



## GOOD MORNING

### WEATHER

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# Lawmakers fund F & G

## Proponents urge colleagues to give agency a fresh start

By Bob Fick  
The Associated Press

**BOISE** — The lifeline to pull Idaho's beleaguered Fish and Game Department back from the brink of financial chaos cleared its final legislative hurdle Tuesday but not before yet another airing of the laundry list of complaints and skepticism the agency has built up over the past decade.

"We'll be back here in three or four years and nothing will have

### How they voted

**House** — The House gave final approval to a \$4.4 million annual increase in sportsmen's fees.

**Republicans for (23)** — Anderson, Boatright, Bunderson, Crow, Danielson, Darrington, Davis, Deide, Ingram, Keough, Lee, Moh, Parn, Richardson, Riggs, Risch, Sandy, Schroeder, Sorensen, Steigler.

**Democrats for (3)** — Dunklin, McLaughlin and Stennett.

**Republicans against (8)** — Branch, Burtenshaw, Cannon, Frasure, Geddes, Hawkins, Ipsen and King-Barnilla.

**Democrats against (1)** — Whitworth.

**For a look at the proposed fee increases, please see page A4.**

changed," Republican Sen. Don Burtenshaw of Terreton told his colleagues.

But only eight others joined Burtenshaw as the Senate sent the House-passed legislation raising sportsmen's fees to Gov. Dirk

Kempthorne, who has endorsed the bill. The vote was 26-8.

Led by Senate Resource and Environment Chairman Laird Noh of Kimberly, advocates for

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## Governor receives bill changing oversight of endangered species

The Associated Press

**BOISE** — The House gave final legislative approval on Tuesday to a plan consolidating comprehensive state endangered species policy in the governor's office, shifting it from the Fish and Game Commission's biological focus.

"We have what I would call a discombobulated system today," Republican Caucus Chairman Dan Mader of Genesee said. "There's not always unity."

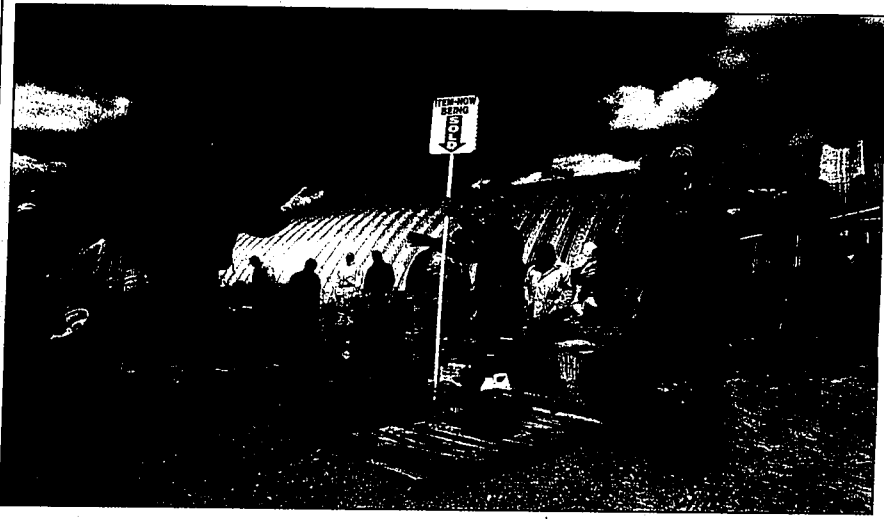
Opposition in the 61-8 vote

came from minority Democrats concerned about usurping Fish and Game's legal mandate to perpetuate wildlife populations with sweeping authority for the new five-person Office of Species Conservation.

"It goes too far in moving the management of a lot of species — including species whose management need not be moved — out of the Fish and Game Department," Rep. Ken Robinson, D-Boise, said. "But the bill is expected to be

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## TOUGH TIMES



Scott Musser, left, Todd Davis and Vemon Kohntopp auction off farm equipment owned by third-generation farmer Randy Suter. Suter, whose major crop was potatoes, says cheap agricultural imports, low commodity prices and increased costs are the reasons he is liquidating his equipment and renting out his farm. "This is not a forced sale, but it's economics," Suter said.

# Potato growers face falling prices

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

## Auctions illustrate plight; producers point to imports, supply, rising fuel cost

**JEROME** — Farm sales are standard fare in southern Idaho these days, but there's a new urgency among potato growers this spring.

Until now, when Idaho spud farmers called it quits — particularly in eastern Idaho last year — much of their land stayed in potato production. But this year, the industry is seeing more spud-farm auctions in the Magic Valley, where land could well go into feed grains for the valley's growing dairies instead, Blackfoot-based Potato Growers

of Idaho said.

That means production of Idaho's famous product could be curtailed.

In 1999, farmers grew spuds on 398,000 acres throughout the state, PGI spokesman John Thompson said. He expects that acreage to decline to 385,000 to 390,000 this year.

Jerome and Twin Falls farms, he said, are more attractive for corn and hay.

To "put the spotlight on the

plight of our farmers," Thompson said, he and other PGI leaders called a press conference Tuesday at the Jerome auction that ended Randy Suter's farming career.

"We're liquidating all equipment and renting the farm out," Suter said as bidders began to gather at the rows of tractors and spud trucks and the array of potato-planting, harvesting and handling machines. "This is not a forced sale, but it's economics."

Suter's major crop was potatoes. An employee said only a small part of the farm will stay in potato production under the new operators.

Suter, a third-generation farmer who partners with his dad, blames cheap agricultural imports, low commodity prices and increased costs for a situation that's "not worth the risk."

"Economists say increased fuel prices are likely to drive up fertilizer and chemical costs. With the recent rise in interest rates, the cost of producing a sack of Idaho spuds (100 pounds) is expected to

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## OPEC will hike output

### But amount may not help pump price

The Associated Press

**VIENNA, Austria** — OPEC ignored objections of its second biggest member and agreed to increase oil production, officials said early today. But the amount of new oil might not be enough to significantly bring down gasoline prices in the United States.

In a rare departure from its normal quest for unanimity, ministers of the 11-nation cartel announced early this morning that nine members would raise production by 6.3 percent, or a total of 1.45 million barrels a day. That appears to be well short of what analysts have said would be needed to curb crude oil prices that have tripled over the past 12 months.

The Clinton administration had been lobbying for a rise of 2 million to 2.5 million barrels a day to bring down gasoline prices that in the United States have risen from below \$1 a gallon just over a year ago to an average of almost \$1.60.

Falah Aljibary, an industry consultant based in Alamo, Calif., said the agreement would knock at most "a few cents" off the average price of unleaded gas. "I'm disappointed ... the market expected more," he said.

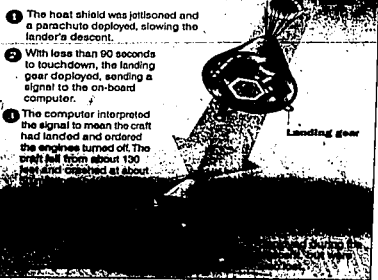
President Clinton called the move a "positive development."

"These increases will help sustain worldwide economic growth and provide greater balance between oil supply and demand," Clinton said in a statement.

Energy Secretary Bill Richardson has said it would take four to six weeks for the additional oil to reach U.S. markets. Summer gasoline prices, however, may remain high because of extremely low gasoline stocks.

Refiners may not be able to build up inventories in time for the high-demand summer driving season, energy analysts have said.

## Probable cause of



Radio contact with the Mars Polar Lander as it approached the Red Planet on Dec. 19, 1999, ended abruptly. Investigation found the most likely cause to be an early shutdown of braking engines. Here is an illustration of what may have happened.

- 1 The heat shield was jettisoned and a parachute deployed, slowing the lander's descent.
- 2 With less than 90 seconds to touchdown, the landing gear deployed, sending a signal to the on-board computer.
- 3 The computer interpreted the signal to mean the craft had landed and ordered the engines burned off. The craft fell from about 130 feet and crashed at about

Source: NASA  
Emily Holmes/AP

## Buhl alumnus reflects on failed Mars mission; NASA plans reorganization

By The Times-News  
and The Associated Press

Coming to speak — A2

**TWIN FALLS** — High hopes for new information about the Red Planet gave way to disappointment and frustration for a 1965 Buhl High School alumnus who worked on two failed NASA Mars missions.

"Our hopes were very high, and there was tremendous disappointment when it didn't occur," Richard Zurek said from his office at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., during a telephone interview with The Times-News.

Did life exist on Mars? How has the planet's climate changed? How do planets evolve, and how might Earth change? What planet resources could be used on manned missions? These are the objectives

of early Mars exploration, said Zurek, who worked on scientific goals for the Mars Polar Lander and the Mars Climate Orbiter missions.

Zurek, project scientist on the Mars Climate Orbiter and Mars Polar Lander missions, will speak Saturday in Twin Falls, during the annual Snake River Symposium lecture series at the College of Southern Idaho. Zurek's visit to Twin Falls is timely. On Tuesday, outside investigators announced their findings about the Mars Polar Lander's December failure.

Thomas Young, head of an inde-

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Richard Zurek  
Jet Propulsion Laboratory scientist

THE REGION

Camas Prairie High: 45 Low: 19 Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Mostly sunny Thursday, high 49.

Treasure Valley High: 50 Low: 27 Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Mostly sunny Thursday, high 40.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley High: 46 Low: 24 Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Mostly sunny Thursday, high 49.

Eastern Idaho High: 51 Low: 29 Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Mostly sunny Thursday, high 51.

Northern Idaho High: 48 Low: 27 Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Mostly sunny Thursday, high 51.

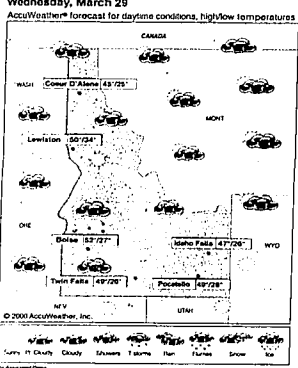
Northern Utah High: 50 Low: 32 Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Partly cloudy Thursday, high 51.

Northern Nevada High: 47 Low: 26 Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Mostly sunny Thursday, high 60.

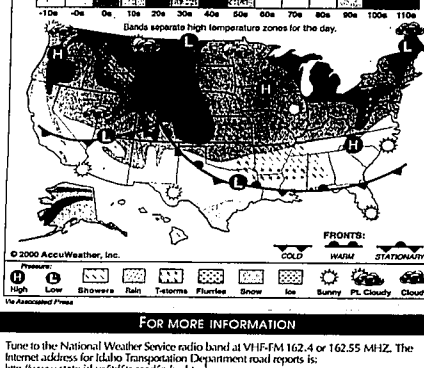
MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday High: 49 Low: 26 Partly cloudy with some clearing tonight. High: 58 Low: 34 Mostly sunny and warmer. High: 50s Low: 30s Partly cloudy. High: 50s Low: 30s Mostly cloudy with chance of rain. High: 50s Low: 30s Partly cloudy, breezy and cooler.

Idaho weather



National weather



YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Table with columns for Twin Falls, Idaho, and precipitation. Includes data for Yesterday, Last year, and Normal.

Idaho Highs/Lows

Table listing high and low temperatures for various Idaho cities like Boise, Burley, and Coeur d'Alene.

The Nation

Table listing high and low temperatures for various national cities like Albuquerque, Anchorage, and Atlanta.

UV INDEX ROAD INFORMATION

UV Index: 2 (minimal) Burn time: 60 minutes. Call the following number for road conditions in Idaho: 1-888-IDAROAD (1-888-432-7623).

ACROSS THE NATION

Nation: Widely scattered rain fell in the Northeast and parts of the Great Lakes and Ohio Valley on Tuesday... Fair to partly cloudy skies prevailed from the Southeast and Gulf Coast states into the Plains...

Mars

Continued from A1. A dependent team that investigated the mishap for NASA, said during a Washington, D.C., news conference that his group was "almost certain" the \$165 million Mars probe prematurely stopped its engines and then fell some 130 feet, smashing into the Mars surface at about 50 mph.

Ed Weiler, NASA associate director in charge of science, said the space agency would "fully respond" to recommendations. He said Scott Hubbard, a NASA executive at the Ames Research Center in California, would take

over a new position as head of the Mars program in Washington. A new Mars manager would also be named at JPL, Weiler said. Weiler said the Mars mission could have been saved if it had been better financed, but it was driven by a "faster, better, cheaper" NASA philosophy that started in the 1990s with reduced space agency budgets.

Weiler ordered a detailed re-examination of NASA's Mars exploration program. He said that program will be revised to include the limitations of the budget, a reduction in risks and a relaxed schedule of launches. The \$125 million Mars Orbiter disappeared around Mars in September. Another committee determined that its loss resulted from the failure of Lockheed Martin Astronautics engineers in Denver to convert English measuring units to the metric units used for navigating the spacecraft.

Potato

Continued from A1. Suter had a 250,000-pound contract to grow potatoes for a Magic Valley processing company this year. But he turned it back, Thompson said. The Magic Valley has grown a lot of potatoes destined for processing, and contracts have given farmers here a more stable market than in other sectors of the industry, Thompson said. But now even contracts don't guarantee a profit, and many local farmers are rejecting contracts to take their chances in the open market instead.

Fairfield farmer Hugh Koonce said he admires the Suters while they still have something. Koonce and his wife go to farm sales as a form of entertainment, perhaps buying nothing. But an auction is a sad indication of the farm economy, too. "I hate to see it. It's kind of like a death in the family," Koonce said.

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More about Mars

Richard Zurek, a 1965 Bush High School graduate, is a NASA scientist working on Mars exploration missions. He will be among three speakers to hold public lectures in Twin Falls this week during the Snake River Symposium at the College of Southern Idaho. Zurek earned a doctorate in atmospheric sciences from the University of Washington in 1974.

Markus Airaud is a member of the Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics at the University of Colorado. He'll speak about the search for life in the universe. Airaud will speak at 8 p.m. Friday in the Taylor Building, room 276. Aven, an astronomy and anthropology professor at Colgate University in Hamilton, New York, is known for his work in the field of archaeoastronomy - the study of how ancient cultures viewed the universe.

Times-News telephone directory

Table listing phone numbers for various departments like Publisher, Managing Editor, City Editor, etc.

Here's the symposium schedule:

- \* Zurek will speak from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday in the Fine Arts Center. He will briefly address the recent mission failures and explain what scientists are looking for on the Red Planet.
- \* Bruce Jakosky will speak at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Faulkner Planetarium. Jakosky studies the

To attend:

- Tickets are \$4 for each lecture or \$10 for the entire series. They are available at the CSI bookstore, the Taylor Building, and at the Herrick Center gift shop, or at the door a half hour before each event.

Or they're not growing spuds at all.

"University of Idaho figures show it cost an average of \$1,525 to produce one acre of Russet Burbank potatoes in Idaho in 1999," Thompson said. "Average grower return for the year was \$1,316. The average grower return per acre over the past four years has been \$1,281." With his father at 67 years old, Suter doesn't want to subject his dad, Max O. Suter, to the risk of a spud season that could turn disastrous with just one hailstorm, a June frost or an aphid outbreak. And Randy Suter said he can't buy out his dad's equity in the operation.

Without relying on low commodity prices, Musser said, he'll be seeing many more farmers opt for auctions.

"They're fighting an uphill battle right now," he said. "I don't want to farm the county. I just don't want to do that." The farm hadn't bought a lot of new equipment, auctioneer Randy Musser said. Instead, the Suters maintained what they had and ran a solid operation. Without relying on low commodity prices, Musser said, he'll be seeing many more farmers opt for auctions.

Tornado tears through Fort Worth

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - A tornado carved a path of destruction through downtown Fort Worth Tuesday, shattering windows in high-rise buildings, overturning cars and uprooting trees. Four people were killed and at least 36 were injured.

The manager of a popular restaurant on the top floor of the 35-story Bank One building said his business was destroyed. "Imagine a large bomb going off," Scott Finley said. "It got pretty hectic in here. We were doing some major yelling to get

people out of there." Patrons and employees had to evacuate down 35 flights of stairs to safety, he said. The tornado hit shortly after 6:30 a.m. amid severe thunderstorms that were accompanied by torrential rains, softball-sized hail.

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**NATION**

# Bush outlines plan to combat illiteracy

RESTON, Va. (AP) — George W. Bush called illiteracy among school children a "national emergency" Tuesday and proposed spending \$5 billion over five years to address the problem.

"America must confront a national emergency," the Texas governor and presumptive GOP nominee said in a speech to Asian-American business people at the suburban Washington headquarters of Sallie Mae. The organization is the nation's largest provider of student loans.

"Too many of our children can't read," Bush declared. "Our economy is the envy of the world; unfortunately, our schools are not."

The program, dubbed "Reading First," sets the goal that every American school child should be able to read by the end of the third grade. According to statistics cited by the Bush campaign,

68 percent of the fourth graders in the nation's poorest school systems were not able to read at a basic level in 1998.

Under Bush's plan, the money would pay for diagnostic programs to identify troubled children in kindergarten and first grade. The program also calls for paying teachers a stipend of \$230 per day to receive training in diagnosing student reading problems. Finally, the program's biggest emphasis — \$900 million annually — would be on literacy programs designed and implemented at the local level.

Back at the White House, Vice President Al Gore, Bush's Democratic rival for the presidency, scoffed that the Republican's education agenda was "subordinate to his risky tax scheme, which would actually slash money for education."

# School bus, train collide at Georgia-Tennessee line

TENNGA, Ga. (AP) — A freight train hauling automobiles tore a school bus off its wheels in a collision at an unprotected rail crossing early Tuesday, killing two children and critically injuring five.

The train dragged the bus' battered yellow body about 100 yards. Some of the children were thrown to the gravel beside the tracks. Others were found bloodied inside.

"It sounded like ... thunder or a bomb blown up," said Joe Brown, who lives about 300 feet from the crossing. He said he found his best friend's daughter among the dead.

John Watson, whose two sons had missed the bus that morning, arrived with the first emergency workers and helped pull one badly injured girl from the wreckage. "I was shocked that she was still alive," he said.

The crash is raising questions once again about the safety of rural, grade-level crossings.

The one-lane crossing, just across the state line in Tennessee, had no warning lights or crossing arms, and the tracks curve through pine trees in hilly terrain, making it difficult to spot trains from the road.

It was unclear if the driver

stopped at the tracks — Georgia law requires school buses to stop at least 15 feet from the tracks before crossing — or took other precautions, such as opening the doors to listen for a train.

The engineer told the Tennessee Highway Patrol he "blew his whistle, saw the bus approach the crossing, continued to blow his whistle and put the train in emergency stop, but was unable to stop before striking the bus," Trooper Ken Uselson said.

Killed were Kayla Silvers, 6, and Daniel Paek, 9.

The driver, Rhonda Cloer, 34, was listed in fair condition. Of the five injured children, ages 5 to 9, three were listed in critical condition, and two were upgraded to serious. The driver's 5-year-old daughter Kayli was among the injured. No one on the train was injured.

Cloer was driving her regular route for the Murray County school system, picking up children to take them to Northwest Elementary School north of Chatsworth. The bus had just crossed into Polk County, Tenn., to turn around when it was struck about 6:30 a.m.

# Scientists develop heart friendly oil

WASHINGTON — Government scientists have developed a new soybean that's healthier for the heart because the oil need not go through a process that produces artery-clogging trans fatty acids and it has less than half the saturated fat of conventional soybeans.

Food manufacturers — who use soybean oil in everything from margarine to crackers — are eager to get the healthier oil because of Food and Drug Administration plans to require the listing of trans fats on food nutrition labels. Consumers won't see the new product before next year at the earliest, however, because the first commercial crop being planted next month in North Carolina will be saved for seed and testing.

**Nation in brief**

The flag disappeared from the meeting room in February and had not been replaced. Councilman Kenneth Stokes, who is black, acknowledged removing the flag, saying it is racist symbol and offensive to blacks.

**Former '60s black militant faces assault charge**

ATLANTA — Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin, the 1960s black militant once known as H. Rap Brown, was indicted on murder and aggravated assault charges Tuesday in the March 16 shootings in North Carolina who were trying to arrest him.

**Pub owner claims stuffed monkey display not racist**

BOSTON — Stuffed monkeys that adorn a south Boston bar each winter are not intended as a mockery of Black History Month, the bar owner's told a licensing board Tuesday. "The reason I put it up is because it's the dead of winter. People are sick of winter

and want to go into a bar with a tropical flair," Tom English said.

The Boston Licensing Board's investigation began after a bartender at Tom English's Cottage told the Boston Herald last month that the roughly 20 stuffed monkeys were meant to symbolize Black History Month.

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**Mississippi council bans displaying state flag**

JACKSON, Miss. — The Mississippi state flag, which contains the Confederate battle banner, will no longer be displayed in the City Council's chambers.

The council voted 6-0 on Tuesday, with one abstention, to permanently remove the flag.

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**NATION**

**Going up**

**H**ere are key components of the sportsman fee increase approved on Tuesday. The amounts do not include the \$1.50 service charge collected by license vendors on most tags or the \$9 charge for the sportsman's pack.

Type of Fee	Now	Bill
Res Combo	\$20	\$29
Res Hunting	\$6	\$10
Res Fishing	\$15	\$22
Res Sportsman	\$50	\$59.50
Jr. Res Combo	\$10	\$14.50
Jr. Res Hunt	\$4	\$5
Jr. Res Fish	\$7	\$11
Non res Combo	0	\$10
Non Res Hunt	\$100	\$127
Non Res Sm Gm	\$55	\$72
Non Res Fish	\$50	\$73
Non Res Jr. Fish	\$20	\$36.50
1-day Fish	\$8	\$9
Added days	\$3	\$4
Salmon Permit	\$5	\$10
Steelhead Permit	\$5	\$10
3-day NonRes Sol	\$30	\$27
3-day NonRes Sol	\$30	\$27
Res Deer Tag	\$18	\$18.50
Jr. Res Deer	\$15	\$8.25
Res Elk Tag	\$21	\$27
Res Elk	\$21	\$27
Non Res Deer	\$231	\$233.50
Non Res Elk	\$331	\$337
Waterfowl	\$5	0
Upland Bird	\$5	\$10
Res Bear	\$6	\$9
Non Res Bear	\$225	\$233.50
Bear Bait Permit	\$10	\$10
Res Turkey	\$6	\$16.50
Non Res Turkey	\$35	\$60
Res Antelope	\$226.50	\$24
Non Res Antelope	\$225	\$233.50
Res Moose	\$60	\$150
Non Res Moose	\$900	\$1500
Res Sheep	\$900	\$1500
Non Res Sheep	\$900	\$1500
Res Goat	\$60	\$150
Non Res Goat	\$900	\$1500
Res Hound	\$10	\$12.50
Non Res Hound	\$10	\$127
Archery	\$7.50	\$15
Muzzleloader	\$7.50	\$15
2 Pole	\$15	\$15
WMA Pheasant	\$10	\$20

The number of pheasants allowed taken under a Wildlife Management Area permit would drop from 10 to four.

In an attempt to regain some non-resident hunting revenue, non-resident deer tag holders could also use that tag for a mountain lion or bear instead of deer. After Aug. 15, if nonresident deer or elk tags remain unsold, resident hunters could purchase one as a second tag at the nonresident price.

