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Nitrate numbers concern officials

Study says Gooding County levels rise

By N.S. Norkkantiw Times-News writer GOODING - Nitrates in some Snake River Canyon springs are on the rise, a state official says. A study by the Department of Environmental Quality shows

nitrate levels in Crystal Springs and Clear Springs in Gooding County south of Wendell are rising at an alarming rate, said department director Steve Allred. He was one of three state agency heads who spoke at a

workshop Thursday evening to discuss agencies' regulatory responsibilities over livestock operations. The meeting - organized by Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, and attended by about 150 people - also helped clarify those responsibilities under

recently passed state legislation. The exact source of the nitrates in the groundwater is not known. But the largest potential sources include dairies and fertilizer. Other potential sources are legumes, beef cattle, septic systems, and precipitation. Not all of those nitrates end up in the groundwater, but they are potential sources.

But regardless of the source, the upward trend in an indication that something is wrong, Allred said. And if something isn't done differently, more serious regulatory action may be required. The DEQ - formerly known as the Division of Environmental Quality, but elevated to a state Please see DAIRY, Page A2

BIG BOOKS AND LITTLE GIRLS



Anne Heldman, 3, browses one of the children's books for sale at the Twin Falls Library's book sale. The annual event is a fund-raiser for the library and continues today from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

BLINK

Government allows deadline to pass in Elian Gonzalez case

The Associated Press MIAMI - Elian Gonzalez's great-uncle defied the government Thursday and the government blinked, letting its deadline to collect the boy pass and agreeing to a delay that averts a law-enforcement showdown for now. In Little Havana, thousands cheered wildly at the news.

Attorneys for Elian's Miami relatives claimed victory after a federal appeals court issued a stay blocking anyone from taking the boy out of the country. The Justice Department, though, said it had agreed to a delay of "three or four days."

The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals told the government to respond to the stay by 9:30 a.m. Friday, giving great-uncle Lazaro Gonzalez's family another day with Elian at the very least. Lazaro "feels relief," family spokesman Armando Gutierrez said, "at least until tomorrow morning."

Thursday's court action capped a fluid, electrifying day that began minutes after Lazaro Gonzalez dared the government to take Elian by force. In less than 24 hours, the Miami relatives met with Attorney General Janet Reno, publicly announced their defiance of her, allowed Elian to speak on TV and ignored a 2 p.m. deadline to deliver him



A group of school girls walk past a poster of Elian Gonzalez in the Cuban American community of Union City, N.J., Thursday. The poster reads, "Castro was able to kill my mother but not me. I want to live in freedom."

to an airport for return to his father. Since January, Reno and the government have repeatedly extended the deadline for Lazaro Gonzalez to surrender the boy

despite a standing order to do so. And this week, the nation's top law officer took the extraordinary step of flying down herself in a chartered plane to hammer out a settlement.

Survey: Public is still wary of electronic tax filing

A third still like hard copy method

The Associated Press WASHINGTON - More than a third of the American public has doubts about the security of filing tax returns electronically, despite government encouragement of this growing practice, an Associated Press poll finds. The doubters range from people

like 71-year-old Jack Hurst of Los Angeles who says he doesn't know anything about the Internet to 48-year-old Gerhard Kasper of south Florida who says he knows too much. The poll, conducted for the AP by ICR of Media, Pa., found 57 percent say they wouldn't worry about the privacy of their financial information when filing online, while 36 percent say they would worry. "I like to put it down on paper," said Hurst, who is semi-

retired and does not own a computer. "I don't like to have it floating around in the air." Kasper, manager of a service company who lives in Delray Beach, Fla., said he isn't convinced that the Internet "is a secure platform." While he feels the technology isn't fully developed for secure transmission, he's more worried about human error. "There are usually two idiots, one at either end of the line - the sender and the receiver," Kasper said.

Nevertheless, the number of people filing taxes electronically is increasing. The Internal Revenue Service says about 30 million, or one-fourth of last year's, were filed online last year, and they expect that to grow by close to 4 million this year, said Steve Holden, an IRS official who handles electronic tax administration. In the AP poll, almost one-third of respondents said they expected to file their tax returns electronically this year, slightly higher than IRS projections.

Human rights protesters converge with single goal in mind

The Associated Press WASHINGTON - Uptate, protesters learn first aid and how to cope with tear gas as they vent their anger against international financial institutions. Outside, leaders teach how to form blockades. A diverse group of activists, the protesters are mutually committed to deterring

world capitalism from allegedly running roughshod over human rights. Leaders of some of the same organizations that led the noly and often violent demonstrations that disrupted the World Trade Organization meeting in Seattle last fall have set the same goal for the World Bank and International Monetary Fund

meetings this weekend in the nation's capital. And they are building on the lesson they say they learned out West: the need to keep strong alliances with all groups opposed to globalization. "We're more aware now of sensitivity between different groups than we were then," said Matthew Smucker, 22, an activist for Rainforest Action

Network in Minneapolis who is helping to organize this week's protests. The Mobilization for Global Justice's temporary headquarters is in an old warehouse near the downtown business center and the two international financial institutions. The organization says roughly 450 groups have endorsed its mission. It is

coordinating dozens of organizations spanning a wide range of ideologies, including environmentalists, organized labor, and feminists. "Activists describe the movement as leaderless, and most of the protesters seem to have come together through an informal network of groups across the country."

Grant loss hurts service

Trans IV bus system to raise senior rates

By Jay Howser Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A Twin Falls-based transportation service is raising its rates for senior citizens after losing a grant that kept prices down in the past.

Effective May 1, the Trans IV bus system will be increasing its rates from \$1 to \$2.50 for customers who live west of Eastland Ave., south of Falls Ave., east of Grandview Dr. and north of Rock Creek Canyon.

For all other customers the rate of \$1.75 per ride will increase to \$4. These rates are consistent with current rates for the general public.

The increase was caused by the loss of a federal grant the company had received since 1997 to offset costs for seniors, said Trans IV Director Jim Vining. He said the requirements for the grant were substantially altered this year and Trans IV didn't apply for the grant because it could not meet the new demands.

The City of Southern Idaho's Area Agency on Aging, which controls the distribution of the grant, awarded the funds to four transportation services throughout the Magic Valley - making this the first time Trans IV was not the grant's sole recipient.

Dick Boyd, the agency's director, said the requirement changes were made to improve the quality of service to Magic Valley seniors.

He said the agency wanted grant money to benefit transportation services with flexible hours of operation as well as the patron's front door. Trans IV is basically a five-day-a-week operation with fixed hours offering service only to the curb, he said.

The agency also had concerns that Trans IV's subsidized services were too narrowly focused on Twin Falls patrons. Contract Manager Lynn Hughes said the service needs to be more regional.

"It seemed like Trans IV was imploding down to where it was serving only the Twin Falls area and that was about it. We wanted to maintain our services throughout the eight-county area," Hughes said. "In the past Trans IV was the only party in town who could provide good service for us, but this is the first year it's gone out to bid."

Four transportation agencies will split the nearly \$60,000 available this year: the Silver and Gold Senior Center in Eden; Access Senior Citizens, Inc. in Kimberly; Valley Vista Care Service in Rupert; and Magic Valley Checkered Cab in Twin Falls.

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THE REGION

Carma Prairie
 High: 48 Low: 29
 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Same Saturday, high 50.

Treasure Valley
 High: 60 Low: 41
 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Same Saturday, high 63.

Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley
 High: 56 Low: 36
 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Same Saturday, high 61.

Eastern Idaho
 High: 57 Low: 34
 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Same Saturday, high 60.

Northern Idaho
 High: 63 Low: 50
 Mostly cloudy, with a chance of rain showers. Partly cloudy on Saturday with a chance of showers.

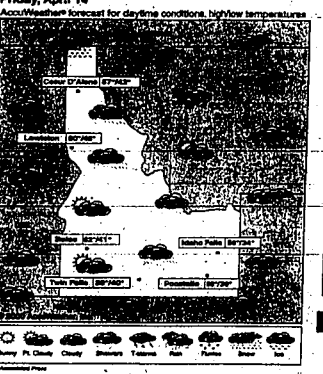
Northern Utah
 High: 61 Low: 42
 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with showers likely. Some clearing Friday, high 43.

Northern Nevada
 High: 60 Low: 39
 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of rain. Same Saturday, high 64.

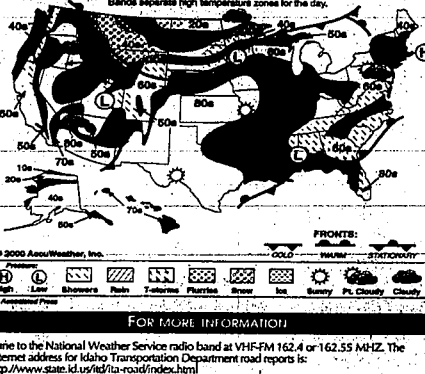
MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 39 Low: 40 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers.	High 62 Low: 42 Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers.	High 56 Low: 36 A chance of showers and thunderstorms.	High 60 Low: 36 A chance of showers and thunderstorms.	High 60 Low: 36 A chance of showers and thunderstorms.

Idaho weather



National weather



YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation
Yesterday: 76-47	Yesterday in Twin Falls: 0.16
Last year: 60-33	Monthly: 1.16
Normal: 65-35	Water year to date: 4.36
	Normal year to date: 6.56

Idaho

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High
Boise	75	54	0.0	77
Butte	74	54	0.0	77
Coeur d'Alene	64	52	0.02	77
Grangeville	m	m	m	77
Idaho Falls	73	42	0.0	77
Lewiston	76	55	0.1	77
Malden	74	m	m	77
Malia	77	m	m	77
McCall	59	35	0.06	77
Pocatello	77	39	0.0	77
Salmon	45	37	0.0	77
Stanley	59	31	0.0	77
Sun Valley	m	m	m	77

The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	70	46	0.0
Atlanta	62	56	0.03
Boston	50	34	0.0
Chicago	66	44	0.0
Dallas	60	52	0.0
Denver	76	51	0.0
Des Moines	71	40	0.0
Detroit	50	34	0.0
Phoenix	84	64	0.0
Houston	64	56	0.01
Indianapolis	62	36	0.0
Kansas	72	35	0.0
Las Vegas	88	68	0.0
Los Angeles	73	55	0.0
Memphis	59	44	0.0
Miami Beach	83	72	0.0
Milwaukee	63	36	0.0
Minneapolis	67	44	0.0
New Orleans	72	65	0.01
New York	61	49	0.0
Oklahoma City	75	41	0.0
Omaha	75	41	0.0
Philadelphia	55	25	0.0
Pittsburgh	48	24	0.0
Portland, Ore.	58	44	0.0
Reno	60	44	0.0
St. Louis	70	36	0.0
Salt Lake City	68	56	0.0
San Francisco	56	31	0.0
Seattle	51	51	0.0
Spokane	54	39	0.0
Washington	54	39	0.0
Yonkers	54	44	0.0

Canadian Cities

City	High	Low
Calgary	57	17
Montreal	39	23
Toronto	62	45
Vancouver	42	45

UV INDEX ROAD INFORMATION

Index: 5 (moderate) Sun time: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Call the following number for road conditions in Idaho: 1-888-IDA-ROAD (1-888-432-7623).

SKYWATCH

Sunset today 8:19 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 6:57 a.m. Lunar phase: Full, April 18; last quarter, April 26; new, May 3; first quarter, May 10.

ACROSS THE NATION

Nations: High pressure brought fair conditions to the Northeast on Thursday, while showers dominated in the Upper Plains and the Southeast. A storm system pushing into the West produced scattered, light precipitation. The most concentrated area of rainfall was in western Oregon, where more than an inch of rain fell in some midnight. Snow was confined to the highest elevations. Clear to partly cloudy skies spread over most of the Ohio Valley and Northeast. A frontal boundary extending west from the Ohio Valley across the northern Plains and northern Rockies brought scattered snow and rain showers to the region. Winter storm warnings and snow advisories were in effect for Montana, while winter storm watches were posted for North Dakota. Showers also fell across the Southeast and Gulf Coast states, with the rain expected to move into South Carolina, Georgia and Florida later Thursday. A large ridge of high pressure over the lower Mississippi Valley, central and southern Plains and the southern Rockies brought mostly fair to partly cloudy skies to the region.

Dairy

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 department under legislation passed this year - was asked to study the potential effects on groundwater of a proposed dairy in the Box Canyon area. Officials found they couldn't determine the effect of a single operation but would have to look at the cumulative effects of operations in southern Gooding County. DEQ officials looked at analyzed existing data from 1993 to 1998, obtained from the aquaculture industry. They looked for a statistically significant increase in nitrate levels in groundwater - in the spring flows of Crystal and Clear springs. "We found it in all the springs where we have data," Allred said. "What you see is a significant increase in nitrates." Though it is an alarming trend, it shows no public health risk yet. If the trend continues, the regulatory limit will be hit within the next 10 years, Allred said. The data doesn't specify that the nitrates come from dairies, but the recent growth in the dairy industry has raised concern about groundwater - 98 percent of people in Idaho rely on groundwater for drinking water, he said. Southern Gooding County's dairy herds produce more

Report: EPA fails to protect kids from pesticides

Agency treats children like adults, study says
 WASHINGTON (AP) - The federal agency is failing to protect children working in farm fields from exposure to potentially dangerous pesticides, according to a report released on Thursday by Congress' nonpartisan investigative arm. The General Accounting Office report concluded that children in farm fields "are especially vulnerable to the adverse effects of pesticides and are not adequately protected from pesticide exposure." The report said the Environmental Protection Agency's Worker Protection Standard is not enforced consistently and treats children as adults, when they are far more vulnerable. For instance, when the EPA measures the amount of time that should elapse before workers are allowed back into the fields after pesticides are sprayed, it uses a body weight of 154 pounds - well over the weight of a small child, the report found.

Bush meets with GOP gays

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - George W. Bush met with a dozen gay Republicans Thursday as he kept up his courting of support from outside his party's conservative core. "I'm a better person for the meeting," he declared. The presumptive GOP presidential nominee assured conservatives his social views were intact, his opposition to ideas such as gay marriage unshaken by the hourlong session at his campaign headquarters. "The gays he met with, selected by his campaign, were upbeat. The goal was not to change his mind. It was to start a conversation," said Steve Gunderson, a former Republican congressman from Wisconsin. Bush has been portraying himself as a different kind of Republican - much as Bill Clinton and Al Gore painted the masses as a new breed of Democrat in 1992. And in that light, there could be political gain in spotlighting the meeting - even though gay voters generally support Democrats by margins of 2-to-1 or greater. But there is danger, too, said David Rohde, a political science professor at Michigan State University.

Espionage trial quickly adjourns

SHIRAZ, Iran (AP) - An espionage trial of 13 Jews that threatens to cool U.S.-Iranian relations adjourned quickly after it began Thursday, with defense attorneys saying they need more time. Senior judicial official said later that four of the 13 had confessed. Concern over the trial brought Western diplomats, foreign journalists and human rights activists to the courthouse in Shiraz, 550 miles south of the capital of Tehran. Both the United States and Israel charge that the Jews spied for the two countries are baseless. The Revolutionary Court trial is closed to the public - including relatives and the media - for national security reasons, authorities say. The judge leads the investigation and hands down the sentence and verdict. "The health of hundreds of thousands of children is at great risk." Children age 13 and under may perform agricultural work with parental permission and certain other restrictions under Department of Labor guidelines.

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Trans IV

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 Trans IV did not apply for the grant. Tom Clark, owner of Magic Valley Checkered Cab, said his company already meets the grant requirements, and he looks forward to providing a less expensive service to seniors. Clark said the cab drivers regularly help patrons to their door and carry groceries and other personal items for them. The company also operates around the clock, he said. "Everything that we provide was exactly what (the Office on Aging was) looking for, and there really wasn't anything extra that we had to do," Clark said. "In fact we far exceed what they wanted in the contract."

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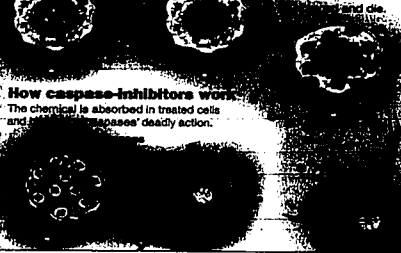
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NATION

Hope for Lou Gehrig's disease

In a study of mice affected by ALS, known as Lou Gehrig's disease, Harvard researchers found that a chemical prolongs survival by protecting nerve cells from enzymes called "caspases." Normally, caspases only kill damaged cells and neurons. In ALS, something triggers the caspases to target healthy neurons and cells, leading to paralysis and death. Here is an illustration of the process.

- 1 Enzymes called caspases lie dormant in nerve cells.
- 2 In ALS, something triggers caspases to become active.
- 3 Activated caspases cause the neurons' death and spur the release of toxic proteins that damage neurons and die.



Source: Science Emily Holmes/AP

How caspase inhibitors work

The chemical is absorbed in treated cells and blocks caspases' deadly action.

Chemical offers new hope for Lou Gehrig's victims

WASHINGTON (AP) — Scientists have used a chemical to delay the onset of Lou Gehrig's disease in mice and prolong their lives by blocking an enzyme crucial for cell death — a finding that holds promise not just for deadly Lou Gehrig's disease but for other degenerative nerve disorders that afflict millions.

The Harvard Medical School research may boost efforts already under way by half a dozen drug companies to create so-called "caspase inhibitors" safe enough to test in people suffering a variety of brain diseases.

The new findings "provide a compelling argument ... for the value of caspase inhibitors," Mark Gurney of the Pharmacia Corp., one drugmaker pursuing the compounds, wrote in a review accompanying the research in Friday's edition of the journal Science.

"The idea is very worthwhile, no question about it," added Cornell University neurologist Dr. Flint Beal, although he cautioned that human testing is not yet planned.

New Patriot missiles cost much more than expected

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fielding a new, more sophisticated version of the Patriot missile that gained acclaim in the 1991 Gulf War will cost \$2.3 billion more than previously estimated, the Pentagon said Thursday.

That is about a 30 percent increase, to a total of \$10.1 billion, for the version known as Patriot PAC-3. About half of the added cost reflects an increase in the number of missiles the Army plans to buy, from 560 to 1,012. The Army hopes to expand the number even more, perhaps to about 1,300, if the cost can be covered.

The other portion of the extra cost is due to a higher estimate of engineering costs and decision to buy the new missiles over a longer period of time. Some man-

ufacturing efficiencies are lost in a longer buy period.

The new Patriot system is expected to be ready for use in limited numbers next year and will eventually replace the air defense missiles now deployed with U.S. troops in South Korea, Germany and the Persian Gulf. The current Patriot system also has been sold to Japan, the Netherlands, Saudi Arabia and Taiwan.

The Patriot is the only weapon now available to U.S. forces for shooting down ballistic missiles like the Scud missiles that Iraq launched against Saudi Arabia and Israel during the Gulf War. The Pentagon believes an increasing number of countries hostile to the United States will acquire ballistic missiles in the future.

Congress approaches OK of GOP budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ignoring President Clinton's position that the plan "defies common sense," Congress moved Thursday to the brink of approving a \$1.83 trillion budget calling for tax cuts, debt reduction and extra money for schools and the Pentagon.

The House voted nearly party-line, 220-208, to approve the fiscal 2001 measure. Idaho Reps. Mike Simpson and Helen Chenoweth-Hage voted with the majority. Quiet Senate passage was expected. Clinton does not have to sign the fiscal outline, but an election-year veto battle looms over 13 annual spending bills and

any tax legislation lawmakers send him translating their budget's plans into reality.

"Those who would like to spend more are not keeping their eye on the target: Balancing the budget, paying down debt, protecting Social Security," said House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., in unspoken reference to the president and his Democratic allies.

Clinton said that to pay for excessive tax cuts, Republicans would slice needed domestic programs while insufficiently bolstering Social Security and Medicare or reducing the national debt.

Dems nix tax cut for married filers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican legislation that would cut taxes by \$248 billion over 10 years for millions of married couples was blocked Thursday by Senate Democrats, denying the GOP a prize as Americans scramble to finish their income tax returns.

The House, meanwhile, marked the final days of the federal tax filing season — the deadline for most individuals is midnight Monday, because April 15 is Saturday — by passing a bill to scrap the entire U.S. tax code by the end of 2004 and create a commission to devise a replacement.

Senate Republicans were seven votes short of the 60 needed to cut off debate and proceed to the so-called "marriage penalty" bill. The 53-45 vote forced GOP leaders to shelve the measure for now, but Democrats support the concept and agreed it would likely be brought up for debate later this year.

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Boeing says rivets must be replaced

SEATTLE (AP) — Boeing Co. has warned airlines that reinforcing rivets need to be replaced in 747-400 jumbo jets.

A mechanic at Boeing's Wichita, Kan., plant discovered that as many as 1,000 of the wrong kind of rivets were installed on each of the planes, 10 of which are in service.

Boeing spokeswoman Shannon Myers said the rivets used on the upper deck and main deck of the jumbo jets do not pose a flight safety risk.

Myers said, however, that the rivets help reinforce part of the plane's structure and that those used cannot handle the stresses involved.

She said about 300 to 1,000 rivets on each plane were in issue — a small number given the tens of thousands of rivets used in each aircraft.

This is the eighth instance of manufacturing and parts problems Boeing has faced since the beginning of the year. There also have been problems with loose rivets on Boeing 737 jets, improper fasteners on various aircraft models and weakened wing structure supports in a few planes.

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Clinton says he will not ask for a pardon

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton said Thursday he did not want and would not ask for any pardon from his successor for any possible crimes committed while in office. But he did not say whether he would accept a pardon if it were offered.

"I don't have any interest in that," Clinton told the American Society of Newspaper Editors. "I don't want one and I am prepared to stand before any bar of justice I have to stand before." He also said, "I'm glad I didn't quit" when faced with impeachment by the House and removal by the Senate — a battle he won after a historic trial that concluded last year. Clinton made his remarks in a question and answer session after a speech in which he criticized the \$1.83 trillion budget that Republicans later pushed through the House. Clinton said the GOP plan was "loaded with exploding tax breaks and untenable cuts in critical investment."



President Clinton ponders a question from members of the American Society of Newspaper Editors at their annual meeting Thursday in Washington, D.C.

short of saying he would not accept it. The rest of the country," Lockhart said. "They get a chance to ask the president about anything, any challenges that face America and the best they can come up with is two questions about impeachment. The country has moved past this. Unfortunately many major newspaper editors haven't. It may be some reason for declining circulation." The White House allowed four questions. Lockhart asked the first in Clinton's presence. He was willing to stand before any bar of justice that he would not accept any pardon. Clinton spent 14 1/2 minutes on the question. The president spoke a day after Vice President Al Gore addressed the same gathering and said that Clinton would not request or accept any pardon from a successor. Gore told the group that Clinton said "publicly some time ago that he would neither request nor accept a pardon, so that's the answer to your question."

Clinton still faces a continuing investigation by Independent Counsel Robert Ray, who has said he has high-salvage potential. Clinton is considering whether to indict Clinton after he leaves office. In response to another question, Clinton said his presidential library would not ignore his impeachment by the House and trial and acquittal in the Senate. "We have to deal with it, it is an important part" of his presidency, Clinton said. He appeared irritated by the line of questioning, responding in clipped sentences.

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Study: Active social life protects against dementia

The Associated Press

Richard Sumner of the U.S. National Institutes of Aging called the research an intriguing and important, extension of recent findings that social engagement and close relationships are powerfully associated with general health and longevity.

Elderly people who live alone, have no friends or have a bad relationship with their children are 50 percent more likely to develop dementia than those whose social contacts are more satisfying, a new study suggests.

"It's a very good start, a very good first study," he said, adding that there is a real protective effect of a social life — until further research confirms the findings.

Scientists at the Stockholm Gerontology Research Center at Karolinska Institute in Sweden, whose study is published this week in *The Lancet* medical journal, found that the more socially isolated old folks were, the more likely they were to develop the brain condition.

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President predicts Internet won't hurt newspapers

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton on Thursday declared himself "a technology media person" who still gets his news the old-fashioned way: from newspapers.

