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Public hearing on waste treatment plans comes to town

By N.S. Norkkved
Times-News writer

SCOVILLE - For decades, the federal government processed and stored the most radioactive and corrosive wastes in the nuclear industry at a site at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

About 1.4 million gallons of liquid radioactive waste remain in underground tanks at INEEL that may not hold up in an earthquake, posing a risk to the Snake River Plain Aquifer.

Now government officials at the Idaho National Engineering

Want to be heard?

Open House
Public Comment
Formal
Presentations at 6 p.m.; a
question and answer period at 6:30
p.m. and public comment at 7 p.m.
Where: Taylor Building at the College
of Southern Idaho.

Why: To gather public comment on proposed plans for managing high-level radioactive waste at the Idaho

National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. For information on submitting comments call: 1-888-918-5100; or write: Thomas L. Wichmann, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office, 850 Energy Drive, MS 1108, Idaho Falls, Idaho, 83401-1563. The 60-day public comment period ends March 20.

contaminated facilities and how Please see DISPOSAL, Page A2



Highly radioactive liquid waste, turned into a granular solid, is stored inside sets of stainless steel tanks housed in these concrete bins at INEEL.

Together for love



Lavern and Frank Uscola are determined to get the best out of life, even as Frank's Alzheimer's disease slows progress.

Tractor repair triggers an exceptional love story

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

PAUL - It was a frustrating day for Lavern Brown. A widow, she had no one to ask for help when her tractor broke down. Until she remembered her late husband's old friend, Frank Uscola.

"Frank and Wayne went all the way through school together and worked on farms together in their younger years. Frank was just always around," Lavern said. "He was a pallbearer at Wayne's funeral."

"She hadn't seen him for a couple of years, but now she needed help, and his name came to mind. When he drove up in his pickup, she felt as if he'd never been away."

"In fact, it was as if there had never been any space between us," she said. "I fed him a T-bone steak dinner and it was so natural."

He got the tractor problem worked out. The next day he drove in while she was sweeping the porch, and called out the window, "How about going to lunch?"



Frank and Lavern Uscola stand in front of the tractor that brought them together.

She went, but felt guilty. "I felt like a loose woman,

going out with another man," she said. "Wayne had been gone

Special week

This week is Random Acts of Kindness Week. Back in 1982, Ann Herbert penned the phrase, "Practice random kindness and senseless acts of beauty." People began spreading those wise words and in 1991, Conard Press collected inspiring stories into a book by the same name. In February 1995 we celebrated the first Random Acts of Kindness Week was first celebrated in February 1995.

There are many ways to participate in Random Acts of Kindness Week. Give someone flowers, put coins in a parking meter that has expired or give your lunch to a homeless person. Kindness for kindness' sake can turn someone's day from dismal to glowing. Just spread some happiness. The rewards may not be as great as those for Lavern and Frank Uscola, but then again, who can say?

three years, but I was so embarrassed. We both know every body. What would they think?"

Thus began a most exceptional Please see LOVE, Page A2

Charles Schulz 1922-2000



Born: Nov. 26, 1922, in St. Paul, Minn.

Early career: Sold cartoons to the Saturday Evening Post; first feature, "Li'l Foks," was developed for the St. Paul Pioneer Press in 1947.

'Peanuts' debut: Oct. 2, 1950 by United Feature Syndicate; eventually ran in more than 2,600 newspapers, reaching readers in 75 countries; strip adapted for a TV movie, a hit Broadway musical

Awards: Reuben Award (comic art's highest honor) 1955, 1964; International Cartoonist of the Year, 1978; Franco's Commander of Arts and Letters award, 1990; to have received the National Cartoonist Society's lifetime achievement award this year.

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Schulz loved his work

Knights Riddle News Service

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - In last Sunday's "Peanuts," Sally asked her big brother whether he was going outside to get the mail.

"Not while it's raining," replied Charlie Brown. "When it's raining, the only letters you get are those that say, 'I never

want to see you again.'"

"You seem to know a lot about love letters," Sally said.

"If I ever got one," mused Charlie Brown, "I don't know what I'd do."

Charles Schulz' last original "Peanuts" strip ran in newspapers Sunday, Feb. 13. Schulz died Saturday at the age of 77.

In December, Schulz's treatment for colon cancer led to his announced retirement and, with it, the end of one of the most successful and influential comic strips.

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Spacecraft heads toward Eros asteroid

The Associated Press

LAUREL, Md. - A robot craft that missed its mark a year ago is on target for a Valentine's Day rendezvous with an asteroid named for the Greek god of love.

The Near Earth Asteroid Rendezvous (NEAR) spacecraft is approaching the asteroid Eros slowly and is expected to slip into orbit around the mountain-sized space rock at midmorning Monday.

If successful, NEAR will become the first spacecraft to orbit an asteroid. Researchers hope data compiled about Eros could one day help humans defend the Earth against a "killer asteroid" like one thought to have wiped out the dinosaurs 65 million years ago.



Donald Trump

After long flirtation, Trump decides not to run

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - New York tycoon Donald Trump has decided against running for president, ending a lengthy flirtation with the notion that he could tap his personal fortune to capture the White House as a third-party candidate, The Associated Press learned.

Sources connected with New York's Independence Party movement, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Trump has told associates he will announce Monday that he is not mounting a presidential bid.

After months of speculation about a possible Reform Party campaign, Trump decided recently that the party is too fractured to support a credible presidential candidate, the officials said. The Reform Party operates in New York under the Independence Party banner.

He met over the weekend with advisers to consider a second option, running as an Independence Party candidate, but determined there is not enough time to get on state ballots. Trump considered that option out of respect for Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura,

who had been the Reform Party's highest elected official before leaving the "dysfunctional" party last week to reinvigorate his state's Independence Party. Ventura and Trump were allies

during Reform Party squabbling that culminated last Friday with the governor's departure and the ouster of a Ventura ally as party chairman.

A fractious Reform-Party meeting Saturday in Tennessee returned power to allies of party founder Ross Perot, who has not ruled out running for president a third time.

Though he had not formally entered the race, Trump made a handful of campaign trips, hinted broadly for weeks that he would run and issued comprehensive health care and national debt reduction proposals.

THE REGION

Camas Prairie
High: 40 Low: 21
Rain likely today. 50 percent chance of snow showers tonight.

Treasure Valley
High: 48 Low: 35
Rain likely. Continued cloudiness and chance of rain tonight.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley
High: 37 Low: 26
Snow, heavy at times below 7000 feet. Snow likely tonight.

Eastern Idaho
High: 41 Low: 29
Snow probable, possibly mixed with rain. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph.

Northern Idaho
High: 37 Low: 30
Light morning snow likely changing to rain. Continued clouds tonight and tomorrow.

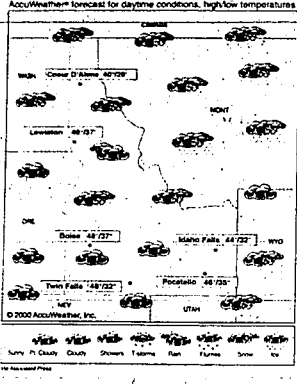
Northern Utah
High: 52 Low: 38
Moist clouds and breezy. Rain or snows likely tomorrow.

Northern Nevada
High: 50 Low: 34
Mostly cloudy and breezy with a good chance of rain. Mostly cloudy tomorrow.

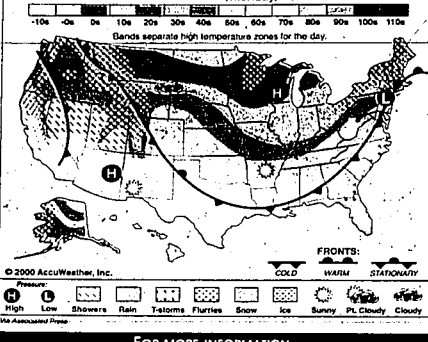
MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

| Today | Tuesday | Wednesday | Friday |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| High: 48 Low: 32 Rain probable. Continuing cloudiness tonight. | High: 43 Low: 28 Partly cloudy with slight chance of rain. | High: 40s Low: 20s Mostly cloudy. | High: 40s Low: 20s Partly cloudy. |

Idaho weather



National weather



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UV INDEX ROAD INFORMATION

UV INDEX: Index: 1 (minimal), Burn time: 60 minutes.
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SKYWATCH

Sunset today 6:09 p.m., Sunrise tomorrow 7:35 a.m., Lunar phase: Full, Feb. 19; last quarter, Feb. 26; new, March 6; first quarter, March 13.

ACROSS THE NATION

Nation: Rain spread across much of the eastern third of the nation Sunday, turning to snow over the Great Lakes. Study showers and occasional thunderstorms moved along the length of the Ohio Valley and into the central Appalachians. Showers and a few thunderstorms also extended southwestward across the Tennessee and lower Mississippi valleys, reaching the eastern edge of Texas and coastal areas of Louisiana, Mississippi. Some of the thunderstorms produced heavy rain, and marble-sized hail was reported in parts of western Tennessee. Farther north, colder air turned the moisture into light to moderate snow showers that extended from Iowa through Wisconsin and across the Great Lakes into parts of northern New York. The National Weather Service issued winter storm warnings for parts of New York, northern Pennsylvania and northern New England. A storm moving onto the West Coast spread showers across central and northern California and into western Oregon.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

| Twin Falls | Precipitation |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| Yesterday: 41-30 | Yesterday in Twin Falls: .03 |
| Last year: 40-29 | Last year in Twin Falls: .56 |
| Normal: 42-23 | Normal mo. to date: .45 |
| | Water year to date: 2.41 |
| | Normal year to date: 4.59 |

Idaho High/Lows

| Location | Max | Min | Pcp |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Boise | 42 | 31 | .03 |
| Barley | 40 | 31 | .17 |
| Coeur d'Alene | 36 | 30 | .06 |
| Grangeville | m | m | m |
| Hagerman | m | 30 | m |
| Idaho Falls | 36 | 29 | .11 |
| Lewiston | 42 | 31 | m |
| Maldad | 36 | 25 | m |
| Malia | m | m | m |
| McCall | 28 | 11 | .06 |
| Pocnettle | 30 | 32 | tr. |
| Salmon | 34 | 23 | m |
| Stanley | 28 | 10 | .07 |
| Sun Valley | m | m | m |

The Nation

| Location | Max | Min | Pcp |
|----------------|-----|-----|-------|
| Albuquerque | 54 | 38 | ..... |
| Anchorage | 29 | 22 | ..... |
| Atlanta | 45 | 45 | .01 |
| Boston | 36 | 19 | ..... |
| Chicago | 50 | 30 | ..... |
| Dallas | 77 | 57 | ..... |
| Denver | 50 | 21 | ..... |
| Des Moines | 30 | 23 | ..... |
| Detroit | 30 | 23 | ..... |
| Honolulu | 82 | 66 | ..... |
| Houston | 67 | 62 | ..... |
| Indianapolis | 30 | 30 | .50 |
| Kansas City | 34 | 33 | .01 |
| Las Vegas | 59 | 48 | ..... |
| Los Angeles | 58 | 54 | .10 |
| Memphis | 45 | 42 | .16 |
| Miami Beach | 59 | 42 | ..... |
| Milwaukee | 31 | 27 | .31 |
| Minneapolis | 48 | 46 | ..... |
| New Orleans | 77 | 62 | ..... |
| New York | 41 | 25 | ..... |
| Oakland | 48 | 46 | ..... |
| Omaha | 27 | 27 | .04 |
| Portland | 59 | 54 | ..... |
| Portland, Me. | 32 | 2 | ..... |
| Portland, Ore. | 45 | 34 | ..... |
| San Diego | 53 | 41 | ..... |
| St. Louis | 35 | xx | ..... |
| San Francisco | 59 | 38 | ..... |
| Seattle | 59 | 31 | .88 |
| Scottsdale | 48 | 34 | |
| Spokane | 36 | 36 | |
| Washington | 35 | 26 | |
| Yuma | 71 | 56 | |

Canadian Cities

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|-----------|----|----|------|
| Calgary | 0 | -5 | sh. |
| Edmonton | 2 | 0 | cdy. |
| Toronto | 24 | 0 | cdy. |
| Vancouver | 46 | 36 | cdy. |

Love

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love story between two people whose love must overcome a daunting obstacle. Unlike most new brides, Lavern is contending with the daily trials of her husband's Alzheimer's disease.
And though it's an intensely personal story, it's one that Lavern and Frank want to share.
"In time," Lavern said. "We run into his old friends who don't know he has this, and they're confused when he doesn't act like his old self. We need to talk about it. People need to know about this disease."
On that first lunch date, Frank told Lavern about his Alzheimer's diagnosis. Not your everyday romantic speech. She thought it over and decided the disease didn't matter, because she really loved this man.
"As we went on, I could see that he needed more care than he was getting," Lavern said. "And time had become a critical issue - his was running out."
The two 61-year-olds were married within three months. A big, noisy reception followed, overflowing with relatives from both sides.
"My kids love Grandpa Frank and Grandma Lavern," said Lisa Bell of Burley, Frank's ex-daughter-in-law. "We're so glad they found each other."
It has become a romantic adventure, with Frank's health care taking priority. In the year since their marriage, Lavern has studied everything she could get her hands on concerning Alzheimer's. She works closely

with his doctors. She tackles the disease head-on and is free to talk about it. She especially takes credit of her own attitude.
"I just have to remember that I didn't get stuck with this. I was not married to him for 30 years before this hit him. I chose it because I love him."
She consciously decides not to be upset when he does unexpected things. As Frank loses abilities and privileges, such as his driver's license, he gets upset, too. He can no longer reason things out logically. He needs help showering.
He can't bear to lose sight of her. She has become his security. One blessing is that as the disease progresses, he also has lost the realization that there is a problem.
"The main thing is to make his life as sweet as it can be," Lavern says. "I'll fight to the last breath for him, but I'm not going to fight with him."
She found a book that has helped her to understand the changes as they progress: "The 36 Hour Day," by Nancy L. Mace.
"I really don't dwell on this disease," she said. "I just love him and take care of him one day at a time. He really loves hugging. What a great hugger."
Frank's viewpoint?
"She's so full of life. You know, we have a lot of really good times together."
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Alaska Airlines keeps eight jetliners grounded

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Eight Alaska Airlines jetliners remained grounded Sunday with tail equipment problems that may be linked to the deadly crash of Flight 261. Other carriers said most of their planes were back in the air.
The Federal Aviation Administration last week ordered inspections of nearly 1,100 planes, focusing on the jackscrew, a 2-foot-long rod that drives the horizontal stabilizer flaps in the tail that help keep the plane level.
Airlines had reported finding jackscrew problems in 22 planes

by midday Sunday. They were given until Monday to complete the checks of all MD-80 series, MD-90s, DC-9s and Boeing 717s.
Two of Alaska Airlines' grounded planes have metal shavings around the jackscrews, a problem FAA officials are most concerned about. The other six, and many of the 14 planes from other airlines, have a gritty residue around the jackscrews that may prove to be from normal wear.
Federal investigators have not yet determined whether the jackscrew on Flight 261 played a role in the Jan. 31 crash that killed all 88 people aboard.

Peanuts

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strips ever.
From the reverential media coverage to tributes by fans, fellow strip creators and comic art scholars, the impending absence of fresh "Peanuts" is being viewed as a historic event.
And so it is. But the Schulz situation spotlights a question for all comic-strip creators and the newspaper syndicates that distribute their work: Should a comic strip go away for good when the creator retires or dies, or should the strip be continued by hired hands?
Schulz and his children made their decision years ago. There will be no second-generation cre-

ator of "Peanuts."
There is a small, great fraternity of retired world-famous cartoonists. In recent years "Calvin and Hobbes" by Bill Watterson, "The Far Side" by Gary Larson and "Bloom County" by Berkeley Breathed vanished from thousands of newspapers after their creators, despite being relatively young and in good health, decided to step away from another daily deadline.
Like Schulz, each left with the understanding that their strip would not be continued by a replacement creator or creators. Like Schulz, they left with a fortune. Top-tier cartoonists can make hundreds of thousands of dollars a year in newspaper syndication revenue, and even more from lucrative licensing deals.
Unlike Schulz, they were not in it for the long haul.
"How a cartoonist maintains this level of quality decade upon decade, I have no insight," Watterson wrote in reaction to Schulz's retirement. "But I'm guessing that Schulz is a driven perfectionist who truly loved drawing cartoons more than anything else."

Disposal

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to prepare the waste for disposal.
The federal Energy Department and state officials will conduct a public hearing Tuesday evening in the Taylor Building at the College of Southern Idaho to gather comments on a study of the environmental effects of those efforts.
The questions covered in the document include how to clean up the remaining facilities, how clean is clean, what to do with the waste, and how to prepare it for disposal.
From 1952 to 1992, the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center - formerly known as the Idaho Chemical Processing Plant - chemically processed spent reactor fuel to recover usable uranium. Highly radioactive and corrosive liquid waste from that process was stored in 11 underground tanks.
In 1963, the government began converting the liquid into a granular solid - a process known as vitrification - resulting material, which resembles laundry detergent, is more easily handled than the liquid stored in underground tanks.
About 7.4 million gallons of high level liquid waste was processed at INEEL and turned into about 150,000 cubic feet of calcine, which now is stored in stainless steel tanks inside seven concrete bins.
The environmental impact statement considers how to prepare the calcine for ultimate disposal. But not all of it may need to be treated the same.
The granular solid can be dissolved and the more highly radioactive waste chemically separated from the less radioactive. The more radioactive waste would be disposed of in a geologic repository. The rest may be treated as low level waste.
Meanwhile decontamination of INEEL facilities continues to produce sodium-contaminated, radioactive liquid - at an average of about 38,000 gallons per year. A 1996 federal document pre-

INEEL cleanup alternatives at a glance

- Solidified liquid waste for disposal**
 - Separate waste according to type and level of radioactivity.
 - Turn low-level-glass-contaminated waste into high level waste with high temperature and pressure.
 - Solidify the waste in glass.
 - Send waste to Hanford Nuclear Reservation to be turned into glass for disposal.
 - Encase some of the waste in cement.
- Facilities used to treat and manage waste**
 - Fill underground tanks with cement and cover the area with an engineered cap.
 - Remove above ground facilities and decontaminate underground tanks.
 - Install groundwater monitoring.
 - Remove all waste and contaminated items to reduce radiation to background level.
- dicts operations will produce 1,334,198 gallons of liquid by 2031.
The radioactive liquid still remaining in underground tanks is contaminated with sodium and includes sulfuric and nitric acids, and various radioactive elements, including about 13 pounds of plutonium and about 1,000 pounds of uranium.
The environmental impact statement covers preparation of the calcine for disposal and the options for treating the newly generated solid-bearing waste.
The trouble is that because a disposal site has not yet been built, INEEL officials do not know what the requirements of such a facility will be.
But the options in the impact statement include, in various combinations, solidifying some of the waste in glass and some in cement for disposal at INEEL or at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation in Washington.
The impact statement also looks at the fate of the underground storage tanks that once held the noxious liquid and the bins that held the granular solids.

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Daniel Walock, circulation director

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NASA: Thruster glitch could cut mapping short

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle Endeavour's astronauts pelted Earth with more radar signals Sunday as NASA struggled to understand a thruster problem that could cut short their mapping of the world.

A valve on the end of the 197-foot-radar-antenna-mast jutting out of Endeavour's cargo bay was not providing thrust, despite a constant flow of nitrogen gas, and engineers suspected a leak somewhere in the gas line.

To compensate, Endeavour's pilots had to fire the shuttle thrusters more than usual to steady the mast, the longest rigid structure ever flown in space.

The thruster firings did not interfere with the crew's radar scanning or the quality of data being collected, but the additional firings meant more fuel was being used than anticipated.

Flight director Leroy Cain said the mapping, scheduled to continue through next Sunday, might have to be halted as much as a day early.



Cartoonist Charles Schulz displays a sketch of his beloved character 'Snoopy' in his office in Santa Rosa, Calif., in 1997. Schulz was reported dead by his son at his home in Santa Rosa Saturday night.

'Peanuts' fans reflect on cartoonist whose work touched people's lives

The coincidence of Charles Schulz's death one day before his final "Peanuts" appeared in newspapers weighed heavily Sunday on fans of Charlie Brown, Snoopy and Lucy.

