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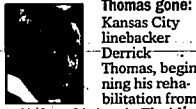
First-prize cook: This Jerome cook has chicken recipes that are real winners.

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Thomas gone: Kansas City linebacker Derrick Thomas, beginning his rehabilitation from spinal cord injury in Florida, died suddenly Tuesday.

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Overdue bill: A revised employer liability bill now deserves approval from the Idaho Legislature, today's editorial says.

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Animal rules move ahead

Panel set to receive regulations governing pig, chicken operations

By Michael Journee
Times-News writer

BOISE — Rules designed to regulate big pig and chicken factories and their waste are rolling along in both houses of the Legislature.

The House Agricultural Affairs Committee Tuesday gave the rules a unanimous yes vote. Next stop: the House floor.

A Senate subcommittee, assigned to examine the Division of Environmental Quality's rules,



is scheduled to report to the Senate Resources and Environment Committee today. That committee will eventually make a decision on whether to endorse the rules as well, then pass the measure to the full

Senate. A committee vote is possible today, but not certain.

The House committee's vote came six days after a public hearing in front of a joint House committee and a Senate subcommittee, in which speakers voiced little support for the DEQ's rules.

"I was kind of surprised by the vote," said Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, chairman of House Ag Affairs, who chaired last week's hearing and Tuesday's committee meeting. "I expected some opposition, given all the testi-

mony against the rules last week." Testimony last week focused mainly on the inability of the rules to protect the environment from the huge pig operations, such as the 50,000-sow operation proposed for eastern Cassia County by Big Sky Farms. But legislators said additional legislation will build on the restrictions laid out by the rules.

"It's just a beginning," said Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome.

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A few hundred Medicaid recipients and supporters rally Tuesday at the Idaho Statehouse for state subsidized health care.

NEW SCOUT CAMP



Lee Helder, right, and Dan Olmstead enjoy the view at Murtaugh Lake. Helder is a volunteer with the Boy Scouts and was instrumental in buying a parcel of land on the lake for a new Boy Scout camp. Olmstead is with Idaho Power which donated a large sum of money to the project.

IP helps with Murtaugh site

Power company donation assists in replacing old Camp Roach

By N.S. Nokkewer
Times-News writer

MURTAUGH — It's just a muddy field on the south shore of Murtaugh Lake.

But on this warm February afternoon, with snow glistening on the Albion mountains in the background, it's not hard to envision a grassy area dotted with trees, tents and Boy Scouts.

Last year most of it was a bean field, but with the help of Idaho Power Co., the Snake River Council of the Boy Scouts of America have bought the 70 lake-side acres.

Scouting and Idaho Power officials announced the deal

Tuesday, which was the Boy Scouts of America's 90th anniversary. Idaho Power handed over a corporate donation of \$200,000 to help with the purchase and construction of the new camp.

Jim Miller, a senior vice president at Idaho Power, said the donation was "a good thing for us to do," and the company looks at it as an investment in the future.

But the check passing Tuesday was only ceremonial, the money had already changed hands and the deal had been closed. And the scouts already have a permit from the county to build the camp.

The new camp at Murtaugh Lake will replace Camp Roach at Banbury Springs, which the scouts had leased from Idaho Power since the 1950s.

The company canceled the lease last year because it needed the area for wetland restoration in connection with the renewal of the federal licenses for its hydroelectric facilities on the Snake River.

Since then, the scouts have been looking for a new location, council President Steven A. Tuff, a Burley lawyer, said. They were looking for someplace nearby, but not too expensive and accessi-

ble year-round.

Through an intermediary, Lee Heider, a volunteer with the Snake River Council, located the 70-acre parcel at Murtaugh Lake, and the Boy Scouts bought the land from farmer David Moyes for \$289,000.

Current low farm prices contributed to his decision to sell the parcel, Moyes said.

"You can't operate for very long with today's prices," he said. So when the opportunity came along, he took it. He had long felt the land was suitable for some kind of development other than farming.

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Vandals hit Internet sites for second consecutive day

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a dramatic demonstration of the Internet's vulnerabilities, electronic vandals disrupted some of the Web's most popular sites Tuesday using dozens of powerful computers to spew out a crippling flood of false data.

Internet sites under unprecedented attack included those of eBay, Amazon and CNN, all in assaults similar to one that overwhelmed Yahoo! a day earlier.

A fifth prominent Internet company, Buy.Com, also was crippled for hours earlier Tuesday in a similar attack against its Web site. Amazon.Com Inc. said in a statement that its site was inaccessible for more than one hour late Tuesday because a "large

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amount of junk traffic" was aimed at the company's computers, trying them up and preventing nearly all its customers from making purchases.

All the companies said hackers did not gain access inside their computers or retrieve information about their customers.

CNN said its Web site was "seriously affected." eBay Inc., with more than 10 million customers, said engineers were working into the evening Tuesday to try to restore service to its site, after hackers tried to overwhelm its computers. Some people couldn't enter the Web site at all, while others were able to reach some of its pages.



Vietnam veteran Alfred Rascon receives his Medal of Honor Tuesday at the White House.

Mexican immigrant's son receives top honor

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — His Army uniform aglow with ribbons and his eyes trained on the floor, Alfred Rascon seemed embarrassed to be at the White House on Tuesday receiving lavish praise — much less America's highest military honor.

Only after President Clinton draped the Medal of Honor around his neck did a smile play across Rascon's face. He had glanced at the men he covered with his body in a Vietnamese jungle 34 years ago to absorb grenade blasts and shrapnel that would have killed him and almost killed him.

"The honor is not really mine,"

"This man gave everything he had, utterly and selflessly, to protect his fellow-man and the nation he was still not a citizen of."

— President Clinton

Rascon said. "It ends up being those who were with me that day." He asked the guys from his platoon to stand up, and they did, tears welling in their eyes. The former Army medic accepted his

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THE REGION

Camas Prairie

High: 39 Low: 19
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of snow. Same Thursday, high 36.

Treasure Valley

High: 46 Low: 28
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain or snow. Cloudy Thursday, chance of rain or snow, high 46.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 38 Low: 18
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain or snow. Cloudy Thursday, chance of snow, high 35.

Eastern Idaho

High: 40 Low: 22
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain or snow. Cloudy Thursday, chance of snow, high 35.

Northern Idaho

High: 39 Low: 23
Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain or snow. Mostly cloudy Thursday, chance of snow, high 34.

Northern Utah

High: 48 Low: 36
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain or snow. Cloudy Thursday, rain likely, high 42.

Northern Nevada

High: 47 Low: 26
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain or snow. Cloudy Thursday, chance of snow, high 43.

MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today

High: 48 Low: 28
Cloudy, light winds, chance of rain. Chance of snow tonight.

Thursday

High: 43 Low: 26
Cloudy with good chance of rain or snow.

Friday

High: 40s Low: 20s
Partly cloudy.

Saturday

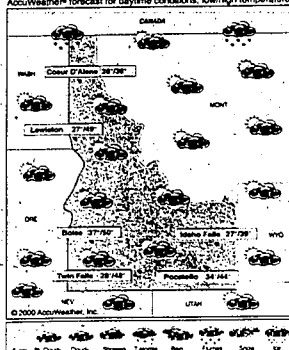
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Partly cloudy with chance of rain/snow.

Sunday

High: 40s - Low: 20s
Partly cloudy with chance of rain/snow.

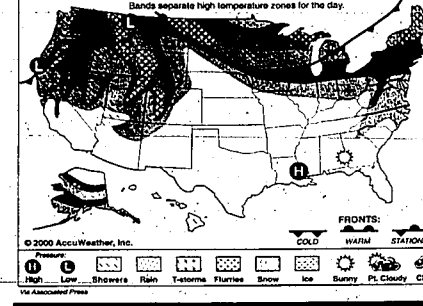
Idaho weather

Wednesday, Feb. 9



National weather

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Wednesday, Feb. 9



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YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation	Yesterday	59	31	Yesterday in Twin Falls	23
Last year	55	32	Month to date:	.....	30		
Normal	41	22	Normal mo. to date:	.....	2.08		
			Water year to date:	.....	4.44		
			Normal year to date:	.....		

Idaho

Boise	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho High	low	not available
Burley	59	30	Nations High <td>low <td>not available</td> </td>	low <td>not available</td>	not available
Coeur d'Alene	37	.....	.....	
Grangeville	m	.....	.....	
Hagerman	55	28	.....		
Idaho Falls	37	17	.....		
Lewiston	49	37	.....		
Madia	24	.....	.....	
Malla	61	32	.....		
McCall	41	21	.....		
Pocatello	50	26	.....		
Salmon	28	12	.....		
Stanley	45	12	.....		
Sun Valley	43	19	.....		

Highs/Lows

Boise	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho High	low	not available
Burley	59	30	Nations High <td>low <td>not available</td> </td>	low <td>not available</td>	not available
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McCall	41	21			
Pocatello	50	26			
Salmon	28	12			
Stanley	45	12			
Sun Valley	43	19			

Comfort factors

Noon humidity: 100
Noon barometer: 30.24

Pollen and mold counts:

The reporting season has ended for the year. Allerga & Allegra of Idaho returns in March.

The Nation

Albuquerque	Max	Min	Pcp
Anchorage	61	32	.....
Atlanta	59	27	.01
Boston	55	38	.....
Chicago	33	11	.....
Denver	69	44	.....
Des Moines	61	31	.....
Detroit	48	20	.....
Honolulu	82	66	.....
Houston	73	54	.....
Indianapolis	40	21	.....
Kansas City	56	22	.....
Las Vegas	66	49	.....
Los Angeles	71	51	.....
Memphis	59	37	.....
Miami Beach	68	64	.35
Minneapolis	38	8	.....
New Orleans	62	41	.....
New York	32	27	.....
Oklahoma City	67	33	.....
Omaha	60	33	.....
Portland, Ore.	56	33	.....
Portland, Me.	53	44	.57
St. Louis	64	38	.....
San Antonio	62	26	.....
San Francisco	58	47	.02
Seattle	49	46	.94
Spokane	43	33	.....
Washington	76	59	.....
Wichita	34	29	.....

Canadian Cities

Montreal	Max	Min	Pcp
Montreal	49	25	.....
Ottawa	29	2	.....
Vancouver	52	43	.....

Crash probe will focus on possible broken piece

PORT HUENEME, Calif. (AP) — The Navy will try to find a piece that may have broken off the Alaska Airlines plane as Flight 261 began its fatal plunge into the Pacific Ocean, the National Transportation Safety Board chief said Tuesday. A loud noise heard on the cockpit voice recorder corresponds to radar signals picked up when the MD-83 begins its final dive into the sea with 88 people aboard, NTSB Chairman Tim Hall said at a news conference in Washington, D.C. Radar showed what could have been parts of the aircraft carried by the wind up to 2.5 minutes after the plane struck the water. The Navy will search an area four miles from the main wreckage, where investigators believe any pieces might have landed, Hall said.

In other developments:
* Officials revealed that the MD-83 had two "maintenance write-ups" late last year for problems with its horizontal stabilizer, the winglike piece of equipment on the jetliner's tail that is the focus of the crash investigation. In October, the system was checked and the plane returned to service. A month later, mechanics replaced a switch. It was unknown what prompted the concerns, and Hall did not elaborate.
* The Navy on Monday night recovered two parts of the horizontal stabilizer, including an eight-foot section.
* The NTSB described the final minutes of the flight, when the plane abruptly dropped 7,000 feet and leveled off before free-falling nearly 18,000 feet in one minute.

Animal

Bell, a member of the Agricultural Affairs committee, said restrictions beyond what the rules provide are needed, especially measures that provide significant local control over plant siting and regulation. But she also said the Legislature must be careful in regulating the industry. "Nobody really wants pigs," Bell said. But if counties are to have any

control over the situation, the adoption of the rules are a must, she said.
"And I don't think we want to close the doors totally to what might be out there. But we have to have the rules to keep from having a disaster," she said.

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Honor

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medal and saluted the commander in chief who presented it. It was a glorious moment long denied to Rascon, 54, the son of Mexican immigrants, who joined the Army out of love for his adopted homeland. I... was not yet a U.S. citizen when he went to Vietnam. But when, recovered from his wounds, he returned to Vietnam later in the war, it was as an American.
"This man gave everything he had, utterly and selflessly, to protect his platoon mates and the nation he was still not yet a citizen of," Clinton said. "You have honored us by your choice to become an American... Thank you for reminding us that being an American has nothing to do with the place of your birth, the color of your skin, the language of your parents or the way you worship God."

Rascon is not the first immigrant to receive the Medal of Honor. Immigrants received one in five of the 3,427 medals authorized since the honor was created in 1861. There are 166 living Medal of Honor recipients. Within days of his battlefield bravery, Rascon was recommended for the Medal of Honor by the men he saved. The paperwork was a lost, as Clinton said, "in a thick of red tape," and Rascon received the Silver Star instead.
"But it wasn't what we had written up," one of the men, Ray Compton, told reporters Tuesday. "Neither one of us would be here today if it hadn't been for Al. Maybe not in his own eyes, but in our eyes, he's a hero. No doubt about it."
Compton said he wasn't aware that Rascon never received the honor until, in 1993, he asked Rascon what it was like to have the Medal of Honor. Rascon replied that he didn't know. Compton, fellow platoon member Neil Haffey and Larry Gibson and other veterans sought to correct the oversight.

Shots fired at Idaho officer

ST. MARIES (AP) — One man was in custody and police searched for a second after shots were fired Tuesday at an Idaho Fish and Game officer who stopped to check on what appeared to be a disabled vehicle. The Benewah County sheriff's department would not immediately release the man's identity or details of his capture. The officer was not injured but several shots struck his vehicle, Fish and Game spokesman Rod Parker said. The officer, who was not immediately identified, had stopped to check on what appeared to be abandoned or disabled when two men appeared and shots were fired, Parker said.

Medicaid

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Medicaid spending in the 2000-2001 budget is 8.1 percent higher than the spending for this year. That, he said, shows there is no reduction in support. But that calculation did not include the emergency money state lawmakers are adding to this year's budget to meet the escalating cost-of-the-program. Once that additional cash is figured in, the overall increase is just 1.2 percent, half the amount the governor's own budget shows as needed to cover medical inflation. At the heart of the debate is Kempthorne's proposal to avoid \$26 million of the projected cost escalation in the 2000-2001 budget — \$7.5 million of that in state money and the rest from the federal government — by what administration officials call efficiencies. Driving the decision is the fact that just since 1995, the state's share of Medicaid costs, just under a third, have soared 83 percent to \$176 million.

Firms develop pills to take just weekly, not once a day

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
The flashpoint among the cost-cutting options being reviewed by the subcommittee is a proposal to give the state authority over what services developmentally disabled people receive under Medicaid. Beneficiaries have been told it would slash, and even eliminate, services for some of them, and that has generated thousands of individual protests to lawmakers. The move to once-a-week drugs is intended to make medications more convenient and to make sure people take their pills, particularly the elderly, who often are prescribed many drugs for chronic illnesses. "History tells us the drugs with the better formulations that are more patient-friendly win hands down," said Steve Arlington, head of pharmaceutical research at the consulting firm PriceWaterhouseCoopers. Some pharmacy experts caution that people may have trouble remembering to take their drugs if the medication is not part of a daily routine.

Scouts

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He has farmed the area since 1972. The Boy Scouts camp will probably be as good a neighbor as anyone could hope, he said. Moyes has been a scout and a scout leader, and supports what they do and the values they try to instill, he said. "I think it'll be a good addition to the area," Moyes said. The new camp will serve more than 10,000 scouts and leaders. But buying the land was only the beginning, Tuft said. The scouts need help from the community to complete the camp — money, gifts in-kind of materials or labor. The basic elements of the camp — showers, restrooms, a few cabins and other facilities — will take \$300,000, he said. The scouts also are planning to build a \$200,000 endowment fund to cover maintenance of the camp. The fund-raising campaign named "Briek-Buy-Briek" will get the donors name on a brick for \$20 each donation, Tuft said. Though some said it would be three years before scouts would be camping at Murtough Lake, the scouts plan to be out there camping this summer, Heider said. Immediate plans call for planting grass, some trees, and putting in showers and restrooms. But that's just to get started. Other plans include a rifle range, rappelling tower, an amphitheater, a softball field, basketball court and maybe someday a swimming pool. The camp facilities also would include an indoor dining lodge and a training building. But most important is an area devoted to camping for campers where local scouts can camp overnight, telling stories around a campfire, Heider said. The camp will offer a chance for boys to develop character from their leaders, he said. It will be a place to learn how to sharpen a knife or use a compass, a place to learn the values of scouting. "This camp is dedicated to the boys of the Magic Valley," he said. *Times-News writer N.S. Nakkentved can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 237, or by e-mail nls@magicvalley.com*

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CORRECTIONS
GOODING — The Times-News incorrectly reported the year that the fair theme, "Saddle Up to a New Century," will be used. The theme will be used for the 2000 Gooding County Expo. The Times-News regrets the errors.

NATION

'Smurfing' attack cripples Yahoo!

WASHINGTON (AP) - The brazen electronic attack that for hours crippled Yahoo! among the most popular sites on the Internet, illustrates the unique threats faced by online companies.

Unlike their brick-and-mortar counterparts, a single attack using remotely controlled "zombie computers" can effectively shut down every Web storefront of an entire corporation.

Yahoo! Inc. President Jeff Mallet confirmed Tuesday that the FBI is investigating the sabotage and will meet with engineers over the next few days.

Mallet said the company, which makes most of its money from Internet advertising, does not anticipate a serious financial impact. In fact, its stock rose more than 5 percent Tuesday, or \$19.13, to close at \$373.13.

Among the Internet under-

ground, where craving for publicity often fuels dramatic attacks against high-profile computers, no one claimed responsibility.

"This is unfortunately one of the outcroppings of being a leading communications medium company," Mallet said. "Bad people do bad things. It's going to continue to happen, (but) the penalties are pretty severe."

Mallet and technical experts believe that about 50 powerful computers were hacked across the United States - a fairly trivial task - and instructed simultaneously to send falsified data to "routers" on the Internet that, in turn, were fooled into flooding Yahoo!'s Web site with electronic signals.

Mallet estimated that during the attack's peak, Yahoo! was drowning in one gigabit of incoming data every second.

"Most sites don't get that in a

year," spokeswoman Diane Hunt said. "That's an incredible amount."

The attack, known as "smurfing," was extraordinary because of Yahoo!'s high profile as the Web's most popular site and because the vandals apparently had hacked into so many computers with ultra-fast Internet connections to launch the assault. Yahoo! is worth roughly \$93 billion, and its flagship Web directory handles 36 million visitors each month.

"This was a very big denial of service attack," said Jonathan Plonka, vice president of information technology engineering at GlobalCenter, which provides Yahoo!'s Internet connection. Such attacks are similar to pranksters repeatedly dialing a company's telephone number to block all other incoming calls.

Deutch to give up security clearance

WASHINGTON (AP) - John Deutch, the former CIA director who lost his access to agency secrets last summer for violating security rules, volunteered Tuesday to give up his Defense Department industrial security clearances.

Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said the clearances would be withdrawn in line with Deutch's wish.

On Monday, Defense Secretary William Cohen said the Pentagon was considering pulling Deutch's clearances but believed it needed to weigh legal considerations before taking any action against him.

The actions are highly unusual and result from the CIA's discovery last summer that Deutch had downloaded classified documents into his unsecured home computer, in violation of security rules, while he was head of

the agency.

Deutch previously had been deputy secretary of defense. He spent 38 years in public service

before leaving the CIA in December 1996. He has not been accused of compromising Pentagon or CIA secrets.

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Electability helps Bush, military record aids McCain

The Associated Press

Perceived electability in November vaulted George W. Bush to victory Tuesday in Delaware's Republican presidential primary, but voters admiring John McCain for his prisoner-of-war ordeal helped him finish a surprising second, an exit poll found.

Although McCain didn't campaign in Delaware, he gained 44 percent of his support there in the week since his 18-point victory over Bush in New Hampshire's GOP primary. Steve Forbes gained more than half his support in the past week but that still left him only a disappointing third-place finish. Nearly three-quarters of Bush backers said they decided earlier this year or before.

While those results suggest McCain is riding momentum out of New Hampshire, six in 10 voters said Bush would be most likely to beat the Democratic nominee, and nearly three-quarters of them voted for the Texas governor. McCain did at least as well among the 1 in 4 who said he was more electable. Just 7 percent said Forbes

would be most likely to win in November, according to results from a Voter News Service exit poll for The Associated Press and television networks. Only a third of Forbes voters considered him electable in November.

Twelve percent of voters said the most important candidate quality was that he can win in November, and nearly all of them voted for Bush.

Robert French, 68, of Lewes, said he backed Bush because "I think he's the candidate that can get elected, and he has all the right philosophies as far as I'm concerned."

Nearly half of voters said McCain's military record — he spent 5.5 years as a prisoner of war in Vietnam — was important to their vote. McCain won 60 percent of those who said it was very important and a third of those who said it was somewhat important.

McCain also did well among voters who said it was important that a candidate stands up for what he believes, and he appeared to gain some backing for his push for campaign finance reform.

Gore: Bradley will endanger Medicare

PEMBROKE PINES, Fla. (AP) — Reprising what once was dubbed "Medi-scare," Vice President Al Gore claimed an unlikely ally in Republican presidential candidate John McCain Tuesday and told Florida senior citizens that Bill Bradley would endanger Medicare.

"McCain and I have in common putting money from the surplus into Medicare and keeping it from being drawn down when the baby boomers retire," Gore told reporters as he flew to Florida, which holds its primary on March 14. "Bradley would not put a penny into this," Gore said, trying to create a political predicament for his Democratic primary opponent. It is akin to the situation that led Republican Bob Dole to charge President Clinton

and Gore with "Medi-scare" in the 1996 election campaign.

"In a state like Florida, with its larger-than-average Medicare population, this is going to be an even more difficult issue for (Bradley) to deal with," Gore predicted.

Was he running the same plays against Bradley that worked against Dole? Gore grinned slightly, shrugged, returned to his forward cabin aboard Air Force Two to finish boning up on the statistics his staff had compiled for his afternoon speech at the Century Village residential community.

2.8 million Floridians depend on Medicare, most of them senior citizens who are reliably active voters.

Over the next 25 years, the

number of senior citizens here is expected to more than double.

Gore's budget proposal reserves \$256 billion of the projected 10-year surplus to shore up Medicare for the aging baby boomer generation. Bradley, noting that the Medicare Trust Fund is already in good shape through

at least 2015, argues that universal health insurance is a more urgent priority for surplus funds.

Bradley's proposal also would replace Medicaid with health insurance subsidies for low-income Americans and give everyone a tax break on the money they spend on premiums.

Study says child care issues remains a critical problem

WASHINGTON (AP) — Affordable, quality health care remains a critical problem for millions of families, a new study concluded Tuesday. The results came a day after President Clinton submitted a proposal for \$1.1 billion in child care aid.

Lawmakers cited the report by the National Council of Jewish Women in urging expansion of child-care efforts.

"We need to do better by our children and families," said Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La.

The report by the 90,000-member organization looked at obstacles families face in finding child care. The study, which compiled recent child-care research, urges both the public and private sectors to work toward better access and affordable, quality care.

The survey came a day after the release of President Clinton's fiscal 2001 budget, which seeks \$1.1 billion for child-care and development block grants to states, an increase of \$573 million. The grants are the primary source of child-care subsidies for poor families.

Clinton also wants new tax credits for businesses building or expanding child-care programs for workers, an investment of \$42 million next year and \$1.4 billion for the decade.

The report found that in 15 states, the average cost of day care for 4-year-olds can be nearly twice the annual cost of college tuition.

"For most working parents, searching for child care is like running an Olympic track race — every hurdle they leap is followed by another," said Jan Schneiderman, president of the organization.

The struggle is just as evident for child-care workers, according to the report. The Bureau of Labor Statistics says the average annual salaries of janitors and nurses are higher than those of child-care workers.

Almost one-third of child-care workers leave their jobs each year because of money, said Rep. Connie Morella, R-Md. "They get paid less than they would at a fast-food place slinging hamburgers."

Medical examiner takes oath against police officers

ALBANY, N.Y. — Several of the police bullets that hit Amadou Diallo struck him as he was falling or was on the ground, with one slug entering the bottom of his shoe, a medical examiner testified Tuesday at the murder trial of four New York City officers.

