great shop w/heat, electric, sheetrocked & insulated. Nice yard, fresh paint, new roof, must see! Unfinished basement for additional room to grow. Gas furnace 6 years old. CALL LEXI 737-3916 OR 734-8763. #92576



**\$79,900. IMMACULATE, WELL MAINTAINED HOME** ON Sherry Circle. 3 bedrooms, gas heat, air conditioning, sprinkler system, & carpet. Move in ready. CALL BONNIE PARSONS 733-5335. #94537



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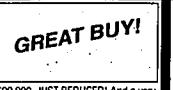
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**\$95,000. JUST LISTED** IN GREAT neighborhood! Over 2000 sq. ft. including 4 bedrooms, & 2 baths. Spacious kitchen. Nice deck & hot tub w/pas fireplace. To see this home. CALL BRIAN RASMUSSEN AT 737-3927 OR 734-8743. #94371



**\$99,900. PLENTY OF ROOM** in this home! Over 2500 sq. ft. and 6 bedrooms. Fireplace in living room to complement gas heat. Great big family room downstairs for relaxing. Located on one of the finest streets in Twin Falls. CALL BRIAN 737-3927. #94450



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**\$112,000. A SHOWCASE HOME** IN NORTH PRINCE SUBD. Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath w/walnut ceilings. Sprinklers & sod in front yard. Come now & pick your own colors. CALL DEANNA DALSOGLIO 737-3905 OR DIANNA WHITNEY 737-3915-1428. #94087



**\$114,900. WHAT A FIND** for this one level 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home at the edge of Twin Falls. On approx. 3/4 acre lot. Gas heat, 2 car garage. CALL RON FREEMAN 737-3915 OR KATHY PARTRIDGE 737-3920. #92312



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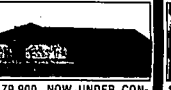
**\$143,000. BEAUTIFUL HOME** only 5 years old. Great neighborhood, 3 large bedrooms, 2 baths, great room w/pas fireplace, formal living room, efficient kitchen w/appliance. Double car garage, sprinkling system, central air, gas heat, ready to move in! CALL DIANA WHITNEY 737-3989. #94147



**\$149,500. IT'S ALL BRICK!** And in excellent shape. Approx. 1958 sq. ft. features 3 bdrms., 2 1/2 baths, large living room w/fireplace, large kitchen w/white cabinets, separate laundry room, w/ dining area, oversized double garage, covered patio, fenced yard, auto sprinklers. CALL LYNN RASMUSSEN 737-3900 OR 428-2807. #92783



**GREAT ACREAGE! GREAT HOME!** Great 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home. Oak flooring in entry, dining & kitchen areas, also oak cabinets. Exceptional grounds w/railroad trees, glass potting shed, sprinklers, stable area, rail fencing, 5 bay shop w/floors. For more info call KATHY PARTRIDGE 737-3920 OR RON FREEMAN 737-3915. #92033



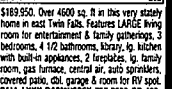
**\$179,900. NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION!** This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home is near the Pleasant Valley Golf Course in Kimberly. This home features 2011 sq. ft. on one level, central air, brick & synthetic siding, with a patio. CALL DAN BEARD 737-3909 OR 731-2121. #94463



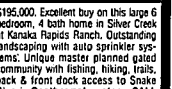
**\$189,900. YOUR OWN PRIVATE ESTATE IN KIMBERLY.** This 2 bedroom, 2000 sq. ft. ranch features a spa room, basement rec room (w/pool table), entertainment room (with equipment), hobby room, large master bedroom. All this sits on fabulously landscaped lot. FOR MORE DETAILS CALL WALT 737-3939. #91173



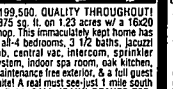
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**\$189,900.** Over 4000 sq. ft. in this very stylish home in east Twin Falls. Features LBRG living room for entertainment & family gatherings, 3 bedrooms, 4 1/2 bathrooms, library, lg. kitchen with built-in appliances, 2 fireplaces, lg. family room, gas furnace, central air, auto sprinklers, covered patio, dbl. garage & room for RV spot. CALL LYNN RASMUSSEN 737-3900 OR 428-2807. #91352



**\$195,000.** Excellent buy on this large 6 bedroom, 4 bath home at Kanaka Rapids Ranch. Outstanding landscaping with auto sprinkler systems. Unique master planned gated community with fishing, hiking, trails, back & front dock access to Snake River. Geothermal water. CALL DOROTHY @ 737-3905. #90568



**\$199,500. QUALITY THROUGHOUT!** 3735 sq. ft. on 1.23 acres w/ a 1620 shop. This immaculately kept home has it all-4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, jacuzzi tub, central vac, intercom, sprinkler system, indoor spa room, oak kitchen, maintenance free exterior, & a full guest suite! A real must see! 1 mile south of Buhi. CALL JOANN REAVES 737-3961. #90332



**\$209,900. PRICE REDUCED ON THIS GREAT VINTAGE HOME** IN PARK-LIKE setting. This 2 story home features 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 family rooms, 2 fireplaces & over 4000 sq. ft. New kitchen, updated paint & carpet, double garage, metal shop & tennis court make this a must see! CALL THE HESS TEAM-WALT 737-3939. #92500



**\$219,000. Gotta be paradise!** Here it is in a gracious all brick 4 bedroom, 3 bath home. Amenities include a formal living & dining room, & beautiful double sided fireplace. The spacious family room looks out to all of Magic Valley. CALL NOW-CAROLYN CUTLER 733-9628 OR 737-3913. #91052



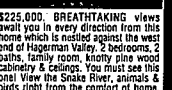
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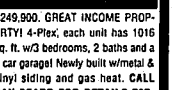
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**\$225,000. BREATHTAKING** views await you in every direction from this home which is nestled against the west end of Hagerman Valley. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, family room, honey pine wood cabinets & ceilings. You must see this one! View the Snake River, animals & birds right from the east end of home. CALL LYNN RASMUSSEN 737-3900 OR 428-2807. #92192



**\$249,900. GREAT INCOME PROPERTY!** 4-Plex, each unit has 1016 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms, 2 baths and a 1 car garage! Newly built w/metal & vinyl siding and gas heat. CALL DAN BEARD FOR DETAILS 737-3906 OR 731-2121. #94410



**\$289,900. REDUCED!** This fantastic 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath home features large oak kitchen, main floor family room w/pas fireplace, plus another family/rec room w/fireplace in basement. Large spacious rooms, nice master suite w/walk-in-closet & soaking tub, triple garage, storage shed, fenced yard, auto sprinklers & more. CALL LYNN RASMUSSEN 737-3900 OR 428-2807. #91250



**\$299,900. BEST BUY!** With 2 FIREPLACES & over 4000 sq. ft. you have to love this gorgeous home. With 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, you will have room for holiday guests! year long! There is even room for horses on the 2.6 acres, plus lots of wonderful privacy. To top it all off-there is a fabulous view! CALL CAROLYN CUTLER 737-3913 OR 733-9018. #94086



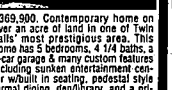
**\$339,900. JUST REDUCED!** Large 2 story home in Heatherwood. Custom built by Whitehead. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, main floor family room plus basement rec room & formal dining. Extras include spectacular entry, oak flooring, brick & steel exterior, huge master suite w/fireplace. CONTACT WALT 737-3939. #82121



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**\$350,000.** Excellent home w/property on 5.26 acres. 2 pastures w/sprinklers, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 bath log cabin home at beautiful Kanaka Rapids Ranch. Large 2 stall barn w/heat & air conditioned tack room, wash bay, loading shed, mature trees, property sits on Mud Creek. Gated community, geothermal water. CALL DOROTHY TO SEE. #91704



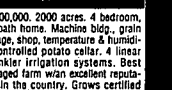
**\$369,900.** Contemporary home on over an acre of land in one of Twin Falls' most prestigious areas. This home has 5 bedrooms, 4 1/4 baths, a 3-car garage & many custom features including sunken entertainment center, whirlpool in seating, pedestal style formal dining, double/drain, and a privacy deck w/hot tub off master suite. CALL WALT 737-3939. #91852



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**\$3,000,000.** 2000 acres, 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home. Machine bldg., grain storage, shop, temperature & humidity controlled potato cellar, 4 linear sprinkler irrigation systems. Best managed farm w/an excellent reputation in the country. Grows certified seed potatoes. CALL THOMAS LLOYD 737-3924. #93066



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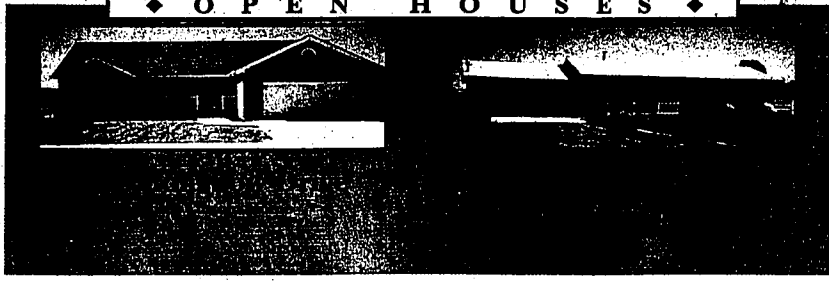
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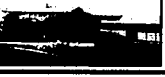






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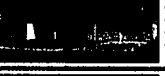


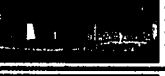







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 <p><b>New Construction</b>                  • Spacious Ranch Style                  • On One Acre In Harvest View Estates, Banbury                  • Bonus Room, 4.5th Bedroom, 3rd Car Office                  • Gas Fireplace, Central Air Conditioning, 3 Car Garage                  • \$169,900                  Rich Whitescarver 736-0164</p>	 <p><b>Immaculate Townhome</b>                  • Approx. 1829 Sq. Ft.                  • Newly Painted                  • One Level Living                  • \$245,500                  Denise McCluskey 736-8770 or Mark Jones 734-4599</p>	 <p><b>40-Acre Farm Southwest Of Kimberly</b>                  • 5 Bedrooms, 2 Baths                  • Chalkcladding                  • Water Shuts                  • Farm Leased for 2000 Seasons                  • \$134,900                  MLS #941911                  Mark Jones 734-4599 or Denise McCluskey 736-8770</p>	 <p><b>Mobile Home In Kimberly</b>                  • Nicely Maintained Home With Newer Carpet &amp; Gas Heat In Great Location                  • Storage Shed, Auto Sprinklers, Covered Patio                  • 3 Bedrooms                  • \$14,990                  Denise McCluskey 736-8770 or Mark Jones 734-4599</p>
 <p><b>For Rent - Executive Pinnacle Townhomes</b>                  • Completely Landscaped                  • Great Room &amp; 2 Fireplaces                  • Two Level River Rock &amp; Drywall Siding                  • \$169,900                  J. Francis Florence 734-7486</p>	 <p><b>Just Listed!</b>                  • 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths                  • Gas Fireplace                  • Gas Heat/Central Air                  • Jacuzzi Tub                  • \$117,500                  Denise McCluskey 736-8770 or Mark Jones 734-4599</p>	 <p><b>Beautiful Home In Picturesque Setting</b>                  • Approx. 4925 Sq. Ft.                  • Very Large Kitchen/Island/Ceiling                  • Spacious Master Suite With Tiled Bath                  • Great Room, Rec Room, Sun Parth                  • \$468,000, Reducer Offered                  • \$229,900                  J. Francis or Betty Florence 734-7486</p>	 <p><b>Listen To The River</b>                  • Approx. 2200 Sq. Ft.                  • 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths                  • On Canyon Rim                  • Fenced With Small Horse Barn                  • \$229,900                  J. Francis or Betty Florence 734-7486 or Melinda Bunn 324-7653</p>
 <p><b>Similar Model To Be Built! Pick Your Colors Now!</b>                  • Approx. 1480 Sq. Ft.                  • Double Car Garage                  • \$169,900                  Jeff Bluck 731-2086 or Rick Clever 731-2748</p>	 <p><b>Horse Set-Up</b>                  • Approx. 1760 Total Sq. Ft. • 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths                  • Newly Painted                  • Fireplace In Master Suite                  • \$149,280                  Jeff Bluck 731-2086</p>	 <p><b>Updated Vintage Home</b>                  • Approx. 2040 Total Sq. Ft. • Two of a Kind                  • New Paint, Tiled Accents In Kitchen &amp; Bath                  • \$263,900                  MLS #92521                  Jeff Bluck 731-2086</p>	 <p><b>Magnificent Home &amp; River Setting</b>                  • Approx. 7500 Total Sq. Ft. • 5 Bedrooms, 6 Baths                  • 2 1/2 Acres                  • 200' of Snake River Frontage                  • "Smart Home" Computer Controlled                  • \$790,000                  Steve Di Luca, J. Francis or Betty Florence 734-7486.</p>

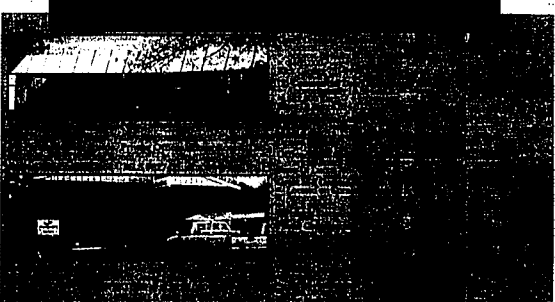
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 <p><b>1997 Manufactured Home - 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths</b>                  • \$89,000                  • OWNER CARRY                  • Low Monthly Payment \$375.70, Down Payment \$1,050,                  • 5 Year Term, Loan \$37,450, APR 9.9%, Balance Payment                  • \$20,000/0.00%                  Rich Whitescarver 736-0164</p>	 <p><b>Country Acreage</b>                  • Approx. 2100+ Sq. Ft. • 3 Bedrooms, 1 Bath                  • Large Barn                  • Approx. 7.57 Acres With 11 Water Shutes                  • \$170,500                  Beckie Kukal 324-8736</p>	 <p><b>Recreation Property</b>                  • Approx. 1200 Sq. Ft. • 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths                  • One To New Leage                  • All Recreation Done By                  • \$107,200                  Bill or Melinda Bunn 324-7653</p>	 <p><b>Great Starter</b>                  • 2 1/2 Bedroom Cottage • Gas Heat                  • Large Living/Kitchen Area                  • Stone Hardwood Floors                  • \$92,500                  Bill or Melinda Bunn 324-7653</p>
 <p><b>Shiny Country Acreage</b>                  • 3 Bedrooms &amp; 2 Baths • Approx. 1740 Sq. Ft.                  • Approx. 1 Acre, 1996 Glenwood Manufactured Home                  • Great Family Set-Up                  • \$99,000                  MLS #92745                  Anthony 934-5663 or 961-7777</p>	 <p><b>Vintage Charm</b>                  • Approx. 1825 Sq. Ft. • 3 Bedrooms                  • Gas Heat                  • Development Potential                  • \$115,000                  Teri Stokes 324-8571</p>	 <p><b>Country Charm</b>                  • Approx. 1900 Sq. Ft. • 2 Bedrooms, 1.75 Baths                  • 26x16 Garage/Shop • Approx. 1.50 Acres                  • One Open Floor Plan                  • \$110,000                  Bill or Melinda Bunn 324-7653</p>	 <p><b>New Home</b>                  • Approx. 1470 Sq. Ft. • 5 Bedrooms, 2 Baths                  • Gas Heat                  • Great Area                  • \$92,500                  MLS #94266                  Paul Lloyd 324-9377 or Tyson Cook 324-3713</p>
 <p><b>Country Luxury</b>                  • 4 Bedrooms, 2.5 Baths • 10' Ceilings                  • Office, Sewing Room &amp; Storage                  • Contemporary Modern Kitchen                  • \$239,000                  MLS #93228                  Anthony 934-5663 or 961-7777</p>	 <p><b>Affordable</b>                  • Approx. 1900 Sq. Ft. • Well kept                  • Approx. 2 Acres With Water Shutes                  • Average Is Fenced                  • \$79,900                  Teri Stokes 324-8571</p>	 <p><b>Country Charm</b>                  • Approx. 1900 Sq. Ft. • 2 Bedrooms, 1.75 Baths                  • 26x16 Garage/Shop • Approx. 1.50 Acres                  • One Open Floor Plan                  • \$110,000                  Bill or Melinda Bunn 324-7653</p>	 <p><b>Roomy Family Home</b>                  • Approx. 3000 Sq. Ft. • 5 Bedrooms, 2.5 Baths                  • Gas Heat                  • Loss Of Upstairs                  • Fenced Backyard With Sprinklers                  • \$110,000                  MLS #92772                  Paul Lloyd 324-9377 or Tyson Cook 324-3713</p>
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<p><b>SOUTHSIDE</b></p>  <p><b>Eagle Creek Estates</b>                  • Featuring A View Of The Snake                  River Canyon Like No Other                  • Peaceful Surroundings                  • Consist of Country Living                  • Minutes From Twin Falls                  • MLS #92912                  J. Francis Florence 734-7486                  or Steve Di Luca 734-6773</p>	<p><b>NORTHSIDE</b></p>  <p><b>Magnificent Homesite</b>                  • Choice Homesite                  • Located on Jerome Country                  Club Golf Course                  • Look Into Back From The 11th                  Green                  • \$37,500                  MLS #94292                  Rich Whitescarver 736-0164</p>	<p><b>Jerome Cheesnut Run Country Acreage</b>                  • 92 1/2 Acre Parcel                  • Pressurized Irrigation System                  • 1 1/4 Miles North Of Jerome                  • Country Club                  • MLS #91999                  Steve Di Luca 735-7653</p> <p><b>Build Here</b>                  • Approx. 2.5 Acre Building Site                  With Water Shutes                  • Septic Included                  • OK For Mobile or                  Manufactured Home                  • \$18,500                  MLS #92606                  Paul Lloyd 324-9377 or                  Tyson Cook 324-3713</p> <p><b>Approx. 5 Acres</b>                  • 1 Mile East Of Shoshone                  • No Covenants                  • Manufactured Homes Okay                  • \$22,000                  MLS #92445</p>
<p><b>Several Secluded 4.81 Acre Home Sites</b>                  • Great View South Side Of River                  • Located In Prime Valley                  • Water Shutes, Horse Property,                  Manufactured Homes Okay                  • \$27,000                  MLS #94216                  Rich Whitescarver 736-0164</p>	<p><b>Valley Building Sites</b>                  • Community Water &amp; Natural Gas                  • Membership to C.L.R.C. Reserved                  For Each Lot                  • Over 250 Days Of Golf A Year                  (On Average)                  • Fine Walking Trails &amp; Reinstated                  Fishing                  Jeff Bluck 731-2086</p>	<p><b>Dalymon's Starter</b>                  • Single Parallel 10                  • Nice Clean Dairy Barn And                  1,000 Gallon Tank                  • 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bath Home                  Included                  • Reduced to \$79,000                  • MLS #91646                  Anthony 934-5663 or 961-7777</p>



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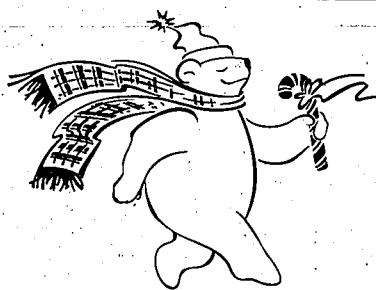
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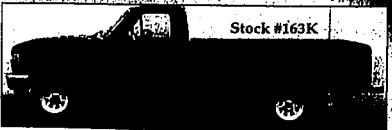
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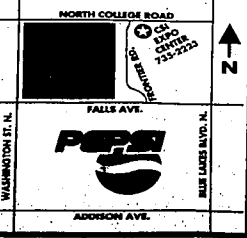
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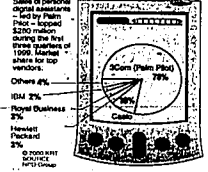
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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Trinity spring water percolates upward

**PARADISE** - Trinity natural spring water recently reached the fourth-place sales spot for natural foods in the nation, and it was awarded a gold medal in the 1999 American Taste Awards sponsored by the American Tasting Institute, Ketchum-based Trinity Springs Ltd. said.

The fourth-place ranking comes from SPINS, a scanning-based data collecting organization which tracks retail purchases at natural food supermarkets in the United States. The American Tasting Institute, based in San Francisco, is comprised of chefs from the best restaurants in the nation, Trinity Springs said. They judge products on taste in tests without brand identification.

After only 1 1/2 years on the market, the fourth-place ranking in sales means Trinity trails only international giants Evian, Volvic (Group Danone) and Poland Spring (Perrier/Nestle) - and moves ahead of Caliegea and Crystal Geyser, the Ketchum company said.

Trinity's source lies 2.2 miles below the earth's surface in three granite-encased springs near the tiny mountain town of Paradise, Idaho. The company was founded in 1990 and completed its small-container processing plant at the spring source in 1998.

### Center for New Directions offers career planning

**BURLEY** - Successful careers are a result of careful planning, say the promoters of an upcoming class.

To assist with the preparation needed to plan a career, the Center for New Directions at the College of Southern Idaho is offering a "WorkSmart: Career/Educational Planning Skills."

WorkSmart classes are for people entering the work force for the first time, changing occupations, gaining transferable skills or career upgrades or promotions or wanting to increase their value with current employers.

The session will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Feb. 9-28, at the CSI Mini-Cassia Center in Burley.

Students will first understand skills for planning a career, then focus on maintaining and improving a career, said Diana Pauls, office manager at the Center for New Directions in Twin Falls. Topics include an introduction to business values, organizational culture and how to match personal, career, education and lifestyle values and goals with an employer's. Upon completion of the course, the student will have a personal and organizational plan for improvement, Pauls said.

One credit is offered. Cost is \$64; financial assistance and scholarships are available. Deadline to register is Friday at the Mini-Cassia Center in Burley.

For more information, call (800) 680-0274, Ext. 2680.

### Outreach program recruits, trains Hispanic workers

**ARCO** - An outreach program will recruit, train and retain Hispanic workers in high-risk areas of the energy sites around the nation - such as the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory - as a result of an agreement last week between the Energy Department and the International Union of Operating Engineers.

"This program will put Hispanic workers on a career path that performs important work not only for our department, but for the country," said U.S. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson.

As part of the agreement, hundreds of prospective Latino workers will be trained to fulfill responsibilities in a number of high-skill areas including national security, energy resources, environmental management and science and technology. All of the appropriate information, publications, equipment and materials necessary to carry out the work at construction and clean-up sites will be translated into Spanish, the Energy Department said.

Compiled from staff reports

# Lesson in Chinese

## Woman tackles language to increase foreign trade chances

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - It's hard work. International customers didn't fall into her lap.

Because she strove in 1999 to build relationships with new Chinese customers, Tamara Hamilton-Harney expects to see her efforts yield orders for insulation and mulch from her Hamilton Manufacturing Inc. plant.

"Year 2000's going to be my year," said Hamilton-Harney, the Twin Falls manufacturer's chief executive officer.

Hamilton this year will double its production of hydroseeding mulch, made from recycled newspaper. It already has invested in most of the necessary equipment and will start hiring additional workers within 30 days - first, one or two more salespeople, then perhaps five or six production workers to create a second-shift crew. Maybe even a third production shift, as product orders roll in.

"We'll do more than double our size if not triple our size this year," Hamilton-Harney said. Now, she and her husband are among just 10 workers at the plant. They're hiring one office helper now.

But Hamilton-Harney is investing on an entirely different front, as well.

With language cassettes and a private tutor, she's trying to learn enough Chinese to talk about Hamilton's products, compliment meals served by Chinese hosts and talk to customers about personal things like birthdays, families, school and work.

"I want to be able to have at least the skills to conduct some business conversation," she said, but not to negotiate a contract in Chinese.

She doesn't expect flawless results from herself - and she won't attempt to learn Chinese writing - but she hopes her efforts will show she's "committed to China, committed to try."

Her undertaking isn't merely personal enrichment, but a smart business decision. Continually enhancing her relationships with foreign clients should yield financial results, she said.

In fact, the company's Herb Harney took a Kiwanis gathering last week, relations are more important even than price or delivering service.

College of Southern Idaho sophomore Devan Howe recently started an internship at Hamilton, and one of his tasks is forging e-mails, mostly from foreign clients. Most of the e-mails, he has noticed, begin with personal greetings and questions about associates and family members.



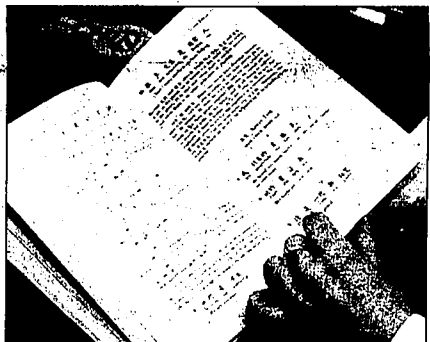
Tamara Hamilton-Harney uses the computer in her office to run an interactive Chinese tutor program. She can record her pronunciation of words and compare them to a native speaker's. Hamilton-Harney's firm is actively seeking business partners in Asia.

## Chasing foreign trade

International trade has been getting attention around the state as a growing benefit to Idaho's economy.

Some Magic Valley companies, even small ones, have been aggressive in developing foreign markets for local products such as pork, potatoes, wine ingredients and insulation.

Since April 1999, Times-News Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins has tracked the all-out efforts of one such Twin Falls manufacturer. Our case study is Hamilton, Manufacturing Inc., which recently reported annual sales of \$2.3 million and recycles about 15 million pounds of paper a year. Watch for more in coming months on this company, and efforts to expand foreign trade.



Hamilton-Harney uses a Chinese primer. She says she will not tackle the challenge of learning to write the language.

**Trying for trust**

When Gary Whitwell was with the Idaho Department of Commerce, he could always find foreign customers for Idaho businesses.

The trouble, he said last fall, was prodding local companies to recognize economic and social

differences and make the effort to sell.

"The companies here expect for some reason for the companies there to 'do business my way' instead of meeting them halfway," said Whitwell, now an independent consultant to companies developing foreign markets.

But Asians consider long-term relationships a vital part of doing business.

"In any international trade situation, establishing trust is the most important thing," Trent McBride of Independent Meat told The Times-News a week ago, after Gov. Dirk Kempthorne reiterated his commitment to foreign trade.

During recent months, Hamilton-Harney and her husband have courted Shanghai-based construction giant Yongye

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## Burley seminar expounds on chances to export

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - Business people hankering to follow Hamilton Manufacturing's lead can learn just what it takes to export Magic Valley products.

The 2nd Annual International Trade For Idaho Businesses Seminar will run from 8 a.m. to about 5 p.m. March 2 at the Burley Inn's convention center.

Those who register before Feb. 24 will pay \$10 to participate, and registration at the door will cost \$15, said Todd Christensen, Mini-Cassia economic development specialist. The Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce and the Mini-Cassia Development Commission are putting on the event, which last year attracted about 35 companies.

Christensen is still setting the agenda, but here's how it is shaping up.

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**Want to attend?**

To register, call the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce at 679-4793 or the Mini-Cassia Development Commission at 679-6222.

## Employers must post accident numbers

The Times-News

**SEATTLE** - Employers with 11 or more employees must post, during February, a summary of the total number of job-related injuries and illnesses which occurred in 1999, said the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

The summary must remain posted from Tuesday through March 1.

Since 1972, employers have been required to post the annual totals of the information contained on the right-hand portion of the OSHA Form 200, "Log and Summary of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses." The form is to be displayed wherever notices to employees are usually posted.

The right-hand portion of the OSHA Form 200 includes information on type of injury and illness, extent and outcome. This information is available to all employees, access to the entire OSHA Form 200 for an establishment may be requested by employees, former employees and their designated representatives, and OSHA officials.

Companies with no injuries and illnesses in 1999 must post the form with zeros on the total line. The person who prepares the annual summary must certify that the totals are correct

and sign the form.

Employers must make a copy of the summary available to employees who move from work site to work site, such as construction workers, and employees who do not report to any fixed establishment on a regular basis.

Employers with 10 or fewer employees are normally exempt from federal OSHA injury and illness record keeping and posting requirements. Employers in certain statistically safe industry groups also are exempt, such as certain retail trades; finance, insurance and real estate; and certain service industries.

Exempted employers may still be selected by the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics to participate in an annual statistical survey. All employers covered by OSHA must continue to comply with pertinent safety and health standards and must report verbally within eight hours to the nearest OSHA office for all accidents which result in one or more fatalities or in the hospitalization of three or more employees. After-hours calls to report accidents can be made toll free by calling (800) 321-OSHA.

Copies of the OSHA Form 200 are available from the OSHA Boise Area Office, 1150 N. Curtis Road, Boise, ID 83706; or call (800) 482-1370.

## Research station sets workshop

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - The University of Idaho College of Agriculture invites representatives of the Idaho, national and international bean industries to a workshop and field day Aug. 3 and 4 at the university's Kimberly Research and Extension Center.