"It's real sad. He did a really neat strip and it really touched a lot of people's lives. It's really too bad he couldn't enjoy his retirement," said Charles Weiser, who lives in the house in St. Paul, Minn., where Schulz spent his teen-age years.

Schulz was diagnosed with colon cancer and suffered a series of small strokes during emergency surgery in November 1999, and announced his retirement a few weeks afterward.

In addition to the last appearance of a new "peanuts" strip, Sunday was officially Charles "Sparky" Schulz Day in St. Paul.

"We will all miss his daily dose of wisdom," St. Paul Mayor Norm Coleman said Saturday when he

proclaimed the observance, before Schulz's death. "In each of his characters, we see a little bit of ourselves."

About 250 people ignored snow and temperatures in the teens Saturday as Coleman unveiled an ice sculpture of the Peanuts characters.

"It's just ironic that in your last comic strip you're gonna call it all and ... all of a sudden you die," said Rick Michelstein, a cook at Mickey's Diner in St. Paul.

Schulz's first feature, "Li'l Folks," was developed for the Saint Paul Pioneer Press in 1947. In 1950, it was sold to a syndicate and the name changed to "Peanuts."

"Nobody thought he was too good, to tell you the truth, because he had a whole different style," Mort Walker, creator of "Beetle Bailey," said Sunday from Boca Raton, Fla., in an interview with WCCO-TV in Minneapolis. "He didn't do the traditional old cartoon, which was kind of slapstick

humor. But he brought in pathos, failure, rejection, all that stuff and somehow made it funny."

"It's sad to think that he didn't get the chance to see his last strip running in the paper," Tom Batiuk, cartoonist of "Funky Winkerbean" and "Crankshaft," said Sunday from his home in Medina, Ohio. "It would have been nice to see him back in the glory of it a little bit more."

"I am part of that generation of cartoonists that were just devoted to his work," Batiuk added. "Strips prior to his time reflected the world around us, he opened a door to the world inside us and allowed us to share feelings that are common to everyone."

Mell Lazarus, who draws the "Momma" and "Miss Peach" strips, knew Schulz for 42 years.

"I think 'Peanuts' has been for most of its existence the best comic strip in history and nothing's ever approached it," Lazarus said. "He's going to be missed and will clearly never be replaced."

Dems might mobilize to aid McCain, frets Bush

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush expressed concern Sunday that Democrats are mobilizing to support Sen. John McCain in South Carolina's open Republican presidential primary.

But McCain said Bush's allegation—that some Democrats believe McCain would be the easier candidate to defeat in the general election in November "flies in the face of the facts."

"The facts are that independents are also flocking in large numbers to my candidacy as well as Republicans," McCain said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

"Everybody knows that if you're going to win a general election, you have to have those independents and some Democrats."

He said it was his message that

was attracting non-Republicans.

"I'm very proud that Libertarians or vegetarians or anybody would consider supporting me because I have a vision of reform for America that I think is taking hold, not only in South Carolina but all over the country," McCain said.

Still, Bush and his surrogates claim—without offering proof—that Democrats were trying to skew the results of Saturday's GOP primary, in which non-Republicans may vote.

"The only thing I'm concerned about is that Democrats flock into the Republican primary to decide who the Republican nominee is, and then head back for the Democrats in the general election," Bush said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

AFL-CIO leaders will meet to decide on election strategy

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — AFL-CIO leaders, pushing ahead despite the refusal of the Teamsters and the Auto Workers to join their endorsement of Al Gore, are meeting this week to fine-tune election strategy.

The labor federation is committing \$40 million to put Gore in the White House and to win back control of Congress for its allies—traditionally Democrats.

The AFL-CIO's executive council chose New Orleans for its annual midwinter meeting partly to highlight the strength of labor unity in overcoming opposition. The city was the site of a six-year battle to organize shipyard workers that was won last fall.

Across the country, union members are leafleting for Gore at job sites in presidential primary states and going door-to-door handing out video tapes in which John Sweeney, the AFL-CIO president, stumps for the vice president.

The executive council is set to discuss special political mobilization efforts aimed at retired union workers and women, both union members.

But all is not completely unified on the political front.

The International Brotherhood

of Teamsters and the United Auto Workers, which opposed Gore's early endorsement by the federation in October, represent a combined 2 million of the 13 million members of AFL-CIO's 68 affiliated unions.

"Really, in some ways, we're hamstringing by not having every union in that Democrats' political director Steve Rosenthal said.

Commuter train hits barrier at airport, injures passengers

LINTHICUM, Md. (AP) — A light rail commuter train arriving at Baltimore-Washington International Airport hit a safety barrier at the end of the line Sunday, injuring the train operator and many of the 22 passengers, a transit official said.

Maryland Mass Transit Authority spokesman Frank Fulton said the injured were transported to several area hospitals.

One person was in serious condition Sunday night at the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center. Six people had been transported by ambulance, said Chief Wayne Cote of the BWI fire and rescue squad. He said the train operator suffered minor injuries.

The one-car train originated at Baltimore's Penn Station and normally would have been traveling about 13 miles per hour as it neared the end of its trip about 2:45 p.m., Fulton said.

Pentagon focuses on troops' quality of life

WASHINGTON (AP) — In pitching President Clinton's proposed \$277 billion defense budget, Pentagon leaders are finding a Congress sympathetic to their plan for spending billions more on "quality of life" programs for the troops; another substantial pay raise, cheaper housing, easier access to health care.

Better treatment for the troops is a matter of growing importance and urgency, in the view of Defense Secretary William Cohen and the service chiefs. It also is good politics, especially in an election year.

"The life blood of America's defense posture will continue to be the individual soldier, sailor, airman and Marine," Cohen said. "Their high quality remains essential to future U.S. security under any threat scenario."

Cohen told the House Armed

Services Committee last week that military health care reform was "perhaps the single most important issue" in the coming debate over military spending.

But the most compelling aspect of that reform—restoring full health benefits to veterans over age 65—is not addressed in the 2001 budget plan, mainly because of its multibillion dollar cost.

The Pentagon is pushing to make military life more attractive because defense officials have come to realize the booming civilian economy is luring potential recruits and enticing active-duty troops to leave the service.

In 1999, the Army snagged only 92 percent of the recruits it needed. The Air Force also fell short, despite advertising on television for the first time. The Navy and Marine Corps met their targets.

Last year the administration pro-

posed a 4.4 percent pay raise for troops, which Congress bumped up to 4.8 percent—the biggest across-the-board increase in military pay since the early 1980s.

The retirement pay system was changed so people who left after 20 years of service would get 50 percent of base pay rather than 40 percent.

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Lawmakers increasingly seek a balance among privacy, business interests

BOISE (AP) — Once again this week Idaho lawmakers will be asked to weigh their commitment to ensuring that the state's business climate is among the nation's friendliest against growing public concern about individual privacy.

Attorney General Al Lance, who already has seen the House derail his latest attempt to rein telemarketers, will propose legislation on Tuesday outlawing unauthorized commercial trans-



something on which virtually everyone not actually profiting from such surreptitious transactions could agree.

But the Idaho Bankers Association has a competing proposal dealing only with financial information that will put legislators in an all too

familiar squeeze.

"It's a balancing act to try to do what's best in the long term," House Republican Floor Leader Frank Bruneel said.

"Certainly business comes at it with one objective in view, and I'm sensitive to that. But on the other hand I have not always made them happy because some of the things that are very near and dear to me don't align with what they'd like to have accomplished."

Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry President Steve Ahrens said he also is sensitive to the dilemma facing lawmakers.

But he said it would be wrong to portray the interests of the state's largest business lobby, which counts the Idaho Bankers Association among its members, as being at odds with those of the general public.

"We share exactly the same concerns that the legislators

and individual consumers do, because we all are individual consumers. There isn't a single business person who wants to be victimized by some privacy violation any more than any individual Idahoan does," Ahrens said.

"The argument is how do you protect the privacy that doesn't unreasonable interfere with the conduct of business?"

The House Judiciary Committee will try to answer that

question this week on legislation prompted in part by the case of Minnesota-based U.S. Bancorp.

The attorney general's office has received a half dozen complaints about the bank providing detailed information from Idaho customers' credit-card files to a telemarketer that allegedly tapped some of those customers' bank accounts. The customers generally were unaware or did not understand what had happened.

GOP introduces choice for Idaho Supreme Court

IDAHO FALLS, (AP) — Eastern Idaho Republicans paraded their choice to replace Justice Casey Silak on the Idaho Supreme Court before a cheering crowd at a weekend banquet.

Republicans, angry over a state Supreme Court ruling that said the federal government has a reserved water right on all the water generated inside wilderness areas, introduced 4th District Judge Dan Eismann, a critic of past state Supreme Court decisions, as a potential opponent to Silak.

While not mentioning the controversial decision, which the court has decided to rehear this month, Eismann said courts with increasing frequency have been pushing political agendas with decisions that reinterpret the Constitution.

"They don't trust the people," Eismann said. "Those kinds of justices should be removed from office."

At a town hall meeting on Saturday, some Republican legislators called for Silak's removal. Silak wrote the majority opinion in the federal water rights case. The court was divided 3-2 in its ruling.

"Justice Silak will be up for re-election. We anticipate having an opponent for her so you will have a choice," said Rep. Lenore Barrett, R-Charlottesville. "In this instance, you better get out there and vote or you'll be pretty dry."

Eismann has applied for appellate court positions in recent years, recently apologizing to the judicial council that screens high-court nominees for speaking at an anti-abortion rally while he was a magistrate judge in Owyhee County. Typically, judges do not speak out on issues before the courts.

Eismann threw out a lawsuit filed by Attorney General Al Lance against the tobacco industry, ruling the state did not have standing in the case.

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne was the keynote speaker at the event, which raised money for Republicans in eight eastern Idaho counties. Also speaking were U.S. Sen. Larry Craig and 2nd District Rep. Mike Simpson.



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Craig urges China to implement ag-trade agreement

BOISE (AP) — Sen. Larry Craig recently sent a letter to China's President Jiang Zemin urging the country to implement the bilateral Agricultural Cooperation Agreement.

Craig, along with a bipartisan group of 51 senators, asked Zemin to fully implement the agreement that U.S. Trade Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky and China Trade Minister Shi signed last April.

"The sale of agricultural commodities to China in accordance with the bilateral agreement should take place as soon as possible," Craig said. "Not only would these sales greatly help Idaho and our nation's agricultural producers during a depressed farm economy, but they would also go far . . . to ensure the passage of Permanent Trading Relations for China."

Unclaimed Powerball ticket about to expire

BOISE (AP) — A Powerball ticket worth \$100,000 remains unclaimed and will expire on Valentine's Day.

The ticket was purchased at The Little Store in Priest Lake on Aug. 16 of last year. The winning numbers were 5, 8, 9, 26, 41 and the Powerball of 19.

If no one claims the winnings, the money will go back into the Idaho Lottery's unclaimed prize fund.

Players have 180 days from the date of a lotto drawing to claim their ticket.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Fatal crash occurs on icy roads in Utah

BURLEY - One man died over the weekend after a van carrying 10 men from the Los Angeles area lost control on an icy Interstate 86 east of the Salt Lake City interchange.

The Idaho State Police reported that passenger Vicente Zepulveda, 38, died at the accident scene Saturday night. No one in the van had been wearing seat belts; Zepulveda and passenger Beltrio Garcia, 34, both were ejected from the 2000 Ford van when it rolled at about 11:30 p.m., the ISP report said.

Garcia was listed in stable condition in the intensive care unit at Bonanza Regional Medical Center in Pocatello, a hospital spokeswoman said Sunday evening.

Injuries also were suffered by driver Manuel Santana, 31; and passengers Jesus Gonzalez, 39; and Benito Santana-Pereca-30. The men were admitted to Cassia Regional Medical Center, and the other passengers were treated and released from the Burley hospital, the ISP reported.

The crash is under investigation, according to the police report.

Report of gun in local bar elicits police response

TWIN FALLS - Authorities made an arrest Saturday night near Shoshone Street and 6th Avenue West after responding to a report made just before 11 p.m. of a man brandishing a gun in a bar, the Twin Falls Police Department reported.

Rudy Trevino, 58, of Twin Falls, was charged with aggravated assault. He also faces a charge of being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm. Those charges stem from an incident reported at Hot Rock's Bar, 170 S. Park Ave., police Sgt. Steve Benkula said.

Police arrested Trevino at the 100 block of 6th Ave. W. and recovered a 9 mm semi-automatic pistol, Benkula said.

Trevino is not the same Rudy Trevino who was convicted of murder in a 1997 Twin Falls trial.

New commissioner to be sworn in at courthouse

TWIN FALLS - Gary Grindstaff will be sworn into office as the newest county commissioner today.

Grindstaff, 59, was appointed to the commission by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on Thursday. He was among three other nominees for the commissioner seat left vacant when Carla Reed resigned in January.

Grindstaff will be sworn into office at 10 a.m. today at the Twin Falls County Courthouse commissioner meeting chamber.

Halley City Council to meet at Town Center

HAILEY - The City Council will meet at 6 tonight inside the meeting room at the Hailey Town Center.

The agenda includes public hearings on planning and zoning bylaws and a comprehensive vision statement. The council will also discuss an irrigation limits ordinance and hear reports on water and airport issues.

The meeting is open to the public.

Cassia commissioners to review moratorium input

BURLEY - The Cassia County commissioners will hold their weekly meeting today beginning at 9 a.m. in the basement of the Cassia County Courthouse.

The agenda includes a review of the written comments submitted on the question of lifting a moratorium on certain confined animal feeding operations.

Dietrich School Board to meet in business room

DIETRICH - The School Board will meet at 7:30 tonight inside the school's business room.

The board will hear reports on a well and a senior trip and will consider a family history library request. The board is also scheduled to discuss music fees and a proposed school fee policy.

The meeting is open to the public.

Compiled from staff reports

Court will rehear water right issue today

By N.S. Nolkentved
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Idaho water users and state officials say the federal government is not entitled to water rights in three federally designated wilderness areas and one recreation area.

Others, including the state Supreme Court, have contended that a water right is implied in the designation of wilderness.

The court will consider the question again at 10 a.m. Monday.

In a 3-2 opinion in October, the Supreme Court upheld a Snake River-Basin-Adjudication court ruling, granting federal reserved water rights to all unappropriated water within the Frank Church-River of No Return, Selway-Bitterroot and Gospel Hump wilderness areas and the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area.

The ruling caused an uproar and a flurry of requests to rehear the decision. Petitions were filed by the cities of Salmon and Challis, the Twin Falls and North

Side canal companies and 12 other irrigation companies and districts, as well as three mining companies and Potlatch Corp.

The court granted the requests. At issue in Monday's hearing is the interpretation of the Wilderness Act and whether Congress intended to reserve water rights in wilderness areas. The petitioners disagree with the court's interpretation of a clause that refers to water in that act.

The state attorney general's office said the clause means

Congress considered water rights, and if Congress had intended to reserve a federal water right it would have said so.

The state Supreme Court ruled that the clause was meant only to preserve the status quo between the states and the federal government.

Chris Meyer, lawyer for Potlatch and two mining companies, said the doctrine of implied reserved federal water rights does not apply to the Wilderness Act. The doctrine applies only to older reservations in which

Congress did not consider water rights.

In the Wilderness Act, Congress discussed federal water rights but did not reserve any, Meyer said. That's the same as Congress saying it didn't intend to reserve federal water rights, he said.

Justice Cathy Silak, writing the court's majority opinion, argued that appropriating water in a wilderness area is incompatible with the intent of the Wilderness Act and therefore, in

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GOOD TIMES ARE BACK



Twin Falls native John Hood, left, laughs with accordionist Tim Erikson while dining with his wife, Lalma, at the Roundhouse Restaurant on Sun Valley's Bald Mountain. Hood, who first visited the Roundhouse more than half a century ago, says it's great to have it back.

Roundhouse returns

Warm winter memories accompany its re-opening

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - John Hood remembers a half century ago when he used to stop at the Roundhouse to warm his frosty fingers and toes midway on the long, slow chair ride up Bald Mountain.

This weekend the Twin Falls native returned to the Roundhouse with his wife, Lalma, to dine on Grilled Muscovy Duck Breast with Sour Cream Demi Glace and Grilled New Zealand Ribeye with Whiskey Cream Demi Glace.

The historic Roundhouse, which sits midway up Bald Mountain, is back in business after a three-year hiatus that had some skiers wondering if it would be torn down.

"In the old days, you got chill at a rustic cafeteria here. Now

look at the fancy surroundings and the fancy food," said Hood, a retired Wall Street broker.

Sun Valley's award-winning day lodges at Warm Springs, Seattle Ridge and River-Run may have won the awe of skiers who gape at their massive logs, marble sink tops and the gold-plated faucets.

But these lodges can't hold a candle to the Roundhouse when it comes to nostalgia.

After all, it was the Roundhouse that earned a prominent role in the 1941 movie "Sun Valley Serenade." It was from the Roundhouse deck that spectators used to watch internationally famous skiers like Stein Erikson and Jean Claude Killy schuss downhill in slalom races. It was the Roundhouse where glamorous movie stars used to partake in moonlight parties.

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People park their skis outside Sun Valley's historical Roundhouse before going in to dine. The Roundhouse earned a prominent role in the 1941 movie "Sun Valley Serenade" and it was from the building's deck that spectators used to watch internationally famous skiers like Stein Erikson and Jean Claude Killy.

Wendell School Board to discuss middle school

By Gina Mulder
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL - The School Board will hold a special meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the high school library to discuss what action to take regarding the recent decision to close off the center portion of Wendell Middle School.

Superintendent Larry Manly said the board will decide how to continue educating the 250-plus students in grades six through eight now that a portion of the school has been condemned.

Board members voted last week to close the center section of the school after Wendell City Building Inspector Sonny Henry and Levitt & Associates Engineers, Inc. of Nampa inspected the 80-year-old build-

ing and reported that parts of the foundation were in poor condition and must be vacated within 60 days. The closure means the loss of administrative offices, storage facilities, the teacher's lounge, a photography classroom and

lab and some of the special education rooms.

The board will consider at least three options. One option will be to try and utilize the remaining parts of the facility for the remainder of the year. Another consideration will be to impose split sessions at the middle school and the third option will be to vacate the campus, transfer the students to the high school and place both schools on split sessions.

Wednesday's meeting is open to the public.

Fairfield to get permanent medical facility

By Bridget Dalin
Times-News correspondent

FAIRFIELD - A new emergency care facility will open its doors this month in Fairfield.

Camas Medical Services will soon begin operating in its new location west of town on Camas Avenue and will serve residents of Fairfield and other towns in the Camas Prairie.

In 1993, a group of local residents formed the Camas Medical Services Board in an effort to bring more medical services to the community. Current board members include Robbie Miller, Kathy Menenga, Vicki Bennett, Jeff Rast, Carl Rey and Darroll Huffer, and past members include Deby Hibbard, Ernie Weatherly, Pam Dalton and Rod Pridmore. The board met twice a month to brainstorm ways of providing the community with reli-

able medical care. A temporary clinic opened its doors in 1997 but couldn't meet all the needs of the community.

Board member Jeff Rast said he got involved in the building of

The new facility will include several examination rooms, a dental operator, a conference room in which to hold health classes and emergency medical technician training, an ambulance garage and a helicopter pad.

a new clinic because he thought it would help bring new business to the community.

"Lack of a permanent medical facility has actually been a liability when it comes to revitalizing our economy," Rast said. "New business is reluctant to move to a community where medical care is absent."

The center is expected to cost \$730,000 by the time it's completed, according to Rast. The board secured a \$297,000 Community Development Block Grant through the Department of Commerce and the rest of the money is being raised through donations and community fund-raisers.

Prairie Builders Construction Co. broke ground on the project in October. The new facility will include several examination rooms, a dental operator, a conference room in which to hold health classes and emergency medical technician training, an ambulance garage and a helicopter pad. X-rays and minor procedures will be available and the board hopes to make immunizations available in the future.

Nurse Practitioner, Laura Thomas and medical assistant

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Working things out

Developer, officials put heads together to reach agreement

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A discussion over the color of buildings on a Las Vegas developer's proposed development must be resolved before the plans go any further, city officials agree.