**Fees**

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The \$4.4 million package reportedly said it was time to let the turmoil of the past five years subside and give a chance to the new majority Kempthorne appointed to the Fish and Game Commission last year and the new director that it selected earlier this year. Rod Sando, former natural resources chief in Minnesota, takes over as director next week.

"It's a rational, responsible, conservative approach to getting the Department of Fish and Game back on track," Noh said. The bill, turned the Senate inside out last week when Republican Dean Cameron of Rupert strenuously objected to being outmaneuvered in his attempt to reduce the magnitude of the increase. It is the first general increase in license and tag fees since 1982 although basic hunting and fishing licenses were raised in 1991.

Cameron reiterated his complaints on Tuesday, albeit less objectionably to his colleagues, but without effect.

The governor, the commission, key lawmakers and a wide range of sportsmen's groups, Noh said, "invested an enormous amount of political capital in an effort to bring stability and a future to the management of our wild life resources."

Earlier this month, the House put aside nagging skepticism and overwhelmingly approved the fee increase that has the support of nearly every major sportsmen's group in the state that carried through in the Senate.

**Species**

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signed into law by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, who referred in his State of the State address in January to months of work on the issue by a joint legislative panel. Budget writers intend to appropriate almost \$580,000 for the office in the spending that year that begins July 1.

Environmental and conservation interests have argued that the proposal could silence biological and other experts during debate on how to save or restore animal and plant species proposed for federal protection or already listed. But supporters contend the change only recognizes the need for state policies to include not just biology but economic, political and social implications.

The new office also would be a clearinghouse for ranchers, loggers and other people coping with the impact of decisions imposed on the state for the protection or restoration of such species as wolves, salmon and grizzly bear.

In addition, the office would oversee a process for creating state management plans for species eventually removed from the endangered list.

Perhaps of most day-to-day importance would be the office's responsibility to direct and coordinate the endangered species-related efforts of various state agencies toward a common goal, and to represent the state at a higher level in dealings with other states and the federal government.

**Baby boomlet reverses decline in number of births**

WASHINGTON - Propelled by a strong economy and more women of childbearing age, total U.S. births rose 2 percent in 1998, the first increase since 1990, the government reported Tuesday.

Many of the women who had babies were on their own - births to unwed mothers reached an all-time high. But researchers said it wasn't teen-agers fueling the baby boomlet; it was twenty- and thirty-something daughters of baby boomers who had their own kids but didn't always get married first.

"As the economy gets better, people have more children," said Dr. Gabriel Escobar, a perinatal researcher with Kaiser Permanente, a health maintenance organization. "But most of the increase is because there are more people entering the child-bearing years."

There were 3.94 million births in 1998, or about 14.6 for every 1,000 people, the report by the National Center for Health Statistics showed. In 1997, 3.88 million children were born and the rate of births was slightly lower at 14.5 per 1,000.

**Study: Patients have poor memory after chemotherapy**

TAMPA, Fla. - Ordinary doses of chemotherapy sometimes appear to permanently dull survivors' intellectual powers, leaving them with poor memories, muddy thinking and inability to do math in their heads, new research suggests.

Cancer patients often complain

**Nation in brief**

of "chemobrain," or woolly-headedness during treatment. While they are typically reassured this will go away, little attempt has been made until now to see if these subtle problems linger years later.

The new study, conducted at Dartmouth Medical School, found that people who get standard chemotherapy appear to be about twice as likely as other cancer patients to score poorly on various intelligence tests an average of 10 years after their treatment.

Doctors say the findings suggest that aggressive treatment with chemotherapy may be unwise in some people with early-stage cancer unless the drugs can substantially improve chances of survival.

**Swarm of killer bees sting elderly woman 500 times**

LAS VEGAS - A 77-year-old woman lay in critical condition Tuesday after being stung more than 500 times by a swarm of killer bees.

The woman, whose name was not released, was attacked while walking along a street a few blocks from her Las Vegas home, Fire Department spokesman Tim Szymanski said. He said they may have been drawn to something in a bag she was carrying. Firefighters wearing special gear doused the woman with

water to get about 200 bees off her. Two police officers were stung trying to rescue her.

Africanized bees have killed an estimated 1,000 people as they migrated northward from Brazil beginning in 1957. The first swarm was reported in the United States in Texas in 1990.

**University research boat sinks; at least two dead**

SAN DIEGO - A boat carrying about 10 students and others on a university research trip sank off the coast of Baja California, killing at least two people.

Three people swam to safety on a nearby island and were rescued early Tuesday, said Lisa Lapin, a spokeswoman for the University of California, Davis. A

search was on for the others.

Among the missing was Gary Polis, the expedition's leader and chairman of the school's Department of Environmental Science and Policy. Lapin said.

The boat was one of two, 22-foot inflatable crafts carrying a total of about 20 people on the trip Monday to research spiders and scorpions on an island off the coast of Bahia de Los Angeles, a remote bay 250 miles south of the U.S.-Mexico border.

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# High court curbs police power to rely on anonymous tips

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court sharply curtailed police power to rely on anonymous tips to stop and search people. The unanimous ruling Tuesday was a victory for civil rights organizations but a police group said the nation's streets may become more dangerous. The court said Miami police acted unlawfully when in 1995

they searched and arrested a juvenile for carrying a gun after an anonymous telephone caller said someone matching his description had a concealed weapon. "The question is whether an anonymous tip... is, without more, sufficient to justify a police officer's stop and frisk of that person," Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote for the court.

"We hold that it is not," she said such "bare-bone tips" generally do not give police the reasonable suspicion of criminal conduct needed to justify the type of stop-and-frisk search the nation's highest court has allowed for the last 32 years. The court's unanimity caught some legal experts by surprise. Over the past two decades, a series of conservative-led rulings

dramatically narrowed protections offered by the Constitution's Fourth Amendment ban on unreasonable police searches and seizures. Such liberal groups as the American Civil Liberties Union, Southern Poverty Law Center and Congress of Racial Equality had sought to outlaw searches based on anonymous tips.

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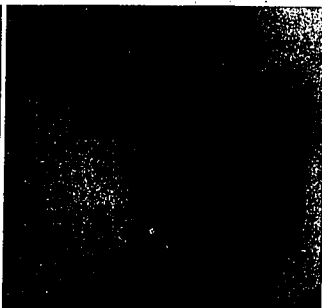
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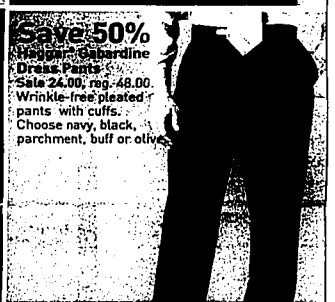
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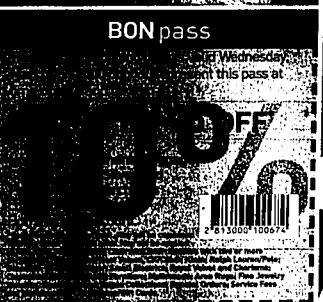
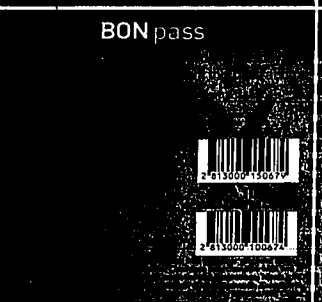
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## EDITORIAL

### CSI drug policy is a good step in the right direction

The College of Southern Idaho board took a difficult step in the right direction Monday. By imposing a drug testing policy (albeit a modest one), the board declared that CSI will not tolerate employees who use drugs in the workplace or come to work under their influence.

Criticism is inevitable, but the issue boils down to one simple question: "Is it OK for CSI employees to be impaired at work?"

Well, is it?

Do local taxpayers and students favor a school where impaired employees can operate with impunity? Probably not. Given that, it's appropriate the board begin to deal with this touchy issue.

As drug policies go, CSI's is pretty tame. It allows testing of employees involved in accidents and of employees whom supervisors reasonably suspect of drug use. It does not provide for random testing of employees, nor does it authorize pre-employment drug screening.

Over time, CSI should aim to add those other measures. The sad fact is that more than one in 12 American workers is impaired by drugs, every day. That ratio cuts across the entire employment spectrum, from factory workers, to construction foremen, to executive vice presidents. And as private-sector businesses increasingly turn to drug testing, workers with chronic problems are forced to hunt for employers who don't test for drugs.

As long as public employees aren't subject to aggressive drug testing, it's inevitable that some drug users will find their way onto the public payroll. Idaho's colleges, secondary schools

and elementary schools certainly aren't exempt.

This will change only when the public demands it.

One CSI faculty member argued against random drug testing at this week's CSI board meeting. She questioned whether other area professionals, such as lawyers and accountants, submit to such testing.

But that logic is flawed. Many lawyers and accountants are self-employed, which means they set their own policies. They also succeed or fail on their own. We know some of each who have failed in private practice for just this reason.

Public employees, on the other hand, are not self-employed. They are subject to policies set by society. In the case of CSI's drug policy, society is represented by the board of trustees.

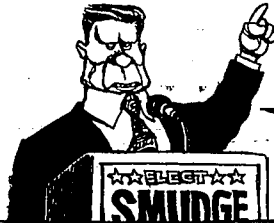
More profoundly, true professionals set high standards for themselves. They also don't bridle when called to account. From a legal standpoint, courts have held time and again that employers have a right to require drug tests of their employees.

Millions of private-sector employees have to submit to random drug tests. Teachers and other public employees shouldn't expect much sympathy on this issue. Not when they hold themselves up as role models for young people and tacitly condone drug testing of students. Leaving teachers exempt is sheer hypocrisy.

It all boils down to what we demand from public employees when they're on the job. Do we mind if they are impaired while on the public payroll? CSI deserves credit for starting down the right path.

*As long as public employees aren't subject to aggressive drug testing, it's inevitable that some drug users will find their way onto the public payroll.*

### The Cliche...



### The Reality...



## South Carolina suffers under the Rebel flag

The White House hopefuls and the national television and print reporters left South Carolina and departed after its Feb. 19 Republican presidential primary and have not been back since — which is fine with most South Carolinians.

That primary campaign was a disaster for the Palmetto State's public image. Americans learned that Bob Jones University, one of the state's leading institutions of higher learning, banned interracial dating and propounded on its Web site deeply prejudiced views about the Roman Catholic faith.

They also learned that 135 years after the Civil War had ended, the Confederate battle flag still flies over the state capitol in Columbia and apparently is regarded as so sacrosanct that neither George W. Bush nor John McCain would take the political risk of questioning why it is there. Bush even said that as a Texan, he would never offer advice on a South Carolina issue. McCain said he understood why most African-Americans and many whites see the flag as a divisive symbol of a sinholding past, but said that as a descendant of men who fought for the Confederacy, he could also accept it as part of a more honorable legacy. The whole debate left other Americans thinking of South Carolina as a state fixated on its 19th century past, rather than its 21st century future.

All of which justifiably angered the people of South Carolina. Bob Jones University has to answer for itself, which it began to do last month by ending its ridiculous interracial dating policy. But the flag issue is a matter of politics and public policy, and for more and more South Carolinians, a source of acute embarrassment.

They know — as most other Americans



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do not — that the last two men elected to lead the state government, former Republican Gov. David Bentsley and current Democratic Gov. Jim Hodges, both have said the battle flag should be moved to an appropriate memorial, leaving Old Glory and the state flag of South Carolina to wave over the capitol. As Hodges put it, "The debate over the Confederate flag has claimed too much of our time and energy — energy that can be put to better use building schools, improving health care and recruiting jobs."

They know — as most other Americans do not — that public opinion polls show a steadily increasing majority of South Carolinians favor either relocating the battle flag or simply removing it. In one poll published this past winter, seven out of 10 favored one or the other of those options.

On Sunday, some of the leaders of South Carolina will attempt to educate their fellow Americans, and at the same time, put some backbone into the state Legislature, by launching a four-day march from Charleston, where the first shots of the Civil War were fired, to Columbia to demand action to resolve the destructively divisive flag issue.

The march was organized by Charleston Mayor Joseph P. Riley Jr., with the support of Columbia Mayor Bob Coble. They have enlisted some notable South Carolinians to join them. Among them: Hugh McColl Jr., the chief execu-

tive of BankAmerica Corporation, race car driver Cale Yarborough and Darla Moore, an investor who recently made a \$25 million gift to the University of South Carolina.

Riley told me that the 116-mile march is a plea to the Legislature to "get in step with the people of South Carolina." It is due to adjourn in two months and no bill on the flag has reached the floor of either the Democratic-controlled state Senate or the Republican-controlled House.

But the ice might be breaking. Pressure is coming from many sides. A tourism boycott urged by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's South Carolina chapter went into effect Jan. 1 and has cost the state millions of dollars in convention revenue. Many local Chambers of Commerce have called for action to move the Confederate flag to one of the Civil War memorials or statues on the capitol grounds. On March 14, the state Chamber of Commerce launched a media campaign in support of Hodges' effort to take the flag off the dome.

A bill may come to the floor of the state Senate in April and some observers speculate the outlook in the House of Representatives may improve once the March 31 filing deadline for the November election is past. An outsider cannot judge the chances of resolving the issue this year. But as one who has known South Carolina fondly since I took infantry basic at Fort Jackson years ago and has admired many of its leaders, I think it deserves a better reputation than the bigotry that, was portrayed during last month's primary. Joe Riley and his friends have lots of people rooting for them.

David S. Broder is a Washington Post columnist.

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## LETTERS

### Skating's a great sport

Skaters, go for it! First of all, to the parents of kids on skateboards. Please tell your kids to stop and wait if they see someone walking on the sidewalks. It only takes a second to stop, then they can resume.

Skateboarding is fun, healthy and a great exercise. It gives the kids something worthwhile to do.

To Jim Lyons, I don't really think there are too many kids that smoke. I know a heck of a lot of these kids, and I know they don't smoke. I have two sons, one is 34 and the other one is 13 (nother one smokes). About 23 years ago, my oldest son loved to skateboard, and he and his friends skated all over Twin Falls all the time. Hardly anyone gripped about skateboarding back then. The skateboard association back then even had a contest for skateboarders, and guess where it was: It was right behind King's at the Lynnwood Mall. (I'm glad Gene Turley wasn't there back then. I was the proud parent of a son that won second place in the contest. He received a brand-new skateboard. Wow! What a wonderful day that was.)

Now my 13-year-old and all his friends love to skateboard, but they hardly ever do it because they don't have any place to go and they don't want to get into trouble.

So please, let's get a skateboard park going. Then maybe everyone will be happy.

TERESA MARTINDALE  
Twin Falls

### Trees were damaged by weather

Approximately 40 trees have been removed from Shoshone Falls Park this past month. The trees had to be removed because of the damage they received during the weather inversion-Twin Falls experienced during the month of December. At Shoshone Falls, the inversion lasted for days longer and the mist from the falls formed ice on the branches of trees 3 to 6 inches thick. The weight of the ice snapped the branches; it looked like someone stepped on top of the trees. The city of Twin Falls had a certified arborist survey the trees, and he recommended their removal. There are still several damaged trees that could not be reached to remove.

The Twin Falls Tree Commission's mission is to educate the public with proper tree care. The commission strives to keep the public informed while demonstrating proper tree care. The commission is in the process of developing a tree guidebook for homeowners and businesses to help them choose the proper tree and the correct way to plant and care for it. We expect this book to be available the middle of April at a cost of \$4 each. Call the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department to reserve a copy.

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### Alcohol dissolves our youngsters

Three years ago, Columbia University published the "Califano" report, which stated 30 percent of 10th-graders and 50 percent of 12th-graders are heavy into alcohol, and that 50 percent of male college graduates are "binge drinkers." "Binge drinking" is a socially acceptable term for "alcoholic." I was a binge drinker from 1934 to 1962 and know anyone who consumes five or more drinks in a relatively short time is not a social drinker.

Our legislators tell us our children are our most valuable asset, but if we treated our financial assets the way we attend to our children, we would be bankrupt! The law for alcohol consumption is 21 years of age. Columbia University tells us if one does not drink until it's legal, the chances of addiction are greatly reduced. For all the attention paid to it, this law should be on the comic page.

Young people look around and see their peers into all sorts of problems, but the adult community can't be bothered. Lip service and denial are the rule of the

day, and the young people know it. When the university and college presidents admitted having no alcohol discipline on campus, the silence was deafening. Where are the parents, legislators, educators or anybody who is willing to call for fair play?

Don't tell me it can't be done. In 97 years, we have made a seat on a U.S. commercial airline the safest place one can be. Of course, this came into being because those in the power structure wanted to protect their assets when they traveled. Don't our young people deserve the same consideration and effort?

A case in point — how many times have we heard about Columbine High and the tragic events there? How many times have we heard about Carrollton, Kentucky, where more than twice as many died? The Carrollton disaster was caused by a drunk driver. Lots of talk about gun control, but not a mention of alcohol control.

Tobacco and guns are the only things we can deal with (maybe) but alcohol, never. P.S. — We are holding the Chinese feet to the human rights fire in our World

Trade Organizations — with the Columbia University report, they can do the same to us. There is no more destructive child abuse than easy, early and ignored alcohol access.

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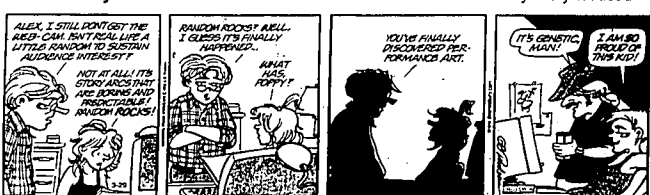
### Slick Willie blows our dough

Clinton knows his term in office is almost over, so he has decided to spend the rest of his term joy riding all over the globe, burning up thousands and thousands of gallons of fuel while the American tax-paying motorist is being bled to death at the gas pumps.

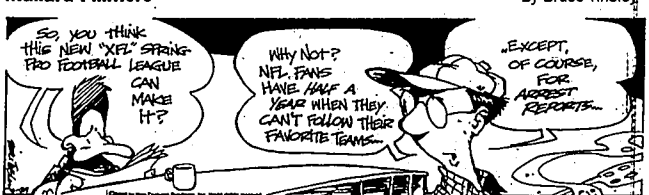
Clinton and daughter Chelsea are having a grand time in India while Americans are picking up the tab. On top of this, Clinton takes our checkbook with him and gives away billions of dollars to foreign countries.

We don't need to keep adding foreign countries to our welfare rolls! Nice going, Billy Bob! TONY AND MARY SALIERNO  
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## Doonesbury



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OPINION

OTHER VIEWS

Al's an 'imperfect messenger'

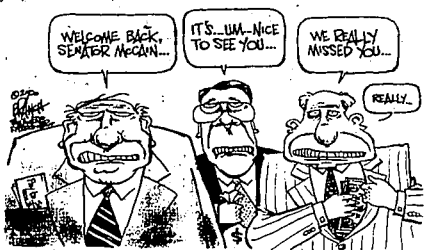
From The Washington Post

**A** Gore is right that he is an "imperfect messenger" for the cause of campaign finance reform. His pledge this week to make reform the first order of business if elected and to fight as long and hard as necessary to pass a bill is nonetheless important. He could wriggle out of it, make a show of trying, then go on to other, easier fish he will like to fry. That's basically what Bill Clinton has done.

But Monday's speech leaves him less room to do so. He would pay a heavy price if he walked away. And if he didn't walk — who knows? We yield to none in our pessimism about the prospects for accomplishing meaningful reform. For 15 years, whenever there has been a risk of enactment, one party or the other has slithered away.

But never in that period has there been a president who genuinely tried to achieve a bill. In that sense there have never been real negotiations of the kind that commonly occur and are required to produce major legislation. The maneuvering on behalf of campaign finance reform has consisted mostly of trying to pass a bill over the objections of those with legislative power, or despite their indifference and without their help.

The House even so has passed a modest bill to ban soft money in each of the past two Congresses, a tribute to the pulling power of the issue since it had to be done over the opposition of the Republican leadership and through the threat of a discharge petition — a device whereby in extraordinary circumstances a majority of the membership can take command of the floor. The bills have had bipartisan and majority support in the Senate as well but have been blocked by the leadership; the



leadership has been put in the anomalous position of having to filibuster to thwart majority will. Could a determined president find the ways to a decent bill in a situation such as that? Maybe. The McCain-Feingold bill, which the vice president embraced this week, is itself imperfect, a part-way measure only. It would ban the use of the parties to raise and spend, on behalf of their candidates, so-called soft money that the candidates are forbidden to raise and spend themselves. The soft-money system is the most egregious of the current abuses of the law, but hardly the only one. At best, McCain-Feingold would put a little more distance between the money-givers and the candidates.

But distance matters. Mr. Gore would also provide public financing for congressional candidates who agreed to abide by spending limits, the money would come not directly from the government but from an endowment to which contributions would be tax deductible. That, too, would help. The idea is not to eliminate but to moderate the role of money in elections — to back away from

the current situation, in which too often offices are bought even if the officeholders are not.

George W. Bush opposes the McCain-Feingold in part as an infringement on free expression, and Monday he dismissed the endowment idea as well. It would constitute "a taxpayer-financed government takeover of campaigns," he said. He has likewise ridiculed Mr. Gore's new zeal on behalf of reform as an effort to pick up John McCain supporters, take an undeserved ride at the head of a popular cause and inoculate himself against charges of having circumvented, if not violated, campaign law in 1996 and lied about it.

He is plainly right that Mr. Gore is trying to protect himself and pick up support. And, as Mr. Gore himself acknowledged, voters have to decide to what extent to believe him. But in the end, motives are less the issue than what they'll likely do.

"I will try. And Governor Bush will not," Mr. Gore said Monday. If that's so — another judgment the voters will have to make — it's not a trifling distinction.

LETTER

Depiction Isn't advocacy

Will you ever stop confusing depiction with advocacy? And with five members comprising your editorial board, couldn't you require that at least one of you actually view the films you decide to denigrate?

Your Tuesday editorial blasts three recent Academy Award-winning films because they "make America a sleazier place." Have you never wondered which came first: the sleaze or stories about the sleaze?

The character portrayed by Kevin Spacey in "American Beauty" finally realizes he lives a meaningless life of quiet desperation and spirals into a middle-aged identity crisis. He quits a job he's about to lose anyway due to corporate downsizing (there's one real cause of moral decline). He does not act upon his lusts. His wife's adultery is condemned. And what you call voyeurism is really one boy's amazement at how beautiful the world can be. All in all, a pretty uplifting message.

The Michael Caine character in "Cider House Rules" does

"make life worth living." Not because he "huffs" ether or performs abortions. The ether-huffing, which he indulges in to help him sleep, eventually contributes to his death. He performs abortions because he can't bear to see more unwanted children languish in the orphanage. He does not embrace abortion! He simply does not know what else to do. The orphanage scenes and the subplot of what to do about an incestuous pregnancy raise serious questions about abortion.

As for "Boys Don't Cry," I must delay my comments as I have not yet seen it. The whole valley will get a chance to see it April 14-28 when I bring it to my new theater in Old Towne. From what I've seen and read about this film, it's precisely the sort of thing the Lamphouse Theatre will attempt to exhibit. Our mission is to expose this valley to ideas through films and videos. We're not just here to provide patrons with an entertaining evening out. I hope people will come to see "Boys Don't Cry," not so I make any money (this project of mine is well past money at this point) but to raise questions

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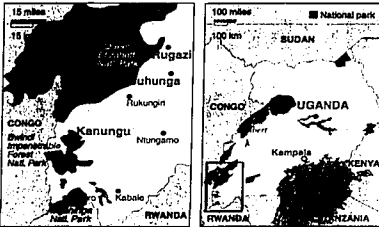
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**Cult deaths in Uganda**

The discovery of a third scene of buried cult members on Monday, comes as authorities continue investigating the deaths of at least 490 other members of the Movement for the Restoration of the Ten Commandments of God in Uganda. Police officials speculate cult leaders find as followers began to divide when the world didn't end Dec. 31 as predicted.