In a speech before the American Society of Newspaper Editors, Clinton said the advent of the Internet should not pose a problem for newspapers, because they will be needed to impart detailed information in a way that online television media cannot. "The thing I worry most about is that people will have all the information in the world, (but) they won't have any way of evaluating it," Clinton said. "That's what I consider to be the single most significant challenge presented to all of you."

determining how genes come together to make a single human being. Newspapers, he said, could provide in-depth coverage of the research itself, as well as the political and social ramifications, that otherwise might be glossed over or deleted for brevity. "How much will it cost you to run a long series on exactly what that is, what its implications might be, how it came to be and where we're going from here?" Clinton said. "Even if you feel beleaguered now, the nature of what is unfolding may make newspapers and old-fashioned newspaper work more important in the next few years."

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Russian intelligence agents charge American officer on alleged espionage

MOSCOW (AP) — A former American naval officer arrested by Russian intelligence agents has been charged with espionage for allegedly trying to buy state secrets, the Federal Security Service said today.

Thursday with revealing state secrets, the report said. Pope, a native of Grants Pass, Ore., does not hold diplomatic immunity and could face a lengthy prison sentence if convicted. Pope was associated with the Applied Research Laboratory at Pennsylvania State University. He was an assistant for foreign technology who developed contacts between Russian and American research institutes and worked on converting technology for commercial uses, a statement from the university said. Pope is being held in Moscow's Lefortovo prison.

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Wave of pessimism confronts searchers for extraterrestrial life

By Night Rider News Service

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. — The tantalizing dream of discovering life on other worlds seems to be receding, perhaps never to be realized.

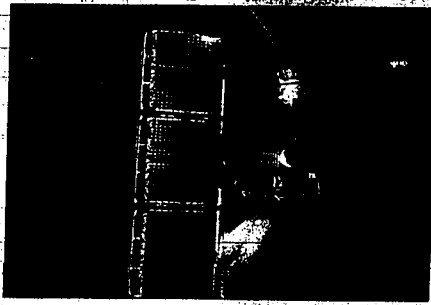
It's been less than four years since jubilant scientists proclaimed they had detected fossils of ancient micro-organisms from Mars. About the same time, new planets were spotted all over the sky, offering potential homes for alien civilizations. Tiny bugs were discovered in harsh environments on Earth previously considered impossible for creatures to survive in. The prospect of finding "neighbors" in outer space seemed bright.

But now a wave of pessimism is rising. "I don't think there is anything out there at all except ourselves," British paleontologist Simon Conway-Morris told an international conference on astrobiology — the study of extraterrestrial life — at NASA's Ames Research Center here April 3-5. The conference brought together 700 astronomers, biologists, chemists, geologists and other researchers to discuss the state of the worldwide effort to determine whether humans are alone in the universe. A series of recent disappointments, including the failure of NASA's last two Mars missions, brought a greater sense of skepticism — or realism — to the event.

It is time to "tone down expectations," said Dan McCleese, a Mars program scientist at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. This quest is likely to require a considerable number of decades of scientific exploration. As a result of NASA's recent mishaps — the loss of a Mars orbiter and lander — the first attempt to return a sample of Martian rocks and soil for analysis has been postponed. The precious package, which might contain a clear signature of life, had been expected on Earth in 2008. Now it's unlikely to arrive until well into the century's second decade.

Most scientists now believe that the apparent fossils inside a Martian rock that landed in Antarctica were chemical artifacts, not evidence of biological activity as reported in August 1996.

Increasing the skepticism, researchers have learned how to create in the laboratory chemical markers that were thought to be produced only by living organisms.



The Mars Surveyor 2001 Orbiter, depicted in this NASA drawing, is scheduled for launch April 7, 2001, and arrival Oct. 20, 2001.

"It's like someone saying they have found a way to use fingerprints to identify people, and we're saying we can produce those same fingerprints in the lab without having that person around," University of Rochester geochemist Ariel Anbar reported in the April 8 issue of Science magazine.

In addition, doubts are rising that early Mars was as warm and wet — and hence as hospitable to life — as recently thought.

James Kasting, an astronomer at the University of Pennsylvania, said Martian temperatures may never have risen above 37 degrees below zero (Fahrenheit), too cold for life. "We don't understand how to make early Mars warm," Kasting said.

If liquid water existed on Mars, as pictures from the 1998

Pathfinder mission suggested, it probably remained only briefly and only in selected locations, according to Robert Haberle, a scientist at NASA-Ames. This would limit the opportunities for life to begin and hang on long enough to evolve into something more advanced.

We have not yet found the "smoking gun" that would prove Mars once had ample liquid water, an essential precondition for life, McCleese said.

Even the discovery of 34 planets orbiting distant stars is turning out to be frustrating. None of these scaldingly hot gas giants, most of them as big or bigger than Jupiter, could harbor life. Their peculiar orbits also make it unlikely that Earthlike planets could form or survive in their neighborhood.

Lawmaker faces complaint from boy's parents

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The parents of the 8-year-old boy who allegedly tried to steal Rep. James P. Moran Jr.'s car April 7 by claiming he had a gun have filed a complaint with an Alexandria, Va., magistrate and hired a lawyer, saying that their son did nothing wrong and was cursed and man-handled by the congressman.

The child merely admired Moran's Toyota, the parents said, adding that Moran, D-Va., then grabbed the boy by the neck and cursed at him.

Moran, who disputed the parents' contentions, has not pressed charges against the boy but was obviously conflicted about how to proceed Wednesday. Twice he reversed his decision about pressing charges, first telling a reporter he had decided to prosecute, then calling back an hour later to say he would not. "I've decided that I really have no alternative . . . but to go ahead and to prosecute so as to give the court and social service system in the city the ability to intervene in this juvenile's life," he said at first.

Later he said, "I can't bring myself to press charges against an 8-year-old boy."

Alexandria police said they are continuing to investigate the incident. The magistrate, who has the parents' complaint, police said, has not issued an arrest warrant against Moran.

According to police, the boy approached Moran in the parking lot of Corn Kelly School and Recreation Center, claiming that he had a gun in his pocket and demanding that Moran give up

his car keys. Moran told police that he grabbed the boy and hauled him inside to the director's office. The boy was not armed. Police spokeswoman Amy

Bertsch said detectives have interviewed Moran but not the boy or his family. "It would be nice if the family would make the child available to investigators," Bertsch said.

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NATION

'Looking for a few good moms'

May march will target guns

SHORT HILLS, N.J. (AP) — It took an unforgettable image of young children escaping a racist gunman to transform Donna Dees-Thomases from a wealthy suburban mother into a grassroots activist.

The image was from Aug. 10, when a white supremacist opened fire on a Jewish Community Center in Granada Hills, Calif.

Dees-Thomases was flipping channels when she saw the video of children the same age as her daughters crossing the street hand-in-hand with police officers.

"These were my kids crossing the street," Dees-Thomases said. "My kids go to a JCC. Anybody could walk in. It was just crazy."

One week later, Dees-Thomases registered a Web site, and launched the Million Mom March campaign. The grassroots effort is expected to become the nation's largest gun control demonstration to date.

The Mother's Day rally is expected to draw 100,000 people to the National Mall in Washington, D.C. Other demonstrations are scheduled in 20 cities nationwide, including Oklahoma, Los Angeles, Denver and Portland, Ore.

The group is pressing Congress for stricter gun control, including measures to require all handgun owners to be licensed and registered, require built-in child safety locks and limit handgun purchases to one a month.

"Mothers are certainly an important voice in this debate, and they are a voice that has not been very strong until this point," said Shannon Frattaroli, researcher at the Center for Gun Policy and Research at Johns Hopkins University.

"We have yet to see really a grass roots movement in this area, and maybe that's what is needed in order to change voting behavior."

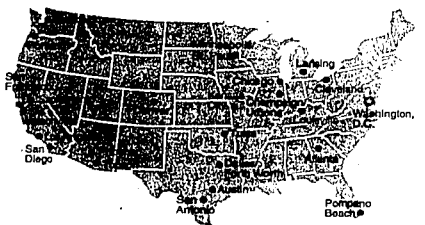
National Rifle Association spokesman Bill Powers said the organization was unconcerned about the appeal of the May 14 rally.



Donna Dees-Thomases, of Short Hills, N.J., helps organize a Mother's Day rally for gun control planned for cities around the county. She's shown here in her home office.

Moms have their march

Mothers across the country are expected to participate in a gun control demonstration on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., and in cities nationwide on Mother's Day. Here is a look at the cities where rallies, called the Million Mom March, are planned — on Mother's day or the previous day.



Source: Million Mom March

"It is one of the great freedoms of America" to express oneself

politically, he said. Prior to the Granada Hills shoot-

ing, Dees-Thomases considered herself rather apolitical. Today, her cluttered basement office in this wealthy suburban community is adorned by bright pink posters and T-shirts reading, "We're looking for a few good moms."

Dees-Thomases, a part-time publicist for David Letterman's late-night talk show, chose the name Million Mom March to borrow on the success of the Million Man March rally for black empowerment in Washington in 1995, and the subsequent Million Youth March.

The campaign has grown — mostly by word of mouth — to at least 500 mothers working out of their homes and out of an office in Washington, D.C.

Organizers have recruited marchers by calling parent-teacher groups, churches, synagogues and women's groups for support, Dees-Thomases said.

"It is a true instinct of mothers protecting their children," she said. "I think it is totally primitive."

A year after Columbine, guns hit top of agenda

The Washington Post

LITTLETON, Colo. — When it comes to the gun issue in American politics, this is ground zero. Almost a year ago at Columbine High School near here, two students went on a shooting spree, killing 12 of their classmates and a teacher before they took their own lives.

Since then "Columbine" has become shorthand for wanton youth violence, a rallying cry for gun control advocates who see the bloody Colorado incident as a watershed event that will finally break what they consider the iron grip of the National Rifle Association and other anti-gun control groups over Congress and the state legislatures.

But even as guns and youth violence have shot to the top of the public agenda here, the actual political impact of Columbine has so far been relatively limited. Despite the public outburst, the Colorado House recently rejected a package of gun control measures proposed by the state's conservative governor — including requiring background checks on all firearms sales at gun shows.

A grass-roots group formed in the wake of Columbine is now pushing a statewide voter initiative that would put the requirements of the failed state legislation into law by popular vote in November. President Clinton came to Denver Wednesday to trumpet the proposal, and advocates are hopeful over early polls showing strong support for the initiative.

Still, the climate in Colorado

underscores how difficult it continues to be for advocates for gun control to transform general public support for their cause into specific legislation or success for their allies seeking elective office. Although relatively liberal states like Maryland and Massachusetts have adopted new restrictions on handguns in the past year, most states have relatively limited gun control laws. A package of new national gun controls is hung up in Congress.

According to a study released this week by the Open Society Institute, which advocates stricter gun laws, 35 states require no license or registration, 46 set no limit on the number of guns a person can purchase at one time, and seven have no minimum age at which a child may buy a rifle.

While Democrats want to make guns a big issue in the fall elections — when control of Congress and the White House will be up for grabs — Colorado's experience shows that many GOP politicians who might be considered vulnerable on guns have repositioned themselves to make their races less likely to turn on the issue of guns and violence.

One of those lawmakers, Rep. Tom Tancredo, R-Colo., said the impact of the Columbine shootings in his district has been to "make everyone a bit more sensitive to the issue of guns." But he does not see it as the kind of watershed event that "transforms public opinion." "I think the change is marginal," he said.

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Smith & Wesson 'clarifies' firearms sale agreement

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Smith & Wesson has clarified parts of its landmark agreement with the Clinton administration that called on it to crack down on gun dealers.

The company contends, in comments posted on its Web site, that it feels portions of the agreement requiring that it make background checks and impose other restrictions on sales only apply to the sale of the gunmaker's firearms.

It also said that criminal background checks it agreed to for gun-show sales would apply only to firearms sold by licensed dealers and not by private citizens.

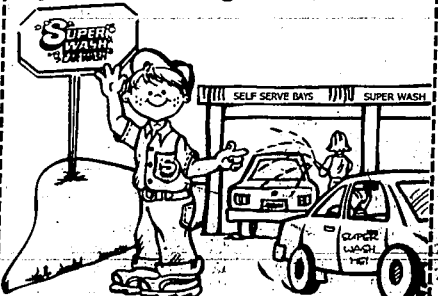
"We are standing by our agreement. There are differences of opinion as to what this means and that will be worked out," said Ed Shultz, president of

Smith & Wesson. Smith & Wesson's Web site said the company would abide by other major parts of the agreement. It said Smith & Wesson would still include external safety locks with all handguns, install internal locks within two years and work on developing "smart" technology that limits a gun's use to its rightful owner.

Due to the March 17 agreement, Smith & Wesson was dropped from lawsuits that federal, state and local governments filed against gunmakers.

Clinton administration officials and a lawyer representing several municipalities dismissed Smith & Wesson's interpretation of its responsibilities as a public relations ploy, the Baltimore Sun reported Thursday.

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German mechanic rises from unknown to icon

BERLIN (AP) — When he first appeared across the TV screen, Zlatko was no indication a superstar lay dormant in the burly, unshaven mechanic.

Known only by his first name, Zlatko, he didn't know who Shakespeare was. He spoke German like a nonnative. He admitted he never read books.

And that's exactly what hooked. Locked inside a house with other residents of the reality show "Big Brother" — a sort of MTV "Real World" taken to an Italian extreme — the 24-year-old Zlatko seemed to be the only person who was real.

At a time of growing disenchantment in Germany over a political scandal and perceptions of increasing egotism, Zlatko appeared open, honest and sincere. Threatened with ejection from the show as part of its ploy to keep the audience's interest, he was asked to support Zlatko. He composed Web site tributes and wrote songs praising him as an average Joe, just like them.

Even the politicians cheat on people who elect them ... but at least Zlatko says what he is, he's honest," said Betty Siegel, a sociologist in Hamburg. "That is very rare at a time when you get the impression that nobody is being honest and all are trying to play games to get the most out of relationships."

Despite his following, Zlatko was voted off the show Sunday. And that's when things really started to take off.

By Monday, he had already recorded a pop song, a tour this summer is likely. Stern magazine put him on its cover Wednesday and heralded him as "King of Germany."

By making the rounds of the talk shows, he's been requested by more than 100 interview requests. And the network



Zlatko

that produces "Big Brother" is giving him his own reality TV show "Zlatko's World."

Suddenly, the \$125,000 prize awarded to the last person left after 100 days on "Big Brother" seemed like chump change.

Tabloids have speculated he could earn millions; talk is he's been offered advertising deals for everything from beer to cosmetics to exercise equipment.

"He has as many inquiries as a pop star," said Harald Staffels, Zlatko's agent. "Our phone system was overloaded. I've never seen anything like this."

Baring his tattooed arms on "Big Brother" while working out with housemate Juergen, Zlatko always did his own thing under the camera's eyes. He never put on pretenses to win favor with the audience.

He and Juergen hung out and played chess, sometimes offending their housemates with their politically incorrect humor. Zlatko never tried to act smarter than he was.

Asked who Shakespeare was, he responded: "Mmm... I have no idea if he wrote novels, made films, documentaries, no idea."

"Bliss launched 'Save Zlatko' campaigns on the Web and composed songs with choruses of 'Zlatko is our hero.' Reporters interviewed his family and friends in Schwabia, where his Macedonian parents settled.

The "Big Brother" show on Zlatko's day of reckoning drew the highest rating for station RTL II since it's been on the air: 4.7 million viewers, including nearly half the 14- to 29-year-olds watching TV at the time.

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China seeks to reunify Taiwan with the mainland and end more than 50 years of separation caused by a civil war. Anyone suspected of opposing reunification is labeled an enemy.

China press bashes Taiwan leader

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — Annette Lu, an outspoken feminist, recently became the target of China's state-run press, which accused her of trying to stir up anti-China sentiment in Taiwan and called her insane

Security Council OKs weapons inspection plan

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The U.N. Security Council on Thursday unanimously approved an organizational plan for returning weapons inspectors to Iraq, more than a year after they were barred from the country by Saddam Hussein.

After only a few hours of debate, the chief president, Robert Fowler of Canada, made the announcement after the chief U.N. weapons inspector, Hans Blix, briefed ambassadors for the first time on his plan.

The Security Council created the new commission, known as UNMOVIC, in December to replace the U.N. Special Commission, known as UNSCOM, which was stung by allegations that U.N. inspectors spied on Iraq on behalf of the United States.

The quick approval signals that the Security Council, which has been deeply divided over Iraq, is united in its initial support for Blix, the 73-year-old former head of the International Atomic Energy Agency who was chosen to head the new U.N. Monitoring, Verification and

U.N. sanctions fall short

The United Nations reported a poor record card on the implementation of sanctions it imposed in 1990. In many cases, the world's poorest and least developed nations were the victims.

Country	Year	Sanctions	Impact
Algeria	1989	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Angola	1992	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Belarus	1997	Oil and gas embargo	Oil and gas embargo led to economic crisis
Burma	1990	Arms embargo	Arms embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1962	Arms embargo	Arms embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1992	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1993	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1994	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1995	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1996	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1997	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1998	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	1999	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis
Cuba	2000	Oil embargo	Oil embargo led to economic crisis

Inspection Commission. "I'm quite pleased with the outcome," Blix said after the closed-door meeting. "We have worked kind of hard on this operational plan."

He said he would begin inter-

views to form a "core staff" of 40-plus full-time professionals in New York as well as part-time experts who can be called on for specific missions. All staff will attend a six-week U.N. training course in the summer, he said in

U.N. investigation confronts Croats with crimes

GOSPIĆ, Croatia (AP) — Behind the bombed-out houses on the outskirts of this desolate central Croatian town, the forested mountains allegedly hide the graves of more than 100 of Gospic's Serbs slain by Croats during the 1991 war.

And if a United Nations probe approved Sunday by the Croatian government finds such graves exist, it will dig up more than bodies. For Croats, it will mean unearthing troubling emotions about whether they were merely victims during Croatia's war for independence.

U.N. investigators could begin digging around this impoverished town next week, according to Croatian government officials who spoke on condition they not be named.

"We were only defending our country," said Mijo, 40, who like other residents was disturbed by the prospect of international investigators digging outside their town, 60 miles southwest of the capital of Zagreb. "They

should first look at what Serbs did to Croats here."

Officials with the U.N. tribunal conducting the probe refused to comment on the investigation, citing court rules.

The prospect that Croats, too, committed atrocities during the war for independence is a painful one for a country struggling to find its place in Europe nearly a decade after it broke from Yugoslavia.

Croats widely believe that the only atrocities were committed by the country's minority Serbs, who rebelled in 1991 after Croatia declared independence. That triggered a war that raged for six months, then after a U.N.-mediated cease-fire flared anew in 1995 when the Croatian army seized the last areas held by Serbs.

But reports of Gospic's Serbs being dragged out of their homes, massacred and then buried in scattered locations have rocked the country's image as a noble war. Added to that is another alleged massacre of at least 200

Serb civilians in the 1995 fighting. Under the late President Franjo Tudjman — who ruled from independence until his death in December — the Croatian government denied any wrongdoing.

Zagreb had repeatedly rejected requests by the U.N. war crimes tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in The Hague, Netherlands, to investigate possible crimes by Croats. But the new government, which took power in January, has told the people that war criminals on both sides

should be prosecuted.

The government has already had to defend that and before opposition members of Tudjman's party, who protested the tribunal's inquiry Wednesday.

"It is a completely legal action," Justice Minister Stjepan Ivanisevic said, referring to Croatia's 1996 law on cooperation with the court.

Croat war veterans' associations, however, asked parliament to re-examine its decision to cooperate with the tribunal.

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Feds discuss alternatives to killing wolves

PRAY, Mon. (AP) — Federal wildlife managers may give ranchers more authority to harass and kill troublesome wolves to keep them away from Idaho, Montana and Wyoming.

Ed Bangs, head of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's federal wolf recovery program, said some researchers have experimented with using rubber bullets or buckshot for harassing wolves away from livestock and found them effective. Lawyers are looking at how such a program could be incorporated into the ground rules for restoring

"Is it that bad to let a rancher shoot a wolf on his private property? Perhaps more wolves will live by letting people exercise their private property rights than will die otherwise."

— Carter Niemeyer
head of the federal Wildlife Services Division's wolf control effort

wolves in the Northern Rockies. "It's something we can do, but it's not something we can do easily right now," Bangs said. "But we are looking at it."

Carter Niemeyer, who heads

the federal Wildlife Services Division's wolf control effort in Montana, argued that killing wolves quickly after a livestock attack would deter other wolves in the same pack.

"Is it that bad to let a rancher shoot a wolf on his private property?" Niemeyer asked about 150 people attending an annual interagency wolf conference at Chico Hot Springs. "Perhaps more wolves will live by letting people exercise their private property rights than will die otherwise."

The conference, organized by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the conservation group Defenders of Wildlife, brought together biologists, wolf advocates and ranchers to talk about the issues and problems surrounding the recovery effort.

County: Men drilled hole in woman's head to free spirit

CEDAR CITY, Utah (AP) — Two Beryl men have been charged with practicing medicine without a license for allegedly drilling a hole in a woman's head.

The surgery, called trepanation, was performed by early civilizations and as far back as the Stone Age to relieve pressure in the skull or release evil spirits. It has become a fad in New-Age and alternative-medicine circles. Its advocates contend it improves mental efficiency. Iron County Attorney Scott Burns said the surgery took place Jan. 22 at a Beryl home and was filmed by a television crew for ABC's "20/20". The show aired Feb. 10.

Peter Evan Halvorson, 43, and William E. Lysons, 45, are charged with a third-degree felony punishable by up to five years in prison. The video showed the woman being shaved and the woman then injecting herself with local anesthetic. An incision was made, Halvorson allegedly spread the incised skin and exposed the woman's skull cap and then allegedly then used a metal instrument to drill a hole in her skull.

Before the surgery could be finished, they were interrupted by a Beryl man whose brother owned the home and the group left the trepanation reportedly was completed somewhere else.

Towns share mixed feelings over morality program

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Some Panhandle officials are bringing back what they learned at a national conference while others are glad to leave behind what they charge is religion dabbled in government.

Eleven local people, including mayors, attended last week's International Conference for Building Cities of Character in Indianapolis. Some intend to

pitch the program to schools, police, civic leaders and media.

The Idaho Character Foundation created by businessman Dan Pinkerton paid for their trip.

The International Association of Character Cities, which put on the conference, is affiliated with the "Character Training Institute" — a nonprofit group that provides training and support to

raise moral standards in cities.

Although most of the Panhandle delegates were impressed, Coeur d'Alene Councilman Chris Copstead said the strong Christian influence troubled him. He said he was held against his will to listen to "religious talk." Copstead said there was no television, telephone or radio in his room. Fire escapes were locked shut, and his wake-up

alarm was a speaker that played spiritual and marching music.

During conference meetings, Copstead said he heard shouts of "hallelujah" and "amen."

"This is a fundamentalist Christian group. We're talking fire and brimstone," he said. "I'm not chastising anyone's beliefs, but it's not the duty of the government to get involved in a religious revival."

Church bans missionary garb at schools

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Mormon Church is putting an end to the long tradition of missionary students once a year donning the trappings of a missionary — dark suits, white shirts and ties, Sunday dresses and neckties.

Fearful that the rite was alienating non-Mormons and inactive church members, education officials in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are telling seminaries to scale back Missionary Week.

The church has banned missionary garb at public schools, keeping activities within seminary buildings and limiting the event to a day rather than a week. Seminary instructors may still invite current and former missionaries to discuss church service.

Missionary Weeks have taken place for at least the past 15 years at seminaries in Utah and other Western states with large Mormon populations. Mormon students attend classes at seminaries, located near public secondary schools, to learn about their church's scriptures and doctrine.

The Missionary Week activities were meant to get students excited about serving church missions.

While Missionary Week was never meant to be a "mass proselytizing of the high school," that is what happened at times, said Larry Tippetts, director of the Salt Lake Valley East area of the Church Education System.

"The dress-up day made it clear who was a devout Mormon and who wasn't. Some seminary students put their proselytizing skills to work, handing out copies of the Book of Mormon and inviting non-Mormons to seminary classes."

"There is a definite spirit among seminary students to share their faith with others," said Tippetts. "We are not trying to say they shouldn't do that."

"But the danger is you always get some who are a little self-righteous or condemning and that is never right in any setting."

Carol Gnade, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Utah, said she gets a handful of complaints from students and parents every year who feel "isolated and left out" during Missionary Week, which is held at various times throughout the year. In some cases, the inactive and non-Mormon students were the only ones in their classes dressed in regular clothing.

"Some students got a little too exuberant, a little too gung-ho," said J.B. Haws, an instructor at Salt Lake City's East High School seminary.