The event will highlight 75 years of bean research in Idaho and 50 years of cooperative dry bean evaluations nationwide.

Bean researchers, growers, processors and dealers will hear presentations on dry and snap bean breeding, domestic and global production and marketing, cooking and canning qualities, and integrated management of diseases, insects, weeds, water and soil fertility.

They will view new North American bean lines and cultivars and see how both old and new varieties have fared under 50 years of continual bean cropping. They will also observe how different cultivars respond to water stress and zinc deficiency and learn which new strate-

gies offer the most promise for pest management, promoters said.

"We are going to review all of the progress the bean industry has made and all of the problems that we are now facing and provide some insights into the future," said University of Idaho bean breeder Shree Singh.

Research on dry beans has been conducted at the Kimberly Research and Extension Center since 1925, and North America's Cooperative Dry Bean Nursery was founded at Kimberly a half-century ago.

A \$75 registration fee will cover abstracts, proceedings, refreshments, lunches and dinner. Participants should preregister by May 31. After May 31, the fee will increase to \$100. A block of rooms will be held at Best Western Cavanaugh Canyon Springs Hotel in Twin Falls until July 19.

For more information on the workshop and field day, call Singh or administrative assistant Anita Fahrenwald at 423-4691, in Kimberly or send e-mail to singh@kimberly.uidaho.edu. For hotel reservations, call (800) 727-5003.



# YOUR BUSINESS

## CAREER MOVES

**TWIN FALLS** - Attorney Thomas D. Kershaw Jr. recently was elected vice chairman of the Labor and Employment Law Section of the Idaho State Bar. He will serve in that position during 2000.

Kershaw is a partner in the Twin Falls law firm of Emery, & Kershaw P.C.

**TWIN FALLS** - MOBEX Communications Inc. announced the addition of Debi Hendrickson, a wireless consultant, at its Twin Falls location.

She has several years' experience in the wireless communications industry and is a long-time Magic Valley resident. MOBEX said it provides two-way mobile radio services and specializes in selling two-way radio systems manufactured by various national brand names.

**TWIN FALLS** - Rex Leforgee and Lisa Donnelly of Twin-Falls recently attended the 2000 Personal Financial Planning Technical Conference sponsored by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

The conference included courses on opportunities in investment management, as well as specialized sessions on annuities, stock options, retirement benefits, asset allocation, market signals, behavioral finance, Roth IRAs, discounts of closely held businesses and estate tax issues.

The two are directors of Leforgee, Braga & Donnelly, Chd. of Twin Falls.



Becky Walter

**TWIN FALLS** - Magic Valley Bank Real Estate Center announced the addition of Becky Walter as mortgage loan officer.

Walter brings 15 years' experience in real estate, with the

last 10 years devoted to lending. She and her husband, Gerald, come from fourth-generation farm families. A resident of Jerome and a lifetime Magic Valley resident, she gives her time to the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, her children's school activities and the Optimist Club.

Magic Valley Bank is a full-service community bank owned by shareholders throughout the Magic Valley. A member of FDIC, Magic Valley Bank provides fully controlled service to agribusiness, small businesses, individuals and communities in the valley.

**BURLEY** - D.L. Evans Bank named Gerardo Munoz as its 1999 Employee of the Year. Gerardo "Tato" Munoz.

Munoz, the business systems analyst for the bank, was presented the award during the annual employee banquet.

Munoz has been employed by D.L. Evans Bank since July 1998. He is responsible for keeping the systems of the bank running smoothly and has been instrumental in implementing the D.L. Evans Bank Internet Banking System. He is active in his church, is a member of the Hispanic Leadership Council and is a husband and father, a press release said.

Other nominees for 1999 Employee of the Year were Peggy Barson, operations; Susan Anderson, Albion; Valrie Praeger, Burley; Rita Svoboda, Rupert; Paula Jasso, Twin Falls; Dawn Wynaegar, Downtown Twin Falls; Linda Fernau, South Burley; Carma Hamby, Jerome; Matt Peterson, loan central; and Teresa Baker, real estate.

Other awards announced at the annual employee banquet were:

John V. Evans Jr., 20 years of service; Pauline Adams, Terri Albert, Mary Alice Sanders, Teresa Gummow, Meredith Hunt, Laura Jolley and Linda Smith, 10 years of service; and Jennifer Davis, J.V. Evans, Melissa Kowitz, Margarita Molina, Leslie Orthman and Julie Vincent, five years of service.

Ardith Searle and Gwendolyn Kaye Smith were recognized as having perfect attendance for 1999. Terri Albert received the top sales award for both the Visa/Mastercard and debit card programs. Laura Gines was second in most Visa/Mastercard applications sold, and Searle was second in the debit program. Kaylin Peterson-Jones was first in investment referrals, with John Thompson taking second and Searle and Diane Barger tying for third.

A special award was given to Susan Glennette Brackenhay, who will retire from the Albion branch after 26 years of service.

**JEROME** - John Odiga and Barry Brackett, sales associates for Canyonside Realty Inc., attended the Realtor Land Institute Jan. 13 in Jackpot, Nev., to promote Magic Valley properties.

Realtors from Northwestern states attended and presented their listings. This group represented some of the most experienced and productive Realtors from the Northwest, a press release said. Investment, ranch, farm, income and commercial property listings were presented.

The Realtor Land Institute is a real estate sale and exchange group.

**SUN VALLEY** - Dr. Ted Baird was honored with the first Excellence in Cancer Pair Management award presented by the Idaho Coalition for Cancer Pain Relief at its October conference in Sun Valley.

Baird is on staff at the West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell and has been medical director at Four Rivers Home Health and

Hospice, also in Caldwell, since its founding 13 years ago.

Baird said: "I think the work is very rewarding because I help people who are dying live their last days comfortably. I get to help these people have a quality of life they wouldn't have enjoyed during their last days 20 years ago."

For more information on the Idaho Coalition for Cancer Pain Relief, contact iccpr@otcisu.edu or call Anna Ratka at 236-3322 in Pocatello or Jim Byron at 357-3178 in Boise.

**TWIN FALLS** - SYSCO Food Services of Idaho announced the promotion of Jean Herrick to district sales manager for the Magic Valley.

Herrick brings many years' sales experience as well as management experience to her new position, a press release said. She began her career with SYSCO as a marketing associate in 1997. Her new responsibilities include directing the company's sales growth efforts and providing training, coaching and leadership to the sales staff within her district.

**TWIN FALLS** - Nathan Lyda, broker for Willis Realty, attended the National Builders Convention in Dallas.

Lyda said he has gained a greater understanding of new construction sales and innovative building techniques through attending numerous educational seminars during the convention.



Jean Herrick



Nathan Lyda

## CONTRIBUTIONS

■ To fight homelessness in the Northwest, the nonprofit Windermere Foundation said it raised more than \$1 million in 1999, a 30 percent increase from the previous year.

The money was donated to more than 250 organizations in Idaho, Washington and Oregon for projects assisting homeless and low-income children and families.

Every time a Windermere associate sells a home, a portion of the commission is donated to the Windermere Foundation. This represents about 50 percent of the foundation's income. Additional contributions from Windermere agents, managers, owners and staff make up the remaining balance.

A large increase in individual donations by agents and offices is the main reason the foundation had a record year.

■ Aid Association for Lutherans honored Molly Murray of Kimberly for her family's volunteer efforts on National Family Volunteer Day.

Murray will receive a \$500 grant payable to the Twin Falls Salvation Army. Murray and her son served Thanksgiving dinner to area residents.

National Family Volunteer Day, held Nov. 20, was started by The Points of Light Foundation to encourage family volunteering. AAL made the grant program available as an incentive to participate. Entries were judged on creativity in community service and presentation of grant application, quality of the service project performed, involvement of family members and family learning from the project, a press release said.

AAL, a Fortune 500 organization based in Appleton, Wis., is a fraternal benefit society of 1.7 million members for insurance, education and volunteering.

### TELL US YOUR BUSINESS

YourBusiness is a weekly feature that highlights commercial activity in the Magic Valley. If you have information about any of the following, The Times-News wants to hear about it:

- Promotions and staff changes.
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### POINT OF LAW

By Tom Kershaw  
**SAME CRIME. DIFFERENT PUNISHMENT?**

*Question: Why don't people convicted of the same crime always receive the same punishment?*

**Answer:** While no two cases are ever identical, there are certainly many similarities in the cases of people who come before judges for sentencing. The law generally favors the proposition that people in similar situations should be treated similarly.

However, our system for imposing punishment often grants to judges wide discretion. They try to make the punishment fit not only the crime but the unique circumstances of the individuals involved. An attempt in federal criminal law to impose sentencing guidelines has produced controversial and, many say, unsatisfactory results. Idaho has not adopted such a system.

Instead, the legislature has given sentencing judges a number of factors which they are to consider. These include: the likelihood that the defendant will commit other crimes; the need of the defendant for "correctional treatment"; the seriousness of the crime; the need for "deterrence," both as to the particular defendant and as to others who might be inclined to commit similar crimes; the criminal record of the defendant, if any; whether the defendant acted under a "strong provocation"; and the intent with which the defendant acted. The law has always thought it important to consider not only the act, but the intent with which it was done.

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**Open house celebrates opening of school business**

**HAZELTON** - An open house to celebrate the official opening of Viking Xpress will be held from 9 to 9:30 a.m. Friday in Room 126 at Valley High School.

Community leaders and members are invited to the opening ceremony, open house and ribbon cutting.

Viking Xpress is a school-sponsored, student-operated business involving 18 seniors at Valley High School and their advisers.

Valley's family consumer science teacher Linda Brock said the "Valley Enterprises" class is an entrepreneur/business-management class. The school received a grant from School-to-Work and has been working with Magic Valley Youth and Adult Services.

With assistance from the Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho, Brock said. The students designed and perform all aspects of the business. Profits will be used for scholarship for students in the class.

The business markets food products in three divisions:

- Cakes and Sweets - Class members make cookies and other goodies and sell them, along with balloons, in a decorated bag to students and staff at the school and to the community.
- Dessert of the Month - A featured dessert, such as pies at Thanksgiving and cinnamon rolls during January, are made and sold by the students to anyone in the school and community through orders.
- Traveling Treats - The school's food service people assist with this division by helping provide the treats that are sold during homeroom hour. Profits are split between the business class and the lunch program.

### Micron Engineering Center expands Boise State complex

**BOISE** - The Micron Engineering Center at Boise State University was dedicated recently during a ceremony that celebrated the addition of the 62,730-square-foot facility to the College of Engineering complex.

The four-story building is named in honor of Micron Technology. In 1996, the Boise-based semiconductor manufacturer pledged \$25 million in a three-year challenge grant, a BSU press release said.

With the backing of local business and industry and other donors, Boise State met the challenge to raise \$15 million for two new engineering buildings, the press release said. The College of Engineering's other new building, the two-story Harry W. Morrison Civil Engineering Building, opened last fall.

The Micron Center joins the 63,000-square-foot Engineering and Technology Building and the 14,160-square-foot Morrison Building to form a three-building complex to house the civil, electrical and mechanical engineering programs; the construction management program; and the instructional and performance technology program. Portions of the Larry G. Calland College of Applied Technology are also housed in the 10-year-old Engineering and Technology Building, BSU said.

The new building is the latest in a series of major events for the College of Engineering. In August,

### Conservation Reserve sign-up runs through Feb. 11

**BOISE** - Dick Rush, state executive director of the Idaho Farm Service Agency, reminds farmers and landowners that the Conservation Reserve Program general sign-up will run through Feb. 11 at local U.S. Department of Agriculture service centers.

This is an opportunity for farmers and landowners to participate in a cost-effective, voluntary program to improve their land, water and wildlife resources and lock it in a multi-year payment based on local rental rates, Rush said. It also provides an opportunity for participants with contracts expiring this fall to make a new contract offer.

CRP offers are evaluated and ranked eligible using an Environmental Benefits Index, based on potential environmental benefits gained from land enrolled in CRP. Rush encourages landowners to find out about the EBI before the Feb. 11 deadline and to consult with local USDA experts on steps available to maximize EBI points, thus increasing the

chances their bids will be accepted.

Producers have the option of enrolling the most environmentally sensitive land under CRP's riparian sign-up program. This avoids the highly competitive EBI under the general sign-up.

Relatively small amounts of land serving to protect much larger areas, such as filter strips, riparian buffers and grass waterways, may be enrolled at any time.

The program protects millions of acres of topsoil from erosion. By reducing water runoff and sedimentation, it also protects groundwater and helps improve the condition of lakes, rivers, ponds and streams.

Acreage enrolled in the CRP is planted to resource-conserving covers, increasing wildlife population in many parts of Idaho, the Idaho State Farm Service Agency said.

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PERSONAL FINANCE

# Now is the time to look into financial aid for college

By Joni James  
The Orlando Sentinel

The high school seniors: If you're bound for college, the next couple of months are key if you want help to pay for it. It's time to wade into the financial aid maze. Time to get some answers to how much help you can expect with those hefty college bills.

There's no debate that searching and applying for financial aid can be cumbersome. In the hunt to find scholarships you can spend hours filling out applications and writing essays to various benefactors, colleges and government agencies.

But the good news is that the path to the biggest chunk of college financial help doesn't require nearly that much research or effort. Fill out a single form known as FAFSA, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, and you open the door to federal financial aid programs, which account for 75 percent of all financial aid awarded each year in the United States. The form also is the first step to countless other state aid and private aid programs, and it's available in your high school guidance office or on the Internet at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>.

Getting your FAFSA done soon after Jan. 1 will put you in good shape with the assortment of government agencies, colleges and other private financial aid programs that can offer you help. Not all colleges have deadlines for filing your FAFSA with the federal government, but some are as early as Feb. 1. Experts say getting it done up in January is the surest way to guarantee you won't be overlooked when the money is handed out.

"Too many people put a scare in people about the FAFSA, that it's hard to fill out," said Herm Davis of Rockville, Md., a financial aid consultant and author of College Financial Aid for Dummies. "I say get a big Coke and just sit down, relax and do it."

The information you provide on the FAFSA — similar to that provided on annual tax forms — is plugged into a government for-

## Tracking down financial assistance

**E**ven if you aren't the best student or your family is far from financially needy, there is money available to help with college costs. If your family isn't well off — or you're putting yourself through school — there's even more:

**FREE MONEY** (you don't have to pay it back)

**Where to get it**  
Scholarships  
Federal/state programs  
Private programs  
Community groups  
Businesses/Employers  
Colleges

**Who qualifies**  
Every scholarship is different. Financial need or even good grades may not be a requirement

**SELF-HELP MONEY** (you have to pay it back after you graduate or work for it)

**Where to get it**  
Loans  
Federal/State programs  
Banks or credit unions  
Employer programs  
Colleges

mula that says how much your family will be expected to contribute to your college education next year. The amount is dubbed the EFC, or "Expected Family Contribution."

If your family's contribution is low enough, you'll qualify for all kinds of federal aid. But states, colleges and some private scholarship programs also use the family's contribution to determine if you qualify for any need-based aid programs that are often more generous.

For example, say the government decides your parents can contribute \$2,000 to your college education next year. That doesn't mean they have that money sitting in the bank somewhere. More likely, they will have to scrape the money together and possibly even borrow. But if you're planning to attend a state university where tuition is roughly \$2,000 — are you out of luck? Not necessarily.

The cost of attending a four-year state university in Florida is closer to \$8,000 a year when room, board, books and transportation are added in. And that's what higher education officials consider when they decide if you are "financially needy." Chances are you would be offered some of the range of options to help you fill that \$6,000 gap, from grants or scholarships to low-cost loans you'll

## Where to get it

Grants  
Federal/state programs  
Private programs  
Colleges

**Who qualifies**  
Must have financial need as determined by your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and the school you want to attend.

**Where to get it**  
Work  
Work-study programs  
On-campus jobs  
Off-campus jobs

**Who qualifies**  
Colleges often offer students with financial need — based on a FAFSA form — "work-study" to help make ends meet. But there are dozens of other part-time, on-campus jobs or you could look for an off-campus job. Most colleges have employment offices to help you find work.

**Where to get it**  
Loans  
Federal/State programs  
Banks or credit unions  
Employer programs  
Colleges

have to pay back once you're out of college.

But it's a bit of a game, this financial aid process. Say you want to go to Stetson University in Deland, a private school that charges nearly \$17,000 in tuition and where total costs approach \$24,000 annually. Suddenly, you would qualify for a lot more financial aid to fill the gap between your family's contribution of \$2,000 and the price of going to college.

Got it? Basically, much of the financial help available for college is based on how much it costs to attend your school. Middle-income students who qualify for nothing to attend state schools (where tuition is subsidized by tax dollars) can often qualify for lots of aid at more expensive private schools.

So why doesn't everyone pick the expensive schools if the help is there?

No. 1, of course, is that different colleges appeal to different types of students. But the other reality of today's financial aid programs is that loans make up most of the money available to students — money you will have to repay once you leave college. Hefty loan payments are no fun when you're trying to start a career that may not pay well right away. With that in mind, you also want to look for "free money" — scholarships and

## Who qualifies

Nearly any student can get a loan, but only those who have financial need — based on a FAFSA form — qualify for subsidized government loans.

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grants that don't have to be paid back.

Free money is harder to come by. The federal government reserves much of its free money for the poorest students in the form of Pell Grants. Many states, including Florida, also have need-based grant programs for those students. The only application needed to tap that money — if you qualify as financially needy — is filled out on the FAFSA.

But there is a wide assortment of other programs you can tap into that will give you free money based on other criteria. The most popular examples are things such as athletic scholarships or top scholar programs.

And don't forget Uncle Sam. One kind of college aid comes in the form of federal income tax credits called The Hope Scholarship and Lifelong Learning Tax Credits.

But you or your parents won't see that benefit until after you have forked over your own money on college and filed a tax return the following year. For example, if you start college in fall 2000 and your parents pay for part of it, they will claim one of the tax credits on the tax return due April 15, 2001.

Right now, you need to focus on getting aid that will be in hand when you head to college, and there is a whole host of other money out there for the asking,

## A few pointers

**GET STARTED:** Fill out and file an FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) as soon after Jan. 1 as possible. Use last year's tax forms and a recent paycheck stub (if applicable) to estimate 1999 earnings. Later, when the government asks you to verify its analysis, you'll update your answers to match your 1999 tax returns.

**TOO EARLY:** Don't assume you won't qualify for financial aid because your family makes too much money. Not only could you be wrong, but some programs use FAFSA information to identify middle-income families who need help but won't qualify for government aid.

**FREE HELP:** Ask questions. School guidance counselors, for example, are often doing the legwork for you. Don't miss financial aid information or pay for a scholarship search before checking references. Be wary of anyone who guarantees you a scholarship if you pay a certain amount.

**INTERNET HELP:** Go surfing for up-

to-date info on federal and state programs: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov), [www.finn.ed.gov](http://www.finn.ed.gov), [www.fafsa.ed.gov/students/aid](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/students/aid) and to use scholarship databases: [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com), [www.cash.com](http://www.cash.com), [www.azmpress.com](http://www.azmpress.com)

**CONTACT COLLEGES:** Ask each school you're considering what kind of financial aid programs it has. Ask for any additional application materials you may need.

**SCHOLARSHIP ESSAYS:** Pick a topic that will make it usable for several applications. Ask a teacher to check it for grammar, spelling and writing tips. TRANSCRIPTS: Have copies on hand so you can quickly respond to scholarship offers.

**APPLY EARLY:** Many programs that offer multiple awards have more qualified candidates than they do money. Applying early may make the difference in getting an award.

**DEDICATE TIME:** Don't expect to do everything in one weekend. It takes time, but the payoff will be fewer loans to repay when you leave college.

according to the experts. The challenge is to find it and apply for it. That takes work.

Visit your high school guidance office where information on hundreds of scholarships can be found. Many colleges also have scholarship databases that can quickly match your profile with scholarship criteria. But also ask any organization you or a family member is associated with to see if it gives away money for college. Check with your parents' employer, your church, your grandparents' fraternity or sorority or your aunt's civic club, for example.

Also contact any college you're considering attending to see if you can apply for any scholarships unique to that school. If you know what you want to major in, say chemistry, you should also contact that department at each college. Individual departments often have scholarships or part-time jobs reserved that are never advertised.

The good news for the less-talented student: Most scholarships funded through private groups or organizations don't require top grade-point averages. The No. 1 criterion is usually

community service of some kind, said Linda Downing, Valencia Community College's financial aid director. And more of those awards are targeting middle-income families who may not qualify for need-based aid but still need some help with college costs.

"Most students like to go for just the easy money," Downing said. "But the harder the money you get, the better your odds. There's nothing to be less competitive for it."

A final strategy for students who have a marketable talent — whether it be in athletics, the arts or academics — is to consider colleges where your talent will stand out. A high school football star may not be offered a grant at highly competitive programs at schools such as the University of Florida or Florida State University. On the other hand, a smaller school may be willing to offer scholarship money to get him there. A straight-A student may get into Harvard or Yale, but she might struggle at a less prestigious school where she'll get a full ride. The benefit: No loan payments upon graduation.

# College coin has two sides: Institutions seek the best, brightest

By Albert B. Crenshaw  
The Washington Post

"Tis the season when high school seniors reach a fever pitch of agony over their college applications, and parents reach new lows of gloom about paying the freight, especially if the child is bright and out-of-state or private institutions.

It is also a time when some families go to amazing lengths to try to maximize their offspring's chances of gaining admission to the school of their choice. Hiring consultants to help make sure that the application documents present their child in the best possible light and that the required essays are phrased just so.

But while families are throwing themselves on the doorsteps of Ivy League and other name-brand schools, other colleges are locked in a bitter marketing war, trying to win the best and the brightest away from the Harvards and Yales.

The schools in this war include not only lesser-known private colleges, which have been fighting these battles for years, but also a growing number of large public universities. These public schools are eager to boost their own prestige, which helps them gain support with taxpayers and legislators. How many hours of overtime are sufficient? Before a school employee can just say no?

A. There's no disputing that many of the estimated 89,000 elementary and secondary school teachers who are feeling stretched and overwhelmed. According to the American Counseling Association, the maximum suggested ratio of students to counselors is

highly regarded colleges," said David W. Strauss, a principal of Art & Science Group Inc., a Washington, D.C., firm that, among other things, helps colleges figure out how to improve their enrollment. "It has been in play in larger private institutions and at one level in public institutions (before now), and it will grow. Public institutions have the same desire to enroll a more highly qualified applicant pool."

"As more schools have competed using aid dollars, the intensity of the competition has gone up," he said.

"The other aspect of it, this is not just a use of merit aid. It's also need-based aid. As the cost of college has outstripped family income, it has become a competitive tool."

The scholarships available to top students range from substantial tuition discounts up to full ride scholarships — benefits that even top athletes might not get.

And the new scholarships are typically not "need-based," meaning that having a moderate or even high family income does not disqualify an applicant. This aims them squarely at the middle class, families who find Ivy League tuitions tough to pay but may find the aid packages offered by those schools short of what they think they need.

For example, the University of Arkansas recently sent out fliers to 13,000 high school seniors with

Scholastic Assessment Test scores over 1350, inviting them to apply for one of the school's Sturgis Fellowships. Eleven of these are awarded each year, each "covers the cost of tuition, room and board, and books, provides discretionary funds for the

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purchase of computers and other materials," said the brochure.

Castling a broader net, Rutgers University has just established a scholarship program for students who live outside New Jersey. The school will award and knock \$4,500 off its \$9,700 out-of-state tuition for incoming students who scored 1250 or better on their SATs and were in the top 10 percent of their high school classes.

Some state schools, of course, including the universities of Virginia and North Carolina, have had generous scholarships for a number of years, but experts say changing demographics and economics in higher education have fueled the

spread of such aid.

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In other cases, schools in states with slow population growth are seeking ways to attract more students from outside their borders because they are facing a shrinking pool of applicants among their

populations.

Targeted giving, the fastest-growing category of college donations, plays a role, as wealthy alumni and other benefactors find it rewarding to have programs for top students named after them.

At the same time, many colleges, under financial pressure, are abandoning "need-blind" admissions and instead taking ability to pay into account when

deciding whom to admit. Often these schools then use the extra revenue supplied by the additional paying customers to sweeten packages offered to their brightest applicants.

Perhaps not surprisingly, schools report that the economic incentives are effective. And they also say that having a cadre of very bright students attracts other bright applicants.

At Arkansas, enrollment in the Honors College, a special program limited to good students, has leapt from 200 to 1,005 since the advent of the Sturgis program, which was endowed through a gift to the school about a decade ago, said Suzanne McCray, associate director of the honors studies program.

Dallas Martin, president of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators in Washington, said scholarships based purely on merit remain a much-smaller component of institutions' overall aid, but that recent surveys are finding that a higher percentage of new aid dollars are going into merit-based programs.

"I think some of this is just trying to compete with other institutions," he said, noting enrollment numbers for students with higher SAT scores will improve the school's

profile in many college guides, "and that will attract other students in the future."

The growth of merit-based aid, especially by public institutions, raises important policy questions.

Strauss said studies show that the families of students at flagship state universities already tend to be better off than the families of students at private colleges.

"If you're already aiding the middle class by using tax dollars to bring down the cost of the public institution," should you be providing further subsidies through merit-based aid? he asked.

And Martin said he hopes that schools will not use so many of their resources to woo top students that less-qualified applicants suffer.

"It's fine to reward people and give aid to the best and brightest, but at the same time I hope we don't go too far and deny aid to those who would not go without financial help," he said.

For top students from middle-class and well-to-do families, though, the trend means a chance to save a lot of money — if they choose to.

"There's a bidding war going on," Strauss said, both by schools looking for students and by students shopping their offers

# Overworked school counselors should lobby for themselves

By Kirstin Downey Grimslay  
The Washington Post

**Q.** My wife works for a highly rated public school system as a guidance counselor. The job is extraordinarily demanding, and each year the demands grow — more reports, more meetings, more initiatives etc. No management expert decides whether a task can be added to an already burdensome workload. New ideas are simply implemented by dogooders and the staff is required to carry them out.

She works from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day and then does several hours of paperwork at home at night, as well as calls to par-

ents. They hold long meetings to set educational plans for special-needs students, with minutes to be transcribed, typed and dictated. She has had to pull all-nighters to get all the letters of recommendation done.

The system has become irrationally busy. How many hours of overtime are sufficient? Before a school employee can just say no?

A. There's no disputing that many of the estimated 89,000 elementary and secondary school teachers who are feeling stretched and overwhelmed. According to the American Counseling Association, the maximum suggested ratio of students to counselors is

250 students for each counselor, but the national average is almost double that level, at 561 students per counselor, according to the U.S. Department of Education and the Counseling Group.

"School budgets are really tight and they need to make tough decisions," said Jon Urbanik, assistant director of the group's public policy group.

Urbanik said the association is working to highlight the problem. But the most important thing is for the public policy group to lobby for themselves at the grass-roots level, including through their unions. Counselors need to force the issue with

school superintendents and school boards, and enlist the help of teachers, who are a much more numerous and politically powerful group, he said.

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# Super Bowl ads go for record price

NEW YORK (AP) — Super Bowl players from Madison Avenue have been fine-tuning their best moves as today's game between the Tennessee Titans and the St. Louis Rams approached.

Their work will be on display for an expected audience of more than 100 million people for a program that has become a showcase for commercials as well as football.

Eight percent of those watching today's game will be tuning in just to see the ads, researcher Eisner Communications found.

Virtually the whole country comes to a standstill when the Super Bowl comes on," said veteran commercial buyer Bill Crosdale of Western Initiative Media.

This year, about a dozen Internet companies are fighting over the highest prices ever paid for TV commercials so they can join regulars like Anheuser-Busch, Pepsi-Cola and FedEx on the show.

There were only two dot-coms in last year's game — three if you count lingerie marketer Victoria's Secret, which advertised its fashion show Webcast.

"Some companies are out there on hope and a prayer, but it's part of the new economy," said Jeffrey Taylor, chief executive of online job site Monster.com, one of the Internet advertisers in the 1999 game.

There were a rival employment site, HotJobs.com, each said that visits to their sites soared after last year's Super Bowl exposure, and both are back. Their experience inspires several of this year's young Internet entrants.

Information provider Britannica.com; the job site Kforce.com; wedding stationery supplier OurBeginning.com and technology adviser Computer.com are among the first-time Super Bowl sponsors.

ABC officials say the Internet companies helped push the commercial price to an average of \$2.2 million — an astounding \$73,333 per second — for 61 half-minute commercials in the game.

The top price for an ad was said to be over \$3 million.

The average is a whopping 38 percent more than the previous record \$1.6 million that the Fox network claimed for ads in last year's Super Bowl.

The price went up even though the average audience rating tumbled 9 percent last year to the lowest level since 1990.