**Kanungu, March 17:** Up to 330 charred bodies are found in a church hall fire. Originally ruled suicides, they are now investigated as murders.

**Buhunga, March 24:** More than 150 bodies are found hacked or strangled in mass graves. They are believed to have been buried six weeks earlier.

**Rugazi, March 27:** More than 70 bodies are found at the edge of a sugarcane field knifed or strangled; they are believed to have been buried one month ago.

Source: Compiled from AP reports Wm. J. Costello, S. Hoffmann/AP

**Ugandan search parties find another mass grave**

RUGAZI, Uganda - Inmates using crowbars and hoes Tuesday unearthed another mass grave linked to a doomsday religious sect - this site hidden under the floor at the home of an excommunicated priest who was one of the cult's leaders.

Twenty-eight bodies, most apparently strangled and some children, were pulled from the grave before nightfall forced workers to halt. Many more bodies appeared to remain buried at the site.

Scenes of carnage connected to the Movement for the Restoration of the Ten Commandments of God have followed one after another in the lush hills of southwest Uganda since mid-March. The latest findings brings the number of murders linked to the cult to at least 590.

Authorities are pursuing the two main leaders of the movement - Cledonia Mwerinde and Joseph Kibwetere, an excommunicated Roman Catholic - in connection with the murders. The pair, invoking the authority of Jesus and visions imparted by the Blessed Virgin Mary, predicted the world would end Dec. 31. When the forecast failed, authorities believe, sect members demanded a return of the possessions they had surrendered to join the sect, precipitating the killings.

**Israeli police say former leader should face charges**

JERUSALEM - Police recommended Tuesday that former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu be indicted on corruption charges, dealing a serious blow to his possible political comeback plans.

Netanyahu, who was trounced in May 1999 elections, has been under investigation for the past seven months on suspicion he accepted bribes, tried to misstate state funds and illegally kept 700 state gifts worth \$110,000.

Netanyahu said Tuesday that the allegations were baseless and accused police of acting in bad faith. "This was a tendentious investigation whose outcome was

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known ahead of time," Netanyahu said in a statement.

**British prime minister ponders paternity leave**

LONDON - Prime Minister Tony Blair is dithering, the nation - or at least the tabloids - are waiting, his expectant wife wants him to, but talk show opinion is divided. Should Blair take parental leave when his fourth child is born in May?

"I've got a country to run... I honestly don't know what to do," Blair said, sounding distinctly unlike a politician in a recent British Broadcasting Corp. interview.

Blair, 46, looked uneasy, caught between the politically fashionable view of left-of-center European parties about shared modern parenting and, well, just wanting to keep running Britain.

His wife, 45-year-old Cherie, a high-flying lawyer, is piling on the public pressure.

Last week, she praised Finnish Prime Minister Paavo Lipponen for taking six days' parental leave after his wife, Paivi, gave birth to their second daughter in March. Lipponen also took time off in 1998 for the birth of his first child.

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**New Russian President Putin sets sights on corruption**

MOSCOW (AP) - It's an age-old problem in Russia, one that has defied the czars, the Communist bosses and the leaders of the country's young democracy: the corruption that snakes its way through every part of the state.

Fighting corruption is now in Vladimir Putin's lap, and whether he can root it out will be

a key measure of the success or failure of his presidency.

Russia's new president says curbing the bribery, stealing and abuse of power that pervade all levels of government and breaking links between government officials and organized crime are top priorities.

The task is vital. Experts say corruption costs Russia at least

\$20 billion a year in lost revenues, a sum that is about the equivalent of the entire 1999 federal budget. It also undermines the trust of foreign investors and reduces the government's effectiveness.

"It doesn't matter who is president. Fighting corruption is necessary," said Viktor Luneyev, director of the Transnational

Crime and Corruption Center research group. "Without it, there can be no economic development."

Nikolai Karamzin, an 18th-century Russian historian, once wrote that bribes are the only Russian constitution. A few decades later, writer Nikolai Gogol ridiculed the world of the swindling Russia civil servant.

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Legislators support scaled-back tax bill

**BOISE** - Magic Valley senators Monday were united in their support of changes made to a House tax cut bill and in their opposition to including any income-tax break with the measure.

Casting identical votes on the various proposals, the six senators representing different areas of the Magic Valley all supported a Senate proposal to include an index that ties tax brackets to inflation rates.

Magic Valley's Senate delegation includes Sens. Robbi King-Barrutia, R-Glenns Ferry, Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, John Sandy, R-Hagerman, Laird Noh, R-Kimberly, Dean Cameron, R-Rupert and Denton Darrington, R-Burley.

They also each voted against proposals to include income tax credits of one, two and three percent. Those options were counter proposals from legislators who disagreed with the Senate leadership's decision to delete a three percent personal income tax credit from the House's original bill. That measure would have returned about \$27 million of state's predicted \$65 million budget surplus.

But Senate leadership felt the credit was irresponsible given two lawsuits which potentially could cost Idaho hundreds of millions of dollars.

The changes made by the Senate left a bill that would eliminate the state's so-called "marriage penalty" tax, would give self-employed Idahoans the option of deducting health insurance costs from their income taxes and would include the inflation index.

The measure has been sent back to the House for approval of the Senate's changes, but few expect the bill to get a warm reception from the House.

### Shoshone teacher says he's innocent of charge

**SHOSHONE** - A Shoshone Elementary School teacher has pleaded innocent to two counts of misdemeanor battery.

An arraignment hearing scheduled this morning for Jerry W. Hebbel, 52, of Shoshone, has been canceled, because he already has filed an innocent plea with the 5th District Magistrate Court in Lincoln County.

An April 26 court date has been set to decide whether the case will proceed to trial.

Two families have pulled their students from the school and are pressing charges against the third-grade teacher.

In a court affidavit, Shoshone Police Chief Robert Quiroga said Hebbel grabbed one boy by the backpack on Feb. 17 and let him fall onto the sidewalk. Bruises resulted, the affidavit says.

Maria Morrison, the grandmother of the 9-year-old fourth-grader, said she has since removed him and his 6-year-old sister from school and is teaching them at home.

Julie Snyder, whose 8-year-old son was in Hebbel's class, also pulled her boy from school and is teaching him at home.

In another court affidavit, Quiroga said Hebbel grabbed the Snyders' son by the neck and caused a scratch that bled.

### Twin Falls County office building will close today

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls County office building at 246 Third Avenue East will be closed today for repairs.

The building will reopen at 8 a.m. Thursday.

### Local businessman files for commissioner race

**TWIN FALLS** - A local businessman has filed to run for a seat on the Twin Falls County Board of Commissioners.

Jay Fort recently filed his name as a candidate for District 1, or western Twin Falls County.

The seat is now held by Gary Grindstaff of Buhl who was appointed to the seat earlier this year after Carla Reed resigned.

Compiled from staff reports

## Jerome woman runs for office

### Former county leader says she's ready to serve on commissioner board again

By Jay Howser  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - After six years away from the stress of public office, a former Jerome County leader says she's ready for more.

Veronica Lierman recently filed to run for Jerome county commissioner, a position she held from 1997 to 1999.

Lierman, 56, said she enjoyed public service and its challenges. But chest pains sent her to the hospital three times over her eight-year tenure. Doctors told her stress was causing muscle spasms, and that she needed to relax.



Veronica Lierman

husband, Keith - asked her not to run for another term.

"They felt I'd been there long enough and that I needed to take a break," Lierman said. "I felt at

"All it was, was stress. And apparently it is not unusual for people under stress to have that kind of reaction," Lierman said.

After the third incident, her family - especially her

Jerome County commissioner District 1

**T**he incumbent is John Tolson, who has not filed for re-election.

The position is part-time, but the state has authority to change the status of commissioners as it sees fit. Now, Jerome County's one full-time commissioner makes \$42,516 yearly. The two part-time commissioners make \$14,208 each.

that time it was probably time to let someone else step in, too, and I didn't have a problem with

that."

But leaving office did not yield a victory in her battle over stress.

Lierman said she still got upset about county decisions made in her absence. So she tried to divorce herself completely from county issues, even cancelling her newspaper subscriptions.

It still wasn't enough. Friends and community members still gave her unwanted updates and solicited opinions, she said.

"It got to the point where I'd tell them, 'Listen, if I really want-

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## Gunman remains at large

By Brian Haynes  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - The man had a gun and a plan, and he wasn't shy about calling his intended victim to say he was coming for him.

Minutes later, a 16-year-old boy had a bullet in his leg, and the gunman had disappeared.

The shooter remained at large late Tuesday, but police thought he was still in the Jerome area and continued their search for him, Jerome police Sgt. Jim Baker said.

Police believe the man is armed and dangerous, he said.

The victim was treated at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center and was released with a large-caliber bullet still lodged in his left thigh, Baker said. Doctors will extract the bullet within a month or so, he said.

Baker was readying an arrest warrant for the suspect Tuesday afternoon and hoped to make an arrest by the week's end, he said.

Until then, police worry the gunman will return to finish the job he started Monday evening, when he took a gun to the Prestwick and Baltray Apartments on South Lincoln Street.

The gunman called the apartment of his intended victim and said he was going to kill him, Baker said.

Moments later he knocked at the door, but the frightened people inside didn't open it until they thought he had left, Baker said.

The gunman was still there, and after a brief confrontation the door slammed shut. It stopped the gunman, but it didn't stop his bullet, which ripped through the door and into the victim's leg, Baker said.

The gunman drove away, but police believe he has changed vehicles by now, Baker said.

Police have not named the gunman or his victim, nor have they divulged the gunman's motive.

## Annexation sparks fire in Rupert

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News writer

**RUPERT** - Mayor Audrey Newirth says the city of Rupert is ready for growth.

But some people, like resident Don Newirth, say that will add to a class action lawsuit against the city if it pursues annexation.

The city's proposal to annex an area outside of city limits drew strong criticism Tuesday at a session of public hearing held inside the Big Valley Elementary School gymnasium.

More than 100 people crowded the gymnasium to hear the city in the fire area proposed for annexation. While Newirth said sewer, water and other city facilities would benefit people in the area, most residents weren't convinced.

Ed Fisher, a resident of the proposed annexation area, said he would boycott the city if it

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## The Aspen Building will get more room



Yolanda Arriaga practices attaching electrodes for an EKG test on fellow medical assistant student Mario Ramos. An addition to the Aspen Building at the College of Southern Idaho will provide more space for medical classrooms and faculty offices.

## CSI celebrates benefactors who spur expansion

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The opportunity to become a nurse moved one woman to show her appreciation by helping the College of Southern Idaho expand its health occupations building.

CSI held a groundbreaking ceremony Tuesday to mark the start of construction on an addition to the Aspen Building. The addition will benefit not only college nursing and health departments, but also teacher education programs based in the building.

The ceremony honored Twin Falls residents Frank and Mary Ireton, who donated \$125,000 in seed money toward the \$1.8 mil-



Frank and Mary Ireton  
Donated \$125,000 seed money

lion project.

"Mary and her husband, Frank, were instrumental in getting this project going with their generous donation," said Doug Maughan, a public information director at CSI.

CSI President Jerry

Meyerhoeffer said the addition probably would not have happened without their donation that spurred the effort.

Mary Ireton, 62, graduated from CSI 15 years ago, the day Frank retired from banking. Nursing was a second career for Mary. She said she had always wanted to be a nurse, but she was in her 40s when she started school.

"I wondered if I was too old, but I went ahead and applied and they accepted me," she said. She worked as a nurse for 12 years.

"I felt that they had given me the opportunity to fulfill a life-long dream - and it was time to pay back," she said. Poor health kept Frank Ireton from attend-

ing the ceremony.

Nicknamed the "aspirin building" by students, the 19,000-square-foot Aspen Building was built in 1972 for a little more than \$645,000. Since then, CSI's Health and Human Services Department has grown from one program with about 30 students to 10 programs with about 250 students on campus, plus more off-campus courses. And a number of faculty from other departments share office space in the crowded building. The 13,600-square foot addition will allow the college to both add new space and make room in the original part of the building for

Four new classrooms for health professions classes.

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## Collision kills Declo man

By Ruth Streeter  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - A Declo man was killed early Tuesday morning when his car collided with some trees about six miles east of Burley.

Dustin M. Raney, 25, was driving his car southbound on 650 East around 2:15 a.m. when he lost control of his vehicle, according to a Cassia County sheriff's accident report. It appeared the white Chevrolet Nova Raney was driving went off the right side of the road. Raney overcorrected and then drove off the opposite side of road and ran into two trees at the intersection of 650 E. 300 S., the report said.

Officials at the scene said they thought excessive speed on the wet road contributed to the acci-

dent, according to the report. The accident occurred on a straight and level portion of road.

Raney was trapped in his vehicle and pronounced dead at the scene, according to the report. Ambulances arrived at the scene but did not transport Raney to the hospital, the report said.

Capt. Jim Elgens said there is no reason to believe drugs or alcohol were involved, but a blood sample taken at the mortuary will be sent to the state lab for a routine analysis. The report said Raney was not wearing a seat belt.

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## Cooking school features tasty dishes

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - School was in session Tuesday.

But there were no textbooks, term papers or final exams at this school. Just a lot of good cooking.

Local residents packed the Roper Auditorium Tuesday for the fifth annual "Taste of Home Cooking School" - a two-hour cooking exhibition hosted by home economist Sunnie Renshaw.

"Just to show you that I really don't have a life, I watch food shows in my hotel room, too," Renshaw told the crowd.

The cooking school drew people of all ages and from all walks of life. "It's kind of fun to come and learn some new tips," said Laura Novak of Twin Falls.

Novak brought her 9-month old son Garrett to Tuesday's festivities. After all, a man should be able to cook, Novak said.

Earl and Terry agreed. That's why she brought her husband Terry to the cooking class.

And does Terry do any of the cooking at home?

"As little as I can get away with," he said with a grin.

Renshaw dazzled the audience with several recipes, including Oriental Chicken and Streusel-topped Peach Kuchen - or coffee cake. Overhead monitors gave the audience close-up views of the demonstration.

All of the dishes featured in a full-color cookbook the audience got to take home.

A few lucky people in the audience got to feast on the dishes prepared Tuesday, which were

given out as door prizes along with bags of groceries and kitchen appliances.

Earlier Tuesday afternoon, residents gathered at the Twin Falls High School gymnasium for Women's Day Out.

Displays were set up by local businesses, including Costco Wholesale, the Twin Falls Fitness Center and the Falls Brand-Independent Meat Company.

Dave Bourquin, sales manager with Falls Brand, handed out discount coupons for the company's special sausage. "We're trying to get people to think about how they can use sausage in their breakfast - that they don't only have to be for dinner," Bourquin said Bourquin said anyone can use new recipes.

Four of the greatest chefs want recipes and ideas," he said.

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# Conservationists push for protection of the sage grouse throughout the West

RENO, Nev. (AP) - Conservationists pushing protection of the sage grouse say the bird dubbed the "spotted owl of the desert" is the perfect poster child for sagebrush ecosystems endangered throughout the West.

Leaders of the American Lands Alliance say they will petition the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in coming months to use the Endangered Species Act to protect the northern sage grouse in several Western states. The move for a federal listing has the potential to disrupt livestock grazing, mining and other activities throughout the bird's entire range including parts of California, Nevada, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and the Dakotas.

In the 150 years since white settlement of the West, the bird's numbers have dropped from an estimated 1.2 million to about 140,000, said Mark Salvo, grasslands advocate for American Lands Sage Grouse Conservation Project in Portland, Ore.

The science is showing us a listing decision is warranted. "What exists today is only about 8 percent of its historic numbers," the environmental lawyer said.

Like the owl and the



Conservationists pushing for sage grouse protection say the game hen, dubbed the "spotted owl of the desert," is the perfect poster child for the sagebrush ecosystems endangered throughout the West.

Northwest's old-growth forests, the declining population of sage grouse reflects problems in the bird's overall ecosystem - from the rugged high desert of Nevada to the semi-arid plains of the Dakotas.

"This is a little loved landscape," Salvo said during Monday night meeting at the Bureau of Land Management in Reno with the Nevada Wildlife Federation's Sage Grouse Working Group.

# Cities balk at new juvenile rules

By Mickey Brown  
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - A county attempt to head off juvenile crime rates in the face of opposition from some city leaders this week.

Like other Magic Valley counties, Lincoln County has been considering a program to target youngsters who commit "status offenses" such as truancy or curfew violations, before the youngsters escalate to worse behavior. The county's juvenile court and detention costs have jumped from \$10,000 to \$32,000, said Jerry Nance, county commission chairman. Juvenile court officials urged the commissioners to take a preventive approach.

"If you don't address these problems now, you're almost guaranteeing yourself a future

of dealing with delinquents and anti-social behaviors," said Shoshone District Magistrate Judge John Varin, who specializes in juvenile cases.

But Shoshone Mayor Ken Haught and Richfield Mayor Charles Buttcane, along with Richfield City Attorney Craig Hobday, criticized the proposal. "If this is so hoity-toity and needy-weedy, why don't we just do it at the state level instead of battling it around in each county and each city?" Hobday asked.

Through the proposal copies an existing Twin Falls County ordinance, Buttcane and Haught objected to curfew rules that would require juveniles with jobs to carry certified letters from their employers. And Haught took exception to language outlining parental responsibility.

Southwick defended the local approach.

"If we wait for the state to do something we could be waiting for a long time," Southwick said. "We need to fix the problem now."

Varin called current state laws on status offenses "archaic."

Nance eventually asked Buttcane and Haught to enlist their city councils in forming a committee to write a countywide ordinance.

"All we wanted to do was have a countywide program where we're all looking at the same rules regardless of which town," Nance said. "We don't want to pass an ordinance that would infringe on the cities' boundaries. But we had hoped to come up with something acceptable to everyone."

# High court bars implementation of initiative requiring candidates to pledge term limits

BOISE (AP) - The Idaho Supreme Court on Tuesday barred implementation of a 1998 initiative requiring an indication on the ballot if congressional candidates pledge to limit their terms, and if they change their minds later.

In order to afford the court the opportunity to fully consider this matter and issue a written opinion," Chief Justice Linda Copple Trout wrote, Secretary of State Centeno "shall refrain from taking any action to implement" the law.

The statute requires the secretary of state to allow congressional candidates who choose to submit a term limits pledge before certification of the ballot, which would state if the candidate or incumbent either signed or broke a pledge to limit their terms of office.



Friday is the deadline for submitting petitions to run for Congress.

The high court heard oral arguments Feb. 29 on the constitutional challenge brought in mid-December by the American Civil Liberties Union. Jack Van Valkenburgh, executive director of the ACLU of Idaho, is named as a plaintiff in the petition. Others are former Idaho attorney general and state Democratic Party chairman Tony Park, Penny Fletcher, a failed Democratic congressional candi-

date in 1994, and Larry Eastland, a failed 1994 Republican gubernatorial candidate.

They contend voters are entitled to a clean ballot, uncluttered with messages designed to influence their decision at the very moment they cast their ballot.

Don Morgan of Hayden Lake, chairman of Citizens for Term Limits-Idaho Campaign, did not return calls from The Associated Press on Tuesday.

The second setback in recent weeks for term limits advocates. Sixth District Judge Randy Smith on March 17 barred implementation of term limits on local elected officials this year so the Idaho Supreme Court can consider constitutional questions. Fifty-five county commissioners elected in 1994 cannot have been the first subject to the service restriction.

# Jury awards man \$200,000 for religious discrimination

OKANOGAN, Wash. (AP) - A jury has found that Mid-Valley Hospital in Omak fired a former administrator because he is Mormon.

Okanogan County Superior Court jurors held 11-1 that Lorin MacKay was discriminated against because of his religion, and awarded him \$200,000 in

damages. Agreement by 10 jurors was required for a verdict.

MacKay, hospital administrator from 1989 until 1991, sought \$2.8 million for economic and emotional damages.

The jury awarded him \$160,000 on March 16 for economic damage and \$40,000 for emotional damage.

The board in executive session gave me an ultimatum - either be a bishop or be an administrator," MacKay said.

He said three of the five board members didn't like the level of his involvement with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He was named bishop of the Omak church in 1989.

# OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-9931. Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

## ALBION



**Florence Amy Brewerton**  
Florence Amy Brewerton, 66-year-old Albion resident, died peacefully Monday, March 27, 2000, at her home in Albion, a place she loved.

She was born October 6, 1913, at Guilford, New York, the daughter of Osmor Marion and Jennie Amanda Ray Grace. She received her education in Guilford, New York. She owned and operated a general mercantile store in Guilford, New York before moving to Idaho in 1948, where she had since resided. Florence married Bernice Brewerton on July 10, 1951, at Albion. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Logan LDS Temple. He preceded her in death on November 2, 1994. She served on the Board of Directors, and was one of the original founders of the Albion Senior Citizens. Florence was a member of the LDS Church. She and her husband served a mission for the LDS Church in the Canadian Montreal Mission, and worked with the Mohawk Indians from 1976 to 1977. They served a four-year mission in the Logan LDS Temple. She loved to quilt and to share her treasures with her family. Her family are her favorite people, and she will be greatly missed by so many, including her sweet kitty Whiskers.

Survivors include two daughters, Beverly (Douglas) Moore of Unadilla, New York, and Janice (Lesley) Ford of Heyburn; a sister, Lillian of Guilford, New York; 16 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and 24 great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, a daughter, Vivian Exames, a son, Joe Brewerton; a brother, a grandchild, and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 31, 2000, at the Albion LDS Ward Chapel, with Bishop Alan G. Clark officiating. Burial will follow the funeral at the Filer Cemetery in Albion. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, and at the church from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Friday.

Filer, Idaho. At Ralph's request there will be no public visitation. Services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chaplet in Twin Falls.

## DECLO



**William Chester 'Chet' Lewis**  
William Chester "Chet" Lewis, 67, died Saturday, March 25, 2000, at the Idaho Piroasana View Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

He was born July 20, 1934, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the son of Kevin and Shirley Hutchison. He lived in the Mini-Cassia area, where he received his education. Dustin dated hisGED in 1958. He worked for Pinkerton Security, Butte Irrigation, and at the time of his death, was employed by Gary Jones Construction. He enjoyed heavy metal music, concerts, driving fast and hanging out with friends. He was very artistic and loved to draw. Dustin was loved by many and will be sorely missed.

He is survived by his parents, Kevin and Shirley Hutchison of Declo, and his step-mother, Brandy Rose Declo, his paternal grandparents, Winston and Jeanaloe Hutchison of Declo, and Kenny and Nancy Hutchison of Declo; one nephew, Brody Rose, one niece, Steara Rose; an aunt, Gloria Trivitt of Rupert; and several uncles and aunts.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Clesion and Dorothy Raynes, and an uncle, Gordon Trivitt.

Gravestone funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, March 31, 2000, at the Piroasana View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Thursday and 10-10:45 a.m. Friday at the Harrison Home, 1350 E. 16th St., in Burley.