The trial of the four white officers has focused on whether they thought the unarmed West African immigrant was a threat when they fired at him in the vestibule of his apartment building in the Bronx last year.

Using morgue photos and testifying in sometimes grassy detail, Dr. Joseph Cohen showed jurors how the 19 bullets crisscrossed Diallo's body from chest to toe.

Cohen said Diallo would have been paralyzed early in the shoot-

ing by a bullet that pierced his aorta and damaged his spinal cord. He said the same bullet would have caused Diallo to fall within two seconds.

By the time the last of 41 shots had been fired, another bullet had entered the bottom of Diallo's right shoe and exited the top of a toe, Cohen said. He said several other bullets entered Diallo's body while he was falling or already down.

Kenneth Boss, 28, Sean Carroll, 36, Edward McMellon, 27, and Richard Murphy, 27, could get 25 years to life in prison if convicted.

Their lawyers claim Diallo ignored police orders to halt, then pulled out a black wallet that appeared to be a gun.

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Ketchum City Council seeks pause — declares moratorium on tall buildings

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — Declaring an emergency, the City Council declared a 120-day moratorium on tall, boxy, bulky buildings Monday night.

Councilwoman Christina Potters called it a "pause" until city planners can complete Ketchum's Comprehensive Plan. They hope to finalize the plan by April.

"It's a pause, a time for reevaluation," she said. "I don't see why a pause is such a frightening thing. It's a prudent thing to do instead of turning around later and saying, 'Oh, what did we do!'"

The moratorium doesn't affect four projects already in the pipeline — the Christiania, Cimarron, The Peaks or the Ketchum Hotel, a mega-hotel to be built on the site of the Clarion Inn.

The action comes as downtown Ketchum is experiencing an unprecedented building boom and as city planners prepare to put the finishing touches on Ketchum's Comprehensive Plan.

About 230,985 gross square feet in new development — which would increase downtown Ketchum by a third — has been

approved since city planners began revising the Ketchum Comprehensive Plan in April 1997.

Developers have been pushing the envelope, asking for larger 40-foot-tall buildings. In 1997 downtown contained 922,200 square feet.

"Previously, I could walk outside my door and appreciate why I live here — the mountains. Now I walk outside my door and see mammoth-art galleries," said Ketchum resident Dick Weinbel, who is in the shadow of the new Gail Severn gallery.

Ketchum Realtor Linda Baddell argued against the emergency ordinance. Restricting the size of buildings limits space, prompting rents to increase, she said.

Ketchum businessman Henry Dean agreed there was no need for an emergency ordinance because there isn't an imminent peril to the welfare of the community. Dean summed it up as a knee-jerk reaction to the Gail Severn Gallery and First Bank of Idaho buildings, which some think are too bulky.

Potters said she had received numerous phone calls from constituents questioning the increased shadows and ice the big downtown buildings are causing.

She said there's a sense of dissatisfaction out there — people don't want to see these kinds of buildings going up. They want to keep the character of the town, she said.

Councilman Maurice Charlat pressed for the emergency ordinance to include big bulky buildings that are in the pipeline but have not been approved. Of the four, only the Christiania developers have put much work into their plans so far, he was told.

Charlat said the emergency regulations should apply to everything.

"The line needs to be drawn and it needs to be drawn now and the people who want to build 40-foot buildings need to hear it," Charlat said.

Councilman David Hutchinson, however, said he felt changing rules in midstream was unfair, even if it were not illegal.

Hutchinson and Hall voted in favor of an emergency ordinance excluding the buildings currently in the pipeline. Potters and Charlat voted against it. Mayor Guy Coles voted with Hutchinson and Hall to break the tie.

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KETCHUM — Ketchum residents will get a chance in March to say whether they support, or oppose, spending their money to replace the Broadway Bridge.

The Ketchum City Council decided Monday night to replace the closed bridge at a cost of up to \$280,000, provided the 84 property owners who live on Broadway, Sunnyside and Exhibition boulevards are willing to belly up 40 percent of the cost.

That share would pencil out to up to \$112,000, or \$1,333-per property owner.

Property owners will be allowed to voice their preference at a protest meeting to be held in March. The local improvement district project takes a simple majority of support to move forward. Three-fourths of residents would need to be opposed to stop the project.

Residents Monday spoke for and against the bridge project, and encouraged the city to pay the entire cost.

It's just a matter of upkeeping city facilities, resident Kate Wright said.

"I don't complain when you fix streets in another part of Ketchum I never go to," she added.

Council member Christina Potters said she believes the bridge needs to be replaced for safety's sake, especially since the area is a hazardous avalanche zone. The city should pay for almost the entire project, if not all of it, she added.

Council members Randy Hall and Maurice Charlat said they didn't believe all Ketchum taxpayers should pay for something that

benefits a few people. Very few places in Ketchum have dual access over the river, Charlat noted, and the fire department stopped using the Broadway Bridge years before it was closed, due to concerns about its safety.

"We owe it to fiscal responsibility to work out an arrangement with homeowners," Charlat added. "My gut feeling is that a bridge is necessary, but I don't believe the

council will support it 100 percent because we haven't been shown it's 100 percent necessary," council member David Hutchinson said.

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Consent bill sails through House panel

BOISE (AP) — Carefully timed, evenly divided testimony made little difference as a House committee overwhelmingly endorsed legislation requiring parental or judicial consent for most abortions performed on minors.

State Affairs members voted 19-2 on Tuesday for the Senate-passed bill that Gov. Dirk Kempthorne already has vowed to sign into law. Only Democrat Wendy Jaeger of Ketchum and Republican Ruby Stone of Boise opposed the measure that amounts to a fine-tuning of a bill that then-Gov. Phil Batt vetoed two years ago.

Final legislative approval in the House was a foregone conclusion.

Almost 2.5 hours of testimony Tuesday mirrored what the committee's Senate counterpart heard almost two weeks ago as that panel only narrowly endorsed the bill, 5-4. The full Senate then voted 23-12 for the proposal largely drafted by Republican Rep. Bill Sali of Meridian and Kempthorne's attorney, Michael Bogert.

Backing the bill Tuesday were representatives of such groups as the Idaho Christian Coalition, Idaho Family Forum and the Catholic Church.



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OPINION

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EDITORIAL

Employer liability bill now deserves Legislature's OK

The Idaho Legislature is still trying to put a lid on a can of worms opened by the Idaho Supreme Court in 1998.

Back then, the high court found that an employer could be held liable for the wrongful acts of a former employee. This has subsequently been interpreted to include current employees who are off-duty.

Until the Legislature spells out the extent of liability in these cases, employers could be held to the same standards that apply to errant employees who are actually on the job. A bill to clarify the issue died last year amid complaints that it was too broad. This year, a more precisely written version is wending its way through the Statehouse.

The Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry and the Idaho Liability Reform Coalition have done their homework and crafted a bill that should be acceptable to all. It deserves to become law.

Perhaps the biggest obstacle is opposition from the Idaho Trial Lawyers Association. That's because trial lawyers, as a group, are the ones who profit most from lawsuits. Trial lawyers are the agents of people with an axe to grind, but, too often, the motivation of attorneys and their clients is simple greed. That is what has transformed America into such a sue-happy society.

One of the men who killed last year's bill, Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, is a lawyer. Smith also is an honorable man who worked with the bill's sponsors to craft an acceptable compromise. Thus, Smith is one of the most powerful advocates a bill can have: a former opponent who has become a supporter.

The bill currently under consideration would place reasonable constraints on frivolous lawsuits driven by greed, not legitimate grievance. Who really thinks it's fair to hold business owners liable for the wrongful acts of former employees, or employees, who

are off duty? How many landscapers, roofing contractors or fast-food franchise owners could pass that test?

Given the legal constraints on background and reference checks, no employer can know everything about every employee's past. There will always be risk. Employers should be expected to keep on-the-job workers in line, but no one should expect them to keep tabs on off-duty workers, or those who no longer work for the company.

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One reason last year's bill died was a phrase that exempted employers from liability for wrongful acts performed by off-duty employees outside the course and scope of employment.

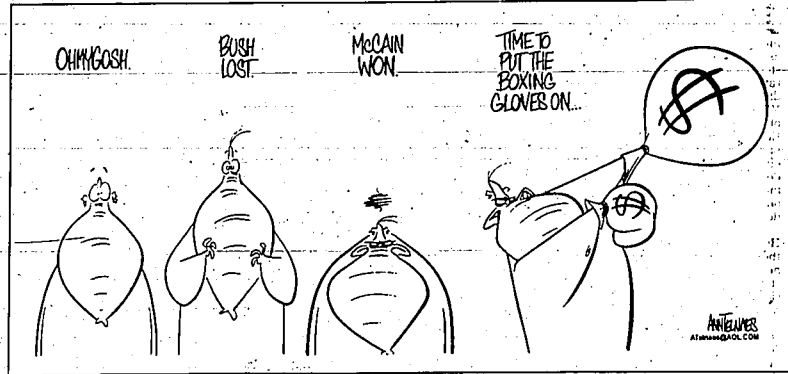
That phrase sparked endless debate about what was "outside" the course of employment, said Dawn Justice, spokeswoman for the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry. To allay that problem, the association rewrote the bill with more precision.

"We have bent over backwards to remove ambiguity from the bill," Justice said.

For example, it does not exempt employers whose workers commit wrongful acts when they "reasonably appeared to be engaged in the employer's business." Nor does it shield businesses whose workers are "wholly or partially engaged in the employer's work," or workers who were "on the employer's premises."

On top of that, the bill's sponsors have included Legislative intent language that spells out the bill's underlying motivation. The idea, Justice says, is "to further remove any doubt about where we are headed with this bill... and where we are not."

The employer liability bill would give certainty to public- and private-sector employers who are unsure of where they stand. That's a reasonable question for the Idaho Legislature to answer.



Jerome schools improving all the time

To the patrons of Jerome School District:

As superintendent of the Jerome School District, my responsibility is to ensure that all children receive the best education possible. Community forums and surveys conducted as one component of our strategic planning process gave a specific directive. The conclusion of each and every forum and survey was very similar. Jerome School District must provide an education that will prepare our students for a rapidly changing world. We must provide a public education system that will ensure the survival of democracy and improve the quality of life for each and every student. In response, we adopted a district-wide mission statement: "Educating Today For Tomorrow's World," and individual schools have been preparing goals for the future while meeting the needs of the present. Determining how to best prepare students for a world that will, in all probability, look nothing like the world of today is no easy task.

Excellence in education requires a competent, caring board of trustees. Our elected trustees have been very involved in the planning and management of the district. The board of trustees is very aware that Jerome School District is a district with limited financial resources, and every attempt is made to make

READER COMMENT
Jim Cobble

every tax dollar stretch as far as possible. The latest financial information obtained from the Idaho Department of Education indicates that Jerome School District ranked 109 out of 112 Idaho school districts in spending per pupil in average daily attendance. You can rest assured that we are very proud with your money.

Excellence in education also requires a blue ribbon staff. Quality education is delivered by educators who work constantly to keep lessons relevant, current and appropriate. The educational staff is constantly striving to improve curriculum, instruction and student assessment, and recent test scores indicate that we are indeed on the right track. You can be proud of the progress Jerome School District has made in improving standardized test scores. Support personnel such as secretaries, aides, custodians, cooks, bus drivers and maintenance staff are vital to school operations and have played a key role in our school improvement efforts.

An important component of any quality educational program is adequate educational facilities. Our school system has

improved immeasurably with the addition of Horizon Elementary in 1993. However, we still have severe overcrowding issues at the secondary school level. Last year, our patrons approved an eight-classroom addition to the Jerome High School. This will allow eight of nine roving teachers to have their own classrooms. Jerome High School is still a school that has bathrooms, library, hallways, food service cafeteria, athletic facilities and other support areas that were designed for a student population of 600 rather than 950. In addition, Jerome Middle School is delivering off-campus classes to approximately 90 students. To alleviate this problem, the Jerome School District Board of Trustees, with the assistance of a Community Facility Advisory Committee, is proposing a March 2 bond levy election. The \$10.97 million levy will be used to build a seventh- through ninth-grade middle school. It will be located adjacent to the current high school, and has the advantage of complementing our current facility and programs. In essence, it will create a secondary school complex and will allow us to continue to get a "big bang for our buck." Please mark March 2 in your calendar and remember to vote.

Jim Cobble is superintendent of the Jerome School District.

LETTERS

Don't blame it all on school

On Jan. 26, I once again read a commentary in The Times-News lamenting the poor performance of public schools, this one written by Lisa J. Morrow of the National Center for Policy Analysis. She calls for reform, making "accountability" her rallying cry. She likens school administrators to chief executive officers and teachers to "employees" in this nation's "business venture of educating children. I am appalled that she considers parents to only be "paying customers." Whether parents home-school their children, use a private school or send their children to the local public school, a child's first and most important teacher is his/her parents.

While Ms. Morrow may point to dismal test scores, I am certain that, given the opportunity, public school teachers could do better. The exposure to violence through our media, the lack of stimulating conversation in children's lives, etc. I would venture to say that test scores are more reflective of the quality of children's lives outside of school rather than within the school walls. There are no easy answers to improving the education of our nation's children. The failure of the schools is the failure of families, culture and the entire society.

CORRINE VAN DYK
Kimberly

Taxation runs amok

How much taxation can we afford? State spending has grown at an annual rate of 8.9 percent since 1989 for an increase of \$935 million (13.4 percent) from \$685.8 million to \$1.61 billion in fiscal year 1999!

Gov. Kempthorne has proposed another 8.8 percent increase to nearly \$1.10 billion in additional spending with edu-

cation getting \$69 million. All education received 68 percent of the 1999 budget, or \$1.09 billion.

In the past 30 years, state spending has increased nearly 10 times (1,000 percent) while farm commodity prices have decreased or only slightly increased. Individual income taxes rose from \$296.4 million in 1989 to \$714 million in 1999 for a 10.4 percent annual change.

Despite the huge spending increases in education, there is little accountability, the drop-out rate remains high and test scores haven't improved. School administrators are greatly overpaid.

Parents are increasingly choosing private schools or home schooling because of public education problems that more money won't fix.

We are taxed at 51 percent of our income when federal, state and regulatory taxes are combined. High taxes are destroying the middle class!

There should be no increased spending for education until accountability! Only small increases in vital state funding. Contact your state senator and representative today!

ADRIAN L. ARP
Twin Falls

Dairy industry is overcrowded

I am writing this letter because I feel it's time for some answers to questions about these milk factories.

Why do we need more, and why do we, as taxpayers, have to bail out the dairies to the tune of approximately \$375 million in two years?

Apparently they can't make it on their own, and yet they want to build new dairies and expand existing ones. If we don't stop it now, it will only get worse. I feel if you can't make it on your own, you must have way too many in the same business. It's the law of supply and demand.

The same thing will happen with pigs and chickens and there will be more bail-outs.

We, as taxpayers, are getting ripped off. Figure out how much you are paying for a gallon of milk, priced at \$2.75, with a \$275 million bail-out figured in.

The dairymen say it's not tax dollars. If not, then where did the government get it?

LEONARD W. JEWELL
Castleton

Dwell on the good, not the bad

I am writing this letter because I felt I needed to clarify myself.

Mr. Haynes apparently did not understand what I was saying. I am Hailey's mother, and I am trying to move on with my life. However, every day I read the paper and I am reminded of this horrible event. My baby is gone, nothing can bring her back, and if you asked her, she would not want to come back. Can you imagine seeing the beautiful face of Jesus and playing in the golden streets of heaven then having to come back to this horrible place?

Jesus ultimately has to face the one and only true judge, and he sees his heart, nothing can be hidden from him.

I agree with Donna's letter to the editor. Please let me remember the beautiful two years I spent with my baby and stop dwelling in the last year of her death. I know Hailey would not like all of this anger. She was a loving child. Please trust in God and let her rest.

ANGELA WILLIAMS
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Preventing breast cancer

How to help prevent breast cancer: If a woman has two or more babies and gives them her own breast milk, there is about an 80 percent chance she will never suffer from breast cancer. This information can be found in the book, "La Leche League." You can buy a copy or check one out at your local public library.

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LETTERS

Public records hold the truth

In response to the letter to the editor from Kathy Tadlock that ran in your Feb. 4 edition, I would like to submit the following information to the public:

1. Kathy Tadlock has been charged with speeding in the county of Twin Falls, OK, maybe all of us, at one time or another, is guilty of this, so I will not make an issue of it.

2. Kathy Tadlock has allowed her dog(s) to run at large, and Ms. Tadlock was cited pursuant to the Twin Falls City Ordinance.

3. Ms. Tadlock was charged with a trespassing violation within the county of Twin Falls.

4. Last, but I am sure not least, Ms. Tadlock is currently sitting in the county jail for possession of a controlled substance with the intent to deliver. She was convicted of this recently, and will serve a five-year prison term with credit for time served, no probation and a \$1,088.50 fine. Although the fine does not seem like much, it will cover 22.68 days in county jail pursuant to Ms. Tadlock's \$48 per day calculation. Additionally, when Ms. Tadlock goes to the Idaho State Correctional Facility, she will have programs available to her, the same that she complains about not having.

The intent of this letter is not to point out that Kathy Tadlock has not been the most productive member of society. The issue is that this information is available to the public, and by making one telephone call to the Twin Falls County Clerk, I obtained this information. Kathy, next time you want to write a letter full of misinformation, please make sure that your story cannot be cross-referenced by public records.

TERRY LEWIS
Twin Falls

Volunteer to help a child

I've just completed the CASA-Guardium ad Litem course, and I'm looking forward to joining other volunteers in the program, helping as many children that will be assigned to me.

Having been a foster parent, I knew there was a need for people with time to spare to make a place in their hearts for a child.

Each year, the need for volunteers grows, and there are no simple solutions for the problems. However, I'm convinced that caring and dedicated people can make a difference in a child's life.

SUE STROBEL
Twin Falls

Doonesbury



OPINION

Being a native not essential for U.S. Senate

Hillary Rodham Clinton sounded like the public address announcer at Grand Central Station, calling off the names of upstate cities as if she were announcing the stops on the local train to Buffalo rather than announcing her candidacy for the Senate from New York. So eager was she to show off her newfound mastery of Empire State geography that she barely acknowledged the presence of her husband, the president of the United States and the man who is, in more ways than one, responsible for her unprecedented campaign.

Had he not won the White House, she would not have had the platform and national prominence as first lady to demonstrate her eloquence and her passionate commitment to her favorite causes. Had she not been so publicly humiliated by him, it is unlikely she would have sought such instant validation of her own worth that she moved out of the White House a year ahead of time to set up residence and seek high office in a new location.

The carpetbagger charge was obviously very much on the mind of the candidate, who was born in Illinois, educated in Massachusetts and Connecticut and lived most of her adult life in Arkansas and Washington, D.C. Thus, her repeated and redundant litany ending, "And that is why I want to be your senator from New York."

I expect Mrs. Clinton will have a hard time winning the race, but of all the reasons to reject her, I think carpetbagging by far the weakest. As her prospective opponent, New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, toured all of the Sunday morning interview shows in advance of her announcement, I heard him speak enviously of Chicago Mayor Richard Daley's gaining control of the schools. But I did not hear him praising the charms of Poughkeepsie or dwelling on the important lessons he had



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learned on his visits to Jamestown or Utica.

Truth to tell, Giuliani probably knows no more about life in Cayuga County than Mrs. Clinton does. But he has the good taste not to fake it. Even if Giuliani were not as parochial as most of the residents of the city he runs, the carpetbagger issue would be a red herring. These people are competing for a national office—United States senator—and they ought to be judged by what they can bring to that office and that institution.

It is true that there are some senators who seem to embody the personality and traditions of the states in which they were reared. Barry Goldwater had incredibly deep family roots in the history of Arizona from territorial days onward. Danny Inouye embodies the Asian culture of his Hawaii, as John Chafee and Claiborne Pell did the Yankee side of Rhode Island.

But the archetypal senators mainly come from small states. The big states like New York more often than not choose people of large abilities whose talents would have brought them to the fore, wherever they lived. No one in his right mind ever would have regarded the late John Tower—a college professor, short in stature, clad in hand-made English suits—as a typical Texan. More than one-third of the current senators were born outside the borders of their home states.

Would anyone maintain that California's two senators, Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer, embody California? Perhaps San Francisco, their home base. But certainly not the extraordinary ethnic and geographical diversity of California. No two human beings could capture that.

That is not to say they do not work hard on California issues; they certainly do. But the truth is that most senators—however long they have lived in their states and however typical they may be of its people—have to learn on the job what their constituents and local interest groups expect of them. If they don't, they don't win re-election.

As for their principal potential role in the national Legislature, both Giuliani and Mrs. Clinton are exceptionally well-qualified. There are too few successful urban executives in the Senate and Giuliani's law enforcement

background would also bring a useful perspective to debates. His election would strengthen the depleted ranks of moderate Republicans.

Mrs. Clinton is a match for anyone in mastering complex policy briefs and in questioning those trying to peddle their own solutions. She would clearly be a forceful voice for her views, both inside and outside the Senate chamber.

There is much on which they—and most New Yorkers—agree, but there are sufficient differences to make for a good campaign. New York can congratulate itself on having two such able candidates from which to choose. But it need not fret about who first set foot in Niagara Falls or who has tarried longer in Tarrytown.

David S. Broder is a Washington Post columnist.

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LETTER

Odors = disease

I've been doing research into the 1918 influenza that killed more than 650,000 people in the United States alone. It started in Fort Riley, Kan., when they burned tons of horse manure. According to Lynette Jezoni in "Influenza 1918," a gale kicked up a dust storm that swept over the prairie. There were 26,000 soldiers at Fort Riley in a crowded camp. With drafty barracks, the grit sifted through the knotholes and cracks for three hours. After the storm, the soldiers were given buckets and brooms to clean up the mess of burned manure. Two days after the storm, the flu began. A month later the virus were more than 1,000 cases. The virus spread all over the United States. In reading more, it is noted that the worst epidemics were in crowded places. When you get too many animals or people in one spot, trouble begins.

It is easy to understand that virus, bacteria and microbes come out as waste after going through the digestive tract of all mammals. When there is an excess to this waste, the rotting process is continuing, a perfect place for germs to grow.

Just like 1918, when some officials denied the dangers, here now we get the same reaction. Many medical personnel tried to find the cause. Now they know it is a virus. We still don't know enough. But we know that crowding animals in one spot with piles of manure and horrendous odors is a danger to society.

When an odor blows in and it triggers an asthma attack or makes a young person sick to her stomach or makes little children vomit, there is a problem!

Magic Valley has a problem! Admit it! Do something!
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WORLD

Hijacking negotiations might take long time

STANSTED, England — With the welfare of more than 150 exhausted passengers foremost in their minds, British negotiators said Tuesday they were prepared to be patient with the hijackers holding an Afghan airliner for a third day.

Negotiators said talks, which gained the release of a ninth hostage Tuesday, could go on for days.

The hijackers' exact aims remained unclear, but speculation ranged from an elaborate play for political asylum to a bid to win the release of Ismail Khan, a former regional governor in Afghanistan detained since 1997 by the country's ruling Taliban movement.

The Boeing 727 had been headed to the northern Afghan city of Mazar-e-Sharif from the Afghan capital, Kabul, when it was seized early Sunday. It then began a meandering journey across the former Soviet Union, stopping in Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Russia.



Apartment explosion kills at least 11 in Russia

MOSCOW — An explosion shattered an apartment building in Russia's Far East, killing at least 11 people and injuring seven others, emergency officials said Tuesday.

The explosion destroyed 10 apartments in the five-story building in the city of Khabarovsk. Rescue teams were looking for two people believed buried in the debris, said Natalya Shakhgedanova, a spokeswoman at the Emergency Situations Ministry. Authorities said they were trying to determine the cause of the blast, which occurred around dawn. Police hadn't ruled out a bomb attack, but were also considering

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the possibility of a natural gas leak, the Interfax news agency said.

Russia has been on edge since a string of apartment bombings in Moscow and two other cities that killed 300 people last September. Those blasts were blamed on Chechen rebels, and Russian officials have recently warned that more terrorist acts were planned in response to the war in Chechnya.