The attraction is that the Super Bowl delivers the year's



One of the Mountain Dew commercials during the Super Bowl telecast will have a Dew drinker going to great lengths to reclaim a can of the soda from a mischievous cheater.

highest TV ratings and audiences over the past seven years in the 120 million to 130 million range.

St. Louis-based Anheuser-Busch, brewer of Budweiser, is the single biggest Super Bowl advertiser with five minutes of commercial time in the game.

Its ads include one designed to tug on your heart strings by showing the birth of a new

puppet singing "Don't Go" in a plea to owners to spend more time with their pets by using the Web retailer for pet supplies. HotJobs shows its new computer hand icon driving a hard bargain in a job interview while Tropicana pitches orange juice as "the best 9.3 seconds you can possibly spend on yourself."

The World Wrestling Federation and Seven-Up each had ads rejected by the ABC standards office, but came up with alternatives.

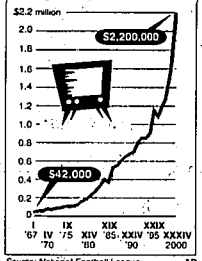
The WWF, which won't specify what ABC found objectionable, says its new ad shows "the unabashed excitement of WWF fans in unexpected places." Seven-Up's original ad got thrown out because it contained an "off-color phrase. Its new one may not be much better. It exhorts consumers to "show us your cans."

The dot-coms include the well-established E-trade with \$700 million in revenue last year. Others like OurBeginning.com and Computer.com are startups that are using investors' money for their ads because they haven't yet generated enough revenue to pay the bill.

August Busch IV, head of marketing for Anheuser-Busch, says anticipation of these expensive bids for recognition could ultimately benefit established

## Super dollars

Advertisors will pay a record average of \$2.2 million for each half-minute commercial aired during the Super Bowl.



Source: National Football League

brands like his Budweiser. "It heightens consumers' interest in the 'other game' being played along with the Big Game," he said.

Some media buyers say the two small-market teams in this year's game could lead to lower ratings since neither has a national following.

But others say the Super Bowl will attract a big audience no matter who is in it — and that a close game is the key to retaining viewers.

# Founder of Vanguard still speaks for every man

By Dunstan Prhal  
The Associated Press

VALLEY FORCE, Pa. — John Bogle's title may have changed recently at Vanguard Group, the giant mutual fund company he founded a quarter of a century ago. But his stature as resident legend remains firmly intact.

Young Vanguard employees still halt in midsentence to gaze — seemingly awestruck — at Bogle's slightly stooped figure as he makes his way briskly through the college cafeteria.

No solitary lunches in executive boardrooms for this lifelong maverick.

After decades of shouting longer and louder than anyone in support of low-cost, low-maintenance mutual funds, Bogle has earned his reputation as a fervent man of the people.

Indeed, he lists as one of his greatest concerns the growing dichotomy between the rich and the poor in the U.S.

"It scares me to death," he says. A long-standing reputation for being a bit of a curmudgeon is promptly debunked, however, as he banters cheerfully with Vanguard's cafeteria staff.

He prefers metal utensils but sees only plastic forks upon purchasing his usual lunch of a green salad and a diet Snapple iced tea.

Observing Bogle's obvious quandary, a smiling staffer behind a large glass counter says, "Are we out of forks, Mr. Bogle? Hold on, I'll get you one."

Laughing sheepishly, he whistles to a visitor. "They know I'm something of a nut around here."

Last fall Bogle agreed to step down as Vanguard's senior chairman, an exile imposed on him by Vanguard's mandatory retire-

## OF MUTUAL INTEREST

ment policy for employees who turn 70.

But Bogle, who turned 70 last May, did not go gently into that good night. His retirement turned into a public dispute, and he walked away only after Vanguard's board waived the retirement policy and, in a conciliatory gesture, asked him to stay.

A compromise allowed him to keep an office at Vanguard's sprawling campus about 30 miles west of Philadelphia, where he recently opened shop as president of the Vanguard-sponsored Bogle Financial Markets Research Center.

The word retirement was never uttered during a recent two-hour interview with The Associated Press.

Instead, Bogle surveyed the current investment landscape, declared the current mania for technology stocks a speculative bubble, and peered into the future of mutual funds.

Not surprisingly, Bogle predicted that index funds would continue to grow in popularity in the coming years as investors seek less expensive ways to capture the soaring valuations of U.S. stocks.

The Vanguard founder is fre-

quently referred to as the father of modern index fund investing, a low-cost, low-risk strategy that allows investors to track a large group of stocks while eliminating costly management fees charged by actively managed funds.

Index funds merely seek to mimic the returns of the broader market, while actively managed funds seek to beat the market.

Since being introduced by Vanguard to a wide audience in 1976, index fund investing has come to dominate the U.S. investment landscape. In fact, Vanguard's \$103 billion S&P 500 Index fund is zeroing in on Fidelity's \$103.5 billion actively managed Magellan for the title of largest fund in the U.S.

But imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, and investors can now choose among hundreds of low-cost index funds, some requiring minimal investments as low as \$250.

Bogle said he expects so-called total stock market index funds to proliferate in the next few years. Funds such as the Wilshire 5000 Index, which — true to its name — tracks performance of 5,000 stocks, represent the next revolution in index fund investing, he said.

Bogle also forecasted changes in the methods used by fund managers to formulate small-capitalization index funds.

Given the frenzied demand for technology stocks, many small-cap tech companies are surging quickly into large-cap territory, Bogle explained. When that happens, small-cap fund managers must sell the stock because it no longer fits the stated goals of their fund.

The fund is then required to pay taxes on the sale, which hurts investors because shareholders

# Worry over Y2K bug could yield benefits

By John Moran  
The Hartford Courant

Now we know. After months — years even — of work and worry, denial and dread, we know that the Y2K bug didn't have much of a bite.

True, there were a few glitches here and there. Still more may turn up before the final accounting.

But we can already be certain that widespread power outages, financial upheavals and weapons discharges will not be part of the bug's legacy.

Some suggest the relative lack of system crashes means too much time and money were spent on Y2K, that the matter was hyped.

Then again, you could reach just the opposite conclusion from the same set of facts. If glitches turned up in nuclear power plants and military defense systems despite massive Y2K remediation efforts, what might have happened if we had ignored the problem?

Yet, in retrospect, the ending of the Y2K mystery may turn out to have been the least interesting part of the whole affair. Behind the mystery is a far more intriguing tale of how Y2K became a prism, forcing us all to ponder the way technology is changing our lives.

Those familiar with how computers work found themselves well positioned to understand the Y2K problem and its possible impact.

Even so, there was little agreement on how big a problem it was and how best to manage it.

For others, Y2K confirmed that computers — and the networks that let those computers talk to one another — have become a vital circulatory system for the modern economy.

Still others came to realize that computers touch their lives even if they never go near a PC. They may already have known that critical systems in the airports and the banking system. Now they also know that computers help put the electricity in the wall socket, the water in the tap and the groceries on the supermarket shelf.

We all were changed by the Y2K experience. We can never go back to blissful ignorance of how much we depend on our machines.

But what will we do with our knowledge?

Computers are only going to become more powerful and prevalent in the years to come. We're going to use them more and more often, for more and more things.

Y2K is a reminder that computers are only as perfect as the people that make them.

Which is to say, they'll never be perfect.

## Hold thy tongue until Wednesday

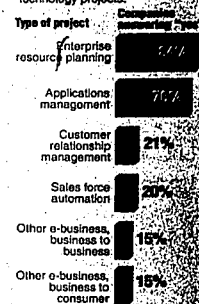
The Associated Press

Depending what day of the week it is you might want to bite your tongue at work. If you're thinking about asking for a raise you might want to hold off until after Monday and Tuesday, according to workplace authority John A. Challenger, chief executive officer of international outplacement firm Challenger, Gray & Christmas Inc.

Mondays are typically reserved by executives to take care of negative duties, like job dismissal

## The Y2K Question

Businesses shared about 10 percent of the total Y2K remediation funds over the last year. A survey by Cap Gemini America Inc. asks: How complete is your Y2K program? Has it inhibited other information technology projects?



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So we need to make sure our computers have manual overrides and backup systems in case of failure.

We need to test our systems and think hard about how they'll be used in the future, as well as the present.

And perhaps most of all, we need to better understand what we've built and how it works. It's simply unacceptable that so many important systems in banking, nuclear power, the military and elsewhere are "black boxes" that even their managers don't understand.

In short, we need to get a better handle on complex systems that are increasingly running the most important functions in our society.

Thanks to Y2K, we've just invested billions of dollars and millions of man hours in this quest. We shouldn't abandon the job now.

John Koskinen, who oversees the federal Y2K effort, is talking about keeping in place the organizations and reporting relationships that were developed to tackle Y2K.

That's an idea worth pursuing. The Y2K crisis itself may be over, but not the need to track what our computers are doing and how.

We may never have a complete understanding of everything our computers are doing for us.

But given the growing power of computers over our lives, we need to do better than we have thus far.

After what we've just been through, ignorance is no longer an excuse.

## THE LIGHT TOUCH

by Craig Smith

Today's unmentionables will probably be tomorrow's commercials.

If college costs get much higher, anyone who can afford to go won't need to.

Your place in the sun isn't in the shade of your family tree.

What most of us would like is a dollar that will go a long way — but not very fast.

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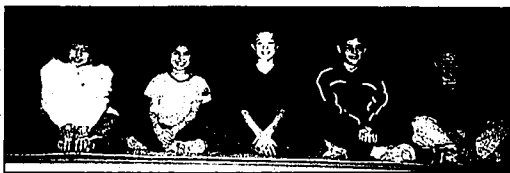
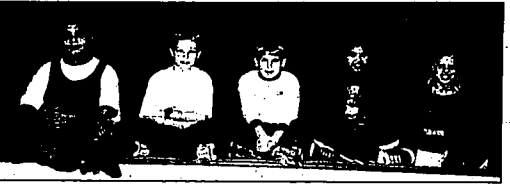


Photo courtesy of Lincoln Elementary

Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls recently announced 'Pride' members for the first semester. These 'Lions in Action' are students actively engaged in the school and perform many functions as needed. The school will select Pride members each semester. Fifth-grade Pride members include, from left to right, Rosa Alatorre, Mary Sandoval, Nikki Tate, Michael Brown and Ericke Craig.



Sixth-grade Pride members, from left to right, include, Logan Chojnacky, Jessica Shepard, Susi Scium, Michael Allgood, Alex Calvert and Jesse Woolley.



Fourth-grade Pride members, from left to right, include Tony Saldivar, Taylor Spaulding, Jeremy Eldredge, Kathy Xayaphone and Nicolo Eldredge. Not pictured is Juan Trevino.

## Kimberly Library posts new hours

**KIMBERLY** - Kimberly City Public Library has new hours.  
New library hours are 1-6 p.m. Monday, 3-8 p.m. Tuesday and 1-6 p.m. Thursday.  
Current activities at the library include the Afternoon Reading Program from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Wednesdays.  
The Kimberly Library is located at 120 Madison W. in Kimberly.  
Books recently acquired include Charles Kuralt's "America," "Rumor Has It" by Connie Keenan, "The Electric Cuid" by Mary Fanjoy Ried, "True at First Light" by Ernest Hemingway, and

### Want more information?

For more information about the Kimberly Library, call at 423-4556.

"The Web" by Johnathon Kellerman. These and many other recently acquired titles are now available on the shelves, librarian say.  
The Kimberly Library also reports it recently received a \$1,000 grant from the Idaho Foundation to upgrade reference materials.  
The new reference books will be received in February.

## SCHOOL LUNCH

All schools serve milk with meals.

### BUHL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Breakfast**  
Monday: Breakfast pizza.  
Tuesday: Waffles, maple syrup.  
Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy.  
Thursday: Breakfast pizza.  
Friday: Cereal, toast.  
**Lunch**  
Monday: Chicken nuggets, potatoes and gravy, peas, whole wheat roll.  
Tuesday: Sweet and sour chicken, fried rice, pineapple and mandarin oranges, egg rolls, fortune cookie.  
Wednesday: Corn dogs, ketchup, mustard, french fries, fresh fruit.  
Thursday: Turkey and cheese sandwich, chips, carrot sticks, ranch dip, apples, brownie.  
Friday: Beef and cheese nachos, corn meal roll, celery with peanut butter, heart roll cookie.

### VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

**Breakfast** served every day.  
**Lunch menu**  
Monday: Chicken burger on a bun, french fries, chocolate cake, fruit.  
Tuesday: Pig-in-a-blanket, baked beans, pickle spear, fruit salad.  
Wednesday: Crisp burrito, tater tots, carrot sticks, maple bar, fresh fruit.  
Thursday: Turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, hot roll with butter, spice cake.  
Friday: Turkey rice soup, tuna salad sandwich or peanut butter sandwich, carrot sticks, congo bar, banana.

### CASTLEFORD

**Breakfast:** Milk served every day.  
**Monday:** Donuts.  
**Tuesday:** Ham and cheese bar.  
**Wednesday:** Scones.  
**Thursday:** Sweet roll.  
**Friday:** French toast.  
**Lunch:** Self-serve salad bar every day.  
**Monday:** "Wolf" burgers.  
**Tuesday:** Tacos.  
**Wednesday:** Lasagna.  
**Thursday:** French dip.  
**Friday:** Burritos.

### FILER

**Monday:** Chicken nuggets.  
**Tuesday:** Ham and cheese sandwiches.  
**Wednesday:** Hot dogs.  
**Thursday:** Pizza.  
**Friday:** Chef's salad.

### HANSEN

**Breakfast:** Milk served every day.  
**Monday:** Cereal, toast, juice.  
**Tuesday:** Cereal, toast, juice.  
**Wednesday:** Pancakes, sausage, fruit.  
**Thursday:** Egg McMuffins, fruit.

**Friday:** Long Johns, cereal, juice.  
**Lunch**  
Monday: Spaghetti, breadsticks, fruit, milk.  
Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, hot rolls, peas, fruit.  
Wednesday: Baked potatoes with cheese sauce and ham, Italian bread, fruit, cookies.  
Thursday: Finger steaks, tater tots, fruit.  
Friday: Tuna sandwich, potato chips, carrot sticks, fruit.

### IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

**Lunch:** Choice of white or chocolate milk each day.  
**Monday:** Cheese quesadilla, refried beans, Mexican corn, Mexican cookie.  
Tuesday: Hawaiian chili, veggies and dip, pineapple, no-name cookie, "prize."  
Wednesday: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, whole grain roll, jelly, cherry crisp.  
Thursday: Spaghetti, meat sauce, green salad, assorted dressings, garlic bread, peaches.  
Friday: Baked potato bar, long bread, fruit slush.

### ST. EDWARD'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**Monday:** Sloppy Jerrys.  
**Tuesday:** Ham and cheese buns.  
**Wednesday:** Tacos.  
**Thursday:** Soup and sandwich.  
**Friday:** Corn dogs, Tuesday.

### KIMBERLY SCHOOLS

Elementary school will be served main line each school day. Grade 5 will be offered salad bar on Tuesdays and grade 6 will be offered salad bar on Thursdays. Middle school and high school will be offered a choice of main line menu or chef salad each school day.  
**Lunch:** Milk served every day.  
**Monday:** Soft shell taco, salsa, corn, kolachi.  
**Tuesday:** Pizza, corn, green salad, pears.  
**Wednesday:** Chili, crackers, cinnamon breadsticks, applesauce.  
**Thursday:** Chicken fettuccine, rolls, green beans, half orange, brownie.  
**Friday:** Hamburgers, french fries, celery stick, fruit, Jell-O.

### MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

**Lunch:** Choice of milk offered every day.  
**Monday:** Chili and crackers, baby carrots, applesauce, cinnamon roll.  
**Tuesday:** Grilled cheese sandwich, Campbell's soup, celery with peanut butter, sliced peaches.  
**Wednesday:** Chicken quesadillas, tor-

tilla chips, salsa, orange wedges, Rice Krispie cookie.  
**Thursday:** Finger steaks, mashed potatoes and gravy, red grapes, hot dinner roll.  
**Friday:** Pepperoni pizza, seasoned green beans, pineapple chunks, cookie.

### MURTAUGH SCHOOLS

**Milk** served with meals.  
**Monday:** Chicken nuggets.  
**Tuesday:** Sloppy joes.  
**Wednesday:** Nachos.  
**Thursday:** Soup and sandwich.  
**Friday:** Hot dogs.

### TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY AND JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

**Breakfast menu**  
**Monday:** Cereal, orange juice, cereal bar.  
**Tuesday:** French toast, syrup, sausage patti, applesauce.  
**Wednesday:** Cereal, peaches, cereal bar.  
**Thursday:** Biscuits and sausage, gravy, orange wedges.  
**Friday:** Cereal, red grapes, warm bread.  
**Lunch:** Junior highs have a choice of main line or second line menu. Salad bar, soup and sandwich bar, taco bar and potato bar available on alternate days.  
**Monday:** Beef and bean burrito, tater tots, strawberries, angel food cake, beef tacos, salad bar.  
**Tuesday:** Grilled cheese sandwich, Campbell's chicken noodle soup, fresh vegetable dippers, chilled peaches, chicken sandwich, potato bar.  
**Wednesday:** Pizza, seasoned corn, orange wedges, rice krispie bar, taco bar.  
**Thursday:** Finger steaks, mashed potatoes and gravy, red grapes, hot dinner roll, deli sandwich, soup and sandwich bar.  
**Friday:** Pepperoni hot pockets, green beans, pineapple tidbits, peanut butter cookie, chulapa, salad bar.

### TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

**Breakfast:** served every day.  
**Lunch:** The high school has a choice of main line, hamburger bar and salad bar each day, taco bar on Wednesdays and potato bar on Fridays. Main line menu varies every day.  
**School lunches are printed as a public service. To have the lunch menu (breakfast menu if desired) printed with the menus in Sunday's paper, send the menu to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or fax it to 734-5538, attention: Lunch Menu. Deadline is noon Wednesday for publication Sunday.**

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Twin Falls resident wins award for excellence at law school

Andrea L. Courtney, daughter of Wayne Courtney of Twin Falls and Sandy Courtney-Beran and Manuel Beran of Hines, Ore., has won an Academic Excellence Award at Vermont Law School in South Royalton, Vt.  
Courtney received a certificate for having the highest grade in Vermont Law School's Dispute Resolution 6 course. Courtney attended Skyline High School in Idaho Falls and received a bachelor's of science degree in political

science, magna cum laude, in 1997 from Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

### Western Wyoming Community College names residents to roll

Western Wyoming Community College in Rock Springs, Wyo. has named Rebecca Alfred, Rickie Palmer and Carissa Thurmond, all of Twin Falls, to the fall 1999 dean's honor roll.  
Students named to the dean's honor roll must complete 12 credit hours for the current semester and maintain a 3.25 minimum grade point average.

## JuMP rocks with 'School House'

**TWIN FALLS** - JuMP Company (Junior Musical Playhouse) presents "School House Rock Live" at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium in Twin Falls.  
JuMP Company's production is directed by Jessie Hamilton with Dayna Anne Baird as musical director.  
The cast involves 64 children from the Magic Valley ages 7 to 18. "Schoolhouse Rock" is based on the Saturday morning cartoon series in the 1970s, designed to teach children about a variety of educational topics, such as the structure of the

English language, mathematics and the history of America.

Songs include, "Verbi," "That's What's Happening," "A Noun is a Person Place or Thing," "I'm Just a Bill," "Zero My Hero," "Conjunction Junction" and "Interjections!"  
Admission is \$6 per person. Tickets are available at Everybody's Business, The Leatherman, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark, all in Twin Falls, or from any cast member. Tickets will also be available at the door.  
Proceeds from this production benefit JuMP Company's annual college scholarship program for Magic Valley seniors.

### Wendell resident celebrates 80th birthday with open house

**WENDELL** - Joseph Sellers of Wendell will celebrate his 80th birthday with an open house from 1-3 p.m. Saturday.

The event will be held at the St. Anthony's Catholic Church Parish Hall, 585 2nd Ave. E. in Wendell.  
The event is hosted by the family.  
Sellers requests no gifts.

### Health Net Coalition meets

**TWIN FALLS** - The Health Net Coalition will meet from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday in rooms A and C at the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare building at 601 Pole Line Road in Twin Falls.  
Participants will determine focus activities for the coalition for the upcoming year.  
The public is welcome to attend and are asked to let organizers know whether they will attend.  
For more information, call Melanie Shouse at 423-5915.

### Open house honors 80th birthday of longtime Kimberly resident

**KIMBERLY** - Wayne Reeves of Kimberly will celebrate his 80th birthday with an open house from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Kimberly Second Ward L.S. Church at 222 Birch St. S. in Kimberly.  
Reeves was born Feb. 1, 1920, in Sanford, Texas. He is a longtime resident of the Magic Valley, having resided in Kimberly for the past 30 years. Before his retirement, he was a farm equipment salesman for Hesston and Ford. He says he enjoys hunting, fishing and spending time with his family.  
Friends and family are invited to

attend the open house, and Reeves requests no gifts.  
The event is being hosted by his family.

### Lazy J Homeowner's Association plays bingo match at meeting

**TWIN FALLS** - The Lazy J Homeowner's Association will hold its February meeting at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Lazy J Ranch at 450 Pole Line Road in Twin Falls.  
Members will have a bingo match, followed by a business meeting.  
Participants are asked to bring a white electrical gift or small item for bingo prizes.  
Refreshments will be provided by the homeowner's association.

### Robert Stuart seventh-graders host awards ceremony

**TWIN FALLS** - Robert Stuart Junior High seventh-graders invite parents and relatives to attend the first quarter awards ceremony, from 1-1:45 p.m. Wednesday in the cafeteria.  
Seventh-grade cheer team teachers are Kenleigh Kelly, Molly Arrossa, Noreen Williams and Shauna Robinson.  
Robert Stuart Junior High is located at 644 Casswell Ave. W. in Twin Falls.  
For more information, call Robert Stuart Junior High at 733-4875.

### Area resident celebrates 104th birthday with open house

**TWIN FALLS** - Milford Hess will celebrate his 104th birthday with an open house from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at 1763 Maplewood Drive in Twin Falls.  
Hess was born in Bloomington, Idaho, on Feb. 6, 1896. He moved his family to Filer in 1936 and farmed.  
During World War II, he worked for Morrison-Knudsen on Palmyra Island, building barracks for the Navy. After the war, he worked in various places in Washington and Nevada in winter and farmed in the summer. He retired from his farm at age 98.  
The event will be hosted by his children and he requests no gifts.

### Twin Falls Western Days committee elects officers

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls Western Days committee will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Obenchain conference room at 264 Main Ave. S. in Twin Falls.  
Items on the meeting agenda include election of officers, scheduling events and an open forum for suggestions and new ideas.  
Volunteers are also needed for Western Days.  
For more information, call 734-2844.

### COPES free grief recovery sessions start Tuesday

**TWIN FALLS** - Community of People Extending support or COPES, presents a nine-session, 18-week grief recovery workshop at 7 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Tuesday at the Twin Falls Church of the Nazarene at 1231 Washington St. N., in Twin Falls.  
The program will offer opportunities for people dealing with the death of a loved one to learn new ways of approaching problems, organizers say.  
Coordinators say they will help participants find new ways to explore thoughts and feelings about grief that help people become compassionate with themselves. Participants can call 733-6610, or just drop in the first night of the seminar.  
For more information, call Connie at 733-6610.  
The workshop is free, but there will be a charge for the workbook.

### Albertson College of Idaho hosts College Night in Twin Falls

**TWIN FALLS** - Albertson College of Idaho is hosting College Night at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Weston Inn in Twin Falls.  
Members of the Albertson College admission office will make a presentation about Albertson College, financial aid, admission requirements and campus life.  
Prospective students and their families from the Magic and Wood River valleys are encouraged to attend.  
Albertson College of Idaho is a private, liberal arts institution located in Caldwell, just west of Boise.  
For more information, call the Albertson College Admission Office at 1-800-224-3246.

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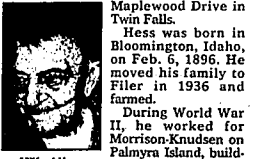
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**BURLEY** - The Times-News and the Snake River Plaza will sponsor Bridal Expo 2000 on Feb. 19 at the shopping center.

The first major wedding show of the year will feature a fashion show starting at 1 p.m., emceed by Kurt and Amber from Buzz radio.

Many Magic Valley wedding apparel and service vendors will be on hand for the expo.

The event is free and open to the public. For further information, call Randi Nelson or Lisa Paladini at 677-4042 or Jan Rogers at 733-0931, Ext. 290.

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Section editor: Steve Crump

Yvette Higley and Matt McEwen planned their wedding on a budget-and stuck to it. With the help of family and friends, the couple was able to plan a ceremony and reception and pay for most of it in advance.

The average American wedding costs \$16,000 nowadays.  
Even if you have that kind of money, you need to know how to spend it wisely.

Here's how.

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BRIDES

# THE BARTERED BRIDE

How to set a wedding budget — and stick with it

By Cathy Walworth  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** — Getting married? Better loosen up those purse strings, 'cuz the cost of getting hitched is going to empty that purse right out. To the tune of \$16,000. Average. That means some spend more, some spend less.

Weddings are big business. There's the baker, got to have a cake. And the flower lady, and the photographer, and ringmaker, and printer, and chair renter, and dressmaker, tax renter, minister, musicians, ribbon/bow maker — even the doctor will be paid before this is all over.

Time to make a plan. Sitting down and making a budget doesn't work for a lot of people. But paying for a wedding isn't like going to the grocery store with a fair idea of what things cost.

"It is a good thing if you can set a budget and go with it, but that's hard to do when you don't know anything," about the subject, according to Sally

Hornor, mother of a recent bride. "We went into uncharted territory," Hornor said. Yvette Higley, who plans to be married any minute now, said she and her mother did a lot of homework first, then sat down and worked from a budget.

"We looked around and got the best prices. If the first bid was higher than we wanted, we asked if there was something we could do, or take something off, and they worked with us," Higley said.

"We were going to shop around," said Bonnie Harper, another mother of the bride. "But we had so little time. Doing it all in under three months was hard. I think we might have saved some money if we hadn't rushed."

They might have indeed, agreed Lara Miller, manager at the White House in Twin Falls. "Make sure you're getting a good price, a price you're happy with, but at the same time, cheapest isn't best," she warned.

For example, at one place the backdrop used at the reception might be a lower price, but does that price include set-up and takedown?

Stuff to buy

As you shop and decide on each item, put the price beside it and check it off.

- Wedding gown
- Veil
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- Balloons
- Guest favors
- Centerpieces
- Ice sculptures
- Unity candle
- Guest book
- Just-married sign
- Rings
- Limosine
- Limosine driver tip
- Parking fees
- Parking attendant tip
- Honeymoon - Travel
- Rehearsal dinner
- Attendants' gifts
- Ushers' gifts
- Bride's gift
- Groom's gift
- Church fees
- Minister - Officiant fee
- Organist fee
- License fee
- Physical - Blood test

"Make sure you're comparing apples to apples," Miller said. "For those who have X dollars to spend, Miller said that amount is usually formed after checking around, and you remain faithful to it by being flexible."

"If you fall in love with a cake that's more expensive, you might choose a less expensive invitation to make up the difference," Miller suggested.

Across town at Hart's Tux and Shoes, Linda Nebeker says she has a similar strategy for helping those dollars stretch.

"I don't immediately ask them how much they have to spend. They look, then say it might be more money than they want to spend. We go from there. We see what we can do to help them out," Nebeker said.

"That's all fine and dandy, but there are costs you never thought of. Hornor thought her daughter's invitations were simple and nice. And they had the price of the invitations right there in front of them."

"But when we went to mail them it was a shocker: I thought 33 cents, but the envelope was 55

cents each (maybe the inside RSVP envelope gives it that much more weight), plus another stamp on the RSVP envelope inside," she said. So on top of what they planned to pay for invitations was another 88 cents each. Multiply that by a few hundred guests and all of a sudden it's enough to notice.

"It was the little things that crept up on us," Hornor said. She dreaded seeing the florist's bill. "I had no idea on the flower budget, but it actually ended up to be quite reasonable."

"The dresses were a little more expensive than those we would have had for a summer wedding," Hornor said.

Good point: Can't have the entire wedding party shivering in floaty organza things in the middle of winter. And watch out for the cost of veils and headpieces.

Please see BUDGET, Page F4

## Let's do the math

By Cathy Walworth  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** — Do you even know what it is you're budgeting? Most people don't. You figure there's a wedding gown and a cake and you'll be renting a tuxedo.

Oh, and there are invitations to buy. And flowers and other decorations. And the flower girl's dress. And what else?

Buy yourself a 29-cent notebook. Cut out the checklist found elsewhere on this page and glue it in the notebook. Shop around for each of the items on the list and decide if you can live with that kind of money. Don't be surprised if eloping starts to look good. But there are ways to have a nice wedding without breaking the bank.