Much loved for her genuineness, loyalty, consideration for others and sensitivity, she is survived by her husband, Rodney Brink; and by three sisters, Martha Babcock of Moses Lake, Wash., Paula Haydock of Dublin, Ohio, and Lillian Gosselin of Parker, Colo.; and by a brother, Ralph Povison of Okanogan, Wash.

Two other brothers, Frank and Walter, both Burley residents, are now deceased. Other survivors include numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11 a.m. March 31, 2000, at the Valley Presbyterian Church in Portola Valley, Calif.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Hospice of the Central Coast, P.O. Box 2750, Monterey, CA 93942.

## SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH



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He was born July 22, 1932, in Mt. Home, Arkansas, the son of Frank and Hannah Sinnatte Lewis. He attended schools in Eden and Hazelton. He and two of his brothers founded Lewis Brother's Masonry 35 years ago. Chet served in the Air Force in both Japan and Korea.

Chet is survived by his wife of 35 years, Pauline Lewis; by seven children, Doug Lewis and Bill Lewis, both of Las Vegas, Nev., Denise Rowe of Idaho Falls, Terry Merl, Debbie Bursdale and Kevin Rathburn, all of Twin Falls, and Wes Rathburn of Arizona; 21 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Pauline Howard and Fern Sciffors, both of Boise; and Rosie Luker of Michigan; five brothers, Roy of Willis, Calif., Raymond, Paul and Billy, all of Twin Falls, and Junior of Hazelton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, and two brothers.

At Mr. Lewis' request there will be no services. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory.

God knew that you were suffering that his hills were hard to climb. So He gently closed your eyelids And Whispered, "Peace be thine."

In tears I watched you sinking I watched you fade away, My heart was nearly broken You fought so hard to stay. It broke my heart to see you go But you did not go alone, For a part of me went with you The day God called you home.

## TWIN FALLS

**Ralph Dunbar**  
Ralph Dunbar, 92, of Twin Falls, died Monday morning, March 27, 2000, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Ralph is survived by his wife, Margio Dunbar of Twin Falls; two daughters, Jacqueline Morgan and Judith Coffey; and three grandchildren.

Gravestone funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 30, 2000, at the Filer Cemetery in

**Dieck Crystal of Paul**, services at 11 a.m. today at the Paul LDS Stake Center; friends may call one hour before services today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

**Bob Shay of Ketchum**, services at 3 p.m. Thursday at Our Lady of the Snow Catholic Church in Sun Valley; reception to follow at the Ketchum American Legion Hall.

**Alton H. Johnston** of Bakersfield, Calif., service at 11 a.m. today at the Buhl First Ward LDS Church, 501 Main St. in Buhl; friends may call from 9-5:10:45 a.m. today at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

**Ara Louise Tolb** of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

**W. Lee Tucker** of Fairfield, memorial graveside service at 11

a.m. Saturday at the Mountain View Cemetery, north of Fairfield (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

# DEATH NOTICES

**Merrilyn J. Westenskow**  
BURLEY - Merrilyn J. Westenskow, 64, of Burley, died Tuesday, March 28, 2000, at the Burley Care Center in Burley. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

**Shirley M. Heidemann**  
KIMBERLY - Shirley M. Heidemann, 74, of Kimberly, died Monday, March 27, 2000, at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

**Inez Mae Martin**  
TWIN FALLS - Inez Mae Martin, 90, of Twin Falls, died

Tuesday, March 28, 2000, at the Twin Falls Care Center. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

**Grady South**  
BUHL - Grady South, 80, of Buhl, died Tuesday, March 28, 2000, at his residence. Arrangements are pending under the direction of Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

**Mary Elizabeth Joseph**  
HAGERMAN - Mary Elizabeth Joseph, 84, of Hagerman, died Tuesday, March 28, 2000, at her home. Arrangements are pending and are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

# HOSPITALS

**MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**  
Some names have been omitted at patient's request.

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# Nuclear industry bankrolls travel costs for members of congress

LAS VEGAS (AP) - The offices of three members of Congress who have led the fight to dump the nation's nuclear waste in Nevada have rung up \$204,800 in travel bills since 1996 that were paid for by the nuclear power industry, the Las Vegas Sun reported this week.

The 77 trips taken by Sens. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, and Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas, or their staffers varied from low-budget overnights in Williamsburg, Va., to a more lavish \$17,000 week-long stay in France, according to a Sun analysis.

The elected officials or their aides also took free trips to Spain, England, Japan, Sweden, The Netherlands and Belgium. Numerous trips were made in the United States to such places as New Orleans, San Francisco, Lake Tahoe, Santa Fe, N.M., and



Larry Craig

New York City.

The Sun examined the travel records of Craig, Murkowski and Barton because they are three key players in the plan to bury 77,000 tons of the nation's most radioactive nuclear waste inside Yucca Mountain, 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas. Waste from the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory would be stored there.

Members of Congress and their staffers accept paid trips to make speeches, attend conferences and take site tours. By law they must file reports on the trips within 30 days. Reports on

official Congressional trips, paid for by taxpayers, are filed separately.

The trips are legal and common, but critics contend the nuttings, at the least, give special interests the important commodities of time and access to members of Congress and their key aides.

"It's priceless to have a captive audience of that member," said Sheila Krumholz, of the Center for Responsive Politics, which tracks money in politics. "Time is absolutely money. The ultimate question is how useful were these trips?"

Krumholz said trips are legitimate when the travel is strictly educational.

"Often it turns out to be a laundry list of perks for staffers and not ultimately for information and illumination," Krumholz said.



Bill Novis, left, Jay Reis, kneeling, and Rick Van Wagener work on the plumbing for the addition to the Cassia Regional Technical Center. The new building is scheduled to open Aug. 2.

## School gets new regional tech center

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News writer

BURLEY - The framing is up on a building that will offer the education of the future.

Jerry Doggett, superintendent of the Cassia County School District, has invited school districts throughout the region to use the new Cassia Regional Technical Center.

Murtaugh and Valley high schools have already taken advantage of the offer and students from the two schools are participating in technical programs at the center. Classes are presently being taught in the main building, Doggett said.

Valley and Murtaugh have changed a block schedule to coordinate with ours," he said.

Block schedules allow for longer class periods.

Cassia County School District officials hope to bring more districts on board at the center.

"We really want to be a regional center and serve the greater

community," said Gaylen Smyer, director of the center.

The center will eventually offer adult education as well, Smyer said.

The \$900,000 addition to the center - funded by a U.S. Department of Commerce grant through the Economic Development Administration - will house pre-engineering, manufacturing, graphic communications, child-related professions and the Newcomer Center. The new building is scheduled to open Aug. 2.

Students can train for manufacturing and pre-engineering technical jobs offered at places such as McCain Foods and J.R. Siplor Co., Doggett said. The courses will be moved from the main facility to the new building.

The center will also offer classes to help technical employees upgrade their skills. Students will work on the same kind of equipment being used in the industry, Doggett said.

New businesses can also use the

facility to train their employees.

"They can have a fully-trained work force," Doggett said.

Doggett invited other districts to participate partly because state money for the technical program increases as the number of students increases.

"The more students we have the more funding we get," he said. "The more students the better."

There are benefits to districts that participate, Doggett said.

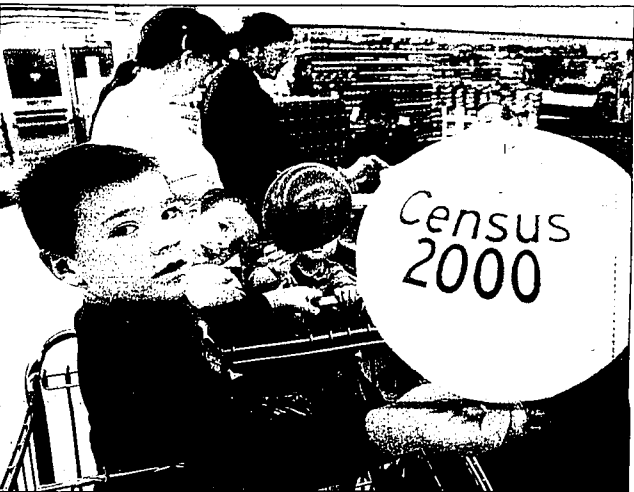
"It is so expensive to run programs," he said. "You have to join consortiums."

But Doggett said money isn't the only reason he invited other districts to participate in the program. He said a good technical education is imperative.

"Technical centers are the education of the future," Doggett said.

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## IDAHO AMONG FIRST TO RETURN CENSUS



Idaho was among the national leaders in response to the 2000 Census so far. The Census Bureau said 42 percent of all U.S. households have already returned their 2000 Census forms. The agency hopes for 70 percent by April 18. But Idaho and five other states - Ohio, Pennsylvania, Montana, Nebraska and Oregon - had return rates of 48 percent in the initial check, the bureau said Monday. The slowest response rates were in Puerto Rico, 22 percent; Mississippi, 26 percent; Louisiana, 29 percent; Alaska, 31 percent; Texas, 33 percent; and North and South Carolina, 34 percent.

## Magistrate judge has mild heart attack

BURLEY - Magistrate Judge Roy C. Holloway suffered a mild heart attack last weekend and is now resting in a hospital in Moscow, according to court officials.

Holloway is scheduled to be moved to a hospital in Boise today, court officials said.

Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree will fill in for Holloway, but some hearings may need to be continued. Holloway could be back to work by Monday, court officials said.

Court clerk administrator Linda Wright said she had received no official notification of the situation and had only spoken with Cassia County court officials.

**State commerce director will speak in Sun Valley**

SUN VALLEY - Idaho's new Department of Commerce Director Gary Mahn will be the featured speaker at the Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber's annual Economic Development

**Valley in brief**

Breakfast on Thursday.

The breakfast is scheduled for 8 a.m. at Elkhorn Resort. Mahn's speech "Idaho's Economy in the New Millennium," will focus on economic issues such as tourism, community development and telecommunications that have relevance to the Wood River Valley.

Tickets are \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. For reservations, call 725-2108.

**Hailey residents will begin recycling cardboard**

HAILEY - It looks like Hailey residents will be able to recycle cardboard at the curbside, perhaps as soon as June.

Not just any cardboard, though. Residents will only be able to recycle corrugated cardboard - the type you get from packing boxes.

Hailey Mayor Brad Siemer

announced Monday that the city has entered into a tentative agreement with the Wood River Rubbish and Recycling Company for experimental curbside cardboard recycling.

Initially, at least, residents will only be able to put out cardboard the first pickup day of the month. And they may be restricted to cardboard on that day.

**Blaine County Aquatic Center receives award**

HAILEY - The Blaine County Aquatic Center has been awarded the prestigious Gold National Aquatic Safety Award for consistently exceeding the criteria for aquatic safety set forth by Jeff Ellis and Associates, an international aquatic safety consulting firm.

The Blaine County center, which serves more than 30,000 users each summer, is one of 69 out of 476 clients worldwide to attain the award.

- compiled from staff reports

## Office

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wanted to deal with this frustration I'd have run for office again," she said.

In the years following, she worked part-time as an administrative assistant for a financial planner in Twin Falls and part-time as a secretary, treasurer and administrative assistant for the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center's board. She eventually mastered her stress - with a lot of help from her family, she said.

"I had to learn to let go of that stress," she said. "To me, I had to accept the fact that I can't

control everything and accept the fact that I'm not God."

She doesn't scold people for talking to her about community issues anymore, and she even resumed newspaper reading. She thinks she's ready to return to office.

"I enjoy what I'm doing now, but I felt like I made a contribution as county commissioner, and I think I'm good at it. So I do want to go back," she said.

Lierman said she has no particular agenda heading into this election, except that she wants to see a change in the commission's policy of having one full-time member and two part-time

members.

"I think county government needs to have more equal responsibility and representation. I think that structure needs to be revisited," she said.

Lierman said one of her main strengths is her ability to listen to people and hear their views.

"I study issues, I make decisions and I pray that it's the right thing for the community. And I'm willing to take the heat for my decisions," she said.

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## Lawmakers hold bill that would help Army Corps clean-up abandoned mines

WASHINGTON (AP) - Western states would get federal relief in cleaning up abandoned mines that pollute rivers and threaten public health with acid runoff, under a bill from a Nevada Republican.

But Democratic lawmakers and officials from President Clinton's administration argued at a hearing Tuesday that the hard-rock mining industry should shoulder the cost like the gold industry.

Rep. Jim Gibbons, R-Reno, drafted a bill to give the Army Corps of Engineers \$45 million a year to control the drainage of acid and hazardous chemicals from mines. He set a high priority for six mines in Nevada.

"These sites need to be cleaned up before they become major environmental or public safety hazards," he told a hearing of the House Resources subcommittee on energy and mineral resources. But Charles Smith, Army Corps assistant for the environment and regulatory affairs, said President Clinton's administration opposes the bill. Smith agreed that abandoned mines should be cleaned up, but said the fundamental policy is "the polluter should pay."

About 300,000 abandoned mines have been identified, some dating to the Gold Rush days of the late 1800s. Ownership is often uncertain. Damage from runoff is widespread, as sulfide from the mines turns into sulfuric acid when it comes into contact with water and air. The acid then dissolves manganese, aluminum and calcium to create more pollution.

The Western Governors' Association estimated in 1991 that hard rock mining damaged

3,350 miles of streams in Arizona, California, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico and Utah.

"Abandoned and inactive non-coal mine lands have left indelible scars on the nation's landscape, and these lands pose significant hazards to public safety," Smith said. In contrast to hard-rock mines, coal mines have paid a royalty to the federal government to clean up former mines since 1978. So far, the program has performed \$1.4 billion in cleanup and has \$2.5 billion in projects pending.

Del. Robert Underwood, D-Guam, advocated a similar payment plan for hard-rock mining.

"If the coal industry can survive and, indeed, thrive while paying a production fee for reclaiming its abandoned mines, then so too can the hard-rock mining industry," he said.

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## Rupert

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went through with the annexation.

"We would eat at other establishments and buy our tires in other places," he said.

Other residents presented the council with petitions against annexation, several people said.

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Murray agreed.

"Fix roads in Rupert first, then come and see me," Murray said.

Some people expressed concern that annexation would put too much strain on Rupert's water and sewer systems.

But Councilman Layne Rutschke has said the city's \$3.75 million dollar water project, which is near completion, and its \$2 million sewer project, will be able to serve people in the annexation area.

Resident Virgil Temple doesn't agree. He said the city of Rupert has always had problems with wells because of sands and clays. Temple was manager of A & B Irrigation District for many years and also worked as a well driller. He said wells in the proposed annexation area do not have a

problem with nitrates.

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# DOE chief seeks to assure Idaho on waste

BOISE (AP) — Energy Secretary Bill Richardson is assuring state leaders that the federal government will meet its obligations to ship plutonium-contaminated waste out of the state on time even though it has canceled an incinerator to process it.

Laboratory. He vowed to complete a revised waste treatment plan to process radioactive material tainted with other hazardous substances so it can be shipped to the government's permanent dump in New Mexico.

environmentally sound manner," Richardson said. Under a 1995 agreement negotiated by former-Gov. Phil Batt, the federal government must treat and remove 65,000 cubic meters of long-lived, low-level waste from Idaho by 2018. It must ship 15,000 drums of the waste and complete the treatment plant by the end of 2003.

They are going to have big problems on their hands," said H.D. Palmer, spokesman for Gov. Dirk Kempthorne. With the lawsuit settled, Energy officials hope to begin construction on the waste treatment plant as early as May. They estimated the cost of the remaining facilities at \$500 million. British Nuclear Fuels Ltd. has the construction and operations contract.

# Employees receive reprimand for viewing online pornography

BOISE (AP) — Two-and-a-half years after then-Gov. Phil Batt issued an order barring improper use of state-owned computers, managers are still struggling with the problem. Three employees at the Department of Lands have been disciplined for using their computers to view pornography. "The rules are being written now and they're being written the hard way," said Lands Director Stan Hamilton.

Hamilton would not identify the three, except to say they work in the Coeur d'Alene office and that each has been an employee for at least a decade. "There was more than a written reprimand and less than a dismissal," Hamilton said, declining to say whether the workers were docked pay for their computer dalliances. "They'd been good employees for years and I don't believe dismissal was warranted, but I took it very seriously."

# Citizens group revels in winning anti-nuclear battle

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Fresh off its victory over a radioactive waste incinerator in eastern Idaho, a group formed by western Wyoming residents will try to influence similar battles elsewhere. Free spearheaded the fight against the federal government's plans to build a \$1.2 billion incinerator at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

Department agreed to put the incinerator on hold to settle the legal challenge mounted over allegations that the technology would endanger lives and threaten Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks. "The magnitude of the victory cannot be overstated," said Tom Patricelli, executive director of Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free. "Not only have we stopped the INEL incinerator in its tracks, we've struck a blow against nuclear waste incineration nationwide."

Patricelli said Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free is now a "force to be reckoned with on the national scene." The incinerator was contemplated under Idaho's 1995 nuclear waste deal with the federal government to process an estimated 65,000 cubic meters of radioactive waste so it can be shipped out of Idaho to the federal government's underground dump in New Mexico by 2018. The government has said it will look for alternative technology

to process the waste so it can meet the deadline. Patricelli said the organization received more than \$150,000 in donations to fight the incinerator and would begin raising money for other efforts. "We will use this awesome victory as a foundation as we continue to pursue our larger mission of finding safe, long-term methods of nuclear waste treatment and disposal," said Berie Hirschfeld, president of Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free.

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# Comments from dam hearings spark concern

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. George Nethercutt said Tuesday he is worried the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will give too much weight to opinions voiced at public hearings in deciding whether to breach four Snake River dams.

The plan spells out four options for the Ice Harbor, Little Goose, Lower Monumental and Lower Granite dams: leave them alone, breach them, modify the dams to help fish, or increase barging and trucking of fish around the dams.

# Church settles child abuse case as date of trial nears

BECKLEY, W.Va. (AP) — Lawyers for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Raleigh General Hospital have agreed to settle a \$750,000 child abuse case out of court. The lawsuit accused the Mormon church of failing to report a case of child sexual abuse involving a church member in West Virginia.

to keep it secret. In addition to being a church official, Holt was Adams' employer. Other hospital employees also were told of the abuse, but no one reported it, the lawsuit said.

"This isn't a poll that we're taking out there," Nethercutt, R-Wash., told Brig. Gen. Carl Strock at an Appropriations energy and water development subcommittee hearing on the corps fiscal 2001 budget request. Strock, the Portland, Ore.-based commander of the corps' northwest division, acknowledges that most people who spoke at regional hearings support the idea of breaching federal dams to save salmon. But he told Nethercutt that corps officials will base their decision on scientific, economic and social factors — not heeded counts at public meetings.

Environmental activists packed many of the hearings and called for breaching the dams — removing earthen portion of the structures and allowing water to flow past the concrete remainder. Dam opponents outnumbered dam defenders by an average 3-to-1 ratio at the hearings, environmentalists say. But Nethercutt told reporters here the hearings were "a dog and pony show" and that local residents were not given precedence over environmentalists based in from outside the region.

The trial was scheduled to begin next week in Raleigh County Circuit Court. Raleigh County Circuit Judge H.L. Kirkpatrick on Monday said the hospital and the church informed him late last week they had settled with the plaintiff for an undisclosed amount of money. Terms of the agreement will be presented for Kirkpatrick's approval at a summary proceeding on April 6. James Adams, who is a Mormon, pleaded guilty in 1994 to 37 counts of sexually abusing his daughter and son. He was sentenced to 130 years in prison.

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**GOODING** — Recent activity in Fifth District Court in Gooding County included the following:

**Gooding County Arraignments and appearances**  
 Thomas L. Gaddis, 31, 720 Sawtooth Blvd., Buhl; driving without privileges; plead innocent; pretrial conference April 6; jury trial April 24; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Mital D. Holcomb, 15, 130-172 Roosevelt; Gooding driving without privileges; plead innocent; pretrial conference April 6; jury trial April 24; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Dustin L. McKeen, 19, 2847 S. 1900 E.; Wendell; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$1,000 bond; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Charles E. Nelson, 18, 282 Ramage; Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; providing false information; failure to appear at hearing; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

**Sentencings**  
 Jason Allen Mays, 21, 426 Wyoming St.; Gooding; malicious injury to property; plead guilty; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 350 public defender fee; 90 days in jail, suspended; 12 months' probation, supervised at discretion of probation officer; assault; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Marshall D. Smith, 58, 2576 S. 1050 S.; Hagerman; probation violation, driving without privileges; admits violation; extend probation six months; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

James Phillip Severson, 25, 245 Nevada St.; Apt. 1; Gooding; probation violation on assault on police officer; admits violation; serve remainder of sentence, credit for time previously served; disturbing the peace; dismissed.

possession of controlled substance; plead guilty; \$500 fine, \$400 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; 345 days in jail, suspended; 24 months' probation, supervised at discretion of probation officer; unlawful entry; plead guilty; \$300 fine, \$63.50 court costs; 180 days in jail, suspended; 24 months' unsupervised probation. Probation violation on malicious injury to property; serve remainder of sentence, credit for time served; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

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# Measure eyes public worker retirement issue

BOISE (AP) — The Senate on Tuesday gave final legislative approval to a package of public employee pension improvements that include creation of the equivalent of individual 401(k) retirement accounts.

The package, which now goes to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne who has said he will sign it, also includes a 4.3 percent increase in future pensions for current employees through a change in the benefit calculation formula.

"We have done our part to try to give some incentives to those who might prefer to make a stab at teaching or public service in hopes that we can keep those people," Sen. Denton Darrington, a retired school teacher, told his colleagues.

The Senate easily turned back attempts to torpedo the recom-



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mendations of a special panel that assessed the public pension plan situation last summer and recommended a compromise on proposals offered by a public employee coalition.

The coalition had urged adoption of two other changes in the pension formula — one that would have upped benefits a little more and the other offering earlier retirement at full benefits.

# Governor has revenue bill

BOISE (AP) — Legislation to reapportion future increases in sales tax receipts earmarked for local revenue sharing won final legislative approval, on Tuesday as even its advocates conceded it probably did not go far enough.

"But this is a reasonable approval," Sen. Mark Riggs, R-Coeur d'Alene, said.

The House-passed measure was forwarded to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on a 33-2 vote. Gary Schroeder of Moscow

joined fellow Republican Rick Branch of Midvale in opposing the bill to show his dissatisfaction with the measure's failure to do more to inject equity into the revenue-sharing formula.

There was little debate on the proposition that was rejected in the House by a 17-10 vote. It updates the more than 30-year-old formula while buffering relatively smaller, economically stagnant communities from dramatic financial consequences.

# Despite vets' worry, Medicaid decision stays

BOISE (AP) — Legislative budget writers reaffirmed their earlier decision to qualify the state's three veterans homes for federal Medicaid reimbursement on Tuesday over continuing objections from veterans groups.

"We are in no way moving the veterans back to Health and Welfare," House Appropriations Vice Chairman Maxine Bell of Jerome declared.

"Health and Welfare is the check book. In the veterans home, either the veterans use their check book or they use their check book. They are the health insurance carrier."

But in an attempt at compromise, the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee agreed to delay implementation of the transfer to Medicaid until Feb. 1 in what the majority said would be enough time for disgruntled veterans groups and state officials to work out the details that will make the arrangement acceptable.

Senate Finance Vice Chairman Dean Cameron of Rupert said the point was to "hold everyone's feet to the fire to make it work."