Many seminaries begin scaling back their missionary events once they heard students complain about being excluded. Specifically, many schools dropped the dress-up day.

Haws said his seminary students stopped dressing up a couple years ago because "we never wanted to divide the student body."

The new rules are part of the church's effort to be more inclusive and sensitive to non-Mormons, Tippetts said.

He said church President Gordon B. Hinckley had "made mention a hill-foglet or more times of the need to find common ground and not to emphasize our differences."

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Environmentalists decry scope of Idaho logging project

BOISE (AP) - Clearwater National Forest officials have decided to proceed with a controversial plan to log about 12,000 acres of forest between the historic Lolo Trail and U.S. Highway 12 along the Lochsa River.

Officials have said the project is a much needed mechanism to restore the forest's cover of trees, rugged breakdown that dogged Lewis and Clark and became known as a famed elk herd in the first half of the 20th century.

And supporters said the North Lochsa Face project will improve forest health, restore vegetation altered by decades of fire suppression and improve water quality by decommissioning and obliterating miles of old logging roads.

But critics said it is one of the largest timber projects in the country and that it promises to slap the region with a black eye during the coming Lewis and Clark Bicentennial. They also said the proposed logging threatens to degrade spawning streams critical to threatened steelhead.

Lochsa District Ranger Cindy Lane is prepared to counter what she said are misconceptions being pushed by the project's environmental detractors.

"It's the magnitude of the project that is probably raising eyebrows," she said. "If we had proposed to do five different projects, people may not have noticed."

About 8,280 acres of the 128,000-acre area will be logged to produce 75 million board feet of timber over five to 10 years. Another 12,000 acres will be treated with prescribed fire. No new roads will be

built, Lane said, and nearly 100 miles of road will be obliterated.

Another 59 miles of road will be stabilized and then closed to most motorized traffic.

Lane said no logging will occur from the Lolo Trail and logging trucks will be excluded from the historic route traveled by Lewis and Clark and the Nez Perce Tribe.

The project is designed to restore tree species such as ponderosa pine and Douglas fir that have been crowded out

by Western red cedar and grand fir following decades of fire suppression.

But many environmental groups, including the Idaho Conservation League and the Friends of the Clearwater, are unconvinced the project will restore the North Lochsa Face to its historic health.

"I don't think heavy-handed management is the answer to problems from past management," said Kristin Ruether of Friends of the Clearwater in Moscow. "It's over 8,000 acres of logging. That is not restoration."

Beating of lesbian leads to charges

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Four members of a Sandy family accused of beating their lesbian relative and attempting to take her back to Jordan have been ordered to stand trial on charges of aggravated assault and second-degree kidnapping.

The Hawatmehs were initially charged with aggravated kidnapping, which is punishable by up to life in prison. But relying on a recent Utah Supreme Court decision, 3rd District Judge William Barrett on Tuesday bound over the four on the second-degree kidnapping charges, punishable by up to 15 years in prison.

Muna Hawatmeh, 23, testified at a January preliminary hearing that she was beaten and kicked for several hours last October by her two brothers, mother and father. The family finally decided they must kill her, and one brother brandished a large knife, she said.

Muna Hawatmeh said her life was spared when she pleaded to be taken back to Jordan. The next morning, the family was driving her to the airport, when her female partner spotted them and called police. The family returned to the Sandy police station, and a doctor later found numerous bruises on the woman's arms and legs.

The Utah Supreme Court recently threw out aggravated kidnapping charges against a

woman in part of the sex abuse charges in the kidnapping case.

Judge Barrett ruled that the Hawatmehs could not be charged with aggravated kidnapping in conjunction with the beating. However, he ordered them to stand trial on lesser kidnapping charges for allegedly forcing the woman to return to Jordan the following

month. A scheduling hearing for the case is set for May 1 before Judge Judith Atherton. The defendants are brothers Jehu Hawatmeh, 32, and Shaher Hawatmeh, 33; their father, Abdul Hawatmeh, 64, and their mother, Wedad Hawatmeh, 54.

The four have denied any wrongdoing. The family has maintained that they were merely taking Muna Hawatmeh to Jordan.

Muna Hawatmeh had been in the United States for about 10 years, she said, and, at one time, she had been in this country for 15 years.

Muna Hawatmeh and her partner returned to the United States about 10 years ago. Her brother has been in this country for 15 years.

Idaho men charged in heroin death

BOISE (AP) - Police have charged two Preston men with the suspected heroin overdose death of Troy L. Goodwin, 27.

Franklin County Sheriff Don Beckstead said the body of Troy L. Goodwin was discovered Sunday morning by two fishermen at a campsite in the Onelda Narrows Canyon northeast of Preston.

Investigators think Goodwin's body was moved to the campsite from a home in Preston after Goodwin's overdose. Autopsy results are still pending, Beckstead said.

Sheriff's investigators backtracked Goodwin's whereabouts for the previous 24 hours and discovered he had been seen with three Preston men on Saturday night, Beckstead said.

Those men, Ronald Wheeler, Robert Weeks and Alan Woodman, all have been arrested.

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EDITORIAL

Cooperative vo-tech program is heading to self-sufficiency

Less than three years ago, the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition was just an idea. Today, ARTEC is a reality - linking school districts across the Magic and Wood River valleys to provide vocational training for high school students.

Is ARTEC a mature enterprise yet? No. It's still a little wobbly and still requires funding from external sources. Remember, this is only the second year that classes have been offered.

Things should work even more smoothly next year, when virtually all participating school districts will shift to a common calendar.

ARTEC appears poised to evolve into a sturdy entity that can stand on its own.

We spoke recently with a key member of ARTEC's brain trust, Twin Falls banker Curtis Eaton. A long-time member of the State Board of Education, Eaton is one of southern Idaho's most nimble thinkers on the subject of education.

Eaton recognizes there are limits to how far students are willing to travel to attend classes in another school district. The limit is probably 30 to 35 miles, tops.

Thus, Castleford and Burley are probably too far apart for any meaningful exchange of students. But Castleford, Buhl, Filer and maybe Wendell are close enough for exchanges. Other such groupings could be Valley, Murrough, Burley and Minico, as well as Hansen, Kimberly, Twin Falls and possibly Jerome.

As these nodes become established, they will diminish the centralized nature of ARTEC's current organization. This would allow good ideas to bubble up from participating school districts, which usually beats ideas from a distant central administration.

The biggest barriers to student migration are lack of awareness and pride. Not enough teachers and school principals know about ARTEC's advantages, so they don't steer students toward it. That will doubtless change as the program expands and improves.

But that's not the end of ARTEC's

hurdles. Some school administrators may be reluctant to allow their students to attend classes in other school districts lest their own programs be perceived as inferior.

Parochial jealousy is a powerful thing, particularly when it involves rural schools - which often are the heart and soul of many small communities. (The corrosive power of parochial pride is painfully evident in the current discord over the Southern Idaho Regional Communication Center.)

So far, 352 students are participating in ARTEC programs, but only 13 are taking classes in other districts. Student migration will have to increase if ARTEC is to survive and ultimately thrive.

Finances are another key consideration for ARTEC's future. A start-up grant from the J.A. & Kathryn Albertson Foundation will pay most of the bills for another 2 1/2 years, but the program must become self-sufficient over time.

That's starting to happen, Eaton says, noting that school districts are beginning to commit a small amount of their own money for ARTEC operations. It adds up to only \$45,000, but most commitments begin with such small steps.

Finally, there probably should be some winnowing of course offerings. Not every school district can, or should, offer an information technology or health occupations program.

Rather than offer too many programs in too many locations, participating school districts should pick their spots and pare their offerings to avoid spreading themselves too thin.

ARTEC is a sound idea that's suited to the needs of participating school districts. By equipping students for jobs that pay more than the minimum wage, it is preparing them for life after high school. Some probably will use their earnings to pay for college educations, thus climbing to a higher rung on the education ladder and enjoying even higher earnings. ARTEC students who don't go on to college also will reap the rewards that solid vocational skills provide.

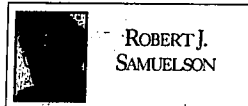
Either way, ARTEC will provide advancement through education.

ARTEC appears poised to evolve into a sturdy entity that can stand on its own.



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Exploding some of Washington's myths



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

One of the reigning myths of our national politics is that rich "special interests" rule Washington. Through lavish campaign contributions and skillful lobbyists, they buy "access" and manipulate laws to their advantage. Politics is corrupt. This is the idea that animates the crusade for campaign finance "reform" and fires the moral fervor of Sen. John McCain.

Fashionable, yes. True? No. Just the other week, we got a superb example: the tough antitrust ruling against Microsoft.

But at tax time, the best illustration involves taxes. If the rich are so powerful, their tax burden would be falling. It isn't - it's rising.

Since the mid-1980s, the rich have paid a growing share of federal taxes, reports the Congressional Budget Office. For 1999, the richest 1 percent of Americans (about 1.2 million families with average pretax incomes of \$786,000) will pay about 21 percent of all federal taxes, up from 15 percent in 1985.

The money that government gets at the top is spent largely on programs for the middle class and - to a lesser extent - the poor. In 1998, Social Security (both the old age and disability programs) had 44 million beneficiaries, Medicare (health insurance for the elderly) had 39

million and Medicaid (health insurance for the poor) had 41 million. (Of course, the wealthy also get Social Security and Medicare benefits. But they don't need the benefits. Economically, they'd be better off without the programs and with lower taxes.)

So: the rich hardly dominate Washington. Why is this? One reason is economics. The rich and upper middle class pay the most because they have the most. Indeed, their share of the nation's income has risen. In 1985, the richest 1 percent had 12 percent of family income; by 1999, that was an estimated 15 percent. This accounted for all the increase among the richest 20 percent, whose share went from 51 to 54 percent. Even with a "flat tax" - requiring everyone to pay the same share of income as taxes - the wealthiest fifth of Americans would pay about half federal taxes. (Family incomes for this richest fifth average about \$144,000.)

But we don't have a flat tax. We have a progressive tax. Rates rise with income. More important, tax rates for the richest Americans have been rising over time. In 1985, the average rate for the richest 1 percent was 26.2 percent; by 1999, it was 34.4 percent. (These rates combine all federal taxes - income, payroll and excise - as well as corporate taxes, which are attributed to shareholders.) For the wealthiest fifth, tax rates rose from 24.5 to 29.1 percent. Down the income spectrum, rates dropped. For the poorest fifth, it went from 10.2 to 4.6 percent between 1985 and 1999.

The essential point is that the rich haven't been strong enough politically to protect themselves against higher taxes. We live in a democracy. People vote, not money.

This is simple, obvious. But this is not how Washington is perceived to work. In the standard portrait, wealthy "special interests" steal government from "the people." Now, lobbying abounds in Washington. Sometimes, lobbies for the rich and for business interests win. Sometimes their victories are good public policy; sometimes they aren't. But they usually operate in an indifferent or hostile climate, because they don't represent identifiably large constituencies.

Most everyone misrepresents Washington. Politicians do it, because it gives them populist credentials and pander to public prejudices. The press does it, because "the people" vs. "the privileged" is an appealing morality tale. Even some of the rich join the chorus, because they feel guilty about their wealth.

This is more than harmless myth-making. It gives artificial support to campaign finance "reform" which - despite supporters' denials - threatens free speech. It reinforces cynicism toward government and politics, which is unhealthy when based on misinformation. And it assails the truth, which is worth defending for its own sake.

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LETTERS

Why breach if the fish are doomed?

This letter is in response to Dave Hohler's April 2 commentary about breaching the dams. After describing how scientific he and his fellow travelers are, he makes the statement that the four dams must be breached and breached soon. He later on states that he isn't calling for dam breaching. Baloney!

Still further on, he restates what the Army Corps of Engineers reported at the Twin Falls seminar on March 10. Breaching the dams will only be effective if and only if there is at least a 20 percent increase in the survival of juvenile fish moving from the last dam to the ocean. Necessary categorical changes are listed but no particulars. He implies that commercial harvesting needs to be further restricted.

The most destructive predator of the juvenile salmon are the schools of fresh water predators at the end of the last dam - ocean whales, sea lions and birds. The population of these predators must be reduced 50 percent in order to make breaching the dams worthwhile.

What is needed in this debate is not more scientists but some pragmatic engineers. No engineering firm would think of destroying a \$100 million investment in dams knowing that it would all be wasted if the survival rate wasn't increased. The correct engineering program is to first increase the survival rate and then and only then consider breaching the dams.

A very recent scientific study has found that the rising temperature of the North Pacific Ocean is destroying the salmon food supply and permitting diseases to attack them. Their conclusion is that this phenomenon could be the ultimate destruction of the salmon regardless of what is done in the Snake River Basin. So, let's cure the survival problems in the estuary and North Pacific Ocean. If that is successful, then consider if breaching the dams is really necessary!

PHIL BUTLER
Twin Falls

Say 'So long' to SIRCOMM

In a recent editorial, The Times-News questioned the value of SIRCOMM to

Twin Falls County. This editorial was received by many people with quiet hope that something might change at last. I personally have watched this organization struggle from its inception when it was formed with obvious ulterior motives and guided by questionable directorship.

Since its formation, SIRCOMM has been and continues to be a huge financial burden rife with functional problems, largely at the expense of Twin Falls County residents.

I strongly believe it would be logical and more expedient for public safety in Twin Falls County to withdraw from SIRCOMM. It may function satisfactorily for other counties, but it falls far short of its organizational promises and commitments of meeting the basic needs of Twin Falls County.

WILL BUHLER
Twin Falls

People are more important than fish

I am appalled that 9 of 10 local people could come to a hearing and speak in favor of dam breaching!

Is this insane dam destruction penance for the supposed sins of our parents who built the dams? Have salmon become a sacred symbol for human freedom that we perceive is all but lost? Perhaps we collectively feel a need to reconcile with Native Americans for our original sin of conquest?

Do you really think the high priests of dam destruction will stop in Washington? I think the taste of blood will not be slaked until the last dam on the Upper Snake is blown to smithereens.

Have you looked at the statistics used to justify breaching? It's right up there with tossing a coin in the air. Dammed if you do, damned if you don't. Have you considered all the rail cars per year of coal to replace the lost power? Have you stopped to consider the myriad impacts on the environment and the infrastructure of society of digging, shipping, burning and disposing of all that coal? Yes, that will create a potpourri of jobs, but we could also create those jobs by hiring thousands of people to march around in circles eight hours a day, five days a week.

Have we stopped to consider the thou-

sands of jobs that will be lost and the tens of thousands that will be negatively impacted, both along the river and as a ripple effect throughout the Northwest? Cheap power is a necessity for many industries to remain competitive in a region such as ours. It is a gift from God to a region that is arid and mountainous and sparsely settled. In an era of increasing global competition, you can bet increased power rates, coupled with decreased water, will be the straw that sends many, many jobs "across the border."

Fish or people, what is more important? Salmon are simply the weapon being used. When the dams are breached and the salmon don't return (and for the most part, they won't) we'll have new battles in the never-ending saga of peopled vs. fish. It will be the nitrates in the water; it will be the harsh sound of jet skis; or the gigantic aura created by the power lines stretching above the water. Whatever excuse works, its magic, stirring the hearts of citizens to ignoble penance.

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By Bruce Tinsley

There's a casino born every minute

I've played blackjack in the Mirage in Las Vegas. I've played for the Riviera in Monte Carlo. I've 32 quarters on a slot machine in Winnemucca.

I like gambling. I like to drive fast, too, but I approve of laws that prevent the Federal Reserve from making it illegal to understand why in the world we don't protect ourselves from so morally corrupting, socially destructive a thing as casino gambling by making it illegal.

Is there a doubt in anyone's mind that gambling is an immoral, addictive pastime that undermines the good values like hard work that we admire so much?

The announcement that provokes this thought about gambling is that the Federal Interior Department has approved construction of a \$500 million gambling casino to be operated by the St. Regis Mohawk Indians in the Catskill Mountains.

This is of particular interest to me because it is in the direction



ANDY ROONEY

of a summer house we have that looks toward the Catskills. Americans are generally in awe and sympathetic to the plight of the American Indian. We know bad things happened in the past so we approve of redress.

The Indian chief in charge of plans to build the casino is Robert A. Berman, a native of the area known as "a financier." Mr. Berman's partners include Ralph and Joseph Bernstein. The Bernstein Brothers are distinguished for having been the fronts for disgraced Philippine president Ferdinand Marcos and his lovely wife, Imelda. In the real estate market, they contracted to buy a building and then sold it for a profit before they came up with the money to pay for its purchase.

Another partner is a corporation called Alpha Hospitality. The president of Alpha is, who is a native — but of South Africa, Tollman, whose name appears on a list of Republican Party contributors who gave "Over \$100,000," bought the Days Inn hotel chain in about 1990 and got a reputation for being slow to pay his debts.

If he's still behind, being in on a so-called "Indian" gambling operation should help. A casino on a reservation is not bound by any of our labor or civil rights laws and its operators don't have to pay taxes on their profits. All a corporation has to do is get some people sworn in as Indians, arrange to pay them some part of the money that will be pouring in, and then go about operating the gambling business behind their Indian blanket.

It's a disgrace and not the kind of help American Indians need.

The whole Indian thing is a charade, one of the great about-whites that the Indians centuries ago, we

have allowed Indians to sell themselves as a front for white gambling impresarios who exploit the Indians and us. They throw the Indians some small change and pocket a large portion of gambling profits. Indian gambling casinos are seldom really run by Indians. I say "seldom" because there may be some.

One of the chief opponents to the Catskill gambling proposal is that public spirited millionaire real estate developer and gambling tycoon, Donald Trump. Does Donald object on moral grounds? Afraid not. Donald objects to a casino in the Catskills because his casino in Atlantic City is 140 miles from New York City, and the one in the Catskills would be only 75. Gamblers are not comparison shoppers. They gamble as close to home as possible because after they've lost their money, bus fare back is cheaper.

The only favorable aspect to this Catskill casino, in my opinion, is, it will even things out a

little. Huge casinos in Connecticut and New Jersey have sucked money out of New York and it doesn't seem fair. I wish they'd open gambling casinos everywhere because if they did, they'd all go out of business.

Final approval for construction of the Catskill casino has to come from the governor of New York, George Pataki. Charles Gargano, who was Gov. Pataki's chief fund raiser when he ran for office and has also been head of Pataki's business development agency, owned stock in the Alpha Corporation. Alpha contributed \$40,000 to Pataki's gubernatorial campaign.

Do you think that Gov. Pataki, in the interest of what's best for Indians, of course, will approve this casino proposal? You wanna bet?

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Price controls for drugs are a bad idea

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. — President Clinton and several members of Congress are going after the private sector again, raising the specter of price controls on pharmaceuticals. The stated purpose of their plans is to lower the cost of prescription drugs to the elderly. All of us would like to be able to buy drugs at lower prices; the question is whether forcing them down through price controls is beneficial or even necessary. The publicity surrounding these political efforts suggests that the elderly are in a state of crisis over drug expenditures. But the numbers suggest something else.

According to recent studies performed by AARP (formerly the American Association of Retired Persons), the average senior spends \$413 out-of-pocket on prescription drugs. Other estimates put that figure as high as \$637.

In other words, the average senior spends between \$35 and \$60 a month on prescription drugs. That may sound high. But when you consider that, on average, the elderly spend \$1,000 on eating out and almost \$700 on entertainment, it appears reasonable.

If there is a problem, it seems to be a narrow one. About 4 percent of the elderly spend more than \$2,000 a year on drugs. Couple that with the fact that about 13.7 percent of households headed by those over 65 had incomes under \$15,000 and one can make a strong case for aid to low-income elderly with high drug expenditures.

Unfortunately, most of the proposed plans are taking a more expansive approach, which threatens the search for new cures.

It is easy to rail against the drug industry because of perceived high prices for certain prescription drugs and the resulting expenditures. It is true that, over the past 30 years, drug purchases have taken a larger percentage of household budgets.

Of course, the primary reason for the increased spending is that many of the drugs we buy today did not exist 30 or even 10 to 15 years ago. These new drugs have



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contributed to an increased life span and to a higher quality of life. Many medical conditions that would have resulted in a lifetime of pain, operations or even death can now be controlled through medication.

While many of these drugs are expensive, they are only a fraction as expensive as the operations or long-term medical care they replaced.

The question is, would we benefit from these drugs if price controls were in place? The research and development effort required to develop a new drug is extremely costly, and most efforts are not successful. Without substantial profits on the few successful efforts, few firms would be willing to risk the capital needed to produce these potential cures.

The writers of the Constitution understood this need to provide incentives for progress; as a result, the Constitution provides for "exclusive rights," to promote progress in the sciences and arts. The writers understood a basic principle of economics — and human behavior: if an incentive is provided for an activity, more of that activity will occur.

These exclusive rights, or patents, have been the primary incentives for the pharmaceutical industry to develop new drugs. Yet price controls will undermine

these incentives for progress. Price controls will reduce potential profits and will reduce the flow of new drugs. While reduced profits will slow the introduction of new drugs regardless of how common the medical condition is, the greatest impact will be on conditions that are relatively uncommon.

It is no accident that almost half of all new drugs are developed by U.S. pharmaceutical companies or examples, in Canada where extensive drug controls keep the prices of many popular drugs very low, there are, for all practical purposes, no efforts to develop new drugs.

The United States is the free market of last resort. Of course, if the United States also imposes price controls, the entire world will experience a slowing of the introduction of new drugs and the world will be worse off.

We will all be better off if the pharmaceutical industry continues to develop new approaches to cancer, heart disease, AIDS and a multitude of less well known diseases.

Price controls designed to save us a few hundred dollars a year could easily result in thousands, if not millions, of avoidable deaths over time and billions of dollars in treatment costs.

Bad ideas are simply bad ideas, regardless of the well-meaning intent of those who promote them.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Police search for shooting suspect

TWIN FALLS - Police were searching for a man who shot another man in the hand Wednesday evening in downtown Twin Falls.

The victim, Miguel Dedios, was shot at about 6:40 p.m. while he and a friend were stopped in the city block of Main Avenue North, a Twin Falls police news release said.

Two men approached their stopped car and one of the men pointed a gun and fired, the release said. Dedios was hit in the head and taken to the emergency room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, it said.

Police say the shooting was not random, and they are investigating the case as an attempted homicide.

Anyone with information can call detective Dave Heidemann at 735-2922.

Police investigate car fire started by bomb

TWIN FALLS - Police were investigating a Wednesday night car fire apparently started by a homemade bomb in a car owned by Jay Sutherland, and it was started by an apparent Molotov cocktail, he said.

Police do not have any suspects and don't know if the bombing was random or intentional, Benkula said.

Buhl girl faces charges for aggravated battery

TWIN FALLS - A 14-year-old Buhl girl has been charged with slamming another girl's head into the sidewalk.

Erica Miramontes was charged last week with aggravated battery in connection with the attack which occurred April 4 at Walnut Street and Eighth Avenue in Buhl.

A pretrial hearing is scheduled for April 28.

Witnesses saw Miramontes knock Aracely Garza to the ground before grabbing her hair and slamming her head several times into the concrete sidewalk, according to a sworn statement by Karen Trent of the Buhl police.

After the attack Garza's eyes rolled into the back of her head and she appeared disoriented, the statement said.

Garza was taken to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise and was released the next day. While the case progresses through court, Miramontes was released to her parents under strict house arrest.

Burley woman faces DUI and injury to a child charge

BURLEY - A Burley woman was charged Wednesday with injury to a child and driving under the influence after an officer saw her 21-month-old grandson was not in a car seat.

A breath test taken on Kim Wolverton, 43, showed that her blood alcohol level was at .17 percent, according to a Cassia County police report. The legal limit is .08 percent. A Cassia County deputy had been dispatched to an accident at 1636 E. 16th St. Wolverton, whose car had hit a parked truck, told the officer she had been driving eastbound when her truck began to skid, the police report said. Her vehicle went through a fence and across a gravel driveway before hitting the truck.

The baby bumped his head, and the deputy advised family members to have him checked by a doctor, the report said. There were no other injuries.

Ketchum vet to hold first aid for dogs workshop

KETCHUM - Doggie first aid will be addressed in a free two-hour workshop from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday at the Magic Valley Animal Center, two miles south of Ketchum on Highway 75.

Ketchum veterinarian Randy Acker, who has written a book on first aid for canines, will present the class using his own dog Katie as a patient. The workshop will address snake bites and other problems Fido might encounter on a hike or wilderness trip.