The City Council might consider Craig H. Neilsen's planned unit development agreement for his Canyon Park West development near the Snake River Canyon Rim at tonight's meeting.

The council reviewed a planned-unit development agreement for the property last Monday, located just south of the canyon's rim. Neilsen has plans to put retail and commercial stores on the property.

But some things needed to be re-worked in the agreement - namely an issue of building colors, now a point of contention between city staff and Neilsen and Co. representatives.

"The agreement now reads: 'Building exterior colors should be primarily muted earth tones.' Several council members said the wording was vague. Neilsen and Co. representatives said they would work on finding a compromise.

"We're trying to find some language examples on the color issue," said Ken Edmunds, a Neilsen consultant. "If we can do that then we will discuss it at tonight's meeting."

But if city officials and Neilsen representatives cannot find a compromise on the wording, then the agreement will be tabled until a later date.

If an agreement is approved by the council tonight, the next step is construction, said City Planning and Zoning Director LaMar Orton.

Canyon West is not the only development Neilsen has proposed.

Neilsen, formerly of Twin Falls now living in Las Vegas, has also proposed developing a commercial and retail development on 13 acres just north of the Canyon Park West, called Canyon Park North.

Neilsen has planned retail stores, several restaurants and two hotels on this property.

The council approved a zone

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

INEEL studies cost-saving fuel

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - A new fuel may increase the time nuclear reactors can run between shutdowns...

Longer runs mean cheaper electricity. Scientists say this could help nuclear power plants compete with coal and natural gas-powered plants.

The INEEL led an eight-institution collaboration to develop the fuel, which consists of thorium dioxide and uranium dioxide.

Initiative grant for the study. INEEL will get \$660,000 to support its share of the work. Scientists hope to double the time commercial reactors can run between refueling stops...

Work on the new fuel remains in the early stages. The three-year project is intended to convince ourselves and the fuel vendors that this will work...

neer Philip MacDonald. The researchers will conduct laboratory experiments to find the best way to manufacture mixed-fuel pellets and to test the physical and chemical properties of the mixture...

Scientists say the mixed fuel should generate less waste than all-uranium fuel. They also say it should improve resistance to the proliferation of nuclear weapons materials...

Men get prison time for helping fugitive

BOISE (AP) - Three Weiser men will serve prison time for helping fugitive drug dealer Donald Patrick Dyer avoid arrest in 1998.

The men were sentenced in U.S. District Court in Boise.

John Odell Butterbaugh, 31, was sentenced to 27 months in prison and a \$1,000 fine for harboring a fugitive and tampering with a witness.

Rick E. Richards, 33, received four months and 19 days in prison and two months in a halfway house for harboring Dyer. Johnny Hicks, Jr., 40, was sentenced to four months in prison and a \$500 fine.

Dyer, 34, of Fruitland, originally was indicted in January of 1998 on drugs and weapons charges. He fled with a 14-year-old girl and

remained at large for more than six months before being recaptured at a ranch near Midvale.

Authorities believe he spent much of the time in Mexico.

Five others also have pled guilty to aiding Dyer. Two are currently serving prison time, one is on probation, while two other also are on probation.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

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Today

CSI Booster Club luncheon, noon to 1 p.m., Taylor cafeteria. Student teaching application session, 9 to 10:15 a.m., Evergreen A-06.

Tuesday

Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition board meeting, 7 to 9 a.m., Taylor 276. Idaho Small Business Development Center communications workshop "Talking Your Way Through the Business Jungle," 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Taylor 277.

Interfaith Volunteers luncheon, noon to 1 p.m., Desert 113. GLAB (gays, lesbians and bisexuals), 4 p.m., Taylor 258. "Ritelle Review - Mingle in the Jungle," 6 p.m., Herrett Center.

High-Level Waste and Facilities Disposition Environmental Impact Statement public meeting, 6:30 to 9 p.m., Taylor-Cedar/Sage room.

"Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. "A Geologist's Collection," gems and minerals display, Herrett Center. Browning/Keveren Gallery (Tuesdays-Saturdays through May).

"Half Time," works by CSI Art Department faculty, Herrett Center. Jean B. King Art Gallery (Tuesdays-Saturdays through March 16).

Wednesday CSI Department of Theater presents "The Grapes of Wrath,"

8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater 119. Cost is \$5 general admission and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

Prairie Falcon Audubon meeting - blue birds, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Taylor 277.

Idaho Society of Radio Amateurs meeting, 7 to 9 p.m., Shields 108.

Thursday

KMVT Agri-Action, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Expo Center. Volunteer Income Tax Assistance for low income and disabled taxpayers, 2 to 6 p.m., Evergreen C93 (through April 13).

U.S. Census Bureau testing, 4 to 10 p.m., Shields 114. CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball against Ricks College, 5:30 p.m., played in Rexburg.

Baptist Campus Ministries Bible study and meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor cafeteria.

CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against Ricks College, 7:30 p.m., played in Rexburg.

CSI Department of Theater presents "The Grapes of Wrath," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater 119. Cost is \$5 general admission and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

Friday

Idaho Department of Fish & Game hunter education instructor training workshop, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 277.

KMVT Agri-Action, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Expo Center. CSI Outdoor Program pre-trip meeting for back country skiing (boarding) trip, 1 p.m., CSI Outdoor Program office, Taylor building.

"Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

CSI Department of Theater presents "The Grapes of Wrath," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater 119. Cost is \$5 general admission and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

Saturday

CSI Outdoor Program back country skiing (boarding) trip. Must have attended the pre-trip meeting on Friday. Some equipment available on first-come, first-served basis. \$20 fee if equipment rental is needed.

KMVT Agri-Action, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Expo Center. "Rusty Rocket's Last Blast," 2 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

"More Than Meets the Eye," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball against North Idaho College, 5:30 p.m., played in Coeur d'Alene.

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Sunday

Magic Valley Bible Church, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Shields 117 and 118. CSI Music Department Wind Ensemble Concert, 3 to 5 p.m., Evergreen Building atrium. A \$3 donation is requested.

ON THE AGENDA

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Today

Buhl City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall council chambers. Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse. Camas County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Camas County School Board, 7 p.m., high school. Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse. Cassia County School Board, 7 p.m., central office, 237 19th St., Burley.

Dietrich School Board, 7:30 p.m., school's business room. Eden City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Elmore County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse. Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Hailey City Council, 6 p.m., Hailey Town Center. Hansen City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.

Hollister City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall. Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers.

Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse. Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall. Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Board, 6 p.m., Sage Room, MVRMC Education Center. Malta City Council, 5 p.m., Raft

River Electric Co-op conference room. Minidoka County commissioner, 9 a.m., courthouse.

Richfield City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 180 W. Lincoln. Richfield School Board, 8 p.m., high school.

Shoshone School Board, 7:30 p.m., district office conference room. Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse. Twin Falls County Parks and Waterways Advisory Board, 7:30 p.m., Parks and Waterways building, 450 Sixth Ave. W.

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

Tuesday

Buhl School Board, 7 p.m., school district's office. Castleford School Board, 7 p.m., school library.

Fir Planning and Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., City Hall. Hagerman City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.

Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Hailey Town Center. Jackpot Advisory Board, 6 p.m., Jackpot Fire Station training room.

Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., City Council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A. Magic Valley Regional Airport Advisory Board, 11 a.m., Joslin

Room, airport terminal. Minidoka County School Board 7 p.m., school district office in Rupert.

Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall. Shoshone City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.

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

Wednesday

Bliss City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall. Blaine County Hospital Board, 7:30 p.m., hospital conference room.

Filer School Board, 7 p.m., elementary school library. Minidoka County Planning and Zoning Commission, 8 p.m., courthouse.

Thursday

Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall. Sun Valley City Council, 4 p.m., City Hall.

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

Friday

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

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DEATH NOTICES

Salvador Castro Horacio Vargas Marco Vargas Salud Vargas Vianey Vargas

RUPERT - Salvador Castro, Salud Vargas, Marco Vargas, Horacio Vargas, and Vianey Vargas, all of Rupert, died Saturday, Feb. 12, 2000, from injuries sustained from an automobile accident near Hollister.

Roberta Laura Kirby BOISE - Roberta Laura Kirby, 86, of Boise, died Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2000, at a Boise hospital.

the Relyea Funeral Chapel of Boise. John Duwane Hill BURLEY - John Duwane Hill, 71, of Burley, died Sunday, Feb. 13, 2000, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Jean A. Roberts JEROME - Jean A. Roberts, 74, of Jerome, died Sunday, Feb. 13, 2000, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.

Arrangements are under the direction of Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

Willis 'Bill' Whittle OAKLEY - Willis "Bill" Whittle, 89, of Oakley, died Saturday, Feb. 12, 2000, in Arizona where his daughter lived. Services are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

SERVICES

Virgie Packer of Tooele, Utah, and formerly of Jerome, services at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Jerome 7th Ward Chapel on North Lincoln; friends may call one hour before the funeral at the church (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Mildred L. Gorringer of Oakley, service at 11 a.m. today at the Oakley LDS Stake Center; friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. before the funeral at the church (Payne Mortuary in Burley).

HOSPITALS

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Some names are omitted at patients' request. Admitted: Joan Hite Barkley of Eden.

Released: Daisy Counce of Jerome, and Curt Reynolds of Kimberly.

Museum's Artifact ID Day draws hundreds, their treasures

SEATTLE (AP) - Hundreds of people turned out for the Burke Museum's annual Artifact Identification Day, bringing in family finds and treasures for evaluation by the experts.

And as so often happens on the PBS "Antiques Roadshow," some of the amateur discoveries were pretty exciting for the experts.

Brad Starkey, for example, brought an extraordinary arrowhead his grandfather found in Eastern Oregon more than 50 years ago.

The 23-inch, flaked-stone projectile point has been a big hit at family gatherings for years, and Starkey - who hopes to sell it - says his grandfather thought it was the biggest arrowhead in the world.

"Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball against North Idaho College, 7:30 p.m., played in Coeur d'Alene.

CSI Department of Theater presents "The Grapes of Wrath," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theater 119. Cost is \$5 general admission and \$3 students and senior citizens.

"It's beautiful," said Phil LeTourneau, an archaeologist who specializes in stone tools, of Starkey's treasure.

"I've never seen anything like it. I've never seen one so big."

The arrowhead - experts call it a "bi-face" - was carved out of basalt, a volcanic rock common to Eastern Oregon. Too large to be easily wielded, it probably had a ceremonial rather than practical function.

"There are several hypotheses on why they may have made these things so big," said Julie Stein, curator of archaeology.

"One of them is that they were making them really big so they could go home and say to their friends, 'mine is bigger than yours.'"

Museums are prohibited from assigning monetary value to artifacts, she told Starkey. But she recommended he contact museums in Oregon, some of which specialize in such items, to learn more about it.

So Starkey learned that he needs to know more. He plans to check out Oregon museums, and to contact appraisers and auction houses.

And he says his quest has been worthwhile, even if it turns out the arrowhead isn't worth big money.

"Well, it's kind of cool to have all these people confirm what my grandpa said, that nobody's ever seen a bigger one!"

Also in line Saturday was 11-year-old David Black of Seattle, with questions about a carving he'd scooped from a creek bed.

"It has a sad face," said Black. "And I just want to know what it is and where it came from."

His parents brought a photograph of a petroglyph they'd seen on a rock on Whidbey Island, which got the attention of curator emeritus Robert Greengo.

"I'm going to send it off to the state Office of Archaeology, and they can determine whether that site has been recorded or not," Greengo said.

He was less enthusiastic about their son's carving.

"I'm sorry. I think this was made by a person of European extraction, a white guy, who was fooling around and... threw it away," Greengo said. "Good eyes, though! Keep looking!"

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THEO SCHUT STANDS IN RUPERT SQUARE. RUPERT'S REVITALIZED TOWN SQUARE IS ONE OF THE PROJECTS SCHUT WORKED ON WHEN HE WAS RUPERT'S PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT.

Rupert official reflects after retiring from post

By Lorraine Cavenner
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Theo Schut, who recently resigned after eight years as Rupert's public works superintendent, recalled the time when 52 blocks of the city were torn up.

"It looked like we had declared war on downtown," Schut said.

The city was going through a revitalization process in which city officials said Schut played a vital role.

"The image of our city has changed over the years," Schut said as he recalled the major renovations of city streets.

"He was instrumental in a number of LIDs (local improvement districts) coming into existence," said City Administrator Roger Bagley.

Schut helped design and draft the concept for Renaissance Park which is located next to the Wilson Theater, Bagley said. The City Hall refurbishing project was another project Schut was active in. Schut also prepared the maps and paperwork for a large annexation project the city is working on as well as a low-income housing project the city is planning.

These projects are just a few of Schut's accomplishments, Bagley said.

"He has done an excellent job for this city," said Mayor Audrey Neierth.

Part of that job included transferring all the city maps to a computerized graphic information system. He often uses maps and charts from that system in his presentations to the City Council.

"We got compliments all the time" on his presentations, Bagley said. "He brought Rupert into the 21st century."

The 21st century technology Schut used included aerial photographs which Schut turned into maps. The system allows city workers to have specific information at their fingertips. They can zoom in on a specific power pole that has a hanging wire and find out just what needs to be fixed and which customers will be affected.

On Feb. 25, Schut will leave his \$32,399-a-year job to move to southern California where he has accepted a position as a facilities manager for a large company.

"They have more money than we do," Neierth said. "It's an advancement for him. You have to take advantage of those opportunities. But it won't be easy on this end."

Schut said he also plans to further his education and get an engineering degree.

"It has been a pleasure to work for the city of Rupert," he said. "But it is exciting for me to continue my career."

Before deciding to replace Schut, city officials will discuss reorganizing the public works superintendent's position and possibly hiring a city engineer, Darr Moon and Associates, a Rupert engineering firm, has been contracted to assist the city until the City Council has a chance to decide what will be done about the position.

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Civil Air Patrol veteran folds his wings

By Corron Hart
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — In early spring of 1967 or 1968, four teen-agers unwittingly drove across the desert toward Carey.

"In hindsight, we should have turned back a long time before, but there we were, stuck in the mud," recalled John "Doc" Dockett. "It was late afternoon and cold, so we decided to stay with the pickup until morning and then walk out."

Dockett spent a chilly night with his pals Bob Freeman, Dan Jarolimsek and Dan Schab. Their worried parents spent time on the phone, trying to get help for their missing boys.

The boys set out on foot at earliest daylight. They had traveled only a quarter-mile or so when George Falkner's search plane droned overhead.

The desert-rescue was one of many search operations in which Falkner has participated as a Civil Air Patrol pilot. He finally is retiring after 46 years of service. His wife, Joann, is also retiring after 15 years with the C.A.P.

"We're sure going to miss him," said the C.A.P.'s Capt. Lori Fletcher. "He is the C.A.P. here."

Falkner, a 74-year-old former real estate agent, has been a godsend for more than a few local residents. John Dockett remembers Falkner's arrival during that early-morning hike toward home:



GEORGE AND JOAN FALKNER REMINISCE ABOUT THEIR CIVIL AIR PATROL RESCUES. GEORGE HAS THREE FINDS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM PERSONALLY. AFTER 46 YEARS, HE'S CALLING IT QUIT.

"We had barely started out when he spotted us," Dockett said. Falkner dropped blankets and supplies, but there was only one candy bar for the four boys, who were as hungry as high school juniors get.

Today, Falkner jokes that the event may have prompted Doc to open a pizza restaurant later.

Falkner has many memories from his 46 years in the air. He recounts finding crashed airplanes with no survivors; exchange students from Africa, Turkey, Germany, Japan and other nations; sandbagging dur-

ing threatened flooding; and actually having to chase lost people in order to rescue them.

"People are funny," he said. "One downed plane held the Falkners' daughter-in-law. All aboard survived. Another search brought Capt. Fletcher's brother back safely."

Falkner is disaster services coordinator for Mini-Cassia. He has been a Red Cross member for almost as long as he's been in the Civil Air Patrol.

He's a member of the Rupert Lions, the American Legion and the Disabled American Vet-

erans, and he's an Air Force veteran.

His Civil Air Patrol service began with the rank of captain, and he has moved to commander. He retires as his squadron's oldest, longest-serving and highest ranking member.

"It's going to be hard to fill his shoes," said Patty Hansen, Mini-Cassia County Red Cross chairwoman.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Elmore commissioners to discuss junk yards

GLENN'S FERRY — County commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. today at the courthouse.

The agenda includes a discussion about a junk yard ordinance and a report from Steve Riley on a vision mentoring program.

The meeting is open to the public.

Buhl Council to hear monthly reports tonight

BUHL — The City Council will meet at 7 tonight at City Hall.

The council will hear monthly reports on public works, the airport, planning and zoning and other city departments.

The meeting is open to the public.

Kimberly School Board reschedules meeting

KIMBERLY — The School Board has changed the date of its

February meeting.

The board will hold its next meeting at 7 p.m. Feb. 22 inside the high school library.

The meeting is open to the public.

Gooding commissioners to discuss local dairies

GOODING — County commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. today at the courthouse.

Commissioners will review and approve claims and discuss individual dairies. The agenda also includes discussions regarding the Bosma and Gunning dairies.

The meeting is open to the public.

Blaine commissioners to meet at 8:45 a.m.

HAILEY — Blaine County commissioners will meet at 8:45 a.m. today at the courthouse.

The agenda includes a discussion with Larry Schoun on the city of Carey's Quick Response

Unit and a report from the county clerk on monthly claims.

The meeting is open to the public.

Medical Center board to hold monthly meeting

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Regional Medical Center board members will gather Tuesday night for their monthly meeting.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the doctors meeting room in the southeast corner of the cafeteria at the medical center.

The meeting is open to the public and input on all agenda items is welcome.

Rupert commissioners to discuss hospital issues

RUPERT — The Mini-Cassia County commissioners will meet at 9:30 today at the courthouse.

Carl Hanson, Mini-Cassia Memorial Hospital administrator, will discuss hospital issues with the board at 10 a.m. Valley Vista

Care Services will be discussed at 1:30 p.m. and the Mini-Cassia Senior Center site manager will discuss ongoing issues with the board at 2 p.m.

Hollister City Council to meet at City Hall tonight

HOLLISTER — The City Council will meet 7 tonight at City Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

Cassia County School Board to meet

BURLEY — A Cassia-County School Board meeting will be held at 7 tonight at the central office.

A proposal to expand alternative school facilities to include senior high students will be brought before the board. The board will also discuss the district's reading plan and hear an update on the old Deelo High School shop.

— Compiled from staff reports

Clinic

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Vickie Bennett will operate the facility on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and Dr. Donald Levin from the Wood River Valley will continue to serve the community at the facility every other Wednesday.

"We're hoping other area physi-

icians will utilize the clinic," Bennett said. "We're had inquiries from Gooding and Hailey."

The new emergency care facility will be a great asset to the community of Fairfield, said board member Kathy Mennenga.

"It's taken a lot of years and a

lot of work," Mennenga said. "We're excited to see it operating. We're starting a new endowment fund for operating capital to keep it operating on its own. The work's not done yet."

For more information on the center, call 764-2611.

Kemphthorne sounds off at Republican luncheon

POCATELLO (AP) — Gov. Dirk Kemphthorne joined Sen. Larry Craig and Rep. Mike Simpson to raise money for the Republican party and update residents on key state and national legislation.

He also used Saturday's Ban-

nock County Lincoln Day luncheon to lambast the Clinton Administration's roadless proposal.

"Idaho was the first state to file suit to say to Bill Clinton, you cannot usurp democracy from the states," Kemphthorne said. "We

cannot afford Clinton's legacies anymore, so we say 'No, no, no.'"

The lawsuit recently was filed against the federal government in relation to a proposal that would limit access to 8.5 million acres of Idaho's wilderness.

Water

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designating wilderness areas Congress must have included the water that was part of the wilderness.

The Supreme Court will hear arguments on both sides Monday.

On the following day, the court will hear appeals in two related cases dealing with federal water right claims in the Snake River Basin Adjudication, the legal sorting of more than 180,000 water rights in 38 of Idaho's 44 counties.