New Croatia president sees difficult tasks ahead

ZAGREB, Croatia — In a rare peaceful power transfer in the Balkans, Croats have elected opponents of late President Franjo Tudjman to lead the government. Their hope: that genuine democracy will give Croatia higher living standards and an anchor in the Western world.

But a bright future is not just around the corner, acknowledged Stipe Mesic, who was chosen to be the country's new president in Monday's voting.

Mesic met Tuesday with the country's new prime minister, Ivica Racan, to discuss how to end the economic corruption and political isolation that is a legacy of Tudjman's nearly decade-long grip on power.

The new leadership will have to grapple with 20 percent unemployment, low wages and an economic policy that critics say was tainted by corruption that allegedly enriched Tudjman's supporters.

They also will have to live with their election promises to cooperate fully with the U.N.-sponsored war crimes tribunal and reduce support for Croats in neighboring Bosnia — conditions for Croatia's accession to Western bodies like the European Union and NATO.

Pakistani man faces charges of mass killing

LAHORE, Pakistan — A man who confessed to killing 100 children was formally charged with their deaths Tuesday.

Javed Iqbal turned himself in

to authorities in December and gave a "confession statement," according to police. He took police to the site where two victims were buried, but police have not found any more corpses.


The case has caused a sensation in Pakistan, and human rights groups have called for a

campaign to protect street children. Many of the children who disappeared were from extremely poor families and spent their days begging in the streets.

He could face the death penalty if convicted.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Searchers find no sign of missing man

HANSEN - After another fruitless day of scouring the Snake River Tuesday, searchers plan to scale back their attempt to find a parachuter who disappeared after jumping from the Hansen Bridge.

Tuesday's search included six scuba divers from Miradoka County and search and rescue teams from Twin Falls, Jerome, Gooding and Cassia counties along the river banks from Twin Falls to the bridge, said Nancy Howell, spokeswoman for the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office.

Despite more than two days of searching for 29-year-old Roy Butler of Ogden, Utah, who had not been found as of late Tuesday, authorities were planning to scale back the operation, Howell said.

Butler was last seen Sunday evening after parachuting from the Hansen Bridge. He landed in the middle of the river and quickly disappeared below the surface while his friends, who tried to talk him out of it, videotaped his struggle.

Twin Falls School Board denies rental reduction

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls School Board on Tuesday did not reduce rental fees for a non-profit group asking for a break on costs.

The Boy Scouts of America Snake River Council wants to hold a one-day seminar at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School for adults but said it can't afford the district's rental fees. The board did agree to charge the group only hourly rates to reduce costs for being areas such as the auditorium that wouldn't be needed all day by the group. That reduces rental costs from \$920 to about \$580. The district says its fees for nonprofit groups were established based on cost to the schools.

Roy Graybill, a teacher at O'Leary and an assistant director of the Boy Scout's seminar, thanked the board for its action but said the schools still might not be able to afford the cost.

The board agonized over the decision, citing the scouts as a worthy cause. But the district receives numerous requests.

"This is always kind of a heart-burn issue," board member Del Traveller said.

Western Days will get new board of directors

TWIN FALLS - Western Days 2000 will vote in its new board of directors today at 6 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the Twin Falls City Council chambers. The public is invited.

Wendell board to mull future of middle school

WENDELL - The Wendell School Board today will consider a building inspector's preliminary recommendation to vacate a center portion of Wendell Middle School.

Structural tests show that the center portion of the school doesn't meet structural safety standards. It lacks administrative offices, storage space, a photography class and lab, and a portion of a special education classroom. Board members also will hear a report on the district's standardized test scores from the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills and the Tests of Achievement and Proficiency. And the board will meet in executive session to conduct principal's evaluation.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the high school library.

Hearing set on questions of conflict of interest

TWIN FALLS - A hearing date has been set to discuss concerns over 5th District Judge Barry Wood's possible conflict of interest. The Snake River Basin Adjudication court has set 1:30 p.m. Feb. 22 to hear concerns raised by the Nez Perce Tribe and the U.S. Department of Justice over water rights apparently held by Wood.

Wood presides over the adjudication that covers 130,000 water rights in 38 of the state's 44 counties. The tribe has asked the judge to set aside his recent decision denying tribal water rights claims. Wood's water rights claims would be affected by his rulings on Nez Perce claims, the tribe says.

The U.S. Department of Justice asked the court to set a "status conference" to discuss the issue.

Wood is recovering from surgery and was not available for comment Tuesday.

Compiled from staff reports

Computer chaos remains at CSI

Weekend power surge sparks troubles

By Jennifer Sandmann and Brian Haynes
Times-News writers

TWIN FALLS - A weekend power surge at the College of Southern Idaho caused by a toppled power transformer has

been followed by continued computer troubles in the campus administration building and in remote heating system controls.

The college did not lose data stored on the computers, but some terminals in the Taylor administration building now can take as long as 30 minutes to log

on, said Ken Campbell, dean of information technology. Other computers don't appear to be affected. The source of the problem remained unclear Tuesday.

The campus heating system can be controlled manually, but the remote system controls are not working, maintenance direc-

tor Randy Dill said. The power surge occurred after a car ran into a transformer near the dorm, Eagle Hall, after midnight Saturday.

Two female teen-age drivers were racing the campus loop when one car went out of control, jumped the curb and knocked the transformer off its base, Twin Falls police officer

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MAKING LEARNING FUN



Eria Godwin helps Kory Tesch read during "Power Hour" at the Boys & Girls Club of the Magic Valley. The education program is one of dozens of programs funded by the United Way this year.

United Way hands out record amount

By Brian Haynes
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Afternoons at the Boys & Girls Club aren't all fun and games.

In a library overflowing with boys and girls, certified teacher Eria Godwin circles the room helping students with their homework.

This study time is called the Power Hour, and it's one of the many programs United Way money will support this year.

The United Way of Magic Valley doled out \$266,605 Tuesday to 22 local nonprofit agencies, including six agencies who joined the United Way this year.

Nearly half of the money raised, 47 percent, was earmarked for children's programs dealing with abuse, education and prevention.

"If we can't give the kids a good start, we can never raise enough money to deal with all the issues," United Way Director Diane Boyd said.

Another 36 percent went to programs to feed, house and

The recipients

This is a breakdown of what local agencies received from the United Way this year.

	1999	2000	% change
Salvation Army	\$45,291	\$56,645	25.1%
American Red Cross	\$28,494	\$24,078	-15.5%
- Sawtooth Chapter	\$15,331	\$18,438	20.3%
Valley House	\$20,098	\$17,144	-14.7%
YFCA	\$18,019	\$16,499	-8.4%
Stop the Cycle	\$14,853	\$16,013	9.3%
Crisis Center of Magic Valley	\$11,242	\$12,867	12.7%
Guardian Aid Utern	\$4,218	\$11,645	176.2%
Girl Scouts	\$8,562	\$7,871	-8.1%
Foster Grandparents	\$5,985	\$7,241	21%
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	\$5,985	\$5,503	-4.6%
Senior Companions	\$5,769		

Senior Centers

Twin Falls Senior Center	\$7,079	\$7,601	7.4%
West End Senior Center	\$6,242	\$6,704	7.4%
Jerome Senior Center	\$4,916	\$5,269	7.2%
Eden Senior Center	N/A	\$4,928	N/A
Ageless Seniors	\$3,995	\$4,136	3.5%
Miradoka Senior Center	N/A	\$2,110	N/A

educate the needy, and 17 percent went toward senior programs.

Part of the team

What agencies that joined this year received:

American Red Cross - Mini-Cassia	\$6,235
Boys & Girls Club of Magic Valley	\$5,000
Interfaith Volunteers	\$3,660
Southern Idaho Learning Center	\$3,425
Walker Center	\$2,500

Source: The United Way

This year's total surpassed last year's by nearly 20 percent, and it was the highest total ever. But it still fell short of the \$279,000 requested by the agencies, Boyd said.

"It seems like the need grows faster than the ability to raise money," she said.

Many agencies depend on money from the United Way every year.

Valley House, which gives shelter to the homeless, receives

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Getting set: Candidates prepare for meeting

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Teddy Keeton hopes the flu he has been suffering from the last few days will be gone by tonight.

Keeton and the seven other Twin Falls County commissioner candidates will be introducing themselves to members of the Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee, so being sick is not an option, Keeton said.

"I hope I'm all right," Keeton said on Tuesday. "I better be."

Keeton and seven other district one residents are vying for Carin Reed's old \$39,390-a-year county commissioner job. The other candidates are Ben F. Collins, Larry Compton, Joanne Craner, Jay B. Fort, Gary Grindstaff, Richard L. Martin Jr. and Jade Potter.

The Republican Central Committee will pick three nominees tonight to be sent to Gov.

Candidates respond - C3

Meeting tonight

The Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee will meet at 7 p.m. tonight in the Twin Falls County office meeting room to interview commissioner candidates, and choose three nominees for the job.

Dirk Kempthorne, a Kempthorne has 15 days to pick a new commissioner.

Kempthorne has selected the committee's top choice in the past.

When former Commission Chairman Dennis Maughan resigned in October, the Republican committee's top choice was Bill Brockman.

And this time around, several of the candidates said they are facing formidable competition with Grindstaff's candidacy.



Grindstaff is the committee's former chairman and the party's current regional

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Stone walled?

Term limits bill hits opposition

By Michael Journe
Times-News writer

BOISE - A bill intended to loosen the term limits of planning and zoning commissioners ran into opposition and an unlikely snag Tuesday.

Presented to the House Local Government Committee by House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, the bill would eliminate the six-year limit imposed on county planning and zoning commission members who are appointed by county commissioners.

The idea behind Jaquet's opposition to term limits. Small communities have a hard enough time filling positions with qualified people, so forcing experienced commissioners out of office only exacerbates the problem.

But strong opposition to eliminating any term limits made for a tight committee vote. Rep. Bill Taylor, R-Nampa, was especially vocal in the committee hearing.

"It feels two terms - that's six years - is quite sufficient," Taylor said.

But Jerome County Planning and Zoning executive Arthur Brown disagrees. Small communities such as Jerome need to hold onto experienced commissioners as long as possible.

"If you live in a community where people like to volunteer, you usually have all your spots full," Brown said in a telephone interview. "But if you don't have a lot of volunteerism, you have to go around scrimping and scraping trying to find someone to fill them."

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Blaine schools OK plant facilities levy for ballot

By Barb Nelwert
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - The Blaine County School Board on Monday unanimously approved an ad hoc committee's recommendation to ask voters to approve a \$40 million plant facilities levy.

If passed, money from the levy would build two new schools and make a number of improvements to other district school buildings.

The ad hoc committee has been working for months to develop effective solutions to overcrowding in schools.

The election will be held sometime in May, but an exact date has not been set. In order to pass, the levy needs a 55 percent approval from Blaine County voters.

"We came up with what we thought was the very best plan," said Superintendent Jim Lewis.

The district will ask voters to approve a plant facilities levy that will bring in \$4 million per year for 10 years, or a maximum of \$40 million. However, current estimates for the building projects total \$37.7 million. Lewis said if, toward the end of the 10-year period, the district does not need the entire \$40 million for the projects stipulated, the remaining amount "will not" be levied against taxpayers. The larger amount is being levied to protect against inflation, said Mike Chatterton, the district's treasurer.

The master building plan includes construction of a new high school and a new elementary school in Hailey, a 12-classroom addition to the Wood River Middle School in Hailey, relocation of the district's bus barn and parking, a major addition and remodeling to the Carey School and improvements to 40 classrooms, Hart Creek and Bellevue elementary schools.

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TWIN FALLS



Michael P. Sawaya, 88, passed away Monday, February 7, 2000, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho. He was born Feb. 14, 1911, in Kemmerer, Wyoming...

RUPERT



Delpha Irene Neiwirth, 76, of Rupert, died Sunday, Feb. 6, 2000, at Mimioka Regional Hospital Extended Care Facility in Rupert. Delpha was born Sept. 22, 1923, in Wellington, Colo...

Family members and friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Chapel.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made in Marguerite's name to the Hagerman Christian Center.

EDEN



Following Jack's retirement, Betty was a devoted mother, raising her pride and joy, Jim. Her grandchildren were the sunshine of her days...

She was preceded in death by one brother, Sonny Winn.

Memorial services for Betty L. Mitchell will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, 2000, at the Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel...

Bertha Alene Cornwall

Bertha Alene Cornwall Ellis, 69, of Eden, passed away on Monday, Feb. 7, 2000, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Bertha was born in Pocatello, Idaho...

Bertha is survived by her children, Dave (Marcille) Ellis of Rupert, Barbara Ellis of Burley, and John (Alic) Ellis of Eden...

Funeral services for Bertha A. Ellis will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11, 2000, at the Hazelton LDS Chapel...

JEROME



Betty L. Mitchell, 54, of Jerome, became an angel Sunday, Feb. 6, 2000, at home, after a long and courageous struggle with cancer. She was born on July 25, 1945, at Paradise Valley, Calif...

ALPINE, UTAH



Roy T. Ferguson, Roy Theodore Ferguson, age 82, of Alpine, Utah, passed away February 6, 2000, in Pleasant Grove, Utah. He was born December 21, 1917, in Ripley, Oklahoma...

HAGERMAN



Marguerite Daniel, 90, a Hagerman resident, died Monday, February 7, 2000, at the Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls. Marguerite was born on June 28, 1909, in Kewanee, Illinois...

friendship of all who know her.

On January 7, 1921, she married Homer L. Houk in Stockton, Missouri, and two sons came to bless this union...

Ruth was preceded in death by her loving husband, Homer; her parents; three brothers, one of which was her twin brother; and one sister.

Ruth is survived by her sons, Don of Boise, and Glenn (Myrl) of Twin Falls; Don's two children; four great-grandchildren, of California; Glenn's three daughters; and the apple of Grandma's Eye, Rachelle and Sami Jo Houk of Twin Falls...

Funeral services for Ruth will be held Thursday, February 10, 2000, at 10 a.m. at Fark's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. Friends may call one hour prior to services at the funeral home.

Services will be held Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2000, at 1 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Twin Falls.

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Catherine Stonemets of Buhl, services at 10 a.m. today at the First Baptist Church in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl).

Irene Westendorf of Gooding, services at 2 p.m. today at Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Clive Edward 'Eddie' Capps of Hazelton, services at 11 a.m. Friday at the Richfield LDS Church; friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Demaray's Shoshone Chapel.

E. Larry Potter of Wendell, services at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Wendell Presbyterian Church. Friends may call from 4-6 p.m. Friday at Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Commissioner candidates Q&A

What qualifications do you have to be a county commissioner?	Is the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center, or SIRCOMM, a valuable asset to the county? Why or why not?	Do you think the county needs more restrictions on confined animal feeding operations? Why or why not?	What other issue or issues do you think will be of importance in Twin Falls County in the coming year?
Joanne Craner: She said she worked for the Department of Health and Welfare before taking a job with the county's juvenile probation department six years ago. She currently works as the department's community service coordinator.	Joanne Craner: "I have not totally studied the pros and cons enough to take an actual stand. I know that it's important to get hold of the agencies you need to quickly. I don't know if SIRCOMM is doing that the best way."	Joanne Craner: "I think the county needs to plan very carefully any growth. Whether that be in large feeding operations or in low residential areas are planned. I think they need to be handled on a case-by-case situation."	Joanne Craner: "Consideration needs to be given to all issues that will enable us to keep small-town ethics and values and still offer members of this county every benefit that we can. I'm talking about the best education, the finest technological advantages, culture and time not sacrificing our basic conservative values that we enjoy in the Magic Valley."
Teddy Keeton: She said she has worked in administration jobs and as a program planner. "I know how to set a budget and maintain it. I have knowledge of the departments of the county and its personnel and long-term goals and objectives."	Teddy Keeton: She said mobile data terminals should be funded for SIRCOMM, and the system should be reevaluated to make sure it is as effective as it should be.	Teddy Keeton: "I think the county has to follow the guidelines the legislature might be giving us. And evaluate those rules and regulations as to how they apply to our county and what the long-term effects will be."	Teddy Keeton: She said the major impacts of a good budget will be an immediate issue. "Without funding, we cannot provide the services or respond to the community needs. The budget drives everything. It drives the individual departments and the programs." She said public safety, including public safety and protection of the environment is also important.

Note to readers: The two latest candidates for Twin Falls County commissioner share their views on the issues. A question-and-answer article with the other six candidates ran in The Times-News Monday.

Kempthorne announces appointments

BOISE (AP) - A Castleford businessman has been reappointed to the Idaho Transportation Board.

Gary Blick, owner of a trucking firm and a farming company, was reappointed Tuesday by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne. Blick has served since March 1999 on the seven-member board, which oversees the department's \$370 million annual budget.

Kempthorne Tuesday also named veteran parole board member Del Ray Holm of Roberts to a new term on the Commission on Pardons and Parole.

Holm, a Democrat, served on the five-member commission for some 15 years through 1997 when he was being replaced by former Gov. Phil Batt.

Kempthorne also reappointed Ed Brinegar of Meridian to a new term on the commission.

Other Magic Valley appointments include: Permanent Building Fund Advisory Board: Glenn Arrington of Twin Falls.

Statewide Independent Living Council: Lupe Wissell of Mountain Home.

State Cosmology: Linda Waters of Paul.

Uniform Building Code Advisory Board: Dennis Brittain of Jerome and Thomas C. Gannon of Boise.

State Building Authority: Marie Sanchez of Twin Falls.

Lottery Commission: Roger Jones of Rupert.

Legislative Compensation Committee: Laddy Dale of Halley.

Simpson representative to visit Magic Valley

TWIN FALLS - Congressman Mike Simpson's traveling district office program will hit some Magic Valley stops this week.

Simpson field representative Charley Barnes will be at the following locations on Feb. 11: From 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Gooding City Hall, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Wendell City Hall, 2 to 3 p.m. at the Bliss City Hall and from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Hagerman Valley Senior and

Community Center. Simpson field representatives travel to towns throughout the Second Congressional District as part of the traveling district office program.

Consistents with specific problems or questions about social security, veterans affairs or the Internal Revenue Service are encouraged to attend, according to a Simpson press release.

For more information call 734-7219.

Reservation deadline for Hearts and Beaus Ball

TWIN FALLS - The reservation deadline is today for the first Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation and Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital Foundation's Hearts and Beaus Ball, scheduled for Saturday night at The Ballroom.

Cocktails, dinner and dancing are on the bill for the Valentine's Day themed event, with proceeds to benefit the establishment of the Magic Valley Health & Education Endowment.

No-host cocktails start at 6:30 p.m., with dinner to follow at 7:30 p.m. Dancing is scheduled from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., with music by Jeff Fox and The Canyon Side Swing Orchestra.

Tickets are \$45 per person. For reservations and information, call 737-2481.

The Ballroom is located at 205 Shoshone St. N.

Kimberly School Board plans for new school

KIMBERLY - What the interior of the new Kimberly High School will look like will be up for consideration today by the Kimberly School Board.

The board will review architects' plans at a special meeting that begins at 6 p.m. in the Kimberly High School library.

Kimberly voters in May approved a \$4.86 million bond issue to build a new high school and gymnasium.

The school district will build on land it recently bought west of the middle school. The district bought 20 acres for about \$180,000.

Educator promotes benefits of diet

By Lorraine Craner Times-News writer

PAUL - When it comes to the brain, a person's diet may be much more important than what we realize.

Dr. Terry Armstrong, scheduled to speak at Paul Elementary School today, says what we eat is related to what we think.

"The brain is fueled by chemicals that you have to eat every single day," Armstrong said. "The bottom line is diet."

Research has shown that the proper diet can be linked to learning, he said.

Armstrong's talk is sponsored by the Mini-Cassia Reading Council, a group that promotes reading throughout Minidoka and Cassia county schools.

The group brings in local and visiting authors and other speakers related to reading, said Carolyn Monson, president of the Mini-Cassia Reading Council.

"Because of the uniqueness of the individual, there are many dif-

To know more ...

Dr. Terry Armstrong, a professor from University of Idaho's Boise center, will speak at 4:15 p.m. today at the Paul Elementary School library. The topic: how human intellectual uniqueness is related to learning.

Armstrong will also speak at 7 p.m. at Big Valley Elementary School library on the techniques of writing a grant proposal.

The public is invited to both events.

ferent ways to teach reading, Armstrong said.

Some people read phonetically, others learn to read through texture, pictures or content, he said.

"Try a variety of ways," he said. "Different youngsters have different ways of learning."

Armstrong has been a part of brain research - including ways people learn to read - over the past decade.

The decade of the '90s was declared by (President) Bush as

the decade of the brain," Armstrong said. "Many ideas related to this research are now finding their way into education circles."

By studying the way the brain develops, educators have been able to gain insight into how to best educate children, he said.

The limbic brain, the middle center brain, is critical to school success, Armstrong said. This part of the brain is also known as the emotional brain.

Anger, rage, pleasure and other emotions come from the emotional brain. These emotions can affect learning, he said.

The frontal cortex is arranged in what Armstrong called patches or modular units.

"Each unit is connected to specific functions and each unit is a different size in each individual," he said. Since each individual is different, according to the size of these brain parts, people will have different interests, Armstrong said.

"It is the job of teachers and

parents to connect us to what we are best suited for," he said.

But when students don't learn to read or are unable to learn another important subject, it is often not the teacher's fault, Armstrong said.

Often what goes on in the brain, such as lack of proper nutrition or heavy stress, can play a role in a person's ability to learn, Armstrong said.

Reading for pleasure ranked low in a youth asset survey of Minidoka and Cassia county students. The survey did not include reading on the Internet.

Results of last year's Iowa Test of Basic Skills showed the Cassia County School District was low in language skills, said Rich Davidson, the district's director of special services.

More students from English-speaking homes where parents aren't reading with their children, Davidson said.

A child's brain develops through nutritional and environmental enrichment, Armstrong said.

suffered many of the ailments and injuries outlined in that file. She has also said he never tried to persuade her to stop using drugs.

Suits said Tuesday that on several occasions he gave her antibiotics, anti-depressants or samples of medicine related to his treatments.

Saying he tried repeatedly to get Gann off drugs, Suits produced a letter he said he mailed to Gann after she had been

arrested on a drug possession charge in December 1998. The letter states he could no longer see her as a patient. Suits said Tuesday he had felt as long as she wasn't willing to help herself, he wasn't willing to help her as her doctor.

Gann testified earlier she never received that letter, but Suits said Tuesday she said she had.

The prosecution's evidence includes four illegal prescriptions

for the painkiller Vicodin and Xanax, prosecutors say Suits gave them to Gann before the Dec. 31, 1998 drug testing that resulted in his arrest. Suits says three of those prescriptions, made out to Gann under her name and a false name, have been forged.

Suits said he does not sign his name the way it appears on those three prescriptions.

"They're darned close, but not close enough," Suits said.

Doctor takes stand in drug trial

By Ruth Streever Times-News writer

BURLEY - For two weeks, Charles Wesley Suits' attorneys suggested their client has never used methamphetamine, and said prescriptions with his signature were forged.

On Tuesday, the Burley doctor spoke for himself.

Prosecutors say Suits, on trial on a drug possession charge, is a

drug user who received methamphetamine from a former lover who served as a confidential informant. Suits maintains he has never used drugs and even tried relentlessly to get his former lover to stop using them herself.

Suits recounted every visit Kathy Gann made to his office as a patient, visits that show up in alleged medical records. Gann has testified she never saw Suits as a patient and that she never

Commission

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"He is very strong with the Republican committee," Keeton said.

Grindstaff said he thinks he has a good chance, but remained modest about his chances Tuesday.

"I think anybody else has as good a chance as I do," he said.

Commissioner Marvin Hempleman said in an earlier interview that things will stay in control, even with two new commissioners on board.

"I've got good confidence in the courthouse who will also help," he said. "It's a learning curve, but we'll make it."

Meanwhile, the candidates are preparing for tonight's meeting.

"I've been doing some interviews with different people but there really isn't much to get ready," Kort said.

Most of the question-and-answer session with the committee members.

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Blaine

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Board Chairman Lita Sullivan said she recognizes the district has a "big problem" at Wood River High School, namely, "a lot of students."

"We have to get on top of this situation," Sullivan said.