Compiled from staff reports

Everyone counts with the bureau

Some resort, rural areas lag behind in census response

The Associated Press

BOISE - New figures show that Idaho communities least responsive to this year's federal headcount are resort cities such as Sun Valley, McCall and Island Park and rural towns such as Council, Notus and Hazelton.

The U.S. Census Bureau said Idaho's statewide response rate to the decennial survey through Tuesday was 62 percent, approaching the final figure of 70 percent achieved in 1990. But five of the state's 44 counties had response rates under 40 percent, and 13 of about 200 cities had response rates under 25 percent.

"We're just wrestling them down, one by one," said Jack Willis, who is overseeing the census effort in 21 eastern Idaho counties from Idaho Falls.

Madison is the only county so far to meet or exceed target response rates set by Census Bureau officials. And while 18 cities have done so, those include the Panhandle community of Stue Line, which at a modest 19 percent both targeted and achieved also is among the towns

Completing the count

Starting April 29, census workers will be completing households that did not submit census forms. The deadline to finish the count is June 15.

least responsive to efforts to count citizens.

Alan Porter, information services manager for the Idaho Department of Commerce, said a number of factors could explain low response rates, which generally have declined in Idaho and nationwide with each succeeding census. Rapid growth in some areas may be causing confusion with mailing addresses. In more rural areas many people get their mail only at a central Post Office box, which slows the process because the Census Bureau sends forms out only to residences.

In other locations seasonal residents and people with second homes may not yet have been around to get their census forms in the mail. Less apparent reasons for ignoring the census or putting

off responding could include mistrust of the government, concerns about privacy or the kind of civic apathy that keeps so many people away from the polls on election day.

John McCoy, the Census Bureau's southwestern Idaho manager said he expects the 11-county region he oversees, and the state as a whole, to beat the 70 percent response figure from a decade ago. Yet to be tallied in statistics released so far are headcounts for the homeless and people in prisons, military facilities, hospitals and nursing homes. People who picked up forms at Census Bureau offices after not getting them in the mail also have not been counted. In much of the state the forms are delivered by Census Bureau officials to be mailed back in later. And agency "enumerators" still go door to door to ask questions personally in most of far-flung Owyhee and Idaho counties and portions of Adams, Lemhi, Custer and Valley counties.

Those are among Idaho's most rural areas that are remote and often difficult to get to.

Consensus

Here are the response and target response rates for the nation, Idaho and Magic Valley cities and counties, through Tuesday.

Area	Response	Target
National	62	70
Idaho	62	75
Blaine County	38	70
Cassia County	45	70
Gooding County	62	67
Elmore County	60	70
Jerome County	52	70
Lincoln County	54	70
Minidoka County	50	69
Twin Falls County	63	72
Acquila	79	70
Albion	54	70
Bellevue	45	70
Bliss	44	70
Buhl	67	70
Burley	62	68
Carry	59	70
Castelford	63	70
Doclo	63	70
Deutch	43	70
Elden	58	70
Fairfield	57	70
Filer	30	70
Glenns Ferry	58	70
Gooding	64	70
Hagerman	45	70
Halley	62	70
Hansen	34	70
Hazelton	20	70
Heyburn	45	70
Jerome	56	70
Ketchum	29	70
Kimberly	47	70
Malta	61	70
Minidoka	55	70
Mountain Home	64	74
Murtaugh	47	70
Oakley	60	70
Paul	59	70
Richfield	50	70
Rupert	64	68
Shoshone	61	70
Stanley	28	70
Sun Valley	22	70
Twin Falls	66	72
Wendell	42	70

HANGING ON DISPLAY AT LOCAL BUSINESS — Owyhee

joins battle

Counties, tribes unite to fight feds over land issues

The Times-News and The Associated Press

NAMPAs - Owyhee County has signed on with rural counties in Oregon and Nevada to do battle with the federal government over public land issues.

Tired of bureaucratic struggles with the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and other departments, seven counties and a tribe have formed an alliance to urge Congress to help bring a halt to alleged federal abuses.

"Our tax bases continue to erode due to the loss of revenues caused by federal actions, and schools, roads and public services feel the impact," Owyhee County Commissioner Dick Reynolds said. "The federal decisions continue to abuse discretion and are decisions that are outside the scope of authority granted by Congress, who is solely and constitutionally charged with management of federal lands."

BLM spokesman Barry Rose said the agency is only trying to do its job, despite pressures from factions such as motorcycle riders and public-land ranchers.

Two recent decisions in particular angered Owyhee County. The Owyhee County Natural Resource Commission asked county commissioners to use the BLM over a more than 50 percent reduction in grazing on a federal grazing allotment, known as the Cliffs Allotment.

The allotment is leased to three ranchers from Jordan Valley, Ore.

"The decision is unwarranted and we believe unlawful," Committee Director Jim Desmond said. He asserted that scientific evidence showed the

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Ninth-grader Ha Nguyen, an art student at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School in Twin Falls, has been drawing for less than a year, but her work has earned a spot in an exhibit at Metropolis Bakery Cafe.

Metropolis cafe features students' works

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Record setters are posted on the classroom wall in Linda Tuley's art class room at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School.

Ninth-grader Ha Nguyen's drafting work has held three spots for about two years. Her performance in drafting class was Tuley's first indication of Nguyen's natural talent, now on display at Metropolis Bakery Cafe in Twin Falls.

"I knew she had the artistic

ability from her drafting work," said Tuley, describing Nguyen's lettering as impeccable.

Nguyen's drafting won't fall until another student earns a perfect score on the same projects.

Several of Nguyen's drawings are part of a student display at Metropolis that will continue through the end of April. Nguyen created a portrait of Barbara Bush done using a difficult method called cross hatch - drawing using sets of crossing lines. A large portrait of a woman from a series of tiny dots that blend together to create a

form - pointillism - also is at the cafe.

Nguyen, 15, who moved to the United States from Vietnam five years ago, said last year in eighth-grade was the beginning of her formal art training. She hadn't done much on her own, not even casual sketching.

Tuley is excited about Nguyen's abilities and potential. She said other students rival Nguyen's natural talent. But Nguyen's abilities - coupled with the amount of time she spends working at her art and her willingness to develop skills by trying new techniques - make her

excel, Tuley said.

Nguyen, who in the past five years has learned fluid English, said her mother eventually must tell her to put away her art projects when she works on them at home.

"When I start, I can't stop. I keep on drawing," Nguyen said. She is prolific. In the amount of time some students finished an optional second portrait in class, Nguyen had done five, Tuley said.

Nguyen isn't convinced she wants to devote her life to art. At this point, she said she wants to do it just as a hobby.

Idaho math standards add up

Mathematics council releases goals for students

The Times-News and The Associated Press

TWIN FALLS - Idaho requires two years less of high-school mathematics than a national teachers' group recommends.

New standards released this week by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics break down goals for students by grade levels and categories, including geometry, algebra, measurement, data

analysis and problem solving. The group says America's students should be required to take four years of math in high school and receive at least an hour of math each day in elementary grades.

Idaho's new math standards call for math instruction in all kindergarten through eighth grades, but do not specify daily time requirements like the national group does, said James McFadden, the group's executive director, who helped lead the state committee that wrote math standards for Idaho.

The Idaho Legislature this year approved standards in five subjects, including math. In several years students will be required to demonstrate their knowledge of the standards in order to graduate. Idaho high school students are required to take

Blaine lawmakers disagree on the issue of state endangered species office

By Karen Bossack
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - Blaine County's bipartisan legislative delegation split in the Statehouse on the issue of a state endangered species office.

And talking about the issue Thursday, the lawmakers disagreed.

Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, had some harsh words for the office at the annual Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce Legislative Breakfast

held at Elkhorn Resort.

Stennett said the governor established the office because he didn't want "pesky biologists" telling people what's going on. He wanted to say what's politically correct, Stennett said.

Rep. Tim Rindinger, R-Shoshone, was quick to rise to the office's defense. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game can broach the science, but the government has to consider the other issues involved with endangered species, he said.

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Independent foundation will decide on Utah university private scholarships

OGDEN, Utah (AP) - Trying to distance themselves from the controversy over a gay scholarship fund, trustees of Weber State University are voting to place all private scholarships in the hands of an independent foundation.

political issue in the community. That has been the case with Weber State's Matthew Shepard Scholarship fund, named after a student who was shot and left to die on a fence post in 1998.

under fire from people morally opposed to Utah's first gay scholarship. Weber State President Paul Thompson said his board's resolution was intended to address the growing number of private scholarships at Weber State that are not tied to curriculum, academic merit or financial need.

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TWIN FALLS

Claude Brown, Jr.

Claude Brown, Jr., 62, of Twin Falls, passed away April 20, 2000, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, of heart failure. Born November 2, 1937, in Draper, Utah, Claude was the oldest of four sons born to Claude Brown Sr. and Bertha Rasmussen.

OBITUARIES

enjoyment. Natalie will be missed and always loved by her children: Jim Rusulto of Sun Valley, Idaho, and Judy (Fred) Broasy of Shoshone, Idaho; her beloved grandson Cooper Broasy of Shoshone, Idaho; her first husband, James O. Rusulto of Corpus Christi, Texas; her sisters, Mary Evelyn Atkinson of Victoria, Texas, and Alma L. Williams of Rockport, Texas. She will be reunited in heaven with her husband, Dr. Glenn A. Hoss.

BUHL

Dale T. Russell, age 75, of Buhl, passed away Wednesday, April 11, 2000, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Born was born Feb. 10, 1925, in Chelsea, Oklahoma, the son of William and Ida Lee Russell. He came to Buhl in his youth, and lived in the neighborhood of his family. He enlisted in the U.S. Marines in 1941, where he served until his discharge in 1945. After the military he returned to Buhl. In the past, he was employed as a cook, lended bar at the Sport Shop and drove a logging truck, but was mostly noted as a painter. He will be missed by all his friends and loved ones. He was a kind person and would help anyone in need. It was on September 1966, that he married Connie Hartley in Elko, Nevada.

TWIN FALLS



Clifford P. 'Bud' Owens

Clifford Preston 'Bud' Owens, 78, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, April 12, 2000, of a heart attack after a brief illness. His family was with him at the time of his death, including his loving wife of 54 years, Jonny Olson Owens. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II. Mr. Owens was married to Jonny Olson at Twin Falls on June 17, 1944. He worked for 21 years at the Twin Falls Flour Mill. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and woodworking. In addition to his wife of Twin Falls, he is survived by two daughters, Nancy Marie (Fred) Flegel of Sun Valley, and Connie Jean Seyfried of Parkhurst, Idaho; two sons, Ronald Preston (Sue) Owens and Bruce Alan Owens, both of Twin Falls; one sister, Virginia Erika of Twin Falls; his loving grandchildren, Jeff, Jacqueline, Jessica and Jennifer Flegel, Misty, Damelani and Deshae Owens, and Alaine and Sarah Samford; and nine great-grandchildren.

SHELTON, WASH.

Benjamin Franklin 'Frank' Potter

Benjamin Franklin 'Frank' Potter, Jr., 56, of Shelton, Washington, and a resident of Fairfield, died Monday, April 10, 2000, at the Pacific Community Center in Olympia, Wash., of cancer. He was born April 27, 1943, in Gooding, Idaho. He was married to Madge Etta (Robertson) Potter. He married Gwendolyn Joy (Cox) on August 22, 1962, in Fairfield, Idaho. Frank received his training for the ministry while living in Michigan. He was in Fairfield for 12 years, in Olympia, Wash., for three years, and in Shelton, Wash., for eight years. Frank worked as a farmer, a barber, was a manager trainer for Durilo, Inc. and a Pastor for the American Missionary Fellowship until retiring in 1994 due to a medical disability. He enjoyed fishing, singing, and he played the saxophone. He was a member of the Christian Church in Shelton, Wash., and the Fairfield Community Church. Frank is survived by his wife Gwendolyn, of Shelton, Wash.; his son and daughter-in-law, Matthew M. and Michelle Potter of Lakewood, Florida; two sisters, Lois Van Deussen of Whidbey Island, Wash., and Rita Reiger of Fenton, Calif.; his step-mother and a Pastor, Mrs. Southern, Ore.; and three grandchildren.

TWIN FALLS

Natalie Ann Hoss

Natalie Ann Hoss passed away peacefully on April 20, after a long and courageous battle with Parkinson's disease. Natalie loved life and people. Her charming smile and infectious sense of humor was a joy to her family and friends throughout her life. She was involved in charity work through the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, the Sinclair-Hoss Memorial Golf Tournament, and others. She loved to travel and lived in many areas of the United States, as well as six years in England before settling in the Ketchum, Idaho, area, and then in Twin Falls, Idaho, in the County Park position for an art painting gave her many years of

SHOSHONE

Bianche Anita Taylor John

Bianche Anita Taylor John, 85, of Shoshone, and formerly of Wendell, died Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital. Bianche was born June 14, 1914, in Downey, Idaho, the daughter of John Thomas and Eva Anita Taylor. She was raised and educated in Downey. She married Asael Dean John on Nov. 21, 1932, in Logan, Utah. They moved to Fremont, Idaho, and later to Wendell, Idaho, during which time they farmed. Later, they lived in Salt Lake City and Clover, Utah, and in January of 1962, they

GREEN SWEEP



A U.S. Air Force C-17 cargo aircraft from McChord Air Force Base near Tacoma, Wash., approaches the runway at Lawlston airport above gopher hawk Pelletier, who just hopped out of the 17th green at Bryden Canyon Golf Course on Wednesday. The giant cargo plane brought Air Force officials to Lawlston Wednesday in preparation for a daily training visit later this month by similar aircraft.

IDAHO LEGISLATIVE LOG

- The Times-News
Complete for Thursday
Signed by Governor
SB222 (Education) - Requires charter school employees to undergo a criminal history check.
SB269 (Appropriations) - Adjusts the growth trigger that determines when general fund revenue is transferred to the budget reserve fund.
HB27 (Education) - Authorizes the Idaho Housing and Finance Association as a nonprofit corporation to finance facilities.
SB185 (Ways and Means) - Allows the Water Resources director to set conditions on water rights involved in utility mergers unless the utility has an agreement with the state.
SB136 (State Affairs) - Authorizes the Idaho Housing and Finance Association to make loans for farm buildings.
SB1297 (Judiciary and Rules) - Provides for termination of the homestead at the end of a life estate.
SB148 (Judiciary and Rules) - Adopts the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.
SB134 (Judiciary) - Brings the Department of Corrections into conformity with amendments to administrative rules.
SB1303 (State Affairs) - Exempts draft reducing documents from public disclosure.
SB1304 (State Affairs) - Revises the accounting and distribution procedures for the Public Building Permanent Endowment Fund, Earnings Reserve Fund and Income Fund.
SB1306 (Judiciary and Rules) - Increases exemptions from levy under property attachments to be consistent with current law.
SB1309 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Places liability on the insured driver of a loan liability for any damages.
SB1315 (Health and Welfare) - Permits termination of parental rights upon conviction of certain criminal acts against a sibling of the child.
SB1318 (Judiciary and Rules) - Clarifies court determinations of a defendant's ability to make informed decisions about treatment.
SB1319 (Judiciary and Rules) - Requires recidivist sex offenders to be classified as violent sexual predators.
SB1320 (Judiciary and Rules) - Makes recidivist sex offenders subject to lifetime registration.
SB1321 (Judiciary and Rules) - Clarifies procedures for verifying addresses of sexual predators.
SB1322 (Judiciary and Rules) - Assures the assistance provided by witnesses given immunity cannot be used against them.
SB1323 (Judiciary and Rules) - Corrects non-contact orders against certain felons.
SB1324 (Judiciary and Rules) - Makes
drunken drivers convictions in other countries considerations in prosecuting new drunken driving charges.
SB1325 (Judiciary and Rules) - Clarifies the award of attorney fees to prevailing parties in administrative or civil cases.
SB1326 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Authorizes the Building Safety administrator to levy fines in certain cases in electrical inspections.
SB1325 (Judiciary and Rules) - Makes stealing at least \$50 of property over at least three incidents in one episode grand theft. Details the requirements for grand theft shoplifting.
SB1329 (Judiciary and Rules) - Subjects all other ownership forms to surviving joint ownership of a security held in beneficiary form under the probate laws.
SB1363 (State Affairs) - Specifies which race tracks can be licensed for simulcast.
SB1374 (Judiciary and Rules) - Authorizes sentencing options for juveniles arrested and adults.
SB1379 (Judiciary and Rules) - Imposes mandatory minimum jail sentences on repeat driving-under-the-influence offenders and bars them from driving vehicles not equipped with a working ignition interlock.
SB1380 (Judiciary and Rules) - Prohibits possession of an open container in a vehicle on the public right of way.
SB1389 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Increases the amount of unused sick leave that can be converted upon retirement of a state employee.
SB1393 (Judiciary and Rules) - Increases the monetary limit of civil actions that may be assigned to magistrate from \$3,000 to \$4,000.
SB1397 (Transportation) - Extends the deadline for counties to issue rules on public rights of way.
SB1408 (Transportation) - Revises the definition of public right of way.
SB1410 (Transportation) - Authorizes the Transportation Board to set policy for operation of certain state-owned vehicles.
SB1417 (Judiciary and Rules) - Clarifies that taking any big game animal when there is no established season open applies to all species in that species in a flagrant violation.
SB1422 (Resources and Environment) - Corrects the amount of reimbursement to the state for the illegal killing, possession
or waste of a trophy big game animal.
SB1431 (Transportation) - Allows highway district commissioners, without advertising, to sell personal property no longer useful to a highway district and valued at up to \$5,000.
SB1435 (Agricultural Affairs) - Authorizes the Division of Animal Industries administrator to regulate the disposal of dead animals, carcasses and body parts.
SB1438 (Agricultural Affairs) - Authorizes the Department of Agriculture director to set the duration of a suspension or revocation of licenses or permits for the sale of milk for violations of sanitary conditions in dairies.
SB1439 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Allows a licensed real-estate broker or salesperson to share commissions directly with a buyer or seller.
SB1454 (Health and Welfare) - Provides grants up to \$35,000 a year for up to three years to improve the delivery of primary health care in rural underserved areas.
SB1455 (Resources and Environment) - Immunizes donors of wild game meat to charitable organizations from civil and criminal liability, absent negligence, recklessness or intentional misconduct.
SB1469 (Education) - Changes from May 25 to May 15 the date by which school districts must submit to state-certificated employees on renewable contracts.
SB1472 (Local Government, and Taxation) - Gives municipalities until 2002 to comply with the requirement to give notice of budget hearings to the county clerk.
SB1457 (Education) - Provides special application for attendance units which may consist of elementary/secondary schools and for handling secondary schools.
SB1465 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Adjusts the maximum garnishment of earnings allowed to satisfy a consumer credit sale or consumer loan.
SB1466 (Education) - Extends the deadline for certain certificated school district employees to complete their application for Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course in 2003.
SB1397 (State Affairs) - Requires flags to be flown at half-staff over state buildings for deaths of police, firemen and emergency personnel in the line of duty.
HB566 (State Affairs) - Designates the huckleberry as the state fruit.
SB1508 (Revenue and Taxation) - Provides a \$500 income tax credit to employers for each job added in business producing, assembling, fabricating or processing natural resource products.
SB1557 (Commerce and Human Resources) - Allows purchase of membership credit in the public employee retirement service for certain active military members.
SB1774 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$66,000 toward the National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.
HB786 (Appropriations) - Allocates \$21.1 million for 2001 operations of the National Guard and other military operations.

SERVICES

- Vernon S. Osborn of Twin Falls, services at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at the chapel.
Albert L. Hoover of Twin Falls, services at 10 a.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home at 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.
Richard 'Dick' P. Howard of Twin Falls, services at 11 a.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Chapel (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).
Edith B. Harrison of Rupert, services at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Rupert First and Seventh Ward building at 806 G St. in Rupert. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home at 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.
Kamal Krajina TWIN FALLS - Kamal Krajina, 74, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, April 12, 2000 at his residence. Graveside services at 6 p.m. Friday, April 13, 2000, at Twin Falls Cemetery. Arrangements and services are under the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.
Jamelyn Sue Lopez of Twin Falls, funeral mass at 11 a.m. today at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).
Barbara Wynn BURLEY - Barbara Wynn, 85, of Burley, died Wednesday, April 12, 2000, at Cassia Regional Medical Center. Services are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Chapel.

DEATH NOTICES

- MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
Some names have been omitted at patient's request.
Diane Davis
Bessie Daughenbaugh of Buhl.
MINDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Some names have been omitted at patient's request.
Admits
Betty Baker of Heyburn; and Kall Jane Lee of Rupert.
Diane Davis
Cindy Adams, Ivan Russell and Kall Jane Lee, all of Rupert.

Heyburn students raise money to help with transplant expenses

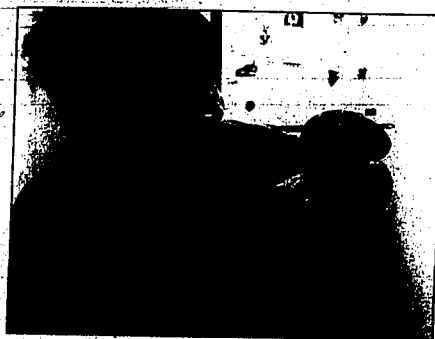
By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — A Heyburn boy wants a photo to remember the 19-year-old woman whose kidney is keeping him alive.

That woman died in a Salt Lake City car accident in February. However, her unborn child survived the accident.

One thing after another seemed to prevent Ricky Hollahan from getting a healthy kidney. But for the 12-year-old boy with kidney disease, the day finally came on Feb. 7.

Ricky has a lot more energy than before, his mother Jan Hollahan said, but the struggle is far from over. Ricky's father, Jim Hollahan, hasn't been able to work because of a back injury, and his mother is unable to work while she takes care of her son.



Ricky Hollahan, 12, of Heyburn received a new kidney Feb. 7. Now his schoolmates at Heyburn Elementary School are raising money for his family to help with added expenses.

The family has medical insurance, but Jan Hollahan said Medicaid paid for a lot. However, their house payments are three months behind, Medicaid doesn't cover some of Ricky's medication, and the costs of shuttling Ricky back and forth between Heyburn and Salt Lake City for treatment and lab tests have been mounting up.

"This has kind of taken a toll on us. Not being able to work and being gone," Jan Hollahan said.

She said the family hasn't received much financial support. Right now, hundreds of elementary schoolers are doing their part.

Ricky's classmates are selling chocolate and beef jerky, remnants from this year's Parent Teacher Organization fund-raiser. Rather than send the treats back, the kids are raising money the Hollahans need to keep up with overwhelming expenses in the wake of Ricky's operation.

The fund-raiser's goal goes beyond the \$5 goal for every boy, girl and teacher. Every class that reaches that goal will get an ice-cream party, but students can

have the splurge or donate the money for a party to Ricky's family.

"That kind of gives kids a tough choice," principal Greg Lovelace said.

This is the school's second fund-raiser on Ricky's behalf. The school raised \$800 two years ago, when Ricky's family was looking for a healthy kidney for Ricky, Lowe said.

Back then, circumstances got in the way of a transplant. A broken sewer line in his family's basement three years ago jeopardized Ricky's chances of receiving an organ. The mold spores that permeated the house could have caused an infection through an open surgical wound that Ricky had for dialysis; the infection could have been fatal.

When doctors found out the situation, they took him off the waiting list for a kidney, for fear

that the chances of an infection were too great and the chances of success too slim to merit a transplant.

But the family was able to get the house fixed up this past winter. The doctor put Ricky back on the waiting list and bumped him up. If Ricky had been put at the bottom of the list, it could have taken as long as two years to find a donor.

Ricky not only wants a picture to remember his donor by, but hopes to someday meet the child of the woman who saved Ricky's life.

"It was a wonderful thing," said Jan Hollahan, unable to keep the emotion out of her voice.

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Minidoka resident moves up to transportation supervisor

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

RUPERT — A longtime Minidoka County school bus driver has climbed the ranks of the transportation department to become the new transportation supervisor.

Alicia Bywater was selected from two finalists Wednesday night by the Minidoka County Board to oversee the district's fleet of buses. She's been with the district 19 years, starting as a substitute bus driver before being hired full-time and later

becoming a driver trainer.

Bywater followed in the footsteps of her parents who were also school bus drivers.

"It's kind of a family thing," she said.