"It's important that everyone be forced to be at the table," Cameron said.

"There is a perception that Medicaid assistance is bad, that you are on the welfare roles and a veteran should not have to stoop to that."



Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne greets James Easley Monday at the Idaho State Veterans Home in Boise. Kempthorne signed into law later that day a bill removing veterans services from the Department of Health and Welfare and putting it under a citizen commission appointed by the governor, a move veterans generally applaud. A day later, budget writers made a decision that upset many veterans.

"But it does not mean that by making these homes Medicaid-eligible, we are somehow lessening our respect for them," he said.

But veterans spokesmen, who just a day earlier saw Gov. Dirk

Kempthorne sign legislation making the Division of Veterans Services independent of the Health and Welfare Department, were having none of it.

Independence for the division was intended to free veterans

from the welfare stigma, they said, and sticking with the decision to put the veterans homes in Boise, Pocatello and Lewiston under the state-federal health care program simply undermines that independence.

"That's a done deal," state Veterans-of-Foreign-Wars Commander T.C. Brock said. "It's not going to be acceptable. It's not going to work."

The Kempthorne administration proposed the shift to Medicaid as part of a larger plan to reduce the state's share of the escalating cost for the health care program.

Officials initially estimated that federal support for the care provided by the veterans homes would save the state \$2.5 million since it is paying 100 percent of that bill now.

In the past six weeks, however, those estimates have been scaled back dramatically as veteran opposition took shape. The savings now is put at no more than \$1.5 million and possibly as low as \$500,000.

Other problems with the cost-containment plan mean the state will likely run millions of dollars in the red on the Medicaid program — money that will have to be made up in emergency appropriations next winter. The Legislature also has approved a \$600,000 in-depth analysis of the program and ways to control future costs.

# LEGISLATIVE LOG

Completes for Tuesday

Signed by governor

- SB1131 (Finance) — Revises revenue sources for the Water Pollution Control Account.
- SB1461 (Transportation) — Increases the licensing fee for vehicles between 8,000 and 10,000 pounds.
- SB1588 (Finance) — Allocates \$7.2 million for 2001 operations of the state School for the Deaf and Blind.

Sent to governor

- HB484 (Revenue and Taxation) — Allows county commissions to ask the State Tax Commission for an extension of the five-year property reappraisal deadline.
- HB526 (Transportation and Defense) — Establishes a Lewis and Clark commemorative special license plate program.
- HB529 (Agricultural Affairs) — Establishes the Idaho OnePlan as a natural resource plan.
- HB566 (State Affairs) — Designates the huckleberry as the state fruit.
- HB573 (Health and Welfare) — Authorizes welfare assistance in drug-dependent persons under certain circumstances.
- HB604 (Health and Welfare) — Provides an exemption from the requirement to be a certified social worker in order to be a social services worker in certain health facilities.
- HB627 (Education) — Requires that a certified public school employee be 55 before Sept. 1 of the year they apply for early retirement.

Legislative action complete

- HB106 (Resources and Conservation) — Opposes congressional approval of the Northern Rockies Reopening Protection Act.
- HB107 (Resources and Conservation) — Opposes the Clinton administration's roadless plan.

Introduced in House

- HB106 (Appropriations) — Appropriates almost \$11.4 million to the State Controller for the budget year that begins July 1.
- HB282 (Appropriations) — Appropriates \$328,000 to the Board of Tax Appeals for the budget year that begins July 1.
- HB786 (Appropriations) — Appropriates more than \$21 million to the Military Division for the budget year that begins July 1.
- HB787 (Appropriations) — Appropriates more than \$2.8 million to the Department of Commerce for the budget year that begins July 1.
- HB788 (Appropriations) — Appropriates almost \$36.6 million to the Department of Environmental Quality for the budget year that begins July 1.
- HB799 (Appropriations) — Appropriates more than \$2.3 million to the Idaho Millennium Income Fund for the budget year that begins July 1.

Completes for Monday

Signed by governor

- HB437 (State Affairs) — Makes the Division of Veterans Services an independent agency.

Sent to governor

- SB1223 (Judiciary and Rules) — Extends domestic violence protections to minors involved in dating relationships.
- SB1200 (Transportation and Defense) — Gives the Tax Commission authority to coordinate agreements with other state jurisdictions in the International Fuel Tax Agreement.
- SB1224 (Newcomb) — Expands juvenile offender definition to include juveniles in community-based programs.
- SB1266 (Revenue and Taxation) — Provides third party protection in payment of assets pursuant to a tax warrant.
- SB1240 (Agricultural Affairs) — Requires licenses for seed dealers who condition or label or sell seed.
- SB1231 (Agricultural Affairs) — Requires only certified seed potatoes be offered for sale or delivered under contract in Idaho.
- SB1244 (Agricultural Affairs) — Increases bonding requirements for those involved in farm production.
- SB1272 (State Affairs) — Transfers the commercial affairs administrative fund balance to the general fund.
- SB1271 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Includes fleeing a work-site as a crime.
- SB1223 (Newcomb) — Expands the Commission on Juvenile Law to four members.
- SB1263 (State Affairs) — Modernizes Idaho's 1911 anti-trust law.
- SB1270 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Provides for removal of trustees in certain probate actions.
- SB1242 (Judiciary, Rules and Administration) — Limits the liability of employers for acts of former employees and employees on their off-hour.

Legislative action complete

- HB149 (Education) — Supports agreements made at the Idaho-Canada Summit.

Introduced in Senate

- SB1580 (State Affairs) — Replaces the ton-mile truck tax with an annual registration fee.
- SB1508 (State Affairs) — Sets up succession for President Pro Tem of the Senate.
- SB1664 (Finance) — Authorizes the Lava Hot Springs Foundation to use the State Building Authority to finance improvements at the Lava Hot Springs.
- SB1665 (State Affairs) — Directs the department of Health and Welfare and Insurance to assess the state of women's health care in Idaho.

Introduced in House

- HB1257 (Revenue and Taxation) — Authorizes an interim legislative study of community college financing.
- HB780 (Ways and Means) — Requires insurers to provide information needed in establishing Idaho's Individual Health Risk Reinsurance Pool.
- HB781 (Appropriations) — Makes an emergency appropriation of \$12,000 to the Board of Development.
- HB782 (Appropriations) — Makes an emergency appropriation of \$600,000 to the Legislative Council's Office of Performance Evaluations for a Medicaid study.
- HB783 (Appropriations) — Appropriates \$199,000 to the Department of Agriculture for implementation of the Beef Cattle Environment and Conservation Act in the budget year that begins July 1.

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## Grow stronger roots

Learning about where you came from is a fascinating process - and the results will give you a stronger sense of your roots.

Begin by interviewing your relatives, starting with the oldest, about your family history. Inquire about personalities, physical attributes, places of residence, maiden names, nationalities and war service. You can even tape-record or videotape your conversations.

There are excellent resources to help you locate family records. Web sites offer searchable databases, connections to other people who might be looking for the same information and general advice on doing genealogical research.

Three good sources: The National Genealogical Society ([www.ngs.org](http://www.ngs.org)); FamilySearch, sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints ([www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org)); and Ancestry.com ([www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com)). The National Archives, libraries, historical societies and religious institutions all maintain family records.

### CREATING A FAMILY-TREE DISPLAY

Start by creating a diagram of family connections called a pedigree chart: One entry branches out into two, each of which branch out into two more, and so on. Begin with your own name in the first entry and plot your lineage backward. If you would like to make a comprehensive pedigree chart, note birth, marriage and death dates, as well as the location of these events.

Next, decide between an ascendant or descendant display: Ascendant lineage begins with one person and moves backward through his or her parents, grandparents, great-grandparents and ancestors; descendant lineage begins with a single ancestor or couple and records their descendents.

For the projects described below, you may want to hire a calligrapher to write out the final version.

### TWIG TREE

Use a real branch to represent the branches of your family, with names written on paper "leaves," beginning with a single ancestor or married pair at the base of the branch.

Start with a rough sketch of family connections. Next, find a branch that already has many offshoots; it's easier to buy a bleached, barkless branch at a crafts store than to use one you find outdoors. You can cut off some twigs with a pruning saw and use a hot-glue gun to reattach them to other sections of your tree to match your family diagram.

Cut out small, simple leaves from sturdy paper, and write a name and, if desired, birth and death dates on each. Hot-glue leaves to the branch where your sketch indicates they should go. Indicate marriages with overlapping leaves, and place children's leaves further up.

Use hot glue to attach the tree to a board covered in fabric for a pretty background, and have the finished project mounted in a shadowbox frame.

### FAN CHART

This chart can exhibit both maternal and paternal ancestors, going back many generations (though it does not include siblings).

A fan-chart diagram starts with a circle in the bottom center of the page; this is for the name of the person preparing the chart. Above the circle, draw an arc-shaped line divided into two wedges for parents, and above that, another tier divided into four wedges for grandparents, then one divided into eight wedges for great-grandparents and so on.

You can find a simple template for a genealogy fan chart on my Web site at [www.marthastewart.com/fanchart](http://www.marthastewart.com/fanchart). Or you can purchase an heirloom-quality Genealogy Fan Chart from Martha by Mail (536; 800-950-7130, also available at [www.marthastewart.com](http://www.marthastewart.com)).

# Cooking in America

## Chinese immigrants reunite after chance meeting

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

**JEROME** - The story of the courtship of Andy and Anna Mei could be a movie. They were born and reared in the same small town in China, near Hong Kong. They knew each other as kids, lived in the same neighborhood, even went to school together - but they didn't pay much attention to each other while they were growing up. Both were focusing on going to America.

Most of Andy's family had already immigrated. He finished high school and attended a two-year cooking school in China. In 1982, he received word from his sister, who was living in California, that the paperwork was cleared for him to join the family in Oakland.

He came to the United States and honed his cooking skills working for an uncle in a restaurant in San Francisco's Chinatown.

Meanwhile, that same year, 1982, Anna immigrated to Twin Falls with her parents. An uncle owned the Peking Restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard, and her parents bought into the partnership. She helped out in the family restaurant for a couple of years. Then she went to work for an aunt who owned a restaurant in New York City.

About the same time, Andy was vacationing in New York, staying at an aunt's house.

One fateful afternoon, he was taking a stroll around the block, and Anna was coming home from work. They had traveled nearly 10,000 miles, halfway around the world from their little town in China, but there in the middle of New York City, they recognized each other.

"Hey, I know you!" he said. "Yeah. How has it been?" she answered. They caught up on old times, and the rest is history.



Andy Mei prepares a batch of Sesame Chicken at the Hometown Buffet in Jerome. Mei says the recipe is one of the most popular he makes.

*They had traveled nearly 10,000 miles, halfway around the world from their little town in China, but there in the middle of New York City, they recognized each other.*

They wrote letters and telephoned back and forth from New York to California. In 1986, they married and settled in California. In 1989, they moved to Twin Falls to help out at the Peking Restaurant. It took two years for them to save up enough money to open their own restaurant, China House in Shoshone. Then, on

Jan. 15, they opened Andy's Hometown Buffet on West Main Street in Jerome.

The story behind this dish concerns an emperor of China, who was mad because none of the food served was good enough. He was making life miserable for his subjects. General Tso made a special chicken dish to try to please the emperor. The emperor liked the dish so much that he stopped being mean to the people.

**GENERAL TSO'S CHICKEN**  
1 pound chicken (dark meat) cut into 3/4-inch cubes (if you use white meat, you have teriyaki chicken)  
1/2 cup water  
1/2 cup cornstarch  
Enough salad oil for frying.  
Heat salad oil to 350 degrees.

Mix the water and cornstarch together to make a breading mixture. Dip chicken into bread-ing mixture. Place carefully into the oil mixture so as not to splash. Fry till golden brown and crispy.

Meanwhile, mix together:  
2 cups water  
1 cup soy sauce  
1/2 cup hoisin sauce  
1/2 cup sugar  
Heat to a boil. Thicken with 2 tablespoons cornstarch mixed with 1/4 to 1/2 cup water. Then add to the boiling mixture. Add the chicken to the sauce and serve with rice or noodles.

**SESAME CHICKEN**  
1 cup soy sauce

2 cups water  
1 cup white vinegar  
2 1/2 cups sugar  
1 teaspoon garlic powder  
1 teaspoon cooking wine  
2 teaspoons sesame seeds  
2 drops red food coloring  
3 green onions chopped  
Mix together, bring to boiling and thicken with 2 tablespoons cornstarch mixed with 1/4 to 1/2 cup water.  
In the meantime:  
1 pound chicken breasts, cut into strips  
1/2 cup water  
1/2 cup corn starch  
Mix water and cornstarch to form a breading paste. Dip the chicken in the breading. Cook in salad oil heated to 350 degrees till golden brown and crispy. Serve chicken and sauce with rice or noodles.

## Serve up a classic Easter feast

### Meal can be simple, but delectable

Easter draws the family together in celebration - coloring eggs, filling baskets and sitting down to a delectable dinner. Make Easter memorable with simple, but classic menu choices. Set the table with cheerful spring colors. Scatter a cluster of Easter eggs and a handful of tulips or daffodils for accents.

#### DIJON MAPLE GLAZED HAM WITH APPLE CHUTNEY

Makes 12 to 18 servings  
1/2 cup Grey Poupon Dijon Mustard  
1/2 cup maple flavored syrup  
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves  
1/3 cup chopped red bell pepper  
1/3 cup water or apple juice  
1/4 cup sliced green onions  
1/4 cup dried currants  
1 large Washington Apples (Golden Delicious or Fuji), peeled, cored and chopped

1 (6-pound) bone-in fully cooked ham  
Blend mustard, syrup and cloves in small bowl; set aside. Heat red pepper, water or juice, green onions and currants in large saucepan to boil. Reduce heat to low; simmer for 3 to 4 minutes. Add 1/3 cup mustard mixture and apples; cook and stir 5 to 10 minutes or until apples are just tender. Refrigerate at least 1 hour or until serving time. Place ham in shallow roasting pan; cover with foil. Bake at 325 F for 1 1/2 to 2 hours or until meat thermometer inserted into the thickest part of ham reads 160 F. During last half hour of baking, remove foil and brush ham generously with remaining mustard mixture. Serve ham with apple chutney.

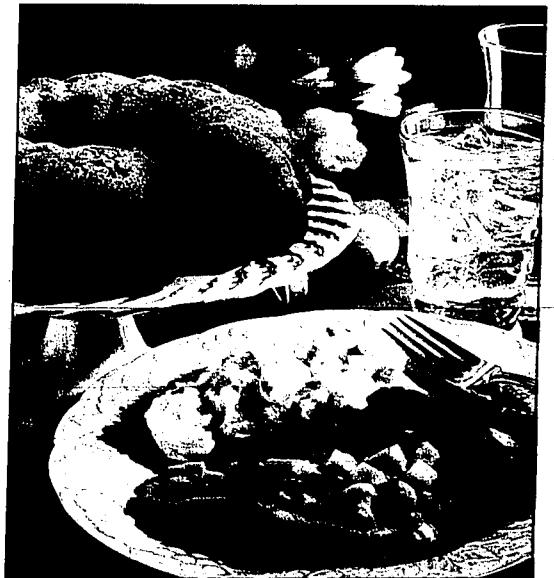
#### CHIVE MASHED POTATOES WITH FRESH CHEESE

Makes 8 servings  
2 1/2 pounds potatoes, peeled and cut into 1-inch cubes (about 8 medium)

1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, cut into 1-inch cubes, softened  
3/4 to 1 cup milk  
1/2 cup snipped fresh chives  
1 1/4 teaspoons salt  
1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper  
Boil potatoes, covered, in medium saucepan in 2 inches water for 10 to 12 minutes or until tender. Drain; return to pan.  
Mash potatoes with electric mixer or potato masher, gradually stirring in cream cheese until blended. Blend in milk, chives, salt and pepper. Stir gently over medium heat until heated through. Serve immediately.

#### FRESH APPLE EASTER CAKE

1/2 cup walnuts, chopped  
1 (18-ounce) package spice cake mix  
1 (4-serving size) package instant butter-cream or vanilla pudding and pie filling  
4 eggs  
1/2 cup vegetable oil  
1/2 cup cold water  
3 medium Washington Apples (Braeburn or Granny Smith) peeled, cored and coarsely chopped  
1 cup golden raisins, optional  
Powdered sugar  
Sprinkle walnuts in bottom of greased and floured 10-inch tube pan or 12-cup fluted tube pan; set aside. Mix cake mix, pudding mix, eggs, oil and water in large bowl with mixer at medium speed for 3 minutes or until well blended. Stir in apples and raisins if desired. Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake at 325 F for 55 to 65 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan for 15 minutes; invert onto rack and cool completely.  
Sprinkle with powdered sugar before serving.



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FOOD & HOME

# Is your life frazzled? Try adding indoor plants

The fern in the office corner may be ought to have the corner office: It's quite the worker, you know.



**GREEN THUMBPRINTS**  
**Cathy Walworth**

A new study at Washington State University shows that live indoor plants may increase worker productivity and reduce stress. They tested the theory by asking people to perform simple tasks on computers. One group worked in a room with plants, the other did not.

The plant-enhanced room's productivity increased 12 percent over the other group's. Somehow, the scientists figured out how to devise this test with a simple, but stressful, test.

The blood pressure for both test groups rose during the testing, but it rose only two points for people who tested with plants in

the room. Blood pressure raised, on average, four points for people who tested without plants.

And, the people who tested among the plants reported feeling 10 percent more attentive after the task than the "plant-less" respondents.

"Plants are not just fluff," said Virginia Lohr, a WSU horticulturist. "We have felt, and many people who work with plants intuitively believe, that having plants around us is vital to our well-being."

**DEAR CATHY:** How and when do I fertilize my bulb flowers? —**DAFFY OVER DAFFODILS**

**DEAR DAFFY:** When you think about this, it will make perfect sense to you. You've heard, I'm sure, that you're supposed to leave the leaves on the bulb plants after the flowering is all over so that the leaves can make food for the bulb — and we get to enjoy the whole show again next year. I have news. The first thing you should know is that a couple of years ago, the Dutch bulb-growers figured out that we don't have to leave those ugly, sloooooowly-browning leaves forever. After only three weeks, the leaves have fed that bulb all they're going to. They can simply be cut back then.

Now, to your question. We

know that the bulb wants food after flowering, and the leaves are supposed to provide it. You can give your bulbs a boost with liquid fertilizer, such as Peter's 20-20-20 during that time. Just mix up a watering can of the liquid fertilizer and sprinkle it on once or twice during that three-week period. Your bulbs will thank you.

**TIP OF THE WEEK:** If you're getting ready to plant a balled-and-burlapped or container-grown tree, here are some tips:

- Remember to handle the tree gently.
- Keep the root ball moist until you're ready to set it in the ground.
- Dig the hole for the tree only as deep as the root ball. Planting too deep may deprive the roots of

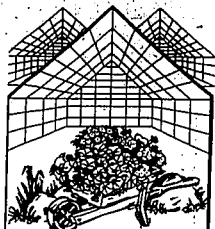
the air, water and nutrients they need to develop. The hole should be at least twice as wide as the diameter of the root ball.

• After you put the tree in the hole, backfill with the same soil you excavated.

• When you've filled the hole about two-thirds of the way up, add water until it fills the hole. The water will help the roots stay moist and settle the soil around them.

After the water has soaked in, you can finish filling the hole with soil. Water again. Add mulch (at least six inches away from the trunk for proper air circulation).

What's bugging your garden? Write to Cathy in care of this newspaper, or e-mail her at: [cawtwo@cyberhighway.net](mailto:cawtwo@cyberhighway.net)



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# Chicago-style pizza can quickly change loyalties

The 'deep dish' can weigh four pounds

By William Rice  
Chicago Tribune

Common wisdom has it that people prefer the pizza of their childhoods. Yet for many who live in Chicago, the "deep dish" or "Chicago-style" pizza is a revelation that can change loyalties very quickly.

Weighing in at up to 4 pounds, this culinary colossus is housed in a crust 2 inches tall and 12 to 14 inches in diameter. An aggressively-herbed tomato sauce is spread atop slabs of Italian sausage in a lava-like blanket of molten cheese.

A throwback to an era when those who wore Bears' uniforms were known as the Monsters of the Midway, its fame has spread far beyond Chicago.

This is an homage to the original deep dish pizza. This dough produces a pizza crust that is not bread. Very little yeast is used, and once the dough is in the pan, it should sit for 20 minutes before the filling is added to achieve a pastry-like flakiness. Substitute 3/4 cup of a commercial marinara sauce for the tomato sauce recipe, if desired.

**DEEP DISH SAUSAGE PIZZA**

Yield: 4 servings

Dough:

1/2 teaspoon active dry yeast

1 1/2 cups plus 3 tablespoons flour

3/4 cup warm water (105-115 degrees)

1/4 cup yellow cornmeal

3/4 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon sugar

1 tablespoon olive oil

Filling:

1/2 pound mild Italian sausage, casing removed

1/2 cup each: chopped onion, chopped green pepper

2 cups shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese

Tomato sauce:

3/4 cup canned crushed tomatoes with puree

1/2 teaspoon each: oregano, grated Parmesan cheese

1/4 teaspoon each: garlic powder, salt

1/8 teaspoon freshly ground pepper

Topping:

2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese

Whisk together yeast, 1/4 cup of the flour and 1/4 cup of the water until smooth in small bowl. Set aside 20 minutes. Combine remaining flour, cornmeal and

salt in small bowl; set aside. Combine remaining 1/2 cup water with sugar and oil in bowl of electric mixer using dough hook attachment (or mix with wooden spoon in large mixing bowl). Add yeast mixture and about 1/2 cup of the flour-cornmeal mixture at a time; mix about 3 minutes or until dough clings to hook and cleans sides of bowl. Knead another 2 minutes. (Or knead by hand on floured surface until soft and elastic, but still slightly sticky, about 10 minutes.) Place dough in lightly oiled bowl, turn dough to oil top; cover with plastic wrap. Let rise at room temperature until double in size, about 2 hours. Punch dough down. Roll out on lightly floured surface. Place dough in greased 8-inch round and 2-inch deep pizza or cake pan, pressing dough into bottom and against pan sides. Set aside 20 minutes. Heat oven to 500 degrees. For filling, add sausage to medium skillet over medium heat; cook, stirring occasionally, breaking up into small pieces, 3 minutes. Add onion and bell pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally until meat is browned and vegetables are soft, about 7 minutes. Turn mixture into colander set over bowl to drain fat. Allow to cool. Stir in mozzarella cheese; set aside.

degrees; bake 25 minutes, until browned. Run spatula around crust to release it from pan sides. Place whole pizza onto cutting board; cool 5 minutes. Cut into quarters.

This is the Paterno-Terlato family recipe for the original pan pizza served at the Grand and Western Pizzeria in the 1930s. You may substitute a bottled marinara sauce for the crushed tomatoes.