The Wood River High School currently houses 735 students. In just four years, with the present student population in Blaine County schools and factoring zero growth, that number will increase to 840. The school, however, was designed to accommodate only 350 in the commons areas of the schools, and two classroom additions have been built since its construction in 1975.

"We've been building, building, building and we're still not there," Sullivan said.

Only one objection to the levy was voiced Monday night. County resident Tom Rembler said he wanted students to be able to afford housing in Blaine County when they graduated from high school. With the addition of this levy, fewer and fewer students would be able to qualify for bank loans to buy homes in the future, he said.

Rembler suggested the district find ways to reduce spending by \$4 million per year rather than ask taxpayers for it.

The cost for the plant facilities

levy would result in an additional annual cost of \$86.16 per \$100,000 of assessed property values.

Lewis said Blaine County currently has one of the lowest tax assessment rates in the state - \$355 per \$100,000 of assessed property. The rate is \$463 in Twin Falls, \$611 in Kimberly, \$612 in Jerome, \$653 in Cassia County, \$675 in Meridian, \$823 in Boise, \$858 in Pocatello and \$862 in Idaho Falls. "We still wouldn't be up to Twin Falls' tax rate even if the plant facilities levy is added," Lewis said.

The board also liked the idea of going with a plant facilities levy rather than a bond issue.

Since money is taken on an "as needed" basis, the levy would rake up only about \$700,000 in interest. In contrast, a bond loans the full \$40 million to the district up front, generating \$28 million in interest. Taxpayers can save \$27.3 million by financing construction with the plant facilities levy, Lewis said.

The district's building plan includes the following:

- \$1 million bus garage to be finished in 2000.

- \$19.6 million high school to be completed in 2003.

- \$5 million addition and remodeling to the Carey School to be completed in 2005.

- \$2.7 classroom addition at the Wood River Middle School to be finished in 2005.

- \$8.1 million new elementary school to be built in south Halley and finished in 2007.

- \$500,000 child-care facility at Hemingway Elementary in Ketchum.

- \$650,000 improvements at Blaine Elementary.

- \$300,000 improvements at Halley Elementary.

The district would like to use the old high school as a technical center, which would Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition classes. The College of Southern Idaho has also expressed interest in using classroom and office space to offer CSI classes as well as courses from Boise State University, Idaho State University, the University of Idaho and Northwest Nazarene University. The Blaine County Recreation District may also enter into a joint agreement with the district for space to operate a community recreation center.

"This vision is not about buildings - there's so much more," said south Blaine County resident Jane Brown, a member of the ad hoc committee. "I want my son to be able to take advantage of the opportunities this vision will provide him in the future."

Chaos

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John Wilson said.

The 16-year-old driver was cited for reckless driving, Wilson said. The second driver has not been cited, but the investigation was continuing, he said Tuesday.

Because the drivers are juveniles, police are not releasing their names. No one was seriously hurt in the crash.

The transformer had a concrete base, weighed 8,000 pounds and held 300 gallons of a mineral-like oil that acts as a coolant, said

Russ Jones, a spokesman for Idaho Power Co. The transformer ruptured when it fell. Local firefighters stopped most of the oil from spreading, Jones said, but a small amount made its way into storm drains and into the creek on campus - the Perrine-Coulee.

Idaho Power crews will test soil near the transformer today to check for any more traces of oil, Jones said, but he said cleanup is otherwise complete. The oil spilled is non-PCB, which means it contained no traceable amounts of the carcinogen com-

mitted were absent from the room when the vote took place. One of those members, Rep. Twila Hornbeck, R-Grangeville, said she had just stepped out of the committee room for a moment to try to find the other missing member, and had unintentionally missed the vote.

Hornbeck said afterward that she would have voted in favor of the bill.

After the meeting Hornbeck began attempts at getting committee members to reconsider

the bill, but it was unclear whether House rules would allow it.

If the committee members refuse to reconsider, Jaquet could change something in the bill and reintroduce it. She is considering that option.

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United

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about a quarter of its annual budget from the United Way, managing Roger Wyatt said.

The \$18,436 it received this year will help renovate some buildings to bring them up to city standards, he said.

The Girl Scouts received \$11,645 - almost tripling the

amount it received last year.

That money will help support the Girl Scouts vision program, which targets at-risk sixth-grade girls, and an outreach program that works with migrant girls, said Midge Fisher of the Girl Scouts.

Without the funding from the United Way "these programs wouldn't happen, and the girls

wouldn't be exposed to the values of girl-scouting," she said.

The Salvation Army, which receives the largest amount, will start a new program this year to open its gym to youth during Friday and Saturday nights, Maj. Ed Patterson said.

"Without the funding we can do that is the United Way and the public support us so well," he said.

Terms

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The contentiousness of the issue was evident Tuesday.

A 4 tie on the measure came about with the vote of chairwoman Ruby Stone, R-Boise, who voted in favor of the measure. With the knotted vote, the legislation was effectively killed in committee. A majority vote would have sent the bill to the House floor with the committee's endorsement.

However, two members of the

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

More state range goes to environmentalist

The Associated Press

BOISE - Conservationist Jon Marvel has picked up more state grazing land as the Idaho Land Board narrowly approved the lease of range near Fairfield.

The 3-2 vote came Tuesday after Secretary of State Pete Cenarrusa pointed out the parcels were managed for years by the Diamond A Livestock and Marvel's plan for them is a question mark. The state land is adjacent to federal ground and the grazing takes place in an allotment run by the U.S. Forest Service.

"I believe this allotment has for years been a family operation," Cenarrusa said. "Because of the combination of state, Forest Service and private land, another entity would disrupt that operation. It's tough enough now to get young people into the livestock business."

Marvel's Idaho Watersheds Project had bid \$750 for 1,236 acres, while Diamond A quit at \$500. The 3,996-acre parcel garnered \$1,800 from Marvel, while

the ranchers offered \$1,600. Diamond A then appealed.

Marvel has battled the Land Board to acquire leases and prove the range's stock will help repair the battered streamside areas and erosion.

He won his first victory last April when the Idaho Supreme Court voided 38 grazing lease auctions he was denied a legitimate chance of winning by bidding more. If the Land Board denies the highest bid, it must articulate why it is in the best interest of the state school endowment which receives money from the use of state property.

Idaho Watersheds last month picked up 426 acres along Polson Creek about 20 miles east of Fairfield. Marvel also acquired 777 acres in the Boise Foothills which Emmett rancher Brad Little's family has held for years.

Despite Cenarrusa's statement, Attorney General Al Lance motioned to deny the appeal and hand the land to Idaho Watersheds. Cenarrusa and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne voted in the minority.

Research funds at INEEL fall short

IDAHO FALLS - The shortage of research money at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory may not end next year despite the Department of Energy's new campaign to promote strength through science.

Although the overall budget appears fairly stable, the pool of cash for science and environmental research could be cut by up to \$20 million from historic levels and that from recent levels, officials estimate.

The Department of Energy is requesting \$807 million for INEEL for the fiscal year beginning in October, a 3 percent increase from this year's budget.

The agency plans to spend about \$25 million less on privatized projects to treat radioactive waste and store spent nuclear fuel.

"We're pretty much level from where we were," INEEL Manager Beverly Cook said. "We still have challenges to do what we need to do with a level budget."

The Clinton administration, which rolled out its budget request this week, proposes spending \$18.9 billion across the Energy Department complex, an increase of about 9 percent over this year. The spending blueprint still needs congressional approval.

Panhandle school reports two new meningitis cases

COEUR D'ALENE - Two new bacterial meningitis cases have been reported at Hayden Meadows Elementary, bringing the school's two-month total to three.

The two new cases are connected to the December occurrence, despite the fact that the gestation period has passed, said Marie Rau, public health nurse supervisor at Panhandle Health District. A 6-year-old and a 7-year-old who attend the school have been diagnosed with bacterial meningitis and are in stable condition at a local hospital.

Two teenagers were diagnosed with the virus in December. One died. The health district will offer preventative antibiotics to children and staff at Hayden Meadows Elementary and those in a program that services three other schools.

West in brief

Feds seek way to allow access to public land

SHELLEY - A stretch of land along the Snake River is owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management but has been hard to get to because of a gate across the county road put up by a local potato processor.

Now the bureau, Idaho Supreme and Bingham County are negotiating a land swap that would allow the public access to the riverfront easement, which is about a mile long and 100 feet wide.

The bureau is proposing to give Idaho Supreme a piece of land 100 feet wide and half a mile long perpendicular to the county road that runs to the river. That portion would be added to land the company already has rights to, said Bruce Bash, the agency's reality specialist.

In exchange, Idaho Supreme would build a parking lot near the federal easement for people who want to use the river. The company would also build a road to the easement, Bash said.

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DEATHS

Eva M. Thompson

GOODING - Eva M. Thompson, 89, of Gooding, died Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2000, at the Gooding Rehabilitation and Living Center in Gooding. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Andrew S'arge' Andersen

TWIN FALLS - Andrew "Sarge" Andersen, 74, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2000, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Visitation will be held from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, 2000, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home at 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 11, 2000, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home. A full obituary will follow in tomorrow's paper. Arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home and Crematory of Twin Falls.

Wallace Briggs

BURLEY - Wallace Briggs, 74, of Burley, died Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2000, at the Burley Care Center. Arrangements are pending, and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Wayne B. Smith

BOISE - Wayne Burr Smith, 88, of Boise, died Saturday, Feb. 5, 2000, at home. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, 2000, at Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise, with the Reverend Ron Clapp officiating. Burial will follow at Cloverdale Memorial Park.

Dorothy Dean Slatter Dexter

PAYETTE - Dorothy Dean Slatter Dexter, 82, of Payette, and formerly of Filer, died Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2000, at her home, of a heart attack. A family committal was held Feb. 4, 2000, at Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel in Payette. Memorial services were Feb. 4 at West Valley Free Methodist Church in Fruitland.

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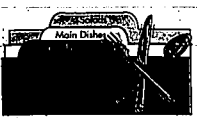
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Some advice on the flu

What Are Your Favorite Home Remedies for Flu Season?

While there is no magic cure for winter illnesses, there are a number of ways to make recovery easier and more comfortable.

CARE PACKAGE

If a friend is under the weather, use an oversized cafe au lait cup as a pretty holder for items to help him or her convalesce. You might include a selection of herbal teas or ingredients. Cotton hankies attend to the sniffles. A sprig of eucalyptus can be boiled in a large pot for aromatic, sinus-clearing inhaler. Honey sweetens teas. You can also include a good book or a favorite video in your care package to help your friend pass the time in bed.



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SOOTHING SIP

Ginger tea is fragrant and delicious. Just thinly slice a 6-ounce knob of fresh ginger, and add it to about 6 cups of water in a saucepan. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and let simmer for about 30 minutes, until the liquid has reduced to 5 cups. Strain out the ginger, and serve with honey and lemon to taste.

HOT-WATER BOTTLE COVER

The flu is often accompanied by aches and pains, which can be soothed with an old-fashioned hot-water bottle. The heat can be uncomfortable against the skin, but a homemade fabric case makes a perfect (and attractive) buffer.

Cut two rectangles of fabric - soft flannel is especially cozy - about 2 inches wider than the body of the water bottle when full. With the right sides of the fabric facing each other, sew one side and bottom together, then sew the other side, leaving an opening an inch from the top for a drawstring. Hem the top with a 1-inch seam, making a channel for a drawstring. Turn right side out. Thread cord or ribbon through the channel, and slip the cover over your hot-water bottle.

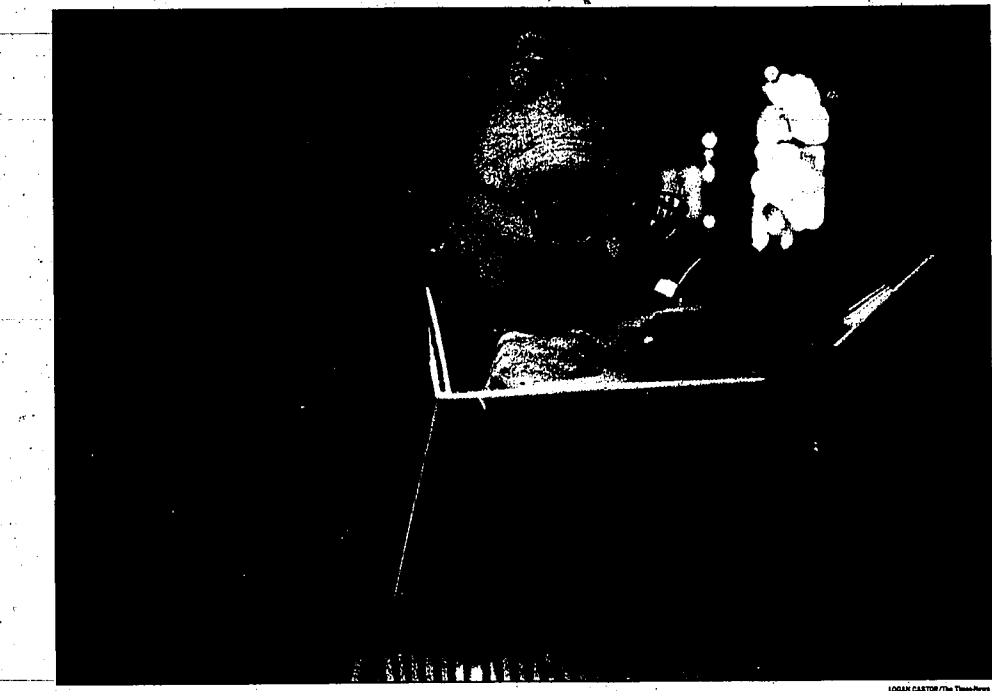
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Here's how to condition roses. Start with a very clean vase. Hold the roses next to your nose to determine how much of the stem you'll need to trim. Remove discolored outer petals from the roses and foliage that would be below the water line. (Submerged foliage will rot and encourage bacteria.)



Ninety-year-old Lillie Tucker has won the National Chicken Cooking Contest twice. Her newly-published cookbook, 'Home Cookin' from the Heart,' includes Tucker's award-winning recipes.

Home cookin'

This award-winning Jerome cook offers expert advice on chicken

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - While most cooks would feel lucky to win one national cook-off in a lifetime, Lillie Tucker won the national chicken cook-off twice - first in 1970 and again in 1974.

A few months ago, her cookbook was published. Tucker won the 23rd Annual National Chicken Cooking Contest at the University of Maryland with her Roquefort Chicken recipe. The prize was an inscribed silver tray and \$100. At the National Chicken Cooking Contest held at the University of Virginia, Tucker won with her Brandied Chicken.

Tucker is a woman who answers to many names - Nama, Auntie Bob, Mrs. James. The 90-year-old filled her cookbook with her favorite recipes, her family's favorite recipes and other favorites donated by close friends. Proceeds from sale of the cookbook go to student scholarships for Liberty Christian Academy in Jerome, Tucker's favorite charity.

Tucker is a hometown girl - born and reared in Jerome and graduated from Jerome High School. She also attended Link Business School and was hired as

a girl Friday by The Idaho Citizen, a twice-weekly newspaper in Twin Falls. She then worked for The Twin Falls Daily News, which was eventually sold to The Times-News.

Tucker also worked for R.E. Shepherd, one of the founders of the city of Jerome, in his land office. She worked for Shepherd until she married Jim Tucker, a Twin Falls boy, and moved to Los Angeles.

Tucker's husband worked for Mobil Oil until his retirement, when the Tuckers moved back to the Magic Valley and bought a house in Jerome.

Tucker said she and her husband, now deceased, did a lot of entertaining. She liked to cook the main course, and he was the baker in the family. He created several original recipes, including Sourdough Cornmeal Pancakes, Harvey Walbanger Cake and Black Walnut Spice Cookies.

These recipes are included in "Home Cookin' from the Heart."

Browsing the book, other interesting names jump out: Big Sky Country Ribs, Taco Ring, Crazy Crust Pizza, Haystacks, Bannock Camp Bread, Australian Dampier Angel Biscuits, Eggless Milkless Spice Cake, Jam Thumb Print Cookies, I Want A Cookie Now

Meet the cook

"Home Cookin' from the Heart: Help Within & From Above," is available for \$12 at First Security Bank; Rosebud's Florist, HomeTown Office Supply and Liberty Christian Academy in Jerome. In Twin Falls, the book is available at Hastings. Or call Jan Helms at 324-4898 or Liberty Christian Academy at 324-1100.

A book signing is scheduled for 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at Hastings.

Lillie Tucker, shown at the 23rd Annual National Chicken Cooking Contest at the University of Maryland, is preparing her award-winning Roquefort Chicken. She won the contest in 1970 and 1974.



Photo courtesy of LILLIE TUCKER

Mom, Shyla's Snacks and Cowboy's Blackberry Syrup. Jan Helms, Tucker's daughter, helped gather and compile the recipes for Tucker's book, which is self-published. Helms said the book contains more than 700 recipes, in addition to helpful hints, cooking tips, a dictionary of herbs and spices, a measure-

ment equivalency conversion chart and a calorie counter. The book is packaged in a three-ring binder.

Tucker's prize-winning recipes are in the book.

BAKED CHICKEN ROQUEFORT (the 1970 winner)
1 broiler-fryer chicken, cut in

serving pieces.
1/4 cup margarine, melted
1 tablespoon steak sauce
1 cup sour cream
1 ounce (1/4 cup) Roquefort cheese, crumbled
1 tablespoon milk
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon paprika
Mix margarine and steak sauce. Brush chicken pieces with the mixture.

Place in ungreased medium shallow pan, about 13-by-9-by-2 inches. Mix sour cream, cheese, milk, salt and paprika; spoon over chicken. Bake uncovered, in 375 degree oven for 1 1/4 hours or until brown and tender. Makes 4 servings.

BRANDIED CHICKEN

1 broiler chicken, cut up
1/4 cup vegetable oil
1 teaspoon MSG
1/4 cup chicken stock
1/2 cup peach brandy
4 slices ham
1 cup sliced mushrooms
1 cup water chestnuts
Brown chicken in vegetable oil. Add MSG, broth and brandy and simmer until chicken is tender. Remove chicken; saute ham slices. Brown water chestnuts and mushrooms and heat if juice.

It's time for a breath of spring - with look of tulips



Tulips add a splash of color to your home.

When winter weather is "blah," turn to tulips for a lift. Gray days brighten with jolly jugs, jars or vases of colorful flowers upon a desk or table. Certainly no flower invokes spring better than the tulip, heralded for centuries as a "universal symbol" of the season.

With more than 500 varieties of cut tulips available today, it's fun to try out different looks and colors. The choices are endless, as tulips come in all hues, both soft and brilliant - red, pink, yellow, purple, orange, white, lavender and bicolors. Some are very fragrant. Two top examples are the bright yellow, double-petaled tulip "Monte Carlo" and the cup-shaped, orange and purple-flamed "Princes Irene."

Other tulips are surprisingly exotic, with fringed or ruffled edges. For pure romance, American floral experts report that ruffled parrot tulips are beginning to challenge roses as a Valentine gift. Two emerging U.S. favorites are brilliant red Tulip "Rococo" and

shimmering apricot-blushed-with-pink Tulip "Apricot Parrot."

Since spring is the peak season for tulip sales ("best buy" January through April), it makes sense to know how to take care of them.

Following are tips from the Netherlands Flower Bulb Information Center in New York City for enjoying tulips to the fullest:

- Color talks! Make a statement - go for big color whether brights or pastels.
- For longest vase life, buy tulips with flower buds closed, but about to open, with the color of the flower evident.
- Before arranging tulips, condition them by recutting the base of the stem with a clean, sharp knife. Cut straight across the stem, not at a slant. This will open up the flower's water uptake channels. And forget those cut-flower

A Valentine - C2

FOOD & HOME

When gardening, use common sense

A lot of gardening is common sense. For example, a fellow wrote in last week asking me if he should use a mylar (a space blanket) to reflect the sunlight onto his indoor plants. Said he had them all stacked up on a rack, seven trays deep, in a west window. Then he told me that the plants next to the window were bright up — that the sun seemed to be intense for them. Should he use the mylar at the back of the trays to intensify the sun? Only if you want to cook them all, I said. Gee, if it was me, I'd move the sauteed plants to a cooler window. Or maybe back a little from that one.

Dear Cathy: I have citrus trees that I grow indoors. But they won't bloom. Also, the orange tree leaves are drying up and dropping off, but there are new green leaves coming on. What can I do?

—Signed, Flowerless.

Dear Flowerless: You probably aren't doing anything wrong.



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Welworth

Citrus trees have to be four or five years old before they'll bloom and bear fruit. If yours are about that age and still not blooming, try fertilizing them. Get a fertilizer that's especially for citrus and follow the directions.

Be sure to water the trees well before and after you fertilize. If you fertilize a dry plant, you'll probably burn it.

Citrus will drop their leaves every once in a while, as do all trees.

But if all the leaves drop off at once, the tree is probably unhappy about uneven watering. Put yourself in their "shoes." Think about where they naturally grow: If you grew in Florida, you would

have lots of sun and regular moisture. Your roots would be in rich, well-drained soil.

Citrus trees want a regular, even watering schedule so that their roots are neither too dry nor too wet.

They hate wet feet. If the soil feels very damp, don't water till it dries on the surface. Make sure you are using a good soil that drains well.

Tip of the Week: Did you notice a lot of brown needles dropping from your older spruces last summer? You might have spruce aphids. The only time you can do anything about spruce aphids is now.

Spruce aphids appear in February and their numbers explode by March and April. They suck the juices from the spruce needles, and you don't see the damage until it's too late. They're usually gone by then. A

heavily damaged tree can take several years to recover and replace the lost leaves. Sometimes, by the time we realize the needle drop is not normal, it is too late to save the tree. Right now, spray your spruces with Orthene (anything containing acephate) or diazinon. Spray again 10 days later.

What's bugging your garden? Write to Cathy in care of this newspaper, or e-mail her at: cwv@cyberhighway.net.

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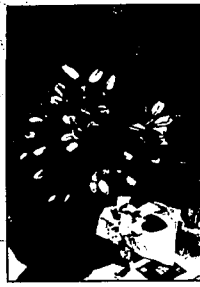
Contrary to what many believe, Valentine's Day is not a made-up "greeting card" occasion. It actually is a real holiday whose origins stretch back to the days of Imperial Rome.

In Roman times, the goddess Juno was honored in an early spring festival. Juno was the deity young women prayed to when hoping for a marriage match. Modern Valentine's Day, in the Third Century, became a politically correct replacement for the Roman spring festivals.

St. Valentine, legend has it, was a Catholic priest or bishop who performed secret marriages for young lovers, despite a decree from Roman emperor Claudius banning the institute of marriage. The priest lost his head for his trouble but gained sainthood.

Today, Valentine's Day is observed mainly through the exchange of gifts. The most popular gifts are candy, flowers and cards.

One of the most interesting new gift ideas is the Valentine's Day coupon. This can be a real gift certificate, say for a romantic dinner for two, or a coupon for one lover to another, the possible redemptions of which we'll leave up to the imagination.



Valentine tulips are a stylish favorite.

Candy is another Valentine staple. While chocolates may tip the scales in these fitness-conscious days, those little candy hearts are both cute and low-cal.

Of course, red roses are the traditional flower of the day. But roses can be very expensive in the period surrounding Valentine's Day. So much so that many opt for ripe, red tulips.

Tulip

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food packets — tulips are self-sufficient.

• But tulips are particularly thirsty. Check water level daily. Refresh (top off) or change water every day for longest vase life.

• Unlike most flowers, tulips keep growing in the vase — sometimes as much as an inch or more after being arranged!

• The result: tulips have the rare ability to move or "dance" in the vase. Don't expect them to just stand there, stiff and upright. Tulips will bend and twist to their own delight — and yours.

• Tulips, like daisies, look at home in any type of container, from the homeliest tin can to the most elegant vase.

• With proper care, tulips should open and last from five to seven days. Keep them away from sources of heat (direct sunlight, radiators, lamps, television sets).

• Combining tulips with daffodils or any other members of the Narcissus family is not recommended because narcissus exude a slimy substance that shortens the lifespan of other flowers by clogging their water uptake channels. If you wish to mix the daffodils with other flowers, trim the daf-

odil stems at the base, then stand them in a separate container of water to soak for several hours. Later, arrange the daffodils and other flowers in a fresh vase of water. This should solve the problem.