At 9 a.m. Tuesday, the court will hear an appeal of the adjudication court's ruling granting federal reserved water rights in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

The District Court also held that the United States is entitled to all unappropriated flows in the Sawtooth Wilderness.

But water rights in the rest of the recreation area must be quantified.

At 10:30 Tuesday, the court

will hear an appeal of water rights granted under the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

The adjudication court ruled that the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act reserved water rights in the Middle Fork of the Salmon, the Middle Fork of the Clearwater, the Rapid River and the main stem of the Salmon River.

But the court denied the United States' claim to all unappropriated flows in the Rapid River and the main stem of the Salmon.

Roundhouse

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after which they skied back down the mountain to their hotel rooms.

The Roundhouse, which opened in 1940, was born of a budget surplus, thanks to workers who were able to erect the \$205,000 Baldy lift for \$20,000 less than budgeted.

Sun Valley Manager Pat "Pappy" Rogers, brought from the Grand Canyon where he had managed Union Pacific's North Rim Lodge, picked the spot for the Roundhouse while on a horse-back ride.

He brought in a stone mason from the Grand Canyon to build a massive four-way fireplace in the center. Charley Davidson, who landscaped the resort for Union Pacific, arranged for massive log beams to emanate from the fireplace like wagon wheel spokes.

And Williams' Castagnetto ordered 46 windows from Omaha, Neb., so skiers could gaze every which way onto the valley below.

"I immediately got a wire back that said, 'What the hell are you going to do with 46 windows?'" recalled Castagnetto in the 1976 book "Sun Valley: A Biography."

Averell Harriman named it the Roundhouse when he saw the octagon-shaped cabin restaurant, which resembled a railroad switch house.

The new Bald Mountain ski lift, which preceded the Roundhouse, carried skiers 11,005 feet across the Wood River to the top of Baldy, a climb of 3,253 feet. But the single chair lift, erected in three parts, was slow: Even with

blankets to cover them, most skiers were ready for a hot chocolate by the time they finished the second of the three lifts.

"I can remember it being 22 degrees below zero one time," recalled Hood, whose began skiing at Sun Valley in 1938, a year after the resort's first season.

"Those were the days. We couldn't figure out what the railroad was building up in the mountains and then they built it and we had so much fun coming here. They had a dormitory at the inn for young people. And there was no grooming on the mountains so, if you were in a class and could get down the mountain without falling, they'd give you a medal." He paused, savoring a bite of his meal. "Now to see this is very nice, very romantic."

In 1941, thousands of Americans became familiar with the Roundhouse through the movie "Sun Valley Serenade." But it was a recreated Roundhouse, faithfully recreated in a Los Angeles studio, said Paul Tanner, trombone player with the original Glenn Miller Orchestra.

In 1954 the original outside deck was enclosed to provide more inside dining space. Twenty-two years later, in 1976, Wiley Huffman, now Sun Valley's general manager, helped put on new outside decks.

The Roundhouse was closed three years ago as skiers flocked to the new Seattle Ridge and River Run lodges, leaving the Roundhouse a ghostly presence on the mountain.

After its closures, rumors circu-

lated among skiers who were fearful that it would be torn down, erasing fond memories. But Sun Valley reopened it this year after numerous requests.

It provides a peaceful pause to a vigorous day of skiing.

"It's time. It's nice to have something a little different, a little unique," said Jack Sibbach, Sun Valley's marketing director.

The restaurant has done well in its first week with little or no advertising. Up to 80 people a day have stopped there for a gourmet lunch of buttered squash risotto with spinach marscapone cheese and caramelized hazelnuts or pan-seared bass with crab crust and smoked tomato coulis and wild rice cake. Young women dressed in red Austrian "Heidi" dresses serve "spirited starters," "winter whites," "regal reds" and "delightful departures" from the extensive wine menu. Accordion player Jim Erikson, wearing a grey Swis-style hat, fills the air with strains of "Edelweiss" and "Lara's Theme."

And French manager Gilles Kionom bustles around from table to table, making sure his guests have had their fill of coffee kahula cheeseecake, warm pear cobbler and chocolate basil torte.

"It's for people who want to take a rest from skiing, have a nice bottle of wine, sit back and relax," said Kionom. "It's very nice — no?"

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Hotel

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change on about six acres of Canyon Park North in its last meeting.

Neilsen has also proposed putting a 175-room hotel and 15,000-square-foot convention center on the other seven acres of the Canyon Park North property.

That zone change request is set to go back to the city's planning and zoning commission for a second hearing.

Neilsen's zone change request for his Canyon Park East development was also approved by the council at the last hearing.

Canyon Park East is located on 12 acres east of Blue Lakes Boulevard and north of Bridgeview Boulevard. Neilsen plans to put a retail and commercial development on this property.

Tonight's City Council agenda also includes:

On the agenda

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

The agenda includes a discussion on Neilsen and Co.'s Canyon Park projects which include:

- Canyon Park East: 12 acres to the east of Blue Lakes Boulevard earmarked for retail and commercial use. The City Council approved a rezoning plan for the land on Jan. 4.
- Canyon Park North: A total of about 13 acres located west of Blue Lakes Boulevard. This phase would include a hotel and convention center, several restaurants, more retail stores and a smaller hotel. A zoning change was

approved for six acres of the property that would have retail stores, restaurants and the second smaller hotel.

The city's Planning and Zoning Commission plans to review the hotel and convention center proposal on the rest of the Canyon Park North property before a zone change request is heard by the City Council.

Canyon Park West: Located just south of Canyon Park North. Canyon Park West would include retail and commercial development. Neilsen and Co. representatives and city officials are working on a planned development agreement for the property.

- A presentation from Jeffrey C. Crumrine for Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services, Inc. on a possible Idaho Community Development Block Grant for funding the construction of a 6000-square-foot building at 40 East Drive South.
- Consideration of alternative locations for an outpatient clinic sponsored by the Department of Veterans Affairs.
- A review of the results of a community survey.

WORLD

Protester hurls pie at official during summit

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Government officials argued, protesters marched and a demonstrator threw a pie at the chief of the International Monetary Fund on Sunday during a trade summit that had been touted as a peaceful meeting of rich and poor nations.

One chapter of the current economic-order-came-to-an-end-as Michel Camdessus, the IMF's managing director, made a final speech to the U.N. Conference on Trade and Development before his retirement Monday. He said economic globalization does not threaten poor nations because foreign investment will help reduce gaps in wealth.

But many developing countries argue they are being left behind as the benefits of economic globalization are spread unevenly among the world's people. The developing countries contend that debts owed to rich nations are crippling their ability to grow, and they complain trade barriers keeping their products out of some markets are imposed unfairly.



Brides and bridegrooms exchange their rings during the mass wedding arranged by Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Unification Church at the Seoul Olympic Stadium Sunday. About 10,000 couples were married in the ceremony. The vast majority of the newlyweds were complete strangers matched by church officials.

YOU MAY KISS THE BRIDES

Missed peace deadline causes anger, uncertainty

JERUSALEM (AP) — It was supposed to have been a day of clarity, the first time Israelis and Palestinians outlined the shape of a permanent, peaceful coexistence.

Instead, Sunday, the deadline for the framework of a final status agreement on the conflict's toughest issues — Jerusalem, final borders and refugees — was a blur of recriminations and dire predictions for a peace process gone awry.

Palestinians accuse Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak of neglecting them to focus on talks with Syria; Israelis say Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat is asking for too much, too soon.

Talks broke down early this month, and neither side knows when they will resume. The delay could jeopardize the Sept. 13 deadline Barak and Arafat have set for a full-fledged permanent agreement. And missing that date, both sides worry, could lead to a total peace breakdown.

Barak told his Cabinet on Sunday that "our responsibility is

to try to reach arrangements by the end of this year."

"The interest of terrorist groups to torpedo the process is very high," Barak said, according to an official in his office who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Yugoslavia plans legal action as cyanide pollution spreads

BECEJ, Yugoslavia (AP) — Serbia announced Sunday that it will demand compensation at an international court from those responsible for a cyanide spill that contaminated a major river, destroying most aquatic life.

The spill in the Tisa River, which originated in Romania, apparently sunk to non-lethal levels Sunday after reaching the Danube. Before that, however, it had devastated the river in Hungary and Serbia. Serbian Environment Minister Branislav Blazic said it would take at least five years for life in the Tisa to recover.

Blazic accused Romania of covering up the real dimensions of the poisoning, which some environmentalists say could be the biggest ecological catastrophe in Europe since the Chernobyl nuclear reac-

tor catastrophe in 1986.

"The Tisa has been killed. Not even bacteria have survived," Blazic said as he toured the area along the river in northern Serbia. "This is a total catastrophe."

"We will demand an estimation of the damage and we will demand that the culprits for this tragedy be punished," he said.

Romania played down the environmental damage. But people — not just aquatic life — are at risk because of the spill, said Predrag Prolic, a professor of chemistry and toxicology at Belgrade University.

He said those with wells close to the riverbed are in danger. Birds feeding off fish could die, he said. The poisoned water also can filter into the soil and then contaminate grass, grain, and livestock, Prolic said.

Fifteen apply for Russian presidency

MOSCOW (AP) — Fifteen people have applied to run next month for Russia's presidency, including acting President Vladimir Putin and Communist Party chief Gennady Zyuganov, the head of the election commission said Sunday, the final day for applying.

Putin is the clear favorite for the March 26 ballot, according to recent opinion polls that show more than 50 percent of respondents supporting him.

His nearest challenger, Zyuganov, has about 20 percent

of respondents' support.

Others who applied for the race — submitting property and income declarations and the signatures of at least 500,000 supporters — were Grigory Yavlinsky, leader of the reformist Yabloko party, and nationalist firebrand Vladimir Zhirinovsky.

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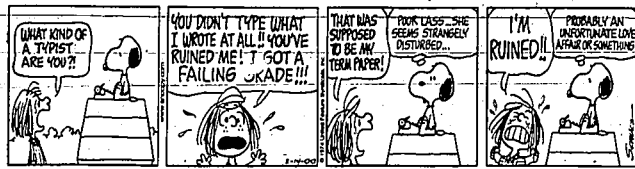
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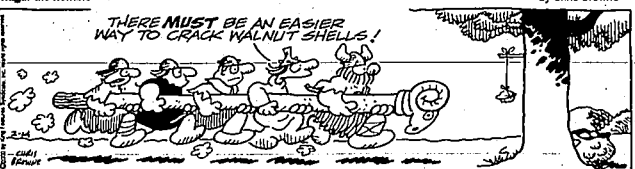
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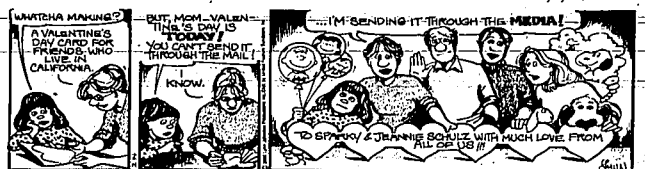


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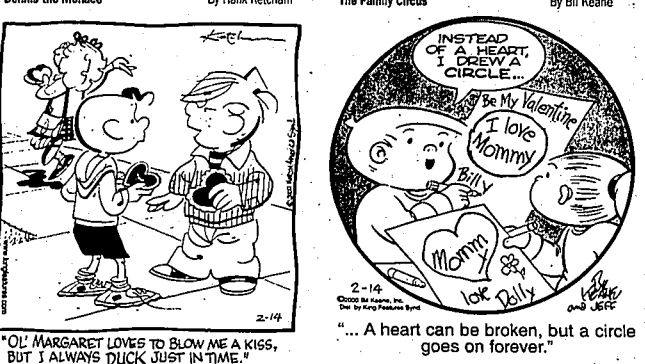
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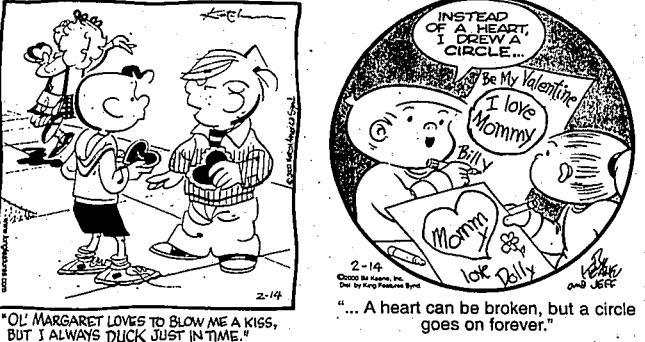
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OTHER VIEWS

Farm worker wage issue is riddled with inconsistencies

From the Idaho State Journal (Pocatello)

Take up the issue of farm workers' wages, and you'll harvest a lot of contradictions.

Start with the minimum wage law itself.

Flip burgers and salt fries at a fast food restaurant and you're guaranteed a minimum hourly wage of \$5.15. But operate heavy machinery, or perform back-breaking, or tedious field work as an agriculture worker, and chances are you are guaranteed nothing.

Only a limited number of farm workers get minimum wage - those who work for large farm operations that fall under federal minimum wage guidelines. That includes only about 36 percent of Idaho agricultural workers, according to Erik Johnson, an attorney with Idaho Legal Aid.

Johnson is a member of a coalition of groups, calling itself Idahoans for Farm Worker Minimum Wage. They're trying to get all farm workers in Idaho the same \$5.15 hourly minimum wage earned by burger flippers.

People like Johnson contend that farm workers may work well past a normal 40-hour work week during peak farm seasons, but still take home only about \$800 a month.

"It's hard to raise a family on that," Johnson says. "They have to make enough money during the summer to tide them over during the winter." And the work is often difficult, heavy and dangerous.

The coalition is pressing Gov. Dirk Kempthorne to endorse minimum wage legislation.

Such groups such as the Farm Bureau are on record opposing the minimum wage legislation because its membership believes most farm workers already get paid minimum wage.

And Kempthorne doesn't believe the timing is right, especially with the current state of Idaho's agricultural economy, says H.D. Palmer, the governor's communications director.

Palmer says the governor's primary concern right now is saving people's farms, not supporting a minimum wage law for what he contends amounts to only one percent of the agricultural work force not covered or receiving the equivalent to minimum wage.

What we're wondering is, if practically all farm workers now make minimum wage - which is supposed to be a basic living wage - what's the problem with codifying it?

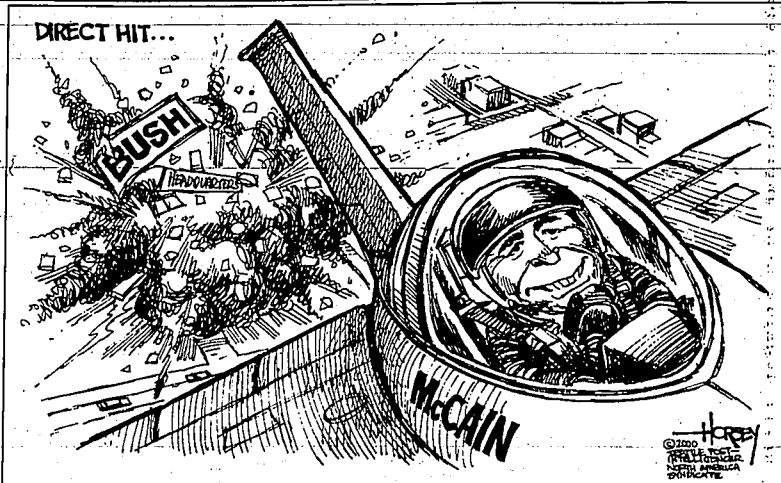
The Idaho Department of Labor tracks farm labor numbers on a monthly basis. Last summer, the peak month for hired farm workers was July when 36,490 people worked as farm laborers. That number gradually tapered off as winter set in. Farm laborer numbers will start picking up in March and April.

That's a good-sized group of workers vital to Idaho's economy.

Members of the coalition support a wage bill co-sponsored by Rep. Tom Trail, R-Moscow, Rep. Ken Robison, D-Boise, and Rep. David Bietter, D-Boise.

Hopefully, common sense and the intent to do right by all Idaho workers will be the common denominator that brings everyone together on this issue.

If practically all of Idaho's farm workers now make minimum wage, what's the problem with codifying it?



Science in Idaho has never been stronger

Idahoans recently received an assessment of the State of the State from Gov. Dirk Kempthorne. Like many of you, several of the governor's thoughts struck a chord with me. But none more so than his statement that "Our foundations are strong. The opportunities are here." As someone charged with helping advance the state of science in Idaho, I couldn't agree more with this optimistic view.

The scientific resources in this state are significant and have done much to advance the economic prosperity Idaho has so long enjoyed. By strengthening our scientific base and more sharply directing our efforts, we can do much more. Consider with me for a moment the extent of Idaho's science-based assets and how they are being focused as never before to build an even brighter tomorrow.

For starters, ponder the capabilities of Idaho's university system. These institutions perform more than \$75 million in extramural research each year, and they have developed a number of centers of academic research excellence. Notable examples include Idaho State University's Idaho Accelerator Center, the University of Idaho's Center for Hazardous Waste

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Bill Shipp

Remediation Research and Boise State University's Center for Geophysical Investigation of the Shallow

Subsurface. Then, consider the fact that Idaho is one of only seven states with a multi-program national laboratory of the Department of Energy within its borders. Although some in the state never look beyond our waste management responsibilities, the fact remains that the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory is an unparalleled research and development powerhouse. Each year, nearly a quarter of a billion dollars is invested in research and development at the INEEL in a wide range of environmental, energy, national security and science and technology areas.

What's exciting is the commitment from the INEEL, the universities, state government and business to work together as never before to further develop these already considerable scientific assets, and then put them to work for our collective benefit. Idaho's three state universities, along with four

universities from three neighboring states, are now on the management team at the INEEL. These schools, operating through the newly formed Inland Northwest Research Alliance, together perform more than \$200 million in research each year and bring resources and know-how to Idaho that place our state in a most enviable situation. Other members of the management team at the INEEL are bringing their corporate-funded research and development programs to Idaho. And state government has energized a state science and technology coordinating effort that has never been tried in Idaho before.

The bottom line is that science-based solutions for some of Idaho's greatest opportunities and most pressing problems can now be addressed by a dream team of academia, business, government and the INEEL. As a proud member of this team, I can assure you that we're ready to meet Gov. Kempthorne's State of the State challenge to "imagine our future as we begin our work!"

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Too little, too late

Congress is fighting brush fires instead of concentrating on the real conflagration in its attempt to aid seniors with their awesome prescription drug charges. The addition of Medicare coverage of the cost of prescription drugs is welcome but too expensive to adequately compensate seniors at today's prescription drug prices.

Most of us agree that the pricing practice of huge petroleum companies on gasoline needs to be investigated. The price of drugs is also threatening to our well-being. We really don't know what the effect of unbelievable drug prices has been to our economy, but we do know that many Americans have less disposable income and to others a real hardship. Not only seniors but those younger also take medicine. Americans affected with asthma, cancer, depression, diabetes, rheumatism and other chronic diseases at any age have stocking drug bills. They also need help.

Before drug prices can be brought down, the reason that the prices are so high must be determined. This should be the challenge before Congress. The year 2000 offers no relief in sight.

We cannot ask for anything less from our legislators. The uncontrolled prices have precipitated a crisis.

KEN REID

Twin Falls

Thrush gets special treatment

All the letters that have been written in the paper about the Thrush murder - I can't understand how Gough could think anyone would believe him when he says Thrush wasn't getting special treatment. I bet other inmates with they had a deal like Thrush got.

Only in Twin Falls could an officer murder a child, get six months' time and then get work release. What a deal! The only punishment he'll get is having to wear his orange suit while on work release. Not bad for a murderer.

Since he's an outstanding citizen, does he go to restaurants for lunch? After all, he shouldn't have to eat what the other inmates eat.

Donna Dengel, would you still have the same feelings for Thrush if he murdered your baby? It's altogether different when it's your own flesh and blood. Hailey's family wouldn't have to think about her death had Thrush not murdered her.

The sad thing isn't Thrush having to spend the rest of his life thinking how he murdered Hailey. He had a choice; the tragic thing is Hailey losing her life. She didn't have a choice.

Feel sorry for Thrush? I don't think so - feel sorry for Hailey who lost her life and the family that lost their baby.