Invitations can be a real eye-opener. Many brides are running them off on their computers. Watch out for the wording, though. Copy the phrasing of a professionally done invitation you like to make sure you get it all just right.

Time of day matters: A time early in the day will let you refresh your guests with a light breakfast, brunch or tea. That's a lot less expensive than a dinner. Or how about light hors d'oeuvres?

Is champagne and other beverages a must? That right there could add up to something resembling the national debt. How about a no-host bar? That means that the guests pay for their own drinks.

Where will the reception be? Hotels will be the most expensive, reception halls are more reasonable, and you might get a deal if Mom and

Dad belong to a club or organization. Or how about at home? In summer, a backyard reception can be lovely.

If you just can't live with the cost of a wedding dress you'll wear once, think about renting one. Or how about your mother's wedding dress?

You'd be surprised what a good seamstress can do with alterations. Or, you could shop for dis-

continued styles that will look wonderful on you.

A great way to cut expenses is to get everybody to help with decorations. And, if you make all your floral arrangements out of silk, they'll keep forever. Someone at a local crafts shop will show you how.

Get Uncle Fred to take snapshots or run a video camera. That could cut a chunk out of the budget. Perhaps the photographer could do just a few, specific shots, and Uncle Fred can do candid shots of everyone, at every table. Or, buy a disposable camera for each table. Tell the guests to elect someone as Shutter Bug and turn them loose. You'll get some fun pictures back when you have them all developed.

Now sit down with a calendar. This is a checklist of what to do when during the next six months, and it should help you retain some of your sanity, just knowing you touched all the bases in good time.

Times-News correspondent Cathy Walworth can be reached at 733-5015.

A wedding timetable

- Six months ahead**
  - Choose a budget.
  - Decide on the wedding style.
  - Draw up the guest list.
  - Choose attendants.
  - Select locations for ceremony and reception.
  - Arrange with clergy or justice of the peace.
- Four to five months in advance**
  - Have engagement party.
  - Select caterer, photographer, florist and musicians.
  - Plan honeymoon.
  - Visit doctors for physicals and make blood-test appointments.
- Two to four months ahead**
  - Buy gifts for attendants.
  - Shop for wedding rings.
  - Address wedding invitations.
  - Arrange rehearsal dinner.
- One to two months in advance**
  - Have final dress fittings.
  - Plan accommodations for out-of-town guests.
  - Mail invitations.
- One to two weeks ahead**
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# Set the date

It might take two years to get ready

By Cathy Walworth  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - He proposed. She said yes. Now how to go about setting the date?

Not everybody you want to be there is in town. There are dresses to pick out. Then have them all fitted.

"Most of the people I hired (for my daughter's wedding) said I needed six months, and I think that's absolutely the minimum time to arrange a wedding," said Sally Horner, a recent mother of the bride.

There's a lot to think about before a couple gets married.

There are bushels of tasks to take care of before you can make a wedding happen, and you've got to pay for it all. Some people wait for that. What time of year do you want to take your honeymoon? Don't want to wait for the travel agents to have everything all booked up. But there's more, even, than that to getting married.

We're talking about a marriage here, not just a wedding.

Two people are coming from two different households and backgrounds living together for the rest of their lives. How much time do you need to prepare for that?

"Two factors are involved here," said the Rev. Jim Frisbie, pastor of the First United Methodist Church. "One, the age of the couple; the other, their proximity to one another. Do they see a lot of each other?"

In other words: How well do they know each other?

The younger the couple, the longer the engagement ought to be," Frisbie said. Or if the happy couple lives a long distance from one another and don't see each other often, it's hard to really get to know each other living like that, and it will take longer. Preparation is paramount.

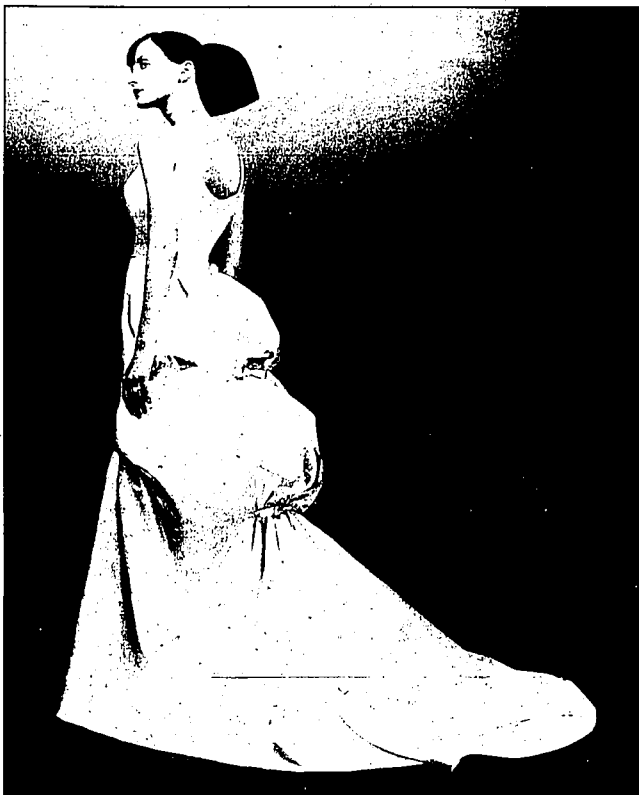
"It's been a lengthy courtship, it could be a shorter engagement, but I'd recommend some pre-marital counseling and six months to a year of waiting," said Gayle Parish, a Twin Falls counselor. "We do a lot of things we shouldn't in the name of love."

"We see a lot of people who fall into whatever, start cohabiting without ever getting to know each other, and they're in trouble," Parish said.

"My understanding is that living together damages their intimacy or their growth in getting to know each other," Frisbie agreed. "Living together doesn't help the situation, but actually hinders it. The real purpose for an engagement is for the people to get to know the other person."

Six months to two years sounds like a reasonable time frame, the experts say.

"The people who have the best-planned and most fun wed-



A woman has a lot to do between the time she says 'yes' and the day of the wedding, including choosing the perfect dress.

### In the long run

- Stuff that needs attention six months or more before the wedding date:
- Determine the type of wedding you want - size, degree of formality, and setting.
  - Select a wedding date and time.
  - Notify your clergy member and reserve date and time for wedding and rehearsal.
  - Set a tentative budget.
  - Decide how expenses will be shared.
  - Shop together for wedding rings.
  - Determine the size of the guest list.

dings are those who take at least nine months planning. Anything under six months is a rush job," Frisbie said.

Frisbie says he's always amazed when he finds that the couple has known for months that they wanted to be married, and even attended to many of the wedding details - except for asking the clergy.

"Sometimes it seems like couples and families make all the other details before they talk to the pastor, when really that ought to be one of the first things in a sense, what they're doing is dealing with all the trap-pings before they deal with the substance of it," Frisbie said.

Most clergy require a certain level of counseling that is designed to help the couple get to know each other. That takes anywhere from one to six months.

"People who don't recognize that don't take the level of commitment that is expected of them seriously," he said.

"A couple who comes to me and asks for a date several months in advance - I say this is a couple who's got something

- Plan reception and book reception location. (This should be booked as soon as the wedding date is set to assure availability.)
  - Select and book caterer.
  - Select and book photographer.
  - Select and book videographer.
  - Select and book disc jockey.
  - Select and book transportation for wedding day.
  - Compile names and addresses of your guests.
  - Decide on your color scheme.
  - Select wedding attendants, yours and his.
  - Determine sizes for all attendants.
  - Choose your dress and headpiece.
  - Schedule fittings and delivery date.
  - Choose bridesmaid's dresses and accessories.
  - Start planning for your honeymoon.
  - Discuss where you will live after the wedding.
  - Choose music for the ceremony.
- Source: Sld and Paige Vanderpool

going for them," Frisbie said. It takes time to build a good relationship, and most people move too quickly, Frisbie said. After all, we're talking about a

whole lifetime after that.

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# Book offers some divine intervention

Los Angeles Times

Feeling a little porky? Perhaps your inner Aphrodite needs to be goosed. Summon the goddess of love inside you and emerge irresistibly zafig.

Going through some rough times? Unleash your inner Persephone. The goddess of spring can help shepherd you through the darkness.

Everything old is new again as author Agapi Stassinopoulos exhumes ancient role models to craft a distinctly post-feminist approach to self-help. You might call it goddess therapy, although Stassinopoulos' relationship with the gals of Mount Olympus covers far more ground.

In her new book, "Conversations With the Goddesses: Revealing the Divine Power Within You" (Stewart, Tabori & Chang), she explores the Greek goddesses in many guises - as heroines of myth, as archetypes for various aspects of one's personality, and as muses for artwork and poetry.

Stassinopoulos considers herself a cross between the resilient Persephone, the fun-loving Aphrodite and Athena, goddess of the intellect. "Aphrodite is tremendous freedom and joyfulness." She says the goddess of love and beauty points up a particular sore spot for many women.

"A lot of women don't think of themselves as beautiful unless they're a certain shape or look, and I think there's a lot of healing to do for women about beauty," Stassinopoulos says. "Because I really think beauty is not a skin-deep thing. It's a quality that's inherent in the soul, and we can tap into it."

How? Display a picture of yourself that you love in a prominent place in your home - send it loving thoughts.

"Go to an elegant shop, and try on the most beautiful gowns

available."

Stassinopoulos says her well-known older sister, Los Angeles-based political pundit Arianna Huffington, is a major Athena type.

"Her mind is so sharp, and she's not afraid to speak her mind," she says.

Their mother, Elli, is renowned as a nurturer akin to fertility goddess Demeter.

"She's fed the world. She's fed the Federal Express man. I was raised with tremendous love and encouragement."

Stassinopoulos, a New Yorker, discovered the Greek goddesses as a child growing up in Athens.

She was awed by their marble stand-ins in temples at Delphi, and elsewhere. Later, she portrayed mythological figures as a student at London's Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts.

There, she discovered the cathartic impact of being a goddess for a day while on the stage.

"One reason we want to go back to mythology is because they give us an understanding of larger-than-life emotions. And they are not what we would call the positive emotions. There was jealousy, revenge and competitiveness. Identifying with the goddesses gives you tremendous freedom to express those emotions without judging them or feeling guilty about them."

Stassinopoulos, who has a master's degree in psychology, turned her "conversations" with the goddesses into a one-woman show. She's been performing her work-in-progress, which inspired the book, for the last two years at universities and museums around the country.

But don't go expecting a high priestess for the goddess movement.

Says Stassinopoulos: "It's not about worshipping the goddesses. It's a tool for understanding our personalities."

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As part of a trend toward more personalized weddings, there's more variety in bridal clothing than at any time in recent memory.

Brides come in all ages and sizes. All want dresses that make them look and feel beautiful—even those who may not have blade-thin or ideal silhouettes.

Gene London suggest an alternative route to finding the perfect bridal dress.

"Have a dress in which you look well copied in an appropriate fabric," said the New York designer. "White with an undertone of pink or another color is often more flattering than plain white."

Slimness is the model of femininity today, so most brides want styles that slenderize, adds London, whose specialty is designing clothing for theatrical personalities.

Balloon sleeves that narrow below the elbow make the arm look slimmer. A neckline that frames the face and dresses with shoulder interest draw attention away from a full figure. A peplum (flared fabric that falls from the waist down) hides full hips. A dropped waist emphasizes a small waist and hips while disguising heavy legs.

To carry off a columnar dress or a bias-cut dress, a bride should be slender and shapely.

To look good in the traditional bridal dress that shows off an hour-glass figure, most women need good foundation garments.

Bridal fashions of the past 100 years are still stylish and available in modern renditions.

At the turn of the last century, it was an hourglass figure with the cinched waist and wide skirt, London said.

The elongated or columnar, bustled, dropped-waist dress signals the '20s look. During the 1930s, the elongated silhouette changed slightly as dresses were cut on the bias. The 1940s were a time of shoulder pads and dresses that required less fabric, in deference to the war effort.

During the '50s and '60s, the return of abundant fabric and desire for change produced dress-

### Some money-saving secrets

❑ **Haggles.** How can full-price bridal retailers compete with mail-order retailers and the World Wide Web? It's simple: Many quietly match price quotes by mail-order and web discounters... If you ask. These no-frills discount packages typically offer 20 to 30 percent discounts if you forgo some of the extra perks that shops offer (free pressings, gown bags, etc.) The rub: Most of these discount deals are completely unadvertised. You have to ask. Also, beware of hidden charges that can turn a discount deal into a burn up.

❑ **Check the classifieds.** You can find some incredible bargains listed in the want-ads of the Sunday newspaper. Sometimes weddings are canceled or postponed. In other cases, recent brides who need extra cash are willing to part with their gowns. Most of the gowns are in excellent shape; some have never been worn before! Best of all, prices are often 50 percent or more off retail. Of course, you'll need to carefully inspect the gown before buying.

❑ **Consider "custom-designing."** If you want a gown that costs more than \$1,000, consider having a local seamstress create a copy of the original. Why is this a money-saving tip? Well, first the seamstress can often buy the fabric at wholesale (or a discount from retail). Second, there are no costly alterations—your gown is made to fit. Certainly, the labor cost for an expert seamstress can be substantial, but the results can be striking. Total savings will vary.

❑ **Sew it yourself.** If you have a flair for sewing (or know a good friend who does) consider making your gown yourself. Patterns for bridal gowns are readily available at local fabric shops. One note of caution: Sewing with bridal fabrics is challenging, so be careful if you go this route. Total savings = \$775, less your time and labor to sew the gown.

❑ **Buy a "sample" gown.** Bridal shops often sell their "samples" throughout the year at substantial discounts from retail. Most gowns are marked down at least 50 percent, some even more. Since many shops sell most of their gowns by special order, they need these demonstrator

samples to entice orders. What happens when a gown is discontinued or they need more room for new styles? It's sale time! Check the newspaper since some shops have big sample sales throughout the year. However, most shops have a rack of discounted "sample" gowns year-round.

❑ **Wear your mom's dress or a friend's gown.** You'd be surprised how inexpensively a seamstress can restore a vintage gown. Even if you spend \$100 to \$200 to have the gown altered or jazzed up, this will be much less than buying a gown at retail. Borrowing a gown from a friend is another great money-saving option. Total savings = \$800 or more.

❑ **Order a bridesmaid's or less formal gown.** Most brides don't realize that many bridesmaid's gowns can be ordered in white. For a less formal wedding, you can get a plain bridesmaid's gown for just \$75 to \$150. Beautiful, less-formal gowns (without trains, sequins, pearls, etc.) are available from ready-to-wear clothing designers.

❑ **Swap the fabric.** Fallen in love with a silk gown but can't afford the silk price? You still might be able to afford that gown—just ask if the manufacturer offers the same style in a less-expensive fabric.

❑ **Make your own headpiece.** Sure, saving a wedding gown from scratch isn't for every bride, but consider the headpiece. The average bridal veil or headpiece is little more than a comb (or a headband). Attach a veil, and poof! You've got a bridal headpiece. Go to any craft store and you can easily pick up the forms and supplies you need to do it yourself.

❑ **Go for a heavily advertised designer.** If you want to order a dress from DBS or an online gown discount, pick a gown from a designer that heavily advertises in bridal magazines. Why? It's easier to find a picture of such dresses. Once you know where (and when) a dress was advertised, it's much simpler to get a discount quote. Conversely, pick an obscure designer that rarely advertises and it's hard to price shop. —Source: "Bridal Bargains," by Denise and Alan Ficks (Windsor Peak Press, \$13.95)

wedding and the trendy wedding dress.

Rachel Leonard, fashion editor of Bride's magazine, says the most popular silhouettes today suggest a romantic vision of the past.

Without being direct copies of Victorian or medieval or neoclassical dresses, they recall those eras with neckline, sleeve or bodice details.

One silhouette features a tight corset-like stiff bodice, a full ball-gown skirt and sleeves tight to the elbow with a bell-shaped cuff of lace. Another style features an off-the-shoulder neckline trimmed with flowers and cap sleeves. The skirt has a bustle trimmed with flowers. The neoclassical dress with a raised empire waistline and columnar or slightly flared skirt is also popular. A short bridal sheath with an overskirt or train represents yet another style.

Lace and satin remain fabrics of choice. But softer, sheerer fabrics such as chiffon, organza and tulle are not uncommon.

Many dresses have at least a touch of softness, such as sheer chiffon sleeves. A new construction is stretch tulle which fits nicely over the bodice.

If you're planning to preserve the gown after the wedding, get it to the dry cleaner as soon as possible, according to Brides magazine—no more than a month after the ceremony—so stains can be removed before they become permanent. Stains should be hand-treated, and those from sugar need special attention since regular dry-cleaning fluid "can't" dissolve them.

Be sure to ask the dry-cleaner to clean the gown individually and to turn it inside out to protect beading and embroidery.

If the dry cleaner packs it, choose an acid-free storage box with acid-free tissue paper. The window of the box should be acetate, not plastic.

And because of the glue, rubber and metal parts in the headpiece can brown the dress, so have it stored separately. Ask to see the dress before it's packed and inspect it carefully. Check it once a year so stains that emerge can be treated.

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"The headpieces are really expensive," Homer said.

The time of year you plan your wedding, as well as time of day makes a big difference in the amount you spend.

The reception is your biggest expense. Probably about half what you spend all together. So is it going to be in the evening, with a sit-down dinner? And drinks? And music? Or perhaps an early afternoon affair with tea and cake?

Must you get married on a weekend? In the summer? Sometimes you can get married and honeymoon for less if you're willing to be a little non-traditional. Those bakers, photographers and wedding dress makers are already booking weekends between June and October. It's the "high season" for travel. If you can be married any other time, you can cut costs easily.

So who pays for all this finery? "Whoever can afford it," Miller said. Although most people stick pretty

closely to the old rules where the bride's family pays for all but the couple of things the groom picks up, things are changing just a little.

"The groom's family should pick up the rehearsal dinner and the bridal bouquet," Miller said.

"Etiquette says that the attendants pay for their own attire, but if there are strained relations with parents the couples take on the expenses themselves. I think some people feel they should provide a place for their out-of-town guests to stay, but they only need to provide the names and phone numbers of local hotels. Sometimes if you tell a hotel you'll have 10-20 guests you'll get a price break," Miller said.

Seems to make sense to sit down with everyone, pencil out what you know, what you need to price, and decide who will cover what so there are no misunderstandings or hurt feelings down the road.

All in all, it's a wonderful affair. "We went with people we knew. We didn't go out and get many bids, but decided what we wanted from what they offered us. There are a lot of talented people here in Twin Falls. We couldn't have found better people (to work with) anywhere," Homer said.

"It all turned out beautifully. I'd like to do it all over again now that I've had some sleep."

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# Flower power: Gilding a wedding requires imagination

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Once upon a time, the bridal bouquet was a combination of garlic, chives, rosemary, bay and other strong and potent herbs, all carefully chosen for their special protective power against witches and demons.

Certainly kept the guests at a distance. Nowadays, bridal bouquets are often made up of lilies of the valley, white orchids, white roses or some other delicate flowers.

New York party planner and florist Valerie Hart's clients prefer full arrangements and seasonable flowers with traditionally romantic associations, such as peonies and lilacs in the spring, zinnias in the summer, hydrangea in the fall and roses anytime.

A monochromatic bouquet is another stylish idea. In this type of arrangement, many blooms of a single flower type are used. Another preferred look for the bride is the classic white bouquet. For a cascading bridal bouquet that looks natural, Hart often uses ivy, and which doesn't require wiring.

Overly contemporary and exotic are out for floral decorations for a wedding and bridal bouquets," Hart said.

This doesn't surprise Maria McBride-Mallinger. Having been a bridesmaid among the most long-standing traditions associated with weddings, said McBride-Mallinger, author of "Bridal Flowers" (Little Brown).

Trailing an expendable item for some people today, for many flowers "make" the wedding. They create a naturally festive atmosphere and mark the occasion as a special one.

"We've come a long way from carrying aromatic herbs," said Millie Bratten, editor-in-chief of Bride's magazine. "We know from focus groups that choosing the flowers for a wedding is the next greatest area of interest for our readers after dresses."

To have and to hold for a few fleeting, but life-altering hours, contemporary bridal bouquets reflect society's current passion for gardening, for individuality and a new love for color.

More imaginative uses of flowers as a decorative element is a trend. Some examples include a bouquet of dried flowers as a centerpiece or flower petals tucked into napkins or scattered on the table or on a mantel. Handmade paper cones are filled with flower petals, which can be tossed instead of rice when the bride and groom depart.

Unexpected combinations are also appealing. An example: white roses, miniature white pompon, sheen anemiums and lemon leaves which are shiny and dark green. Another idea: miniature variegated carnations (dianthus) in mixed colors or blossoms of shrubs such as viburnum.

For flowers that remain attractive throughout the ceremony and party, select those that are more durable. Lilacs wilt quickly and gardenias bruise easily.

## Flower designs for the marriage ceremony

**Budget**  
The budget will inevitably be the deciding factor on the number and types of flowers to be used. Important as it is, though, with good planning limited finance need not mean just one very skimpy pedestal design. There are many inexpensive and attractive ideas that can be used.

**Focal points**  
The most important design for the service is the one where the marriage will be performed and the design or designs should be placed near to where the bride and groom will be standing together. It's good to create a focal point, but also to remember to keep the designs in proportion. Don't be tempted to surround the couple in a bower of flowers which will hide them and the altar from the congregation. If, as with arranging flowers in church for other occasions, it is remembered that the altar is the most important part of the place of worship, then it will be simplicity itself to avoid the pitfalls of over-enthusiasm.

**Pew and pillar design**  
Pew-end designs are lovely and add a sparkle throughout the church, but not for every pew; using alternating or every third row is preferable (you can have too much of a good thing). Trailing pieces of pretty ivy always add a natural touch to the design and can replace the ribbons so often used. Pillars are a delight to decorate.

Again, it's important to decide how much is to be decorated as although pew ends and pillars are lovely, they will fight for your attention and might cancel each other out. Choose the position that is best suited to the size and style of the building. Pillar designs will require a considerable amount of material and this could be a factor in deciding between one and the other.

**Windowills and fountains**  
Windowills are another lovely area to decorate, especially in a small building where space is limited. The main difficulty with this type of decoration is the light which floods in, making it quite difficult to create a good

Roses, lilies, carnations, gladiolus flowers, freesia (which are fragrant) and orchids all are hardier.

For decorating tables, consider picking and pressing flowers in the summertime and then using them in decor. For example, sprinkle pressed flowers on a table, cover it with glass and then set the wedding cake on top of the glass.

Sometimes people economize by doing their own flowers. There may be a better way. Flowers need to be conditioned and arranged on the day before and the day of the wedding - exactly when time is shortest. A better idea may be to find a professional who has imagination and will work within your budget.

Work with the seasons. In the winter, consider forced bulbs such as pots of daffodils for the table. Pots of ivy are easy to

arrangement that does not have the appearance of only stalks. Large leaves placed at the back of the arrangement help, and using fairly large flowers in the center of the design can also improve the appearance. A window design for a winter wedding will not have the very bright sunlight to contend with, but another problem can arise with dark foliage set against a dreary sky. This can be greatly improved with the addition of candles and/or variegated foliage. While flowers, although easily seen, will create a very chilly feeling. Introducing those with just a warm flush of the palest peach or pink will look absolutely marvelous.

**Making an entrance**  
Flowers in the porch or entrance give a welcome to the guests as they arrive, and they serve to set the scene. The color scheme, if there is one, and the style of the day can be happily conveyed in this way. The gateway, or lych gate, is also good to decorate, creating a very attractive setting for photographs to summer. The best going at work that there is a wedding going on.

**Harmony of design**  
Each design should be planned as a whole, and not just to show off a single type of design that bears no relation to any other. Just as the wedding plans have been coordinated to give a sense of harmony, atmosphere and pleasure to the eye, so too the flowers should be planned to create an overall and an integrated feeling. There are designs for all seasons, which of course can be adapted for different times simply by using other foliage and flowers. Adapting the arrangements to suit the situation is the aim, and with this in mind it should be easier to transpose the idea, for example, of a spring garland to one for winter, or a font design for autumn to summer. The basic requirements are the correct mechanics; the types of flowers and foliage used will be those of the appropriate season.

- Source: "The Complete Book of Wedding Flowers" by Shirley Monkton (Cassell Books, \$18.95)

find and look nice on tables. A single element may be all you need - a wreath on the door instead of decorating each pew in the church. Houses of worship often don't need flowers. They are beautiful enough on their own.

Other money-saving possibilities include using paper flowers (craft shops and specialty stores stock them) and artificial flowers in table arrangements. It's also feasible to rent some arrangements or to rent large potted plants to fill out the display, using a smaller number of purchased flowers.

Another way of getting the most for your money is to prioritize, selecting one area to emphasize - whether it's the bridal party flowers, those for the ceremony or those for the reception. For example, instead of having a major bouquet that is costly not only because of the flowers but

because of the time it takes to construct, opt for a less labor-intensive idea, such as a bouquet containing only a few large flowers (hydrangeas or peonies, for example) or a bouquet of baby's breath or sweet peas. Brides today sometimes get sentimentally attached to their bouquets and want to preserve them forever by hanging them up to dry or by having them professionally freeze-dried.

The drying process should begin right away, before the honeymoon. Turn the bouquet upside down and hang it in a dark, dry place.

In two weeks, it should be completely dry and ready to decorate a wall or shelf.

If you prefer, cut the fresh flowers close to the base and place inside a large book for pressing. These can be used to decorate pages of a wedding album.

So what do you throw at the wedding? Floral designers have your covered.

A throw-away bouquet is sometimes a miniature version of the main bouquet with some dramatic ribbons attached to it, which can be tossed to the crowd, as the couple traditionally makes a getaway at the end of the reception.

"People used to rush the bride and even tear at pieces of her clothing," Bratten said. "One bride, in a moment of self-defense, must have tossed her bouquet."

Here are some ideas from the pros on how to choose a bouquet, what to choose and how to make it look the best:

- Clip photos - Save pictures of bouquets you like to show the potential flower designers. Also clip photos of bouquets you don't like.

- Don't let the bouquet hide the bride, or vice versa - Bratten advises: If you are petite, keep the bouquet in proportion. If you are tall, don't carry a tiny one.

- For tragically moderns, get hard to resist - But remember that they are among the most delicate flowers to choose for a bridal bouquet. They whither easily.

- Choose roses if you are really determined to preserve your bouquet. Floral designers advise that roses dry best.

- Schedule delivery of the bouquet carefully.

A bouquet delivered too early the day of the wedding can be damaged. • If you want a bouquet to last a little longer, put it in a plastic bag and refrigerate it after the wedding is over. One secret of longevity that professionals use on bouquets is a quick spray of Crownling Glory, a preservative that seals in the moisture and helps prevent browning. But not forever.

In essence, flowers are the ultimate detail in a wedding, and details are getting a lot of brides' attention.

"Guests are staying late and having fun at weddings," said Marcy Blum, a New York wedding consultant and co-author of "Weddings for Dummies," (IDG Books, \$19.99).

"I can't tell you how many girls have come to me worrying that the bridesmaids' dresses don't match the carpet in the church," said Texas florist Lynn Lary McCall. "It was a time when nobody would have thought about visual coherence. Consumers are more educated now. They are trained by TV, magazines and retail stores with great displays."

Equally popular is taking a wedding home.

The home wedding is appealing because it can be quite a bit less expensive, but also because it's often warmer and less intimidating than weddings in hired halls.

Although doing it yourself takes more planning, control is firmly lodged in your own hands. The downside is that it's a lot of work.

You can hire a caterer to take over the details of planning. As the guest list rises, the questions of how to physically set up the home to accommodate guests and how much it will cost grow more perplexing.

Professional caterers not only can give an estimate of costs. They also give advice if it's feasible to hold the wedding at home. Sometimes, this means limiting the guest list, rearranging the furniture or renting a tent.

Many caterers will do a proposal at no fee. However, it's worth paying a fee of \$50 or so to have a caterer come out and spend a few hours to evaluate the site, according to Alan Fields, co-

## Nipping your local floral bill

Your flower bill can consume a significant portion of your wedding budget. You can make the most of your wedding dollars, however, by using your imagination and finding a good florist to help you stretch your dollars. References here are crucial. Ask those same friends and family members who have recently had weddings who they used and how they liked a particular florist. Don't ask if the florist was pretty; ask how the florist was to work with. Was he or she reliable? Did he or she show up on time? Did he or she like the flowers? There is nothing worse than having a box of 30 boutonnieres and no idea who they go to. Ask about the choices you have with aisle cloths. If you can, rent real cloth, not the plastic type. If you can't find the cloth type, then look for the aisle cloths that are heavy paper-type fabric, but still disposable. Will the aisle cloth be taped or pinned and will the florist do that? Always make sure the aisle cloth is secured to the flooring. A good florist should be willing to assist you with ideas and ways to make your floral dollars go further. Is the florist familiar with the ceremony site? Has the florist previously provided flowers for your reception facility? How can you make your reception hall pretty without spending a fortune on centerpiece? It can be done, and you'll need help.