**PATERNO'S PAN PIZZA**

Yield: 6 servings

Dough:

1 teaspoon sugar

1 envelope (1/4 ounce) active dry yeast

1 cup warm water (105-115 degrees)

1 tablespoon butter, melted

1 teaspoon salt

2 1/4 cups plus 2 tablespoons flour

Topping:

1 1/2 cups canned crushed tomatoes with added puree

12 slices (9 ounces) mozzarella cheese

2 ounces pepperoni, thinly sliced, or roasted red peppers, thinly sliced

1/4 cup sliced black olives

1 1/2 teaspoons dried oregano

Freshly ground pepper

1/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese

2 tablespoons olive oil

Dissolve sugar and yeast in water in bowl of electric mixer. Let sit until creamy and small bubbles form, about 10 minutes. Add butter, salt and 1 cup of the flour. Mix on low speed with dough hook attachment until combined. Add remaining flour, about 1/2 cup at a time; mix about 2 minutes or until dough clings to hook and cleans sides of bowl. Knead 2 minutes longer. (Or knead by hand on floured surface until soft and elastic, but still slightly sticky, about 10 minutes.) Place dough in lightly oiled bowl, turn dough to oil top; cover with plastic wrap. Let rise at room temperature until double in size, about 1 1/2 hours. Punch dough down; cover with plastic wrap; let rest 5 minutes.

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Stretch and press dough into greased 17-by-12-inch baking sheet. Prick dough with fork. Spread crushed tomatoes over dough. Top with mozzarella cheese. Add pepperoni and olives. Sprinkle with oregano, pepper and Parmesan. Drizzle olive oil over top. Bake on lowest rack until browned, about 35 minutes.

Turn oven off and slide pizza off pan, setting it directly on oven rack. Leave in oven 5 minutes. Remove to cutting board; cut into squares.

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Stretch and press dough into greased 17-by-12-inch baking sheet. Prick dough with fork. Spread crushed tomatoes over dough. Top with mozzarella cheese. Add pepperoni and olives. Sprinkle with oregano, pepper and Parmesan. Drizzle olive oil over top. Bake on lowest rack until browned, about 35 minutes.

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Household expenses rise in U.S.

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Paying your way: A study finds that Americans expect to spend \$15,210 this year on household expenses - up from \$14,917 last year. The American Express sur-

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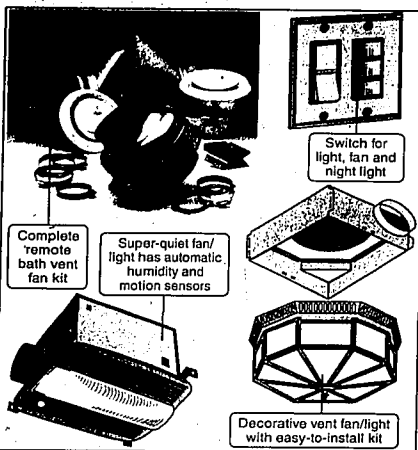
Bathroom vent fans put damper on noise

DEAR JIM: I know it is important to run our bathroom vent fan, but I seldom switch it on because it is so noisy. We are remodeling our bathroom now. What are the best new vent fans and what size is best?

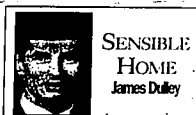
-KATHY J.  
DEAR KATHY: Running a bathroom vent fan is important for indoor air quality (moisture, odors, allergies) and to keep your utility bills low. Even if your bathroom has a window that you can open, running a vent fan is more efficient. It provides better control over the ventilation and energy loss.

Consider installing a super-quiet combo vent fan/light. The most quiet, premium models are also usually the most decorative, full-featured models. Look for beveled or frosted glass and polished metal with real oak trim. The vent air inlets are hidden in the decorative trim. For the greatest convenience and efficiency, select one of the many models with automatic humidity and motion sensors, plus a night light. Some new models use efficient compact fluorescent bulbs that last 10 years or more.

1. The humidity sensor runs the bath vent fan only as long as necessary. It quickly clears excess moisture and then shuts off to save electricity. It also does not suck excessive air (attenuated or cooled) out of your house. A motion sensor and night light are a great plus. The 7-watt night light uses very little electricity and is adequate brightness at night. The motion sensor for the bright light is ideal for children who tend to forget to switch off the light. There is also a switch to override the sensors. When shopping, many vent fans will look similar. Compare the sound level ratings (in sones). Some small quiet models are under 1.0 sone (like a quiet whisper). The sound level usually increases with greater air flow



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very quiet. A single powerful remote vent fan can vent two bathrooms with a separate duct to each bathroom ceiling. For effective ventilation of one bathroom, install two air inlets (one over the lavatory and one in the shower).

As a rule of thumb, the air flow capacity (in cubic feet per minute - cfm) of a bathroom vent fan should be about 10 percent greater than the square footage of the bathroom. A 50-square-foot bathroom needs a 55 cfm vent fan.

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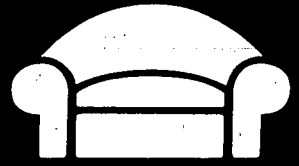
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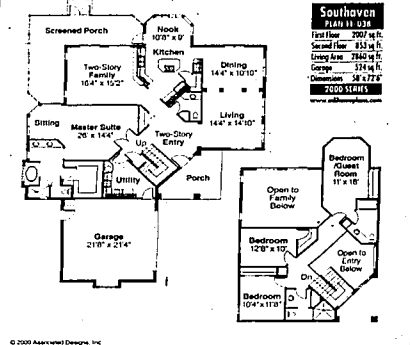


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## Southaven fills needs of the modern family

High arched windows echo the lines of the Southaven's dramatic arched portico, giving this contemporary Mediterranean-style home an air of graceful elegance. Some of that elegance spills over into the interior, especially in the living room, dining room and master suite. But the rest of the home is clearly designed to fill the needs of a busy, informal modern family.

The spacious kitchen/family room comfortably handles day-to-day living activities. An eating bar long enough to accommodate five or six stools partially separates the two areas.

Range and oven are located in a large work island that adds counter space, and a step-in pantry increases storage capacity. A sunny bayed nook faces the rear, providing an ideal vantage point for keeping an eye on a backyard pool, if the owner so desires. The long wrap-around screened porch is accessible from both the family room and the nook.

Ceilings in the entry and fami-

ly room are a lofty two stories high, while 12-foot ceilings enhance the feeling of spaciousness in the living room and dining room. Columns support a high plant shelf that defines the two areas. On the second level, an open balcony spans the passageway between entry and family room, offering over-looks in both directions.

Features in the Southaven's sumptuous owners' suite include a bayed sitting area, huge walk-in closet, enclosed water closet, dual vanity and a tub brightened by glass blocks. Two additional bedrooms and a guest suite with private bath are upstairs.

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## Amish bread is a long-term friendship

By Ellen Hawks  
The Baltimore Sun

People always seem to be looking for a recipe for Amish Friendship Bread. Faith Debes of Fallston, Md., said you have to plan to make this bread in advance because the yeast starter needs to be made five to seven days ahead of time. She found the recipe in "New Recipes From Quilt Country," by Marcia Adams.

### AMISH FRIENDSHIP BREAD

Makes two 15-inch loaves  
Starter (see note)  
1 package active dry yeast  
1 cup warm water  
1 cup buttermilk, at room temperature

1 cup bread flour  
1 tablespoon sugar  
Sponge  
1 cup sourdough starter  
1 1/2 cups lukewarm water  
2 cups bread flour (see note)  
Bread Dough  
2 tablespoons vegetable oil  
1 tablespoon sugar  
2 teaspoons salt  
3 1/2 cups bread flour  
1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
2 tablespoons butter, at room temperature, plus additional for greasing baking sheets and rubbing on finished bread  
Additional Ingredient  
Cornmeal for coating baking sheet

Make the starter: Dissolve the yeast in warm water in a warmed glass bowl. (You can warm the bowl by filling it with hot water for 1 to 2 minutes.) Whisk in the remaining ingredients and combine until smooth. Cover loosely with plastic wrap or cheesecloth. Allow the mixture to stand, at room temperature, for 5 to 7 days or until the mixture is bubbly and has a sour aroma. A clear liquid will form on the top of the starter 6 to 12 hours after the original mixing, which is fine. Stir it into the mixture every day with a fork. After the starter has become sour, cover and refrigerate until needed.

Make the sponge: Measure out the cup of starter and transfer to a large bowl; allow it to come to room temperature. Add the lukewarm water, then whisk in the flour until smooth. Cover loosely with plastic wrap or cheesecloth and let stand at room temperature for 1 to 2

days. The longer you leave it, the more biting and sour the flavor of the bread will be.

Make the dough: To the sponge, add the oil, sugar and salt, and mix well. In a small bowl, combine 1 cup of the flour with the baking soda; add gradually to the sponge mixture. Continue to mix, adding the remaining flour 1/2 cup at a time. The dough will be soft, springy and not sticky when enough flour is added; your dough may take a bit more or less flour.

Add the dough-hook attachment to an electric mixer and knead the dough (or do so by hand) for 10 minutes. Butter the top of the dough, cover with plastic wrap and allow the dough to rise for 1 hour, or until doubled, in a warm, draft-free place.

Punch the dough down firmly and divide in half. Transfer one half to a floured surface and roll out to a 12-inch-by-15-inch rectangle.

Roll up the dough tightly, starting from the longest side. Seal the sides and ends by pinching the dough firmly together with your fingers. Pat and form into a smooth roll and transfer to a greased baking sheet that has been coated liberally with cornmeal. Repeat with the remaining dough, placing the second loaf on a second sheet. Cover, and allow the loaves to rise for about 40 minutes, or until doubled, in a warm, draft-free place. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees.

With a sharp knife, lightly score the top of each loaf with 4 diagonal cuts. Bake for about 40 minutes, or until an instant-read thermometer registers 200 degrees. Remove the loaves to a rack to cool and rub with softened butter. Slice thickly and serve.

NOTE: For every cup of starter you use, add 3/4 cup bread flour and 3/4 cup liquid (buttermilk, milk or water) to the starter. If the starter is not used for more than 2 weeks, scoop out and discard 1 cup and feed the starter again with 3/4 cup bread flour and 3/4 cup liquid.

The author of the recipe prefers to substitute 1 cup whole-wheat flour for 1 cup of the bread flour for a bit more texture and flavor. boil, cover, lower heat to medium and simmer and 15 minutes. (If pan becomes dry, add 1/4 cup more chicken broth.) Add peas and dill and cook another minute or two, until potatoes are cooked through. Add second teaspoon olive oil, salt and pepper to taste. Toss well. Makes 2 servings.

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## Prepare salmon using this easy recipe

By Linda Gassenheimer  
Knight Rider News Service

Fish tonight? It's easy with this recipe for glazed salmon. Complete this meal with a ready-to-eat green salad.

**GLAZED SALMON**  
Vegetable oil spray  
3/4 pound fresh salmon fillet  
1/4 cup good quality balsamic vinegar

1 tablespoon Dijon mustard  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Heat a medium-size nonstick skillet and spray with vegetable oil spray. Rinse salmon and pat dry with paper towel. Brown salmon for 3 minutes on high, turn and brown for another 3 minutes. Transfer salmon to plate; add vinegar to skillet

and cook on high heat until about half the amount remains, about 3 minutes. Lower heat. Add mustard and mix well to make a smooth glaze. Salt and pepper salmon, return salmon to skillet and cook 1 minute. Turn to coat both sides with the glaze and cook another minute or two, until cooked through. Divide salmon into two portions and place on individual plates. Spoon any remaining glaze on top. Makes 2 servings.

### BRAISED DILLED POTATOES AND PEAS

1 pound red potatoes  
2 teaspoons olive oil, divided use  
1/2 cup fat free, low-salt chicken broth  
1 cup frozen tiny peas  
2 tablespoons chopped fresh dill (or 2 teaspoons dried)

Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Wash potatoes and cut into 2-inch pieces. On high heat, heat 1 teaspoon olive oil in a non-stick sauce pan large enough to hold potatoes in one layer. Add potatoes and saut 1 minute. Add chicken broth, bring to a

boil, cover, lower heat to medium and simmer and 15 minutes. (If pan becomes dry, add 1/4 cup more chicken broth.) Add peas and dill and cook another minute or two, until potatoes are cooked through. Add second teaspoon olive oil, salt and pepper to taste. Toss well. Makes 2 servings.

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As competition heats up on college basketball courts across the country, many Americans are spending more time eating together in front of the TV. A recent national survey shows that each of the four college basketball regions has top picks, not just among teams but also among favorite fruits and vegetables.

As you plan your March Madness game-time munchies, the National Cancer Institute's "Five a Day for Better Health" program encourages you to fire up your friends and family with your region's favorite fruits and vegetables.

The race for favorite vegetable was tight between the Northeast and West. The Northeast edged out the West, with 47 percent of those surveyed claiming broccoli as a favorite, as opposed to 46 percent in the West. Carrots were a big winner in the West. And leafy greens held a fancy in the South, with 26 percent pointing out collard and other greens as a top choice. Meanwhile, the Midwest would not be creamed - a leading 44 percent chose corn.

Among fruit, the Cinderella story was the mango, a big favorite in the West. In the Midwest, respondents favored strawberries, and 50 percent of southerners chose the orange as their champion. In the Northeast, the king of the Big Apple, 60 percent named apples as a favorite.

In addition to the accompanying regional Five a Day recipes for game days, [www.5aday.gov](http://www.5aday.gov) has more recipes and tips.

### FULL COURT PRESS WESTERN ROASTED CARROT SOUP

- 2 pounds carrots
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 5 cloves garlic, unpeeled
- 6 cups fat-free milk
- 2 cups fat-free, sodium-free chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh herbs, such as basil, thyme, sage, oregano
- 1 teaspoon salt and pepper

Optional: More chopped fresh herbs for garnish

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Slice carrots into 1-inch chunks and put them in a medium-sized glass or metal roasting pan. Toss them with olive oil, cover and roast in oven for 45 minutes. Uncover and roast for 30 minutes more, until soft and caramelized. Meanwhile, wrap garlic cloves in foil and roast in the same oven for 20 minutes, until soft. Let cool and then peel. Remove carrots from oven and combine carrots, garlic, milk and chicken broth in a blender, working in batches since the blender will not be large enough for all ingredients at the same time. Once done, reheat the puree in a large pot, adding herbs and stirring well. Add salt and pepper to taste and garnish with more fresh herbs.

### NORTHEAST CREAM-THAT-BROCCOLI SOUP

- 3 medium brown russet potatoes
- 1 1/2 pounds fresh broccoli
- 3 1/2 cups fat-free, low-sodium chicken broth
- 5 cloves garlic
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 3/4 teaspoon salt and pepper

Optional: 1/2 cup grated low-sodium Parmesan cheese for garnish

Fill a large pot with 6 cups of water and bring to a boil. Meanwhile, quarter the potatoes, leaving skin on, and add them to the pot of boiling water. Cook for 20 to 25 minutes or until potatoes are very soft.

Meanwhile, remove any tough ends from the broccoli. Chop the broccoli into bite-sized pieces and steam for 5 to 7 minutes, using a steam insert that can go in the large pot of potatoes. Peel and mince the garlic and heat the oil in a small pan on medium heat. Gently saute the garlic for 3 to 4 minutes, until soft and light brown.

Drain the potatoes. Blend the potatoes and broccoli with the chicken broth in a blender, working in batches since the blender will not be large enough for all ingredients at the same time. Once

### Slam dunk

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Put baby carrots about 30 to 35 minutes. Serve with onion or beef. **GREEN BEAN DIP** 1/2 cup olive oil, 1/2 cup carrots, cauliflower, red and green bell pepper. Blanch them first to make them extra colorful. To blanch vegetables, submerge them in boiling water for 1 to 2 minutes. **Baked blue or yellow tortilla chips.** **Pita wedges**

### MAN-TO-MAN ONION DIP

Combine 1 cup low-fat cottage cheese and 2 teaspoons lemon juice and blend in the blender. Add 1/4 cup finely chopped scallions and stir. For dipping, provide each person with 1/2 cup of blanched vegetables.

### FABULOUS 5-LAYER DIP

Using a 13-by-9-by-2 glass baking dish or pan, layer the following five ingredients in this order: 1 (16-ounce) can non-fat refried beans, 1 1/2 mashed avocados sprinkled with lime juice, 1 1/2 cups non-fat sour cream, 3 tablespoons drained, chopped mild green chili peppers and 8 diced plum tomatoes. Dig in with baked tortilla chips.

- NCI Cancer Information Service

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- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, diced
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 8-ounce package 97 percent fat-free, low-sodium, thick-sliced ham, sliced into thin strips
- 6 cups water
- 12 ounces quick-cooking, refrigerated black-eyed peas (find them in the produce section)
- 1/2 pound collard greens (about 6 cups packed)

Heat oil in a large pot. Add onion, black pepper and ham and

sauté for 8 to 10 minutes on medium heat, until onion is golden brown. Meanwhile, rinse collard greens and remove stems; bunch them and cut them into thin strips. Add water to onion and ham, turn heat to medium high, and bring to a boil (a light broth should develop). Add black-eyed peas, turn heat to medium and continue cooking at a gentle boil for 6 minutes.

Add collard green strips, cover and continue boiling for 7 more minutes. Add a pinch of salt and pepper, if desired, and serve with cornbread.

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FOOD & HOME

# Make spring cleaning delightful

By Elizabeth Largo,  
The Baltimore Sun

Things we love about spring: Everything seems fresh and new. Buds appear on bare branches. The light is different, almost shimmering with expectancy.

What we don't love about spring: It's a time for cleaning. But even the most tedious chores can be made more palatable if you intersperse them with small springtime treats.

1. Paint a room - or several - in beautiful spring color like celadon or pale yellow.
2. Wash your windows till they sparkle, even if you don't have time to do the vacuuming. Use a squeegee and a tablespoon of dishwasher detergent per bucket of cool water.

3. Change "room jewelry," says Dylan Landis, author of the "Elegant and Easy Rooms" - switch plants, lamp finials, dresser knobs.
4. Clean off the deck. Wash with water and a little bleach to kill mildew, rinse thoroughly.
5. "Get rid of all the losers in your garden," says floral designer Andrea Steiff. "Life's too short to have ugly plants!"
6. Take down your heavy draperies and have them cleaned. Don't put them back up until fall.
7. Just for the fun of it, spend an hour or two dyeing eggs with old kids - in pastel shades, perhaps, or deep jewel tones. Place the "adult" eggs in a beautiful bowl and use them as a centerpiece.
8. Paint wooden outdoor furniture a bright color, such as

- chrome yellow or apple green; have pillows covered in a coordinating print.
9. Roll up your carpets and put down sisal for the spring and summer months. Or just enjoy the bare, cool floors.
  10. Clean out the fireplace and put something decorative in front of it, like a small screen.
  11. Turn and rotate your mattresses.
  12. Redo a powder room if you want to make a decorating change but don't have the money or time to tackle a larger room.
  13. Pick one drawer or one closet and eliminate the clutter.
  14. Have white slipcovers made for your upholstered furniture.
  15. "Put up something gauzy," says Marion McEvoy, editor-in-chief of Elle Decor. "You can find (sheer curtains) in catalogs."

16. Consider investing in a glider for the back yard, suggests Joan Lowe of Lawrik Interiors in Annapolis.
17. Clear off your mantel completely and put something there that says spring: branches of forsythia or pussy willow in a clear vase, a collection of found objects from nature walks.
18. In the bedroom, get rid of throws and fur, says McEvoy. If you used colored or paisley sheets in the winter, switch to white, pearly colors, icy blue or gray.
19. Use glass or silver vases for spring arrangements.
20. Plant a window box, suggests McEvoy. "It's fabulous to have a little garden growing outside your window. Ask the nursery for plants that don't need a lot of maintenance."

# Consider the lowly crock pot

By Linda H. Lamb  
Knight Ridder News Service

The slow cooker represents a brilliant combination of efficiency and sloth. You combine some ingredients prepared the night before, even throw them in the pot and turn it on. Eight or 10 hours later, you eat.

Questionable cuts of meat you got on sale cook slowly to tender perfection. Flavors blend nicely; most vegetables are done just right. You can supplement the meal with something from a bakery or deli department.

Warning: winter entries are a natural for the crock pot, but it's also handy in summer when you don't want to heat up your whole kitchen.

This is an adaptation of Italian cuisine expert Margalo Hazan's wonderful pollo al limone (lemon-stuffed chicken). Hazan likes a saute of zucchini and onions with this; you could add a salad, pasta or garlic bread.

- POLLO AL CROCK POT**  
5 servings  
1 whole chicken, 3 1/2-4 pounds.  
Salt and pepper  
2-3 lemons  
Rinse chicken and pat dry; sprinkle with salt and pepper. Quarter lemons lengthwise and stuff them into cavity of chicken. Place in crock pot; cover and cook 6-8 hours on low. Remove carefully.

Flank steak is a more economical cut that benefits from slow cooking. Serve with a vegetable or salad and a baked potato.

- FLANK STEAK WITH GRAVY**  
6 servings  
1 flank steak, about 3 pounds.  
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup  
1 packet onion soup mix  
Combine soups along with 1 soup can full of water. Put a couple of spoonfuls in bottom of

slow cooker. Rub flank steak with fresh pepper and roll it up loosely so it fits in crock pot. Cover with rest of soup mixture. Cook 8-10 hours on low.

**NOTE:** You may prepare stuffing (scratch or a mix like Stovetop) and shape flank steak around it. Slice to serve, with stuffing in the middle, and spoon gravy over top.

-Adapted from "Crockery Cookery."

- CHICKEN CHOP SUEY**  
4-6 servings  
2 whole chicken breasts, skinned, halved and boned  
1 teaspoon salt  
2 teaspoon minced crystallized ginger  
1 cup sliced celery  
1 5-ounce can water chestnuts, drained and sliced  
1 onion, sliced  
2 cups chicken broth  
2 tablespoons soy sauce  
1 cup sliced mushrooms  
1 1-pound can bean sprouts, drained  
1/2 cup slivered almonds  
Cut chicken into strips about 2 inches long and 1/2-inch thick. Place in slow cooker with salt, ginger, celery, water chestnuts, onion, broth and soy sauce. Cover and cook on low 5-6 hours. Turn control to high. Add mushrooms and bean sprouts. Cover; cook 15 minutes more. Sprinkle with slivered almonds when serving.  
Serve over rice, with extra soy sauce if desired.  
-From "Crockery Cookery."

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FOOD & HOME

# Oh, the succulence of strawberries

Berries burst with the taste of spring

By Cathy Thomas  
The Orange County Register

M-m-mmm, the succulent sweetness of strawberries. They are the quintessential taste of spring.

Choose brightly colored, plump berries that still have their perky green caps attached. They should have a potent strawberry fragrance; those without it generally aren't fully ripe and won't ripen after being picked.

Avoid soft, shriveled or moldy berries. Wash berries just before using. Hull them just before using. Hull them just before using. Store them, unwashed, in a large container with a dry paper towel placed at the bottom. Separate the berries by layering them with paper towels to maximize freshness, and refrigerate. Allow them to come to room temperature before serving.

Here are some easy ways to use fresh strawberries.

- "Berrific" Hot Fudge

**Sundaes:** Strawberries are delectable ladled over angel food cake, rice pudding or creme brulee. But ice cream is one of my all-time favorites. Heat your favorite hot fudge sauce, spicing it with a little rum, if you like. Then spoon sliced strawberries and sliced bananas over servings of rich vanilla or chocolate chip ice cream, then top with hot fudge sauce. If desired, top with toasted almonds.