Yes, Thrush is getting special treatment. Everyone knows it but Gough.

I hope every time Thrush closes his eyes, he sees how he took this baby's life.

JUANITA WATTS

Filter

Go private and save

Buhl's garbage service is either extremely inefficient or the city is using the fees to raise money for other departments. Perhaps council members should obtain some bids from private contractors and check those bids against the figures they are receiving from their public works director.

Buhl's current garbage collection costs are \$6.75 per household. Filtr's is \$3.85; likewise with Kimberly and Wendell. Remember, Buhl has been considering an

additional \$2 per household increase. In addition to the high residential rate, many businesses are charged a base garbage rate yet must hire a private garbage company to receive a service that meets their needs.

Buhl's garbage service is very antiquated and environmentally degrading. The \$3 to \$6 savings that Buhl residences could enjoy through private hauling multiplied by 1,500 to 1,600 households would generate \$60,000 to \$90,000 per year to put toward their 19 miles of deteriorating sewer lines. In 10 years, this savings could pay for 30 to 50 percent of the upcoming costs.

Buhl's public works director and garbage collection workers are sandbagging this 2- to 2 1/2-day collection into a full week at ratepayers' expense.

TOM RICHMOND

Buhl

Move the hotel site

I have read with interest the articles and comments concerning the proposed hotel and feel a few more details and possibilities need to be mentioned.

First of all, it is a laugh to think that a 10-story hotel can be built no more than 100 feet high. It is more likely to be 125 feet or higher, but who really cares, right? Secondly, after it is built and full occupancy isn't achieved, who really cares whether or not the rooms and floors are leased out on a long-term basis for permanent or seasonal living, not unlike apartments and high-rise condominiums. Against the zoning you say? No problem!

Last but not least is the question of appearance. What 10-story hotel have you seen that would harmonize with the natural scenic character of the Snake River Canyon and continue to look that way as it ages? Well, I guess we've had

the natural canyon look long enough.

I feel the hotel can be built on the canyon rim, but why do it at the entrance to Twin Falls? Move it either direction and eliminate the potential traffic problems and his "monument" at the same time.

TOM RESTUENIK

Jerome

The feds had it first

I cannot let Marvin C. Hall's letter go unanswered. Mr. Hall and too many others are also that Idaho was one of the original 13 states that granted the government and business to work together and all other powers vested by this Constitution" (Article I, Section 8), which 12 of the 13 ratified in 1787.

Nowhere in the Constitution does the word "sovereign" appear. The creators of that law of the land gave up their sovereignty (as did all successive states) to create a supreme central, federal government. And, of course, those 13 had to sell some land to set the federal government up in business - it had no land otherwise.

Idaho (and Nevada) was not even a twinkle in President Jefferson's eye when he purchased the Louisiana Territory in 1803, nor in President Polk's when he obtained Oregon Country in 1846 and California and New Mexico in 1848. Everything west of the Mississippi River was Indian Territory and federal land. And every territory and state carved out of it was a creation of the federal government by an act of Congress. See Article IV, Section 3.

Let's bring it home to the Magic Valley: the Carey Act passed by the U.S. Congress in 1894 made possible the transfer of federal land along the Snake River to the state of Idaho for an irrigation project. All land that Idaho (and Nevada) claims as state

land has been a gift of federal land from the U.S. government by act of Congress.

So rest assured, every bit of land in Idaho labeled "federal" belonged to the U.S. government before Congress created Idaho in 1890 (and Nevada in 1864) and still belongs to the U.S. government today. And remember, citizens of all 50 states of this union own that land, not just you and Craig and Chenoweth. All American citizens are concerned with its administration, protection and welfare.

MARY INMAN

Twin Falls

Milk price scandal exposed

Milk prices that go up and down, to the lady in Jerome that complained about finding milk from \$2.39 to a low of \$1.39.

In the industry, there is a thing called a loss leader. It is designed for one thing - that is to get you into that chain's store. You mention the investigation of gas prices, why not do the same with milk. Why have you only picked out milk, the same thing happens every week with other items such as eggs, flyers, meat, coffee, etc.

It's called competition, that's what brings customers into their stores. If you want all milk prices at your retail outlets to be the same, I can guarantee you that you will not see milk at \$1.39.

MIKE SIMMONS

Buhl

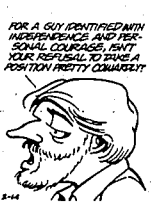
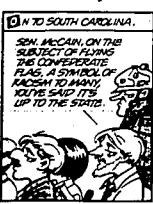
Have your pet spayed or neutered

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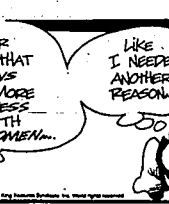
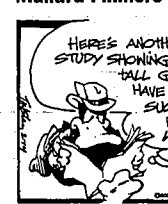
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LETTER

Gun rights under fire

I do not believe that Don Oman gets any message from the American people on how they feel about government rules for our public lands.

The federal government uses the endangered species act and environmental impact studies to forestall programs that may or may not benefit you and I as they see fit.

Not allowing roads into roadless areas, and not harvesting the forests with proper management to make better forests and lumber for future generations. What good is a wilderness area if you have no access to it?

In regard to the bull trout, they survived all the washed-out debris from the road. If it can survive that, it surely can survive the rebuilding of that road.

History should tell you something about how the American people feel about some of these things. The Sagebrush Rebellion, the Boston Tea Party, the Civil War. The people of America and our forefathers fought for freedom.

The government is now trying to change the Constitution by enforcing gun laws, taxing on ammunition, litigation against gun manufacturing, etc. Trying to take away the Second

Amendment of the Constitution for the right to bear arms.

Every country that has done this has ended up with a dictator or a dictatorial government. Any leader who does not uphold the Constitution should not be a leader.

Special interest groups supported by our tax dollars and politicians that serve the issues that they want are deteriorating what this nation is all about.

If the American people do not change the direction that they are going, we will also be numbered with all the other great empires that have fallen.

Waco was a wake-up call. Even though we do not agree with David Koresh or his views, the federal government had no right to do what it did there. Even though these people had arms, there was no evidence that they were using the weapons for anything but their own protection. If the FBI wanted to arrest him, it should have waited until he left the compound.

We have a government, sorry to say, that makes no apology for its mistakes. I know it is not a very popular view to criticize or say anything against our government or its agencies, but right is right and wrong is wrong.

NEA BRESHEARS
Twin Falls

Do any candidates want to do big things?

Richard Nixon observed there are two reasons why people run for high office in America: those who want to do big things and those who want to be big people."

Sen. John McCain clearly wants to do big things. Like it or not, his agenda includes destroying the political establishment as we know it. He thinks big money hurts politics, contributes to the general cynicism and nonparticipation among many citizens — and he is unafraid to run on a platform of honesty and integrity, however unpopular that may seem as he solicits contributions and airplane rides from the very lobbyists he denounces.

McCain is drawing large and enthusiastic crowds in South Carolina because they're hungry for real men, and the topic of McCain's campaign is not the typical oatmeal-dished-out after focus-grouping, and he's not afraid to give it to them. He's announced that Colin Powell and William Bennett will be Cabinet members in a McCain administration, though he hasn't said whether they've been asked, and he brags, "I can beat Al Gore like a drum. I eagerly look forward to the combat. The old fighter pilot in me is coming out." McCain understands that politics is blood sport.

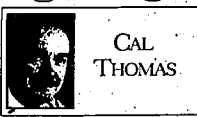
He appears unafraid of being called harsh or mean-spirited, two words that have sent other Republican "leaders" running behind the political equivalent of their mother's skirts. Referring to attacks on Gore by Sen. Bill Bradley, McCain vowed to immediately retaliate against any shots from Gore: "If he said we're trying to hurt minorities, we'll fire back with every barrel we have. I won't be fired for that." Smile, attack. That's his M.O. If I'm the nominee, we're going to have to be fully prepared. There's going to be blood all over the place.

Now that's real politics, and it shows an understanding of what Republicans face if they want to retake the White House.

Democrats will do anything to maintain their hold on the presidency. McCain gets it. Does George W. Bush?

You can blame the press for pumping up McCain, but Bush must show he can defeat McCain in order to bolster his party's confidence that he can beat Gore. In fact, McCain is a much better sparring partner for Bush than Bradley is for Gore. If Bush continues to demonstrate weakness against McCain, it becomes increasingly apparent he won't be able to prevail over Gore in head-on debates.

Former Texas Gov. John Connally said that you must have "fire in the belly" to successfully run for president. It is increasingly apparent that McCain has that fire. It is not yet apparent whether any combustible material lies in Bush's stomach. The McCain crowds are boisterous, excited and large. South Carolina Democrats — those "Republican Democrats" — are starting to come McCain's way. At Sully in Florence, The State



CAL THOMAS

newspaper reported several former Democratic office holders showed up, announcing they felt disenfranchised as Democrats and planned to vote for McCain in the Feb. 13 primary.

McCain speaks constantly about integrity and how he will appoint people with maximum amounts of that scarce commodity should he become president. The pledge speaks for itself. People know the Clinton White House couldn't get arrested on charges of integrity because they don't possess even a gram of that substance.

The Bush people are regrouping. They thought their money was enough to guarantee a lock on the nomination. Another Texan, Sen. Phil Gramm, was similarly self-deluded when he ran for president in 1996. Gramm had \$25 million in the bank, but was elbowed by Pat Buchanan in a Louisiana contest in which Gramm expected to capture all 21 delegates. He won only eight. Eight days later in Iowa, Gramm finished fifth. Two days after that he withdrew from the race.

The trumpeted inevitability of George Bush now faces a similar test. If he's up to it, he can probably be trusted to beat Gore. If he's not up to it, he won't beat Gore, even if he manages to win the nomination. The momentum is shifting to McCain. Let's see if Bush has the smarts and the steel to stop him in South Carolina. Both men say they want to be president. The question is, who wants it more?

Cal Thomas is a Los Angeles Times columnist.

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35. Altonation
36. Boy Scout unit

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39. MDE
40. Matching
41. Branch or birch
42. Scream
43. Boxer Louis
44. Creative skill

Left handed? Maybe chess is your game

Q. Which end of the horse lies down first?
A. Front legs. Front legs get up first, too.

In Turkey is a town named Afyonkarahisar meaning "Black Castle of Opium" - called "Afyon," for short.

Can you name any society in human history where it has not been bad manners to point at somebody? No? Scholars queried on this matter said they couldn't think of any either.

Q. When was it legal in old Rome for parents to kill their infants?

A. Until 374 A.D. The good Valentinian had been emperor for a decade before he got around to ending the parental death decrees.

The only thing the king cobra eats is another snake.

It's not the human brain's weight in itself that's so significant, but the brain's weight relative to body weight. When scientists compare the two-pound brain of a human to the 11-pound brain of an elephant, they calculate curiously that the elephant's brain is the same.

If that bee lives in a hive, it's a honey bee.

Q. Who first came up with the phrase "conspicuous consumption"?

A. American economist Thorstein Veblen, man of foresight. He said technicians eventually will run the world because nobody else will understand it. He died in 1929.

Word is there are about as many serious chess players as left-handed people in Argentina.

What little has been written about the grizzly bear as an environmentalist is noteworthy. That bear can follow the scent for miles to a dead animal, and clean up the mess.

Q. What was the first ship in the U.S. Navy?

A. The schooner Hannah. Commissioned by none other than George Washington and outfitted at Beverly, Mass.

The Moroccan bride who adheres to ancient custom keeps her eyes closed throughout her wedding ceremony.

Happy Valentine's Day! For true love, follow Ten Commandments

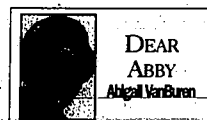
DEAR READERS: It's Valentine's Day already! And what better time to revive my Ten Commandments of Love.

Yes, dear readers, I actually had the chutzpah to write my own Ten Commandments. However, it wasn't as though I was stealing from strangers. One of my ancestors was privileged to have received them on Mount Sinai from the Lord himself - at least that's what the Good Book says.

Originally, I wrote two sets of commandments - one for men and one for women. Then Mandy Stellman, a lawyer from Milwaukee, pointed out that one set of commandments should apply to both men and women. She was right, of course. So how's this for a gender-bender?

The Ten Commandments of Love

- Put your spouse before your mother, your father, your son and your daughter - your mate is your lifelong companion.
- Do not abuse your body with excessive food, tobacco, drink, or any foreign substance that goes into your arm or up your nose.



DEAR ABBY Algal Vanduren

• Remember that cleanliness is a virtue.

• Willingly share all of your worldly goods with your mate.
• Do not forget to say, "I love you." Even though your love may be constant, your spouse needs to hear those cherished words often.
• Remember that the approval of your spouse is worth far more than the adoring glances of a hundred strangers, so be true to him or her, and forsake all others.

• Permit neither your business nor your hobby to make you a stranger to your spouse. The most precious gift you can give is time.

• Keep your home in good repair, because out of it come the joys of old age (not to mention its resale value).

• Forgive with grace, because who among us does not need to be forgiven?

• Honor the Lord your God every day of your life, and your children will grow up to bless you.

Today, be a sweetheart. Call someone you love and say, "I love you." (Make two or three calls; who says you can't love more than one person - in different ways, of course.)

Call someone who's lonely and say, "I'm thinking of you." Or better yet, say, "I'll be over tomorrow to take you to lunch, run some errands for you or give you a ride."

Visit a sick friend. Say a prayer. Donate some blood. Adopt a pet. Will your eyes, your kidneys and all your usable organs to someone who can use them after you're gone. Forgive an enemy. Hug your teenager. Write a fan letter. Listen to a bore. Pay your doctor. Tell your parents you think they're wonderful. Spay your dog. Neuter your cat. Quit smoking. Drive carefully. If you're walking - watch where you're going.

And don't wait until next year to be a sweetheart again.

- LOVE, ABBY

Saturday's Puzzle Solved

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WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd



Q. When was it legal in old Rome for parents to kill their infants?

A. Until 374 A.D. The good Valentinian had been emperor for a decade before he got around to ending the parental death decrees.

The only thing the king cobra eats is another snake.

It's not the human brain's weight in itself that's so significant, but the brain's weight relative to body weight. When scientists compare the two-pound brain of a human to the 11-pound brain of an elephant, they calculate curiously that the elephant's brain is the same.

If that bee lives in a hive, it's a honey bee.

Q. Who first came up with the phrase "conspicuous consumption"?

A. American economist Thorstein Veblen, man of foresight. He said technicians eventually will run the world because nobody else will understand it. He died in 1929.

Word is there are about as many serious chess players as left-handed people in Argentina.

What little has been written about the grizzly bear as an environmentalist is noteworthy. That bear can follow the scent for miles to a dead animal, and clean up the mess.

Q. What was the first ship in the U.S. Navy?

A. The schooner Hannah. Commissioned by none other than George Washington and outfitted at Beverly, Mass.

The Moroccan bride who adheres to ancient custom keeps her eyes closed throughout her wedding ceremony.

Capricorn: Time for you to take chances

ARIES (March 21-April 19): On this Monday you'll have things your way. But there is the rub - what is your way? Self-discovery necessary, face the music, your way revealed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You get funding for favorite projects. Relationship is hot. Questions of partnership, cooperative efforts, marriage loom large. Capricorn involved.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Cycle high, popularity on the rise. Those who opposed you could become allies-Display humor, laugh at your own foibles. Buying new clothes is excellent.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Feeling of being forgotten is past. Move ahead doggedly - you are gaining strength, others know it. Taurus, Leo, Scorpio persons figure in scenario.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Utilize publicly, showmanship to put across message. Be ready for change, variety of sensations. Your sex appeal much in evidence. Gemini plays sensational role.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Hightlight harmony, music, sound, rhythm. Family relationships dominate, make intelligent connections. Change of residence, mutual benefits featured.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Look beyond the immediate, accent the mystical. Don't tell all, keep some things sacred and secret. Plead not guilty to charges. Virgo is picture.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Narrow escape - now you get credit and money. Accept role in financial scenario. Relationship might be getting too warm not to cool down.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You are pulled in two directions - between family and home and the possibility of journey overseas. Travel is indicated. Make amends to loved ones as you say goodbye.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Let go of past beliefs - there is

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more in heaven and earth than might fit your philosophy. Take chance on romance. Highlight creativity, adventure, sex appeal. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): People talk and write about you. You receive proposals, business, career, marriage. Cooperate with sincere individual who requires your guidance. Lucky number 2. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You could make headlines. Emerge from emotional shell - imprint style. People look to you as example, don't let them down. Household product featured.

Film and music pioneer George Jackson dies

LOS ANGELES (AP) - George Jackson, a former president of Motown Records who produced the movies of some of Hollywood's leading black actors, has died. He was 42.

Jackson died in New York on Thursday after suffering a stroke, the Los Angeles Times reported Saturday.

He co-produced the films "A Thin Line Between Love and Hate" starring Martin Lawrence, "New Jack City" with Wesley Snipes and "Krush Groove" starring Blair Underwood. Other films included "Jason's Lyric" and the second and third installments of the "House Party" series featuring the hip-hop duo Kid-N-Play.

"In a business that is very self-centered and is very tough to stay in, George helped everyone, whether he was in competition with them or not," said Doug McHenry, who co-founded Elephant Walk Entertainment with Jackson.

Jackson also co-produced UPN's "Malcolm & Eddie" comedy under the Elephant Walk banner.

Jackson's most recent effort

was creating Urban Box Office Network, described as a media company for the "urban mindset." UBO will establish a media lab in Harlem to honor Jackson, McHenry said.

A Harvard University graduate, Jackson became president and chief executive of Motown in 1997. He oversaw several acts, including the group 98 Degrees and the Temptations.

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Letterman receives list

MUNCIE, Ind. (AP) - Students at David Letterman's alma mater have crafted a get-well Valentine's Day card inspired by the talk show host's Top Ten List.

Written on the 300 poster boards folded into an accordion, along with signatures of 20,000 Ball State University students, is a list of reasons why "We're Glad Dave Didn't Die."

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—Lone Star State Gov. George W. Bush, eulogizing in a statement the football playing and coaching legend who died on Saturday

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- Boys' basketball**
- Region III Tournament
 - Century at Minico, 7 p.m.
 - Highland at Burley, 7 p.m.
 - Class A-3 District Tournament
 - Glenns Ferry at Declo, 7:30 p.m.
 - Northside Conference Tournament, at Shoshone
 - Shoshone vs. Camas, 6 p.m.
 - Richfield vs. Dietrich, 7:30 p.m.
 - Magic Valley Conference Tournament
 - Hagerman at Castledford, 7 p.m.
 - Murtaugh at Oakley, 7 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Toner leads red-hot Bengals over MSU

BOZEMAN, Mont. — Burley High School graduate Ashley Toner dumped in 14 points to lead all scorers on both teams late Saturday night as the Idaho State University women's basketball team edged host Montana State University, 57-52.

Toner, a 1999 Burley graduate, also grabbed six rebounds in the Big Sky Conference win, which improved the Lady Bengals' league mark to 8-4 (10-13 overall). With the loss, the Bobcats dropped to 2-9 in the Big Sky and 6-16 overall.

The surging Bengals trail only Montana (9-1) in the conference standings.

The freshman Toner leads ISU in field goal percentage at .538, and is third on the team in scoring at 7.3 points per game.

CSI boosters offer bus trip to Rexburg

TWIN FALLS — The Golden Eagle booster club will charter a bus to the Rickle College game in Rexburg Thursday.

Cost will be \$20 per person plus admission to the game. The band, dance team and cheerleaders will be traveling to the game as well, but in a separate vehicle. For more information or to sign up, call Scott Snow at 736-1711. The bus is filling up fast, and school officials urge fans to sign up quickly.

Area spring rules clinics planned at TFHS

BURLEY — The State Rules Clinic for interested high school baseball and softball umpires will be held Feb. 21 at Twin Falls High School.

The softball clinic will begin at 6 p.m. and the baseball clinic will start at 7 p.m. Interested umpires should contact district commissioner Craig Mills at 678-6606 during the day, or 678-7144 in the evening, for more information.

Local boys invited to play Babe Ruth ball

TWIN FALLS — Local boys ages 9-12 are invited to play Cal Ripken Babe Ruth Baseball.