If you want silk flowers, what quality of silks do they use? You want to make sure you use a good quality silk flower. There is nothing worse than cheap-looking silk flowers. - Source: "The Complete Idiot's Guide to a Perfect Wedding," by Teddy Lenderman (Alpha Books, \$17.95)

author of "Bridal Bargains" (Windsor Peak Press, \$13.95).

Getting a home wedding appraisal is crucial in setting a budget and deciding whether to hire a professional caterer.

One of the major costs is rental - tents, temporary furniture, dishes, accessories, et al. Rental charge vary, so it pays to take time to do some comparison shopping.

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# Details, details

## Some stuff you're likely to forget

The Times-News

### The cake

Unless Aunt Martha is a world-class pastry chef and has offered to bake her award-winning gateau de marriage for your wedding, you need to rev up your taste buds to go cake shopping. Or, more precisely, bakery shopping. Finding a baker is like finding a caterer — talk to folks who work weddings with them, including florists and photographers.

But choose carefully — changing a three-tiered cake on no notice is a little tougher than rearranging the flowers. Be equally careful of friends or relatives who volunteer to bake your cake, but can provide no evidence that they've ever done so successfully before.

The choice you make about the cake will have a big impact on the final tab for your wedding. Wedding cakes cost about \$2 per serving; that's about \$400 for 150 guests (assuming some of them eat more than one slice).

### Food and drink

There are vast differences in the types of catering available for weddings — many couples' families cater the events themselves — so again you must, early in the process, decide what you can afford, where the reception will be held and how many guests will

be there. Decide too, whether you're going to serve alcohol and in what form (it's banned from many church buildings).

Of all the elements of a wedding, the cost range is greatest for food — there's literally thousands of dollars' difference between a sit-down dinner and hors d'oeuvres.

If you're doing the full-blown feast, considering eliciting volunteer help — from relatives or members of your church — in cooking and serving.

**The music**  
Only your checkbook is the limit. The range of options extends from a CD boom box to a deejay to a full-blown band.

Start by deciding how much you can afford to spend, where your wedding and reception are going to be held, and how many guests are invited.

And remember, you're buying two kinds of music. The first, for the ceremony itself, is solemn and meaningful. The second, for the reception, is fun. "Music controls the timing of the reception," says Carroll Stoner, author of "Weddings for Grownups" (Chronicle Books, \$14.95). "More than any other component, music sets the emotional tone and the energy level for both the ceremony and the celebration. Whether the occasion is an intimate, elegant occasion or one where guests dance the night away, the style of music and type of musicians are key to

how your wedding works." Typically, the folks who provide the music for wedding ceremonies already know the couple — they attend the same church, or they're acquainted with the parents, or they've performed at other weddings that either the couple or their families have attended.

So if you're in the market for a wedding singer or an organ player, listen to word-of-mouth. In small communities especially, these musicians tend to be well known.

But if you're looking for a band or a deejay, start with hotels, nightclubs, wedding chapels and the newspaper — musicians who play wedding receptions often advertise that fact. Don't be shy about asking for an audition, and once you've chosen your musicians, settle on a price for services. Most perform for a flat fee, but a few charge by the hour.

### The photographer

Any fool can open a shutter at a reception; photography — and its modern cousin, videography — is an art form.

As such, take your time and do your homework when you're hiring a photographer. Tell him or her very specifically what kinds of pictures you want. Formal? Informal? Candid? Do you want him or her to show up at the rehearsal dinner? The bachelor party? The bridal shower?

And understand what you're buying. Photographers generally work on a flat-fee, no-frills basis,

which involves paying him or her for their time, film and expenses. Or they charge you a flat fee, including the cost of albums — usually one large and two smaller books.

Alternatively, they may work by an hourly fee or a flat fee and include contact sheets and proofs in the price. Under this arrangement, you usually contract for a specific number of hours and pay extra for overtime.

It's important to know whether your photographer will charge you for cropping and retouching photos, what the fee is for additional prints, and whether he or she retains ownership of the proofs — which means that you must return them to the photographer after you choose the images you want.

For that reason, it's hard to overemphasize the importance to starting to look for a photographer early in the process — no later than nine months before the wedding. He or she will need to have some brainstorming sessions with you and your intended, and scout out the site of the wedding.

The best source for finding photographers is recently married couples. They can also give you a critical opinion on how the shooter did.

### Invitations

The invitation is meant to convey the necessary facts about your upcoming ceremony and the celebration following. As such, it's the most stylized part of the wedding ritual and the subject of endless controversy.

### On your wedding survival

1. Allow plenty of time to plan. If you can allow at least a year to plan your wedding, you'll be able to take care of the details and still keep your sanity.
2. Develop a system to help you get organized. Use a three-ring binder, a shoe box, or a folder with pockets; find one way to keep all your wedding information together and organized.
3. Set a realistic budget. Get everyone together who has a part in paying for this event and discuss how formal you want the wedding to be and what you want to include in the wedding.
4. Work within your budget. Do your homework and become an intelligent wedding consumer. Shop around, ask questions and try to get the best value for your dollar.
5. Learn to compromise. Some compromise will be necessary to keep costs under control, so be prepared to identify the things that are important to you and let go of the little things.
6. If you get into an argument, take a

deep breath and start over. This is good advice anytime, but the wedding planning process can be especially stressful. Try to relax and find the humor in every situation.

7. Only take your mother and one friend with you to shop for your gown. The more opinions you consider, the more difficult it will be for you to make a final decision.

8. Make time for recreational activities that you enjoy. Exercise and recreation can help reduce your stress level and help you stay relaxed, yet focused.

9. Eat right and get enough sleep. You need all the energy and level-headedness you can muster. You won't get far if you don't keep your body well-nourished and rested.

10. Enjoy this time. Sure, there is a lot of do, but take the time to relax and enjoy this special time of your life. It should be fun.

—Source: "The Complete Idiot's Guide to the Perfect Wedding," by Teddy Lenderman (Alpha Books, \$27.95)

In a formal sense, the invitation is an announcement by your parents and your spouse-to-be's parents that you're getting married, even if the folks have nothing to do with planning or paying for the wedding. An invitation is not the same thing as an announcement; one is a summons, the other is news.

Invitations are very formal in form and content, although their design allows for considerable variation. It always includes an RSVP — respondez s'il vous plait, in French — which asks the invitee whether or not he or she will be there.

They go in the mail no sooner than eight weeks and no later than six weeks before the wedding. That's a fairly rigid time

schedule, so make sure you order them at least three months in advance.

An invitation to the wedding doesn't mean you're necessarily invited to all the other nuptial-related events. Some require separate invitations.

—Sources: "Weddings for Dummies," by Marcy Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser (IDG Books, \$19.99); "Weddings for Grown-ups," by Carroll Stoner (Chronicle Books, \$14.95); "How to Have the Wedding You Want," by Danielle Caro (Berkley Books, \$12)

# Here's your primer on bachelor/bachelorette parties

The Times-News

Showing up at the church looking like an outtake from "Dawn of the Dead" just doesn't cut it anymore.

Still, bachelor- or bachelorette parties — still have their place; they're just grown up.

"Historically, the bachelor party began as a way the townsmen could help a prospective groom get all the philandering out of his system before he took a wife," writes Teddy Lenterman, author of "The Complete Idiot's Guide to a Perfect Wedding" (Alpha Books, \$17.95). "Some grooms prefer something less dramatic."

"The original bachelor parties were thrown by a group of unmarried friends to give the poor soul about to be incarcerated a stipend of drinking money for the future, in his new wife would make him account for every cent," writes Marcy Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser in "Weddings for Dummies" (IDG Books, \$19.99). "Perhaps because women have made good on their threats to have equally raunchy bachelorette soirees or because many men today have reached a higher state of consciousness, this

kind of primal exhibition has become less popular."

That's not to say that there are no blondes jumping out of cakes or no guys playing air guitar in their skivvies at bachelor parties anymore, but the occasions have evolved into something other than apollo bacchanalia.

"The bachelor party is a time to be crude and rude," said Michael Perry, author of "The Groom's Survival Manual" (Pocket Books, \$8.95). "Going bar-hopping or having a party in your best man's home are possibilities, but what makes an occasion memorable is doing something mindlessly macho and excessive and that's fairly original. A weekend of hunting, an all-night drive to Vegas or Atlantic City, a camping excursion, or a trip to the race track or drag strip are excellent options. Higher-than-normal-stakes poker, a wicked game of mud football, a ski trip, or a jaunt to every down-and-dirty rock 'n roll bar in the city also make good bachelor parties.

"About the only option not worth considering is anything that could be considered elegant or in good taste." Bachelor parties (by revered

tradition, they're men-only) have traditionally included only the groom's friends, but it's appropriate to invite your prospective father-in-law and your brothers-in-law-to-be. The event should be held in the wedding (but not the night) before the wedding.

"Your wedding day will be stressful enough without balancing a cold compress in your head," Perry says.

"Try to schedule at least a week in advance; if the wedding takes place on a weekend," advises The Knot (<http://www.the-knot.com>), the online wedding-information service. "Schedule the shenanigans for the Friday or Saturday night before. Can't get everyone together then? Not to worry: Scheduling the party up to a month before the wedding is acceptable. Be sure to send out invitations or call invites at least three weeks before the party. This way, you'll be able to avoid scheduling conflicts."

Bachelor parties are typically held in homes or bars or restaurants, and are presided over by the best man. It's important to have a grown-up in charge.

"It's a good thing to be extremely foolish and irresponsible during your bachelor party,

but not on the highway," Perry says. "Have someone else do the driving."

Split costs equally between everyone attending the party. And don't forget the camera.

Bachelorette parties have much less protocol attached. "One of the neatest bachelorette parties I've ever heard of occurred a few years ago," writes Lenterman. "The made of honor made up a scavenger hunt for the women in the wedding party. The group was split into several carloads and each group was given a list of items to find and bring back to the host site within a certain time limit. Of course, there was no alcohol allowed on the road, but a couple of bottles

of champagne awaited the winners."

According to The Knot, virtually anyone can host a bachelorette party. Often the maid of honor and bridesmaids, who are close to the bride, do the honors, but any friend, relative (a cousin, for example) or ten co-workers who feel the urge can plan the party.

Shower guests must all be invited to the wedding, but this isn't necessarily true for bachelorette parties. Chances are that most bachelorette party guests — who are generally the bride's best gal pals — are wedding guests, too, but it's fine to invite co-workers or neighbors who may not be invited to a small or out-of-town wedding.

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# Expect second thoughts as a wedding approaches

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — There are cold feet and there is George Costanza.

But just because you toes get chilly the week before the wedding doesn't necessarily mean you have a problem with commitment.

"That terrifying image of the pitch-black abyss waiting to swallow you whole popped into your head simply because that's what the future," said Michael Perry, author of "The Groom's Survival Guide" (Pocket Books, \$12). "If you want to contemplate a really depressing future, think about 10 years from now, putting along in the single file in the same way you are now, but with more body fat and less hair."

With women, it's more complicated, said Rita Bigel-Casher, author of "Bride's Guide to Emotional Survival" (Prima

Publishing, \$14).

Brides-to-be often fear losing their economic freedom," she said. They don't think they'll be a good spouse or parent, are afraid life will become predictable and dull, are concerned about disappointing their spouse-to-be, worry that their partner will change, feel overwhelmed by responsibility and are concerned that they'll never be able to have sex with another partner again.

Many also dislike being thrust into the center of attention during wedding planning, Bigel-Casher said, and often feel that the whole process has gotten out of control.

In short, they've discovered that neither impending married life nor their partners come without problems.

Still, maybe it's not the relationship that's the source of stress. Maybe it's the wedding. "I'm convinced that how couples handle wedding planning

reflects how they will, or will not, live happily ever after," said Carroll Stoner, author of "Weddings for Grown-ups" (Chronicle Books, \$17.95).

"The process of getting married is a hassle, just like the process of getting a driver's license is a hassle," Perry said. "All those hassles are forgotten in your first drive down an open road."

"Relationships rarely end when honest differences are expressed," Bigel-Casher said.

"On the contrary, we are our own worst enemy when we fail to clearly communicate honest feelings, emotions and thoughts."

"Left to our own devices, we survive surprisingly well."

Her advice for overcoming the fog of ambivalence? This too shall pass. But as George's intended on "Seinfeld" discovered to her peril, beware cheap wedding invitations.

# Weddings on the lam: The 'E' option

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Your mother called it eloping. Your travel agent calls it a "destination wedding."

Whatever you call it, getting hitched someplace else can enormously simplify — or greatly complicate — your life.

"Destination weddings usually attract fewer guests and you can often get more bang for the buck in a small town than in a major metropolitan area," write Mary Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser, author of "Weddings for Dummies" (IDG Books, \$18.99).

"What's more, having your wedding in an exotic location makes it all the more memorable. You also have the advantage of neutrality if you're worried about family feuds or power issues."

The downside, Blum says, is that such an exercise requires a

"level of planning that makes D-Day look like a trip to the grocery store."

It's possible, though, to tack a wedding onto a honeymoon.

"Some couples have always dreamed of running away and getting married somewhere unusual," says Patti Metzinger, a freelance wedding consultant who writes for the online wedding service, The Knot (<http://www.theknot.com>). "It's secretive, fun and adventurous. Others can't afford big wedding or want to avoid all the headaches involved in planning one."

And some have little choice.

"Many couples, faced with what they view as insurmountable parental opposition, choose to elope," writes Marjabelle Young Stewart in "Your Complete Wedding Planner" (St. Martin's Press, \$14.95). "But if

you do this, I hope for your own sakes that you will make the occasion a festive one. A marriage is too important to not to celebrate."

Her advice for overcoming the fog of ambivalence? This too shall pass. But as George's intended on "Seinfeld" discovered to her peril, beware cheap wedding invitations.

But if you're getting married in the different area code, an essential first stop is a travel agent. And if the wedding is elaborate, you're having to deal with an on-site wedding consultant.

"In this kind of wedding is not usually an option for the must-be-involved-in-every-detail couple," write Blum and Kaiser. "Be prepared to give up major control before you commit."

# WEDDING ETIQUETTE

## Identifying the faux pas and de rigueur

Weddings are among the formal of social rituals. Some do's and don'ts to keep in mind:

• The bride — not the groom, not his parents, not the bride's parents — has first call on the location of her wedding.

• If the bride is pregnant or has delivered a child out of wedlock, the bride's parents — not the bride — should send out the wedding announcements. White wedding gowns are not appropriate, but ivory is OK.

• The groom picks up the travel and lodging costs of his out-of-town groomsmen if they can't pay themselves; same for the bride with the bridesmaids. That said, the bride or groom may make reservations on behalf of out-of-town guests at local hotels, but the guests are expected to pay their own expenses.

• It's up to the couple — and not the families of the couple — to set the size of the guest list, and to decide who to invite and who not to invite.

• The couple should decide when the first alcoholic beverage is served, if it's served at all. That can be before the ceremony, if they choose.

• If you're toasting at a wedding reception, non-alcoholic substitute beverages should be provided for guests who don't drink.

• While guests of one religious denomination invited to attend a wedding of another denomination must respect the beliefs of their host, they are not expected to participate in them.

• Ex-wives and ex-husbands should not be invited to their former spouse's remarriage.

• Every family has disagreements; some petty, some cataclysmic. None belong at a wedding. Keep your mouth shut and your best smile in place.

• If your prospective spouse loves to regale the crowd with "hilarious" anecdotes about your parents, nip this habit in the bud. Such jokes almost always engender hostility.

• Never bad-mouth somebody else's wedding if you're planning one of your own. Reserve unfavorable comparisons for private discussions with your fiancé, your best friend and tight-lipped relatives.

• The bride and groom always sit at the head table at a formal reception. The parents sit at smaller tables. Looking toward the bride and groom, the seating order is, left to right, usher, bridesmaid, usher, bridesmaid, best man, bride, groom, maid of honor, usher, bridesmaid, usher, bridesmaid.

• Beepers and cell phones are out of place at a wedding ceremony.

• Thank-you notes are not phoned, published, faxed, e-mailed or left on an answering machine. They are written, by hand, on stationery, and include thanks, a notation of how much the bride and groom appreciate the specific gift, and how happy they were to see the guests at the wedding, or how much they missed seeing the guest who could not attend.

• Once the bride has chosen the ring, she doesn't get to see it until the groom puts it on her finger during the wedding ceremony.

• Although the bride's parents traditionally pay most of the major wedding expenses, it's appropriate for the groom or his family to offer to help financially if it's a big wedding. That's especially true if the guest lists includes large numbers the groom's family and friends.

• The notation "RSVP" on a wedding announcement means the couple expect a prompt reply. And once you commit to be a guest, you're obligated to attend the ceremony.

• Inviting the child of your spouse to take an important part in the wedding — say, best man — is a nice gesture, but make sure it's appropriate. It may leave a child feeling guilty about the other parent. But find kids in a newly blended family some meaningful roles in the wedding, attending as guests may alienate them from the new family you are forming.

• The fact that it's your second, third or fourth wedding doesn't mean you're not entitled to the full regalia. It may be as formal or informal as the couple chooses.

• You can only have so many bridesmaids or groomsmen. For those of your friends (or relatives) who don't make the cut, find them some other meaningful role in the wedding — delivering a poem, for example, or signing a song. But asking someone to hold the guest book, hand out escort cards, double-check the seating chart, or

some other "plum" assignment may seem like you're attempting to come up with something to keep them from feeling left out.

• Invited guests should arrive at a wedding 15 to 20 minutes early. Once there, they must wait until they are seated by an usher. Guests should not eat themselves.

• The bride and the groom must offer guests at the wedding reception something to eat and something to drink. Cake, punch, bread and water — will do the trick.

• It's unacceptable for a guest at a wedding reception — or a member of the wedding party — to drink so much that he or she is out of control or disruptive. Ribald behavior and two-fisted elbow-bending belong at the bachelor party.

• By all means, write your own vows, if you wish, but read them brief, serious and appropriate.

• Don't turn guests into photographers. If you want shots besides those your photographer takes, ask guests who actually know how to take pictures to do so and send your developed film later, at your expense.

• Ask the host or hostess of the bachelor/bachelorette to invite the prospective in-laws to the bachelor party. If it would make those folks blanch, perhaps you should suggest an alternative form of merry-making.

• Weddings occasionally are canceled so much that they're postponed. If it's called off after the invitations are sent, then follow-up notes must be sent to the guests informing them of the change. No further information need be provided.

• If gifts have already been received, they must be returned immediately. Guests who bought non-refundable airline tickets or bridesmaids who spent money on gowns should be reimbursed.

• If the wedding is rescheduled, all of the original guests are notified of the new date with an added note referring to the former date so there is no confusion.

— Sources: "The Everything Etiquette Book" by Nat Segaloff (Adams, \$12); "Weddings for Dummies" by Mary Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser (IDG Books, \$19.99); "The Complete Idiot's Guide to the Perfect Wedding," by Teddy Lenderman (Alpha Books, \$17.95)

# Save money on the honeymoon

Honeymoon budget tips:

- Plan early. In the travel business, that's how you save money.
- Shop around. Different travel agents have access to different rates.
- Haggle. "Is this absolutely the lowest rate you will offer me? What would I need to do to get a better rate? Is there a better time? What if I stay longer — is there a price break?"

Be realistic about what you want and what you can afford; they may be two different things. • Travel off-season or during the "shoulder" season — that the transition period between high and low season. Prices drop drastically, crowds thin out, service is better, and during shoulder seasons the weather is almost always the same as "high" season. (To figure out which season are high and low, consult your travel agent.)

• If you're renting a car, check your own car insurance first. They may cover your rental.

• Avoid hotel restaurants; look for local fare.

• Make sure you have homeowner's insurance or renter's insurance on your wedding gifts before you leave home.

- Since you live in West, stick to Mexico. Easterners do better cost-wise in the Caribbean.
- Eat fast-food all week, then use the money you've saved to splurge on an unforgettable meal the night before you depart.
- Consider honeymooning at home: unplug the phone, treat yourself

## 10 ways to honeymoon at home

Do you reminisce about your honeymoon together on the beaches of Maui, sipping a pina colada through two straws and savoring while holding hands? Well, there's no reason to stick with just one honeymoon. For a 48-hour (second, third, fourth) honeymoon at home, try these 10 tips:

1. Hire a cleaner to make your house sparkle before you begin — don't let that grimy shower foil your bubble-bath-for-two sojourn. Remember to change your sheets. If you want a hotel feel, don't slouch on those hospital corners.
2. Fill the house with huge bouquets of fresh flowers. No need to spend a lot of money; daisies are perfect (and cheap).
3. Stock your fireplace with wood, your bed with pillows, and your pantry with

snacks. You two aren't going anywhere for a while.

4. Spin breathtakingly romantic music on the stereo. Ravel's "Bolero" is a good bet, but even Barry White will do the trick. In the same vein, rent a steamy video for late-night viewing.
5. Turn off your phone ringer, and don't even think about checking your messages.
6. Give each other a sensual massage.
7. Wear your sexiest lingerie and boxes to bed — or don't wear anything at all.
8. Dress for a fancy dinner out (or in) and use your best china and crystal. Have a limo pick you up.
9. Visit tourist destinations in your town or city. Remember to take pictures.
10. Reintroduce the roses. After all, this is a vacation.

— Source: The Knot (<http://www.theknot.com>)

to great restaurant meals, take day trips.

• Shop for fly/drive combos. They can be quite reasonable.

• Instead of pricey resort activities, go for walks, visit museums, attend festivals, listen to street musicians.

• Take a camping holiday — you'll be all alone in the great wide open.

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BRIDES

# How to liven up the ordinary bridal shower

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - The wedding shower is easily the most-honored and least-respected ritual in the marrying game.

"The bridal shower has evolved into a dreaded social obligation," write Marcy Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser in their "Weddings for Dummies" (IDG Books, \$19.99). "Shower invitations bring to mind not an exhilarating time of female bonding but rather an afternoon or evening spent bored to tears."

Yet few women resist the invitation to show up, wrapped toaster in hand, and endure sticky punch and silly game.

"The main events of a shower are eating and unwrapping gifts," says Jennifer Jenkins, author of "The Everything Wedding Show Book" (Adams, \$7.95). "You can add party games or some other activity if you want."

**OOO-kay.**

"Your shower doesn't have to be a dud," Blum and Kaiser write. "Assuming that you can be perfectly honest with your maid of honor."

Jenkins advises finding a theme.

"Themed showers are fun for several reasons," she writes. "The planning is easier, the event is more memorable, the pictures are easier to identify, everyone remembers."

Some possibilities: a luau, a champagne-and-chic gala, a Southwestern-style fiesta, a country hoe-down - even an old-fash-

**Rules for the showered**

- **If you're the guest of honor at a bridal shower, there are a few rules:**
- **Don't lobby for gifts.** This isn't intended to be a free-lance bridal registry.
- **If you don't want it to be a surprise party, tell your maid or matron of honor it's your party.**
- **If she asks, provide your hostess with a typed guest list with correct names, addresses and phone numbers.** And if you're going to be "show-er-ed" more than once, cross-check the lists so the same people are not invited and consequently overburdened with buying too many gifts.
- **Limit that list to close friends**

ioned ladies' tea party.

By tradition, bridal showers have had a fairly strict set of rules of engagement: given by the maid or matron of honor, they were always held three to six weeks before the wedding, were always a surprise - and men were always banned.

In this century, they have served as sort of a dress rehearsal for the bride opening all those wedding presents, and as such, showers are never given by relatives.

"For a relative to host this party is way uncool," Blum and Kaiser write. "It looks as if your family is conspiring with you to amass booty. Consequently, if a relative such as your sister or mother is your maid of honor,

- and realizes that you really want to be around, there's nobody more miserable than a cousin whom you haven't seen in 15 years who feels obligated to buy a gift and sit through a wedding shower with a bunch of strangers."
- **If you're uncomfortable with the idea of gifts, say so.** There's no law that says a shower can't be turned into a no-gifts pre-nup party.
- **If you receive presents, write your thank-you notes before the wedding - don't lump it in with your thank-yous for your wedding gifts.**
- **Be gracious and appreciative, no matter how many blenders you end up with.**

someone else needs to throw the shower."

But all of those rules have become a lot more flexible lately.

"A shower should be fun as a party, not just a way to give gifts," says Ginny Hopkins, author of "The Bride's Book of Showers" (Grosset & Dunlap, \$5.95).

The key to that seems to be making the occasion more like a bash and less like a ritual.

"You can turn any showers into sunshine if you're willing to do something a bit different," write Sharon Dlugosch and Florence Nelson, authors of "Bridal Showers: 50 Great Ideas for a Perfect Shower" (Putnam, \$6.95). Dlugosch and Nelson counsel less attention on structure and

more on spontaneity. And they offer a few ideas:

- **Show-me showers:** Pick (well in advance) a guest with a special talent that can easily be shared with strangers - cake-decorating, crafts, gourmet cooking - and ask her to hold a short how-to session.
- **Shower-on-a-shoestring.** A potluck dinner after which the bride-to-be gets to keep the pot. After the food is served, everyone joins in to wash and dry the food containers, which then go to the bride along with the recipe that was used to prepare whatever the dish contained.
- **Wine-and-cheese tasting shower.** Brie-and-merlot and chat. The format involves each guest bringing two bottles of the same wine. One is gift-wrapped, with a card attached; the other is used in the wine-tasting. And yes, there's swishing, spitting, cleansing the palate and toasting involved.
- **Sunday-go-to-meeting shower.** Essentially, a shower held at the church, after Sunday services, with men invited. In different variations, the guests collectively affirm, or sing, to the couple, all followed by a buffet lunch.
- **Founding party shower.** A variation on the old custom of greeting a new preacher to town with a pound of sugar and a pound of nails. The contemporary idea is to give the bride-to-be a pound of something with a tool it can be used with - for example, a pound of semolina flour with a pasta maker, a pound of mixed nuts with a nutcracker and a

dish, or a pound of note paper and a set of pens.

The gift is always accompanied by a short, fun-filled verse that explains how the gift is to be used ("Think pasta-tively and have a happy marriage!")

• **Home-from-the-honeymoon shower.** Given as a surprise party immediately after the honeymoon, it's appeal is a home-cooked meal and a chance to greet friends and family. The couple brings their wedding photo proofs, the bride's parents bring their kid pictures, friends bring snapshot albums and high school yearbooks.

Blum and Kaiser offer two more contemporary ideas:

- **Interactive shower.** Put together balanced, co-ed teams for a volleyball, softball or touch football game. Or have a modern barn-raising by chipping in for some funky furniture for the couple - a couple of end tables, a coffee table for example - and spend an afternoon sanding, staining and stenciling as a collective gift. Accompany with finger foods, beer and wine.
  - **Progressive dinner shower.** The host borrows - or rents - a mini- van to take everyone to a different restaurant for each course. Gifts are sent ahead of time to the last stop, where they are opened.
- Invitations should go only to people who are invited to the wedding," Blum and Kaiser say. "The exception is when people from your work, school, club or other part of your life throw a

shower. In these cases, the groom may also be the guest of honor. In fact, many women who boycott girls-only showers are happy to attend co-ed ones."

Gifts given at showers are supposed to be practical and domestic - kitchen utensils, linens and the like - but contemporary showers downplay the materialistic aspects. Presents can be cards or handmade trinkets; it's the gesture that counts.

And some brides opt for a no-gift option: the prenuptial party. "These frankly female parties are usually more formal than many of the showers, and invitations are sent only to relatives and friends," Hopkins says. "Since they are given just before the wedding, careful scheduling is necessary to avoid conflict with other pre-wedding festivities."

Teas, luncheons and brunches are popular formats for no-gifts pre-nup parties, with some interesting variations.

One is called a spinster dinner - sort of a dry, well-behaved bachelorette bash.

"Two or three nights before the wedding, get the bride's wedding attendants and other close friends together for a last gabfest," Hopkins writes. "Serve a buffet dinner with a light dessert, then clear the table for action and let the guests all pitch in to wrap the groom's cake for the wedding reception. This chore goes quickly when everyone helps and conversation can flow uninterrupted as the packages of cake mount."

## TempleMarriage.com aims to aid LDS couples

The Times-News

Getting married in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints can be daunting if you're not organized.

So a couple of former Mormon missionaries, one who lives in Boston and the other in Provo, Utah, have set out to make the job easier.

Last summer, Russ Hill and Jared Jones went online with TempleMarriage.com, a Web site designed to help take the wrinkles out of nuptials that take place in LDS temples that sometimes are great distances from where the reception - or receptions - will take place.

TempleMarriage.com joins the crowded world of wedding advice sites on the World Wide Web, but with a twist.

"What if you live in Arizona and your son or daughter is getting married in the Bountiful (Utah LDS Temple)," said Hill, a student at Brigham Young University. "How do you know where to hire a caterer?"