• **Strawberry Smart Tart:** Here's a tart that doesn't take much time or work. Wash and hull 1 1/2 pints of strawberries 30 minutes in advance and allow them to drain on paper towels, hulled-side down, while you prepare the crust. Bake a 9- or 10-inch pie crust, cool completely. Place 1 1/2 cups prepared lemon curd (usually stocked with jams and jellies or in the "gourmet" section in the supermarket) in crust, spreading it out to make an even layer. Top with strawberries, pointed side up. Covered with sweetened whipped cream, either piped from a pastry bag fitted with a fluted tip or dropped in spoonfuls.

• **Double Dippers:** It's hard to

beat chocolate-dipped, long-stemmed strawberries for a spectacular finish to a meal. I like to use coating chocolate, because the chocolate hardens without having to refrigerate the dipped berries. Often it's sold in supermarkets in small containers next to the berries or in craft shops. Melt it over gentle heat or microwave it according to package directions. You don't want it hot, just melted, so stir it frequently during the melting process. Holding the green leaves, dip berries, allowing excess chocolate to drip off. Place on waxed-paper lined baking sheets. Immediately top with chocolate "sprinkles."

• **Strawberry Smoothies:** This is a fruit-filled liquid treat from the blender that's luscious any time of day. For best results, use a frozen banana. To freeze bananas, peel and place in heavy zipper-style plastic bag in freezer. You can freeze several at a time if you wish. To make a smoothie, place 1/2 cup orange juice in blender. Add about 1/2 cup hulled and halved strawberries and 1 frozen banana (sliced). Blend until smooth.

# New rules call for cleaner garden tools

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Clean and green: Green thumbs, take note: The federal Environmental Protection Agency has issued new pollu-

tion control standards for newly purchased hand-held garden tools such as chain saws and trimmers, saying the rules eventually will keep 350,000 tons of chemicals out of the air.

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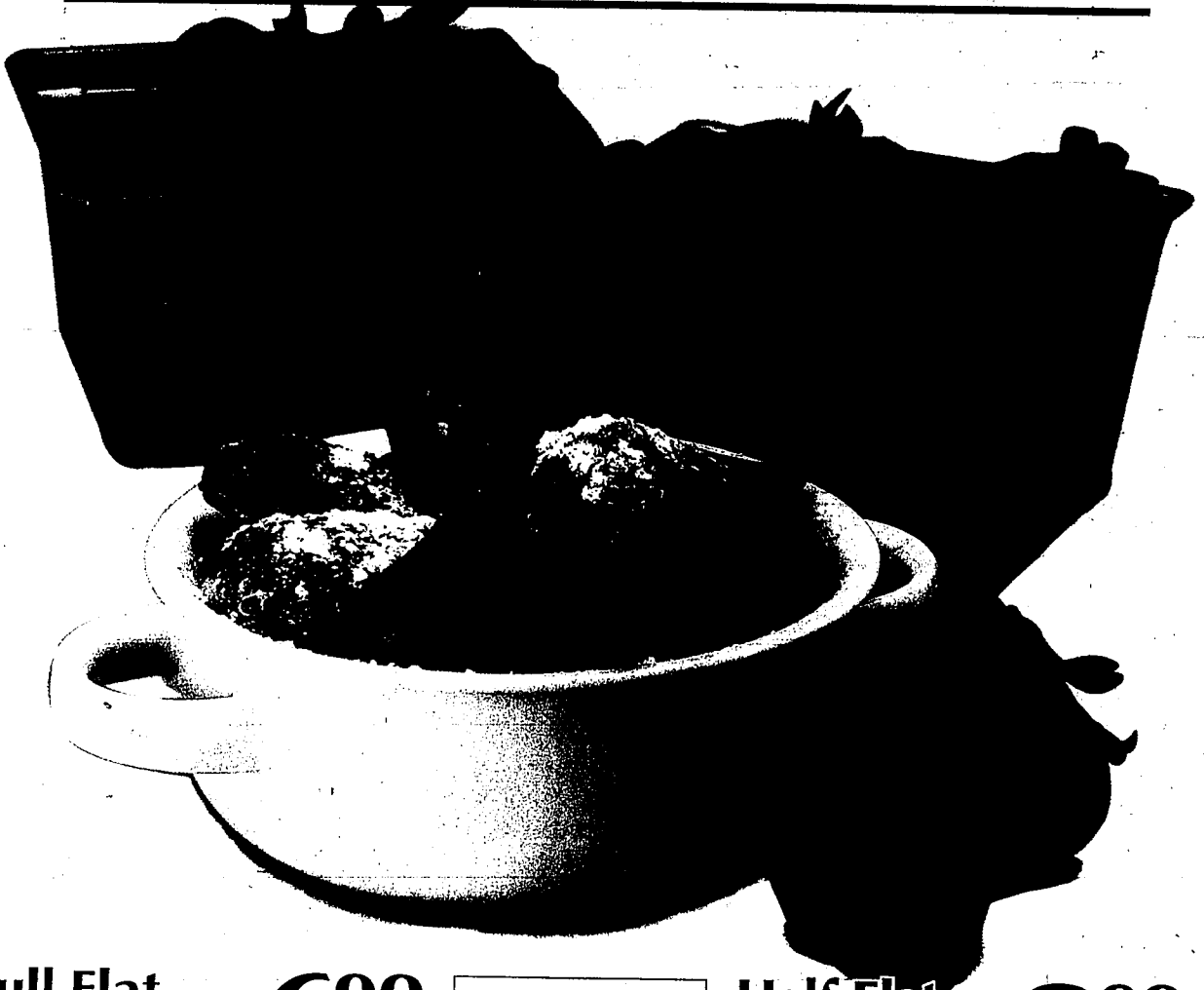
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### SPORTSQUOTE

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”  
— Richard Williams, father of pro tennis players Serena, 18, and Venus, 19, urging his children to retire young.

### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

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Wood River at Minico, 3:30 p.m.  
**High school track**  
Duck at Firth, 3 p.m.

### IN BRIEF

#### Softball, baseball camps kick off

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Bruins will hold softball and baseball camps starting today at Twin Falls High School. The softball camp is for girls in grades 3-8, and runs today through Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day at the softball field. Cost for the camp is \$35, which includes a T-shirt, lunch the last day and admission to the Mountain Home game at noon Saturday. Camp flyers can be obtained at Donnelly's Sports. For more information, call Nick Baumert at 733-4978. The baseball clinic is for 11-to-15-year-olds and runs today and Thursday at Bruin Field. Planned are three one-hour sessions on pitching, hitting and defense taught by the high school staff and players. Registration is from 9-10 a.m., and the clinics run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$10 per session, which includes a T-shirt. For more information, call Mike Federico at 736-8310.

#### Saturday is deadline for Jerome soccer

**JEROME** — The registration deadline is this Saturday for Jerome Recreation District spring soccer. The Rec office will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday to accommodate final sign-ups. Coaches and officials are also still needed for the league, which features a fee of just \$7. Also, April 8 is the last day to sign up for softball, baseball, tee-ball and kindergarten tee-ball. The Rec office will be open that Saturday, April 8 for registration as well.

#### All-Star baseball tryouts slated for Rupert

**RUPERT** — Tryouts for Rupert Boys' All-Stars Baseball will be held Friday, April 14 at 5:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 15 at 10 a.m. at Big Valley Park. Boys ages 9-12 are eligible. Parents must accompany their sons to the tryouts in order to sign a release form and contract. A photograph of each player's birth certificate must also be supplied. For more information, call Grant Killoy at 436-1331 or Jeanette Tracy at 436-0630.

#### Baseball sign-ups continue in Burley

**BURLEY** — Interested players can still register for summer baseball in Burley. Players are needed for both boys' and girls' 13-16-year-old teams. Registration will be taken until Friday between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Cassia County District Office at 237 East 19th St. in Burley. For more information, call Rich Lindsay at 678-0355.

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## Golf on the run



Speed golfer Mike Nielsen took just 34 minutes, 42 seconds to complete 18 holes of golf Tuesday morning at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

## Local athlete cross-trains on the course

By Kevin Hall  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Most golfers require three to four hours to complete a round of 18 holes. Mike Nielsen does it in a little over 30 minutes. Nielsen, a Twin Falls native, plays a marriage of golf and running, the hybrid sport of speed golf — where a golfer runs between shots while attempting to post a low combined score of time on the course with shots needed to complete 18 holes. “Most people think you're crazy,” he said. “But I think it's fun. It's like endurance. You work on your skills of playing golf and running at the same time.” For Nielsen, 34, the sport makes perfect sense. The only self-identified speed golfer in the Magic Valley, he competes in several state and area runs each year

### Speedy information

For more information on speed golf, visit the International Speed Golf Association's web site at: [www.speedgolf.com](http://www.speedgolf.com)

while keeping a 15 handicap as a member of the Twin Falls Men's Golf Association. “I do a lot of intervals and to work on my short game,” he said. “It just kind of all combines together.” A runner first and golfer second, Nielsen picked up the sport last year, playing at Muni, Clear Lake Country Club and Canyon Springs and Chandleridge golf courses. His personal best is an 86 in 26 minutes (112) at the nine-hole Chandleridge.

He eventually hopes to become a registered player with the International Speed Golf Association, the sport's gov-

erning body.

“I'm trying to fire in the 80s or 90s in about 36 minutes,” he said. Speed golf was invented by American miler Steve Scott in 1979. The current top-ranked speed golfer in the world is Jay Larson, a Californian who devised the world's inaugural Speed Golf Open in the summer of 1997. Larson regularly shoots in the low 70s, coming in around 40 minutes.

Nielsen played his first round of 2000 in shorts on a bitter cold Tuesday morning at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

The only other people usually sharing the course with Nielsen are the groundskeepers. He is forced to tee off as soon as the course opens so he and caddie Corky Federico, who keeps Nielsen's score, time and clubs handy, don't bother other golfers.

Because of the early times, he

often has to play in miserable conditions. As a result, his score on Tuesday in a driving wind reached 112 in 34 minutes, 42 seconds, or 146.42.

“I think I lost about four balls,” he said. “I could've had better shots, but you're huffing and puffing, trying to get it down.” Federico, a high school buddy of Nielsen's, said to know Mike explains why he was running around the almost 3-mile golf course in shorts and a thin shirt. “That's just typical Mike,” Federico said.

Favoring sneakers over spikes, the constantly in-motion Nielsen takes to the course with four clubs — a 3-wood, 6-iron, pitching wedge and a putter. Federico keeps up in a golf cart, stopping to transfer clubs and toss out misfired balls to Nielsen.

While he was traversing Muni

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## Burley falls to Pocatello

By Matt Peterson  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — A nasty crosswind and the Pocatello tennis team both breezed through town Tuesday, as the Indians beat Burley 8-4 on the Bobcats' home courts. Led by No. 1 boys' player Mike Chester, Pocatello (2-1 region, 4-1 overall) swept the boys' singles and girls' doubles competitions. With powerful serves and well-placed returns, Chester coasted to a quick 6-0, 6-1, win over Burley's Cree Jones.

“(Mike) does really well,” said first-year Pocatello head coach Stan Allsberry. “He should be right in there for a state championship this year.” Equally impressive were Pocatello's No. 1 and No. 2 girls' doubles teams, who combined to blank Burley in three of four sets. “We like our chances,” Allsberry said. “We feel real

good about where we are right now.”

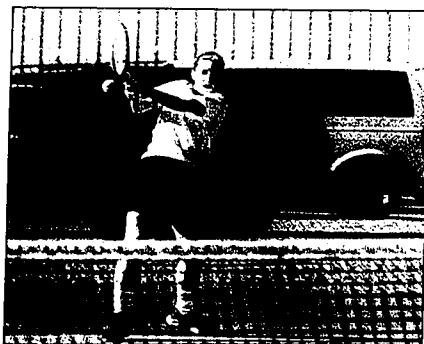
Burley (0-4 region, 0-5 overall) got two of its four wins from the girls' singles division, where No. 2 Sanae Kittaka and No. 3 Marcela Ramirez both defeated their opponents. Of the two, Ramirez did it in most convincing fashion, downing Pocatello's Anna Scalzeres 6-0, 6-1.

“The Pocatello girl made a lot of double faults because of the wind, I think,” Ramirez said. “The weather was so bad... It's cold and you don't know where the ball is going.”

Kittaka and Ramirez, when combined with No. 1 girls' player Anika Paliszewska, make for an all-exchange student singles lineup for Burley. Kittaka is from Japan, Paliszewska hails from Poland and Ramirez comes here from Colombia.

Burley's other two wins Tuesday came from the boys'

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Burley No. 1 girls' player Anika Paliszewska returns a shot from Pocatello's Sanae Sandquist during Tuesday's tennis match at Burley. Sandquist beat Paliszewska 6-2, 6-3, and the Indians topped the Bobcats 8-4.

## World's top cross-country skiers set their sights on Sun Valley

By Karen Bosack  
Times-News correspondent

**SUN VALLEY** — Some of the top cross-country skiers in the world are in Sun Valley today for the second round of the Idaho International Cross-country Series.

The national Swedish, Canadian and U.S. teams are among those who will compete in races at Sun Valley today and Thursday.

### Ski to-do

**Today:** Men's 15-kilometer and women's 10-km. classic technique race, 4 p.m. Reception with champions at Clarion Hotel, 7 p.m.

**Thursday:** Youth ski clinic at Sun Valley Nordic Center, 3-4 p.m.; Men's and women's 2x6-km. skato sprint relays, 4 p.m.; Awards ceremony at Sun Valley Nordic Center, 6:30

The World Cup is considered the toughest competition in the world next to the Olympics. Among the 100 skiers racing for a share of a \$10,000 purse and better world rankings is Kristina

Smigun, of Estonia, who ranks second in this year's World Cup standings. Having her race in Sun Valley is like bringing basketball star Michael Jordan to shoot a few hoops in Ketchum, said Ketchum resident Muffy Ritz, herself a former member of the U.S. Nordic ski team.

“This is a great opportunity for locals and out-of-towners to see some of the best cross-country skiing out there,” she said. “You can see 95 percent of the race on Sun Valley's Nordic trails. People don't disappear into the woods only to re-emerge a half hour later like they do in some cross-country venues. And the races have been scheduled later in the day so people can come

and see them after work.”

Rick Kapala, Sun Valley's head Nordic coach, started the Idaho International Cross-country Series last year. The three-year series kicked off last weekend in the wooded tracks of Ponderosa State Park, where two of the racers skied to a photo finish in the men's 15-kilometer skate/pursuit.

Racers will shore up on their classic technique for a men's 15-km. and women's 10-km. race at Sun Valley Nordic Center today. Then they'll come back out with their skate skis for a men's and women's sprint relay on Thursday.

The series will conclude at Bogus Basin Ski Area outside Boise, where skaters will follow a

## Eagles right ship in Utah

### CSI baseball sweeps Weber S

By Jeff Rosen  
Times-News sports editor

**OGDEN** — The Golden Eagles found what they were looking for in Utah on Tuesday.

Along with sweeping non-conference Weber State 2-1 and 7-0 to improve to 14-13 overall, the College of Southern Idaho baseball team inched toward some consistency on the mound.

Sophomore starters Josh Gold and Joey Clark each tossed three-plus innings against the Golden Eagles allowed only four hits as a staff all afternoon.

“We wanted to get our pitchers some work,” said Southern Idaho assistant coach B. O. M. Walker. “We've been really working on some things. This was kind of a more relaxed situation for them.” Still recovering from the effects of a bout with mononucleosis, Gold started the opener and allowed Weber State's lone

run. “That's just typical Mike,” Federico said.

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## Demon Deacons, Irish hit NIT finals

The Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — Wake Forest won bragging rights in its rivalry with North Carolina State and earned a spot in the final of the National Invitation Tournament against Notre Dame.

Darius Songaila scored 18 points, including six in overtime, as Wake Forest beat Atlantic Coast Conference rival N.C. State 62-59 in the semifinals of the NIT on Tuesday night. In the evening's other semifinal, Notre Dame trounced Penn State 73-52.

“This was an old-fashioned ACC, Tobacco Road type of game,” Demon Deacons coach Dave Odum said. “That's what happens when two evenly matched teams play.”

“If this game was what everyone expected,” Wolfpack coach Herb Sendek said. “It was

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course that circles up and down a couple of the downhill ski runs.

“It's a pretty big undertaking but, then Rick is a man with big ideas and he wants to have the best skiers in the world come to Idaho,” Ritz said.

While the skiers get an opportunity to strut their stuff, this is also an opportunity for Sun Valley to show off its stuff, according to Kapala.

If the Europeans like what they see — and what's not to like, given the valley's enthusiastic Nordic contingent and its world-class tracks — many of them will likely make Sun Valley their summer and winter training grounds for the 2002 Winter Olympics.





EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Keith Van Horn and Stephen Marbury hit key buckets down the stretch as the New Jersey Nets nearly blew a 21-point fourth quarter lead and held on for an 113-106 victory over the Indiana Pacers on Tuesday night.

Van Horn finished with 30 points and Marbury added 28 and 10 assists as the Nets snapped a three-game losing streak and extended the Pacers' losing skid to three games, which matches their longest of the season.

**Hawks 116, Nuggets 111** ATLANTA (AP) — Dikembe Mutombo and Alan Henderson each scored 24 points as Atlanta snapped a three-game losing streak.

The Hawks, who had lost 11 of their last 13 games, outrebounced Denver 47-33 with Mutombo leading the way with 16.

Antonio McDyess had 28 points and 11 rebounds to lead the Nuggets, who missed their final seven shots after Keon Clark's breakaway dunk cut Atlanta's lead to 112-109.

**Raptors 99, Cavaliers 96** CLEVELAND (AP) — Charles

**NBA**  
Oakley hit a 3-pointer from the baseline as time expired to lift Toronto, which trailed by 17 points midway through the final quarter.

The Raptors hit six of seven shots from 3-point range during a 33-13 run and snapped a four-game losing streak.

Dee Brown hit consecutive 3-pointers to give the Raptors a 96-94 lead with 1:15 remaining. Oakley then blocked shots by Wesley Person and Lamond Murray on consecutive Cavs possessions.

Vince Carter had 19 points for Toronto.

**Heat 81, Suns 78** MIAMI (AP) — Tim Hardaway hit his first six shots and finished with 20 points as Miami rebounded from one of its worst losses of the season.

On Sunday, the Heat lost to Orlando 94-69, scoring an NBA all-time low 19 points in the second half and only seven points in the fourth quarter.

The Heat reaction followed that with another embarrassment against the Suns, squandering a 28-point lead to trail late in the game.

Miami led 60-32 in the third quarter, but Phoenix went in front 75-73 on Rodney Rogers' 3-point shot with 2:05 left. Alonzo Mourning's slam dunk put Miami back in front 77-75 and the Heat held on in the final seconds.

**76ers 102, Timberwolves 100** MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Allen Iverson scored 43 points, including two foul shots with 1.8 seconds left, as the 76ers have their first seven-game winning streak in more than nine years.

It was the eighth time this season that Iverson scored at least 40 points and the 16th in his career. Tyrone Hill had 18 points and 14 rebounds for Philadelphia.

Kevin Garnett had 31 points and nine rebounds for the Timberwolves, who had their six-game winning streak snapped.

**Kings 103, Knicks 95** SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — After leading Sacramento to victory, Chris Webber took care of unfinished personal business — getting his 101 rebound to complete his fourth triple-double of the season.

Webber also had 21 points and

tied his season high with 11 assists as the Kings defeated the Knicks.

Predrag Stojakovic, back after missing three games with two sprained fingers, added 20 points for the Knicks.

**Rockets 121, Warriors 86** HOUSTON (AP) — Walt Williams had 20 points and 11 rebounds and Shandon Anderson scored 20 points to lead Houston.

Houston, which has won three of its last four games, got 18 points and nine rebounds from Kevin Carter and 15 points and eight rebounds from Steve Francis.

Golden State, which has lost six straight, was led by Larry Hughes' 22 points.

**Mag 122, Celtics 87** ORLANDO (AP) — Bo Outlaw had 10 points, 14 rebounds and 10 assists and Orlando outscored Boston 40-11 in the third quarter for its fifth consecutive victory.

The win moved Orlando within 1.5 games of Detroit for the seventh playoff position in the Eastern Conference. The Celtics, who led by as many as 13 points in the first half, have lost five in a row.

**KANATA, Ontario** — Kevin Miller scored his first two goals of the season in a 3-08 span of the third period to help Ottawa beat Philadelphia 5-2.

The Flyers, who had won three of four, took a 2-1 lead in the second period on goals by John LeClair and Mark Recchi 14 seconds apart.

**Capitals 5, Thrashers 2** WASHINGTON — The Washington Capitals nearly blew a three-goal lead Tuesday night before Ulf Dahlien's two insurance goals clinched a 5-2 victory over the Atlanta Thrashers.

**Predators 3, Islanders 2** NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Ville Peltonen and Craig Millar scored

**NHL**  
1:46 apart in the second period and Nashville withstand a late rally by the Islanders.

**Stars 4, Lightning 2** TAMPA, Fla. — Mike Keane scored one of Dallas' two short-handed goals and added two assists as the Stars extended their road unbeaten streak to six games.

**Penguins 3, Devils 2** PITTSBURGH — Alexei Kovalev scored a tie-breaking power-play goal and Matthew Barnaby had his first multiple-goal game in more than three years for Pittsburgh.

**Key, Agassi overcome Rafter at Ericsson** HEAT BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) — The grueling game went on for 24 points when Patrick Rafter retreated to a shady corner of the sunbaked stadium court, seeking refuge from the sun and Andre Agassi.

There was none. In a match worthy of a Grand Slam final, Agassi won 6-4, 6-4 Tuesday in the fourth round of the Ericsson Open.

Rafter failed to convert any of his seven break-point chances, including six in the game that ended this late.

With Agassi serving and leading 4-3 in the second set, Rafter went to deuce 10 times. He prevailed when the weary Rafter hit a 10-11 third-serve ace on the 26th and final point of the set.

"I certainly made a life a lot easier, holding serve there, or we'd still be battling out there right now, most likely," Agassi said.

# SCORES AND STATS

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Don't look at me just hand over your shoes and no one gets hurt.

Without warning, a stranger emerges from the shadows and Eric is mugged in the low post.

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Micron, Mosel Vitelic announce settlement

BOISE - Micron Technology Inc. and Mosel Vitelic said they have agreed to settle all pending and anticipated litigation between them.

As part of the agreement, the companies agreed to cross-license existing and future intellectual property. There was no financial impact to either party. Terms of the agreement were kept confidential.

Micron Technology and its subsidiaries manufacture and market DRAMs, very fast SRAMs, Flash, other semiconductor components, memory modules, graphic accelerators and personal computer systems. Mosel Vitelic designs, manufactures and markets main memory DRAMs, buffer memory DRAMs, SRAMs, Flash memories and other semiconductor components.

### Bank of America grants help support United Way

TWIN FALLS - Bank of America Foundation Tuesday announced \$10 million in grants to the United Way to support Success By 6 initiatives across the country, including one in Twin Falls.

The grants are the second phase of a \$50 million commitment to the United Way to help ensure all children enter school ready to learn, said the bank, which has Magic Valley branches.

"It is critical to the future of our country that every child has a fair chance at success when they enter school. This community partnership is the most important contribution we can make to children's well-being," said Kenneth D. Lewis, president and chief operating officer of Bank of America.

This year, 139 United Way agencies in communities throughout the Bank of America franchise received grants. Among them, United Way of Magic Valley Inc. gets \$10,000, a planning grant for up to nine months. Grants in Pocatello and Boise brought the Idaho total to \$110,000.