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Chinese New Year has tasty traditions

By Joe Stump
The Wichita Eagle

10, 9, 8 ... Got your bahn chung yet? 7, 6, 5 ... Your mut and that beho? 4, 3, 2 ...

If the countdown sounds familiar, but the rest doesn't, that may be because they're foods associated with Tet, as the Chinese New Year is known in Vietnam.

Vietnam, a part of China for most of its history, marks the holiday with as much enthusiasm as its bigger neighbor.

Based on the lunar year, the holiday began on Saturday this year. It usually lasts several days. Family reunions, fireworks, dragon dances and red envelopes filled with "lucky" money for children are some of the traditions associated with the Chinese New Year.

Bahn Chung are rice cakes stuffed with pork and mung beans and steamed in banana leaves for hours. Mut are candied coconut, ginger, lotus seeds and other fruits and vegetables set out for visitors and enjoyed with tea. This kho is a simmered pork stew.

CRAB EGG DROP SOUP
1 quart chicken broth
1/2 pound cooked crab meat or imitation crab meat

2 eggs, lightly beaten
Black pepper
Bring broth to boil. Shred crab meat with fingers and add to broth. Slowly add beaten egg to broth, stirring. Season with black pepper to taste. Cook for 1 minute, remove from heat and serve.

THIT KHIO
2 pounds pork butt or shoulder, cut into 1-inch pieces
4 tablespoons fish sauce
3 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 tablespoons sugar
3 to 6 cloves garlic, chopped
1/2 onion, chopped
1 can (14 ounces) coconut juice
4 to 8 eggs, hard-cooked and peeled

Mix together pork and fish sauce. Refrigerate for 1 hour. In a heavy-bottomed pot, combine oil and sugar. Cook over medium heat, stirring frequently, until sugar turns to a brown liquid (do not burn). Add garlic and onion and cook for 30 seconds. Add pork pieces and fish sauce, stirring to coat with oil mixture, and cook 2 minutes. Add coconut juice and enough water to reach the top of the meat. Bring contents to a boil, then cover, reduce heat to simmer and cook until tender, about 1 1/2 to 2 hours.

Halfway through cooking, add peeled, hard-cooked eggs to pot. Turn eggs once during cooking to color evenly. Serve pork, cooking liquid and eggs accompanied by rice.

Note: Fish sauce and coconut juice are available in Asian groceries.

VEGETARIAN STIR FRY
3/4 cup dried Chinese mushrooms
1/4 lb. canned bamboo shoot pieces (about 1/2 cup)
1 large carrot, peeled and trimmed
1/3 cup green pepper
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
1 teaspoon chopped garlic
1 teaspoon fresh ginger, grated
1/3 cup canned golden mushrooms
1 1/2 to 2 cups fresh bean sprouts

1 tablespoon oyster sauce
1/2 teaspoon sesame oil
1 teaspoon sugar
Pinch pepper
Splash cooking wine or liquid from soaking mushrooms
Chopped green onion for garnish (optional)
A half-hour before cooking, place dried mushrooms in warm water to soak. When soft, remove stems and cut tops into thin

strips. Cut bamboo shoots, carrot and green pepper into thin strips. When ready to cook, warm oil in wok or large skillet over medium heat. When hot, add bean sprouts and cook for 30 seconds. Add bamboo shoots, carrot and green pepper to wok and cook for 1 minute, stirring frequently. Add Chinese and golden mushrooms and cook 4 more minutes, continuing to stir. Add bean sprouts and cook 1 minute, stirring. Add oyster sauce, sesame oil, sugar, pepper and cooking wine (or reserved soaking liquid). Stir to coat vegetables evenly and cook 1 minute. Garnish with green onion, if desired.

Note: Bamboo shoots, golden mushrooms and oyster sauce are available at Asian groceries.

—Source: Lewis Lau.

PICKLED VEGETABLES
2/3 cup water
1 teaspoon sugar
Dash salt

Several cups bean sprouts, green onions and carrots cut into thin strips
Mix vinegar, water, sugar and salt. Pour over vegetables and refrigerate. Can serve with this kho.

—Source: Hang Pham.

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Helping gardeners choose among all that's new

The Washington Post

Anyone who has been gardening for more than a decade knows that the choices of plants have exploded in recent years.

Perennials, vines, tropicals and ground covers once considered the fare of specialty independent nurseries now are far easier to find in local garden centers, regional retail nurseries, even mass merchandisers. Hundreds of brand-new introductions make their way onto the market each spring.

Good for gardening? Not necessarily, says the Alexandria, Va.-based American Horticultural Society. Too much of a good thing may confuse the novice gardener and cause

demoralizing failures.

H. Marc Cathey, the society's president emeritus, was at a recent presentation by nurserymen. Five speakers each showed between 100 and 150 slides of new plants "and not an inkling of where they would grow or anything," he said.

Cathey's organization is launching a program aimed at helping gardeners define and narrow their plant choices before the trip to the nursery, along with other practices to make gardening easier.

Under the society's Smartgarden program, the society plans to:

- Work with large-scale nursery plant producers to label plants by their cold and heat tolerances as well as requirements

for light and soil moisture.

- Produce a series of books with DK Publishing that list approximately 2,000 suitable plants in each of the country's six regional climates, each grouped by light, soil and watering requirements. Cathey's tenet: If it isn't on the list, plant it at your peril. The books are due to be published in 2001.

- Allow visitors to the society's Web site (www.ahs.org) to get a diagnosis of their own gardens, with suggested improvements. This should be open before spring.

- Install a new demonstration garden of perennials at River Farm, the society's 25-acre estate near Mount Vernon. Devised by Arlington, Va., landscape designer Jeff Minnich of Minnich-

Moreland Inc., the garden is 75 percent planted and will open in May, although it will take two seasons to mature.

The program also is designed to let gardeners know about the advances in ecologically sustainable practices in horticulture in recent years, said Mary Ann Patterson, the society's spokeswoman. These include correct irrigation techniques and new ways to fight pests and diseases organically.

Martha Stewart sells flowers

The Washington Post

Just sighted: www.marthasflowers.com.

The mission: Moving beyond cookie cutters and tea towels, the ubiquitous Martha Stewart introduced her latest venture last week, offering flowers by mail, inspired by her own meticulously cutting garden. From miniature calla lilies in the fall to daffodils in spring, the site features lush bunches of cut blooms (Martha's favorites... are said to be hydrangeas).

The stuff: What makes Martha's offerings different from other mail-order florists? She sells what are called "grower's bunches" direct from the field, packed in pastel tissue and sturdy brown boxes. They are sent in bundles, 25 to 50 stems, so they will last longer, says her spokeswoman. Only Martha-approved flowers are available - no corn carnations or humdrum mums. Price points: 10 hyacinth stems, \$46; 30 daffodils, \$46; 35 red or pink roses, \$118 before Valentine's Day (add shipping to all).

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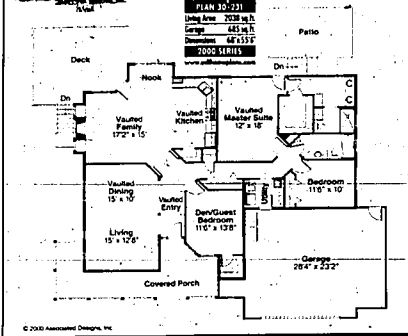
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Gathering spaces cluster on the left, bedrooms on the right. The den, or guest room can go either way. Furnished as a den, library or home entertainment center, it could serve as another gathering space. Outfitted as a guest room or home office, it would be more private. An exterior door could be easily installed. The walk-in closet will be appreciated no matter how this room is used.

Vaulted ceilings add volume to the gathering spaces, entry and master suite. On the left side of the entry, a wide arch leads into the spacious and richly windowed dining and living room.

The bright, large and comfort-

able family room/kitchen has an atrium door that opens onto a large elevated deck. Inside, shelves or cabinets capped by multipaned windows flank a homey gas fireplace. Art objects or decorative mementos find a home on the above-window display shelf at the back of the rectangular room.

There's plenty of room in this kitchen for two or three cooks, and the conversation bar keeps non-cooks out of the way, yet near enough to chat.

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Get back to the food basics

By Carol J. G. Ward
Knight Ridder News Service

Building a healthy diet is like building a house. For a healthy diet, the blueprint can be found in the Food Guide Pyramid.

In 1992, the U.S. Department of Agriculture adopted the pyramid, which calls for eating a variety of foods to get the nutrients you need and the right amount of calories to maintain a healthy weight.

Start with plenty of breads, cereals, rice, pasta, vegetables and fruits. Include two to three servings from the milk group and two to three servings from the meat group. Choose skim milk, nonfat yogurt and part skim or low-fat cheeses often, as well as lean meat, poultry without skin, fish and dry beans and peas. And go easy on fats, oils and sweets.

For more information about the Food Guide Pyramid, visit the Web site, www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/foodguide.pdf, or call the Palmetto Health District for a pyramid brochure: (803) 929-6607.

3/4 cup biscuit mix
3 large eggs or 3/4 cup egg substitute

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Prepare a 9-inch glass or ceramic plate with nonstick pan spray. Layer the zucchini, tomatoes and onion in the pie plate. Sprinkle the Parmesan cheese and pepper evenly over the vegetables. Combine the milk, biscuit mix and eggs. Beat until smooth, about 1 minute; pour over the vegetables. Bake about 30 minutes. Let set 5 minutes before cutting into 6 equal wedges.

—From "The New Family Cookbook for People with Diabetes"

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—Carol M

Dear Carol: The next step below the super gas furnaces will still cut your heating bills up to 25 percent and can cost hundreds of dollars less to install. These designs are commonly referred to as "80 percent furnances" because their heating efficiencies range from 80 to 82 percent.

Actually, for efficient homes and ones in all but the coldest climates, an 80 percent furnace may provide the best long-term payback on your investment. Since these still use your existing chimney (as compare to super furnaces that vent through a small pipe), the condition of your chimney is a factor.

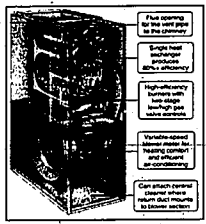
If you also use central air-conditioning and your air conditioner is on its last legs too, consider

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James Dullely

installing an 80 percent furnace design with a high/low gas burner and a variable-speed blower. This will provide the best comfort by fine-tuning the heat output to the varying needs for your home.

These furnaces have an electronic control system for comfort. You will be surprised at the steady room temperatures and barely notice the sound when the furnace starts and stops. Chilly drafts are almost totally eliminated.

Variable-speed blowers also allow the maximum benefit from new two-speed central air-conditioners. For the best summer comfort, the blower speed changes automatically depending on whether the air conditioner is running at high or low output. In humid climates, the comfort



Comfort and efficiency on a budget. improvement is dramatic.

Several manufacturers of high/low-output furnaces offer less expensive two-speed blowers instead of truly variable-speed blowers. If you have allergies and run your furnace blower a lot, or your electric rates are high, a super-efficient variable-speed blower option makes economic sense.

If a high/low 80 percent model is still outside of your budget, a standard single-output model will

offer a utility bills savings over your existing furnace (only 55 to 60 percent efficient). This is the majority of furnaces installed.

Even though these vent into your chimney like your existing furnace, they have induced draft fans to force the flue gases out of the furnace. This improves the burning efficiency. This also makes the unit safer to operate and minimizes the chances of backdrafting and carbon monoxide poisoning.

The first step is to have your chimney inspected. If you have an old masonry flue that works fine with your existing furnace, installing an 80 percent furnace often requires installation of a (flexible aluminum or stainless steel) flue liner. In many old climates, the codes may require a liner.

Write for Update Bulletin No. 452 - buyer's guide of 80 percent gas furnaces, outputs, blowers, warranties, payback chart and flue liner details. Please include \$3 and a business-size SASE. Write to James Dullely, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45244.

When the snow falls: Determining your roof's integrity

By Karol V. Menzle and Ron Nodine
The Baltimore Sun

Heavy snowfall makes some people eye the roofs with concern: Will the roof hold up under the weight of double-digit depths?

The answer can depend on the age of your house. Most newer roofs are engineered to carry the weight of the roof itself plus a snow load and a wind load. But before building codes were in force, people sometimes used undersized lumber - either to save money or because they didn't know any better.

In that situation the roof can sag over time. But it is not likely that it will collapse under the weight of a heavy snow. If you have a sagging roof, it can be stabilized or sometimes jacked up to its original position. However, with very old lumber that might work. Old lumber gets petrified in the bowed position and will lift off the walls rather than bend itself when you try to straighten it out.

To correct the problem, Ron drilled holes in the bottom end of every other rafter, attached a steel cable on one side to the other with a winch device in the middle.

That alone wouldn't solve the problem, so he also used a house jack to lift the ridge board in the middle. Between lifting and cranking a quarter-inch at a time - lift it, pull it, lift it, pull it - the walls finally went back where they belonged. Then Ron bolted the ends of the rafters to the ends of the ceiling joists. (The bolts were massive overkill, he says, but there was no way to get a hammer in to nail the pieces together.) The house will fall down before the roof does.

But here's a thought from the Metal Roofing Alliance: Metal roofs' low weight allows them to sustain a heavier snow burden. They also shed snow quite effectively.

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roofing is as attractive as well: It can look like shingles, slates, tiles or old-fashioned ribbed "tin."

The metal-roof people say metal roofs require little maintenance and typically are warranted for up to 50 years.

Metal roofs resist hail damage, manufacturers say, and often reflect heat better than other materials, contributing to energy efficiency.

Today's metal roofs are made

of steel and aluminum - some of it recycled. And most of them are recyclable in their turn.

The downside, of course, is initial cost.

Metal roofing is at least four times as expensive as standard 20-year asphalt shingle roofs, and could be more if the roof has a lot of hips and valleys. If you're interested, call toll-free (888) 638-2576 for a free video and help finding a contractor in your area.

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Nothing says I love you like setting dessert on fire

By Jane Snow
Knight Ridder News Service

Nothing says "I love you" like setting dinner on fire. Firelight is sooo romantic — especially when the flames are dancing on a mound of scrumptious crepes suzette.

Imagine bringing the skillet to the table, applying a match and dazzling your valentine with a suave pyrotechnic display. You could serve Spam sandwiches for the main course and still walk away a hero.

Crepes suzette is one of those classic dishes that have gotten

lost in the welter of hip fusion cuisine. Few restaurants make the dessert anymore, and that's a shame.

You can easily make it at home, though. The most time-consuming part is making the crepes, which can be prepared a day or two in advance if you'd like.

The classic liqueur used in the sauce is Grand Marnier. If the cost is too high for your pocketbook, search around for a miniature bottle or buy one of the less expensive knockoffs on the market, such as Gran Gala or Harlequin.

The orange-flavored liqueur is not set afire, though. For flaming, a higher-proof liquor is needed. Use rum that has been warmed — not boiled — in a small pan, and carefully ignite the liquor with a match as you pour it over the crepes.

When the flames die down, serve the crepes, spooning some of the buttery sauce over each portion.

CREPES SUZETTE
2 tablespoons sugar
8 tablespoons softened butter
1/4 teaspoon grated orange rind
1/2 cup orange juice

1/3 cup orange-flavored liqueur such as Grand Marnier
12 crepes (recipe follows)
1/4 cup high-proof rum, warmed

In a small bowl, cream together sugar, 4 tablespoons of the butter and grated orange rind. Melt remaining butter in a large skillet. Add creamed butter mixture and stir until melted. Add orange juice and liqueur; bring to a low simmer, stirring. Bathe crepes in sauce one at a time, turning over then folding in quarters. Use two spoons to turn and fold the crepes, arranging around the edge of the pan. Carry crepe pan

and pan of warmed rum to the table. Light the rum with a match and pour it over the crepes. When the flames die out, spoon the crepes and sauce onto 4 dessert plates. Makes 4 servings.

CREPES
3/4 cup flour
1 teaspoon sugar
Dash of salt
1 egg
1 egg yolk
1 cup milk
Butter
Whisk together flour, sugar and salt. Whisk in egg and yolk. Slowly add milk, whisking until smooth. Heat a medium, non-

stick skillet over medium-high heat. Melt just enough butter to film the bottom of the skillet.

Pour about 3 tablespoons batter into hot skillet and immediately tilt the pan to spread batter in a 5-inch circle; pour off any excess butter. Cook about 1 minute, until light golden. Flip crepe and cook 30 seconds; longer.

Repeat with remaining batter, lightly buttering pan when necessary. Cool each crepe for a minute or so before stacking between sheets of wax paper.

Makes 12.

Caramel icing tops off this applesauce cake

By Ellen Hawks
The Baltimore Sun

Lois Moffitt of Aberdeen, N.C., requested a recipe for an applesauce cake with caramel icing, "which I heard about on a television show with Tennessee Ernie Ford, who said his mother made the cake."

"This may be the recipe Lois Moffitt is seeking. It was a favorite of mine and my friends growing up in the '50s," wrote Marie Ann Heiberg Vos of Crystal Lake, Ill.

APPLESAUCE CAKE WITH CARAMEL ICING
4 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon nutmeg
2 teaspoons baking soda
2 cups sugar
1 cup butter or shortening
2 eggs
2 1/2 cups applesauce
1 1/2 cups chopped walnuts
2 cups raisins

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Sift flour, spices and baking soda together and set aside. Cream sugar and butter; add eggs, one at a time. Add dry ingredients in thirds, alternating with the applesauce. Fold in the walnuts and raisins. Bake in a greased 9-by-13-inch pan for 40 minutes or until a cake tester comes out clean. When cool, frost with caramel icing. Serves 12 to 16.

CARAMEL ICING
1 cup brown sugar
1/2 tablespoons cream or milk
1/2 tablespoon butter
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup powdered sugar

In a saucepan, boil brown sugar, cream and butter. When the brown sugar is completely dissolved, remove from the heat and add the vanilla and powdered sugar. Beat with an electric mixer until the frosting is the right consistency to spread.

The cake will last several days if covered and kept in a cool place.

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TV decorator adds magazine to repertoire

The Washington Post

Vampy, campy Christopher Lowell — the Discovery Channel's daytime decorating guru — is about to star in his own magazine, to be published by Washingtonian Vicki Bagley. Still untitled, it is expected on newsstands by Nov. 15 as a quarterly, said Bagley, a former real-estate broker who already publishes a glossy monthly called Washington Life. She also owns Celebrity Service, which keeps tabs on movie stars, politicians and other VIPs for media and show-biz clients.

California-based Lowell, whose show-opening skits are sometimes done in drag (he'll let O'Hara in hoop skirt and beard, Judy Judy in a black robe and white lace collar), wants the magazine to be equally wacky and bent on demystifying decorating. That has been his aim ever since he quit designing costumes, stage sets and anti-product-image campaigns and launched "Interior Motives," since renamed "The Christopher Lowell Show," weekdays on Discovery.

In past episodes, he focused on bathroom accessories while

proving the aisles of Linens 'n Things; showed how to make a banquette from foam slabs, duct tape and fabric; and featured a guest who creates lamps from plastic milk jugs.

Lowell gets about 1 million viewers a day, primarily women 25 to 54, said Chuck Gingold, a Discovery vice president for daytime programming.

"He empowers our viewers. He continually says, 'You can do it.' He's a terrific performer."

To echo what Lowell calls the show's "united, hysterical voice," his producers will write

regular features for the magazine. "Toney Baloney: The Art of Pretentious Living" will be about everything you don't need and how to get the same thing for no money," he said in a recent interview.

Bagley — with homes in Georgetown and Palm Beach, Fla. — said Lowell "makes people believe they can, with very little money, live better lives in surroundings that don't cost a lot... He's a big Velcro guy. You don't need to sew a stitch. You have a table that needs to be higher. He puts tin cans under all the legs."

Let's get back to the basic marshmallow

By Tom Sletsma
The Washington Post

With the memory of a made-from-scratch marshmallow still fresh, Marion Cunningham preaches the joys of that fluffy, snow-white, comforting confection.

"Marshmallow is a very gentle sweet," says the author of more than half a dozen books on traditional American cooking.

Once the basic of food jokes, an ingredient relegated to campfires and back-of-the-book recipes, the humble marshmallow has bounced back to respectability.

At the 6-month-old Drink City in Grand Central Station in New York, home to a rotating menu of 20 different kinds of hot chocolate (including chili pepper), beverages can be dressed up with a two-inch square of homemade pillow pillow and Sam's patrons don't bother with anything to drink, though.

"People come in just to buy marshmallows," which are priced at \$10 a dozen, says Tonya Heslet, director of operations.

San Francisco pastry chef David Lebovitz, author of "Dessert for Dessert" (HarperCollins), rang in the new year with home-made marshmallows and frequently demonstrates the recipe in cooking classes around the country. And a recipe for the confection was recently added to his Web site, www.davidlebovitz.com.

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Knight Ridder News Service

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If you rearrange furniture,

Confectioners' sugar for dusting, plus additional for the pan plus 1 1/2 teaspoons) unflavored gelatin
1/2 cup cold water
1/2 cup hot water
2 cups sugar
1/2 cup light corn syrup
2 egg whites (a)

Where to buy the real deal

The Washington Post

Fine, delicate, made-from-scratch marshmallows can be ordered from Ocean View Sweets in Santa Barbara, Calif., by calling (805) 884-5100. The cost is \$10 for 1 pound, not including shipping and handling. Flavors include vanilla, hazelnut, toasted coconut and cinnamon sugar. The confection arrives in a chic, gift-worthy cardboard box, tied with ribbon.

"Out of this World" chocolate-robed marshmallows can be purchased from the venerable Schwartz Candies, based in New Hyde Park, N.Y.; call 1-800-522-2462. The price is \$29.50, including ground shipping, for a 1-pound, 2-ounce sampler box. Charming packaged in red-and-white check tissue, the selection includes marshmallow centers in flavors of vanilla, chocolate, maple, mint, coffee, strawberry, banana and caramel.

gelatin mixture into the sugar mixture. Using an electric mixer on high speed, beat the mixture until it triples in volume, about 8 minutes. Set aside.

In a medium bowl using an electric mixer on medium speed, beat the egg whites until they form stiff peaks. Fold the egg whites and vanilla or other flavoring (and optional food coloring) into the gelatin mixture just until incorporated. Transfer the marshmallow mixture to the prepared pan, dust the surface with confectioners' sugar until it is lightly coated and refrigerate, uncovered, for at least 3 hours or overnight.

To serve, use a sharp knife to

cut around the edges of the pan. The bottom of the confection will be sticky.

Cut the marshmallow slab into 1- or 1 1/2-inch squares (or whatever shape you prefer), then gently ease the pieces from the pan and toss them in a bowl of confectioners' sugar. This may be done in several batches. Transfer to a

colander and toss again, to remove excess sugar. To store: Cover tightly and refrigerate for up to 1 week.

NOTE: Uncooked eggs may be contaminated with salmonella and should be avoided by young children, the elderly and anyone with immune-system deficiencies.

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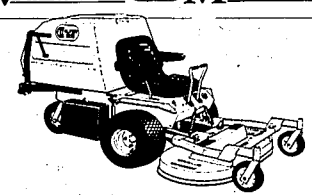


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Cake mixes got the blahs? Never fear, the mix doctor is in

By Linda Cleere
The Miami Herald

Creative cooks have been fiddling with cake mixes since they first made their appearance in grocery stores more than 50 years ago. Fanciful names like Better Than Sex, Sock It to Me, Snickerdoodle, Fiddler on the Roof, Tunnel of Fudge and Goopy Butter are a part of our pass-it-on cake recipe lexicon. These are the recipes we scribble on napkins at potlucks, file in our battered recipe boxes and proudly contribute to fund-raising cookbooks.

"Cake mixes play a huge role in a style of cooking firmly planted on American kitchen linoleum—speed-scratch," says Anne Byrn, author of the new "The Cake Mix Doctor" (Workman, \$14.95). Byrn baked her way through more than 500 cakes to come up with a compilation of 175 classic and original recipes for doctoring plain cake mixes into desserts that taste homemade.

Byrn, former food editor of The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, lives in the heart of the Cake Belt in Tennessee. She concedes that cake mixes can leave an artificial taste, primarily from the use of vanilla and other flavors not made by Mother Nature. But with creative use of camouflage extras such as fresh fruit and juices, pure vanilla or almond extracts, coffee, liqueurs—and of course, chocolate—you can banish the from-the-bag taste.