It's the first wedding site specifically targeted at Mormons. There are all kinds of places on the Net you can go to find the right champagne," Jones said. "Until now, there's been no place to find out whether a gym in a ward building somewhere is available for a reception."

That market is potentially huge. Statistically, Mormons get married at a rate well above the national average and Hill said major temples are booked steadily year-round.

"Try finding an available sealing room in a temple during the

**Temple rules**

LDS temple weddings are carefully supervised by workers at the temple, who do everything possible to make the wedding a sacred and memorable event. The workers remain close to the bride and groom after they enter the temple to help them feel at ease and to assist them in any manner necessary. Because of their assistance and guidance, there is no need for wedding rehearsals or similar activities. Details are explained to the couple when they enter the temple and as preparations for the wedding are being made.

□ **Guests** - The bride and groom may invite guests, but should keep their lists limited to families and those who are very close friends. No guest may come who does not have a current temple recommendation. Guests should be invited by a specific invitation about two weeks before the wedding and should be advised as to the time they should arrive.

Most temples do not allow guests to dress in white clothing for a marriage unless an endorsement session has preceded it. The seating rooms are located in an area where guests

Christmas holidays," he said. But the site is also geared at sorting out problems that arise when Mormon and non-Mormons families become in-laws, Hill said. Because the LDS place such a premium on proselytizing, it's typical for Mormons to have non-Mormon kin by blood or by marriage.

"Those who aren't church members or who aren't temple-worthy can't come to the actual ceremonies," he said. "So a lot of

may witness the marriage in their street clothes, which should be modest Sunday-dress. Shoes will be removed and replaced by white slippers, or guests may go in stocking-feet."

□ **Endowment and sealing** - The bride and groom must have received their endowments before they can be sealed in marriage. There are three ways this can be handled: (1) the couple may receive their endowments and be sealed in marriage the same day; (2) they may go through the endowment session at some time before to the wedding day and have their marriage performed on a "schedules" basis, which means that they attend only the wedding ceremony on the wedding day; or (3) they may receive their endowments prior to the wedding day and also elect to attend an endowment session as well as the sealing ceremony on the wedding day.

Many couples prefer to have their endowments and sealing the same day, particularly when they must travel a long distance to come to the temple. Ample time should be allowed for the first-time endowment

arranging a wedding involves making those people feel part of the process."

Cost is also, Jones said.

"If you're arranging a wedding in another city, you're going to be spending some money," he said.

and the marriage ceremony. The wedding couple with their escorts will be asked to arrive at least an hour before the endowment session time, and the other guests need to arrive 30 to 45 minutes early. It takes three and one-half to four hours to complete both ceremonies.

□ **Miscellaneous rules** - Since cameras are not permitted inside the temple, arrangements should be made with the photographer to meet the bride and groom for pictures outside the temple. The bride may wear her wedding dress for these pictures or she may change to her street clothes. The photographer may wait in the temple foyer at the appointed time or he can be called after the ceremony and allowed time to arrive for the picture-taking.

The temple presidencies have requested that no rice or confetti be thrown on the temple grounds and that honk-ing or the use of other noise-makers be dispensed with near the temples.

- Source: "Planning LDS Weddings & Receptions," by Lois F. Wolton and Opal Zaislad (Horizon Books); TempleMarriage.com

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# Wedding vows: Stand and deliver

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The '70s, mercifully, are history. And gone with them is a tradition of - well, let's be candid - sometimes loopy vows that characterized home-grown weddings.

Some came off better than others.

"It's as easy as K-I-S-S," says Teddy Lenderman, author of "The Complete Idiot's Guide to the Perfect Wedding," (Alpha Books, \$17.95). "Keep it simple, sweetie. Adding one or two unique features to a service is probably enough. You don't want guests so overwhelmed by the individuality of the service that they lose track of what's really taking place."

"What can you say that hasn't been said before?" ask Marcy Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser in "Weddings for Dummies" (IDG Books, \$19.99). "After all, haven't poets been writing about love for centuries?"

"Couples who wish to write their own vows entirely must do so with the help and approach of the clergyman, who should also be able to guide them," says Marjelle Young Stewart, author of "Your Complete Wedding Planner" (St. Martin's Press, \$14.95).

Standard vows are making something of a comeback, to the unalloyed delight of neo-traditionalists.

"Using traditional vows doesn't mean you're less committed, or that you're less creative," says Danjelle Clark, author of "How to Have the Wedding You Want (Not the One Everybody Else Wants You to Have)," (Berkley Books, \$12). "There's a certain romance to the simple and familiar words used for millennia to signify a union between two people. And there are very found arguments against some types of self-composed vows."

"Many couples wish simply to have a special reading as part of the wedding ceremony," Stewart writes.

That's just fine with Carroll Stoner, author of "Weddings for Grown-ups" (Chronicle Books, \$14.95).

"A secular ceremony can become somewhat religious in feeling, or a highly religious ceremony can have a more tempered tone," she said.

According to Stoner, readings usually fall into three categories.

- Scriptural readings about love, marriage and the nature of joy and happiness.
- Classical selections of poetry or prose with similar themes, or contemporary poetry or prose with psychological insights and philosophical ruminations about the nature of the marriage bond.
- Original poetry or prose.

"The subjects most often

reflected on are the nature of love, friendship, family, joy and happiness, and community and continuity, and the importance of every marriage," Stoner writes. "On a more psychological level, the importance of forgiveness, understanding and a willingness to compromise are good topics."

Good enough, maybe, to tackle yourself?

"Even if the words are already out there, they haven't been said by you," Blum and Kaiser allow.

Fact is, more than half of married couples now depart at least somewhat from the script of the familiar "Dearly Beloved ..." ceremony that passed down from the Church of England into civil and religious usage in the United States.

If you're up for authorship, Blum and Kaiser advise starting by making a list of all the words that describe your intended, why you fell in love with this person, and what your hopes are for the future.

Keep a notebook or journal for jotting down bits of poetry, song lyrics or movie scenes that strike a chord in you or that have been floating around for ages.

"Think about the people around you," they say. "Include your children. Incorporate a ritual or poem from your ethnic heritage."

"After you start putting together

your thoughts, keep your vows upbeat and positive. Avoid anything maudlin.

Original poetry is fraught with the peril of sounding hopelessly amateur or overly sentimental," Stoner observes.

Fair enough, but what do you say? It's your call, but it's important to remember that when you're writing vows, you're also setting the tone of wedding, and the ceremony should contain three elements, says Daphne Rose Kingma, author of "Weddings from the Heart" (Conari Press, \$9.95):

"Something about your relationship. Who are you and your spouse-to-be? What do you think? How do you feel?"

"Something about marriage. What does it mean to the two of you?"

"Something about your style, your view of the world and your place in it. 'A theatrical performance, an intimate conversation, a religious ritual, a carnival or festival, a gathering of clans, a formal social event?'"

And remember, this isn't a speech contest.

"Remember that you want to create a dialogue," Blum and Kaiser say. "Not two monologues."

Whatever you do, resist the temptation to preach, Kingma

## Words and music

Singing and reading are two simple ways to make your wedding ceremony more personal:

- Provided the bride or groom, or a member of wedding party, can sing, it can be a spontaneous or planned addition to the wedding. Some couples sing to each other. One father sang "Climb Every Mountain" to his daughter after he escorted her down the aisle. Some couples add chimes, or a bell choir to their traditional wedding music.
- The less adventurous may opt for readings (provided the officiant knows about it ahead of time). Couples may read to each other or

the congregation - a religious place, a bit of scripture, Elizabeth Barrett Browning's famous piece, "How Do I Love Thee," selections from Khalil Gibran's "The Prophet," contemporary readings.

- Alternatively, you can hire a professional actor - or recruit a friend - to do the reading.
- There are wordless gestures that are effective too, such as the couple lighting a candle and walking down the aisle to light the candles over everyone in the congregation.

Source: "The Complete Idiot's Guide to the Perfect Wedding," by Teddy Lenderman (Alpha Books, \$17.99)

advises. "I will promise never to be unfaithful to you," for example, implies that you might someday have reason to be.

From a legal standpoint, whether you declaim at length or say nothing at all, you're married when you and the officiant sign

the marriage certificate.

"You can stand in total silence if you choose to and you'll end up just as married," said Peg Kehret, author of "Wedding Vows: How to Express Your Love in Your Own Words" (Merweather Publishing, \$10.95).

Well spoken.

# Rediscovering the lost art of the wedding toast

The Times-News

Somewhere between Hugh Grant, who delivered a spectacular enough toast in "Three Weddings and a Funeral" to capture Andie MacDowell's heart, and Jason Alexander, whose expletive-laced best man's monologue on "Seinfeld" caused the father of the bride to put him in a headlock, there's a proper sendoff for any couple.

But wedding toasts require a modicum of good humor, a measure of subtlety - and a lot of practice.

"It should be well rehearsed, tasteful, meaningful and concise," write Sharon Capen Cook and Elizabeth Gale in "A Personal Wedding Planner" (Adams, \$20). "The best man may also propose a toast to the newlyweds' families, particularly their parents."

Ahhh, careful.

"Your groom thanks (the best man) and offers a toast to his new bride. After that, it's an open floor (anyone can offer a toast)," said Teddy Lenderman, author of "The Complete Idiot's Guide to the Perfect Wedding" (Alpha Books, \$17.95).

If that sounds like a recipe for elopement, it's actually not that dangerous.

A little preparation and forethought can make the difference

## Good reception

Tips on making the reception go smoothly:

- If it's a big reception, consider designating a host or hostess - somebody organized, willing to take charge and capable of moving things along smoothly.
- If the reception and the wedding will be held at separate locations, you will need to provide good direc-

tions. One way is to include them in the ceremony program. Or have the ushers hand out directions to the guests as they leave the wedding.

□ Set up the gift table near the door of the reception venue. That way guests won't have to wander around carrying packages.

— Source: "A Personal Wedding Planner," by Sharon Capen Cook and Elizabeth Gale, (Adams, \$20)

between an embarrassing, stumbling toast and a memorable moment for the happy couple of which the orator can be proud.

For anyone attempting to speak at a reception, the hardest part is the beginning. Humor is a great icebreaker, but not everybody can pull it off in a noisy reception hall full of chatty, milling people.

"Watch out for toasts that are too funny," says Michael R. Perry, author of "The Groom's Survival Manual" (Pocket Books, \$12). "Living as we are amid the great irony epidemic, every guy across the nation thinks he can be David Letterman. Self-deprecating humor may be appropriate for late-night television, but when you're making a toast, you should be expressing a genuine, heartfelt emotion, not telling stupid jokes."

Sweet sentimentality always draws the appropriate murmurs, but dewy thanks can sound phony.

KISS - Keep It Short and Simple - is a reliable method, plus you can always lift some famous lines from notable orators and writers. "Just happens to be appropriate for this couple" creates a nice platform or wrap-up for the speech.

Marcy Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser, authors of "Weddings for Dummies" (IDG Books, \$19.99), offer the following tips:

- Nominate someone to act as master of ceremonies to introduce each toaster. You want someone who is witty, wise and capable of gently giving long-winded toasters the hook. Having a stentorian voice doesn't hurt either.
- Tell the toasters they've got

the job several weeks in advance so they have time to do their homework.

• Be thoughtful about whom you choose to propose toasts. Someone who's a good speaker but not very close to you might be preferable to your mumbling brother-in-law.

• Specify that the toasts must be short and sweet. Anything longer than three or four minutes belongs at a coronation, not a wedding reception.

• Be clear about the tone you expect. Inside jokes or private anecdotes may be lost on many of the guests.

• The person making the toast should go to the front of the room and face the crowd. The emcee then introduces the speaker and demonstrate how to use the microphone.

• Eight toasters is plenty; more than that, and you'll hear the distinct sound of snoring.

If you're the groom, you sit the first round of toasts out, and then you propose a toast to the bride.

"Gush," Perry said. "In most other situations in your life, you're expected to speak modestly, in careful, hedged terms. But this is your new wife, so you'll appear sweet, sensitive and loving if you fill your toast with superlatives."

BRIDES

# Tradition! Where did all this stuff come from?

The Times-News

**The bridal gown**

A symbol of the bride's purity, the wedding gown was regarded as the outward sign of a worthy maiden. Since marriage was considered a union between two families, it was essential that the bride be an honor to both her family and her future husband's family.

As purity was valued above all else, great care was taken to present the bride as a protected, unspoiled and valuable treasure. The white dress became her symbol of innocence.

The styling of the "modern" bridal gown can be attributed to Empress Eugenie, the bride of the French emperor Napoleon III.

As a leader of fashion, she wore what was to become a worldwide style as she wed the French leader, rather than the customary wedding finery.

**The tuxedo**

Fashioned after a coat worn by the Prince of Wales, Griswold Lorillard, an American tobacco heir, in 1886 wore a tailless black dinner jacket to an autumn ball in Tuxedo Park, N.Y., and sent his contemporaries into a spin.

**Just the basics: The JP option**

**A**nd you thought a civil ceremony meant high-tailing it to City Hall or Vegas! You COULD do either of those things, but more and more couples today are choosing to have secular ceremonies in traditional ways—before their nearest and dearest, not in a house of worship but at their reception site.

**Why have a civil ceremony?** Couples who opt for civil ceremonies usually fall into one of the following groups:

- Neither person is religious or subscribes to an organized religion, and/or they feel uncomfortable with the idea of a religious ceremony.
- Both bride and groom have religion, but not the same one, so they choose the civil route to avoid the interfaith headache. (Some religious officials will tailor a service to include the beliefs of both partners, but others refuse to do so.)

□ Your ideal ceremony is more unique and creative than clergy will allow (for example, you want secular poems and prose read, you want rock songs for your processional and recession, or you want to include Native American and Buddhist rituals).

**Who will officiate?** Your officiant must be able to legally perform your wedding (i.e., officially sign your marriage license). A justice of the peace is one choice, but a judge, magistrate, county or court clerk, mayor, or notary public can also officiate. (Contrary to popular belief, a cruise-ship captain cannot automatically officiate a wedding; he must hold one of the above civil titles.) You can also have a secular ceremony performed by a licensed member of a group like the Ethical Humanist Society—he or she will not "bless" your wedding in a traditional sense, but will most likely be open to any readings and traditions you want to include.

**The bridal veil**

Traced back to superstitious Roman ceremonies, the veil was originally used to confuse evil spirits that might be jealous of the new couple's happiness. By covering the woman's face, they averted recognition and although the fear no longer exists, beautiful veils are used by many contemporary brides.

ful veils are used by many contemporary brides.

**The garter**

In the days of silk stockings, this accessory was a necessity. Considered fair sport and good luck in old England to steal the garter and stockings before the

readings and traditions you want to include.

**How is it different from a religious ceremony?**

Most civil ceremonies bypass Christian traditions like communion by Jewish traditions like the seven blessings. Still, your officiant may let you include some religious rituals to make your families happy. Otherwise, a secular ceremony has the same basic structure as a religious one: processional, call to order/opening remarks, vows, ring exchange and other unity gestures, pronouncement ("I now pronounce you husband and wife"), kiss, closing remarks and recession. (If you'll have just a few guests, you might want to eliminate the procession and recession.) You can include special readings and musical selections if you like, or keep it short and sweet.

—Source: The Knot (<http://www.theknot.com>)

ceremony, young unmarried gentlemen took the challenge seriously. The throwing of the garter

evolved to prevent the embarrassment of the overturned young lady.

**The bridal purse**

Traditionally matching the bride's train, this useful accessory was also a part of the traditional "dollar dance," a new dance from the new bride by "secretly" slipping cash into her purse helped the young woman acquire "pin money" to start her household.

**Bridesmaids, groomsmen**

Ancient times found young women kidnapped and held as prisoners until they accepted their new life. This evolved into the groom being expected to capture his intended. So the young woman would surround herself with friends for protection and he would gather up his friends to help in the abduction. Soon, stealing the bride became a fun ritual, the bride's "maids" dressing identically like the bride to confuse the men.

**The ring**

The symbols of unending love

and fidelity, the origin of the ring can be traced back to the Egyptians who presented their brides circlets of hemp or rusti every year.

**The ring pillow**

All through history, ornate pillows have been used to present crowns to royalty. Placing the rings prominently on a pillow is the most honored way to present the most cherished of all gifts.

**The flower girl's basket**

To insure the bride a happy and bright life in old England, the entire bridal party would walk behind a small girl tossing flowers all the way to the church.

**The guest book**

Originally all guests were considered witnesses to the wedding and would sign the marriage document. Today, only two witnesses are required and the guest book has become a way of remembering all those guests who joined the couple as they exchanged their vows.

## New magazine for grooms fills gap

The Dallas Morning News

Men who are getting married have a "dirty secret," insists David Knickerbocker. They care about the wedding.

"I know the stereotype is that guys just put their heads down, let the bride and her mom do all the planning and then just show up," he says. "But more and more, they want information and they get involved."

Knickerbocker, a former advertising executive who lives in Norwalk, Conn., is testing that premise with a new magazine called For the Groom. The founder/publisher hopes it will become the first pre-nuptial publication for the half of the happy couple whose planning has traditionally started and ended at the tuxedo rental shop.

"We don't look at it as a wedding magazine," he says. "We look at it as a guys' magazine, like Maxim or Men's Health, about the engagement period and getting you through the marriage and the first year."

The first issue, which has just hit newsstands, tries to reflect that perspective with features and advice all along the fateful timeline. For the Groom wants to help you choose your best man, get along with her family, put the wedding on the Web and keep communicating after you're married.

There are some items that would feel at home in a fancy bridal magazine—what to wear, hot honeymoon spots. But some items definitely wouldn't—what

to wear to the bachelor party (the photos are a simply attired entertainer) and, horror of horrors, eloping to Las Vegas.

And no editor who mentions Maxim and Men's Health as his role models can forget the sexual angle: For the Groom includes tips for a hubba-hubba wedding night and keeping that flat stom-

ach after you've tied the knot. "We are definitely pro the institution of marriage, but we want to talk about the issues the groom is facing," Knickerbocker says. "Our problem now is we don't have enough pages for all the topics we want to cover. These people are hungry for information."

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# Time-tested ways to cut the high cost of rural matrimony

I hear tell that the AVERAGE cost of a gettin' yore daughter married off in these United States of A is \$16,000, cash money. Hell's bells! That's two used Ford pickups and manure spreader.

We're all sensible country people out here, folks; I say we put our heads together and figure out how to chip the young people off to Aunt Bessie in Ephraim.

But if that don't work, I got me a few of what you might call yore cost-cuttin' ideas:

- Have the couple git hitched right out in the corral next August, so's the guests don't feel 'in like eatin' so much.
- Water down the stereo.
- Hide a horseshoe in the bride's bouquet so's whichever of your other daughters catches it'll be too unconscious to git connubial anytime soon.

- Remember that if the happy couple's been habitatin' together in yore basement for five or six years, they don't need to git prayed over. You do, though.
- Ask the preacher if he gives marryin' cousins a family rate.

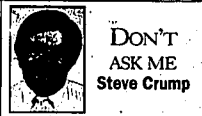
- If a natary public can marry folks, how about a noted Republican? That's Cousin Howard, who borrowed Reagan his boots so's the president could safely walk across the CSI Expo Center back in '84.

- Hire a roudhouse bouncer; by the end of the weddin' ceremony, he'll have cleared out enough of the drunks to cut your food bill way down.
- Don't throw rice at the happy couple; throw flour weevils. They're cheap, plus they're a renewable resource.

- Look, you're a'gonna be seinin' the Magistrate Judge again next month anyways, take yore intendin' along and save a buck or two.
- Ask yore H&R Block man if ya'll can deduct the cost of shotgun shells as a motivational tool.

- Don't go to the big expense of reschedulin' the nuptials just because the contractions are less than a minute apart: Just tell the preacher to talk faster.
- Get the danged ceremony over before the parole hearing; Lord knows how much a weddin' cost in three to five.

- One family or the 'nother shouldn't have to pay for the whole weddin' shebang. Shoot, settle it with "One Potato, Two Potatoes" or better still, let the grandmas rattle for it.



• The groom's family traditionally buys the REhearsal supper - unless, a' course, the bride's family orders the Biggie Fries.

- For land's sake, fellas, git her a sign a pre-nuptial agreement! If not, you'll end up payin' for a double-ting today and a double-wide after the divorce.
- A roll 'n Sheemetal Worker's Gray No. 3 'I run ya'll three dollars 95 out at the D&B. That's purdy cheap happiness insurance, 'cause what God has joined together, duct tape don't let no polecat rip asunder.

- Don't let the missus make the weddin' arrangements over the telephone unless she gits her hearin' aid batteries checked first! It's BRIDAL party, not BRIDE party.
- For you city folks, a SHIVAREE is a weddin', hootenanny. A CHIVROLET is the dowry, unless the bondo rusts through.

- Makin' the rounds on the Internet these days, and just in time for Valentine's Day, is:

"Redneck Love Poem"

Collards is green,  
my dog's name is Blue  
and I'm so lucky  
to have a sweet thang like you.

Yore hair is like com silk  
a-flappin' in the breeze;  
Softer than Blue's  
and without all them fleas.

You move like the bass,  
which excite me in May.  
You ain't got no scales  
but I luv you anyway.

Yore as satisfy'n as okry  
jis asfy'n in the pan.  
Yore as fragrant as "snuff"  
right out of the can.

You have some a'yore teeth,  
for which I am proud;  
I hold my head high  
when we're in a crowd.

On special occasions,

when you shave under yore arms,  
well, I'm in hawg heaven,  
and awed by yore charms.

Still them fellers at work,  
they all want to know,  
what I did to deserve  
such a purdy, young doe.

Like a good roll of duct tape  
yore're fer yore man,  
to patch up life's troubles  
and fix what you can.

Yore as cute as a junebug  
a-buzzin' overhead.  
You ain't mean like those  
far ants I found in my bed.

Cut from the best cloth  
like a plaid flannel shirt,  
you spark up my life  
more than a fresh load of dirt.

When you hold me real tight  
like a padded gunnack,  
my life is complete;  
Ain't nuttin' I lack.

Yore complexion, it's perfection,  
like the best vinyl sidin'  
despite all the years,  
yore age, it keeps hidin'.

Me 'n' you's like a Moon Pie  
with a RC cold drank,  
we go together  
like a skunk goes with stank.

Some men, they buy  
chocolate for Valentine's Day;  
They git it at Wal-Mart,  
it's romantic that way.

Some men git roses  
on that special day  
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Times-News features editor Steve Crump is just sorry that Hank Snow ain't around no more to hear this.

# Some tips for planning the food

Figure 1 1/3 servings for each woman who attends a wedding shower. If you figure a serving is one hamburger, one chicken breast, one cup of pasta with sauce, and so on, and you plan 1 1/3 servings per person, you will hit it about perfect.

If you are serving cold cuts or a buffet, you'd want to roughly calculate 3 ounces of meat per person and 1 1/2 servings of bread.

If you are serving just canapes and deli plates with carrot sticks and other finger food, you can probably figure on about 1 1/2 cups of food, loosely chopped, per person. This will give you a

bit extra, but that's easy to figure.

For instance, if you can fit one cup of taquito, a few nuts, three carrot sticks, and two cherry tomatoes in 1 1/2 cups, you've got it about right.

People eat less in the summer and at certain times of the day. If you've ever been to a buffet, you may have noticed that the cheap, bulky items are always put first, before the meats and expensive stuff. You can set up your own line the same way - put the pasta and green and fruit salads at the beginning of the line and the meats later.

People, especially women, eat less in public than they might at home, so you can count on that too. Nobody's likely to waddle away from your buffet with two full plates of chow.

For the cake, plan on everyone taking one piece and there still being a few slices left over.

For beverages, a general rule of thumb is two cups of liquid per person per hour. If we're talking alcohol, it changes, of course, depending on the potency. Two beers in an hour may be reasonable, but so would 3 ounces of a strong liqueur.

Source: "The Everything Wedding Shower Book," by Jennifer Jenkins (Adams, \$7.95)

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# Navigating the minefield of a second wedding

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS**—There's something ironic about the fact that in a country where two-fifths of brides play the part more the once, the most controversial question is still whether they should wear white the second time.

(Couples who remarry) have already accumulated many of the puzzle pieces of life, says Marjorie Engle, author of "Weddings for Complicated Families" (Mr. Ivy Press, \$14.95). "You may wish you could ignore the past, but the past never stays put where you might think it belongs."

More than 600,000 Americans got married again in 1996, the last year for which statistics are available, and the trend toward repeat romance is accelerating along with the median age of the population.

At least half of all remarriages involved both a man and a woman who have been divorced from their previous mates, according to George W. Knight, author of "The Second Marriage Guidebook" (JM Publications, \$9.95). They're older, wiser, probably wealthier and have some practical experience in handling relationships.

Trouble is, there's not much difference in the divorce rate of first and second marriages. That's largely because—good intentions aside—there are complications.

"Two divorced people are more likely to have children from each of their previous unions," Knight said. "If each has custody of their children, this could cause overcrowding of their household, as well as extra financial burden. Even if they don't have all their children together under the same roof, the husband may be making

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If you or your future spouse have already been married (and presumably cleared up the first time around, you may feel uncomfortable registering this time. If so, trust your instincts.

But in our opinion, an "experienced couple" may register. You can't stop people from giving you gifts, and they may appreciate your guidance all the more because they

child-support payments to his ex-wife.

"Couples tell me that they were unprepared for the complexities of remarried life," Engle writes. "There are brand new issues to think about this time. Formerly married people develop ideas about marriage that are based on first-time experiences."

So how to plan a wedding in that kind of minefield?

"If you are one of those people who speak of your first wedding as if it were a dream directed by your parents, now's your chance to create a ceremony and reception that is truly yours," write Marcy Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser in "Weddings for Dummies" (IDS Books, \$19.99).

"That may mean you approach the altar in full wedding regalia, lace, tulle, white tie, tails—or skip the traditional wedding hoopla in favor of an understand luncheon."

And the kids? "When parents announce that they plan to remarry, many children say it feels more like losing one parent instead of gaining another one," Engel says.

So do more than make them part of the process; make them integral to it. "It is not essential that children of divorce give their consent

didn't know whether you or your ex got custody of the lead crystal decanter. The only exception may be if your last marriage was extremely short-lived. If you go through spouses the way some people go through coffee filters, perhaps you should register for marital counseling.

—Source: "Weddings for Dummies," by Marcy Blum and Laura Fisher Kaiser (IDS Books, \$19.99)

(they probably won't)," says Nat Segalhoff, author of "The Everything Etiquette Book," (Adams Media, \$12). "But compassion should be used."

And don't let the stresses of blending families destroy your new marriage.

"Stepparents are not replacements; they are additions and go into an entirely new slot," Engel says. "Stepparents are often a bonus. Most kids wouldn't dream of turning down an applicant for that position."

For the wedding ceremony, think simple but elegant, Knight counsels.

"You're older, wiser, probably more financially secure, more settled and presumably with more refined tastes than you were the first-time-you got married," he wrote. "Let your second wedding reflect the new reality of your lifestyle."

And the white wedding gown? "The answer is a complicated one," write Sharon Capen Cook and Elizabeth Gale, authors of "A Personal Wedding Planner" (Adams, \$20). "Experts in wedding etiquette still feel that only a first-time bride should wear pure white, wear a veil, wear a gown with a train or wear orange blossoms." But not necessarily, argue Blum and Kaiser.

## The fundamentals of planning for a remarriage

**Attire**

Brides: Be yourself. Let your personality shine through. You probably wore traditional garb when you married "someone else"—this time wear what you like. This also means that if you always wanted to wear the big white dress, but for some reason didn't, do it now. You may want to skip the veil as you are entering this union with your eyes wide open, and the veil is generally a first-time bride tradition. Instead, try a glimmering tiara, or fresh flowers in your hair. Choose your attendants' attire with the same philosophy. They don't have to look identical. Incorporate your personalities into the proceedings.

Grooms: Same goes for you. Wear whatever you feel comfortable in—a zoot suit, a morning suit, a white tie, a seersucker suit, or tails.

**Engagement**

The very first people you should tell about the upcoming wedding are the children either of you have from previous marriages. This is very important: Even if your children adore your fiancé, they can feel very alienated if they are not first to be told. Your kids are going to have a brand-new stepparent—no one should know that before they do.

**Children**

Here are five ways for your children to participate in the blessed event:

- Take vows accepting new siblings as family
- Escort you down the aisle and "give you away"

- During the ceremony, give the child a ring, making him/her part of the union.
- On the invitation, let your children announce the big day: "We, Marcia and Greg, have the honour of announcing the wedding of our parents, Carol and Mike."
- Allow them to be in the wedding party

• Showers

- As you probably have most necessary household items, go for interesting theme showers:
- Self-improvement: Ballroom dancing, scuba diving, a spa weekend,
- Wine cellar: Wineglasses, corkscrew, wine rack, membership to a wine-of-the-month club, wine newsletter, wine-tasting classes.
- Great outdoors: Gardening tools, skis, hiking/camping equipment, binoculars, rock-climbing lessons, a gas grill.