Information about the league will be available at signups Thursday from 7:30 p.m. at the Parks and Rec building, located at Harmon Park. Contact Pete Turner at 734-7643 for more information.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Packing the house

Mini-Cassia teams have huge fan support

By Dex Dutton
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — Wayne Beck first started going to Burley High School games when he was 3.

Now 63, he's been to many of them.

In fact, Beck's face has been a staple in the crowd at nearly every Burley home baseball, basketball, volleyball and football game for more than half a century.

Chances are he'll be there tonight, too, when the Bobcats host Highland in their Region III Boys' Basketball Tournament opener. Burley stunned the state's No. 2-ranked school, undefeated Pocatello, in the Bobcats' home gym a week ago to enter the postseason seeded second.

The kind of atmosphere is too exciting to miss.

"When I was a little kid, I became a big Bobcat fan, and other than some college, and Army time away, I have been coming ever since," Beck said. "I'm a fan of cheerleading, band, and pep squad too. I like seeing these kids perform and do well. I have known most of these kids from the time they were born."

Beck said he would much rather go to a Burley sporting event than a professional one. If he has his way, he added, he'll be a familiar face in the crowd for a long time to come.

"I plan to come to these games for another 40 years," he said.

Like Beck, Theron Griffin, 65, of Rupert started young as a regular at high school sporting events.

He said he has been attending Minico games so long, most of the players call him Grandpa.

"I know all of these kids, and if I don't have one of my own playing, I probably have a best friend who has a kid that plays," Griffin said.

A former basketball player at the old Rupert High School in the 1950s who later watched his own child, Griffin now roots for his grandchildren with the same vigor. He said his participation in a half-century of high school sporting events has helped him unwind from the everyday rigors of making a living.

Having a hot team to root for doesn't hurt either. The sixth-seeded Spartans took Highland to overtime in Pocatello Saturday night before losing a thriller, 55-50. Had they won that game, they would have been the team playing at Burley tonight.

Nevertheless, they too make their home debut in the Region III Tournament tonight against seventh-seeded Century.

"If I have a bad day, I can come here and unwind and thoroughly enjoy myself," Griffin said.

Matt Harr, who coaches Burley High School varsity basketball and baseball, said community

Right, fans of all ages who crammed the Burley High School gymnasium Feb. 4 were treated to something special: the Bobcats' dismantling of the state's second-ranked Class A-1 team, the Pocatello Indians.

Below, members of the Burley student body hold pictures of Bobcat upperclassmen on Senior Night as the team takes the floor. The gyms at Burley and Minico high schools will be rocking again tonight for the second round of the Region III Boys' Basketball Tournament.



BOB GABELL/The Times-News

Region III Tourney

Both Minico and Burley high schools compete tonight in the Region III Boys' Basketball Tournament.

At Burley: The No. 2-seeded Bobcats host No. 3 Highland, 7 p.m. At Minico: The No. 6-seeded Spartans host No. 7 Century, 7 p.m. Tuesday: No. 5 Twin Falls is at No. 1 Pocatello; No. 4 Jerome hosts the Minico-Century winner.

backing means a great deal to the success of the area's high schools' programs.

"You really notice it when you go on the road, and there may be more hometown fans than the other team has there," Harr said. "It really doesn't matter what our record is — whether 2-8 or 8-2, people still come."

Fresh off coaching the Burley baseball team to the American Legion Class A Northwest Regional Tournament championship, Harr knows what a team's boosters can do for team spirit.

"To go to the baseball regionals, the kids had to raise a lot of money — \$5000 in three days,"

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It's gut-check time for local teams

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — It's the ultimate prize for high school athletes. And for six Magic Valley girls' basketball teams, a state title is well within reach.

"We had five goals at the beginning of the season," said Filer coach Kim Krumm, whose Class A-2 Wildcats will among 40 Gem State teams gunning for state trophies in four classifications this week.

"The last one was to get to state," Krumm said. "I told the girls Friday to come to practice Monday with three new goals in mind."

No. 1 on their list will undoubtedly be bringing a championship home.

And they won't be alone. Although the region's Class A-1 teams fell short in their quest to play at this season's tourney — No. 1 Jerome was ousted by No. 2 Pocatello, who in turn was eliminated by third-ranked Highland before the Rams too fell out of the running with a loss to Centennial Saturday — no fewer than six local squads remain in the hunt.

Action begins Wednesday, when District IV champion Raft River takes on Cambridge in the Class A-4 opener at Skyview High School, and district third-seeded Carey meets Highland of Craigmont at Kuna High School. Both games start at 1:45 p.m.

Defending Class A-4 state champion Dietrich plays at 3:15

GIRLS State Tourney

Starting Wednesday, The Times-News will be previewing this year's girls' state basketball tournaments. Then, starting on Thursday, look for coverage of our favorite team's quest for state tourney hardware.

Wednesday: Class A-4 preview Thursday: Class A-1, A-2 and A-3 previews Thursday-Sunday: Game coverage from the Boise valley

p.m. Wednesday, squaring off against Leadore at Skyview. Northside champion Shoshone makes its state debut on Wednesday at 8 p.m. at Kuna.

The District IV champion Filer Wildcats, meanwhile, begin their pursuit of a state crown at 3:15 p.m. Thursday at Nampa High School against Sugar-Salem.

Class A-3 District IV champ Valley also plays its first game on Thursday, against Firth at 3:15 p.m. at Nampa High School. The state tournaments run through Saturday, with championship games slated to be played at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

Display shows league's stock is rising

The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — In a way, it was a fitting first All-Star game for the start of the post-Jordan era. Nobody is sure who the next super-superstar is, and none burst forward in this game.

From Vince Carter making a couple nifty dunks to the Lakers providing a little Showtime, Tim Duncan making his bank shots to Jason Kidd flinging crisp passes, everybody did what they do best — with no one turning it into a one-man show.

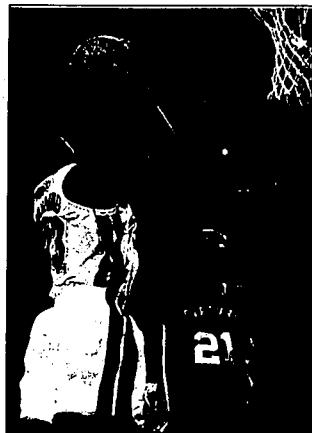
Behind 24 points apiece from Duncan and Kevin Garnett, 22 from Shaquille O'Neal and 14 assists from Kidd, the West defeated the East 137-126 Sunday in the 49th version of the league's showcase event.

"The league is like a stock," Garnett said. "You've got to give it a chance to recover from the lockout, and it's going to keep rising and rising."

In this case, that meant appreciating the current players for their own special skills instead of lamenting the lack of a single selfish showman.

Carter started things off with a dunk worthy of a contest, Duncan and O'Neal played like MVPs, which they were, and Karl Malone got as little involved as possible — as he wished.

"What was the favorite part?" O'Neal asked rhetorically.



Tim Duncan, of the San Antonio Spurs tries to block Orlando Mourning's shot during the NBA All-star game in Oakland, Calif., Sunday. Duncan was named co-MVP along with the Los Angeles Lakers' Shaquille O'Neal.

"Watching Vince dunk, of course. I've never seen anybody who dunks like that."

This was the first All-Star game since 1998 because last year's was canceled by the lockout, but the players hadn't forgotten how

Tiger blows win streak; comeback falls short

The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — The only thing more amazing than The Streak was the way it ended — another spectacular comeback, another stunning collapse.

Only this time, both belonged to Tiger Woods.

Woods erased a seven-shot deficit in a matter of seven holes, only to see his hopes of a seventh straight PGA Tour victory disappear in the cool Pacific air when he became a victim of his own mistakes and a gutsy revival by Phil Mickelson.

The longest PGA Tour winning streak in 52 years ended Sunday in the Buick Invitational, where Mickelson won for the first time in 18 months and left Byron Nelson's record run of 11 straight victories as the standard.

"I didn't back off. I didn't dog it out here," Woods said. "I just hung in there. For some reason didn't hit the ball as crisp today as I needed to."

In a final round packed with as much drama as a major championship, Mickelson recovered from two double bogeys with back-to-back birdies, and went on to a four-stroke victory over Woods and Shigeki Maruyama.

He closed with a 70 and finished at 18-under 270 for the 14th victory of his career, worth a career-high \$540,000.

Fighting his swing all day, Woods clawed his way into a tie with a birdie on the par-5 13th, only to follow with bogeys on the next two holes. The result was his first loss in a PGA Tour event since late August at the hands of his first victim.

"It wasn't out to end the streak. I don't want to be the bad guy," said Mickelson, who finished one stroke behind Woods in the NEC Invitational. "I just wanted to win the tournament."

Davies holds on for LPGA win

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. — Laura Davies hit the right shot at the right time, and it made her a winner for the first time in more than a year.

Under a steady rain, Davies chipped in from 40 feet on the 17th hole for birdie and won the \$750,000 LPGA Los Angeles Women's Championship by three strokes Sunday with a 1-over 73 for 5-under 211 total.

Davies joined Karrie Webb as the LPGA's second wire-to-wire winner this season. The Englishwoman shot a 67 on Friday — one day after having laser eye surgery — and a 71 on Saturday in the rain-plagued tournament at the 6,222-yard Wood Ranch Club.

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to play one of these games. Heavy on the fancy stuff and short on fundamentals, the players put on as much of a show as they could — and Carter's portion of it happened right off the bat.

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Streaking Bearcats maul DePaul, 87-64

SPORTS IN BRIEF

CINCINNATI (AP) — Kenyon Martin scored 23 points, hitting every type of shot, as top-ranked Cincinnati attacked DePaul's roused front line and rolled to an 87-64 victory Sunday.

Cincinnati (23-1, 11-0 Conference USA) ran its home winning streak to 42 games, second-longest in the nation, and extended its domination of DePaul to a new season.

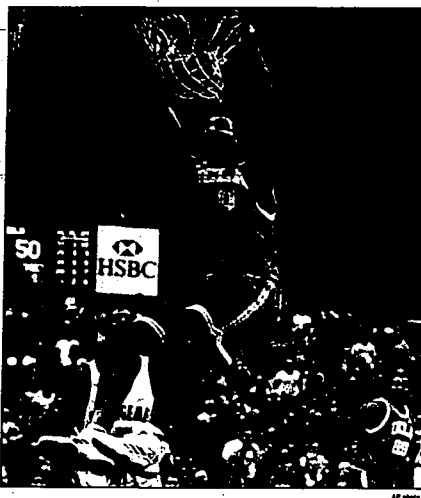
The Blue
NCAA Top 25 Demons (16-8, 6-5) have lost 17 of their last 18 to Cincinnati since 1992-93. Their only win was 61-60 in overtime the last time they met, near the end of last season.

No. 4 Syracuse 71, UCLA 67
SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Jason Hart and Steve Shumpert each scored 18 points as Syracuse snapped its two-game losing streak. The victory by the Orangemen (20-2) came in the second-ever game between the teams, UCLA (12-9), which won last year's meeting 93-69, lost for the fourth time in five games.

No. 10 Indiana 86, Michigan 65
ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Strong first-half shooting by Kirk Haston and Michael Lewis, coupled with tight defense, helped Indiana cruise past Michigan. Haston scored 10 of his 19 points in the first half, and Lewis had 11 of his 12 as the Hoosiers (18-4, 8-4 Big Ten) opened a 16-point halftime lead. A.J. Guyton led Indiana with 23 points, all but seven in the second half.

No. 25 LSU 70,
No. 11 Kentucky 57
BATON ROUGE, La. — Stromile Swift had 26 points and LSU's defense harassed Kentucky into 23 turnovers. LSU (19-4, 6-4 Southeastern Conference) had 17 steals in the game, including five by freshman point guard Brian Beshara, scored 21 points for the Tigers, and Jabari Smith added 10 and eight rebounds.

No. 19 Temple 73,
No. 23 Maryland 65
PHILADELPHIA — Lamont Barnes scored 23 points and Lynn Greer had all 14 of his in the second half as Temple beat Maryland. The Owls (18-4) won their ninth straight game — and 20th in a row at home — by holding Maryland to 38 percent shooting during a 17-point fourth quarter.



UCLA's Dan Gadzuric dunks over Syracuse's Jason Hart Sunday in Syracuse, N.Y. Gadzuric led the Bruins with 18 points, but Syracuse won 71-67.

Women's results:

No. 2 Tennessee 97, Florida 78
KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Tamika Catchings scored 19 points and Kara Lawson added 17 to lead No. 2 Tennessee to a 97-78 victory over Florida on Sunday. The Lady Vols (21-3, 9-1 Southeastern Conference) also got 15 points from Semeka Randall and Gwen Jackson.

No. 6 Penn St 78, No. 15 Purdue 67
STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Maren Walseth had 17 points and a career-high 15 rebounds as Penn State beat Purdue (17-6, 9-4 Big Ten). The first place Lady Lions (20-3, 11-1) cleared their biggest hurdle to a conference title. Their remaining games are against four of the five worst teams in the conference.

Kansas St. 69, Iowa St. 63
MANHATTAN, Kan. — Kristen Rethman had 15 points on five three-pointers to help Kansas State

beat Iowa State for its first win against a ranked opponent in five tries this season. Kansas State (11-12, 3-8 Big 12) tied a season high with 13 three-pointers to win its second straight conference game after losing five in a row.

No. 11 N.C. State 67, Clemson 58
RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Terah James scored eight of her 16 points in the final 2:07 as North Carolina State held off Clemson. Kayla Chones added 13 points and 13 rebounds before fouling out in the final few seconds to help N.C. State (20-4, 11-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) take sole possession of first place in the ACC.

No. 12 UC Santa Barbara 73, Long Beach State 63
LONG BEACH, Calif. — Stacy Cline-Smith scored the final six points of the game, all from the free-throw line, to lead UC Santa Barbara over Long Beach State.

Erin Baescher had 21 points to lead the Goshoes (21-3, 9-0 Big West), who won their 17th straight game.

No. 13 Auburn 69, Alabama 59
TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — LeCoe Williams scored 19 points to lead Auburn to its first win in Tuscaloosa since 1988. Auburn (18-5, 6-4 Southeastern Conference) swept rival Alabama (14-9, 4-6) for the first time since 1983. The schools only played once a year from 1986-96.

No. 18 Old Dominion 91, American U. 51
NORFOLK, Va. — Okiesha Howard and Kim Giddens each scored 19 points as Old Dominion defeated American U. The Lady Monarchs (18-4, 11-0 Colonial Athletic Association) prevailed despite 3-for-14 shooting from three-point range.

No. 21, Miss St. 84, Albany, N.Y. 34
STARKVILLE, Miss. — LaToya Thomas scored 27 points in 27 minutes to lead Mississippi State to an easy victory over Albany (N.Y.) Thomas, the Southeastern Conference's leading scorer, made 8 of 13 shots from the floor. Jennifer Fambrough added 17 points for the Lady Bulldogs (18-5).

No. 22 Virginia 57, Arkansas St. 55
CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va. — Renee Robinson made two free throws with four-tenths of a second remaining as Virginia barely avoided another stunning loss to Arkansas State (14-6). Virginia (19-6), which lost as the No. 8 team on the Lady Indians home floor last season, twice went ahead in the final 70 seconds, and each time the visitors pulled even until Robinson was fouled with 0.4 seconds remaining.

Nebraska 75, No. 23 Kansas 72
LINCOLN, Neb. — Nicole Kubik had 29 points and nine rebounds as Nebraska snapped Kansas' four-game winning streak. Reserve Paige Sutton had 11 points for Nebraska (12-10, 6-5 Big 12), which ended its own three-game losing skid. The Cornhuskers swept the season series with the Jayhawks (17-6, 8-3) for the first time since the 1988-89 season.

Late three helps BSU nip Aggies

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Clint Hordemann hit a three-point play with five seconds remaining to push Boise State to a 66-65 victory over New Mexico State on Sunday. The Broncos' win snaps a 14-game winning streak at home for New Mexico State and avenges a bitter 79-69 loss to the Aggies last season in the Big West Conference Championship game. The Aggies (15-7, 6-4 BWC) led 49-39 with 11:29 remaining in the second half when Boise State (10-11, 4-6) went on an 8-0 run. Boise State was led by Jackson and Justin Lyons, who both had 14 points.

Landry remembered at memorial service

DALLAS — Tom Landry's friends and fellow churchgoers at Highland Park United Methodist Church remembered him Sunday as a devout Christian who learned how to appreciate life and taught others to do the same. The Rev. Mark Craig focused his sermon on making memories. The theme was based on a sermon Landry gave several years ago, one Craig called the best he'd ever heard. Landry, coached the Dallas Cowboys for 29 years, from their birth in 1960 until Jerry Jones bought the team Feb. 25, 1989, died around 6 p.m. Saturday at Baylor University Medical Center surrounded by his immediate family. He was 75 and had been fighting a form of leukemia since May.

Lewis proclaims his innocence from jail

BALTIMORE — Ray Lewis declared his innocence in a jail interview Sunday and said he knows, as his limousine sped from the scene of a double murder in Atlanta, that he would be the central figure in the case because of his status as an NFL player. Lewis would not discuss the specifics of the case, but said he is innocent and has been falsely accused. The Baltimore Ravens linebacker said in an interview with WNUV-TV that he also feels God is placing obstacles in his way for a reason, the television station reported. The interview was not taped — instead, the reporter related Lewis' comments.

Bears sign former Bills cornerback

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — The Chicago Bears signed former Buffalo Bills cornerback Thomas Smith to a \$2.5 million, five-year contract Sunday. The deal includes a \$6.5 million signing bonus. Smith visited Halas Hall this weekend, along with Tennessee safety Marcus Robertson and Seattle defensive end Phillip Daniels, who has agreed to a five-year contract worth \$25 million, including an \$8 million signing bonus.

Washington University women tie record

ST. LOUIS — Washington University won its 60th straight game Sunday, beating Rochester 90-43 to tie the record for consecutive victories by a college women's team. The Bears (22-0) can break the record set by Capital University of Ohio in 1994 and 1995 at Carnegie Mellon in Pittsburgh on Friday night. UCLA set the men's record of 88 in the early 1970s.

Tigers pull Gonzales offer off table

DETROIT — The Detroit Tigers have withdrawn an eight-year, \$140 million contract offer to outfielder Juan Gonzalez, general manager Randy Smith said Sunday. "Neither side was comfortable with the deal that was out there," Smith told WKBD-TV. Smith, speaking from Florida, said the Tigers were still interested in signing the slugger to a long-term deal. Detroit got the two-time AL MVP from Texas in a nine-player trade in November.

Report: Bills, Riemersma reach agreement

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Tight end Jay Riemersma agreed with the Buffalo Bills on a four-year contract worth about \$12 million, CBS Sportsline reported Sunday. The contract is worth \$12,036,000 and includes a \$4 million signing bonus. Riemersma's agent, Jack Wirth, and an unidentified team source told the sports Web site, Riemersma, 26, had been scheduled to visit with the New Orleans Saints and Cleveland Browns this week before reaching the deal with the Bills.

Pitcher Kerry Wood is ready to rock

MESA, Ariz. — Kerry Wood arrived at the Chicago Cubs spring training camp Sunday proclaiming himself fit, healthy and rested. The 22-year-old Wood, the National League's 1998 Rookie of the Year, missed the entire 1999 season after undergoing reconstructive surgery on his right elbow last April. Wood began throwing off a pitcher's mound at the Cubs' spring-training facility this winter. He is scheduled to see his first exhibition game action March 9 when the Cubs host the San Francisco Giants. "I feel good," Wood said on the first day of spring training. "I feel like I'm in the best shape I've been in coming to spring training. I'm looking forward to it."

Compiled from wire reports

Red Wings rally to ice the Avalanche, 4-3

DENVER (AP) — Brendan Shanahan scored his eighth game-winning goal of the season, going on a rally from a three-goal deficit as Detroit beat Colorado 4-3 Sunday. Shanahan had the decisive goal, his 29th, at 16:07 of the final period. After falling behind 3-0 midway through the second period, Detroit got second-period goals from Sergei Fedorov and Darren McCarty. Pat Verbeek tied it at 12:11 of the third period. Chris Drury and Joe Sakic scored first-period goals, and Colorado rookie Alex Tanguay made it 3-0 midway through the second.