TRIPLE DECKER STRAWBERRY CAKE CAKE:
1 18.25-ounce package plain white cake mix
1 3-ounce package strawberry gelatin
4 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1 cup vegetable oil
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup whole milk
4 large eggs
1/2 cup finely chopped fresh strawberries and juice

FROSTING:
8 tablespoons (1 stick) butter, at room temperature
4 cups confectioners' sugar, sifted (or more if needed)
1/2 cup finely chopped fresh strawberries and juice
1 cup halved fresh strawberries for garnish

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease three 9-inch round cake pans with solid vegetable shortening, then dust with flour, shaking out excess. Place the cake mix, gelatin, flour, oil, sugar, milk, eggs, strawberries and their juice in a large mixing bowl and blend with electric mixer on low speed 1 minute. Stop the machine and scrape down the sides of the bowl with a rubber spatula. Increase speed to medium and beat 2 minutes more, scraping down the sides again if needed. The strawberries should be well blended into the batter. Divide the batter among the prepared pans and place them in the oven (if your oven is not big enough, place 2 pans on the center rack and the third on the top rack.) Bake until cakes spring back when lightly pressed

with your finger and just start to pull away from the sides of the pan, 33 to 35 minutes. Be careful not to over-bake the layer on the highest rack. Remove the pans from the oven and place on wire racks to cool 10 minutes. Run a dinner knife around the edge of each layer and invert each onto a rack, then invert again so the cakes are right side up. Cool completely, 30 minutes more.

Make the frosting: Place the butter in a large mixing bowl and blend with electric mixer on low speed until fluffy, 20 seconds. Stop the machine and add the confectioners' sugar and 1/2 cup strawberries and their juice. Blend on low speed until the frosting is creamy and spreadable. If it is too thin, add more confectioners' sugar. If it is too thick, add more strawberries. To assemble, place one cake layer right side up on a serving platter. Spread the top with frosting. Repeat with remaining layers and garnish with halved strawberries. Serve at once or chill.

BETTER THAN SEX CAKE CAKE:
1 18.25-ounce package plain devil's food cake mix
1 6-ounce package (1 cup) semi-sweet chocolate chips
3/4 cup chopped pecans
1 3.9-ounce package chocolate instant pudding mix
1 cup sour cream
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1/4 cup water
4 large eggs
1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
PENUCHE FROSTING:
1 cup packed light brown sugar
8 tablespoons (1 stick) butter
1/4 cup whole milk
2 cups confectioners' sugar, sifted
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly mist a 10-inch tube pan with vegetable oil spray, then

dust with flour, shaking out excess. Set aside. Place 2 tablespoons of the cake mix, all the chocolate chips and pecans in a small bowl. Stir and set aside. Place remaining cake mix, pudding mix, sour cream, oil, water, eggs and vanilla in a large mixing bowl. Blend with an electric mixer on low speed for 1 minute. Stop the machine and scrape down the sides of the bowl with a rubber spatula. Increase speed to medium and beat 2 to 3 minutes more, scraping sides down again if needed. The batter should be thick and well blended. Fold in the chocolate chip and pecan mixture until it is well distributed. Pour batter into the pan, smoothing the top. Place on center rack in the oven. Bake the cake until it springs back when lightly pressed with your finger and starts to pull away from the sides of the pan, 50 to 55 minutes. Run a long, sharp knife around the edge of the cake and invert onto a cooling rack, then invert again onto a serving platter to finish cooling, 20 minutes more.

Make frosting: Heat the brown sugar and butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Simmer, stirring constantly, 2 minutes. Stir in the milk, bring the mixture to a boil. Remove the pan from the heat and cool. Place the confectioners' sugar in a large mixing bowl and pour on the hot sugar mixture. Beat with a mixer on low speed until frosting is smooth and creamy, 2 to 3 minutes. (Use while warm or the frosting will harden.) Frost the top and sides of the cooled cake. Let the cake stand 30 minutes before slicing and serving.

FRESH KEY LIME CHEESECAKE
1 18.25-ounce package plain yellow cake mix
4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) butter, melted
4 large eggs

16 ounces cream cheese, at room temperature
14-ounce can sweetened condensed milk

1 tablespoon grated lime zest, optional
1/2 cup fresh lime juice (6 to 10 Key limes, or 3 to 5 regular)
1 cup sweetened whipped cream or whipped topping
Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Lightly grease a 9-by-13-inch baking pan with softened butter or vegetable shortening. Set aside. Measure out 1/2 cup of the cake mix and set aside. Place the remaining cake mix, butter and 1 egg in a large mixing bowl. Blend with electric mixer on low speed for 2 minutes. Stop the machine and scrape down the sides of the bowl with a rubber spatula. The batter should come together in a ball. With your fingertips, pat the batter evenly over the bottom and 1 inch up the

sides of the prepared pan, smoothing it out with your fingers until the top is smooth. Set aside.

For the filling, place the cream cheese and condensed milk in the same mixing bowl that was used to make the crust, and with the same beaters (no need to clean either) blend on low speed until just combined, 30 seconds. Stop the machine and add the reserved cake mix, the remaining 3 eggs, the lime zest and juice and beat on medium 1 minute. Stop the machine and scrape down the sides of the bowl with a rubber spatula. Pour the filling into the crust and spread so it covers the surface and reaches the sides of the pan. Bake on center rack until it looks shiny and the center no longer jiggles when you shake the pan, 45 to 50 minutes. Remove from oven and place on a wire rack to cool for 30

minutes. Lightly cover the pan with plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 1 hour but preferably 24 hours for the flavors to meld. Cut in squares and serve with a dollop of sweetened whipped cream.

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FOOD & HOME

Recipes harken back to church suppers

By Kristin Eddy
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO—There's the church supper of another era, something along the lines of ham and potato salad and sweet iced tea all served at picnic tables on the church lawn.

Then there's the after-service meal chef James Mitchell directs at the Apostolic Church of God on the city's South Side, which might be more along the lines of grilled veal chops with a mushroom and Madeira reduction and dinner rolls made from organic wheat.

Somewhere in the middle are the countless trays of fried fish, baked chicken, stewed greens, creamed corn and fruit cobbler that the faithful sit down to together after a morning of prayer.

Whatever the menu, communal meals still play a big role in church life, nourishing a spiritual need that can't always be addressed with scripture.

New York food writer Joyce White acknowledged the importance of church meals in her 1998 cookbook, "Soul Food," writing that "food is a part of the spiritu-

al life at black churches."

COCONUT PINEAPPLE CAKE

Cake:
3 cups cake flour
1 tablespoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 cups sugar
2 sticks (1 cup) unsalted butter, room temperature
4 large eggs
1 cup milk
1 tablespoon vanilla extract
1 can (8 ounces) canned crushed pineapple in heavy syrup
Icing:
7 tablespoons cold water
3 egg whites
1/4 cups sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
7 ounces sweetened shredded coconut

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Sift flour with baking powder and salt into mixing bowl three times. Cream sugar and butter in mixing bowl of electric mixer 15 minutes over medium-high speed. Beat in eggs one at a time. Lower speed to medium. Add half of the flour mixture and 1/2 cup of the milk until well blended; add remaining flour and milk. Stir in vanilla extract. Divide batter

between two buttered and floured 9-inch cake pans; bake until cake tester comes out clean, 30-35 minutes. Cool in pan 10 minutes. Remove cake to wire rack; cool completely, 1-2 hours.

For icing, heat water to simmer in top of double boiler. Beat in egg whites, sugar and vanilla with electric mixer; beat to soft peaks, about 7 minutes. Remove pan from stove. Cool 20 minutes. Place one cake layer bottom side up on serving plate. Drain pineapple and reserve syrup. Brush half of syrup on cake; top with pineapple. Place second cake layer over first; brush with remaining pineapple syrup. Spread icing over top and sides of cake. Sprinkle coconut over top and sides of cake; pat into frosting.

—Adapted from a recipe by Mary Myers, Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, Chicago.

MOLASSES BAKED CHICKEN

1 chicken, about 3 1/2 pounds, cut up
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
2 tablespoons each: apple cider

vinegar, dark molasses, spicy brown mustard
Heat oven to 400 degrees. Sprinkle chicken with salt and pepper. Combine vinegar, molasses and mustard in small bowl. Coat chicken with mixture, rubbing into skin and meat. Place chicken in large, greased roasting pan. Place on lower shelf of oven; bake 20 minutes. Turn chicken pieces over with tongs. Bake until skin is golden brown and juices run clear when chicken is pierced with a knife, 20 minutes. Serves 4.

—Adapted from "Soul Food," by Joyce White.

ANGEL BISCUITS

Yield: 4 dozen biscuits
1 package (1/4 ounce) active dry yeast
2 tablespoons warm water
5 cups flour
1/3 cup sugar

1 tablespoon baking powder
1 teaspoon each: baking soda, salt
1 cup vegetable shortening
2 cups buttermilk

Dissolve yeast in warm water. Combine flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda and salt in large bowl. Cut in shortening with pastry blender or 2 knives until flour forms soft pea-size chunks. Stir in yeast mixture and buttermilk. Cover with plastic wrap. Refrigerate 2 hours or overnight. Heat oven to 400 degrees. Roll or pat dough to 1/2-inch thickness on well-floured surface. Cut biscuits with 2-inch biscuit cutter. Place on ungreased baking sheets. Bake until lightly browned, about 10 minutes.

—Adapted from "The Black Family Reunion Cookbook," by The National Council of Negro Women Inc.

Martha

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Remove thorns if you wish, but this can also shorten bloom life. If you choose to remove them, carefully use a sharp blade to pare thorns away, working from the top of the stem down.

Fill a sink with cool water. Using a sharp knife or pruners, cut stems underwater at a 45-degree angle so they won't sit flat on the bottom of the vase; this allows for better water absorption.

If stems are especially woody, split them vertically an inch or so at the base so they draw more water. Immediately place stems in 2 inches of warm water (no hotter than 110 degrees F).

After five minutes, transfer the flowers to a vase filled with cool water. Add cut-flower food according to package instructions.

Change the water every day, and add more flower food, or, in

place of flower food, use a solution of 1 teaspoon sugar and two drops liquid bleach per gallon of fresh, cold water. Keep roses in a cool area to help them last; if you want them to open quickly, place them in full sunlight.



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“Whatever he’s smoking, Cuban it’s not.”

—Mark Krieger of the *New York Daily News* on Dallas Maverick owner Mark Cuban’s signing of Dennis Rodman

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

- Wrestling**
Pocatello at Jerome
Highland at Burley
Century at Minico
- Girls’ basketball**
Class A-4 District Tournament at Cassford
Dierich vs. Murrain, 6:30 p.m.
Carey vs. Hagerman, 8 p.m.
- SCIC Tournament at Filer**
Wendell vs. Filer
Class A-3 District Tournament
Declo at Valley
- Boys’ basketball**
Burley at Bonneville
Twin Falls at Idaho Falls
Jerome at Hillcrest

IN BRIEF

Gooding enters rankings with splash

GOODING — For nearly three months, the Gooding High School wrestling team has quietly rolled over the competition. Case in point? The Senators ran their overall dual record to 16-0 Tuesday with a 7-50 lambasting of Class A-3 Glenns Ferry.

This week’s state wrestling rankings, compiled periodically by local independent authority Rocky Bartlett, reflect that dominance. Gooding broke into the Class A-2 team rankings this week at No. 6, placing four grapplers in the Top Six of their respective weight classes. Kimberly also remained strong in A-2, holding fast at No. 8.

Boys’ hoop tournaments will kick off this week

TWIN FALLS — Tournament play for boys’ high school basketball teams begins this week throughout the Magic Valley.

The Class A-4 Northside Conference launches the postseason on Thursday with three first-round games at Shoshone High School. Ketchum plays Camas County at 4:30 p.m., Shoshone and Carey tangle at 6 and Bliss meets Dietrich at 7:30. Richfield has a first-round bye, and meets the Ketchum-Camas winner. Play continues through Feb. 21.

In the Class A-4 south, the Magic Valley Conference Tournament starts on Saturday, with seeding not yet fully determined. The north and south’s top three teams then meet Feb. 24-25 in Burley to decide the seeding of District 4’s representatives at state.

Class A-3 Canyon Conference tournament action heats up Monday with the championship slated for Feb. 24. Class A-2 SCIC postseason play begins next week as well.

Among Class A-1, the state’s division for larger schools, tournament play starts Saturday. I seed Pocatello hosts No. 7 Century, No. 4 Jerome hosts No. 2 Twin Falls and No. 6 Minico travels to third-seeded Highland. Burley, which clinched the second seed with last week’s upset of Pocatello, holds a first-round bye and hosts the winner of the Minico-Highland game on Monday. The Region III title game awaits Feb. 22.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Wendell wins a thriller

Trojans, Wildcats play again tonight for SCIC title

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

FILER — Wendell’s Tracy Brandama’s off-balance fallaway jumper from the free-throw line fell with 19 ticks remaining Tuesday, as the Lady Trojans (15-8) kept their Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference title hopes alive with a 51-47 upset of No. 1 seed Filer on the Lady Wildcats’ home floor.

The win forces a rematch between the two rivals tonight at 7 p.m. at Filer, with the winner securing a state tournament berth, and the loser forced to play Saturday in an inter-district play-off game at Declo at 1 p.m.

It was also the second win in three tries for Wendell over Filer this season.

“We never should have even been in that position,” said Filer head coach Kim Krumm, who bemoaned her team’s lack of rebounding in the loss.

“We just need to do our job and box out,” she said. “We gave them two and three shots every time down. We just need to execute better and box out tomorrow.”

But for Brandama, who also completed a three-point play with a free throw on her game-winning shot, it was all about getting the chance to play one more time tonight.

“It had to go in,” she said. “It was the worst shot I took all night, but I was just so focused that it had to go.”

It was only the third shot she had made all night, but it was certainly the biggest.

“She hadn’t been hitting all night,” said Wendell head coach Ryan Pope. “But she hit it when it counted.”

After the bucket and free throw had given Wendell the lead — only its third of the night — speedy Filer point guard Mandi Turner drove the length of the floor only to have a four-foot jumper rim out with 10.7 seconds to go.

The loose ball was scooped up by Wendell’s Lauren Haycock, who passed it to teammate Emma Howdsen. Forced to foul, Filer’s Libbie Loughmiller grabbed Howdsen with 6.9 seconds showing and the senior calmly drained both free throws to tie the game at 51-47.

A three-point prayer from Filer’s Aciene Fullmer, who led all scorers with 20 points, bounced away at the buzzer.

Elated with the victory, Pope said his team will just have to muster up the effort to repeat its performance.

“It won’t be easy,” he said.



BRUCE SHIELDS/The Times-News



Above, the Wendell bench erupts as the final seconds expire in the fourth district Class A-2 girls’ basketball tournament game at Filer High School Tuesday night. Wendell’s victory against the Filer Wildcats forces a winner-take-all championship game tonight. Left, Wendell’s Tracy Brandama fights for a rebound.

“That’s part of the challenge. We set goals to win the district championship and now we’re playing for the championship. We match up with Filer good — I won’t be surprised if it’s not this close tomorrow night.”

Filer dominated the game early, doubling up the Lady

Trojans after the first eight minutes, 12-6, as Turner hit one of her only two field goals of the night and Fullmer knocked down two three-pointers in the period.

But Wendell opened the second period with a 4-0 run on two buckets from guard Sonja Vorroubek to pull within two at 12-10. The

teams battled from there, with Wendell pulling even twice at 16-16 and 18-18 before Turner followed up a free throw with a steal and outlet to a fast-breaking Fullmer for the 21-18 lead.

Howdsen hit two more free throws for the 21-20 score after being slammed to the floor on a drive to the bucket, and Turner closed out the half by hitting the second of two charity tosses for a 22-20 advantage.

Filer held a 36-30 lead with 2:55 left in the third after Fullmer connected on one her four three-pointers in the game, but it was answered by a bomb from Wendell point guard Tiffany Davis with 1:27 to go. A driving Turner was fouled and sank two free throws, but Brandama hit a jumper from the corner bringing Wendell within three at 38-35 as time expired.

With a minute gone in the fourth, Turner pushed the Filer lead to four at 43-37 on a pair of free throws, but Haycock scored on two consecutive offensive rebounds and lay-ups to notch the game even at 41-41 with 4:42 to play. The Lady Trojans took their first lead of the night at 44-43 with three and a half minutes to go on a Brandama rebound and put-

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Kansas City linebacker Derrick Thomas, shown in this 1989 file photo, died Tuesday in a Miami hospital where he was being treated for injuries sustained in a car accident.

Kansas City linebacker Thomas dies suddenly

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Derrick Thomas, one of the most feared defenders in the NFL and a nine-time Pro Bowl player, died Tuesday less than a month after being paralyzed in a car crash on an icy road. He was 33.

Thomas was being transferred from his hospital bed to a wheelchair on his way to therapy when he uttered something to his mother and his eyes rolled back, said Dr. Frank Eysmont, a neuro-

surgeon at Jackson Memorial Hospital.

“We were hoping that Derrick’s story would have been a happier ending,” he said. “This is very much unexpected.”

The Kansas City Chiefs linebacker, who held the NFL record of seven sacks in a game, went into cardio-respiratory arrest, he said.

Doctors have not determined an exact cause of death and might perform an autopsy. One of Thomas’ doctors, Dr. Barth

A tough linebacker

Derrick Thomas set an NFL single-game record with seven sacks in 1990. Here is a look at his career regular season statistics.



Yr.	T	S	FF	FR
'89	75	10.0	3	1
'90	63	20.0	0	0
'91	79	13.5	4	4
'92	67	11.0	0	0
'93	43	8.0	4	1
'94	38	11.0	0	0
'95	71	8.0	2	1
'97	55	9.5	3	0
'98	54	12.0	0	0
'99	60	7.0	2	1

Key: T-Tackles; S-Sacks; FF-Forced fumbles; FR-Fumble recoveries

Sources: NFL, ESPN AP

Green, said a massive blood clot probably killed Thomas.

“This is a total shock,” Green said. “Derrick was an extraordinary person and was breaking all the records while he was here.”

A shaken Chiefs coach Gunther Cunningham recalled telephoning Thomas at the Miami hospital from the Pro Bowl on Sunday in Hawaii, after seeing players and fans honoring

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Study targets andro

Substance raises testosterone levels, new study says

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Androstenedione, the supplement once used by Mark McGwire, really does raise testosterone above normal levels and could be hazardous, Harvard researchers say in a study financed by major league baseball.

Both baseball and its players’ union said additional study is needed to determine whether andro affects athletic performance.

A study last year found that the over-the-counter drug had no effect on testosterone levels or strength and instead may — Mark McGwire

enlarge, heart disease and cancer.

The new study lasted just one week and did not measure whether andro can do what promoters have claimed — make bigger muscles. But the researchers said andro could have that effect because it increases levels of the male hormone.

“A patient of mine came to me and asked whether he should take androstenedione, I would caution against it simply because we don’t know what the long-term effects are,” said Dr. Benjamin Z. Leder, the Harvard University endocrinologist who led the study, published in Wednesday’s *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Side effects of elevated testosterone levels include acne, male-pattern baldness and a decrease in “good” cholesterol, which could lead to heart disease. In women, high testosterone can also cause increased body hair, deepening of the voice and other male characteristics.

Androstenedione supplements are made of a naturally-occurring steroid hormone the body uses to make testosterone. When supplements of testosterone are taken in high doses, they are known to have an anabolic effect — increasing muscle size and strength.

Even when rusty, Rodman will be a force with Dallas

The Associated Press

DALLAS — From wrestling to acting to getting arrested, Dennis Rodman has done a lot since his last NBA game 10 months ago. Playing basketball, however, wasn’t high on his things-to-do list.

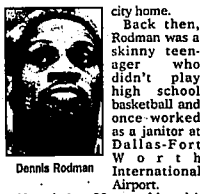
Yet on Tuesday Rodman showed his new Dallas Mavericks teammates that, despite the lay-off, he can still rebound and defend, which is exactly what he’s been hired to do.

“He walked into our practice and just proved that he knows how to play — when to set picks, when to move the ball,” coach-general manager Don Nelson said. “He was very impressive considering he hasn’t played for a year.”

The currently blonde-haired forward will get his first real test tonight at home against Seattle. Rodman won’t start, but he’s likely to play about 15 minutes.

“I think it’ll be a great opportunity to give the people in Dallas some excitement and it’s a great opportunity to prove a lot of people wrong,” said Rodman, who had to settle for signing with his hometown team after no contender was willing to take a chance on him.

Although Rodman grew up in Dallas and still has family and friends in the area, he’s changed more than just his hair color since the last time he called the



Dennis Rodman International

city home. Back then, Rodman was a skinny teenager who didn’t play high school basketball and once worked as a janitor at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Now, he’s a 38-year-old multi-millionaire known as much for outrageous antics such as cross-dressing and multiple body piercings as for winning seven rebounding titles and five NBA championships.

“I don’t think the hometown part has any effect on my play or anything about Dennis Rodman,” he said. “I just go out there to have a good time, I work hard and I give people what they want.”

Rodman played 23 games for the Los Angeles Lakers last February through April, then was cut when team officials ran into problems with his high-maintenance lifestyle.

He yearned to return to the Lakers this season because he wanted to play for their new coach, Phil Jackson, who kept Rodman on a long leash in Chicago. But the team wasn’t interested. Neither was anyone else.

SPORTS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

TF freestyle wrestling sign-ups set
TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls freestyle wrestling club will hold spring-season sign-ups on Tuesday from 5 to 6:30 p.m. inside the high school's new gym.

Students can learn about Minico baseball
RUPERT - Informational meetings for ninth-graders interested in playing baseball at Minico High School will be held in the library at 8:15 a.m. on Thursday at East Minico Junior High and at 8:15 a.m. on Friday at West Minico Junior High.

Ski championship arrives in Sun Valley
SUN VALLEY - The Leib's Combined Championship, presented by the Sun Valley Ski Club, will be held this Saturday on Mt. Baldy and at the Nordic Center.

Sign-up is Friday at the Warm Springs Lodge from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Entry fees are \$12 for participants 18 and younger, and \$18 for adults (lift ticket included). Race-day registration will be accepted at 8 a.m. Awards, including a season's pass to Sun Valley, will be presented at a 5 p.m. ceremony in the American Legion Hall. Contact the ski club at (208)622-3003 for more information.

Compiled from wire reports

Wendell

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back.
Filer regained the lead at 45-44 after a Loughmiller jumper after four Lady Wildcat misses, but the Wildcats couldn't take advantage of a Wendell miss as Turner rimmed a running jump.

Thomas

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Thomas by wearing his number. Thomas had not been selected for this year's game.

"Derrick said, 'Coach, be strong. He never told me how strong I needed to be,'" Cunningham said.

After a game, Thomas would always walk across the field "with a smile on his face," the coach said. "Not because the Chiefs won, but because that's the way he was. And that's the way I'll always remember him."

and Kailea Hensing drove the lane for a lay-up and the 46-45 lead. After Filer's Jessie Lassen rimmed the front end of a one-and-one opportunity, both teams missed shots on two consecutive possessions. Wendell's last, a shot jumper from Davis, was swatted out-of-bounds by Turner.

Filer made good on its next possession with a Leah Hollingshead 10-foot corner-jumper for a 47-46 lead.

After the basket, Wendell missed a couple of shots but Brandma picked up loose ball and made her miracle.

For the game, Wendell shot 31 percent from the floor sinking 17 of 54 attempts, while Filer hit 33 of 41 for 32 percent.

"In Monday's JV championship, Kimberly bested Gooding 38-32.

in his first nine seasons and ranked ninth on the career list with 125.5 career sacks.

With one of the quickest first moves of any defender in the league, Thomas became known for his "sack and strip" move, where he closed fast on a quarterback's blind side and hacked at his arm to knock the ball out of his hand.

He set the single-game record in 1990 in a game against Seattle. That game was the week as Veterans Day and Thomas dedicated his performance to his father, an Air Force pilot killed in Vietnam.