**Finances**

Money is not a very romantic topic. In a contract as legal and binding as marriage (and as fraught with emotion), it must be considered and discussed for the mutual benefit of everyone involved. When you remarry, it is often an even larger issue, because you probably have more possessions, investments, and property. In her book "Money Advice for Your Successful Remarriage: Handling Delicate Financial Issues with Love and Understanding" (Betterway Books, 1996), author Patricia Schiff Estess talks about the "ABCs of money management: accounts, budgets, and chores."

She outlines several money-management strategies tailored for different situations and different personalities. It's a good book for anyone thinking of making the leap—again.

**Nuptials**

You can have a huge soiree with all the trimmings or a simple family affair. It's entirely up to you and your sweetie. Remember to plan together and be considerate of each other's wants and needs.

**Additional resources**

- "Money Advice for Your Successful Remarriage: Handling Delicate Financial Issues with Love and Understanding" by Patricia Schiff Estess (Betterway Books, 1996)
- "Making Your Second Marriage a First-Class Success" by Doug & Naomi Moseley (Prima Publishing, 1998)
- "Weddings, a Family Affair: The New Etiquette for Second Marriages and Couples With Divorced Parents" by Marjorie Engel (Wilshire Publications, 1998)

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## Lights! Camera! Action! These romantic films tell all

The Orlando Sentinel

- "Duel in the Sun" (1946). So passionate and sexually suggestive were the romantic scenes between Lewt McCanles (Gregory Peck) and Pearl Chavez (Jennifer Jones) that the film was nicknamed "Lust in the Dust." The film encountered considerable opposition from the Catholic Church's Legion of Decency, which forced producer David O. Selznick to pull the film from theaters and cut several sexually explicit scenes.
- "Notorious" (1946). Cary Grant and Ingrid Bergman staged a long and passionate kissing scene in this thriller. The scene between Bergman's character, Alicia Huberman, and Grant's character, Devlin, lasts for about three minutes.
- "A Place in the Sun" (1951). A terrace love scene between socialite Angela Vickers (Elizabeth Taylor) and social climber George Eastman (Montgomery Clift) was filmed in extreme close-up by director George Stevens. The end result is

a memorable sequence in which the camera rolls from Angela's face to George's face during a prolonged kiss.

- "From Here to Eternity" (1953). There's passion in the surf in pre-World War II Hawaii between Army Sgt. Milton Warden (Burt Lancaster) and the captain's straying wife, Karen Holmes (Deborah Kerr). The lovemaking scene on the beach has become the stuff of movie history. It has been parodied countless times, including in the "Seven Year Itch," "The End" and "Airplane."
- "To Catch a Thief" (1955). There's high-charged romance as debonair John Robie (Cary Grant), a former jewel thief, romances wealthy socialite Frances Stevens (Grace Kelly) on the couch of her French Riviera hotel room while fireworks explode in the background.
- "Lady and the Tramp" (1955). In a memorable spaghetti-eating scene in this animated Walt Disney classic, Lady (voice of Barbara Luddy) and Tramp (voice of Larry Roberts) eat the

same strand of pasta. As they inch their way up the strand, their mouths draw closer and closer until they finally kiss. Never was a kiss so grand between a prim and proper cocker spaniel and a ragged mutt.

- "A Kiss Before Dying" (1956). The ultimate kiss-off comes in a scene on the roof of a municipal building between fortune hunter Bud Corliss (Robert Wagner) and his pregnant lover and heiress to a fortune, Dorothy Kingship (Joanne Woodward). Bud takes Dorothy to the roof of the building while they wait for the marriage license bureau to open. He seats her on the ledge of the roof, kisses her, tells her he loves her and then pushes her off.
- "The Thomas Crown Affair" (1958). Not unlike the terrace sequence in "A Place in the Sun," the camera revolves around self-made millionaire-turned-bank robber Thomas Crown (Steve McQueen) and insurance investigator Vicki Anderson (Faye Dunaway) as they embrace and kiss for what seems like an eternity (closer to

- three minutes).
- "The Godfather, Part II" (1974). It's not brotherly love that brings Michael Corleone (Al Pacino) to kiss his brother, Fredo (John Cazale). Michael is marking Fredo for death for betraying him.
- "Cinema Paradiso" (1989). This is a glorious love letter to the magic of movies. Fatherless Salvatore (played, as he ages, by Salvatore Cascio, Marco Leonardi and Jacques Perrin) and aging projectionist Alfredo (Philippe Noiret) form a bond of friendship in southern Italy after World War II.

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Joan Cusack, left, Julia Roberts, center, and Rita Wilson appear in the movie 'Runaway Bride.'

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# Stressing for the occasion

Almost every woman I know has dreamed of how she will look and feel on her wedding day. My vision was gassy and romantic: There I was, in a filmy veil and white gown, flowers blooming magically, my dad beaming as he escorted me toward the perfect man at the end of the aisle.

Well, now that I've got a clear picture of the perfect man, I'm having to get a lot more specific about the details of the rest of this happy vision.

That filmy stuff? It has a name: tulle.

And it's pronounced "tool," as in cool, though some veils can make you look anything but. Especially the beaded headband types that rest just above the eyebrows, reminiscent of something Olivia Newton-John might have worn in "Let's Get Physical."

The ample bouquet of my imagination now needs to be dissected, created (and paid for) in reality. Will it contain roses, lilies, babies' breath, lilacs, tulips? What will be in season when I get married? And most importantly, what won't make me sneeze?

I'm not worried about Dad, fresh from taking my sister down the aisle last fall without incident. She did say he made bad jokes the whole time, but I think I can live with that.

Turns out that the dress, which, not coincidentally, rhymes with stress, is proving the toughest accretement to find.

I was "floored" when I first faced the armada of experts out there, poised to help me find the right 20-pound piece of satin, silk and lace.

I realized after the first outing that I had to find one dress among hundreds, thousands, perhaps millions of choices lurking in the aisles.

Seeking advice, I asked married friends about their dress-hunting days. I've found that the tales of "How I found my wedding dress" are as varied as the women who tell them.

My best friend, Tammy, saw a photo of her dress in a magazine. She walked into a store. They had the dress, in her size, returned by another customer. It

COMMENTARY  
Jennifer Kauss

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was the first dress she tried on, and, despite flirtations with a few other styles, that first choice was the dress she wore down the aisle.

My sister, Mary Beth, went shopping roughly 837 times. I was with her for one of those forays. I can testify that she looked so beautiful in all of them, I could understand why she had so much trouble choosing. She narrowly managed to avoid buying a \$3,200 designer gown and, at last, fell in love with The One. Spangled with golden beads that "set off" her red hair, the chosen frock also managed to come in at a far less shocking sum.

Now it's my turn. Right off the bat, let me say that there are some amazingly ugly dresses in the world. They have bows in unnatural places. They have piles of scratchy lace. They have weird beaded designs — one was festooned with corn on the cob, with husks?

And that doesn't even touch the bridesmaids' dresses, which beckon you into a whole new world of bad taste.

Next, let's talk about dress designers. They are sadistic. Otherwise, why in heaven's name would wedding dresses be scaled up two to four sizes from your regular size? To translate, if you wear a size 8 in real life, you'll be sporting a 12 as you lumber down the aisle. That inflated size sure will boost your confidence as hundreds of guests gawk at you and thousands of photos are snapped.

To guide you through the dizzying displays, you often must use an in-store "bridal consultant," which is basically a

fancy description for a salesperson. And they come in a wide variety.

I've met the sweet but ineffectual ones, who aren't really sure what they are doing, don't know the collections and hope to get by on a dose of mellow charm. The pushy, aggressive ones who urge nervous brides to buy that gown right away before someone — you never know, they whisper, it might be that girl in the dressing room right next door! — buys it out from under them.

And there is the joy of finding that rare creature — an efficient, energized, experienced consultant with an imagination.

Still, all these consultants start off wanting to know the basics of what you want.

Reviewing my vision, I was pretty sure I wanted white. That was about it.

Slowly I started learning the terms of the trade.

Some are easy. White or ivory? Strapless or long-sleeved? Others are trickier.

Would you like Venetian lace? A mantilla? A Queen Anne neckline? How about a Sweetheart? How much? Hmm. Thought I already found that. ...

So, adrift in this sea of choices last week, I tried on a dress. It broke all the rules I had set up for myself. I was sure I would have sleeves, and here I was looking at sleeveless. I was sure it'd be white, but this one was off-white. I was sure it would be quiet and simple, but this one made a statement.

I loved it. Seeing myself reflected in the giant, six-way mirror, in that dress, I felt a shock run through me. I felt like an old-time movie star, like Audrey Hepburn or Greta Garbo.

Well, as much as anyone that glamorous as I will ever feel, I suppose.

I was bemused to learn that the dress was part of a "Fairy Tale Princess" line.

So how does the fairy tale end?

Can't tell you.

Have to keep it a surprise for Prince Charming.

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# Up from seafoam green: How to choose bridesmaids' dresses

You can pick your friends, and you can pick your clothes, but you can't pick the clothes you wear in your friend's wedding. By the time you've squealed "Of course I'll be your bridesmaid!" it may be too late. The bride may attempt to put you in some puffy-sleeved, Kelly green, satin-and-lace confection (Designs by Satan) that makes you look pallid, plump, and sexless.

Here are some dos, don'ts, and basic truths consider when choosing your bridesmaids' dresses:

- Do try to find a style and color that is flattering to the different sizes and skin tones of your bridesmaids.

- Do try to keep the price at something that everyone can afford. \$200 is a good figure to keep in mind, but if you can do it for less, everyone will be happier.

- Do consider letting your bridesmaids to wear clothing of their own choice. What you lose in uniformity will be made up for in comfort and happiness, which will be apparent in the way they carry themselves and smile. A variation on this theme is to let them wear dresses of their own choosing as long as they are a certain color.

- Do think about suits (jackets over dresses or jackets and skirts), slipdresses, and sheath dresses, all of which are extremely wearable as well as fashionable.

- Do consider dress length: Formal and semiformal weddings call for long, ballerina-length, or tea-length dresses. At an informal daytime wedding, bridesmaid

dresses can be the same length as the bride's dress, short or long. The only exception: If a bride is wearing a floor-length dress, bridesmaid dresses should not be short.

**A few more words of advice**

- Your bridesmaids are all members of the human race. Sure, they're all beautiful, but they're beautiful in unique ways. Consider body types — if one's voluptuous, another's rail-thin and yet another is tiny and boyish; you can't wedge them all into something skin-tight or cleavage-revealing. Very few figures are flattered by a big old contrasting-color bow on the butt or hundreds of tiny, ballooning pleats. Simple, elegant designs are the most flattering to all figures.

- Not everyone looks good in seafoam green, sweetie. Perhaps you have your wedding colors in mind, but are these really colors

you would ask your friends to wrap themselves in? Be careful about colors that rarely occur in nature, or only on football uniforms.

Remember, some colors are truly neutral — navy blue and even black are good choices for formal weddings.

- Your friends aren't filthy rich. They don't buy dresses that look terrible on them and toss them out after one occasion, just for laughs. Think about dresses they could REALLY wear again.

- Above all, you want your friends to like you before, during, and after the ceremony.

Now all you have to do is find something in the most flattering cut and color, at the most reasonable price, that your bridesmaids will be able to wear again. Hey, how hard can that be?

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# In a wedding? Know your duties

By Cathy Walworth  
Times-News correspondent

Here's a rundown on the wedding ceremony duties. Once you know the job, you'll find it easier to pick the person to fill it:

### The bride

- Choose the style, date and place of your wedding and reception.
- Make a guest list, order the invitations and enclosure cards, as well as thank-you cards.
- Decide on your wedding gown.
- Choose your attendants.

### The groom

- Make your guest list and choose your best man, ushers, and choose what they will wear.
- Get the marriage license and other documents.
- Arrange the honeymoon trip. Plan for transportation, hotel reservations and schedules.
- Arrange for out-of-town guest accommodations.
- Help your parents plan the rehearsal dinner.
- Talk to the clergyman.
- Select the rings. This is a good time for brides and diners with your lunch.
- Buy gifts for best man and ushers.
- Meet with your best man and make certain of his duties.
- Pick up marriage license with your bride.
- Plan to pay the clergyman, or give the money to your best man.
- Show up at the church at least 45 minutes before the wedding.

### Maid/matron of honor

- (The bride may have one of each. She sees that everything is going smoothly.)
- She comforts the bride.
- She holds the bride's bouquet during the ceremony and keeps the groom's ring as well.
- Her main function is to see that the bride is happy and that the rest of the bridesmaids are properly dressed and at the church on time.
- She is one of the two official witnesses to sign the marriage certificate.
- She makes sure the bride gets something to eat. The main reason people pass out during wedding ceremonies is no food in their stomachs; the second reason is locking the knees.

### Best man

- (In olden days a groom would select a close friend of his who was supposed to stand guard in case some old suitor of the bride or competitor would try to steal the bride away before the ceremony was over. So he stood by the groom with his hand on his sword.)

- Today, he is the master of ceremonies and toastmaster at the reception, as well as personal valet and adviser to the groom.
- He makes sure the groom is properly dressed and at the church on time.
- He takes charge of the marriage license (which he signs) and the bride's wedding ring.
- He takes the minister's and organist's fees from the groom and presents it to the clergyman in a sealed envelope at the first opportune moment.

- He supervises the ushers, making sure they are properly dressed and thoroughly briefed and at the ceremony site on time.
- He makes toasts that wish for health, happiness and prosperity. He makes announcements and introductions.
- He makes sure the reception runs smoothly and that no practical jokes are played on the bride and groom.

### Bridesmaids

- (You can choose anyone you want to fill this role, though it is customary to ask your closest friends and relatives of approximate age. Girls ranging in age from 11 to 16 can be junior bridesmaids. They're often relatives from the groom's family — his sister or a favorite cousin is invited as a bridesmaid.)
- They can run errands, address envelopes, help the bride in small ways. They're invited to all pre-wedding parties and may give one if they wish.
- Bridesmaids are responsible for assembling and paying for their own wedding outfits and other expenses except the flowers.

### Ushers

- They escort guests as they arrive and leave, and like the bridesmaids, should show concern for the guests. As a rule, allow one usher per 40 guests.
- Before the ceremony, they should be at the church 45 minutes before the wedding, unless the nuptials have fewer than 50 invited guests. In that case, a half-hour in advance is plenty of time.
- If there are candles to be lighted, do so just before the guests start arriving, beginning with altar candles.
- Ask each female guest, "Are you a friend or a relative?" Next, they ask, "Of the bride or groom?" Then an usher offers his right arm to the lady, holding his hand loosely across his chest and escorts her to the proper place. If she is accompanied by a man, the usher asks him to follow them.
- An unaccompanied man is rarely ushered to a seat, but should be directed to the proper place.
- An usher is never stiff in

- manner, but smiles and chats with the guests as he ushers them, and then pauses for a moment at the end of the pew while the guests are being seated.
- If two or more women arrive together, the usher offers his arm to the nearest or eldest and asks the others to follow behind.
- If anyone seems embarrassed or refuses to take the usher's arm after obviously being offered it, the usher should ignore the whole matter and just ask her to follow.
- If a guest doesn't want an escort and wants to find his or her own seat, that's OK — provided he or she doesn't take seats reserved for relatives of the bride and groom.

### The ceremony

- Grandparents are ushered in just before mothers.
- The groom's mother is escorted to the first pew on the right, with the groom's father following.
- The bride's mother is escorted to the first pew on the left; no more guests are ushered in after she is seated.
- Latecomers may use the side aisle and be directed by the ushers.
- After the second solo musical number, a white runner is usually laid along the aisle.
- The head usher signals the organist.
- Ushers go down the center aisle in pairs or in single file and take their appointed places.
- After the introductory melody of the wedding march, the first bridesmaid proceeds down the aisle.

### After the ceremony

- Immediately following the recessional, the parents of the bride and groom are escorted to the rear of the church. One usher offers his arm to the bride's mother, while her father or escort follows immediately behind.
- Another usher using the same procedure follows with the groom's parents.
- As soon as the bride's and groom's parents have been escorted out, two ushers immediately come forward and indicate, pew by pew, that the guests may leave.

### Child attendants

- The flower girl carries a little basket with rose petals or a small bouquet or a little flower-covered muff.
- The ringbearer carries a white satin pillow with the bride's ring (preferably not the real one) tied to the center with ribbons.
- Pages or trainbearers always come in pairs about the same size. They are used if the bride has a long train.
- Child attendants must be at the rehearsal so they can practice their parts. It's a good time to find

out if they will be able to do it.

### The bride's mother

- She helps compile the guest list, arranges the details of the wedding and reception and helps choose the bride's dress.
- Mom serves as the official hostess for the wedding.
- She sits in the very first pew on the bride's side of the aisle, and is the last person to be escorted to her seat before the wedding and the first to be escorted out.
- She greets all the guests at the head of the receiving line, and sits in the place of honor at the parents' table.

### The bride's father

- He's the bride's escort from her house to the church, and he walks her down the aisle to the altar.
- After giving the bride away, Dad joins your mother in the first row.
- He is the official host of the reception.
- Dad mingles with the guests and is the last one to leave.
- If the parents are divorced, the father may still give the bride away. But instead of sitting with the bride's mother, he takes a seat in the third row.
- If the bride's father has died, the bride may ask any relative or friend or her mother to give her away.

### The groom's parents

- They should contact the bride and her parents when the couple becomes engaged, and invite them for a given time.
- Mom and Dad should organize a tea or some party should be given for the bride.
- They give the rehearsal party or dinner.

### The special aide

- He or she is a kind of supervisor-general, usually a relative or a good friend.
- They handle the details of the receiving line, signal time to cut the cake, make the toasts, start the music for the first dance, remind others of the order of dances, and see that photographs are taken of everyone the bride and groom want pictures of.
- Anyone may serve in this capacity, but the best person is usually someone with experience, such as a wedding coordinator.

### Special attendants

- Young boys: They can distribute Mass books or yamulkes, give out packets of rice, light candles and serve as acolytes.
- Young girls: They might keep the bride's book or help serve refreshments at the reception.

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## Glamour's wedding nightmares

Y2K brides, beware "The Monomaniacal Mother," "The Suddenly Sour Best Friend," "The Passive-Aggressive Mother-in-Law," "The Downer Divorced Parent" and "The MIA Fiancee." So warns Glamour magazine in a "Bride 2000 Guide" on how to defuse five difficult pre-wedding land mines.

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# Tying the knot, Indian style

MERIDEN, Conn. (AP) — A small village fit for a king and queen rose on the grassy compound of the Flexo-Converter factory here, in less than a month.

It was a re-creation of a village in India, erected by Mohandira Patel for the wedding of his only daughter, Reshma Patel, to Amit Patel. The all-day event brought out nearly 3,000 relatives and friends and was a conscious mix of American and Indian cultures.

arrange statues that dotted the green.

The arch stood 30 feet high, adorned with images of a bridal couple and a statue of the Hindu god, Ganesh. A painting on one side of the arch depicted a bride riding an elephant amid soldiers and escorts.

"Within two weeks it popped out of the ground," said Katie

line to welcome Amit Patel into the family. The family waited in front of a wooden arch structure.

"This is the first wedding this big," said Dinesh Patel. "This is the way we celebrate in India. They wanted to have a big traditional celebration here in America. That way they are not forgetting their religion or their culture."



Reshma and Amit Patel make their entrance into the reception tent after their Indian-style wedding in Meriden, Conn.

A massive wood arch straddled a narrow roadway, modeled after similar structures that welcome visitors to villages in India. Beyond two scaled-down huts approximated farmers' huts, complete with wood or plastic figurines sitting in the doorway, or on a type of cot with cross-hatched ropes for support.

A tent with a dance floor and disco lights loomed over statues of Indian royalty and Hindu gods. A number of small tents were also put up for a bar, vegetarian and non-vegetarian foods.

"It's very much like a farm village in Gujarat," said Dinu Patel, a relative, referring to the state in western India where the families originated. "All the people in the village get together and make the food."

Several women, dressed in saris, sat under a small tent, kneading dough to fry poori, a type of bread, and a fluffed rice mixture that was served for breakfast.

The cost of the wedding was not revealed by relatives. Most of the work was volunteered, as family from around the world helped to cook, construct and paint the arch and huts, and

Mazer. "It's like a princess is getting married."

"It's really beautiful," said Corinne Mesite, whose house is in view of the grounds.

In the past, said Dinu Patel, men and women from a village would not marry, because they were considered part of the same family. At one time those marriages were arranged, with the bride traveling to her groom's village with an entourage. That has changed somewhat.

"Nowadays, couples are introduced as opposed to arranged," said Sandy Patel, another relative.

Although Reshma and Amit Patel did not have an arranged marriage, the two decided to have a traditional Indian ceremony with an American reception. The ceremony began as Reshma's family gathered in a receiving

Amit's family joined Reshma's family in celebratory Indian folk dances, such as the garaba and the bhanga. For the garaba, the family danced together in a circle to the beating of a drum played by Boota Sheikh.

As the families danced, Amit Patel rode into the receiving line in a horse-drawn carriage. Dressed the way a prince or a king would have been dressed during an arranged wedding ceremony, he wore a white tunic, trimmed in red and gold. He also wore a red hat trimmed in gold.

While Patel entered in the carriage, a close relative, shook a rattle behind his head to keep the groom awake.

"They used make them get married when they were little kids," explained Rajni Khuroja, a family friend from London. "The wedding ceremony would last two days. The children would fall asleep. So that is why they shake the rattle, to keep him awake."

Also in keeping with tradition during the welcoming ceremony, Amit Patel was hoisted into the air by members of his family, Reshma Patel, who wore an off-white sari, also trimmed in red and gold, was also hoisted high into the air by her family in front of her husband-to-be. Reshma Patel then put a wreath around Amit's neck to welcome him into her family.

## Books offer guides for bride, groom

The Orlando Sentinel

Now that millennium madness is a but memory, all those couples who became engaged over the holidays will find themselves embroiled in another kind of madness. It's called wedding plans.

There are dozens of how-to books on the subject, but the trendiest is a pair by celebrity wedding planner Colin Cowie: "For the Bride: A Guide to Style and Gracious Living" and "For the Groom: A Blueprint for a Gentleman's Lifestyle" (Delcorte Press, \$24.95 each).

Cowie is the man who planned the recent Jerry Seinfeld-Jessica Sklar nuptials. He is featured in the February issue of Brides magazine staging a wedding in rural Vermont.

"My philosophy for planning a wedding is to fill it with the bride and groom's favorite things — people, food, music, flowers — and make it their own personal statement of style," said Cowie, who heads up an event planning and interior design company with offices in Los Angeles and New York.

In his two new books, published this month, Cowie covers more than just the nuts and bolts of renting a hall, buying a gown and tuxedo, and engaging a caterer, florist, band, photographer and priest or rabbi. His books range from the engagement party to the thank-you notes, and even offer advice on living with style long after the wedding bells have ceased to chime.

For the bride, he offers tips on working as a team with your fiancé, staying within budget, the importance of the bridal registry, dealing with family politics, gift giving and looking your best on the big day.

His hints for the groom include how to choose the perfect ring, handling a prenuptial agreement, choosing a best man, having a bachelor party that doesn't involve strippers and hangers, planning the honeymoon and keeping romance alive.

There is much, much more — all of it common-sense advice touched with humor and illustrated with romantic black-and-white pictures.

Cowie honors the traditions of the past but is not bound by the old rules. Rather, he reinterprets the wedding ceremony — and the events that precede and follow it — with a nod toward the trends, relationships and lifestyles of this new 21st century.

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# Read on to raise your wedding IQ

The Baltimore Sun

Getting married? Better start shopping.

Planning a wedding takes work, no matter how simple the ceremony and reception. Procrastinating is not an option. Cramping is. Time for a pop quiz.

Here's a role or two whose style best describes the look of today's wedding dresses:

- a) Ally McBeal — short, short
  - b) Jennifer Aniston — sophisticated and bare
  - c) Elle May — frills, frills and more frills
  - d) none of the above
- The answer is b.

Dresses for the Big Day not only have gotten simpler over the last few seasons they've gotten skimpier up top, too.

First there were classic sheaths, then spaghetti straps atop tulle ballerina skirts. Now gowns are going strapless.

It's shocking at first, but then the look sort of grows on you. Consider the satin strapless sheath from Lady Eleanor (\$350). Sure, your grandmother would have a fit at the very thought of her baby baring her shoulders on her wedding day. However, the dress is spare, elegant and sophisticated. And if you ever embark on a new career as a young singer, you've already got something to wear.

Now for some math.

Mom's wedding dress is a Size 6. You're a 12. Short of calling in a magician, is there any hope of wearing her dress

### Bright ideas

What's hot for weddings, according to the newly-launched *In Style Weddings*:

- **Bridal hair:** a flurry of jeweled or pearl-scatter pins instead of a veil
- **Bridal shoes:** Yves Saint Laurent silver stilettos
- **Bouquet:** sunset colored roses-bound with yellow tulle and golden ribbon
- **Rings:** anything platinum
- **Invitations:** your new monogram
- **Musical:** two bands, a polka band and a wedding band, or an R&B band

and a swing band

- **Color:** silver, as in silver-rimmed dishes, flower containers, tablecloths
- **Must-have accessory:** man's best friend, appropriately attired, of course. (Yes, we mean a dog.)
- **Drinks:** vodka, coffee
- **Wedding cake:** tiny, individual, tiered, milkcakes
- **Favors:** personalized conversation hearts
- **Little something extra:** a \$100,000 fireworks display

—Source: The Baltimore Sun

down the aisle?

Yes, according to Robyn Flipse and Jacqueline Shannon, authors of "The Wedding Dress Diet" (Doubleday, 229 pages, \$14). The book is no magic bullet — the weight loss plans inside advocate a balanced diet and exercise. But the book also includes helpful tips on managing wedding-related stress, handling potentially disastrous pre-wedding eating events and finding the right wedding dress for your figure.

Wedding mags by the numbers:

- Number of pages in the February/March issue of *Bride's* magazine: 1,270
- Weight of magazine: 4.8 pounds
- Guinness Record broken (according to *Bride's*): "World's Largest Consumer Magazine"
- Average cost of a wedding in 2000, according to *In Style Weddings*: \$25,000-\$27,000

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# Jewelers make beautiful new items to seal the deal with

The Associated Press

Wedding and engagement jewelry symbolizes permanence, but that doesn't mean there aren't new slants on its traditional look.

One if them is Tiffany & Co.'s new Lucida diamond engagement ring, with square-cut gems in a four-prong arched setting in 18K gold or platinum.

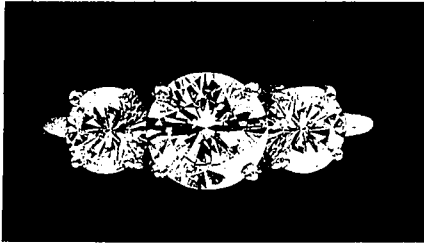
Then there is the renewed interest in three-stone rings.

Another is the increased popularity of almost invisible inscription on a diamond for both sentimental and security reasons.

Yet another trend is toward more valuable jewelry for the groom.

The new Tiffany creation won't supplant the company's 114-year-old classic and often-copied six-prong diamond ring. But the Lucida should appeal to those who prefer modern design. The diamond has a mixed-cut square shaping with a high step-cut crown and wide corners, with its fire enhanced by a brilliant-style pavilion. The band of the setting curves smoothly into the prongs viewed from the side, it reveals crossed arches reminiscent of cathedral design.

Three-stone rings are classics making a comeback. The three stones can all be diamonds, or



Left, this spectacular diamond display is an eye-catching example of the revival of the three-stone engagement ring. Right, a new engagement ring design from Tiffany & Co., called Lucida, features a square-cut diamond and a smooth four-prong setting in either platinum or gold.

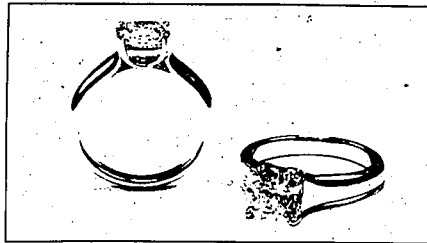
They might be combinations of diamonds with rubies, emeralds or sapphires.

These are most popular in rounds set on a plain band, according to the Diamond Information Center, the information arm of De Beers. The three stones can represent the past, present, and future, says the DIC, making it an appropriate choice for the millennium. It cites the three-diamond ring worn by Sophie Rhys-Jones, recent bride of England's Prince Edward, which features a central round brilliant-cut stone

flanked by two heart-shaped diamonds.

It might say something like "Forever Yours," or it could be the gem's grading report number. The use of diamond inscription on the gem's outside edge (called the girdle) has jumped 500 percent in the last year alone, says Thomas C. Yonelunas, chief executive officer of the Gemological Institute of America's Gem Trade Laboratory.