Bywater will replace Lucky Bourn, who resigned in mid-February to start his own consulting auction business, Bourn Auction Service, with partner Tom Williams. Bourn's last day was Feb. 22.

Bywater's current salary as a driver trainer is \$15,000. Her new salary will range between \$30,000 and \$37,000 for a one-year contract, said District Clerk Darrel Black. The superintendent will make a recommendation to the School Board, Black said. Bourn's ending salary was \$37,000.

The School Board received 16 applications for the job and conducted 11 interviews before narrowing the list down to the two candidates who were interviewed by the school board on Wednesday.

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Wendell to crack down on water pirates

By Gina Mulder
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — Anyone hoping to siphon off a little extra irrigation water in the summer may find it to be a drain on the pocketbook.

Each year, Wendell city irrigators rack up overtime hours answering calls; usually during the night when someone has illegally opened up or shut off an irrigation line. Tampering with the system causes flooding farther on down the line, with irrigation water spraying onto a roadway or across someone else's yard.

To help combat the misuse of the irrigation water and to offset the overtime expense, council members Wednesday approved an addition to Resolution 52, which sets fees and rates for services provided by the city of Wendell.

The addition to the resolution will give the city the authority to fine anyone responsible for misappropriating irrigation water. The first offense will be a \$15 fine, the second offense is a \$20 fine, and a third and any subsequent offenses will be a \$30 fine.

"We need something in place so

that we can have something to put a stop to this," Mayor Gwen Kost said. "In the cases where we know who is doing this and they continue to do this, those will be the people who will be fined."

On Wednesday, Josh Morrow of Wendell asked city council members to consider allowing a group of skateboarders to convert the aging tennis courts at McGinnis Park east of Wendell into a skateboard park.

Morrow said the park would establish a designated location where the youth could "hang out" when no drugs or alcohol would be allowed" to skateboard or inline skate. The park, Morrow added, would keep kids from using parking lots around town.

"I'm sure they (business owners) don't appreciate it a whole lot," Morrow said.

As for the financing, Morrow said there would be no cost to the city as volunteers would donate the materials and labor needed for the project. Council members referred Morrow to the city's volunteer district saying that anything to do with McGinnis Park falls under the recreation district's jurisdiction.

"But, we (the city) will work with them (the recreation district), whatever they feel is appropriate," Kost said.

In other city business, the council decided to postpone any decision about joining the Alliance for a Better Program offered by the Idaho Chapter of Building Officials and funded by a grant from the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance. The purpose of the program is to assist small rural communities such as Wendell to adopt and maintain the current building and energy codes. As part of the program, Wendell would have to adopt the most current Uniform Building Code, which is the 1997 edition. Wendell uses the 1994 edition.

However, if the state legislature decides in the next couple of years to upgrade to the 2000 code, then Wendell would have to follow suit.

"I see no reason to make any money, until we see whether or not they (the city of Idaho) are going to adopt the 2000 code," Councilman Glen Spencer said. "Because if they did, we'd just have to go over again and that would require new books and that costs money."

Opus IV quartet will perform in Buhl

BUHL — Opus IV, a quartet of singers and a pianist who combine classical music and musical comedy, will perform tonight at the Eighth Street Center.

Their program, "From Here to Broadway," features an eclectic blend of music, comedy and songs from Broadway musicals, interwoven with classical pieces. The two married couples, James Aitken and Nita Hamilton of Missoula, Mont., and Robert Foster and Linda Terry of Livingston, Mont., are accompanied by Kenneth Christensen, a piano teacher at Montana State University.

The curtain time is 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served following the concert.

For more information, call 543-2888.

Gooding to hold annual Founder's Day celebration

GOODING — The third annual Gooding County Founder's Day event will be held Saturday, April 29. Activities will include a 10 a.m. parade in downtown Gooding, a 1:30 p.m. antique tractor pull at the Gooding County Fairgrounds,

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a noon Dutch oven lunch, a craft show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the fairgrounds, a family history program at 2 p.m. at War Memorial Hall, a veterans' program at 3:30 p.m. at the hall, and the Gooding Jaycees' eighth annual boxing smoker at 7:30 p.m. at Gooding High School.

There will also be static displays and mountain man demonstrations at the fairgrounds, along with a silent auction, a display of vintage automobiles, a baked food sale, music by the Old Time Fiddlers and craft booths.

A self-guided walking tour down Main Street is also scheduled.

CSI's new technology center will hold open house today

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho's new technology center will hold an open house from 1 to 5 p.m. today in Room 144 of CSI's Aspen Building.

The Community of Learners

Center Technology Lab was created with the help of a grant from the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation under the Recreating Idaho Colleges and Schools of Education initiative.

The lab was remodeled and equipped with the latest multimedia tools to enhance classroom presentations, broaden students' access to resources and maximize the efficiency of course delivery. The open house will include demonstration of education software, including Altris, SmartBoard and Netmeeting. Scanning and digital imaging will also be demonstrated.

The lab will be used by both students and teachers. Teaching professionals, district superintendents, school board members and education majors from all over Southern Idaho have been invited to tour the new facility. The public is also welcome to visit the center.

The open house will include refreshments and a drawing for a door prize.

— compiled from staff reports

Kamiah Chamber of Commerce member resigns

KAMIAH (AP) — A month ago, Kamiah Chamber of Commerce President Linda Thomas condemned the North Central Idaho Jurisdictional Alliance over an inflammatory remark she made to the Nez Perce Tribe, she and three other board members resigned their positions.

Pressure from local officials involved in the alliance and other alliance supporters was the main factor contributing to the resignations, said Lillian Thomas, a board member.

"Rather than encounter the snot-nosed arrogance, they

resigned," Pethel said. Several board members confirmed the resignations, but refused to comment further.

In March, three alliance members attended a chamber meeting and presented information on the organization after the business meeting concluded. Thomas commented afterward she thought the agenda involved a discussion of having a business on the reservation, but did not know alliance members would be the only speakers. The alliance is a group of 23 governmental entities that have combined efforts to oppose

the Nez Perce Tribe's claims to legal authority over non-Indian residents and property within the designated area of an 1863 treaty. Thomas and others were offended by the information presented, which included a public information document written by Rick Laam, Orofino city administrator.

Pethel said all the board members who resigned are relatively new to the Kamiah area. Dawn Snyder, vice president, and board members Yvonne Jones and Mary Behnke joined Thomas in resigning.

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is proposing to increase the amount of grazing, Rose noted.

The other decision that angered Owyhee County was the denial of permit for a motorcycle race on public land. The BLM denied the permit after repeated permit violations by the same group in the past three years, Rose said. Other motorcycle groups, which had abided by permit restrictions, were issued permits for their races, he said.

Permit restrictions for motorcycle races are meant to protect public land resources, such as rare plants, Rose said.

The other alliance members include Nevada's Elko and Humboldt counties, Oregon's Malheur, Harney, Lake and Grant counties; and the Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribe. At least one county in

northern California has shown an interest in joining.

Some locals are concerned the Clinton administration wants to quicken the permit land from a multiple-use designation to nonuse, or establish wilderness or national monuments without going through Congress.

Under the 1906 Antiquities Act, the president can designate a monument by executive order without congressional approval. They accuse the agencies of not following the own regulations and listening first to environmentalists. Ranchers complain their only recourse is lawsuits.

"It's been a struggle," Tolmie said. "They're using our money to fight us, and they have more money than we do."

Rose noted that environmental groups also have sued the BLM.

Species

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"What we're doing in Idaho now is not working because everyone's so polarized," Ridinger said.

"Wait until we have a Democrat in the governor's office," replied Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, to the crowd's laughs.

Stennett and Jaquet were among only 12 of Idaho's 105 legislators who voted against the \$580,000 plan, which will consolidate state endangered species policy in the governor's office, shifting it from the Fish and Game Commission's biological focus. Ridinger voted for the measure.

The Jawmakers touched on other topics:

- A failed bill to let planning and zoning commissioners serve more than two terms. The law passed in the House, but was doomed before it got to the Senate, thanks to legislators from Idaho's populated areas, Ridinger said.
- Such bill would have been helpful to rural communities, Ridinger added, because they have so few people with the necessary technical expertise willing to serve on such commis-

sions.

- "We can't hire experts every time we have a big zoning issue," Ridinger said.
- Tax credits for health care. Ridinger said he reviewed more calls from businessmen about passing tax credits for health care than any other issue this year. The credits will be especially beneficial for small businesses, he said.
- School facilities legislation. Three bills passed. One requires yearly inspections to make sure a building isn't open that should be closed. Another allows a plant facility levy like the one being considered in Blaine County next month to be extended from 10 years to 20 years. The third requires school districts asking for loans to impose a hiring freeze, lay people off and do a number of other things that leave it in worse shape than before, Stennett said.
- All three Blaine County legislators have always thought that the state should match a portion of the bonds, Stennett added. That way, local patrons would still have to pay up some money, 75 percent or 80 percent of the costs.
- "They're not going to vote for

something they don't need," Stennett said. "But they would get some help, at the same time."

- Tobacco settlement. Some legislators argued some of the money should be spent right away. Jaquet said. But the Legislature decided to spend \$2.9 million of interest money over the next two years on catastrophic fund for counties, baseline studies to determine the extent of tobacco and alcohol use in the state and youth programs.
- E-commerce. The Legislature didn't deal with this issue this year, but it's something it will definitely have address in the future, Stennett said. It's projected that by the year 2008 half of business on Main Street will be gone, replaced by E-commerce — partly because people can now bypass paying sales tax online. The state is trying to figure-out how to add sales tax based on buyers' zip codes, Stennett said.
- "We've got to do everything we can to provide local residents who are paying local property taxes and rent on buildings some protection," he added.

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Math

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Teachers at all levels will need training so that they have the expertise to prepare students to meet the exiting standards, he said.

The national council says the same thing about teachers across the country. "The demands made on high school teachers in achieving the standards will require rigorous on-site and professional development and a large degree of administrative support."

Critics of the national council's new guidelines claim to set higher standards for both teachers and students as the changes still toss aside math basics, such as learning multiplication tables, and are too ambiguous to be worth to teachers.

In 1989, worried about America's math phobia and dropping test scores, the council called for a total overhaul of math teaching. It recommended making

the subject more meaningful by changing the focus from rote rules and rote learning to "real-world" problem solving as a way to understand how numbers work. The council also recommended that all grades use calculators.

The updated goals still stress critical thinking skills over memorization. But McFadden said there is still room for memorization in math, when it comes to basic math facts such as multiplication. And Idaho's standards don't tell teachers what instructional methods to use in class.

Among the national council's critics is Paul Clifton, co-founder of Mathematically Correct, a San Diego-based group that stresses rigorous math benchmarks. He says the standards are too general and lack a commitment to the basics. "They are still afraid to definitely say our kids should be able to add, subtract, multiply and divide," Clifton said.

State makes show of solidarity with EPA over mine cleanup

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Idaho is unveiling its strategy for cleaning up decades of mining waste in the Silver Valley.

The state's top environmental official is swinging through the Panhandle Tuesday to clarify the state's role and to make it clear Idaho and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are on the same page.

The visit precedes a report to be released Friday that describes the lead team the state will use to write a strategy to protect human health.

Idaho officials kicked up such a

furor over EPA's decision to split a final cleanup decision into two parts that the federal agency reversed its decision last week.

The state and EPA still are working closely after the blowup, which occurred because top-level Idaho Division of Environmental Quality Administrator Steve Alfred said.

"I do not want people to interpret that we are in a battle, because we are not," he said.

Alfred, accompanied by Idaho Division of Health Administrator Dick Schuitz, spoke in Wallace

and Coeur d'Alene.

The state has \$300,000 from EPA to assess the health risks from lead.

Some cleanup critics say lead was a very real threat in the 1970s with the Bunker-Hill smelter's lead-laced emissions, but the problem is gone.

State officials on Wednesday pointed out local children still have more than twice the average blood-lead levels. That is compared with Idaho youngsters at high risk for lead poisoning: age 5 and under, living in pre-1950 homes with lead paint.

in it, it's likely it does have some sort of outlet.

Peterson said the tunnel seems man-made because the corners look as though they've been edged off with a shovel.

City worker Lamont Talbot suggested that since the tunnel is so close to the surface, it's likely it was dug after road crews had laid down cement there, 30 to 40 years ago.

Utah congressman's civil case heads to jury

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Testimony ended Thursday in a civil case against U.S. Rep. Merrill Cook for leaving \$193,932 in disputed campaign bills after his winning 1996 race for Congress.

Witnesses for Ron Nielson, a political consultant suing Cook for the money, tried to rebut Cook's claim he did most of his own fund raising. Cook, two former campaign aides testified, made a lackluster effort to raise money, leaving it to professionals.

"It was tough to get him to make calls," said Kevin Walters, who was hired by the Nielson firm to manage Cook's 1996 campaign.

Cook dialed up donors only two or three times during 90-minute call sessions, said Kelly Casaday, his chief 1996 fund raiser.

"It's the one that made the case," said Casaday, who is now managing Cook opponent, Jeff Wright's campaign for the Republican nomination that will be decided May 6.

Cook, a millionaire explosives manufacturer, ended up spending \$866,000 of his own money on the \$1 million breakthrough campaign, his seventh bid for public office and first victory.

A maverick Republican who represents Salt Lake County, Cook is running for his third term in Congress. He faces two opponents for the state GOP nomination, including Derek Smith. Also running for the 2nd

District, are Democrat Jim Matheson and Bruce Bangert, the national chairman of the Republican Party.

Cook has been absent from Congress for nine days of testimony in his civil trial.

Taking testimony Tuesday and Wednesday, he eventually agreed to pay Nielson more than the amount specified in a written contract signed by Cook and Nielson in March 1996. Nielson says Cook agreed to a series of

payments keeping his campaign going from convention vote to primary to election. The agreements claimed by Nielson were not put in writing.

On Wednesday, Cook's lawyer, Fred Nielson's consulting firm did provide polling, staff, office space and supplies and other services not specified in the foregoing contract. But Cook insists it was overbilled for many services and claims Nielson owes him about \$20,000.

Man-made tunnel baffles Ogden police

OGDEN, Utah (AP) - Police and public works officials are trying to figure out why there's a mysterious man-made tunnel system two feet under Liberty Street.

An Ogden city crew doing sewer line maintenance on Wednesday morning discovered the tunnel. "I've never seen anything like this," said Lynn Peterson, a city construction inspector. "It's just too weird."

Sewer worker Randy Stain, who volunteered to crawl into the tunnel, said he made it in about eight feet before the tunnel forked. To the east it opened up into a wider tunnel, which soon came to a dead end. The tunnel also continued south, but had caved in. Stain said he was unable to go any farther.

No one at the scene had any idea where the tunnel ends, but because a live rat was discovered

Farmers decry the notion that they are cause of river's pollution

POCATELLO (AP) - Eastern Idaho farmers are decrying what they see as finger-pointing at agriculture for the amounts of pollution floating in the Portneuf River.

They suggested there could be other sources of pollution when Christine Fischer presented her findings Wednesday of nutrient levels in tributaries feeding the Portneuf River.

Fischer, who is a water quality analyst with the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts, told members of the Portneuf Water and Soil Conservation District that levels of bacteria, phosphorous and sediment peak at times throughout the year, sometimes exceeding limits proposed under a total maximum daily load system of regulation.

Nitrogen, the data showed, exceeds proposed limits most of the year.

Overflows of both nitrogen and phosphorus can cause increased plant growth, which alga, that makes rivers unsight-


ly and interferes with boating and other recreation.

Several farmers decry what they see as finger-pointing toward agricultural industries. The farmer said pollution trends appear to coincide with levels of rainfall, and suggested Fischer sample the rainwater itself.

Fischer is sampling agricultural waters, and the city of Pocatello is sampling storm water runoff areas. In the face of the proposed total maximum daily loads, which will spell out allowed amounts of all pollutants in streams across the nation, they are trying to find the sources of pollutant levels that exceed proposed limits. Locally, those include bacteria, phosphorous, nitrogen, total sediment load, oil and grease, among others.

Idaho is legally required to set total maximum daily loads for 962 stream segments by the year 2005.

Currently proposed total maximum daily loads call for drastic reductions in the Portneuf's pollutants.



Pat Park Pick of the Week

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SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2000

Location: 2085 4th Ave. East-Yonk Idaho. From Kimberly Road Take Eastland Drive north to 4th Ave. Watch for the JMA Auction Sign.

SALE TIME: 12:00 NOON Lunch by Lola

FURNITURE • APPLIANCES

Floral loveseat • two swivel rockers • Zenith color TV w/ remote • credenza • stereo w/ rack • double bed w/ mattress & box springs • 4 drawer chest • 5 drawer vanity w/ bench • night stand • double bed w/ mattress & coil springs, book case, head bed • six drawer dresser w/ mirror • portable stereo w/ speakers • floor & table lamps • wicker recliner • wicker rocker recliner • fold down A-frame display rack • metal china w/ padded seats • wall drier • Keurig deep freezer • 2 cu. ft. GE upright freezer • Westinghouse w/ Hopspot Dinette vac • metal recliner stand • 2 door metal cabinet

HOUSEHOLD & MISCELLANEOUS

Corvite dishes • Corningware • Fireking casseroles • blue enamel roaster • crockpot • copper tea kettles • mugs • music boxes • butter dishes • pots & pans • utensils w/ rack • pressure cooker • Kung kung • stainless flatware • card tables • 8 ft. round & 8 tracks • wall decor • cloths • lots of pictures • lots of liters, towels & sheets • metal sheet blankets • new gift items • wall decor • ceramic • bathroom shelf • artificial flowers • lots of sewing & craft items • curtains • silk clothing • inwall hand grips for tv • cleaning supplies • lots of misc.

POWER TOOLS & YARD ITEMS

DeWalt 10" H D miter saw, 10.5 amp, 5500 rpm • Porter cable heavy duty 6 speed Tiger Sawall, Model 629, 8 amp • Kenmore 1000 RTU portable air conditioner • 2 electric space heaters • latte tools • JD 6 & 12 volt battery charger • 8 ft. ladder • step ladder • misc. utensils • lawn decor • coolers • folding picnic table • sleeping bag

COLLECTIBLES

McClay pottery • Precious Moments collection • old Boston Cafe (Shoshone) dishes • older costume jewelry • spoon collection • table cloths • dollsies & linens • hand embroidered German china (tute) • slag glass • Koeleria china • Hill & Shawnee pottery • Leffron items • silver ovaly pieces • cookie jars • frosted glass • oil lamp • black glass • steel • cork & log • Homer Laughlin dishes • 1940's baby rattles • baskets • crystal wind-up clock collectible glasses • Avon red glass • milk glass • metal chair • muff • rubber kewpie cowboy doll • old books, some, lit editions • synthetic fur jacket

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: Edith has moved to an assisted living facility & is offering her lifetime collection of items and enjoy a nice auction with JMA Auctioneers. As always, we appreciate your attendance at our sale.

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Sale Time: 1:00 pm Lunch by Kathy

HOUSEHOLD ARTICLES

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COLLECTIBLE ITEMS

Bedding 10 pallon cover • 2 and 3 pallon western crocks • Large antique wood trunk • 2 and 10 gallon milk cans • Old Jan. • Wooden sign • Library table with wicker • Child potty chair • Chamber pot • Cowbells • Cordle milk bucket • Wooden benches • Child like • Baskets • Milk bottles • Hand egg beater • Old cracker tin • Cook books

VEHICLES

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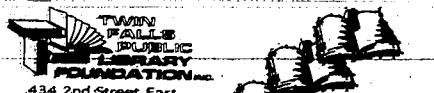
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What's goin' on

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• Seventh annual Native American Dance Exhibition, featuring members of the Shoshone-Bannock tribe from the Pocatello area and the Duckfoot tribe from Owyhee County, will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. at the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium in Twin Falls. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$2 for children ages 7-12, \$2 for anyone with CSI identification, and \$10 for families. Children 6 and under are admitted free.

• Arcata String Quartet, an acclaimed New York-based ensemble, will perform the final Community Concerts event of the season at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. Tickets, priced at \$15, will be available at the door only if space is available. For ticket information, call 733-8323 or 733-8329.

• Opus IV, a quartet of singers and a pianist who combine classical music and music comedy, will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Eighth Street Center. For further information, call 543-2888.

• Comedian Jerry Van Dyke will do two shows, at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., at Cascaes Patis Resort Casino, Jackpot. Tickets for the cocktails-only shows are \$35, \$40 and \$45. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

15/Saturday

• The 24th annual Magic Valley Early Iron car show will be held from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center in Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and seniors citizens, are available at the door. Kids wearing DARE T-shirts will be admitted free.

• The 24th annual Gooding County Fair, Founder's Day Event will include a 10 a.m. parade in downtown Gooding, a 1:30 p.m. antique tractor pull at the Gooding County Fairgrounds, a noon Dutch oven lunch, a craft show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the fairgrounds, a family history program at 2 p.m. at War Memorial Hall, a veterans program at 3:30 p.m. at the hall, and the Gooding Jaycees' eighth annual boxing smoker at 7:30 p.m. at Gooding High School.

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18/Sunday

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• Spring Sing Choral Concert will be held at 2 p.m. at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls. Admission is a suggested \$3 donation to the CSI music department.

• Every week, What's Goin' On lists arts and entertainment's events throughout south-central Idaho. To get an item listed in the calendar, send it to: Features Department, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303. Deadline is noon Wednesday.

Planning an Easter egg hunt?

April 22 will be the big day for Easter egg hunts in south-central Idaho. We'd like to help you spread the word.

If you're a community, club or religious group planning to sponsor an Easter egg hunt, let us know and we'll include it in the weekend section next Friday.

Send information to Features Department, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.



Tara Hansen and Evan Allen fight it out while rehearsing 'The Argument,' a selection from the 'Jive! 2000' concert that will be held April 21-22 at the Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls.

TFHS singers dump old group name

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Madrigals have a new name, and that's no joke.

No, wait! It is Jive — but not like that.

Let's start over: The Twin Falls High School group formerly known as the Madrigals is now called Jive.

Actually, it makes sense, since the group has not been about Madrigal/Renaissance music almost since its conception.

When the show choir got a new director this year, choir members also voted on a new name.

Music students submitted names like Showtime, Upbeats and Vibe, said Jive co-presidents Laurie Strand and Brian Brown.

The concert

The Night 2000 is set for 7:30 p.m. April 21-22 in the Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls. Tickets are \$4 for students and \$10 for adults. All tickets are available at Kurt's Pharmacy, Downtown or from any Jive member. Any tickets left will be sold at the door.

This year's choir members are Emily Anderson, Becky Bratt, Sarah Clements, Tara Hansen, Laurie Strand, Liz Stuart, Carrie Butters, Corinne Casperson, Annie Conover, Jill Jones, Ashlee Patterson, Ashley

Some students submitted the name of their favorite music groups. Others submitted their

Staples, Matt Anderson, Jason Sharp, Joel Brown, Geoff Gable, Matt Murray, Chad Fletcher, Ryan Beach, Jordan Boyle, Matt Crandall, Bud Pifer and Bryant Hawkes. Band members are Evan Allen, Amy Chandler, Emily Fivocott, Vaughn Harris, David Dodds, Shawn Stokesbury, Laura Arrington, Sean Edmunds and Brian Arrington. Choreography is by Jo Amendt, Lindsay Fry, Derek Ramsey and Nyle Turmer. Acoustical technicians are Ryan Barorka, Tim Hamilton, Scott Van Engelen and Kahlan Williams.

dogs' names. "We can't remember who submitted Jive," said Brian. "Oh, but

it had to be Matt Crandall. It had to be."

Whatever that means. "I wasn't even sure what the word meant," said Joe Casperson, the new Jive director. "I had to look it up in the dictionary."

There, he found definitions like, "Jazz or swing music," and "The jargon of jazz enthusiasts."

But those who attend this year's Jive concert won't hear a new sound. The music is still pop, though Laurie said this year's lineup is a little more upbeat than usual.

"Best of the Beach Boys" is expected to be a show-stopper, along with "Puttin' on the Ritz" and "My Best Friend's Wedding."

Casperson said he is excited about the talent in the group. He kept last year's sophomores and

juniors and added about a dozen of this year's 10th-graders, from open auditions, he said.

An Idaho Falls native, the 44-year-old Casperson was hired to replace Richard Smack, who retired after three decades as choir director at Twin Falls High School. Casperson also accepted the position of Magic Valley Chorale director, when Carson Wong retired after 19 years at the helm.