### Aqua Vie sets up wider distribution

KETCHUM - Aqua Vie Beverage Corp. said it has an agreement with Great Coastal Express Inc. of Chester, Va., for distribution of Aqua Vie products throughout Great Coastal's distribution area.

The primary areas served by Great Coastal include the mid-Atlantic states, the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, the Midwest, the Northeast, Texas and southern California. Ketchum-based Aqua Vie said.

Great Coastal services a geographic area that provides access to about 60 percent of the U.S. population. Customers include a variety of notable retail chains throughout the region, as well as a growing number of e-commerce storefronts that depend on Great Coastal for warehousing, Aqua Vie said.

"The agreement with Great Coastal, with distribution beginning coincident with our southeast region radio promotions, is one of the most exciting developments for Aqua Vie to date," said Thomas Gillespie, president and chief executive officer.

Compiled from staff reports

## Lack of director might complicate merger of Old Towne, downtown districts

By Rachel Denny Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Both the Historic Downtown and Old Towne business improvement districts want to unify as one, but the lack of an executive director may make it more difficult.

Since the downtown board voted unanimously last week not to renew Executive Director Randy Bombardier's contract, some people's opinions about unification have changed.

"Firing Randy at this moment is bad timing because how is unification going to work?" Old Towne BID Chairman Dave Woodhead said. "I would say it (unification) is really up in the air. I don't want to see a problem now, but this is kind of a left turn having something like this happen."

"It all happened so fast, everybody was merrily floating down

the river of unification, then this big business happened. I don't know what will happen. I think unification will be stalled on account of this," he added.

Both downtown and Old Towne leaders see the value of unifying, but philosophical differences may be too great, some Old Towne board members say.

"I think all of Old Towne decided that it was a greater good to unify," Woodhead said. "But now I'm wondering if the differences in structure produce too great a difference in philosophy."

Property owners lead the Old Towne group and pays its dues. Downtown business owners, however, pay their BID's assessments and dominate that board.

Bombardier was director for both the downtown and Old Towne BIDs, with Old Towne contributing 25 percent of his salary. Old Towne members did not vote on the renewal of Bombardier's contract. Downtown BID Chairman Ron Thompson said.

Thompson has declined to say why Bombardier will lose his job. Almost all of the Old Towne board members were happy with how Bombardier did his job; downtowners were the ones dis-

satisfied, Woodhead said. "We're happy with Randy but we found ourselves in this awkward position," he said. "We're participating in his salary, but we're only paying 25 percent of it so we couldn't impose our will on them."

"We didn't really come to realize this until the downtown BID decided not to continue to employ Randy, but we're sort of at their mercy regarding keeping the director on or not on," Woodhead added.

The downtown board still wants to move forward with unification but acknowledges it may have to wait until a new director is in place to continue the project.

Old Towne leaders' feelings "are certainly respected," Thompson said. "Our board made a decision, we certainly want to go forward with unification and hope they will too."

"We're looking to recover quickly and go on," he added.

The two groups' differences may be an asset, Thompson said.

"I don't doubt in any way, shape and form that there are philosophical differences - I think that's healthy," he said. "Having that diversity between

the districts is healthy." The Old Towne group essentially rents the executive director from downtown. So Old Towne will have to wait and see who downtown hires before deciding whether to contribute to that director's salary, Woodhead said.

Downtown is not required to consult with Old Towne on a new director's hiring, but Old Towne will be included in the interviewing process, Thompson said.

Old Towne may decide to function without a director. In that case, unification would be impossible and the BID would not help pay a director, Woodhead said.

Old Towne isn't like to keep Bombardier on staff, Woodhead said.

"I don't know if that would serve our needs or Randy's needs," he said. "There's no intention by anybody to do that."

Bombardier declined to comment on whether he is interested in remaining the director for Old Towne. He said he is looking at a number of options.

Members from each of the two groups will meet within the next couple of weeks to discuss rewriting the organizations' bylaws so they could combine.

## Director's exit brings a host of hopefuls

By Rachel Denny Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Plenty of folks want to replace downtown's fired director, including a former county commissioner.

### To apply ...

Twin Falls' Historic Downtown Business Improvement District is looking for qualified applicants to be the district's executive director. Send resumes to the BID office at 102 Main Ave. S., or call 733-3434 for information.

Not even a week after the Historic Downtown Business Improvement District's board voted unanimously not to renew Executive Director Randy Bombardier's contract, Please see APPLICANTS, Page D5

## Western business

# Apartment manager courts tenants - in Spanish

The Associated Press

EVERETT, Wash. - Nora Thomas didn't see herself reflected when she walked through the hallways of the Shiloh Village Apartments. She didn't hear the familiar bubble of syllables, which marks her native tongue, or smell the spicy fragrance of chicken en mole.

"When I first came here, I didn't see a lot of Hispanic families," said Thomas, the manager of Shiloh Village, a 210-unit apartment complex in Everett.

Thomas, who grew up in San Diego and is Hispanic, decided to change the look of the complex by adding some new faces.

She knew word of mouth wouldn't fill vacant apartments with Hispanic residents, but that the printed word still has power.

With the owner's permission, Thomas placed an apartment rental ad in a newspaper. It was an ad like all the others, giving the name of the complex, a list of prices and who to contact - except it was in Spanish.

"I did it to reach out to the Hispanic community," Thomas said. "And if I knew Ukrainian or Vietnamese, I'd put ads in those languages too."

As a result, eight Hispanic families contacted Thomas and rented apartments. The ad caught the attention of Refugio Zesati and Heleodoro Marroquin, each of whom now rents at the complex.

A California woman, who planned to move to the Everett area, saw the ad after a friend mailed her a copy of the newspaper, and went to Thomas first. She rented an apartment.

Thomas and others of Hispanic



Refugio Zesati prunes a bush at Shiloh Village apartments in Everett, Wash. Zesati responded to an apartment rental ad written in Spanish for a unit in the complex and was later hired to be groundskeeper for the apartments.

origin make up about 11 percent of the state's population. In Snohomish County, Hispanics number about 17,000, or 3 percent of the population. By 2020, the county's Hispanic population is expected to more than double.

Families need a place to live and to shop.

Alix Mendez opened El Mercadito grocery store in Lynnwood five years ago. The business is growing, said her daughter, Elena, 16.

The store features an international mix of food and flavorings. "We have different spices,"

Elena said. "We have menu mix, a soup made of pork and corn. We sell cilantro in dried balls to use for flavoring, and annato, a spice, which adds color to your rice."

There are Hispanic grocery stores in Everett, some not far from Shiloh Village. Someone who only speaks Spanish will find someone there to converse with.

But finding a place to live is difficult.

Snohomish County is undergoing a housing crunch, and people looking for housing are apt to have a difficult time, especially if

their English skills are limited, said Ricky Bates, administrative services manager with Snohomish County Housing.

The next step after locating an apartment, finding someone to help a Hispanic family get settled into the community, can prove a little more difficult than a trip to the neighborhood tienda, the store, if family members don't speak much English.

Which is why Thomas goes over the apartment's move-in packet with her Spanish-speaking residents in their own language. If asked, she will make the calls

to hook up their telephone service, or contact the Snohomish County Public Utility District or the local school principal.

"When they find somebody who speaks Spanish, it's really a relief," Thomas said.

When Thomas is away from her desk, assistant manager Jessica Daley, who speaks some Spanish, takes what information she can from Spanish-speaking visitors and asks them to return when Thomas is back in the office.

"Pregunten por Nora," Daley tells them. "Ask for Nora."

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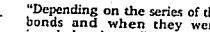
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Forgetting to redeem bonds costs Americans billions

Americans love savings bonds. Since 1941, we've bought them through payroll deduction plans at work and given them as wedding, graduation, birthday and christening gifts.

The problem is too many of us have forgotten about them, and the oversight is costing us plenty. More than \$6.5 billion in bonds have stopped earning any interest at all.

If you've been counting on Uncle Sam to let you know when it's time to redeem your bonds, you're out of luck. Unlike banks and other financial firms, which seem to bury us in a monthly avalanche of paper, the U.S. government sends no statements outlining client holdings, investment and the expiration of bond maturity.

A man redeemed all his bonds right before retirement, when he was at the highest income bracket of his life, not realizing all interest income would have to be reported that year.

A father purchased an EE series bond for his educational future, only to learn he might not meet the criteria to qualify for the tax-free status.

Examples of the costly savings bond mistakes include: A financial planner learned that \$50,000 of his client's \$240,000 bond holdings had stopped earning interest five years earlier.

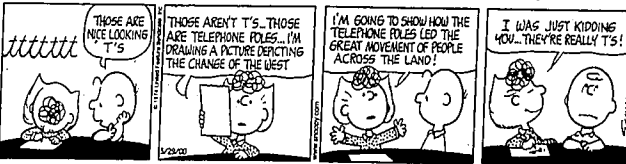
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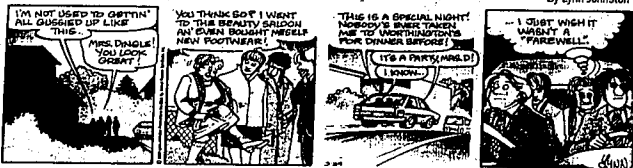
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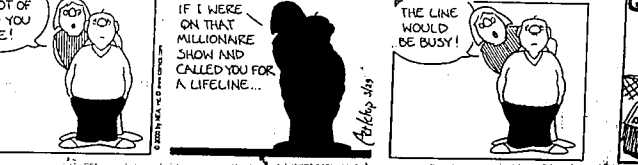
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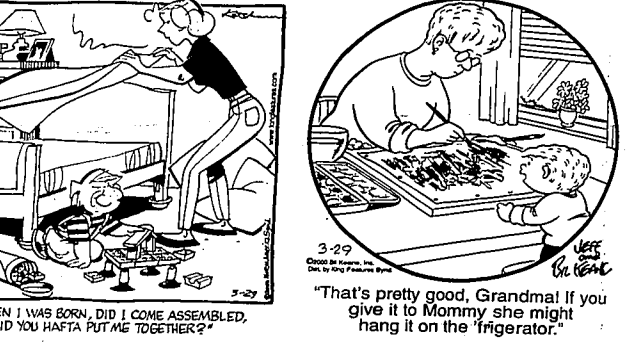


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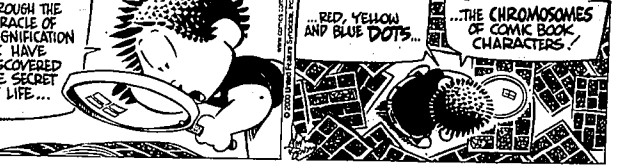
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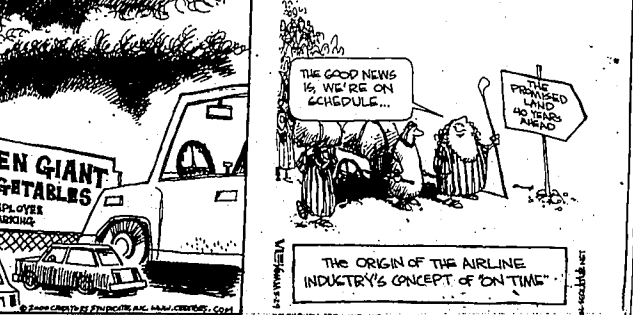


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# DreamWorks avenges Oscar loss

## But studio may need a few more hits under its belt to be called a success

By David Germain  
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Hollywood's youngest studio, DreamWorks SKG, finally has its best-picture Oscar. Ironically, the studio's famous co-founder didn't earn it.

Freshman director Sam Mendes piloted "American Beauty" to five Oscars rather than one of the world's best-known filmmakers, DreamWorks co-founder Steven Spielberg.

Even so, the folks at DreamWorks couldn't be happier — it's been a tough few years in the entertainment-making business.

"DreamWorks is about making things that Steven, David or myself have a passion about," said Jeffrey Katzenberg, who cofounded DreamWorks with Spielberg and music mogul David Geffen. "It's about supporting something we believe in."

The Academy Awards triumph Sunday was even headier since DreamWorks was denied the best-picture award a year ago, when Spielberg's World War II epic "Saving Private Ryan" lost to "Shakespeare in Love."

Sweetening the victory, the movie beat two best-picture nominees from Disney and one from Disney-owned Miramax, the distributor of "Shakespeare in Love."

"With a modest budget of \$15 million, 'American Beauty' has turned in big profits, topping \$108 million domestically. In addition to best-picture honors, the film also won



Steven Spielberg, left, and 'American Beauty' director Sam Mendes celebrate their Oscar triumph Sunday in Los Angeles. The film won five Oscars, including best picture and best director.

Oscars for Mendes, actor Kevin Spacey, screenwriter Alan Ball and cinematographer Conrad L. Hall.

The movie's triumph was an artistic fulfill-

ment of the promise that surrounded the formation of DreamWorks in 1994. Yet the prevailing wisdom in Hollywood is that the studio needs less dream and more works.

"It does seem to me to be a mission impossible to start a studio. Nobody's done it in 50-plus years," said Kim Masters, whose new book "The Keys to the Kingdom: How Michael Eisner Lost His Grip" details DreamWorks' seven long-established major studios, which have decads of movies and TV shows in the vaults, DreamWorks lacks a library of titles to help drive revenue.

The studio also has been unable to get production up in the range of the 15 or 20 films a year that other big distributors release. DreamWorks released half a dozen movies in 1999, though this year it plans seven movies out by summer.

"Saving Private Ryan" was a bona fide blockbuster, taking in \$215 million. But Spielberg's first film under the DreamWorks banner, "Amistad," was a commercial dud, developing just \$44 million.

And Spielberg remains a free agent under his non-exclusive arrangement with DreamWorks. He continues to pick and choose potential directing projects under development at other studios.

Other DreamWorks films also had disappointing runs, including "The Peacemaker" and "Small Soldiers."

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### Virgo: Ask for it in writing

**IF MARCH 29 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You often have been confused, but you emerged enlightened. You possibly have changed your name. Cancer, Capricorn, Aquarius persons play dynamic roles in your life — could be these letters, initials in names: B, K, T. This is a separation year. In October, results of efforts will be apparent. During April, you'll encounter fascinating Aquarian.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** A major wish will be fulfilled. You will know what must be done; it will entail more responsibility, greater financial security.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** You could be on brink of fame, fortune. A very important person requests an appointment. Don't go hat in hand — exude confidence. You do hold trump card.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Let go of preconceived notions. Be open-minded without being naive. You exude personal magnetism, sex appeal. If single, you encounter future mate.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Your kind of day. Food, affection, serious consideration of marital status. You will discover direction, motivation and what to do about it. Capricorn involved.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Forces tend to be scattered. Don't attempt to do everything at once. Popularity increases. People want to be with you. Sagittarian commands complete attention.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Individual you meet recently will make grandiose promises.

### HOROSCOPE Sydney Omarr

Politely ask, "Could you put that in writing?" Legal references will be made concerning partnership.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Music in your household. Listen with an open mind. Domestic adjustment could include change of residence, marital status. Money is on the way.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Wait, observe; second offer will be better than expected.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Focus on real estate, premises that can be broken. Maintain aura of mystery. Don't tell all.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** If willing to handle added responsibility, you could be paid handsomely. Filtration involvement serious — know it and respond accordingly. No games.

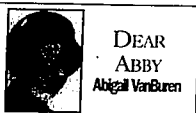
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** What seems settled may be the opposite. Focus on communication, travel, letting go of relationship. You no longer will be asked to handle burdens.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** What you've been waiting for arrives. Imprint style; accept leadership role. Throw light on areas previously dark. Let Aquarius persons play meaningful roles.

## Girl who says no to bras gets no support from friends

**DEAR ABBY:** When I was 12, I couldn't wait to wear a bra. By the time I turned 16 last summer, I decided I'd had enough of wearing a bra. My mom, who hasn't worn one since she was 18, had no problem with it as long as it wasn't obvious that I was braless. And for six months it wasn't.

The girls began to make fun of me, telling me that only lesbians go braless. (It doesn't help that I currently have a boyfriend.) Now word has gotten all around school, and people are doing all sorts of things to make fun of me, from boys pretending to unsnap my nonexistent bra to a girl actually coming on to me thinking I was really gay. My mom says she was lucky; until I went to a soccer game when she was a teen, and I should



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abigail VanBuren

just ignore the comments and let it eventually stop.

Having gone without a bra this long, I don't want to go back — they are just too uncomfortable and I am too fat to have any use for them. But I can't stand the constant ridicule. Do you have any suggestions as to what I can do?

**-BRALESS (NO CITY OR STATE, PLEASE)**

**DEAR BRALESS:** I'm old enough to remember when feminists burned their bras in symbolic protest of restrictions on our

freedom. It had nothing to do with a person's sexual orientation then — and your classmates are flaunting their ignorance if they think it has anything to do with it now. What nonsense!

What probably started out as a joke has taken on a life of its own and has gone too far. The behavior you are describing sounds like harassment, and the principal of your school should be informed. Part of his or her job is to guarantee that students can pursue an education free of harassment. Please don't wait.

**DEAR ABBY:** I recently received an invitation to a wedding shower requesting that all gifts should be made in cash. Included with the invitation was a small envelope in which to place the money.

When I inquired about presenting a more traditional gift to the couple, I was told they didn't

need anything. They have purchased an expensive new home, furniture, new automobiles, etc. The wedding and reception are being paid for by the bride's family, so the bride and groom have incurred little or no expense for these events.

Abby, I have attended bridal showers and weddings where a money tree was offered as an option in gift-giving. However, I find this to be in extremely poor taste and highly presumptuous. I have talked to others who are being invited, and we see this as nothing more than a ploy to gather a huge cash gift.

**-AN OFFENDED FRIEND**

**DEAR OFFENDED:** I agree that to ask for money is in poor taste and presumptuous, and to include an envelope with the invitation was tacky. I'd advise you to skip the shower unless you want to be soaked.

## Women fight with relatives, men with strangers

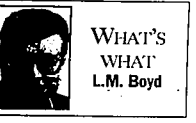
A sign in a Washington, D.C., laundromat requests patrons remove bullets from pockets before they put clothes in washing machines.

Typically, a small cumulus cloud lasts intact about 10 maybe 15 minutes.

**Q. Now what proportion of the Americans under age 65 have served in the military?**

**A. Fewer than 6 percent.**

**Q. To our Love and War man's file labeled "Love's Lighter Reasons," the late French philosopher Jacques Maritain contributed: "We don't love qual-**



**WHAT'S WHAT?**  
L.M. Boyd

ities, we love persons; sometimes by reason of their defects as well as of their qualities." You knew that.

What does your mother-in-law have to say about the way you're bringing up your youngsters? If

you don't know, congratulations, no doubt she's special. Events contend the mother-in-law's remarks on this one subject are more likely than anything else to create that condition called in-law trouble. Fathers-in-law draw a fire on this matter, too, but not as much.

**Q. What's the fastest growing animal issue?**

**A. Deer and/or.**

Suppose you want an explanation of how Yogi Berra got 21 World Series rings. Yankees player, 14. Yankees manager, 4. Yankees coach, 4. Mets manager,

1. Mets coach, 1.

A serious student of dreams reports his research suggests: When a woman dreams of fighting with somebody, that somebody is usually a relative. When a man dreams of fighting with somebody, that somebody is usually a stranger.

Rarely is an executive order by a U.S. President enacted swiftly.

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 Stock #9964 **1984 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER**  
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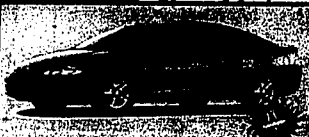


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Stock #003-DS, Color: White • Automatic • 2.4 Liter DOHC 16 Valve • Air Conditioning • Tilt Steering • Cruise Control • Cassette • Dual Air Bags • 3 Year, 36,000 Mile Warranty • 24 Hour Roadside Assistance

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**1988 CHEVY BLAZER**


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 Stock #9219 **1982 CHEVY CLUB CAB**  
 Stock #9923 **1985 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER**  
 Stock #9927 **1982 DODGE DAKOTA CLUB CAB 4x4**  
 Stock #9949 **1988 MAZDA B2300**

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Stock #4081 **1987 FORD TAURUS**  
 Stock #9926 **1983 FORD BRONCO 4x4**  
 Stock #9958 **1986 FORD AEROSTAR**  
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 Stock #7161 **1987 MAZDA PROTIGE 4 DR.**

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 Stock #9272 **1986 FORD AEROSTAR VAN AWD**  
 Stock #9972 **1986 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER**  
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**\$23988 OR \$0 DOWN \$319 MO.**

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Stock #9866 **1988 FORD BRONCO**  
 Stock #4772 **1988 FORD BRONCO 4x4**  
 Stock #4122 **1988 FORD TAURUS**


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Stock #A133 **1987 DODGE 1600**  
 Stock #5701 **1988 PLYMOUTH BREEZE**  
 Stock #6411 **1987 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE**  
 Stock #9843 **1988 JEEP CHEROKEE 4x4**  
 Stock #9929 **1988 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN**

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**2000 DODGE DURANGO**

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**\$27188 OR \$0 DOWN \$379 MO.**

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**2000 DODGE 2500 3/4 TON CAB**

Stock #001-T, Color: White/Dual Tone • 5.1 Liter • Automatic • Power Windows & Locks • Air • Tilt • Cruise • AM/FM Cass. CD • Dual Air Bags • 3 Year, 36,000 Mile Warranty • 24 Hour Roadside Assistance

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Stock #312L **1987 PONTIAC FIREBIRD CONV.**  
 Stock #9978 **1987 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN**  
 Stock #9458 **1987 MERCURY WILLAGER**  
 Stock #A112 **1986 HONDA PASSPORT**  
 Stock #9891 **1988 DODGE 1600 C.C. 4x4**

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Stock #9150 **1988 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER**  
 Stock #9624 **1987 DODGE GR. CARAVAN**  
 Stock #9852 **1987 JEEP WRANGLER 4x4**  
 Stock #9922 **1988 FORD WINDSTAR**  
 Stock #A109 **1988 HONDA PASSPORT**

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Stock #9921 **1988 DODGE 1600 C.C. 4x4**


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Stock #9669 **1986 JEEP GR. CHEROKEE**  
 Stock #9792 **1987 DODGE 1600 C.C. 4x4**  
 Stock #9826 **1987 DODGE 1600 CLUB CAB**  
 Stock #9948 **1987 DODGE 1600 CLUB CAB 4x4**  
 Stock #9971 **1988 DODGE 2600 VAN**

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**\$19988 OR \$0 DOWN \$289 MO.**

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**1988 DODGE 1500 CLUB CAB 4x4**

Stock #006-DR, Color: Chili Pepper Red • 4.7 Liter V-8 • Automatic • Air • Tilt • Cruise • BLU/SYC Group • Seat Belt Bow • Dual Air Bags • 3 Year, 36,000 Mile Warranty • 24 Hour Roadside Assistance

**\$20488 OR \$0 DOWN \$299 MO.**

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Stock #9963 **1987 FORD F-150 CLUB CAB 4x4**  
 Stock #6581 **1988 CHRYSLER SEBRING CONV. JX**  
 Stock #9204 **1988 CHEVY 1500 C.C. 4x4**  
 Stock #9455 **1988 CHEVY 1500 C.C. 4x4**  
 Stock #9831 **1987 GMC 2500 C.C. 4x4**

**\$17988 OR \$0 DOWN \$329 MO.**

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