The laser engravings can be read only under magnification but offer a way to personalize



the diamond or identify its ownership and grade number. According to GIA, any diamond weighing one-quarter carat or more can be engraved.

At least one line, Keepsake Diamond Jewelry, laser inscribes the girdle on the center diamond of all its rings with its "K" logo, registration number, quality grade and carat size. Each buyer receives a Gemological Laboratory certificate with the ring. The company offers a variety of cuts and sizes set in gold, platinum or gold-platinum combinations.

Another way to slip a personal message onto an engagement ring has been developed by designer Tammy Kohl. Her hand-made Takohi Treasure Ring is two-banded, and the bands open like a locket to reveal an engraved message. Some models even include a hidden ring of gemstones. Styles include the Princess, with a square gem; the Round, a bezel-set gem; the Classic, a simple band; the Royale, which has a raised latch with three channel-set stones; and the Baguette, which has one gem serving as

the latch to open the ring. Why should the bride wear all the valuables?

Christian Bernard has come up with the Man's Diamond Engagement Watch, for the groom-to-be. It features a curved sapphire crystal with a quarter-to-half-carat diamond bezel set in the center. The back of the watch opens to reveal an engraved message or even a laser-engraved photo.

Wedding plans include plenty of dress-up jewelry for the bride and her party. Carolee is a good source for sparkling cubic zirconia, cultured or simulated pearls, and crystal, much of it set in sterling silver. Single or double-stranded cultured pearls are appropriate for the bride; CZ solitaire necklaces with coordinating earrings can be chosen in different cuts for the bridesmaids' ensembles.

## Nobody knows smooches better than Shakespeare

The Orlando Sentinel

Who knows more about kissing, who wrote more glowingly about it, than master of the pick-up line, the Bard of Bussing, Mr. William Shakespeare?

The answer, of course, is no one. Hereewith then, prithe find some of Shakespeare's thoughts on liplock:

Romeo, of course, was the quintessential Italian lady's man as he put the moves on Juliet ("Romeo and Juliet"):

"My lips, two blushing pilgrims, ready stand To smooth that rough touch with tender kiss."

Juliet taught the world how to play hard to get: "You kiss by the book."

But Romeo was a boy who hated to say goodbye: "Farewell, farewell! One kiss,

and I'll descend."

The aging, portly Falstaff liked a smooch, now and then; in "Doll Tearsheet," especially in "The Second Part of King Henry IV."

Falstaff: "Thou dost give me flattering busses."

Doll: "By my troth, I kiss thee with a most constant heart."

Falstaff: "I love thee better than I love e'er a scurvy young boy of them all."

Nobody can say that Falstaff didn't know how to approach women: "Kiss me, Doll."

Petruchio, wanting the quarrelsome Kate in "The Taming of the Shrew," was equally direct: "Kiss me, Kate."

Kate, for her part, wasn't into public displays of affection: "What, in the midst of the street?"

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## Famous first kisses, from captains to communists

The Orlando Sentinel

John C. Rice kissed May Irvin in 1896, and they became the first couple to be recorded kissing in the film called "The Kiss."

Agents Scully and Mulder rang in the millennium with a tender first kiss on the Fox television series, "The X-Files." The FBI agents had previously kissed, but those didn't count. Once Mulder kissed Scully, but Scully was a shape-shifter in disguise.

Capt. James T. Kirk, renowned throughout the universe for romancing alien babes, boldly went where no lesion had never gone before when under the control of alien telepathy he planted TV's first interracial kiss on Lt. Uhura in a "Star Trek" episode called "Plato's Stepchildren" in the series' last season (1968).

C.J. Lamb (Amanda

Donohoe) surprised Abby Perkins (Michelle Greene) in a restaurant parking lot in a 1991 episode of "L.A. Law," breaking ground in network TV with its first lesbian kiss.

Russian leader Leonid Brezhnev planted a wet one on President Jimmy Carter after a summit in Vienna, the first kiss between a communist head of state and a Georgia peanut farmer.

Ellen Morgan (Ellen DeGeneres) became TV's first openly gay series star to liplock with her significant other when she and Laurie (Lisa Darr), a single lesbian mother, smooched in an episode in October 1997.

Thriller Michael Jackson showed a hunk of burning love for his new bride Lisa Marie Presley in their first public kiss on the MTV Video Music Awards in September 1994.



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# Crying in the chapel: Everybody weeps, but why?

Chicago Tribune

## For crying out loud

As a child, Tom Lutz was well-acquainted with tears.

"I come from a weepy family," the author recalled during a recent interview. His father, a corporate executive, cried. His mother cried. And so did he. "Growing up, you just think your family's normal. Later, I became fascinated about why we wept. I used to think of crying as a sign of our great emotional maturity, a sign of our great intimacy. But, more and more, I came to see it also as a form of escape, as a sign the conversation was over, that the intimacy was bounded."

It was a paradox. The Lutzes, a family with German-Catholic roots, living on the East Coast, were so at ease with one another emotionally that they were willing to cry openly. But, once tears were shed, the situation moved away from words and rationally, and the crier, far from being the victim, had the upper hand.

If that sounds complex, it is. But then nothing about crying is simple, as Lutz discovered when he began researching his book "Crying: The Natural and Cultural History of Tears," newly published by Norton.

Weeping is a human trait. Only humans weep. Humans have always wept. Yet little is known for certain about why we cry. Or even what happens when we cry

17th-century French philosopher Rene Descartes believed that tears were a sort of rain, caused by condensation when hot blood came in contact with the cool winds that he theorized were the animating force inside the body.

In some parts of the ancient world, mourners would collect their tears in vials that were then sealed and buried with the dead.

In 1994, the ruling junta in Ethiopia declared it a crime for mothers to cry for their "disappeared" sons. Their fear was that such tears would lead to efforts to avenge the dead.

In a 1998 book, homeopath Peter Van Oosterium suggested that the cure for sadness is to drink a solution containing one's own tears.

17th-century philosopher Thomas Hobbes argued that crying is caused by powerlessness, and that a child cries more than adults, and women more than men.

— to our bodies, to our psyches. Or what it means when we cry.

"Weeping," Lutz writes, "often occurs at precisely those times when we are least able to fully verbalize complex, 'overwhelming' emotions, least able to fully articulate our manifold, mingled feelings."

So it's no surprise that it's difficult for us to put into words what's happening when our tears flow. Or why they're flowing.

"Tears are sometimes considered pleasurable or profound, and sometimes dangerous, mysterious, or deceptive," notes Lutz, 46, an English professor at the University of Iowa. "In all

Researcher William Fry discovered that tears contain 30 times the manganese found in the blood. Since autopsies of some chronic depressives have found concentrations of manganese in the brain, Fry concludes that crying may be a way of keeping depression at bay.

Tears, according to Shakespeare, are "women's weapons."

According to St. Thomas Aquinas, tears are enjoyable. Any action, he wrote, "that befits a man according to his actual disposition, is always pleasant to him. Now tears and groans are actions befitting a man who is in sorrow or pain; and consequently they become pleasant to him."

According to one study, the average American baby cries 4,000 times in the first two years of life — or about 5.5 times a day.

As many as a third of all U.S. infants suffer from colic, i.e., excessive crying. Some babies cry as many as 18 hours a day. Usually, infants grow out of the

not all. For example, in Montenegro in the early 1900s, men were expected to do the major weeping at funerals, even if they didn't know the deceased. Reporting on one such ceremony, an anthropologist wrote that the men "most likely did not know the poor boy's name and had to be coached in the details before beginning to wail, but within a minute or two they were sobbing bitterly. Coming home people compared notes as to who had cried best."

In 18th-century Europe, men who cried at the opera or symphony were honored for their sensitivity, their tears being seen

problem by age 1.

Behaviorist James B. Watson argued that excessive crying in infants is because of "too much mother love."

In Albert Camus' novel "The Stranger," the central character is convicted of murder because of testimony that, a week before the killing, he failed to cry at his own mother's funeral. Such seeming hardheartedness was enough to earn him the death penalty.

In 1963, Jacqueline Kennedy was widely praised for her bravery when she refrained from crying during her husband's funeral.

Daniel Webster cried at his own eloquence. "A burning tear drop that gathered in his eye, and trickled down his pale cheek, showed how deeply the orator himself was moved," wrote one reporter.

German poet Heinrich Heine noted that crying always comes to an end. "Whatever tears one may shed, one always blows one's nose."

— Source: Chicago Tribune

as proof of their moral worth. Expectations, of course, were much different in the mid-20th Century America of John Wayne where — the Lutzes to the contrary — crying was considered solely the preserve of women.

What would Wayne think of his action-hero descendant Bruce Willis who, at the emotional climax of "Armageddon," while saying goodbye to his daughter from the surface of an earth-threatening asteroid, lets a tear roll very wetly down his cheek before going off to save the world?

Yet, as Lutz notes, even at the height (or depth) of the men-

don't-cry era, men cried. "Lou Gehrig cried at his farewell speech in 1939, and Babe Ruth cried at Yankee Stadium in 1948 when it was announced that he had cancer. Mickey Mantle sobbed in the locker room when injuries kept him out of a World Series game in 1951."

And, four decades later, in another locker room, Michael Jordan wept as he cradled the NBA championship trophy, following the Chicago Bulls' first successful title run.

True, American males at the present turn of the century are far from blubbering weepers. But crying is much more acceptable for them than it would have been for their fathers. There's even a certain cachet attached to a judicious shedding of tears — a cachet that politicians have been quick to take advantage of in recent years.

In 1972, when Edmund Muskie cried while defending his wife's reputation during a campaign appearance in New Hampshire, he was promptly hounded out of that year's presidential race. One of his loudest critics was Robert Dole, then chairman of the Republican National Committee, who argued that Muskie's tears proved he lacked the emotional stability to lead the nation.

That was then. A quarter of a century later, it was Dole who was running for president and Dole who was weeping, seemingly at the drop of a hat.

## WEDDINGS

### SCHWARZ-YOST

EDEN — Xavria Schwarz and Keith Yost were married Aug. 7, 1999, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Eden.

Officiating was the Rev. Art Rasch from their home congregation of Bethlehem Lutheran in Kennewick, Wash.

Michael DeKeyser, the bride's godson, and Brooke and Ben Schultheisz, friends of the bride and groom, served as scripture readers. Grandmother Mary Schwarz shared an additional reading.

Anna Schwarz, aunt of the bride, was the organist. Leilani Anderson, college friend of the bride, was the soloist. Other music performed included the flautist, Kelly Ebel, college friend of the bride.

The bride is the daughter of Nina Schwarz of Twin Falls and Russell Schwarz of Eden.

Parents of the groom are Jelene Nelson of Boise and Joe Yost of Murtaugh.

Mandy and Lindi Schwarz, sisters of the bride, served as the bride's maids of honor. Other attendants included Casey Sizer, Emily Bernier, Noel Fairchild and Erika Augustine, all college friends and roommates of the bride.

Erich Kohtz, friend of the groom, served as best man. Other attendants included Ian Aberg and Steve Bachman, college friends of the groom, Kevin Yost, brother of the groom, and Kristen Furman, sister of the groom.

Farker and Seth Champlin, cousins of the bride, and Kohl Furman, nephew of the groom, served as young attendants. Mercy Tucker, Amanda Pennington and Karena Kohtz,



Keith and Xavria Yost

high school friends of the bride and groom, attended the guest book. Krystal and Blake Packer, cousins of the bride, served as acolytes.

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, Mary Schwarz of Eden and Oscar and Jane Myers of Twin Falls and grandmother of the groom, Laura Bridwell of Twin Falls.

A reception was held at the home of grandmother Mary Schwarz. Food and special preparations were done by Cindy Morrison and Toni Champlin, aunts of the bride, and Susan Schwarz, stepmother of the bride.

The bride is a graduate of Valley High School and Concordia University in Irvine, Calif. She is employed at Bethlehem Lutheran School as a fourth-grade teacher and principal intern for completion of her master's degree in administration.

The groom is a graduate of Valley High School and Boise State University. He is employed at Columbia Colisor as a human resource coordinator. The newlyweds reside in Kennewick, Wash.

### STANDLEY-SCHENK

TWIN FALLS — Lois J. Standley and Edward P. Schenk were married Jan. 1 at the First Baptist Church in Twin Falls.

They traveled to Cancun, Mexico, for a wedding trip. They plan to reside in Twin Falls.



Lois and Edward Schenk

## Bride's magazine targets growth

The Dallas Morning News

Planning a wedding? Or still just dreaming?

Either way, take a peek at the February/March 2000 issue of Bride's magazine. If you can lift it.

Filled with information about fashion trends, honeymoon hot spots, and, of course, those fairy tale gowns, the magazine weighs in at 4.8 pounds. Its left breaks a Guinness record for the largest consumer magazine for the third year in a row.

Traditionally, the February/March issue has been tricked because most weddings in the United States take place between May and October, says editor in chief Millie Martini

Bratten. So it serves brides-to-be as a wedding planner.

But the size of the magazine also reflects the trends and growing number of choices in the wedding industry, she says. And it doesn't hurt that, according to some wedding experts, 150,000 more couples than usual will say their vows in the United States in 2000.

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**ENGAGEMENTS**

**WEDDINGS**

**SHEA-MACDONALD**

PLANO, Texas - Ron and Carolyn Shea of Birmingham, Ala., announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Ann Shea, to Dr. Steven R. MacDonald, son of Robert J. MacDonald of Buhl and Patricia J. Caldwell of Shoshone. Shea is a graduate of Auburn University School of Nursing and is employed in Plano, Texas. MacDonald is a 1985 graduate of Twin Falls High School and a graduate of University of Idaho and Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago. He is in



Shannon Shea and Steven MacDonald practice in Plano. The wedding is planned for March 4.

**CHAMBERS-CORNETT**

JEROME - Cheri Chambers and David Bingham of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacy Lynn Chambers, to Kelly Wayne Cornett, son of Jack and Joy Cornett of Twin Falls. Chambers is a graduate of Amos Alonzo Stagg High School in Stockton, Calif. She is employed at Action Answering in Twin Falls. Cornett is a graduate of Mesa Verde High School in Citrus Heights, Calif. He is employed by the Jerome County Sheriff's Office in Jerome.



Stacy Chambers and Kelly Cornett. The wedding is planned for June 24.

**GRIFF-TUTTY**

TWIN FALLS - Ron and Janie Griff of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Kandis Lee Griff, to Jeremy Ian Tutty, son of Collette Tutty of Twin Falls and Daniel Tutty of Elko, Nev. Griff is a 1996 graduate of Filer High School and is a senior at University of Washington in Seattle, majoring in music and speech communications. Tutty is a 1996 graduate of Twin Falls Christian Academy and is a senior at Boise State University, majoring in physics and math.



Kandis Griff and Jeremy Tutty. The wedding is planned for Aug. 5 at the Twin Falls Reformed Church.

**KENISON-SMITH**

BURLEY - Darrel and Karen Kenison of Levan, Utah, announce the engagement of their daughter, Janna "Marie" Kenison, to Scott Daniel Smith, son of H. Art and Terri Smith of Burley. Kenison graduated with honors from Juab High School in 1996, and graduated from the LDS Seminary and received her Young Women's Recognition Award. She graduated at the top of the class as a licensed cosmetologist in May 1997 from the Bon Losee Beauty Academy. She has worked as a part-time instructor at the academy for the past year. She served on the executive council at Utah Valley State College Institute of Religion for two years. She served as director of service committee and then as director of international fellowships and graduated with a four-year certificate from the institute. She is working for United Parcel Service in Orem, Utah. Smith is Eagle Scout, graduated from Burley High School and the Burley LDS Seminary in 1995. He attended Idaho State University for a semester before serving a two-year Taiwan Taipei



Scott Smith and Janna Kenison. Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is majoring in international business at Utah Valley State College in Orem and is working for First Security Bank in Lehi, Utah. The couple will be married Friday in the Jordan River Temple in West Jordan, Utah. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday at the Levan LDS Church, 25 N. 100 E. in Levan. An open house is planned from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Feb. 11 in the Burley LDS 3rd and 7th Ward building, 2200 Oakley Ave.

**PHALEN-SCHUTTE**

TWIN FALLS - Jeana M. Phalen and Gannon J. Schutte will be married Aug. 19 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. Phalen, daughter of Janet and Joseph Phalen, grew up in Michigan, graduated in 1987 from Byron High School and attended Baker College in Owosso, Mich. She is currently living in Ogden, Utah, with her son, Jacob, and is employed at Glamour Glaze Window Tinting. Schutte, son of Hazel Schutte and James Schutte, grew up in Twin Falls and graduated from Twin Falls High School. He is



Jeana Phalen and Gannon Schutte employed at The Industrial Co. in Salt Lake City. The couple plans to move to Twin Falls with her son.

**TOLMAN-SEARLE**

BURLEY - Lyndee and Allyson Searle of Burley announce the engagement of their father, Jon Searle, to Ronda Tolman of Burley. Tolman is a teacher at Heyburn Elementary School in Heyburn. Searle is an insurance agent with Farmers Insurance Group. The couple will be married Thursday in the Bountiful LDS Temple in Bountiful, Utah. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 516 E. 16th St. in



Ronda Tolman and Jon Searle Burley. The family will reside in Burley.

**Anniversary or wedding planned?**

Let us know soon. The Time-News welcomes wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements.

Deadline to get them into Sunday's Family Life section is 5 p.m. on Tuesdays. Questions? Call Ramona Jones at 733-0931, Ext. 262.

**WEDDING**

**LIERMAN-REITON**

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Karen Gorman-Lierman and Charles Douglas Reiton were married Aug. 28, 1999, in a candlelight ceremony at the Mission Chapel of the University of Santa Clara. Officiating was the Rev. Carl Shue. Music was provided by the church choir. The bride is the daughter of Joe Gorman and the late Bessie Gorman. Parents of the groom are the late Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Reiton. Bridesmaids included Linda Gorman Adams of Twin Falls and Janet Gorman Redfield of Springfield, Ill., sisters of the bride. Jerold Reiton of San Jose, Calif., son of the groom, served as best man. Douglas Reiton of San Jose, son of the groom, was usher. A champagne reception was held in the University of Santa Clara gardens followed by a "sit down" brunch. Special guests included the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gorman of Twin Falls; Linda Gorman Adams of Twin Falls and Janet Redfield of Springfield, Ill., sisters of the bride; Marjorie Holmes of Hollywood, Calif., aunt of the bride; and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lierman and sons of Milpitas, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fischer of Campbell, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. James Fischer of Livermore, Calif., Sue



Karen and Charles Reiton. Ann Hall of Fremont, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Roessler of Fremont, all former residents of the Twin Falls area. Other guests included Claire Archibald of Redwood City, sister of the groom; and Mr. and Mrs. Jerold Reiton and Douglas Reiton of San Jose, sons of the groom. The bride is a 1962 graduate of Buhl High School and a 1987 graduate of the University of San Francisco with a bachelor of science degree in economics. She is employed as a vice president with San Jose National Bank. The groom is a 1957 graduate of San Jose State University in San Jose and a 1967 graduate of the University of Santa Clara with a juris doctorate. He is employed as a legal consultant by Hewlett-Packard. After a cruise of the inside passage of Alaska, the couple resides in San Jose.

**GROVER-JACKMAN**

IDAHO FALLS - Carrie Alice Grover and Troy M. Jackman were married Dec. 23, 1999, at the Idaho Falls Temple. The bride is the daughter of Samuel Deann and Eldena Grover of Auburn, Wyo. Parents of the bridegroom are Marlis and Janet Jackman of Kimberly. The bride and groom are graduates of Idaho State University. They met while attending the ISU College of Pharmacy. The newlyweds reside in Kimberly.



Troy and Carrie Jackman

**GUNNING -BALLHAGEN**

CALDWELL - Amy Elizabeth Gunning and Craig Jay Ballhagen were married Sept. 17, 1998, at the St. Chapelle Winery in Caldwell. Officiating was Judge Renae Hoff. Music was provided by George Thomson, pianist. The bride is the daughter of Susan Gunning of Boise and the late Gail C. Gunning. Parents of the bridegroom are Dr. and Mrs. Jay Ballhagen of Ronan, Mont. Katherine Diaz, sister of the bride, served as the bride's matron of honor. Bridesmaids included Anita Alvaro, friend of the bride, and Amy Kate Wiegand, Allison Skaggs and Aarlyn Skaggs, all cousins of the bride. Emily Diaz, niece of the bride, was the flower girl.



Amy and Craig Ballhagen. Jay Ballhagen, father of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen included Troy White, friend of the groom; Andrew Gunning, brother of the bride; and Donnell Wiegand, cousin of the bride. Austin Gunning was the ring-bearer. A reception was held following the ceremony. Serving was Berryhill Catering Co. The newlyweds reside in Boise.

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# Making moms look good for the wedding

NEW YORK (AP) — "You can be gorgeous at 20, charming at 40, and irresistible for the rest of your life," Coco Chanel once said. "She was speaking of a woman's worldliness, and it's something every mother of the bride — or groom — might take to heart."

Probably at no other time is she more so aware that her job as a parent is entering a different and diminished phase. And probably at no other time is she so aware that, despite her best efforts, her waist is thickening and the crow's feet are multiplying.

"Hey, Mom. Brush back the tears, spend a little time and money on yourself and look and feel irresistible! It's easier than you think because like so many, many bridal couples today are cutting parents out of the planning and footing at least some of the wedding bills."

Jerry and Marjorie Jaffe's only daughter, Bryce, is planning a July wedding, not in New York City where she was born and where her family still lives, but in Lake Tahoe, Calif.

If Marjorie was bothered at first, she's grateful now.

"I'm not sure where I fit in on the scale of being traditional or striking out in an individual way," she says. But she is sure that the changing role as mother of the bride "frees me from doing what I always thought 'should' be done."

The Jaffes have learned is that there are few "shoulds" in today's weddings, except perhaps to keep things practical.

Bryce, a former dancer now studying osteopathy, chose black for her attendants because it's a flattering color and the dresses can be worn later. For the same practical reason, she and her intended, Tyler Munson of Los

Gatos, Calif., gave their mothers free rein in their dress.

Such personal style is important and — yikes! — even separates are OK, according to stylists like Phillip Bloch, a current favorite of many stars. They fall into the practical category.

"Separates allow you to go for better things, so you can wear them forever," Bloch says.



The mother of the bride can look and feel beautiful on her daughter's special day with designer Bill Travilla's silver lame tunic and pleated skirt.

One look, if you can carry it off, is the little cashmere cardigan and camisole with a skirt. What kind of skirt? "Silks. Chiffons," he says. "Shantung is good for spring."

And why cashmere? Because it's a luxury item and, Bloch says, "you can throw it on over jeans later."

Ms. Jaffe, a youthful-looking size 4 with a few strands of gray in her long copper hair, would be an ideal candidate for the little cashmere sweater look. But she has

her own idea. "I plan to wear a flowing, feminine, form-fitting, bouncy and fun dress with a shawl, and high, sexy, strappy sandals," she says. "No hat, but perhaps flowers in my hair."

Mothers who are, uh, a little more substantial, have plenty of other fashion options. The New York design team of Mark Badgley and James Mischna offers a host of flattering frocks. So does the House of Travilla in Los Angeles that is carrying on the tradition of its designer and founder, Bill Travilla, who died in 1990. There are other designers, too, so shop until you find a comfortable fit for your body and your budget.

Travilla began as a costume designer in Hollywood, then a designer to the stars. It was he who created the white halter dress for Marilyn Monroe in "The Seven Year Itch." (The same dress she was wearing in the famous photo of the skirt fluttering in the updraft of a New York subway grate.)

Travilla's appeal was his ability to flatter the feminine form and his belief, often stated, that "femininity is the strongest weapon a woman can have."

William Sarris, president of the company, also credits his attention to detail, along with the signature accordion pleated skirts and pants in silk. "The deconstruction, whether square, rounded or plunged, frame and elongate women's necks and expose just the right amount of shoulder. The longer jackets and tunics softly hug the curves," he says.

Among typical designs for spring and summer weddings are pleated chiffon pipe-stem pants and lace tunic in pale blue and a pleated chiffon skirt and lace

tunic in peach.

Ms. Jaffe says that for her, shopping for an important event "is to envision an outfit to match the feeling of the occasion. I think about how I can look to express how I feel, and then I find the outfit."

Bloch has one last suggestion: Straight skirts slit at the side or back are sexy, and women of all ages can wear them. Just make sure to create a leggy look with sexy heels and skin-tone stockings — with control tops to flatten the tummy and corral the hips.

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**Bowled over**

FREDERICK, Md. (AP) — William C. Fair and his bowling partner, Deborah A. Jacobson, make a good team.

Not only did their team win the pre-nuptial match, 784 to 726, but then they got married, right in the bowling alley.

The two were wed in November on lanes 20 and 21 at Terrace Lanes Tenpin Center, briefly halting league play.

Before the ceremony, the bride and groom both bowled. Fair threw a 179 and nearly struck in a "turkey," or three strikes in a row. Ms. Jacobson scored a 157.

"Terrible," she said, "I usually do better."

The Rev. Robert J. Deifel performed the ceremony. "May every game end in a turkey now," he said when it was done.

After the ceremony, the bride and groom changed into bowling clothes and began another game.

**Bee'mine**

ST. LOUIS — Instead of leaving his bride at the altar on their wedding day, Danny Reid took her with him to the emergency room.

Just prior to their November ceremony, Reid and his groomsmen were sitting outside a home in the St. Louis suburb of Wildwood when Reid was stung by a bee. Reid, who is allergic to bee stings, was rushed to nearby St. Lukes-West Hospital.

The bride-to-be, Michelle Bourbonnau, and the 10 wedding attendants followed Reid to the hospital. So did about 100 wedding guests. The wedding party

and guests looked on as the hospital chaplain performed the ceremony. Reid lay on a hospital bed as the couple said, "I do."

"I thought that it was the end. I thought we weren't going to have it. Then they found a pastor here," Reid said after the ceremony.

Reid and his new wife stayed at the hospital Friday night. The two, who had been engaged a year, will postpone their honeymoon for now. "I wish it would have gone as we planned. But it was neat that everyone got to be there," he said.

**Just a small wedding**

RICKARDSVILLE, Iowa — Talk about your small weddings. The wedding party barely fit in the church.

Tricia Fay's father jokingly suggested that, since his daughter wanted a small wedding, she hold it in a 4-foot-by-8-foot display of a church at her grandfather's farm nearby. The little brown church with white trim and a cross sounded perfect.

"I get too nervous in front of lots of people," she said. "I'm a kind of hide-behind-everybody person."

Fay and Shawn Miller were married on a November Saturday at the church. They crowded in with a magistrate, the best man and maid of honor. About a dozen family friends crowded around the outside. "We were pretty stuffed in there," best man Jim Westphal said.

**Running off to get married**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Mike Meyer and Emma Larson got their marriage off to a real run-

ning start.

Before competing in the 10-kilometer Vulcan Run in Birmingham in November, the two gathered family and friends for a 6 a.m. wedding at a church near the starting line.

"Both of our mothers said, 'Wouldn't you like to do the run and then get married?'" Mrs. Meyer said. "Interestingly, the friends we ride with and run with didn't blink an eye. They expected something like that from us."

The couple, who met during a 100-mile bicycle ride while both were living in Arizona, said they wanted a nontraditional ceremony that would reflect their lifestyles. The two have lived in Birmingham for about four years.

Many of those attending the wedding wore jogging suits, planning to run in the marathon later. Mrs. Meyer said about half of the respondents to the invitations indicated they planned to participate in the run.

"Why would we come here at 6 o'clock in the morning?" asked pastor David Rockwood. "We must all be crazy, and the rest of you must be insane."

Mrs. Meyer's mother said the pre-race ceremony was "kind of an unusual idea, but they love sports — cycling and running — so it fits right in with their lifestyle. It's a good choice for them."

Mrs. Meyer continued to wear her veil for the race. Daughter Lindsey participated in the marathon too, pushed alternately by her grandmothers.

The Meyers began the race together, but separated soon afterward. "We talked about that," Meyer said. "We run pret-

ty different speeds. She didn't want me to run with her."

**A lesson well-taught**

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Teacher Jay-Scott Moylan grabbed his colleague Lynn Stephy, bent her backward and kissed her hard, in front of a room full of students.

After all, it's traditional for a groom to kiss his bride. Moylan and Stephy were married in an October ceremony at Gold Coast Community School, a campus for students in grades 7 through 12.

"We're calling it an assembly. We have assemblies all the time," the bride said brightly. "It's a human values assembly."

"The students are going to revel in this," said former principal Patricia Mandigo. She suggested the wedding last spring while still at the school. "They don't see enough of this. When we talk about the school being a family, this is a family affair."

"I almost started to cry," said student Jennifer Whetzel. "They're going to be together forever."

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