He said it's tough to follow two beloved institutions.

"But you won't find two finer, more supportive people," he said, "and I'm a strong personality."

In fact, Casperson has big plans to someday expand the high school music department to

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CSI introduces 'Two Gentlemen of Verona'

It is the lesser blot, modesty finds.

Women to change their shapes, than men their minds.

—Julia to Proteus in Shakespeare's "Two Gentlemen of Verona"

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — "Two Gentlemen of Verona" wasn't Shakespeare's greatest comedy, but no matter. It cast the mold for better things that followed.

"It's a play with some strong characters," said Laine Steel, College of Southern Idaho theater professor and director of the CSI production of Shakespeare's 1593 gender-bending kaleidoscope of obsession, betrayal and false assumptions. "It is a comedy, but it plays better than it reads."

Shakespeare, who after all only got to work with guys, asks a lot of his actors in "Two Gents" — and especially the two female leads.

Valentine (played by CSI sophomore Jud Harkin), opens the play by mocking his best friend Proteus (Sean Davidson) for staying in provincial Verona with his girlfriend Julia (Shanna Jacobson) rather than returning to Milan with him.

But Proteus soon follows Valentine to the big city, after revealing his true love for Julia.

Once there, Proteus promptly falls in love with Silvia (Joel Davidson), the daughter of the

If you go ...

CSI introduces "Two Gentlemen of Verona" at 8 p.m. April 14, CSI Fine Arts Center, Twin Falls. Tickets: Wednesday and April 21-22 and 26-28, 8 p.m.

How much? Tickets, which are \$5 for general admission and \$3 for students and senior citizens, are reserved by phoning 733-9554, Ext. 2825, or can be purchased Monday through Friday at the Fine Arts box office. Seating is limited.

tells Proteus he plans to elope with Silvia, so Proteus betrays him and he is banished after the Duke discovers his attempts to woo Silvia from Thurio (Donavan Davis), whose family is Old Money.

Meanwhile back in Verona, Julia disguises herself as a boy and heads for Milan to reunite with the two-swimming Silvia, to discover him wooing Silvia instead. As the love entanglements ensue, the setting shifts from the civilized city to the forest, paralleling the characters' change in behavior.

Silvia sets out to find Valentine, who has taken to way-laying travelers in the woods. Accused by Proteus, who has been reluctantly following her with his eyes, she still-disguised Julia.

Proteus then tries to rape

Tragedy from the heartland

By Stephen Hunter
The Washington Post

"Boys Don't Cry" cuts deep, to where the bullet breaks the bone. The movie follows the melancholy vector of Teena Brandon, 1971-1993. Teena, a live-wire Nebraska kid with proclivities she herself did not fully understand, swaddled her breasts in Ace bandages, pulled on a pair of jeans and boots, threw on a cowboy hat, let Lincoln and hitched to the hinterlands, reinventing herself as a wiry, rawboned, tough-talking, beer-swilling young fella named Brandon.

There, in the heart of the heart of the country, the newly christened "Brandon" met new friends, messed around in pickup trucks, fell in love, had sex (sort of) and made efforts, was raped and subsequently murdered.

The movie is, to be sure, the longest, hardest sit of the season — you are stuck there, a single tube of puckered muscle, waiting for the extremely ugly violence to occur — but it is driven by performances of such luminous finery that they break your heart.

Flaco fit in that small genre of true-crime stories set on the pill-less plains of the great, raw middle of the country, where the wind is always sharp and the roads are all hard and the miles between comforts are many indeed. It belongs with "In Cold Blood" and "The Executioner's Song," tales of human malfeasance under a sky so big that it makes what happens under them seem insignificant, if it wasn't so damned painful.

The singular brilliance of Kimberly Peirce's film is that it

'Boys Don't Cry'

- Who's in it? Hilary Swank, Jeannette Arnette, Chloë Sevigny.
- What's it about? A transgendered woman's life.
- Where's it playing? Lamphouse Theater of Twin Falls.
- Should you go? If you like true-crime parables in the tradition of "In Cold Blood" and "Executioner's Song."

makes you believe on its own terms. It doesn't turn Teena or Brandon — wonderfully portrayed by Hilary Swank in an Oscar-winning turn — into a cardboard saint or an icon of victimization, but instead sees her as a whole character, ties, warts, lies and all. As Teena, she's no stranger to the system. A petty crook (grand theft auto) and locally famous for her massive, she's almost always get her beaten up or at least threatened with a thumping — she ends up, one drunken evening, in Falls City, down in the southwest corner of the state, one of those mean, scabby towns that most movies usually see as places to leave. For Brandon, here at last is a place to stay.

There, in one of those bars where the cigarette smoke burns your eyes and the C&W hammers your head with its banes' cries of lost love, dead dogs and pickup that won't start, and everybody seems strangely angry, she just sort of falls in with a group of young people.

Eventually they reveal themselves to be loosely affiliated with a "mom" of about 35 (Jeannette Arnette, in another of the movie's brilliant performances) who herself lives on a beer-and-cigarette diet and dif-

Flux

fers from her daughter and her daughter's friends only in the look of perpetual weariness under her eyes, as if life has worn her out.

I had no luck making out the kinship system here. Are these cousins or siblings or ex-stepchildren or what? It would take an anthropologist to figure it all out; what is clear is only that, against the harshness of an indifferent world and a bitter climate, they've formed a tribal union that gives everybody a sense of belonging.

Mom rules, but only nominally, like an aging queen. The true power rests with two princes of the realm and the object of everybody's obscure desire is one princess.

The princes are John (Peter Sarsgaard) and his collyie, Symon (Brandon Sexton III). These are young men stifled by a society that has very little use for them. They have but one role — other than making Susan Faludi a wealthy woman — which is to not get in the way, which, of course, is exactly where they get.

Someone — presumably director Peirce — has a dead-on eye for rural blue-collar culture. These young men, both ex-cons with time served for petty, hopeless crimes, in their hooded sweat shirts and tight jeans and their spindly nests of well-groomed hair, are seething with anger of a place denied, of their own sense of the world passing them by, of their eternal nothingness. They

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WEEKEND

'Coach' co-star brings comedy act to Cactus Petes

The Times-News

JACKPOT - Comedian Jerry Van Dyke will appear at Cactus Petes Resort Casino tonight and Saturday.

Van Dyke, star of the long-running ABC television series "Coach," will do two shows a night, at 8 and 11 p.m. Tickets for the cocktails-only shows are \$35, \$40 and \$45.

For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

Tribes put on exhibition

TWIN FALLS - Dozens of members of the Shoshone-Bannock tribe from the Pocatello area and the Duckfoot tribe from Owyhee county will present the seventh annual Native American Dance Exhibition at the College of Southern Idaho today.

The Golden Eagle Native American Society and the College of Southern Idaho sponsor the event.

Dancers will display their traditional dances and authentic costumes and share traditional stories and music. Vendors will sell food and Native American arts and crafts. Audience members will be invited to participate in certain dances that can include non tribal members.

The event will last from 6 until 10 a.m. in the City gymnasium. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$2 for children ages 7-12, \$2 for anyone with CSI identification, and \$10 for families. Children 6 and under are admitted free.

All proceeds will go toward CSI Native American scholarships.

Eclectic show starts at 7:30

BUHL - Opus IV, a quartet of singers and a pianist who combine classical music and music comedy, will perform tonight at the Eighth Street Community Center.

Their program, "From Here to Broadway," features an eclectic blend of music, comedy and scenes from Broadway musicals, intricately woven with classic selections.

The two married couples, James Aitken and Nita Hamilton of Missoula, Mont., and Robert Worobec and Linda Terry of Livingston, Mont., are accompanied by Kenneth Christensen, a piano teacher at Montana State University.

Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. Following the concert, desserts will be served by local back Penny Hodges.

For further information, call 543-2888.

Academy presents play

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls Christian Academy will present Tim Kelley's play, "The Butler Did It," tonight at 7 p.m. at the school.

Tickets are \$2 in advance or \$2.50 at the door. For more information, call Julia Wright at 733-1492.

Senior Center hosts show

RUPERT - A Collectible & Craft Show is planned from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at the Minidoka County Senior Center, 701 11th St.

For more information, call 436-9107.

Performers play in Rupert

RUPERT - "Enhancing Our Community Through the Arts" will be held at 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Rupert West State Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Jennifer Orton, Miss Mini-Baseball, will play a piano solo, "Makeup."

Other performers include Curtis Crafton from the Minico High School "Reflections," Erica Barras, Magic Philharmonic Orchestra violist, and the "Six Pack" male vocalists from Declo High School.

Visual arts and crafts by local artisans will be on display. The public is welcome and refreshments will be served.

Founder's Day starts 10 a.m.

GOODING - The third annual Gooding County Founder's Day event is planned Saturday.

Arts and entertainment in brief

Smoker at 7:30 p.m. at Gooding High School.

There will also be static displays and mountain man demonstrations at the fairgrounds, along with a silent auction, a display of vintage automobiles, a baked food sale, music by the Old Time Fiddlers, and craft booths.

A self-guided walking tour down Main Street is also scheduled.

Poets improvise in Sun Valley

KETCHUM - The third annual Improvisational Poetry Slam will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 131 Fifth St. E.

The poetry slam will feature Gary Hunt from Iconoclast Books, local poets, local dancers and performers including Julie Fox Jones, Anna Winton, Denise De Lisser, Mary Kennedy and Anna Senchal, and musicians David Santievane and Will Caldwell. All poets are welcome and encouraged to participate.

For more information, call the Sun Valley Center at 726-9491.

Singing is the spring thing

TWIN FALLS - The annual Spring Sing will be performed at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium Sunday at 3 p.m.

Directed by CSI associate music professor Carson Wong, the event features 35 members of the CSI Chamber Choir and Madrigal Ensemble. Performances are from throughout Idaho as well as several from Nevada, Utah, and Colorado. Fellow CSI music instructor Sue Miller is assisting with the production.

The groups will perform "Gloria" by John Ritter and a choral medley of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" by Andrew Lloyd Webber.

An \$3 donation to the CSI music department is suggested as admission to the event.

South-central Idaho participants will include Jennifer Clements, Jesse Nussbaum, Sarah Barbour, Jonathan Dillon, Melissa Seaman, Erin Tutty, Rebecca Arrington, Jill Newham, Jerusha Cox, all of Twin Falls; Blair Manning and Cody Karel of Buhl; Andrew Ryan of Filer; Jenny Crane and Irene Schwarz of Hazelton; Crystal Farmer of Hailey; Ginger Koyle and Will McGhee of Gooding; Kendi Lawton of Wendell; Alicia Field, Amy Trail and Jessica Miller of Jerome, and Amanda Atwood of Hammett.

Pops musicians rehearse

TWIN FALLS - Choir and orchestra rehearsals for the Magic Valley Symphony's May 4-5 Pops Concert will be held on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., and choir alone will rehearse on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

All rehearsals will be held in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center, Room 133. For more information, contact Theodore Hadley at CSI at 733-1079.

The Guess Who appears

JACKPOT - Canadian rockers The Guess Who will play Cactus Petes Resort Casino Tuesday through April 23.

The band, best known for "American Woman" and "These Eyes," will do two shows a night, at 8 and 11 p.m.

Ticket prices for the early dinner show start at \$14.99 on weeknights and Sunday and at \$19.99 on Saturday. Cover charge for the 11 p.m. cocktail show is \$7.50 on weeknights and Sunday and \$10

on Saturday. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

'Forever Plaid' comes to end

SUN VALLEY - The final performance of the New Theater Company's production of Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid" is scheduled for Thursday in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort. Show time is 7:30 p.m., but doors open at 5:30. Food and drinks will be available.

Tickets, which are \$18 for adults and \$12 for children, can be reserved by phoning 622-2135.

Free admission for jazz

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Jazz program will present its spring concert April 21 at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center auditorium.

Special guests will be the Boise State University Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Richard Maynard. The CSI Jazz Orchestra and combos, under the direction of Brent Jensen, will present music by Oliver Nelson, Charlie Parker, Count Basie, Horace Silver and other jazz legends.

Admission is free. A suggested donation of \$3 per person will go toward the CSI Music Activities Fund.

TF egg hunt features prizes

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department the Twin Falls Optimists will sponsor their annual Easter Egg hunt at 10 a.m. on April 22 in City Park. Prizes will be awarded to four different age groups: 3 and under, 4-5, 6-7 and 8-10.

For further information, call 736-2265.

Wendell kids can hunt eggs

WENDELL - Kids aged 10 and younger can participate in the annual Wendell Easter egg hunt at 11 a.m. April 22 in McGinnis Park, 757 E. Main St.

Wendell Elementary School kitchen staff will cook the eggs and students will color them. Some eggs will have prizes donated by merchants.

The egg hunt is sponsored by the Wendell Fire Department Auxiliary and the Chamber of Commerce. For further information, call 536-5431.

Parks sponsors egg hunt

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Department of Parks and Recreation will sponsor an Easter egg hunt and dive for kids 12 and under on April 22 at the Twin Falls Municipal Park, 756 Locust St. N.

The event is scheduled for 2 p.m. and cost is \$2.50. There will be water exploration games for preschool-age children and prizes for older children.

For further information, call 734-2336.

Church holds Easter events

TWIN FALLS - The First Assembly of God will present an angel breakfast and Easter egg hunt starting at 9 a.m. April 22 at its location at 189 Locust St. N.

Breakfast will be held from 9-10 a.m. with the egg hunt starting at 11 a.m. Children third-grade or younger are eligible for the egg hunt. Participants are asked to call the church office by Monday for free tickets to the event.

For more information or to call for tickets, call First Assembly of God at 733-5349.

CSI slates Renaissance fair

TWIN FALLS - Lords and

ladies, knights and damsels, even a king and queen will grace Renaissance Fair 2000 at the College of Southern Idaho April 28-29.

Associate professor of English and event organizer Priscilla Bingham says that above all, she's hoping for decent weather for a change for the outdoor event. Activities and participation at the first two fairs has suffered from rainy, cool, and windy conditions.

Many students and faculty from several CSI departments are getting ready for what they hope will be the largest and most successful Renaissance Fair so far. Authentically recreated, open air Shakespearean plays will be performed throughout the two days.

Food and craft vendors will also be selling their wares around the grounds. The traditional caput competition between CSI and other students will be held in the grassy area west of the Aspen Building. Bingham says other activities at this year's fair will include archery, swordplay, medieval horsemanship and games, quarterstalls and armored combats.

The fair will commence with the coronation of this year's king and queen on the green at 11 a.m. on April 28. The activities will run from 11 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day and will feature activities for all age groups. Minstrels will sing, costumed ladies will sell tarps, a brass ensemble will play, visitors can have their pictures taken in authentic-looking stocks. Children can participate with actors from Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" in the masked butterfly parade. A juggler will show off his skills with fiery sticks while another is scheduled to perform a fire-eating demonstration.

Artistic displays and sale items will include some silver and pew objects as well as pottery, banners, shields, and headpieces.

CSI's pavilion-style tents will be used for some displays and presentations especially if the weather turns blustery or rainy. Students from several Magic Valley high schools will be bused to the event on Friday. The public is well and admission is free. All events are scheduled to be held in the grassy areas in the center of the CSI campus.

Apply for scholarships

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho Community Education Center will take scholarship applications through April 30 for this summer's Music Fest.

Music Fest is an opportunity for students who have completed grades 7 through 12 to grow musically and socially in a day camp setting. Participants will be able to learn from eight renowned music instructors from CSI, Boise State University, Ricks College, and Skyline High School in Idaho Falls.

An \$80 registration fee covers the program costs and instructional materials for the week. \$20 covers all lunches. Local housing is available for \$5 per night with special arrangements by the camp director. Scholarships, financial aid, and family discounts are available.

Pick up a registration form at the CSI Community Education Center on the second floor of the Taylor Administration Building or call the Community Education Center at 733-9554, extension 2288 or Camille Cox at 733-5227 for more information.

Artist displays sculptures

TWIN FALLS - An exhibition

of clay sculpture by artist Yvonne Jacques will be featured through the month of April at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 650 Addison Ave. W.

Country stars play at benefit

TWIN FALLS - Country musicians Bob Bare and Highway 101 will perform April 21 at the Twin Falls Police Association's annual concert, scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium.

For ticket information, call 736-7652.

Circus comes to Expo Center

TWIN FALLS - The El Korah Shrine Circus will perform April 24-25 in the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center.

Shows are scheduled for 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. each day. Tickets, which are \$8 for adults and \$5 for kids under 12, are available at Albertson's stores or at the gate.

Little Theater slates shows

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Little Theater will present Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid" April 27-29 and May 5-7.

For more information, call 736-7136.

All ages enter fiddle contest

JEROME - The third annual regional fiddle contest will be held May 5-6 at Jerome High School.

Contestants of all ages will compete for a variety of prizes including certification to the National Oldtime Fiddlers' Contest in Weiser.

Registration will begin in the lobby at Jerome High at 5 p.m. on May 5 in conjunction with a barbecue. That will be followed by preliminary competition in the small-fry Novice, junior junior Novice and junior Novice divisions. The evening will wrap up with contestant finals for all Novice divisions and a twin-fiddling contest.

On May 6, contestant preliminaries will begin at 7:30 a.m. in the Jerome High auditorium and the final performance will be held that afternoon. The top five finishers from each division will play off at 7:30 p.m. that night.

For further information, call Jenni Stippich at 324-5931. The event is sponsored by First Security Bank and the Best Western Sawtooth Inn.

High schools show art

TWIN FALLS - The annual Twin Falls and Magic Valley high schools' Fine Arts Show will be May 5-7 in the former Madison's store in the Lynwood Mall.

More than 300 pieces of artwork, including drawings, paintings, pottery and sculpture will be on display. A gala grand opening is planned for 7 p.m. on May 5, with live music and refreshments.

The public is invited to attend, there is no admission charge. For further information, call Lynn VanHoozer at 733-6551.

Catch a planetarium show

TWIN FALLS - The Faulkner Planetarium's new show "The Search for Life in the Universe"

is being shown at 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at the planetarium on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

"Narrated" by "Star Trek" Leonard Nimoy, and featuring three-dimensional graphics and travel sequences, this show will appeal to audience members of all ages, although some of the program's scientific discussions will be beyond the understanding of most children.

"Rusty Rocket's Last Blast," an excellent show for younger audiences, will be shown at 2 p.m. Saturdays.

Another program "More Than Meets the Eye" will be shown at 4 p.m. Saturdays and will show amateur astronomers what they can see in the heavens from their own back yards. The show is especially good for telescope owners or those considering buying a telescope.

Planetarium admission is \$4 for adults, \$2 for students, \$3 for senior citizens and \$9 for families.

For more information, call the Herrett Center at 733-9554, Ext. 2655.

Youth soloists may apply

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Symphony is now accepting applications for the Youth Soloist Competition on June 24 at the College of Southern Idaho.

Competition finalists may be chosen to perform at an Oct. 25 concert. There will be a \$250 prize awarded to each of the winners.

Contestants must reside in the Magic Valley area and be no older than 21. Soloists previously selected to play with the symphony may not audition again on the same instrument.

For instrumentalists, any movement of a standard concerto or concert piece with orchestral accompaniment may be performed. Audition pieces should be not longer than 10 or 15 minutes.

Contestants must provide their own piano accompanist and entrants are encouraged, but not required, to memorize their audition pieces.

Upon request, judges' comments will be given to contestants. If you're interested, please include a stamped, self-addressed business-size envelope with your application.

For applications and information, call George Halsell at CSI (733-9554, Ext. 2556) or by e-mail at ghsalsell@oriolani.csi.ced.idaho.edu. Please leave a detailed message with mailing address and phone number. Applications and a \$5 application fee are due no later than May 12. Confirmations and audition times will be sent to all eligible contestants.

Look for 'Twin Falls Tonight'

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Arts Council and the downtown Business Improvement District will team up to sponsor a "Twin Falls Tonight" food-and-music series next summer.

It will be patterned after Boise's "Alive at Five."


"Twin Falls Tonight" will be held on Friday nights during July and August, and will include music and food, ice cream, soft drinks and beer.

Downtown restaurants will be asked to provide food and beverage booths, and the music will be free.

The location of the event will be somewhere in the BID.

For more information, call the Magic Valley Arts Council office at 734-ARTS.

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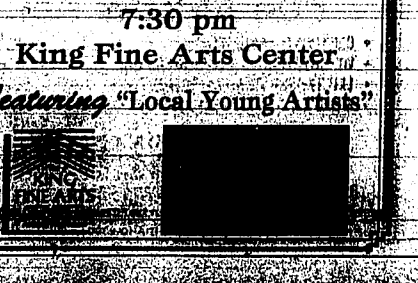
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'Three Kings' hits video stores; 'Sixth Sense' tops rental list

New videos in Twin Falls-area stores this week:

"Three Kings" - 114 minutes. George Clooney, Mark Wahlberg, Ice Cube. You could argue it's a pity the three-hunk-looking heroic poster art for this "Three Kings" looks so conventional, because this Iraqi war-cam gone awry adventure extravaganza is anything but. You could say that, but you'd be wrong. Or would you?

Actually, the truth is that like the best efforts coming out of the big studios these days - and this is definitely one of them - the ambitious "Three Kings" is Hollywood with a vengeance, demonstrating how far a film can stray from business as usual and still deliver old-fashioned satisfactions. Unexpected in its wicked humor, its sympathy for the defeated and its political concerns, this is writer-director David O. Russell's nervy attempt to reinvent the war movie and a further step in the evolution of an audacious and entertaining filmmaker.

Just as Russell's first film, the modest, Oedipal-themed "Spanking the Monkey," gave no hint of what he'd accomplish with the effervescent, hugely comic "Flirting With Disaster," so "Disaster" doesn't really prepare us for the scope of "Kings." Traditional in its conclusions, but anything but along the way, this film gives its protagonists and its audience considerably more than anyone anticipated.

"Three Kings" begins as the U.S. war against Saddam Hussein's Iraq is ending in March 1991. Its opening line of dialogue - a question by Army Sgt. Troy Barlow (Wahlberg), plaintively wondering, with an Iraqi soldier in his sights, "Are we shooting people or what?" - perfectly encapsulates the bizarre uncertainty of a military action that plays at first like an extended fraternity party with automatic weapons thrown into the mix.

Barlow, assisted by worshipful hillbilly high school dropout Pvt. Conrad Vig (Spike Jonze), who discovers a key document hidden in the posterior of a captured soldier and thereafter "killed" with the film's characteristic sense of humor, as "the Iraqi ass thump." On it are the directions to some of Saddam's secret bunkers, where all manner of horrors from the ill-starred invasion of Kuwait are likely hidden.

Also finding out about the map are God-fearing Staff Sgt. Chief (Ice Cube) and world-weary Special Forces Maj. Archie Gates (Clooney), who thinks the document is the key to locating millions in gold bullion Saddam removed from Kuwait. "Bullion? You mean like those little cubes you make soup from?" Vig wonders. No, private, not like those.

Teaming up to raid the bunkers and get rich quick, these cynical, self-interested opportunistic individuals initially come off as the usual amoral heroes for the modern age. As they head off in a Hum-Vee with Homer Simpson (Kiefer Sutherland) at the front grill and explosive-filled footballs in the rear, they, and we, can be forgiven for thinking that this is going to be a tough guy joy ride, a gossamer-thin macho adventure yarn.

But writer-director Russell (who spent 18 months researching and writing the script, with story credited to John Ridley), has no intention of letting us off that easy. Yes, we're meant to enjoy the excitement, but not to the exclusion of knowing the cost, not to mention a whole lot of other things Russell has on his

At the video counter

mind.

For the first thing that happens to the guys is a collision with the Iraqi civilian population and the gradual realization that extensive warfare is going on between those who naturally heed the U.S. call to rise up against Saddam and brutal government forces who are taking advantage of America's abrupt avoidance of all things Iraqi.

This chaotic war within a war, an irrational free-for-all where tankers filled with milk are treated as lethal weapons, is vividly captured by the high-tech, futuristic visual style used by Russell and cinematographer Newton Thomas Sigel. Brief, oddball sequences take us inside the human body to show exactly the kind of damage a bullet inflicts, and Sigel even utilizes three different film stocks to convey a variety of emotional states, including a grainy, disorienting use of Ektachrome, a film usually found in tourist's cameras.