Thomas also made headlines in 1958 when he lost his temper during a Monday night game against Denver and committed three personal foul penalties in the Broncos' final touchdown drive. He was fined and suspended for the game and apologized to the Broncos and his fans.

car. Tellis was killed and Thomas' spine and neck were broken. The third person in the car, who was wearing his seat belt, sustained only minor injuries.

Thomas was brought to the hospital in Miami, his hometown, where doctors stabilized his spinal column with screws, rods and hooks and grafted bone from his hip. Though he was paralyzed from the chest down, doctors had hoped he would walk again.

Jackson Memorial is the home of the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis, the world's largest spinal cord injury research center, and its surgeons have operated on injured athletes before, including race car driver Emerson Fittipaldi.

An All-American at Alabama, the 6-foot-3, 255-pound Thomas became an immediate star as a pass-rushing specialist after being taken in the first round of the 1983 draft. He was an All-Pro

SCORES AND STATS

IN THE BLEACHERS By Steve Moore



Take Your Daughter to Work Day in the NBA.

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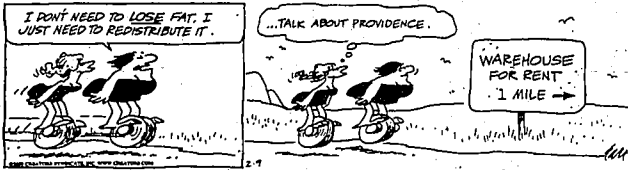
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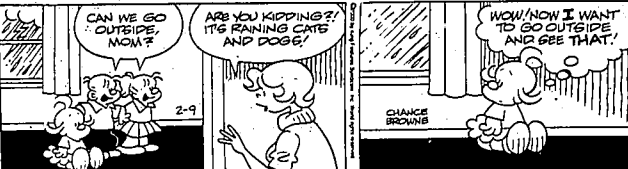
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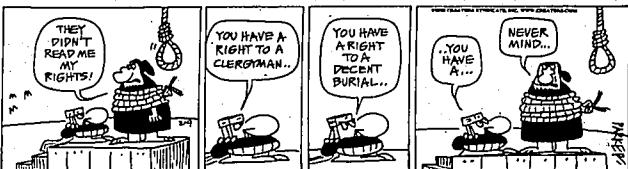
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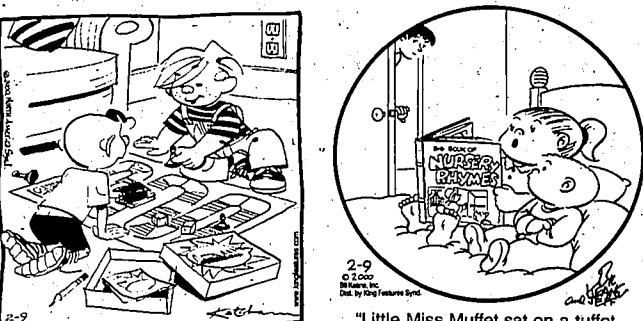


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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Hailey seed company gets OK for stock sell

HAILEY - Seeds Trust Inc., High Altitude Gardens - a 16-year-old mail-order garden and native landscape seed company in Hailey - said this week it has been granted authority by the state's Department of Finance to sell stock.

Seeds Trust said it has authority to issue and sell to Idahoans 100,000 shares of common stock at \$5 per share. There is no minimum purchase.

The company said it is offering the shares "to raise the funds necessary to print and mail 400,000 catalogs and make the capital improvements necessary to assure we are ready for a higher volume of business." Seeds Trust said it is applying for permission to establish a bulletin board allowing its shareowners and customers to trade its stock on the Seeds Trust Web page without paying commissions.

For information, call Bill McDorman at 788-4363 or send e-mail to stock@seedsave.org.

AirTouch Cellular offers Sun Valley digital service

SUN VALLEY - AirTouch Cellular said it has expanded its digital service and now offers coverage in Sun Valley.

"The expansion of digital (wireless phone service) in Sun Valley provides customers with benefits like enhanced call quality, longer battery life and superior call privacy all backed by AirTouch's commitment to superior 24-hour customer service," said Larry Flynn, market manager for AirTouch in Sun Valley. A variety of digital calling plans are now available to Sun Valley users, including one that eliminates domestic long-distance and roaming charges and allows customers to take their included minutes with them in the United States. Another plan features no roaming or outgoing long-distance charges within Idaho for one monthly fee.

AirTouch said its ventures operate in 25 states. AirTouch is part of Vodafone AirTouch Plc, the world's largest wireless communications firm, based in the United Kingdom.

Aqua Vie distribution expands to Southwest

KETCHUM - Aqua Vie Beverage Corp. said Tuesday its product is being distributed by McCarty Hull in Texas and the Southwest.

With offices in Amarillo, Pampa, and Lubbock, Texas, and revenue of about \$100 million, McCarty Hull has been in the grocery distribution business for more than 75 years. It has about 2,000 accounts primarily in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and New Mexico, including Albertson's, Kmart and United, Ketchum-based Aqua Vie said.

In addition, the product is being introduced into Toon-N-Toten, a convenience chain, which recently purchased a number of area 7-Eleven Stores and operates a total of about 75 retail units, the Ketchum company said.

McCarty Hull also distributes to institutional accounts and is introducing Aqua Vie in schools throughout the region.

Compiled from staff reports

Chinese interest in Idaho products grows

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer



BOISE - An influential Shanghai businessman said Tuesday he will invite Chinese government officials and corporate leaders to visit Idaho with him this spring to learn more about Idaho companies' construction products.

Wu-Yonghua, general manager of Shanghai-based construction giant Yongye Group, was in Boise Monday and Tuesday meeting with state officials and touring four Boise-area business-

es that hope to cash in on China's explosion in home building and its interest in energy efficiency.

He'll probably return before June, to research the companies and their products and technolo-

gies, he said, speaking through a translator. If he brings Chinese officials and businessmen, friendly visiting will also be on the agenda.

Idaho officials have credited 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, wheat 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.

some of Wu's interest in other Idaho products to the persistence of Twin Falls businesswoman Tamara Hamilton-Harney of Hamilton Manufacturing Inc.

The Twin Falls plant already has a signed document of understanding with Yongye Group that calls for sales of Hamilton's recycled-paper insulation and much into existing Yongye projects.

Wu's first tour this week was at Precision Panel of Eagle, which makes structural envelopes that are an alternative Please see CHINESE, Page E2

A REASON TO CELEBRATE



QO.com Chairman Steve Bostein, left, and eBay Chief Operating Officer Brian Swette enjoy a laugh Tuesday in Los Angeles during an announcement that a strategic marketing agreement had been reached between eBay and the Walt Disney Co. eBay will become the exclusive online person-to-person trading site for Disney's QO network portal and introduce co-branded merchant-to-person sites for Disney.com, ESPN.com and ABC.com.

Deere & Co. shares plunge after dealer criticism

Bridge News

MOLINE, Ill. - Shares of the world's largest farm equipment manufacturer, Deere & Co., plummeted more than 12 percent Tuesday following criticism by some of its retail dealers in a magazine article.

In a Forbes magazine article published on the Forbes Web site Tuesday morning, dealers complained about shrinking margins, company market-share targets and Deere's sale of equipment through mass merchandisers.

The article also notes Deere retailers are critical of the number of Deere dealers in the mar-

ketplace and say they feel cut off from the equipment maker.

Shares of the Moline, Ill.-based firm plunged more than 12 percent in early trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Deere spokesman Ken Golden told Bridge News the equipment maker does not speak to issues related to stock activity or discuss specifics about dealer contracts. However, he said the

number of Deere sellers, dealers must invade one another's territory.

White Golden would not talk about issues such as market share goals, he said it was "intriguing" that the Forbes article compared Deere's more than 1,500 sellers with Caterpillar's 64 dealerships, noting that Caterpillar is selling only construction equipment at those locations.

Golden said Deere has about 100 construction equipment sellers and said Deere's farm equipment dealers are similar in number to those of CNH Global Inc.

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The article said the equipment manufacturer insists dealers attain market shares of 10 percent to 30 percent and said that, because of

article was not reflective of the majority of its dealer relationships. "I would tell you this article represents a small minority of people and certainly isn't across-the-board our relationship with dealers," Ken Golden, John Deere spokesman, said on Forbes magazine's website.

Taking hold of the reigns

BID looks for expanded role at Western Days

By Rachel Denny
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - As the honored tradition of Western Days continues to grow, some people are looking for bigger and better places to hold the celebration and some people - such as downtown merchants - don't want to see the event move away from the City Park and downtown area.

By becoming part of the Western Days committee, the merchants plan to take an active role in organizing the event; downtown merchants say they plan on effecting change that would make the event more of a promotion for that redeveloping retail sector.

The annual event is not owned by any individual, group or business. It is run by a nonprofit group that functions on volunteer participation, said Western Days volunteer Jan Rogers.

Funds are generated through sales of booth spots in the City Park for the days of the events, and all the money is spent on expenses such as security, insurance, sanitation and the free entertainment during the event.

In the past the celebration has been planned by a number of different people, selected by an open-forum vote. That means anyone who shows up at the Western Days volunteers' meetings can vote.

But members of the Historic Downtown Business Improvement District discussed Tuesday how to ensure the event will not move away from the downtown area. The concept of "owning" the event was a popular one among BID board members.

"There's no ownership to the event," Rogers told board members. Rogers is marketing director for The Times-News.

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MONEY

Upward swing in productivity boosts economy

WASHINGTON (AP) — A key to economic vitality that also helps in containing low inflation posted the best performance last year since 1992, a 2.9 percent uptick in American workers' productivity for 1999.

A first in four-quarter productivity gains, as defined as the amount of output for each hour of work, contributed to the strong performance.

Productivity rose by a larger-than-expected 5 percent annually in the final three months of last

year, the biggest growth spurt since the fourth quarter of 1992, the Labor Department said Tuesday. Wall Street was buoyed by the report, which suggested the economy can continue to grow briskly without triggering inflation as long as healthy productivity gains are recorded.

"The productivity miracle has provided another astounding piece of the U.S. economy," said First Union economist David Orr. The improvement in last year's productivity marked the

strongest gain since a 4.1 percent increase in 1997, an 1998, productivity rose 2.8 percent.

"That's called using every worker just about as efficiently as possible," said Joel Naroff, economist with Naroff Economic Advisors, for some species, he said.

Healthy productivity gains are the keys to prosperity and rising living standards, economists said. Sizeable gains means companies can pay employees more, hold their line on prices and still deliver increased profits to shareholders.

Generally, productivity goes up when the unemployment rate is now at a 30-year low of 4 percent — goes down, particularly when the economy is growing rapidly, economists said. Companies look to increase worker output to help keep up with robust demand.

There's a possibility that productivity gains can be threatened when labor markets are as tight as they are now, however, because employers can have trouble finding scarce workers to fill openings.

Chinese

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to wooden studs. "The idea of the product is really good," Wu said.

At Fiberglass Systems of Boise, Wu said a large warehouse and facilities, management and product quality and variety. The company makes modular shower stalls that are accessible to the handicapped.

At Boise Cascade Tuesday, Wu said a large warehouse and a huge variety of wood and metal building products, he said.

His final tour was at Armstrong Planning of Boise, where, he said, "everything is so unique and so detailed." That company really impressed him, he said.

A planned visit to Woodgrain Millwork of Fruitland was canceled to give the visitors — including Wu's wife and daughter — a rest.

It is possible that Yongye Group will do business with the companies he toured, Wu said Tuesday, but he needs to think about it and research further before moving ahead. He said he

is looking for benefits to both Idaho and the Shanghai group.

Hamilton Manufacturing recently visited the offices of Wu, but Hamilton-Harney said Tuesday was a landmark day for him, anyway.

At a state-sponsored international trade lunch, she had a long-sought chance to talk with Simplot Turf and Horticulture's senior vice president of marketing, Hamilton-Harney said. The representative agreed Simplot Turf, which sells grass seed, will work with Hamilton, whose recycled-paper mulch and applicator machine are used to plant grass seed.

The larger Idaho company assured Hamilton-Harney that her plant's small size is no detriment, and that Idaho businesses should cooperate, Hamilton-Harney said.

Simplot Turf and Horticulture was one of the first grass-seed companies in China in the early 1980s, said Chris Claypool, international director for Simplot Turf, during a phone interview.

Since then, it has developed relationships with local and provincial governments, with business leaders that are becoming privatized in China, Claypool said. Simplot Turf, whose parent is J.R. Simplot Co., holds a strong market share in China for certain species of grass seed — a majority share for some species, he said.

Claypool said late Tuesday afternoon Simplot Turf is interested in dealing with Hamilton — though not exclusively — and will assist the Twin Falls plant in expansion of its products in China, hopefully through ties with Simplot products.

Simplot has seed distributors in China that are also handling some equipment lines, but it doesn't currently have alliances with other hydroseeding companies, Claypool said. Simplot will use opportunities to promote Hamilton from a hydroseeding standpoint, he said, because it's important to support other Idahoans.

"Another encouraging development," Claypool said, Hamilton-Harney

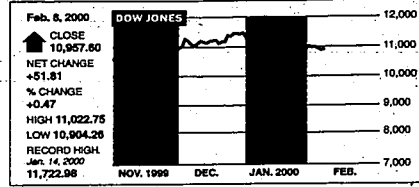
said, was her visit to Boise Cascade's distribution center.

The Boise company's manager of China business development told her some American-style houses are being built in Shanghai; he offered to accompany Hamilton-Harney to China and introduce her to project leaders, Hamilton-Harney said.

That could mean a huge opportunity for Hamilton to market its recycled-paper insulation in China, where it had appeared that construction practices offered little market for the product.

Smaller companies like her own have fewer resources for the travel and contract-making necessary in developing foreign trade, so Tuesday's networking with Simplot and Boise Cascade was valuable, Hamilton-Harney said.

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Stocks rise following productivity report

NEW YORK (AP) — The Nasdaq composite index sprinted to record Tuesday after the government reported workers' productivity is rising sharply, offering a potential buffer against inflation. Blue-chip stocks also rallied but pared their gains late in the session.

The Nasdaq rose 105.73, to 4,427.50, crushing past its previous record of 4,321.77, set Monday.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 51.81 to close at 10,957.60. The Dow rose as much as 100 points early in the session.

The Standard & Poor's 500 rose 17.51 to 1,441.75 and the Russell 2000 index of smaller companies rose 5.10 to 537.49, a new record.

Stocks rose after the Labor Department said productivity — defined as the amount of output for each hour of work — rose at a 5 percent annual rate in the fourth quarter, the strongest showing since the fourth quarter of 1992.

The report surpassed analysts' expectations and reassured many investors that inflation remains

under control. Stocks have been pressured so far this year by worries that the Federal Reserve will sharply raise interest rates to slow inflation from accelerating.

While most economists see little evidence of actual inflation, four rate increases since last June have done little to slow the growth of the U.S. economy.

Analysts said Tuesday's report indicated that while the Fed may raise rates again at its next meeting, an increase sharp enough to derail stocks isn't likely.

"This report will probably not prevent the Fed from tightening on March 21, but it will keep them on the course of gradualism and caution," said David Orr, chief economist at First Union Securities Inc.

Blue-chip stocks, which have been under heavy pressure from investors who fear higher interest rates will cut into corporate profits, rebounded in the report.

Financial service issues, which are highly sensitive to inflation, advanced. J.P. Morgan rose 1 1/16 to 119 1/2 and Merrill Lynch rose 3 1/16 to 97 1/16.

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Western

Continued from E1. "I think downtown could own the event," she said. "It's a huge, well-established community promotion. If I were you guys I wouldn't give it up."

BID members said they are worried that unless they take an active role in the Western Days committee it will fizzle up or move to a different location. "Unless we step in it won't be here," BID board member Kathi Barnes said.

"My recommendation is don't give it up," Rogers said. "We need to get control of the committee so we can bring it downtown and own it."

But some Western Days committee members don't like the idea of downtown controlling the event and turning it into a promotion. "It's a community event," Western Days Chairman Tony Barnes said.

"The concept of a community event versus retail promotion is one downtowners need to consider," Barnes said. "A great downtown wants to take ownership."

A meeting is set for 6 p.m. today in the City Council chambers for anyone interested in joining the Western Days volunteer committee.

"This is a big issue we may want to talk about," he said. "Before the board considers promoting special zoning, we need to know where they have invested in their properties and downtown, Thompson said."

"But though the proposal may sound like an effort to regulate what businesses go where, that is not the whole story, BID Executive Director Randy Bombardier said.

"What this really is is a clustering plan, he said. "It may seem like it's just protective. It's really a first step."

"Received an update on the Old Towne and downtown BIDs. The boards are looking in writing about what businesses go where, that is not the whole story, BID Executive Director Randy Bombardier said.

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Serving the Magic Valley



Photo courtesy of CSI

Second-year jazz student Jim McMahon belts out the lead in a 1999 CSI jazz band performance. McMahon recently played in a community college all-stars band, which took the stage at the Association of Jazz Educators convention in New Orleans. This was his third straight year he was selected to play in the prestigious big band, CSI says.

CSI jazz student standouts at national music convention

TWIN FALLS - College of Southern Idaho jazz student Jim McMahon is becoming an old hand at performing for big city crowds.

For the third straight year, he attended the International Association of Jazz Educators convention to play in the community college all-stars band. The convention was held in New Orleans in mid-January.

His CSI instructor, Brent Jensen, says he was proud to see McMahon selected to play in the prestigious big jazz band.

"It was fun to see Jim play some of the solo parts, those are the loud, 'screamin' your brains out' parts that everyone loves," Jensen says.

McMahon's first convention trip was to

New York City last year and he appeared in a group at the convention in Anaheim, Calif, the college says.

McMahon says this year's trip to New Orleans, the home of jazz music, was a dream come true.

The convention was held in the Superdome and several nearby hotels. The student says the all-stars band played for several hundred of the estimated 7,000 registrants which attended that part of the convention.

McMahon has received a scholarship for his next two years of jazz studies at University of Mary in Bismarck, N.D.

The College of Southern Idaho Foundation paid for his flight and accommodations in New Orleans, CSI says.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Hansen class sponsors dress-up Valentine's Day dinner

HANSEN - The Hansen seventh-grade class is sponsoring a Valentine's dinner at 6:30 p.m. Fridays at Hansen Elementary School.

Cost is \$6 per person. This is a dress-up occasion.

There will be door prizes and entertainment. For tickets, contact any Hansen seventh-grade student.

Call Val Worden at 423-5593 for more information.

Mary Time Club announces results of latest meeting

FILER - The Mary Time Club recently reported the results of its Feb. 1 meeting, which was held at the Dorothy Maxson residence.

Eight members were present and roll call was "Something pertaining to Valentine's Day."

Members thanked "secret pals" for the cards sent. Connie Smith won the white elephant gift.

The Mary Time Club's Valentine's dinner, including member's husbands, will be held at 6 p.m. Feb. 20.

The next meeting will be held at the Genevieve Crawford residence on March 7. Roll call will be a favorite "Household Hint."

Twin Falls Fitness Center hosts rest, relaxation and healing

TWIN FALLS - The second annual Evening of Rest, Relaxation and Healing will be held from 6-9 p.m. Friday at Twin Falls Fitness Center at 1881 Pole Lane Road E. in Twin Falls.

The Evening of Rest, Relaxation and Healing is a chance for participants to experience different relaxation and healing disciplines from certified Magic Valley practitioners at an affordable price, organizers say.

Shannon Wall will assist individuals with sampling Aveda Oils, Brenda Grogan will assist with essential oils, aromatherapy and massage, and Cecilia

Jordan will demonstrate foot reflexology.

Cranio-sacral therapy will be conducted by Mary Marinot and Marlon Wallace.

Betty Jo Olson, Marcie Donner, Jeri Devine, Christian Godd, Lynn Jacobson, Jeanne Bottinger, Jane Hulsy, Lauri and Eric Evans and Mary Ann Bruno will demonstrate Reiki. Lori Head and Pat Robison-Wahl will assist participants with pilates and yoga techniques.

Denise Hoyt will demonstrate "Touch for Health," Paul and Ellie Olson will perform massage, Dee Couch will demonstrate massage-Reiki and Sue Marsh will show participants the benefits of Reiki/Reflexology.

Brenda Malone will demonstrate chair massage, Amy Gae will perform sport massage and Les-Renee Praeder will demonstrate reflexology.

Cost is \$10 per person for three tickets at the door or 15 minutes for their choice of treatment from healing and relaxation practitioners at evening.

Participants are also allowed complete use of fitness facilities and are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing.

For more information, call Twin Falls Fitness Center at 734-7447.

Wendell American Legion Post 41 meets second Wednesday

WENDELL - The American Legion Post 41 meets the second Wednesday of the month in Wendell.

A poduck starts at 7 p.m. with the regular meeting starting at 8 p.m.

USS Maddox destroyer crew announces summer reunion

LAS VEGAS, Nev. - All crew, officers and personnel from the USS Maddox destroyer DD731, 622 and 168 are invited to a reunion Sept. 10-15 in Las Vegas, Nev.

For more information, call Cliff Gillespie at (714) 960-5283, e-mail at GGILLES@mail.arco.com or write 215 Wichita Ave. Apt. 605, Huntington Beach, CA 92648.

Civic

Rotary Clubs

Blue Lakes - 7 a.m. Tuesdays at the Westside Plaza Hotel & Convention Center in Twin Falls; 734-7007 or 734-4187.

Burley - Noon Tuesdays at Burley Inn Convention Center; 678-2249.

Buhl - Noon Thursdays at the Acapulco Restaurant in Buhl; 543-6841 or 543-5506.

Gooding - 12:15 p.m. Friday at the Lincoln Inn; 934-4585.

Hailey - Noon Thursday at the Senior Center of Blaine County; 788-0897 or 788-2114.

Jerome - Noon Tuesday at China Village, 123 S. Alder; 324-7000 or 324-4511.

Ketchum - Noon on Tuesday at Clarion Inn Restaurant; Bob Stone at 726-4100.

Rupert - Noon Wednesdays at the Rupert Elks Lodge. Call Jo Jo Ball at 436-5611.

Shoshone - Noon Wednesday at the Senior Citizens Center; 886-2221 or 886-2883.

Twin Falls - Noon Wednesday at the Turf Club in Twin Falls; 736-4029 or 734-6549.

Lions Clubs

Burley - Noon Fridays at Price Cafe, 2444 Overland Ave.; 678-3027.

Gooding - 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays at the Lincoln Inn; 934-4141.

Hailey - Noon first and third Wednesdays at Full Moon Restaurant in Bellevue.

Heyburn - 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays at Heyburn fire station; 436-8030.

Jerome - Noon Tuesday at China Village; 324-7000 or 324-4511.

Rupert - 8 p.m. second and fourth Mondays at Rupert Elks; 436-3671.

Twin Falls - Noon Wednesdays at the Jade Restaurant; 734-5268.

Twin Falls Monarch - Meets first and third Thursdays at the Chuck Waigon in Twin Falls.

Kiwanis Clubs

Buhl - Noon Wednesdays at The Grandstand Sports Grill; call 543-2330 or 543-8756.

Burley - Noon Wednesdays at Price Cafe, 2444 Overland Ave.; 436-3228 or 436-0720.

Filer - Noon Tuesdays at the First Methodist Church; 328-4530 or 326-4051.

Rupert - Noon Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks; 436-8124.

Jerome - Noon Thursdays at the Jerome Senior Center, 212 First Ave. E.; call 324-2332.

Twin Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Turf Club for lunch; 736-4276 or 734-1244.

Optical Clubs

Twin Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Mandarin House; 733-0300, 733-7032 or 733-4583.

Wendell - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Farmhouse Restaurant in Wendell; 536-6477.

Civil Air Patrol

Burley - 7 p.m. Mondays at the Federal Aviation Administration Building at the Burley Airport; 677-2559 or 436-6861.

Twin Falls - 7 p.m. Mondays at 402 Airport Road at Joslin Blvd. Call Gary Thietten at 734-4061.

Other civic

Magic Valley Jaycees - 7:30 p.m. first and third Tuesdays at Main Street Pizzeria in Twin Falls; call 734-2543 or 734-2917.

Society for Creative Anachronism - The Shire of Two Limes, 3 p.m. Sundays at the Twin Falls City Park; 326-4422.

Gooding Business and Professional Women - Noon Monday at the Lincoln Inn; 934-8452 or 934-8205.