NHL

Stars 2, Capitals 1
DALLAS — Rookie Brenden Morrow scored twice and Ed Belfour stopped 14 shots to become the 16th NHL goalie to win 300 games as Dallas beat Washington. Belfour is 300-189-79 in 12 seasons with Chicago, San Jose and Dallas. The Stars are 8-2 in their last 10 games.

Devils 3, Sharks 1
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Brian Rafalski had a goal and two assists Sunday to lift the

New Jersey Devils to a 3-1 victory over the San Jose Sharks. The Devils are unbeaten (4-0-1) in their last five games, and improved their mark to 16-3-3 over their last 22.

Oilers 2, Sabres 2, tie
BUFFALO, N.Y. — Ryan Smyth scored the tying goal midway through the third period, and Tommy Salo made 24 saves, keying Edmonton's tie with Buffalo. Mike Grier also scored for the Oilers, who are unbeaten in five games (3-0-2).

Michael Peca and Geoff Sanderson scored for Buffalo. Dominik Hasek stopped 26 shots for the Sabres, who moved within two points of Pittsburgh for

the eighth playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Islanders 4, Rangers 2
NEW YORK — Jason Kroger scored his first NHL goal as the New York Islanders beat the New York Rangers, extending their winning streak to a season-high three games. Mathieu Biron and Claude Lapointe also scored for the Islanders. Morgen Jonsson had three assists, and Mariusz Czerkawski assisted on two goals to extend his point streak to a career-best 10 games. Jan Havac and Radek Dvorak scored for the Rangers.

Philippoussis defeats Tillstrom for Sybase Open title

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Australia's Mark Philippoussis successfully defended his Sybase Open title Sunday, finishing off Sweden's Mikael Tillstrom with a 137 mph ace.



Mark Philippoussis of Australia lunges to return a shot during his 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 victory over Mikael Tillstrom in the championship match of the Sybase Open.

Philippoussis overpowered Tillstrom with 21 aces in a 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 decision in the \$350,000 ATP Tour event. He earned \$49,500, and Tillstrom made \$29,150. The second-seeded Philippoussis, who had a 138 mph serve during his semifinal victory over Jim Courier, took the first set after breaking serve in the final game. At 30-30, Philippoussis hit a cross-court forehand winner, and Tillstrom then double-faulted. Tillstrom came back to break serve in the first game of the second set. Philippoussis, who moved into the top 10 in the ATP Champions race with the victory, broke serve in the fourth game of the third set. He had more aces in the match than Tillstrom (19) had in the tournament. Philippoussis recorded a tournament-best 61 aces, and won 84 percent of his first-serve points. "The toughest thing this week was the first match," said Philippoussis, who beat Guillermo Canas 7-6 (8), 4-6, 7-6 (3) on Wednesday.

Philippoussis also successfully defended a title for the first time in his career while becoming the first two-time winner since Pete Sampras in 1996-97.

Nathalie Tauziat beats an injured Serena Williams
PARIS — Serena Williams hurt her right knee in the first set, and

Nathalie Tauziat went on to win the Paris Open with a 7-5, 6-2 victory Sunday. Williams, the 18-year-old defending champion, fought back

tears as the title slipped away. She injured a knee ligament in the sixth game of the first set and was hampered the rest of the match. Williams was the top-seeded player in the \$537,000 tournament and Tauziat was seeded second.

Kiefer wins Dubai Open

DUBAI, UAE — Top-seeded Nicolas Kiefer of Germany beat unseeded Juan Carlos Ferrero of Spain 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 Sunday to win the \$1 million Dubai Open. Kiefer, the losing finalist last year to Jerome Golmard of France, became the first No. 1 seed to win the tournament. He got \$187,000 and a BMW.

Love match heads to altar

BERLIN — Andre Agassi and Steffi Graf have decided to marry, probably on Graf's June 14 birthday, a German newspaper reported Sunday. The tennis stars planned the wedding to coincide with the one-year anniversary of when their romance began. Bild am Sonntag said in a front-page story, quoting unidentified friends. Agassi and Graf began seeing each other after both won the French Open last year. Graf has retired and is often seen cheering Agassi at tournaments.

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Malone's puzzled: What's the fuss? All-Star Fans

OAKLAND (AP) — Karl Malone ended his All-Star holdout and then wondered what all the fuss was about.

The Utah Jazz star complained his desire for a weekend getaway with his family was twisted into three-day soap operas pitting him against every-

one from league managers to the NBA's younger generation.

"I have no battles to fight," Malone said Sunday.

Malone, a two-time league MVP and 12-time All-Star, arrived hours before the league's showcase at the Oakland Coliseum Arena.

He insisted the test of wills between him and NBA rulers and his distaste for the way the league is promoting the rising stars over more established veterans had nothing to do with his absence from most of the weekend activities.

"I'm here. I'm going to play. I'm fine," said Malone, whose initial attempt to get out of his All-Star obligations by claiming he had a sore back was rebuffed by league management. "I just want to go in and break a little sweat."

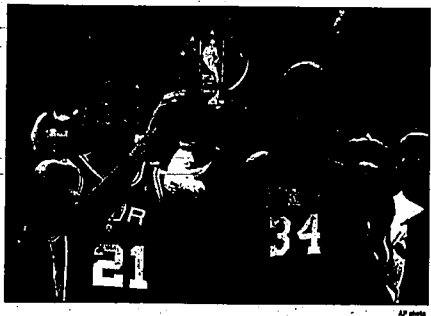
After hearing from coach Frank Philip Jackson that he could play as much or as little as he wanted, he did that and little else, scoring zero points.

"It's kind of amazing," he said later. "We as pros are always criticized when you don't do things with your kids or spend time with your family and I was trying to do that."

Iverson was jittery

He's one of the NBA's most talented young offensive stars, fearless and feared on the court. Yet first-time All-Star Allen Iverson admitted he was scared stiff in Sunday's game.

"I was sitting up all night, I couldn't go to sleep. I've never



Co-MVPs and Western Conference teammates Tim Duncan, left, of the San Antonio Spurs, and Shaquille O'Neal of the Los Angeles Lakers, hold the MVP trophy after the NBA All-Star game in Oakland, Calif., Sunday.

been as nervous in a game before in my life. My first game in the NBA, I know I wasn't this nervous," said Iverson, an Eastern Conference star.

"It's the environment. You don't get to play in front of Magic Johnson and Bill Russell every night."

Grant's focus

Detroit's Grant Hill played the fewest minutes of any All-Star starter Sunday, and had the fewest points of any starter. He scored seven points and had five assists in 19 minutes.

But those numbers are remarkable, considering that he could, hardly see what was happening on the court. Hill lost the contact lens from his right eye in warmups before the game, and didn't have a backup set of lenses.

Most overrated?

Fans choose the starters for the All-Star Game and coaches picked the reserves. The San Jose Mercury News decided to

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The first basket for the East was an alley-oop dunk by Carter off a pass from Allen Iverson, while the second was a breakaway slam by Carter that closely resembled one of his best from the dunk contest Saturday night.

Carter did a 360-degree spin to his right, rather than doing it the easy way by spinning left, and dunked the ball with two hands.

The East tried to give Carter another spectacular dunk in the first minute, but Grant Hill's alley-oop pass off the backboard was too hard. Later in the quarter when Eddie Jones tried to zip a pass to Carter and Iverson deflected it out of bounds, Jones grimaced at Iverson as if to say "It's him, not you."

Iverson led the East with 26 points and nine assists, while Ray Allen had 14 and Carter 12.

O'Neal and Duncan were named co-MVPs, the first time the award has been shared since 1993.

"This award is nice, but I'm trying to get the big picture award. I'm the big picture award," O'Neal said.

O'Neal also had nine rebounds and three blocks, while Duncan shot 12-for-14 and had 14 rebounds and four assists. Kobe Bryant added 15 for the West, while Michael Finley and Kidd had 11 apiece.

"Everybody shared," Finley said.

Malone, who wasn't happy that the NBA threatened him with a five-game suspension if he failed to show up, played just three minutes — all in the first half — and missed his only shot.

"I talked to the coach before the game and he said I could play as much or as little as I wanted to," Malone said. "All I wanted to get was a little time to break a sweat, so the minutes I played were fine."

The East leads the series 31-18 but had its three-game winning streak snapped.

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Harr said. "And it was done without tables, collecting proceeds from movies, and with the help of so many other local businesses that kicked in large amounts of money."

He said the players learned through their experience that they were representing more than just a baseball team.

They represented the best wishes and hopes of the community that helped sponsor them.

"They saw they weren't just playing for themselves," Harr said. "They were playing for the community and for the city of Burley. This is a close-knit community, and people want to come out and see these kids succeed."

In a time where headlines of

multi-million dollar contracts and big egos seem to splash across every sports page, the purity that still exists at the high school level holds a strong allure for fans like Beck and Griffin.

"I love coming out and seeing these kids play their hearts out," Griffin said. "In this community, we are all pretty close here and depend on each other."

Heartbreak or triumph, fans in Rupert and Burley love their teams.

Fans of both should have plenty to root for tonight.

"We want these kids to know they can count on us win or lose," Griffin said.

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She credited her improved eye sight for helping her ease the undulation in the greens, something she couldn't detect while wearing glasses for 12 years.

"My putting has been great and I really believe it's because I can see the hole now, where before I was just seeing a fuzzy area," she said. "I could focus in on the trophy on the 18th green, which was the main thing. It's the first time I've seen one."

Waddins wins senior debut

NAPLES, Fla. — Lanny Waddins lived up to his lofty expectations in his Senior PGA Tour debut.

Waddins became the sixth player in senior tour history to win in his first start, paring the

third hole of a playoff in the ACE Group Classic on Sunday.

Waddins, the 23-time PGA winner who turned 50 in December, beat Spain's Jose Maria Canizares with a par on the third extra hole. Tom Watson and Walter Hall dropped out with bogeys on the first playoff hole.

"It's kind of like an instinct takes over," said Waddins, who won for the first time since the PGA Tour's 50th Greater Hartford Open. "I kind of smell blood and that's what I wanted. It was about as focused as I think I've been in a long, long time."

Arnold Palmer (1980), Gary Player ('85), George Archer ('89), Jack Nicklaus ('90) and Bruce Fleisher ('99) are the only players to win in their senior debuts.

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By Steve Moore

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Get on back to your spaceship, Mr. Philbin

REGIS PHILBIN: Welcome to "Who Wants To Be a Millionaire," the dramatic hit quiz show that has all America on the edge of its seat wondering how, exactly, I became famous in the first place. Let's get started with some irritating theme music!

MUSIC: BOM BOM BOM BOMMM!

REGIS: Our first contestant is... Walter Gwembe of Toledo, Ohio! Come on out here Walter!

(Walter runs out and shakes hands violently with Regis.)

REGIS: So Walter, tell us about yourself.

WALTER: Well, Regis, I'm...

REGIS: Nobody cares, Walter. What loved one have you brought along so that we can heighten the drama by showing his or her reaction as tension mounts?

WALTER: Regis, I brought my dog, Boomer.

(Boomer wags his tail.)

REGIS: OK! Let's play for a MILLION DOLLARS!

MUSIC: DUMDUMDUMDUMDUMDUM!

REGIS: Here we go. For \$100, which of the following letters is NOT really a letter? (A) "A", (B) "B", (C) "C", or (D) The Grand Canyon.

(Walter frowns with deep concentration.)

REGIS: God, this is dramatic, isn't it?

(The reaction camera shows Boomer, who is engaged in an act of personal hygiene.)

WALTER: Regis, I am just not sure what the answer is. But I am really getting off on calling you Regis, Regis.

REGIS: As you know, Walter, you have three lifelines: You can poll the audience; you can make a phone call; or you can have me shout the correct answer out loud. Like this... "IT'S D, YOLL MORON!"

WALTER: Regis, I'm going to call my mother.

REGIS: We're getting her on the line now. (Sound of phone ringing.)

WALTER'S MOTHER: Hello?

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Many have sinus trouble in February

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Winter weather can cause some folks to have sinus trouble. For others, this might happen in a warmer season.

"Everybody's different," said Dr. John Boyajian, a Twin Falls otolaryngologist and sinus specialist, who adds that 30 million Americans a day - a number equivalent to the population of California - have nose or sinus problems.

"So some people find certain times of the year more comfortable than others, and some might find it more irritating than others."

That tends to have an insidious way of affecting how they live and work.

Sinuses, he explained, are air pockets in the skull lined with mucous membranes. The mucous cleans and warms the air we breathe, to prepare it for the lungs.

Every day about two quarts of mucous drains into and through the nose and down the back of the throat. He said it's like a moving flypaper: When we breathe the air, viruses, bacteria, pollen and cigarette smoke are attached to the mucous and it flows, is swallowed and dissolved by stomach acid.

"When this river of mucous can't flow nicely it's like water that won't move - like a pond, and it gets kind of scummy and irritated," Boyajian said. "Then this is when it starts to get into problems."

He said mucous needs to flow. But there are lots of reasons why it can't, such as a broken nose, allergy, polyps, pregnancy (due to bloating), cystic fibrosis, low thyroid levels or a common cold. Whatever will affect the flow of mucous can start trouble.

People often develop a sinus problem, not really aware they have it. Watching the ads on TV they think unless they have a sneezy nose and headache, they're not sinus-challenged.

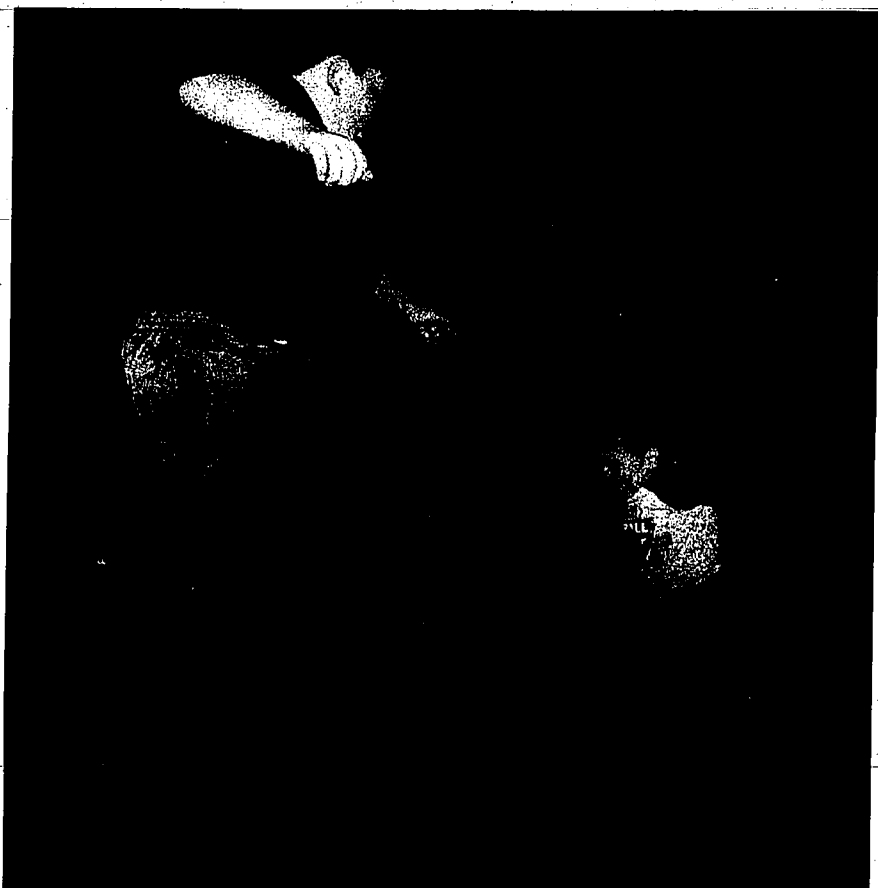
"But you could have bad breath, you could have cough, and you could have fatigue," he said. "You just don't realize that you have a sinus problem," he said.

A lot of people have sinus problems and don't even know it. And it's not just grownups who suffer with their sinuses. Kids' symptoms might be cough, chronic ear problems and headache.

"Some kids think you're supposed to have headaches," Boyajian said. "When you ask them they say 'Yeah - don't you have headaches?' I have one every day."

Nine-year-old Cody Massie of Flar was having his "ah-ah" once a week - severe enough to keep him on the couch all day.

"It would be just terrible for him," said his mom, Rhonda. "I'm sure he probably also had minor pressure and pain all the



Sinus sufferer, Cody Massie, 9, jumps on a trampoline at his home in Flar with his brother Keaton, 3.

Health workers offer a parental primer for the flu

The Washington Post

It was the ninth time my son vomited that sent us to Children's National Medical Center in Washington. Stomach flu had sent his temperature above 103 degrees and left him unable to hold down even a few drops of 7-Up.

Earlier in the day, we had taken Zachary to his pediatrician, but when he seemed to get sicker five hours later, she dispatched us to the emergency room.

Health-care workers say this year's flu has moved fast across the country, sending victims into medical offices and hospital emergency rooms in droves. Navigating a sick child through the emergency room, always a trying experience, can be even worse when hospital resources and personnel are strained.

Health personnel say parents should:

- Be specific when describing their child's problem during emergency room registration.
- Observe their child closely and alert emergency room personnel to any changes in his condition.
- Be patient. Emergency room

clear up, Boyajian did a CAT scan. After another round of medication, Boyajian used nasal endoscopy that put an image on a screen to see what was going on in the boy's nose.

"He decided that he did have a little bit of trouble with his septum that he would have to fix, and that he would need to go into

his sinuses and open them up," she said. "He was blocked all the way through."

Boyajian said the septum is a wall made of bone and cartilage that separates the nose from left to right, and it should be located pretty much in the middle. It can get crooked and obstruct the flow

personnel may be dealing with car crash injuries, pulmonary arrest and other life-threatening conditions.

After seeing the emergency room physician, always follow up with the child's pediatrician.

And get your children vaccinated, doctors say; 70 to 80 percent of such cases would have been prevented had the children been vaccinated.

However, did begin after this trauma.

Along with the headaches, Cody's nose had been running all the time and the mucous was green. Over-the-counter medications didn't help.

His mom took him to Boyajian, who prescribed an antibiotic and steroids, and when the infection

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Knitters get hands on luxury Valentine's Day can be a pain

One of the most popular yarns this winter is also one of the most expensive - cashmere. Shops all over the country are reporting an increase in sales of this luxury fiber, which comes from the undercoat of cashmere goats.

Vogue Knitting magazine offered several reasons for this in its fall quarterly issue: These days knitters are into "self-fulfillment," not saving money. Time is limited and precious, so people want to work with the best materials they can afford. Cashmere yarn simply feels good in handling and in the finished product.

The interest in cashmere in the ready-to-wear market seems to be part of the attraction for knitters - perhaps a "millennial trend" toward seeking to acquire luxurious things.

In recent months, cashmere has become more affordable and more available, thanks to a loosening of communist restraints on Chinese and Mongolian herders and a drastic cut in demand from Japan.

Cashmere yarn varies in quality. Be sure it doesn't fray or break easily. Avoid fibers that feel coarse. Take advantage of its natural assets - smoothness, softness,



SEWING
Barbara Gash

drape and warmth - by using it for simple garments such as scarves and sweaters that have uncomplicated silhouettes. Keep at least some of the areas smooth (stockinette stitch) and not too textured.

Don't overlook cashmere blends. They are less costly and more versatile than pure cashmere. Merino wool and silk are two fibers that blend well with cashmere.

When laundering hand-knits made of cashmere, hand wash in hot water with a gentle liquid soap. Remove water from the garment by squeezing, not twisting. To dry, lay the garment flat on a towel.

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Valentine's Day can be a pain

The romantic gifts you give the woman in your life may kill any chance of a romantic Valentine's Day. Candlelight, chocolate, a strongly scented perfume all can trigger migraines in women prone to them, says Donnica Moore, founder and president of the Sapphire Women's Health Group in New York. Moore suggests that wherever possible, mates of migraine sufferers find substitutions for these treats.