Making the transition from "Flirting With Disaster" is Russell's trademark sense of humor, his feeling for the absurdly comic in the most potentially horrifying situations. Who else would put a glimpse of the Rodney King beating on Iraqi TV, or be able to fashion an unlikely running joke about whether it's Lexus or Infiniti that offers a veritable model.

Rated R for violence, and profanity.

"The Insider" - 158 minutes. Al Pacino, Russell Crowe, Christopher Plummer, Diane Venora, Philip Baker Hall, Lindsay Crouse, Debi Mazar. Director Michael Mann's riveting, true-life thriller starring Crowe as Jeffrey Wigand, the tobacco-company scientist who signed a confidentiality agreement not to talk about controversial industry practices and Pacino as the "60 Minutes" producer who persuades him to go public.

But Crowe steals the show in a performance that's as measured as Pacino's is expansive. Crowe somehow manages to inhabit his character, a complicated yet ordinary Everyman. Wigand by nature is remote, introspective and moody, yet somehow Crowe brings him to the screen with remarkable nuance.

Full of step-by-step information to put across, "The Insider" is a dialogue-heavy film. But, like Wigand, its drama is understated. In director Mann's hands, the film adopts a loose-limbed, documentary feel.

But there's an anxious undercurrent. And with good reason. Not only is Wigand hunted by his tobacco foes, but he and Bergman are also betrayed by CBS, which decides to hold off airing the "60 Minutes" expose after all those torturous months of preparation.

Rated R for profanity and adult situations.

"Three to Tango" (PG-13) - There are only a few belly laughs in this light romantic comedy about a case of mistaken sexual identity, mostly at the expense of its hero, a straight architect (Matthew Perry) whom everyone thinks is gay. Asked to spy on the girlfriend (Nave Campbell) of his very jealous and very married boss (Dylan McDermott), Perry's affable undercover heterosexual finds himself falling in love, but unable to out himself for fear of losing a lucrative design job. Ironically, there's less in this inoffensive fluff to anger gays than straights, who are here seen as either slovenly, hearing commitment-phobes or neurotic control freaks. Contains tepid



Fadi al-Badra, Ice Cube, George Clooney and Cliff Curtis star in 'Three Kings,' now to video stores this week.



obscenity, suggestive sex talk and a series of photos of flags painted on tushes.

wrote it with Ed Stone and Phil Reeves) gets better and better. Imagine an engaging combination of "Raising Arizona," "Smile" and "In & Out." Then imagine funnier. As the local sheriff, William H. Macy proves what a great character actor he can be. And as a pseudo-gay dance instructor, Zahn is a scream. Contains sexual scenes, major innuendo and strong language.

"Cabaret Balkan" - 102 minutes. Nikola Ristanovski, Nebojsa Glogovac. A bracingly black-humored view of life in present-day Belgrade, steeped in anarchy, fear and hate. Filmmaker Goran Paskaljevic avoids proselytizing; instead, he paints compelling portraits in miniature of people trapped in a Kafkaesque nightmare that is, alas, all too real. In Serbo-Croatian with English subtitles. R (violence, sexual violence, profanity).

"The Minus Man" - 110 minutes. Owen Wilson, Sheryl Crow, Brian Cox, Mercedes Ruehl. A bland and normal-seeming young serial killer who subtracts from the population is at the creepy center of an offbeat addition to a crowded genre. R (language, adult themes). DVD available.

"Superstar" - Molly Shannon, Will Ferrell, Elaine Hendrix, Glynis Johns. Saturday

The offbeat comedy 'Three to Tango,' starring Matthew Perry, Nave Campbell and Oliver Pratt, is now available on video.

Sales

1. "Star Wars: The Phantom Menace," Fox
2. "Pokémon: The First Movie," Warner
3. "Entrapment," Fox
4. "The Aristocats," Buena Vista
5. "New Best Friend," Fox
6. "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," Universal
7. "Tarzan," Buena Vista
8. "Extremely Gooly Movie," Buena Vista
9. "The Matrix," Warner
10. "Analyze This," Warner

Rentals

1. "The Sixth Sense," Buena Vista
 2. "Star Wars: The Phantom Menace," Fox
 3. "The Bone Collector," Universal
 4. "For Love of the Game," Universal
 5. "Double Jeopardy," Paramount
 6. "The Messenger: Joan of Arc," Columbia
 7. "Stigmata," MGM
 8. "Spir of Echoes," Artisan
 9. "Eye Wide Shut," Warner
 10. "Blue Streak," Columbia
- Source: Video Business magazine

Night Live's Shannon gets to flesh out her cat-wheeling Catholic school basketcase character, Mary Katherine Gallagher, to feature-length proportions - and it's not pretty. PG-13 (profanity, sexual situations, high school humiliation). DVD available. (CC)

"Diplomatic Siege" - 94 minutes. Peter Weller, Daryl Hannah, Tom Berenger. A rapid response team is dispatched when Serbian terrorists take over an American embassy that has a secret nuclear weapon in the basement. R. DVD available. (CC)

"Thugs" - Justin Pagen, Scott Cooke, Michael Egan. Three friends team up for a life of crime and are given a chance by the Mob boss. R.

"Webmaster" - 102 minutes. Lars Born, Lars Borch Nielsen, Fuk Scherbau, Jargon Kill. Fantasy thriller in which a computer hacker is hired by an evil tyrant to stop a stranger who has entered the cyberspace. DVD available.

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WEEKEND

John Cusack returns to the screen in 'High Fidelity'

Combined wire services

Movies playing in south-central Idaho this weekend. Opinions are by Los Angeles Times and Knight Ridder Newspapers reviewers. Ratings by the Motion Picture Association of America are: (G) for general audiences; (PG) parental guidance urged because of material possibly unsuitable for children; (PG-13) parents are strongly cautioned to give guidance for attendance of children younger than 13; (R) restricted, younger than 17 admitted only with parent or adult guardian; (NC-17) no one younger than 17 admitted.

• "American Beauty" - An absolutely brilliant performance by Kevin Spacey is only the tip of the iceberg in this contemporary tragedy about a middle-aged man's escape from suburban hell. Directed sensibly by his critical wife (Annette Bening) and alienated from his teen-age daughter (Thora Birch), he is awakened by the sexual scent of his daughter's friend and the potent pop supplied by the creepy kid next door. Yet director Sam Mendes doesn't just allow us to sympathize with Spacey's character, he encourages us to cheer him on, and the film revels in his liberation. We revel in some of the most intelligent, unadorned filmmaking since the '70s. Rated R; sexual themes, nudity, language, violence.

• "Black and White" - Had James Toback managed to come up with an actual story that addressed the impact hip-hop culture has had on white urban America, this occasionally insightful mix of confrontational episodes, celebrity cameos, edgy satire and melodrama might have been something more than beats in search of a theme. In a too-obvious device, Steve Shields is a filmmaker making a documentary about white kids who dig blackness, which brings her into the orbit of an operator (Power) whose homies include Rockwold, Alina Houston Eckert, but it's about as credible as Insane Clown Posse. Rated R; sexual situations, language, violence. 1 hour, 38 minutes.

• "Boys Don't Cry" - The tabloidy, true story of Teena Brandon, a 20-year-old woman who passed herself off as a man in a small Nebraska town and was raped and murdered after her deception, becomes a Midwestern tragedy in the hands of cowriter and first-time director Kimberly Peirce. Hilary Swank's portrayal of Brandon is beyond gender impersonation; she compels us to care about her, despite her motivations, bad habits and delusions. Chloe Sevigny is the withdrawn object of Brandon's obsessions. Rated R; violence, language, sexual theme and situations. 1 hour, 56 minutes.

• "The Cider House Rules" - The entertaining, tragicomic novels of John Irving have had their ups ("The World According to Garp") and downs ("The Hotel New Hampshire") getting to the big screen, but Irving's richest book is done justice by director Lasse Hallstrom and Irving himself, who wrote the script. Boyman Tobey Maguire is perfectly cast as Homer, the orphan who becomes surrogate son to Dr. Larch (Michael Caine), a general obstetrician who runs an orphanage and quietly performs mercy abortions. Rated PG-13; sexual theme and situations, language. 2 hours, 5 minutes.

• "Ezin Brockovich" - The difference between "A Civil Action" and this based-on-fact story of a law firm that risks everything in taking on a giant corporation is two words: Julia Roberts. She's the title character, an angry single mother armed with indignation and Wonderbra-assisted cleavage,

who bullies lawyer Albert Finney into hiring her and pursuing the case against a utility company that may be contaminating the water. It's a conventional movie for director Stephen Frears' "Brokeback Mountain," but a breakthrough for Roberts, who proves she's more than a movie star; she's an actress, too. Rated R; language. 2 hours, 10 minutes.

• "The Green Mile" - Frank Darabont's detailed adaptation of Stephen King's serial novel "The Green Mile" is not likely to suffer from the fate of "The Shawshank Redemption," which failed badly in theaters, only to become beloved after being rereleased on video. With Tom Hanks in the starring role of a 1930s prison guard whose death row inmates include a genius (Michael Clarke Duncan) with the power of healing, it will not have to beg for clemency. Nor will it disappoint, despite being overly long, simplistic and a near-replica of the "Shawshank" parable of faith and renewal. The excellent supporting cast includes Sam Rockwell as an evil murderer and Doug Hutchison as a sadistic guard. R; language, violence. 3 hours, 7 minutes.

• "Hanging Up" - The cell phone is the star of this more bitter than sweet comedy about disconnected lives. Meg Ryan, Diane Keaton and Lisa Kudrow are sisters reacting in vastly different ways to the deteriorating health and mind of their troublesome father, Walter Matthau. The film wants to say something about the way families communicate without really talking, but director Keaton's fragmented style prevents anything from being resolved. Rated PG-13; language, alcohol abuse. 1 hour, 32 minutes.

• "Here on Earth" - A teen romance in the vein of "Love Story," it stars Leelle Sobieski as a wisecracking towie and Chris Klein as a cocky prep who whose lives and stars are crossed. Nothing wrong with this syrupy movie that a megadose of insulin couldn't cure. 1 hr. 36 PG-13 (language, mature situations, discreet sex).

• "High Fidelity" - A sharp and satisfying romantic comedy about the difficulty of commitment that utilizes Stephen Frears' incisive direction and some very knowing and sophisticated writing to give actor John Cusack one of the best roles of his career. A special nod to supporting players Todd Louso and Jack Black who are the comic center of the film. Look for the following excellent actors in small roles: Catherine Zeta-Jones, Lili Taylor, Tim Robbins, Joan Cusack, Lisa Bonet, Sara Gilbert and Natasha Gregson Wagner. Based on the delightful novel by British writer Nick Hornby. (197 R for language and some sexuality).

• "Keeping the Faith" - Edward Norton makes a sure-handed and scintillating directorial debut with this romantic comedy. He plays a Catholic priest whose best friend from boyhood is a rabbi, Ben Stiller. Both find themselves still in love with their childhood sweetheart (Jenna Elfman), now corporate executive. The trio plays the situation for solid laughs, aided by veterans Anne Bancroft, Eli Wallach, Ron Rifkin and Milos Forman. First-rate entertainment. PG-13. 125 minutes.

• "Mission to Mars" - Near the midsection of this hunk of expensive space junk, an asteroid shower sends the crew of a Mars rescue mission into crisis mode, and director Brian De Palma mounts one of his trademark set pieces, instilling hope he might get this thing down safely. Instead, the

Big box office

film crashes and burns in a red desert of bad sci-fi movie cliches, misbegotten cribs from better movies ("2001," "Close Encounters") and embarrassing performances from a doomed crew that includes Don Cheadle, Gary Sinise and Tim Robbins. De Palma, we've got a problem. Rated PG; violence. 1 hour, 46 minutes.

• "My Dog Skip" - An appealingly old-fashioned memoir of a boy and his dog, set in the early 1940s, benefits from a believable, funny performance by Frankie Muniz, star of TV's "Malcolm in the Middle." Kids will love the canine antics, while parents will

find it difficult to choke back tears in a way they probably thought died with "Old Yeller." Rated PG; mild profanity, pet in peril. 1 hour, 35 minutes.

• "The Ninth Gate" - While it's obvious this supernatural thriller from director Roman Polanski is headed straight to hell, there's some way fun to be had during the descent. Johnny Depp looking intelligently wary, is a rare book dealer hired by a Satan-obsessed billionaire (Frank Langella) to track down the surviving copies of an ancient book allegedly... unthought... by Beelzebub himself. This soul isn't really worth saving, but as Gates of Hell movies go, it's pretty entertaining. Rated R; violence, sexual situations, nudity. 2 hour, 13 minutes.

• "Ready to Rumble" - Gleefully offensive but unfunny comedy about two jerks (David Arquette and Scott Caan) and professional wrestling. Only two, you ask? With Oliver Platt, Rose McGowan, Joe Pantoliano and Martin Landau. Directed by Brian Robbins. (1:47. PG-13 for language, crude humor, sexual content including brief nudity, and

wrestling violence.)

• "Return to Me" - A love story that's as fresh as tomorrow yet honors the traditions of Hollywood's most cherished tear-jerkers. David Duchovny and Minnie Driver star in career-enhancing roles, and the film is a triple triumph for Bonnie Hunt, who directed, co-wrote the script and co-stars as Driver's sister. With Carroll O'Connor in a welcome return to the big screen. (1:55. PG for language and thematic elements.)

• "Romance Meet Death" - Has time to do with Shakespeare, and open less to do with a well-crafted action thriller. The first American-produced starring vehicle for Hong Kong's Jet Li has its share of over-the-top fight scenes, but its story of warring families dated a half-hour too long. Rated R; profanity, nonstop violence. 1 hour, 55 minutes.

• "Rules of Engagement" - This courtroom-combat drama - directed by the veteran William Friedkin and starring Tommy Lee Jones, Samuel L. Jackson and an impressive Guy Pearce - is a capable, moderately diverting dramatic entertainment that raises all kinds of thought-provoking questions it's not really interested in answering (2:08. R for scenes of war violence and for 15-year-old Hal, a snow day off from school means he can woo the girl of his dreams. For little sister Natalie, it's a chance to get even with grime-nemesis Snowplowman. A cute idea gone way too silly from TV's Nickelodeon. Rated PG; language, sloopy eating. 1 hour, 37 minutes.

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"Little White Lies" - Today's major show is life this week, quite an entertaining version of E.B. White's classic that substitutes modern technical wizardry for the magic of the original. PG-13 (nothing offensive)

"The Talented Mr. Ripley" - Anthony Minghella's sun-baked, sinister adaptation of the first of Patricia Highsmith's novels exploring the ingenious mind of a serial killer (before the term was coined) is almost as seductive as, if far less involving than, "The English Patient." It sends nobody Tom Ripley (Matt Damon) to 1950s Italy to collect errant playboy Dickie (Jude Law) for his wealthy father, only to have all of Tom's latent desires surface. He loves everything about Dickie, from his style to his money, to his girlfriend (Lizbeth Padrow). Well enough illustrated and acted to make us hope Minghella and Damon eventually get around to making the other books. Rated R; violence, sexual theme. 2 hour, 19 minutes.

"The Tigger Movie" - The most wonderful thing about Disney's animated feature is how refreshingly it captures the spirit of A.A. Milne's children's books. When Tigger decides to search for his bouncing brethren, it's up to Winnie the Pooh and pals to show him that he has a family in them. Rated G; nothing offensive. 1 hour, 17 minutes.

"Toy Story 2" - The sequel to the first full-length computer-animated feature has old-fashioned cowboy doll Woody worrying that his owner, Andy, will inevitably outgrow him and put him away. But this sweet, smart and funny comedy contrives its point: Andy grown-up who can't enjoy this child's play is simply too grown-up. Woody (the voice

What's Playing

- "American Beauty," Twin Cinema
- "Black and White," Twin Cinema
- "Boys Don't Cry," Lamphouse Theater
- "Erin Brockovich," Twin Cinema
- "The Green Mile," Reel Theater
- "Hanging Up," Reel Theater
- "Here on Earth," Twin Cinema
- "High Fidelity," Twin Cinema
- "Keeping the Faith," Twin Cinema
- "Mission to Mars," Twin Cinema
- "Ready to Rumble," Twin Cinema
- "Return to Me," Twin Cinema
- "The Road to El Dorado," Twin Cinema
- "Romeo Must Die," Twin Cinema
- "Rules of Engagement," Reel Theater
- "Skulls," Twin Cinema
- "Snow Day," Reel Theater
- "Stuart Little," Motor-Vu Drive-In
- "Supernova," Grand-Vu Drive-In
- "The Talented Mr. Ripley," Reel Theater
- "The Tigger Movie," Reel Theater, Motor-Vu Drive-In
- "Toy Story 2," Reel Theater
- "28 Days," Twin Cinema
- "Where the Money Is," The Orpheum
- "The Whole Nine Yards," Reel Theater
- "The World Is Not Enough," Grand-Vu Drive-In
- "My Dog Skip," Liberty Theater
- "Ready to Rumble," Liberty Theater
- "Return to Me," Magic Lantern
- "Rules of Engagement," SKTime Cinemas
- "28 Days," Magic Lantern
- "Where the Money Is," Magic Lantern
- "The Green Mile," Burley Theater
- "Keeping the Faith," Century Cinema
- "Return to Me," Century Cinema
- "The Road to El Dorado," Century Cinema
- "Rules of Engagement," Century Cinema
- "Skulls," Century Cinema
- "28 Days," Century Cinema
- "Erin Brockovich," Jerome Cinema
- "Ready to Rumble," Jerome Cinema
- "The Road to El Dorado," Jerome Cinema
- "Rules of Engagement," Jerome Cinema
- "Here on Earth," Gooding Cinema

No movies this week.

"Erin Brockovich," Sun Valley Opera House

"High Fidelity," SKTime Cinemas

"Keeping the Faith," Magic Lantern

of Tom Hanks), action figure Buzz Lightyear (Tim Allen) and the rest of the toy chest are joined by new playthings, including a roarin' 'tootin' cowgirl (Joan Cusack) and a prospector named Stinky Pete (Kelsey Grammer). Rated G; nothing objectionable. 1 hour, 24 minutes.

"28 Days" - Predictable and

disappointing but still moderately entertaining, "28 Days" is a saga that wants to show us exactly how one young, hip woman goes through a month-long rehab sentence to get her life on track. The premise is a good one, but by the end you feel like you've sat through a finger-wagging educational filmstrip shown to



Ben Stiller plays Jake, a New York rabbit, in "Keeping the Faith." Jake is torn between his religious calling and his love for a non-Jewish girl, played by Jenna Elfman.

high-schoolers. It does feature great characters, among them Steve Buscemi as a rehab counselor, Viggo Mortensen as a country-boy ballplayer and - best by far - Azura Skye as a lost teen-ager looking for a friend. Bullock does very well; the fresh-scrubbed look that catapulted her to fame only makes her character's fall seem farther. But in the end, "28 Days" is so preachy and conventional it misses the mark. PG-13, 103 min.

"Whatever It Takes" - Routine teen movie about a scintillatingly decent high school kid (Shane West), who, on the chance of getting close to the overripe and all-too-obvious class bombshell (Jodi Lyn O'Keefe), sells out his sweet and adorable best pal (Maria Sokoloff). Guess who gets together in the end though? (1-30, PG-13 for thematic elements, sexual material and language).

"Where the Money Is" - Brings back the caper movie with some modern touches. Most importantly, it provides a return for Paul Newman to the slightly disreputable characters (Hud,

Butch Cassidy, etc.) that have highlighted his long career. This time he's a bank robber who feigns illness to be transferred from prison to a nursing home, where he and a married couple, Linda Fiorentino and Dermot Mulroney, plan a complex robbery. The film has its incongruities, but it's always a pleasure to see Newman back in action. PG-13, 90 min.

"The Whole Nine Yards" - Hitman Bruce Willis moves in next door to dweeby dentist Matthew Perry, and the next thing Perry knows, he's in the middle of yet another comedy where people get whacked for laughs. Can anyone pinpoint when filmmakers began to recognize the comic possibilities in multiple murder? Willis smirks through this unfunny mess with the unperturbed air of someone who knows the blood and stink will wash off easily, especially with the soap his payday will buy. Perry does much fiddling and falling down. Rated R; violence, sexual situations, nudity, language. 1 hour, 41 minutes.

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When movies lie: Truth isn't in a film's details

Los Angeles Times

HOLLYWOOD - In the current movie "The Hurricane," Denzel Washington plays Rubin "Hurricane" Carter as a real-life boxer who is hounded for most of his life and finally jailed by an obsessed cop. Dan Hedaya plays the policeman as a malevolent force, an unyielding racist on a mission. But in real life, no such person existed.

In "Boys Don't Cry," a young woman who had been living as a man is killed in a farmhouse along with another woman. In real life, three people died that New Year's Eve, the third victim a black man who never appears in the movie. Another woman shown at the farmhouse details having been there. She has filed a lawsuit claiming that the movie defames her and invades her privacy.

In "The Insider," the highly praised story of a tobacco executive who stood up to the Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp., a heroic producer for "60 Minutes" dominates the tobacco story, manipulates the legal system and spoon-feeds scoops to the Wall Street Journal. In real life, the newspaper won a Pulitzer Prize for its out-front coverage of the story, and the real-life tobacco executive, as well as others, say the movie greatly exaggerates the producer's role.

All three movies are among the most highly regarded films of the past year, likely Oscar contenders that have brought prestige to their respective studios for their high-minded grappling with serious issues. Like other true-life movies of recent years, they have come under fire for the liberties they take with facts.

A movie comes out based on a real and highly publicized event, and reporters who covered the event write stories debating its accuracy; participants turn up to say they've been wronged; and ideologues on the right or left embrace or vilify the film as propaganda, while other moviegoers merely shrug and snuff, "it's only a movie."

The accuracy issue is looming larger than usual of late, in part because so many recent films have dealt with emotionally charged, true events. The debate centers on fundamental questions about the limits of artistic license, the social obligations of film and the importance of factuality in art.

No matter how contentious the issue gets, however, filmmakers keep making fact-based films, and that's not just because the jack imagination. These are the movies that win awards. They have built-in cachet. A more personal film might speak true of



Movies like 'The Insider' are drawing criticism for their inaccurate portrayal of historical events.

society, but who can dispute that "The Hurricane" matters? Movies like this validate Hollywood's sense of itself.

In defending themselves from attack, the producers of "The Hurricane" point out that they screened it at the White House, and when it was shown at the United Nations people stood up to applaud. Their movie is important, they seem to be saying. It moves people. It's petty to quibble over the facts.

Kimberly Peirce, who directed and co-wrote "Boys Don't Cry," agrees that factual accuracy never should be the goal of art. "It's important to distinguish between the facts and the truth," she said in an interview.

"I've always thought that the facts were in service to the truth. You can change facts, you can change characters, you can change everything, in search of the basic truth."

But what, one may ask, is the artist's obligation to history, to truth that can be verified?

"Boys," like "Hurricane," "The Insider" and many other movies based on fact, deal with real-world issues in a way that suggests the filmmakers take social responsibilities seriously.

"The Hurricane" and "Boys Don't Cry," in particular, derive part of their power from the iconic force of their protagonists - a black man wrongly imprisoned

for murder and a woman persecuted and killed for being even more reason to feel aggrieved?

When "The Insider" came out in November, CBS newsmen Mike Wallace protested mightily - without having seen the film - that the movie misrepresented him. Brown & Williamson, predictably, denounced the movie as false. Among the things the company took issue with is the movie's depiction of the company waging a fear campaign against its former executive that included death threats.

"The Insider" has failed to inspire much enthusiasm with the ticket-buying public, but it has been lavishly praised by reviewers for its serious - some would say self-important - examination of corporate venality and cowardice. But the debate over its accuracy has received almost as much attention as the hosannas.

But comments concerning the way movies "Hollywoodize" events raise another issue: Many people were less disturbed that the changes in "The Hurricane" fictionalized the story than they were that they cheapened it. They found the made-up characters one-dimensional and

the plot concoctions contrived. They had no problem with artistic license; they just preferred that it be used artistically.

Should anyone wonder why Hollywood regularly would subject itself to the debate and criticism fact-based movies bring, the answer might have been on display at the recent Golden Globe awards. In a year when the most popular movie was a glorified cartoon sci-fi fantasy that came with a reported \$3 billion in licensing tie-ins, the nominated movies were oh-so earnest and worthy. No "Star Wars" prequels here. No cyberpunk head games ("The Matrix"). No scary ghost stories, no matter how well-told ("The Sixth Sense").