Magic Valley Toastmasters - 12:10 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday in Magic Valley Mental Health Services conference room, 823 Harrison; 733-5408.

Soroptimist International of Twin Falls - first, third and fourth Tuesdays at 12 p.m. at Jade Buffet, 1719 Kimberley Road in Twin Falls. All business women are invited. Call 734-9486.

Xi Alpha Phi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi - 7:30 p.m. today; 734-6665 or 734-1367.

Buhl Chamber of Commerce - First and third Mondays at Noon at Grandstands Sports.

Lambda Delta Sigma sorority - meets at 7 p.m. each Thursday at the Burley LDS Institute, 1650 Occidental Ave. New members welcome. Call 678-6399 or 678-1622.

CLUB CALENDAR

Weight Watchers

Weight Watchers - 6 p.m. Mondays at the Odd Fellows Hall, 13th and Oakley Ave.; Burley; 654-2298.

Burley Chapter 256 - 6 to 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Heyburn School lunch room.

Gooding Chapter 251 - 5 p.m. Thursdays at the Gooding Senior Citizens Center, 308 Senior Ave.; 934-4506 or 934-5440.

Jerome Chapter 484 - 6 p.m. Wednesdays at the public library; 324-7426 or 324-5722.

Twin Falls Chapter 3 - 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E.; 733-3304 or 326-6833.

Twin Falls Chapter 309 - 7 p.m. Tuesdays in the recreation room at 475 Caswell Ave. W.; 734-5132 or 736-3291.

Support Groups

Health/Care Provider 12 Step Recovery Program - 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at 425 2nd Ave. N., Twin Falls. Call Denise at 734-4777 or Brian at 436-1722.

Adult Children of Dysfunctional Families - 6 p.m. Wednesdays at the Walker Center, 263 Second Ave. N., Twin Falls; 734-4200.

Al-Anon for people concerned about someone's drinking - For information on meeting times and places, call 736-3555.

Alateen for young people living with alcoholics - 6 p.m. Mondays at Falls Professional Center, Suite 21, 1201 Falls Ave. E. in Twin Falls; 734-0664.

Senior Support Group for Blind and Visually Impaired people, noon at the Walker Center the last Wednesday of the month, meeting following lunch, call 733-5076.

DivorceCare - 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Burley United Methodist Church Library, 450 E. 27th St.; 678-2184 or 678-5199.

DivorceCare - 7 p.m. Mondays at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Dr. N.; 733-6121.

DivorceCare - 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Twin Falls First Church of the Nazarene, 1231 Washington St. N. Beginning Jan. 5 for 12 weeks in the Walker Center, 263 Second Ave. N. Grandmothers in Touch - Christian grandmothers who pray for their grandchildren; for information call Lorraine at 734-7015.

Magic Valley Brain Injury Support Group and Referral Service - For information, call Cassandra Bialkley at 326-4080.

Moms in Touch - Meets at various times throughout the

Club Calendar

week to pray for their children, their schools and their teachers. For information, call 825-9600.

New Life Fellowship (a 12-step recovery group and bible study) - 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays at the First Baptist Church of Twin Falls, corner of Ninth and Shoshone; 734-6714.

Overcomers Outreach - Christ centered 12-Step Support Group (for addictive and compulsive behavior) - 7 p.m. Mondays at First Baptist Church, 2262 Hilland Ave., Burley; 678-3678.

Parents of Down Syndrome Children - For information, call 733-8869, leave a message.

Post Falls Support Group - For information, call 678-2571.

Southern Idaho Twin Falls Singles - 8 p.m. Saturdays at Spanbauer's Barn for dancing; 736-5252.

Mini-Cassia Singles - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 1901 W. St. in Heyburn; 678-5328.

Substance Abuse Volunteer Effort - For information, call 436-9600.

Substance Abuse Volunteer Effort - 6 to 7:30 p.m. Sundays at the Mountain View Elementary School lunchroom, 333 W. 27th St., Burley; 678-7447.

Mental Health Support Group - 7 p.m. first and third Mondays at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital conference room; (800) 572-9940.

Mini-Cassia Cancer Support Group - Call 654-2241.

Mothers of Young Children - 7 p.m. second and fourth Wednesdays at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Dr.; 324-7035.

Alzheimer's Support Group - 7 to 8:30 p.m. Second Tuesday at Bridgewater Estates, 1828 Bridgewater Blvd., Twin Falls; 736-2933.

Reath Easy Club and Magic Valley Breathers Club of Idaho. For more information, call 44-5567.

Christian 12-Step Support Group - For information call 734-7201.

Cocaine Anonymous - For information, call 732-5217.

CoDa Codependents Anonymous - 5 p.m. Thursdays at the Walker Center in Gooding; 324-9461.

Alcoholics Anonymous - Twin Falls - For information, call 733-8300, 736-8446 or 733-7897.

Spanish Speaking - 8 p.m. Thursdays at the Fellowship Hall, 801 Second Ave. N., Twin Falls; 736-7258.

Sunday Breakfast Group - Sundays at 8:00 a.m., 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. at Edith's Cafe, Highway 81 E., across from the golf course; Burley; 678-0798 or 678-0793.

Study Group - 8 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays at St. James Episcopal Church, 20th St. and Oakley, Burley; 678-9414.

Spanish Speaking - 1 p.m. Sundays at the Snow Blvd.; 1321 Oakley Ave. No. 9; Burley; 677-9040.

Women's Group - 5 p.m. Mondays at the Snow Blvd.; 1321 Oakley Ave. No. 9; 678-9414 or 678-9424.

Mini-Cassia Support - 8 p.m. Tuesdays at the Snow Blvd.; 1321 Oakley Ave. No. 9; 677-9040 or 438-5448.

Rupert Group - 8 p.m. Mondays and Fridays at the Twin Falls Support Bldg., 548 E. St.; 436-5842, 436-9449 or 432-6718.

Rupert Group - Noon on Wednesdays at 220 E. Ellis, Paul; 432-6718.

Heal (100) Believe - For more information, call 788-5950.

Ketchum/Sun Valley - For more information, call 726-4650.

Debtors Anonymous - Meetings at 7 p.m. Thursdays at Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 210 Blue Lakes Blvd.; 733-3804.

Debtors Anonymous - Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 210 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., call J.C. at 733-5676.

Narcotics Anonymous - For information, call 736-1150 or (800) 328-5257.

Gooding 8 p.m. Mondays, corner of 3rd and Idaho; 7 p.m. Fridays at 1st and Montana St. Ketchum 7 p.m. Mondays; 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays; 6:30 p.m. Saturdays, 571 E. 2nd St. Kimberly 8 p.m. Thursdays, 310 Main St.

Burley Saturday Night's Alright Group of NA, 8 p.m. Saturdays at 1321 Oakley Ave. N., Snow Building, Suite 9; 678-1330 (non-smoking meeting).

Paul - For information, call 678-1330. Sunday night meeting - 7 p.m. Sundays, 220 E. Ellis.

4 Ladies Only, 6 p.m. Mondays, 220 E. Ellis (non-smoking).

Monday meditation group, 8 p.m. Mondays, 220 E. Ellis (non-smoking).

It Was Us... How and Why Book Study, 8 p.m. Tuesdays, 220 E. Ellis.

Emerson Group, 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 220 E. Ellis (non-smoking).

Thursday Rupert Group, 7 p.m. Thursdays, 220 E. Ellis.

Friday Night Basic Text Book Study, 7 p.m. Fridays, 220 E. Ellis.

Rupert Noon Thursdays, 121 W. 100 S.; 678-1330.

Twin Falls 7:30 p.m. Sundays, 228 Shoshone St. (backdoor); 7 p.m. Fridays, 315 Falls Ave., Desert Building, Rm 110; 7 p.m. Mondays, 638 p.m. Tuesdays, 6 p.m. Thursdays, 7 p.m. Fridays, 10 p.m. Saturdays at 801 2nd Ave. N.

Overeaters Anonymous - Twin Falls - 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays or 10 a.m. Saturdays or 1 p.m. Mondays.

Ninth Avenue Unit of the First Baptist Church, 910 Shoshone St. (use side door on Wednesdays and Saturdays; 732-5676).

Burley - 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the Burley Public Library, 125 W. 672-1314.

Gooding - 7 p.m. Mondays at the Walker Center, 1120 Montana; 934-8692.

Other - Magic Valley Singles - Thursdays at Jeff Floyd Photo, 123 E. Main St., Jerome, call Debbie at 644-1153.

Jobs Available: Bethel 18 - 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays at 1519 Overland Ave. in Burley.

Jobs Available: Bethel 14 - 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays at 225 First Ave. E. in Jerome.

Jobs Available: Bethel 43 - 7 p.m. first and third Thursdays at 883 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Jobs Available: Bethel 56 - 7 p.m. second and fourth Wednesdays at 883 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Twin Falls Chapter Order of DeMolay - 7 p.m. first and third Thursdays at 883 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Chapter 77 U.E.S. - First and third Wednesdays, 532-4256.

Idaho Rebekeh Lodge 96 - First and third Mondays at 8 p.m. at 120 W. Ave. A, Wendell.

Guiding Star Lodge 4 - Second and fourth Thursdays in Mountain Home.

Marguerite Rebekeh Lodge 98 - 7 p.m. First and third Mondays at the IOOF Hall at Third and Avenue and Idaho Street in Gooding.

Occident Lodge 58 - Second and fourth Thursdays in Fairfield.

Union Lodge 45 - First and third Tuesdays at 2 p.m. in Hagerman.

Starling Rebekeh Lodge 110 - Second and fourth Mondays at 8 p.m. at 132 E. Ave. B, Jerome.

Odd Fellows - 8 p.m. Tuesdays at the Odd Fellows Hall, 13th and Oakley, Burley; 678-1431.

Rupert 39 Order of the Eastern Star - meets the second and fourth Thursdays at the Masonic Temple, 620 E. St. Call 531-5190.

Twin Falls Chapter 29, Order of the Eastern Star meets the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Masonic Temple, Blue Lakes Boulevard North. Call 733-8816.

Pat Marcantonio and Joey Bryant

Please send your news and photos to: Community Editor Pat Marcantonio The Times-News P.O. Box 6600 Twin Falls, Idaho 83303 Telephone: 733-0933 Ext. 288 E-mail: patm@magvalley.com Fax: 677-4843 or 734-5538

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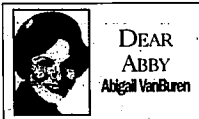
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3M cut inhalant danger of product

DEAR ABBY: In a recent column you discussed the subject of inhalant abuse. It incorrectly mentioned a 3M product, Scotchgard Fabric Protector, as one product that is commonly abused.

Prior to 1993, Scotchgard product did contain solvents that were environmentally attractive to "huffers." However, 3M responded to environmental and safety concerns and reformulated the product. Since that reformulation, we have not been made aware of any inhalant incidents related to this product. The current product is water-based.

- HARVEY BERWIN, P.H.D., 3M HOME CARE DIVISION, ST. PAUL, MINN.



DEAR ABBY
Abby VanBuren

like this occur all too frequently. More than 340 deaths have been reported to us since 1996. Education and awareness are the prime prevention tools in dealing with this problem.

I would like to share another issue that has recently arisen that a number of people have contacted me about. One of the major shoe manufacturers has a new product - a basketball shoe filled with helium. Their promotion for the shoe includes basketball stars who talk as if they are just huffed helium.

Abby, these are role models for young people who look up to these athletes. Some might say that it's OK for these people to huff helium, then it's only a short

leap of the imagination to assume it's OK to try something that could be far more deadly.

- HARVEY WEISS, DIRECTOR, NATIONAL INHALANT PREVENTION COALITION

DEAR MR. WEISS: The people responsible for that ad must have helium in their heads instead of brains. "Huffing" is not cool; it can be deadly.

Readers: The National Inhalant Prevention Coalition has a Web site that provides information in both English and Spanish at www.inhalants.org. The coalition also has materials it sends at no cost if people contact it through its Web site or via the toll-free number: 1-800-293-4237.

DEAR ABBY: On Dec. 25, you printed an unattributed piece titled "Friendship" that was sent to you by a reader in St. Petersburg, Fla.

I thought you would like to know those words were written by Dinah Maria Mulock Craik in

1866, in a book titled, "A Life for a Life" (p.169). Here is the original in its entirety:

"But oh! the blessing it is to have a friend to whom one can speak fearless on any subject; with whom one's deepest as well as one's most foolish thoughts come out simply and safely. Oh, the comfort - the inexpressible comfort of feeling safe with a person - having neither to weigh thoughts nor measure words, but pouring them all right out, just as they are, chief and grain together, certain that a faithful hand will take and sift them, keep what is worth keeping, and then with the breath of kindness blow the rest away."

- ROSALIE MAGGIO, ST. PAUL, MINN.

DEAR ROSALIE: Thank you for the reliable input. Several readers mistakenly informed me that it had been written by T.S. Eliot. However, Warren Seid, my trusty secret weapon at the Hollywood Library, has confirmed that you are correct.

ACROSS
1. List-ending abbr.
4. Pinaapple brand
8. Bloom
14. Team cheer
15. Time periods
16. Second spin?
17. Soft pianist
18. Carryaway
19. Danish port
20. Based
23. Newsmen
24. Catch sight of
25. In a dignified manner
26. Tooty
33. Snider
34. Apart
37. Indicated indirectly
40. Food & breakfast
41. Tote
42. By way of
43. Salt stigma
44. Final stage of play
46. Swell
48. Door columns
49. Gain
50. Mammian
50. Narrowly
51. spaced, like home
53. London district
57. Nexus
58. "800 Nightly News" anchor
62. Fleet aloft
63. Superior spy
67. Ms. Landers
68. Security
69. Dosed
69. Engendered
70. "She Loves..."
71. Els and Kovacs
72. Basics
73. Liquid taste

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved
ACROSS
1. LASH
2. TIT
3. BLOOM
4. LOWER HOUSE
5. SALAM
6. PUP
7. ETALS
8. ATOP
9. SPIEL
10. CRIS
11. URALS
12. MADE OUT
13. NAIL SET
14. PRONGS
15. STAPLE
16. STRIDER
17. SPYHENS
18. CLOAKS
19. TWIS
20. SLAIN
21. TESTS
22. COWL
23. HIVE
24. ECHOES
25. OPAL
26. MAVE
27. HEART
28. PLOT
29. ALEO
30. ALIA
31. EDEN
32. WEST
33. OLSEN
34. HELLUM or anger, e.g.
35. Vitamin
36. Confess
37. Extra
38. Deed
39. Cincinnati nipa
40. Mr. Baba
41. Bad guide
42. Classified

DEAR DR. BERWIN: That's a relief. Read on.

DEAR ABBY: I am the director of the National Inhalant Prevention Coalition. I recently read the follow-up letter in your column about inhalant-related death. Unfortunately, incidents

Birthday boy today has a temper, Taurus, check out Aries horoscope

IF FEBRUARY 9 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You have universal outlook, are persistently opposed to people who are narrow-minded.

You are active in political-charitable activities. People come to you with their problems, some intimate. You find that by helping others you also aid yourself.

When provoked, you display fiery temper. Aries-Libra persons play unusual roles in your life. April will be memorable, romantic and profitable.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You gain object which helps beautify home surroundings. Air your views, make known desires. Gemini, Sagittarius play roles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Obtain hint from Aries message. Valuable lost item will be recovered. Focus on money, payments, back royalties. Music in your life, dance to own tune.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Wait and see - if promise is to be kept, you will have the money. Heed inner voice. If

HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

financial arrangement is not forthcoming, get out fast.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Study Aries, Taurus, Gemini messages. Money and responsibility involved. Love relationship is getting too hot not to cool down. Capricorn is playing games.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Look beyond the immediate - someone overseas wants to represent you. Journey to another land is distinct possibility. Aries, Libra persons play fascinating roles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Get accounting relating to bank account, percentages you own in special project. Computer error likely - don't give up the snip! Acquaintance is in picture.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Marital status becomes question of the day. Focus on direction, meditation, decision that could rock family life. Marriage situation is transformed.

Whew! Earth is safe - for now

LOS ANGELES (AP)—An asteroid initially thought to be on a possible collision course with Earth in 2022 will miss the planet, astronomers said Tuesday after reviewing new data collected by scientists around the world.

Using the latest calculations, researchers determined that the orbiting rock will come no closer than 2.5 million miles in the next 50 years, said Andrea Milani, a mathematics professor at Pisa University in Italy.

The half-mile-wide asteroid, 2000 BF19, is the fifth discovered in the last two years that researchers feared could hit Earth.

A rock that size could do tremendous damage but would not cause planetwide destruction.

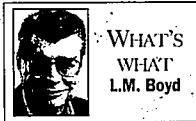
Milani sent out an e-mail on Monday asking astronomers with telescopes capable of detecting such a dim object to watch it and relay its position to him. Within hours, he was receiving reports from around the world.

Living single in Manhattan

Forty-eight-percent of the people in New York City's Borough of Manhattan live alone. There are many larger concentrations of people in the world, certainly, but nowhere else, it's said, do so many live alone so closely together.

Italians were the first novelists. The kiss is still under study by England's researchers. They now think the kiss most likely to excite a woman isn't on the lips, but on the back of her neck. Our Love and War man offers no argument. Access isn't always convenient, he notes, but many a man executes by sneaking up on her while she's brushing her teeth.

What distinguished the Greek physician Hippocrates from the other healers of his time was his contention that diseases had natural causes without the influence of evil spirits.



WHAT'S WHAT
L.M. Boyd

There's a place in the roof of your mouth where the hard palate meets the soft palate. You can stop your hiccupping, when you get same, by pressing your finger against the spot. Or so it has been reported in an issue of "Emergency Medicine."

Ice Age Greeks were taller on average than today's Greeks.

Our Love and War man notes with a scientific interest that two amorous alligators touch, caress and nuzzle each other about the head and neck for as long as four hours at a stretch.

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Homecare supervisor
Park View Care and
Rehab is now hiring for a
homecare supervisor...

MEDICAL
Looking for CNA's with ex-
perience in Behavioral
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MEDICAL
Nursing Assistants. Min-
doka Memorial Home.
Health is currently hiring...

MEDICAL
RN/PRN/OCN including
weekends and
evenings. Interested
candidates may contact...

MEDICAL
Pediatric LPN needed to
work several hours in the
Kindergarten area...

MEDICAL
PT dietary aid, hrs. vary.
Said applicants may contact
Harrison Resources at...

MEDICAL
RN/PRN/OCN Mindoka
Memorial Hospital's Med-
ical Floor is currently ac-
cepting applications for...

MEDICAL
Skill nursing facility
looking for CNA's,
evenings & NOC's shifts
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MEDICAL
Snake River Rehab & Liv-
ing Center is currently
accepting applications for...

MEDICAL
We are looking for 24 hour
in-home caregivers.
Openings in Twin Falls,
Jerome, Rupert. Work 2-3
days per week. Please call...

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TWIN FALLS CANAL
COMPANY
Seasonal Employment
Twin Falls Canal Company is now accepting a professional...

Automotive
CERTIFIED SERVICE
TECHNICIAN
Join a winning team! Theisen Motors has an exciting opening for an experienced service technician...

CAREER OPPORTUNITY
Kim Hansen Chevrolet-Oldsmobile is currently accepting applications for a professional sales person...

Clothing Manager
A leading retailer in the area is looking for an experienced individual to join the team in our Twin Falls store...

Telephone Service Representative
We're offering career minded individuals
\$6.50 per hour
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Call Today to set up an interview.
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MEDICAL/RECEPTIONIST
Halley Medical Clinic is
looking for a medical
office receptionist. Must
be great benefits, coding &
billing experience a plus...

MISCELLANEOUS
Construction Foreman
with 4 yrs. exp.
Mechanic, heavy equip.
CDL + Pay D.O.E.
Laborers w/mechanical
skills to work in
50 to 100 lbs.

GET PAID FOR
YOUR MORNING
WALK!
The Times-News is looking
for individuals interested
in temporarily filling in as
Substitutes for morning
editors. To be eligible you
must pay for the time involved...

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Full-time plant man needed.
Solid background.
Department, 837 W. Main,
Jerome, ID, 83338

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ASKING QUESTIONS!
Conduct public opinion
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ABSOLUTELY NO
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PT call 1-800-821-7349
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Wanted experienced wait-
person. 3 nights per week.
Apply in person, Prasad
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RECEPTIONIST
Recruitment needed in
busy office. Successful
applicant must have good
interpersonal skills, be de-
pendable and willing to
work flexible hours. In-
clude: multi-phone line
experience, discretionary
decision making, and
computer skills. Full time
and/or job share. Full
package. \$17.00 an hr. Must
be available. Office hours:
8:30-5:30 Mon-Fri. Salary
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es to: Box 9301, *The
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548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

RESTAURANT
Help wanted, 19 or older.
Available days, some
evenings. Must be able
to apply in person at
Maxie's, 170 Blue Lakes,
Blaine, ID. 2-4 pm.

RESTAURANT
Experienced Day Servers.
Must be able to work
weekends. Must have
experience between 2 & 4 pm
at Parkins Restaurant, 1564
Blue Lakes, Twin Falls.

RESTAURANT
Idaho Joe's is now accept-
ing applications for day
and night servers. Must
be at least 18 years old. Apply
in person between 2 & 5 pm.
Mon-Fri.

SALES
DIRECT SALES
20 yr. old Boise based
Gourmet Food Distributor
seeking individuals for
Magical Valley territory.
Must be 21 yrs old
-Bonus plus Vehicle
-Excellent Training
-Established Territory
Call Mr. Lee
800-345-0475, 9-5
208-345-0475, live. mess.

SALES
Home & Garden party
needed sales rep or dis-
tributor in your area. Earn
generous commission, no
quotas, no territory, no
travel. Call Joy Holm
at 208-238-0358 for more
information or stop by our
office at Valentine's Day
Gift Show, Snake River
Plaza, Feb. 11-Feb. 13

SALES
Looking for 2 professional
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Number 1 selling Ford
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erous commission on cars
& trucks, contact
Jack Jackson for interview
838-248.

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Fawnbrook Apts.
ROUTE #27
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100-400 Blk. Robbins
ROUTE #28
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800 Blk Westwind
100-400 Blk. W. W.
800 Blk Bracken St. N.
ROUTE #29
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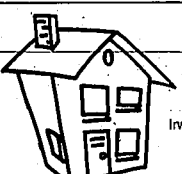
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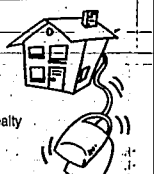
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Many would cross to dummy's diamond king to take a winning trump finesse. What next? Since South has no dummy entry, he is unable to repeat the finesse, his only option is to cash his ace and lead another heart, hoping either to drop East's king or to split the 3-3. Neither happens.

South's game goes one down. When East wins his trump king, he forces South with his last spade, and East's fourth trump builds to the setting trick.

The talented declarer will make his game. Instead of crossing to dummy to take a trump finesse, he first leads a trump from his own hand (not the ace). It East takes his king, South can claim his game, so East lacks. It's the correct time to finesse. South crosses to dummy's diamond king to take the trump finesse. After cashing his ace, he runs his side-suit winners, and the declarer score only one trump and two spades.

- NORTH ♠ K 8 2 ♥ 7 5 ♦ K 8 ♣ Q 8 7 6 5 2
- EAST ♠ A 7 5 ♥ K 4 2 ♦ 5 3 ♣ J 9 3

- SOUTH ♠ 6 3 ♥ A Q J 10 ♦ A Q J 10 ♣ A
- Vulnerable: Both
- Dealer: South

The bidding: South West North East 1♥ Pass 1NT Pass 3♦ Pass 3NT Pass 4♥ Pass 4♠ All pass

Opening lead: Spade Jack

BID WITH THE ACES

- North South 1♥ 1♠ 2♥ 2♠ 3♥ 3♠ 4♥ 4♠
- ANSWER: Three spades. A jump raise in opener's second suit that was bid at the one-level is highly invitational but not forcing.

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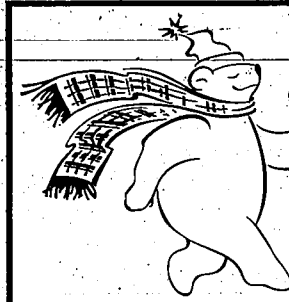
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