Ear-infection drug of choice

Augmentin is more effective than Zithromax in eradicating the most common bacteria that cause middle-ear infections, says a Children's Hospital of Denver study in the Pediatric Infectious Disease Journal. "Because we have entered this era of drug resistance, physicians should select an antibiotic based on its ability to eradicate the infecting organism, not duration of therapy, convenience or taste," says the report.

Small babies, big futures

Babies born smaller than normal tend to have lower incomes as adults. But they're just as likely as normal-birthweight people to be employed, married and satisfied

Health notes

with their lives, says a study by the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in the Journal.

Eat well, age well

And contrary to previous reports, well-nourished older women ages 60 to 80 have immune systems that function at levels similar to those of women 20 to 40. So says a Pennsylvania State University study, which suggests healthy eating habits might offer a natural means to maintain the ability to fight off germs and reduce illness in old age.

Cancer on the Web

There is a terrific Web site for people with cancer, and for educators and health professionals. The site - www.cancereducation.com - provides a wealth of up-to-date research. Last week's newsletter included an announcement of an upcoming Webcast (a live program) titled "Living Well With Lymphoma."

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Same problem, different names

It's hard to play some sports without getting scraped skin from time to time. The bleeding usually stops promptly, but a scrape can be painful and needs to be cleaned and covered to control infection.

What happens

Skin's top layer is scraped away, exposing a large area of lower layers. Area becomes warm and swells because of increased blood flow.

■ Blood clotting cells (platelets) start making chemicals to stop bleeding.

■ White blood cells start fighting bacteria, viruses and foreign material as they enter the bloodstream, and the immune system starts making antibodies to deactivate the invading organisms.

■ Nerves just under the skin are damaged, making even a small abrasion painful.

■ Dead cells and chemicals from injured tissue flood into the bloodstream and the immune system fights them throughout the body.

■ The body revs up into its "fight or flight" state as the adrenal glands pour adrenaline into the bloodstream.

How to care for a scrape

■ Clean it with warm water and soap for at least 5 minutes to kill bacteria and rinse away contamination. It hurts, but it speeds up healing, which reduces pain in the long run.

■ Snip away loose, damaged skin with small scissors cleaned with alcohol.

■ Put antibiotic ointment on the scrape and cover with an adhesive bandage; if the area is larger, use a gauze pad and tape.

■ Use a nonprescription pain reliever such as acetaminophen if needed.

■ Clean the area gently each day and replace the ointment and bandage. Keep covered 3 to 5 days, until a scab forms.

■ Don't pick off the scab; it will slow healing and cause pain by exposing nerve endings to air.

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Sinus

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of air as a result of trauma at birth or afterwards or can be genetic. This is one of the causes of restriction of flow of mucus, but not the only one.

The operation that Boyajian performs to correct this is called minimally invasive endoscopic sinus surgery.

Pioneered just six or seven years ago, it's not widely known or done by most surgeons in the United States.

Since Cody had surgery a month ago, his nose has been less stuffy. And he said he is glad he had it done.

Margarita-Sanchez, of Twin Falls, said she feels the same about the operation she had on Jan. 10.

"On a scale of 1 to 10, I'd say in about a week or two I'll be a 10, but right now I'd say about 9," she said.

The 40-year-old administrative assistant was enduring a lot of

severe headaches, and had sinus infections in six of the past seven years.

Sanchez said she got tired of having these headaches and the pressure in her head. She made an appointment with Boyajian, and tests revealed she may have had her nose broken, closing it off on the left side.

"He said it was completely up to me; that I could let it go and he could just treat me with medication or I could have the surgery," she said.

After he explained what the operation would entail, along with the pros and cons, she decided to go ahead with it.

"I don't have the headaches the way I did in my sinuses and my face," she said. "I get headaches, but they're from stress."

It probably takes six months to a year after surgery for a sinus patient to feel better, Boyajian said.

Labeling protection: FDA comes to the rescue

DEAR PAULA: I understand there are new sunscreen regulations coming from the FDA. Will these have any impact on the products you've been recommending for sun protection?
—MARGO, MIAMI



COSMETICS Q&A Paula Begoun

DEAR MARGO: The new FDA guidelines for sunscreens (which probably will take effect in January 2002), according to the FDA, "streamline(s)-labeling-for all OTC products intended for use as sunscreens to assist consumers in making decisions on sun protection."

Perhaps the most significant change for the consumer is the addition of a new SPF category of "30 plus" for SPF values above 30. The higher SPF numbers will most likely no longer be available. The reason for this is because a higher SPF number does not really net the kind of protection the higher numbers lead the consumer to believe exists.

Also, the FDA is going to crack down on all "unsupported, absolute, and/or misleading and confusing terms such as "sunblock," "waterproof," "all-day protection," and "visible and/or infrared light protection."

Why the concern about "sunblock" as a term? Because all sunscreen agents, even zinc oxide and titanium dioxide (which are often thought of as "blocking"-UV rays), work the same as all other sunscreen agents because of how they disperse and break up UV radiation, not because they block the sun's rays.

The term "waterproof," for example, is a concern because sunscreens are really water-resistant — meaning that after about an hour or two in the water, you need to reapply the sunscreen for continued protection.

The FDA also stated all products designed to prepare the skin for sun tanning will be required to display the following warning: "Warning—This product does not contain a sunscreen and does not protect against sunburn. Repeated exposure of unprotected skin while tanning may increase the risk of skin aging, skin cancer, and other harmful effects to the skin even if you do not burn."

Claims concerning ultraviolet A (UVA) protection do not exist and the FDA, through aware of this issue, is only in the process of

evaluating how it will handle this.

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

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Snoring women may risk heart disease

The Washington Post

Snoring and its possible link to heart disease is not just a problem for men, a large study of women suggests.

Women who snore regularly are one-third more likely to be at risk of cardiovascular disease than those who don't, researchers found. The increased risk for occasional snorers was smaller, but still significant. Previous research had found such a link in male snorers.

Increased risk for heart disease is not known, but researchers said the findings may alert doctors to help patients who snore manage other cardiovascular risk factors, including body weight, diet and exercise.

In the study, 10 percent of the women reported snoring regularly, 65 percent occasionally and 25 percent never. The link between snoring and heart disease showed up even after researchers accounted for other possible factors, such as smoking and overweight.

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CELIAC DISEASE

Celiac disease is a digestive disease in which damage to the surface of the small intestine is caused by the ingestion of food products that contain gluten or similar proteins. These are present in wheat, rye, oats and barley. Such proteins can also be present in hybrid grains such as triticale.

WHAT CAUSES CELIAC DISEASE?

The cause of Celiac Disease is unknown. Current research indicates that it is caused by a combination of inherited genes and factors that cause a defect in the body's immune system. Some factors that may trigger the onset include:

- Severe emotional stress
- Physical trauma
- A viral infection
- Pregnancy
- Surgery

HOW IS CELIAC DISEASE DIAGNOSED?

The definitive diagnosis of Celiac Disease is by biopsy of the epithelium of the small intestine or, in the case of Dermatitis Herpetiformis, by biopsy of the skin lesion or blisters.

WHAT HAPPENS IN CELIAC DISEASE?

When gluten is consumed by people with Celiac Disease, the epithelium on the surface of the small intestine is damaged. As a result the body is unable to absorb basic nutrients. If left untreated, the disease can be life threatening. Bone disease, central nervous system impairment, internal

HOW GETS CELIAC DISEASE TREATED?

The disease is most commonly found in Caucasians of northern and southern European ancestry. It is estimated that one in 1,300 persons in the United States is affected.

There is no known cure for Celiac Disease. The disease can be controlled by a life-long adherence to a gluten free diet. In some cases it may be necessary to take prescribed steroid drugs.

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SEPARATE PROPERTY PLANNING

QUESTION: What is separate property and what should be kept in mind about this type of property when planning an estate in a community property state?

Dennis S. Voorhees

Separate property is any property a married person brought into the marriage or received as a gift or inheritance during the marriage. In contrast, community property is all other property a person receives directly or indirectly during marriage. If a married person dies without a will or trust, the separate property passes to the surviving spouse and - in some cases - to the decedent's children. Whether and how much the decedent's children receive depends on the value of the separate property and whether they were children of the decedent by a prior marriage or relationship.

Another planning factor is the tax concept known as stepped-up basis. It's too complicated for a paragraph's discussion but bears a start at a spouse's death on accrued appreciation. However, unlike the separate property of the decedent, the separate property of the survivor does not receive a stepped-up basis at the death of the first spouse.

Planning tip: If the parties had converted their separate property to community property during their joint lives, all property should receive a stepped-up basis at the death of the first spouse and could then be sold without incurring a capital gains tax on accrued appreciation.

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HEALTH & FASHION

American Red Cross offers nine-hour class to teach First Aid and safety

TWIN FALLS - A Community First Aid and Safety (infant, child and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and first aid) nine-hour course will be offered at 8 a.m. Saturday at the American Red Cross.

Pre-registration and pre-payment is required for all classes. For more information, call 733-6464 or 1-888-367-6221 or visit the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

The group will discuss the advantages and disadvantages of insulin pump and insulin pen therapy.

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Parkinson Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital, 660 Shoshone St. E. Members are asked to wear their name tags.

Ed Estorly, co-leader of the Idaho Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, will present the program, "Home Preparation for the Visually Impaired."

For more information, call Don Arrington at 733-8868 or Ray Clark at 324-5013.

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Brokers Club will meet at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the annex room of the Office on Aging on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

For more information, call Marjo at 734-6507 or Vickie at 324-4301, Ext. 266.

JEROME - Standard First Aid (adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid) six and one-half

hour course will be offered at 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at the Jerome Recreation District.

Pre-registration and pre-payment is required for all classes. For more information, call 733-6464 or 1-888-367-6221 or visit the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

TWIN FALLS - A childbirth refresher course will be offered from 7-10 p.m. Wednesday in the Education Center at MVRMC. Pre-registration is required, call 737-2900.

TWIN FALLS - Co-Dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Canyon View West Group Room. Fee is \$10. For more information, call 734-6760.

TWIN FALLS - SunBridges Care Center and Rehabilitation Alzheimer's Support Group will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the care center, 640 Filer Ave. W.

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TWIN FALLS - An infant CPR class will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday in the Education Center at MVRMC. Pre-registration is not required.

TWIN FALLS - A CPR class will be offered from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday in the doctors' meeting room at MVRMC. Fee is \$11. To register, call 737-2007.

TWIN FALLS - A prepared childbirth course will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Feb. 22 through March 21, in the Education Center at MVRMC. Pre-registration is required, call 737-2900.

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Bold and gray: Some find glamour going natural

Knight Ridder News Service

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Barbara Bush, 68, of course. Neither does Good Housekeeping editor Ellen Levine. In the heartland, the same goes for model Jane Snowden. Writer Barbara Bartocci and Julie Morris used to but they don't do it anymore.



Barbara Bush

Sociological observers are not surprised some women are finding gray an attractive option. Mary Meuchan, a Minneapolis-based trend forecaster, notes that part of the massive baby boomer group is saying, "I want-to-be able to be who I am," so they skip hair color and other cosmetic options for keeping a youthful look. And certainly as demographics change and more people move into their senior years, social attitudes toward aging may change as well.

With at least one in two Americans dyeing their hair today, these women are part of a small but courageous corps who have chosen to let nature take its course. They have gray hair.

Lauri Mintz, an associate professor in the education and counseling psychology department at the University of Missouri-Columbia, says anecdotal evidence indicates many women go through their lives trying to fit

society's idea of fitness and youth. Then they come to a point around 40, 45 or beyond when they finally say, "Enough is enough. I'm OK the way I am." She says such attitudes are like those reflected in the well-known poem, "When I'm an old woman I shall wear purple..." Usually what women rebel against is what they have been pushed most to do, and they finally say, "I am who I am."

Bartocci acknowledges her decision was tied to the complexities of who she wanted to be. She calls it "a mid-life awakening," a reference to the title of her most recent book, *Midlife Awakenings: Discovering the Gifts Life Has Given Us* (Ave Maria Press at Notre Dame, \$8.95). She compares it to peeling off arichoke leaves until you finally come to your authentic core.

that didn't work for me. I was back to being who I am," says Bartocci, who maintains a youthful appearance by keeping her hair trimmed in a chic - what she jokingly calls "perky" - style.

"People stop me on the streets of New York to ask about my hair. They say, 'It is sooo New York.' And I say, 'Oh, but it is soooo Kansas.'"

As for Julie Morris, an account executive with AT&T in Kansas City, she noticed silver gray streaks early in her 20s. When she became a mother in her 30s she decided to color her hair for the sake of her children.

But one gray streak across the front was stubbornly resistant to color and usually came out a different shade from the rest of her hair.

"Young people see gray and they think, 'There is an old person...' You have to say, 'I don't want to look matronly,'" she said.

When Bartocci an author and inspirational speaker, left Aspen, Colo., and a troubled marriage to return home to Kansas City six years ago, she began to consider yet another significant life change. Should she let her cropped hair evolve back to its natural silver color?

She went to Europe with her mother for three weeks to think it over. And her mother discouraged her. "My mother was dying literally, and she was getting her hair colored. She had her hair colored a week before she died."

ENGAGEMENT



McKay Bodily and Almee Kirkham

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at the Star 1st Ward Church, 100 S. 200 W.

An open house is planned from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Kirkham residence in Kuna. The couple will live in Rexburg and continue their education.

KIRKHAM-BODILY
BURLEY - Kim and Deanne Kirkham of Kuna announce the engagement of their daughter, Almee R. Kirkham, to McKay S. Bodily, son of Ted and Cindy Bodily of Burley.

Kirkham is a 1998 graduate of Kuna High School. She is attending Burley College in Rexburg.

Bodily graduated in 1996 from Burley High School and served an England Bristol Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is attending Ricks College in Rexburg.

The wedding is planned for Friday in the Mount Timpanogas LDS Temple in American Fork, Utah.

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HEALTH & FASHION

Classic tattoo patterns make a comeback

The Washington Post

Rocky is in his thirties. But his arms look like something out of the '40s, with a girl in a sailor hat smiling above a pair of dice on his forearm.

The tattooer from Los Angeles who goes by this one-word name will tell you he isn't alone in his choice of tattoos. In fact, the just-inked inky trend is also America's oldest.

Around the country, old styles are showing up more and more. Skin ink, runs a column by a well-known promoter of old-style tattoos, Don Ed Hardy, who's featured in a new coffee-table book. In fact, Hardy was just nominated to Oakland's arts council by Mayor Jerry Brown, acting on the advice of a longtime aide who has a Hardy tattoo.

Shops in Philadelphia specialize in clothes depicting antique tattoo designs. And among the hundreds of "flashers," or pre-drawn designs, in the backroom booths at the recent Richmond (Va.) Tattoo Arts Festival, simple themes emerged: birds, hearts, daggers, girls, all drawn in big, broad strokes.

The trend marks the staying power of the art made popular by one old sailor.

"Sailor" Jerry Collins was a tattoo artist who lived in Hawaii during World War II and left his mark on soldiers, sailors and Marines going through Pearl Harbor. He liked American and Oriental designs alike, and applied them with an American flair, using heavy, black outlines and bold, solid colors.

He also used tattoo guns, instead of single needles, which allowed application to become more like buying a souvenir than having a religious experience, says Mike Mason, one of Sailor Jerry's former apprentices, now working in Burnsville, Minn.

The bold-line style actually goes back farther than Sailor Jerry, to an artist called A.B. Coleman, whose work he saw in the 1920s. Before Coleman, tattoos were done in fine, scratchy lines. But war turned out to be a friend to Sailor Jerry. It was his time, says Suzanne Fausser of the tattoo studio, that came to represent the most long-standing style in the history of American tattooing.

"The thing is that bold, simple designs hold up best over time. Black outlines don't fade like color," says Suzanne Fausser of an Arbor, Mich., a contest judge at the Richmond festival who has tattooed for 21 years.

Fausser has seen trends shift from traditional to fantasy to graffiti to tribal to Siamese twins with six heads. But traditional American has been a constant presence.

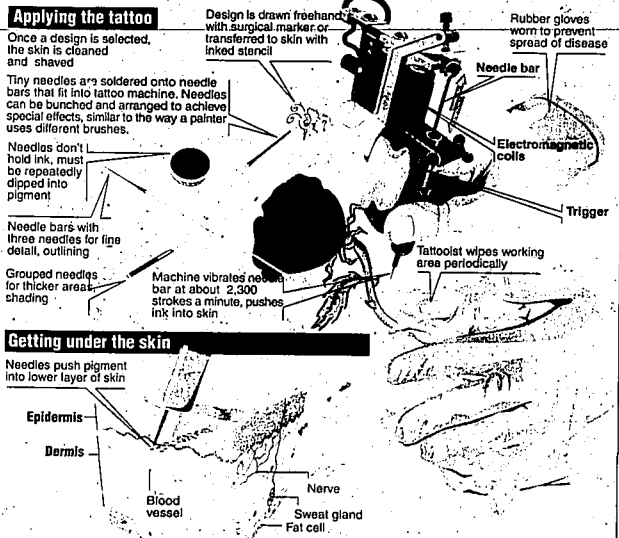
"Why now? Because this style gets its recognizability over the years, it has always been popular with tattoo artists, and tattoo artists have multiplied in the past 20 years. By one estimate, in 1970 there were only 500 tattooers in the United States, but there are probably that many now in Southern California alone. It's hard to say how many operate nationwide, as tattooers aren't required to get licenses.

"It just came from Philadelphia, where they have tattoo shops on every other corner," says David Eastwood, a piercer at Fatty's Custom Tattoos in Washington. The metro area has a little more than a dozen tattoo parlors, and old-school designs are becoming more popular here, particularly among the growing local rockabilly scenes, Eastwood says.

SCIENCE MATTERS

Under the needle: Getting a tattoo

Improved techniques and hygiene have increased the popularity of tattoos for both artistic expression and cosmetic enhancement.



Getting under the skin

Needles push pigment into lower layer of skin

Tattoo options

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PET TATTOOS
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Tattoo trivia

■ First tattoo machine was patented in 1891 by Samuel O'Reilly

■ Most popular tattoo images: eagles, lions, tigers, panthers and Jesus

■ Bernie Moeller holds title of "Most Tattoos" in Guinness Book of Records with 9,860 tattoos, including one inside his mouth

Removal

■ Lasers reduce scarring and have replaced old cutting and scraping methods of tattoo removal. Number of treatments needed depends on size, coloration of tattoo.

SOURCES: "The Total Tattoo Book," by Amy Krakow; Tattoo-A-Pot; Greater Multimedia; Encyclopaedia; "The Skinny on Lasers and Tattoos," Richard Burnett, Orlando Sentinel; Bruce Bart Tattooing; American Health; research by TINA GHWALNEY

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And if you want one ...

Here's what to look for when shopping for a tattoo:

- **A sterile environment.** To protect against infection, it's best to pick a place that offers single-use needles and a clean environment.
- **A good artist.** Tattoo parlors usually have photo albums of their work. Anything that can be drawn can be tattooed. Make sure to get the design you want from a person with whom you feel comfortable.
- **Age requirements.** Most shops will require identification to make sure you're at least 18. Some shops will put you on people as young as 16 if both parents are present and all three produce ID.

- **Investment.** Prices for small tattoos start at about \$50. Prices depend on size, placement, detail and the amount of time they will take. It's easy enough to describe what you want and get an estimate beforehand. Just remember: You get what you pay for.
- **Accuracy.** There are countless people with misspelled words and incorrect dates displayed on their bodies. Take a good look at your design before it becomes permanent. This goes for foreign words and characters, too: Be sure to investigate their spellings and meanings beforehand.

—Source: The Washington Post

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- Childbirth Refresher Course * Wednesday, February 16, 7 - 10 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration required. Call 737-2900.
- Co-Dependency Group * Wednesday, February 16, 6 - 7:30 p.m., Canyon View West Group Room. Fee: \$10. For more information call 734-6760.
- Infant CPR Class * Thursday, February 17, 7 - 9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration is not required.
- CPR Class * Saturday, February 19, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Doctor's Meeting Room. Fee: \$11. To register call 737-2007.
- Prepared Childbirth Course * Tuesdays, February 22 - March 21, 7 - 9:30 p.m., Education Center. Pre-registration required. Call 737-2900.

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