With major awards going to both "Hurricane" and "Boys" as well as to an HBO biopic about black actress Dorothy Dandridge, the show became a celebration of martyrs.

On award night - any award night - Hollywood wants to be taken, and to take itself, seriously.

Perhaps this was mere vanity. Perhaps the movies really don't mean that much at all. And maybe Hollywood's need to appear serious and important obscures the actual quality of the films in question. Aside from their social relevance and the air of importance that attends them, are these really among the year's most accomplished films?

Maybe it doesn't matter. Maybe, at this time of year especially, all that matters is how the movies make us feel - not only about the world depicted but also about ourselves. And maybe it matters not at all whether the feelings are based on truth or fiction.

The best - and worst - films for historical accuracy

Los Angeles Times

Here are film historian Joseph Roquemore's picks for his favorite and least favorite historical movies, along with his comments about each.

The favorites

• "A Man for All Seasons" (1956). Fred Zinnemann's Oscar-winning drama about Sir Thomas More (Paul Scofield) who defied King Henry VIII (Robert Shaw) and was executed.

"I don't think there is anything that can be improved upon. The first thing - and it is the most important part of the movie - is the script by Robert Bolt. It sounded to me like it would have been written by someone who sat down and began reading Shakespeare and read it and read it and read it and then he went straight to writing this script and began using modern vocabulary. The cast is wonderful and I think Sir Thomas More is pretty much on target."

• "Apollo 13" (1995). Ron Howard's Oscar-nominated look at the ill-fated 1970 Apollo mission. "They had no problem with artistic license; they just preferred that it be used artistically."

• "One of the things that I like about this movie is that we tend to forget just how dangerous what those guys were doing was."

• "Ulzana's Raid" (1972). Robert Aldrich directed this western starring Burt Lancaster and Bruce Davison about the conflict between the U.S. Cavalry and American Indians.

"This is absolutely fantastic. It is a true story. The Apaches were terribly difficult to fight because they fought very intelligent guerrilla warfare."

"About 10 Apaches broke out (of a reservation) in 1885 and went on this incredible raid that lasted six or seven weeks. No one could find them. They killed about 38 people. At first the Army sent out some scouts and a small patrol after them. Eventually, they just disappeared into Mexico and they surrendered much later."

"I think it is one of the best movies ever made about the warfare between the Army and the Indians."

• "The Duellists" (1977). Ridley Scott directed this period piece starring Keith Carradine and Harvey Keitel.

"It is based on this true story, and even if it weren't, it would still be great. What happened is that these two guys fought each other for 15 years and never managed to kill the other one."

"It has incredible period detail, beautiful early 19th century sets. You see changing military hairstyles and uniforms, and all of that is right on the money."

"The retreat from Moscow by

"When at the end of the movie, the GIs finally overrun the camp where the Japanese are falling on their knees trying to surrender - the Japanese never did that. The Japanese usually fought to the death."

- Film historian Joseph Roquemore on "The Thin Red Line"

Napoleon is a nightmare movie and that is the way I really was. This was Ridley Scott's first film, and there is nothing he gets wrong, as far as I can see."

The worst

• "The Last Temptation of Christ" (1988). Martin Scorsese's version of the life of Christ, played by Willem Dafoe.

"At first I was heretic to say anything against that movie, now I think it's probably fashionable to criticize it. The movie was very offensive to Jews because of many inaccuracies. It shows Mary Magdalene talking to Jesus when she was forbidden to do that. The film gives the impression that Mary Magdalene and Jesus were really very close when they were kids, which is absurd."

"The portrait of Jesus that Willem Dafoe gives is wrong in every way. He is sort of a mumbler and a bumbler and he's cowardly. Jesus always has him around. According to what we know, he wasn't like that at all."

• "The Thin Red Line" (1998). Terrence Malick directed this Oscar-nominated adaptation of James Jones' novel about World War II in the Pacific.

"The battle scenes are good, but they completely miss what the Japanese were doing. At the end of the movie, the GIs finally overrun the camp where the Japanese are falling on their knees trying to surrender. The Japanese never did that. The Japanese usually fought to the death."

• "Dances With Wolves" (1991). Kevin Costner's Oscar-winning Civil War movie is riddled with Western defects and is an Indian's dream.

"The Buffalo hunt was real. But there was no record of an American Indian with an American Indian. That just didn't happen. Sioux refuse to use guns in the movie, and in reality, they would do anything to get a gun. They were better at hand-to-hand combat."



Critics charge that the movie "Hurricane," starring Denzel Washington, misrepresents the facts of the case.

Raising objections

Los Angeles Times

HOLLYWOOD - Lewis M. Steel, one of a team of attorneys who represented Rubin "Hurricane" Carter as a real-life boxer, and John Artis, an murder charges, criticized the movie "The Hurricane" for giving the impression that a team of Canadian do-gooders uncovered Carter's innocence and secured the importance of lawyers in winning Carter's freedom. But what bothers him most, he says, is that the movie trivializes a major social problem - racism - with the criminal justice system.

"When you tell the story in a soap opera fashion, when you create the one bad cop and then have the good cop catch the bad cop, and the Christian hero to the rescue and all that you don't allow the society to see what really happened," Steel said. "You Hollywoodize what occurred. The end result is that you create a reality that it does not allow

mainly white people to come to grips with why so many black people have such suspicion of the criminal justice system."

In response to a Los Angeles Times article critical of the movie that Steel wrote, the producers published a response calling him a self-promoter who deliberately misrepresents the film.

"It's the same charge they earlier leveled at a New York Times reporter. They took out a full-page ad in Variety and posted on the movie's Web site an angry letter they sent to the New York Times, exhibiting accusations made about the movie by Selwyn Raab, who had covered Carter's trial.

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• The Lynx Duo will play from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Hailey Hotel, 201 S. Main, Hailey. No cover charge.
• Sweet Country Air will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Mountain Village Saloon in Stanley. No cover charge.

Saturday

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• Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna, 9 E. Main, Declo.

Sunday

• Full Moon Music Madness will play from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Riverside Bar and Resort, west of Burley.
• Super jam session will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.
• Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Tuesday

• Pure Country will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.
• Saxophonist Brian Blandford will play from 6 to 8 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.
• Missing Josephine will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.
• Free dance lessons will be offered from 7 to 9 p.m. at Honker's Place, 221 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls.
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• Pure Country will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.
• Guitrist David Santistevan will play from 6 to 9 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.
• Bob Nora Band will play for ladies night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.
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Thursday

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include an AP music class, a music theory class and a men's chorus. He would like to give up teaching general music at the junior high level and teach full time at the high school, he said, explaining that he does both now.
"I have a minor in Spanish, and I would teach that to be full time at the high school," he added, "but the enrollment in the district is down this year, and we don't have the funds to add new classes at the high school and maintain the old ones right now."
Casperson currently has a high school Concert Choir, a Women's Choir, Chamber Singers and the extracurricular Jive, with 200 students involved in the high school programs. He came here from Jordan High School in the Salt Lake Valley, where he led a big music program of 400 students.
"But they were looking for ways to cut at that school," Casperson explained, "and we've had to live on a shoestring for years."
In fact, Casperson's wife, Lori (maiden name Bingham), is from Twin Falls. And Casperson said that Twin Falls High School's fifth-grade teacher Allen seems very supportive of the programs.

"In most places, music usually takes a back seat to athletics in high schools and colleges," Casperson said. "I have a unique perspective because I went to college off an athletic scholarship, and my kids have always been in both music and sports."
Casperson's 21-year-old daughter, Allison, is an accelerated reading enthusiast and his fifth-grade daughter is into soccer and violin. Of his two youngest children attend Harrison Elementary School. Casperson's wife, who played in the Salt Lake Symphony when the family lived there, teaches violin.

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— Joe Casperson, director of Jive

Casperson went to Rick's College on a wrestling scholarship, then on to Brigham Young University and Seattle University. "I went to a Mormon school and a Catholic school, and I majored in strings," Casperson noted. "I'm big time classical music."
But he knows the kids in Jive prefer their own kind of music, and he's willing to help them sing it. "He just wishes he had better microphones."
"I want to get wireless mikes, which are very expensive," he said, "but we have no funds."
"There is no money for a big choir trip either, he said, and there won't be any Madrigals/Jive scholarships this year.
Casperson did receive one big donation, though. Randy Hansen Chevrolet has provided this year's Jive group with a 2000 A4V truck with "Jive" painted on the side. It will be used to tow a trailer with sound equipment.
"This is so great," Casperson said, "especially since I have a little Toyota."

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can face reality and control their impulses toward violence only when well lubricated by beer. They are a fight club waiting to happen, and they could kick Brad Pitt's pretty little rear end all the way to Omaha.
And, of course, they love the Princess. Everybody loves the Princess. The Princess is Mom's daughter. Who wouldn't love her? Lana (Chloe Sevigny) has the lightest eyes of the bored but the face and beauty of a goddess, even if she works in a spinach-canning plant. In hairnet and blue uniform smock, smoking a butt and looking out the window at the far-off horizon, she looks like Botticelli's Venus. To see her is to fall in love; it happened to John and Tom — and it happens to Brandon.
What the movie gets so well is not merely Brandon's attraction to Lana, and hers to her, but also the curious way Brandon's sexual charisma misfires the sexual politics of the situation. For the secret is that, in their way, John and Tom are drawn to Brandon, too. They're picking up on something they don't quite realize is there; they think he's cute and funny, and are forever playing grab-bag and acting on all those strange, incoherent sexual impulses that men cannot articu-

late and deeply deny but nevertheless randomly feel.
It's a circle of attraction that is extremely unsettling to everybody. And to Brandon's shame, she loves it; you can feel her joy in the deception, in the lies building toward violence. (And you know exactly what she cannot: that John and Tom are not the kind of boys to be fooling around with. They won't get the joke. Too many have already been played on them.)
Concealed under its true-crime melodrama, "Boys Don't Cry" contains an argument that your nature is your nature, and it must be obeyed no matter where it leads. Agree or not, this is a powerful theory of drama that dates back a mere 4,000 years. Character is fate, it says.
So there's something about it that has the inevitability of Greek drama. These people's destiny is rooted in their characters and their hubris; that's what makes them dangerous. And that's what makes them human.

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...livia before Valentine inter- ences, shaming Proteus. In a remarkable display of forgiveness, Valentine offers to give up Sylvia or Proteus, which causes Julia to faint and her identity to be revealed.
In the end, the men resolve to marry their original loves and live in "mutual happiness."
The Julia and Sylvia roles have challenged actresses — and actors before them — for 400 years.
"There are so many shifting identities in this play and situations that require characters to respond to each other in different

ways," Steel said.
That would become a convention of Shakespeare's later comedies, of course.
"It's enjoyable Shakespeare," Steel said.
Other members of the cast are Dennis Mähler as Antonio, Troy Cooper as Sir Eglamore, Sarah Ercanbrack as the Hostess, Jessica Morris, Justin Lloyd and Jessica Davis as outlaws, Dustin Birell as the clown, Jeff Drown as Launce, Melanie Fisk as Punthorn, Christian Gold as Lucetta and Alicia West, Kim Blair and Esmece Jooctan as outlaws and servants. Tapara Malberg is the assistant

director, Christine Velasquez is in charge of lighting, Danielle Woods sound, Heather Welch costumes and Cindy Sibbert handles hair and makeup.
Room 119 of the CSI Fine Arts Building, where plays are staged, seats only about 100 and fills up quickly, especially for weekend performances. Reserving tickets ahead of time is prudent.
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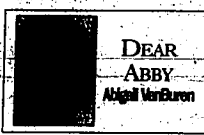
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Wife wants to edit hubby's endless tales

DEAR ABBY: A friend of mine complains that her husband, who's in his 80s, talks far too much in social settings. She says his ramblings and storytelling threaten to ruin their social life, which consists of small, private dinners and the occasional cocktail reception. She says if she doesn't shut him up, their friends will shut them because they've heard all his stories before. However, he has either forgotten this—or relishes so much in the telling that he repeats them anyway.

To fix this, she's preparing a written list of subjects—family, job, etc.—that he's absolutely forbidden to discuss when they're socializing.

Some who know about this think it's a good idea and the only way for her to avoid more embarrassment and discomfort. Others feel it's an insult to her husband, and the real risk is that the couple's social standing, but her own marriage.



DEAR ABBY: I wish you had given me more information in your letter. Was the husband always this way? Could it be that he's become forgetful, or has had some kind of stroke? Or is he just a chatterbox who loves the sound of his own voice? At the very least, he needs a complete physical and mental status examination.

It's unrealistic to believe this man will carry his wife's list with him at all times and consult it before opening his mouth. Besides, true friends will reflect upon his positive traits and the friendship he has bestowed upon them in the past if his stories are repetitive or boring. And there is no law that says topics that have been discussed before can't be discussed again.

Whether the marriage will withstand her criticism depends upon the extent of his tolerance for her criticism. But he's a little old to trade her in.

Who's right?
— CURIOUS IN KENTUCKY

DEAR LISA: I applaud you for your rape awareness campaign, and hope other communities will follow suit. While I agree that a rape victim should report her assault to the police, I would also advise her to head straight for the nearest emergency room so she can be treated and evidence can be collected.

And if, despite your best precautions, you become a victim—please go to your local police and report this crime.

— LISA WEINREB, DEPUTY D.A., SAN DIEGO

Virgos will love and be loved — possibly by Leos

IF APRIL 14 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You have natural ability as a psychologist, writer, character analyst. You investigate, explore and report. You possess loads of sex appeal, this at times gets you into trouble. Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius persons play outstanding roles in your life. You could have these letters, initials in names—E, N, W. Focus this year on direction, motivation, marital status. June most memorable.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Practical things get done despite your show of disinterest. Gemini, Sagittarius persons play useful roles. You receive enlightenment from who knows where?

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Creative juices stir, you long for change but have hesitated to speak of it. You encounter variety of experiences, including romantic episode.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You could be talk of the town, read and write, teach and learn. Take chance on romance, conditions are ripe for real thing. Sagittarius involved.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Meet challenges, you are destined to win. Focus on home improvements, dealings with family member who suddenly becomes sympathetic. Money involved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You might miss the first time but you hit mark on second, third attempt. You are on precipice of fame, fortune. Ignore advice from those who urge you to quit.

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WHAT'S WHAT
 L.M. Boyd

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By Cliff Bricker
The Philadelphia Inquirer

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BAM! BOOM! Spidey swapped for Superman

NEW YORK (AP) - It's the comic book equivalent of Coke executives joining the Pepsi generation.
Stan Lee, the legendary Marvel comics guru and creator of Spider-Man and The Hulk, has agreed on to work with his former

enemies at D.C. Comics, some of the deal were not disclosed. Lee will be writing a new comic book series, "How could I say no?" Lee said, Wednesday, from his alma mater, where what a kick it is to see what I fall on my back. I hope I'll get a lot of

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'American Psycho': From obsession to minor cult item

NEW YORK (AP) - Reading to a standing-room-only crowd at Barnes & Noble, Bret Easton Ellis didn't suggest a youth loon or a man who inspired hate mail. He's a modest sort, pudgy and balding, his voice less a sharp-edged blade than a dull whine, like a water reciting the daily specials.

The 36-year-old novelist was at the store this week to promote his latest book, 1999's "Glamorama," but audience members wanted to talk about "American Psycho," his notorious riff on a sociopathic yuppie that comes out Friday as a movie.

"Yes, there were death threats before the book came out," Ellis told a young-looking gathering of about 100 men and women, some sitting cross-legged in the aisles, others standing tippy-toe in the back. "The threats stopped once people had the chance to read it."

Nearly 10 years after publication, "American Psycho" has evolved from a reviled media obsession to a minor cult item. More than 400,000 copies are in print - it's Ellis' most popular work - with more than 80,000 shipped this year because of the movie.

Ellis said he still gets letters, mostly positive. College students send him their theses, and fans maintain Web sites.

Tom Cushman, manager of the New York-based Murder Ink bookstore, said the gory 1991 novel has been a slow but steady seller.

"When people buy it at the store, they don't just happen to find the book, they're looking for it," Cushman said Thursday. "We have some people who just want serial killer books, the grislier the better. Other people have heard something about it. Controversy will pique their interest."

Set during the stock-market boom of the 1980s, "American Psycho" tells the story of Wall Street hotshot Patrick Bateman, whose interests run to serial killing. Like such earlier Ellis novels as "Less Than Zero," the book was a catalog of materialism and amorality, but many wondered whether the author satirized or symbolized the subject matter.

Feminists attacked its encyclopedic depictions of violence against women, with the Los Angeles chapter of the National Organization for Women playing excerpts on an information hot line. Some bookstores refused to carry it and Ellis said he received 13 death threats.

Ellis' publisher, Simon & Schuster, dropped "American Psycho" despite having paid a \$350,000 advance. Vintage Books quickly acquired the novel but did not send Ellis on a tour and included no promotional material in copies mailed to the press.

Most critics hated the book. Jonathan Yardley of The Washington Post called it "a contemptible piece of pornography." Norman Mailer, writing in Vanity Fair, defended Ellis' right to be published but believed "American Psycho" the work of "a half-competent and narcissistic young pen."

"It's amazing to me the book still sells," said Roger Rosenblatt, a columnist for Time



Christian Bale appears in a scene from the Lions Gate Films thriller 'American Psycho.'

who penned the novel back then in The New York Times. "I think the fact that 400,000 copies are in print doesn't mean it's any good. It just means 400,000 people are interested in it."

The movie version is more lighthearted and less bloody, but it, too, has had some trouble. An anti-violence group in Toronto, where the film was made, pointed out that a local serial killer had owned a copy of "American Psycho." Although at least one of the murders happened before Ellis' book came out, the production team lost permission for some location shooting and had to build sets instead.

"In one case, we were going to use a real office building for where Patrick works, but the landlord got scared," explained Mark Urman, co-president of the film's distributor, Lions Gate Releasing.

Rock star Huey Lewis, whose "Hip to be Square" becomes music for Bateman to murder by, pulled the song from the soundtrack album. (It remains in the movie.)

The film version was made by a woman, Mary Harron, and stars British actor Christian Bale. Ellis called the adaptation "intelligent" and true to the book.

Brian Kotek of Raleigh, N.C., who set up a Web site for the book (<http://www.dweveridcom.com/brian/psycho/psycho.cfm>), said he finds the book "hilarious, or at least the non-killing parts are."

He also appreciated the book's critique of materialism, and concluded, "It's also very controversial, and Americans love controversy."

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WEEKEND

Noted British actor becomes man of two countries

LOS ANGELES - Sir Anthony Hopkins has become a Yank, but he hasn't given up his British citizenship or his title. "He has taken a dual citizenship," his spokeswoman Catherine Ollim said Thursday.

A federal judge administered the oath of citizenship on Wednesday. The "Silence of the Lambs" star, who received a knighthood eight years ago, was joined by friends, including Steven Spielberg, during the courthouse ceremony.

"This has been his home for some time and it seemed like the right thing to do," Ollim said.

Hopkins, 62, will be able to keep his British title of "Sir."

Coppola loses contact with suit

LOS ANGELES - Francis Ford Coppola's lawsuit against the late Carl Sagan and Warner Bros. for a share of "Contact" book and movie profits was dismissed because it was filed too late.

The 1996 lawsuit claimed that Coppola came up with the idea in 1975 for a TV program called "First Contact," about Earth's connection with extraterrestrials, and that he had a contract with Sagan to develop a script.

The series never materialized. In 1985, Sagan published the book "Contact." In

People in the news

1995, Warner made a deal to produce the movie.

The state Court of Appeal ruled April 6 that it wasn't until 1994, when Coppola was looking for leverage in his dispute with Warner over "Pinocchio," that Coppola thought about suing over "Contact."

Coppola plans to appeal. Warner said it was pleased with the result. A lawyer for Sagan's widow expressed outrage over the timing of the lawsuit.

"It exceeds all bounds of decency that after waiting over 20 years, he chose to sue Sagan's widow six days after Sagan died," Scott Edelman said.

Cops will pay McCartney's fine

LONDON - Scotland Yard said Thursday it will pay \$320,000 to Paul McCartney's new girlfriend for the 1993 accident in which she was run down by a police motorcyclist and lost a leg.

Scotland Yard admitted no responsibility for the accident involving model Heather Mills, whose left leg was amputated below the knee.

The motorcyclist, Simon Osbourne, was cleared of careless driving and sued Mills for stress and injuries.



Anthony Hopkins



Robert Ulrich

Mills, 32, told The Mirror she only sought "damages" in response to Osbourne's lawsuit. The status of his suit was unclear. Since the accident, Mills has devoted much of her time to charity work for amputees and victims of land mines. She also wrote an autobiography, "Out on a Limb."

Romanian magspy turns sour

BUCHAREST, Romania - A Romanian film company says its announcement that Leonardo DiCaprio would make a film here was just wishful thinking.

Romania's Castel Film Studios had announced Monday that DiCaprio would star in a science-fiction movie, "Librium," to be shot in Bucharest in August. DiCaprio's agents, Ken Sunshine

Consultants Inc., denied it Tuesday and Castel Film Studios backed off its previous statement. "It is common in the movie business to air well-known names before the casting is actually being done ... and DiCaprio's name was aired as a wish of ours, not as a certainty," Castel spokeswoman Călina Piroctici said.

Castel had used DiCaprio's name while seeking permission from the Romanian Chamber of Deputies to use the parliament building for location shots, Piroctici said.

Actor says cancer hurt business

LOS ANGELES - Robert Ulrich is suing Castle Rock Television for nearly \$1.5 million, claiming his TV series "Lazarus Man" was canceled and he wasn't paid because he had cancer.

Ulrich and his production company entered into an agreement with Castle Rock in 1995 for Ulrich to act in the "Lazarus Man" pilot, according to the suit filed Tuesday.

Under the deal, he was to be paid \$70,000 per episode for the first season and \$73,000 an episode the second season.

In July 1996, Ulrich informed Castle Rock that he had cancer and would have to undergo treatment, but the suit said at no time was Ulrich unable to perform under the agreement.

Ulrich's breach of contract suit, filed in Superior Court, seeks \$1.47 million, the amount he would have received for the second season of "Lazarus Man."

Ulrich underwent chemotherapy, radiation treatments and two operations in the mid-1990s to successfully fight syngial cell sarcoma, a rare cancer that attacks the joints.

Character earns Selleck a degree

MALIBU, Calif. - Pepperdine University is giving an honorary doctorate to Tom Selleck.

Selleck, who attended the University of Southern California, was chosen because of his outstanding character and ethics, the school said. The degree will be bestowed during commencement ceremonies April 28. "It's a privilege to address young people graduating from a university which emphasizes the values of character," Selleck said.

Selleck starred in TV's "Magnum, P.I." and the films "Three Men and a Cradle" and "Quigley Down Under." He's a board member of the non-profit Michael Josephson Institute of Ethics, which holds training workshops for government and corporate leaders on ethics, and co-founder of the institute's affiliate, the Character Counts Coalition.

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UP CLOSE

College of Southern Idaho

By Jeff Rosen
Times-News sports editor

It's a special holiday, and not one for sissies. From the homemade confetti to the hot water, the team is really into it.

Focus on

Chris Westburg is a senior at the College of Southern Idaho. He's a pitcher for the Bruins. He's been in the starting line in left due to injuries to several teammates.

Chris Westburg

Unfortunately, simply disappearing has become hard to do. After starting the season as a solid reserve, Westburg, who holds the home run record at Twin Falls High School but played strictly third base for the Bruins, was thrust into the starting line in left due to injuries to several teammates.

Like that trusty pair of hiking boots, however, the move is a perfect fit.

"It's hard not playing third base," Westburg said. "I miss it a lot. But I enjoy the outfield. You just get to go in for the ball. It's like you're a kid again."

Westburg's defining moment might have arrived last weekend against Snow College in Ephraim, Utah.

"He absolutely laid out to make this incredible over-the-shoulder catch," Golden Eagles head coach Jim Walker said. "What a tribute that was to his effort."

Westburg was born in Minnesota, moved to Montana and arrived in the Magic Valley in his freshman year. He played for the Bruins to a third-place showing in last spring's state tournament, but was at least as notable on the football field. Not especially big at 5-foot-11, 175 pounds, he has developed the reputation of a running back who never hesitated to challenge a linebacker.

Westburg won most of those skirmishes. He made 17 interceptions in 1999, racking up 1,424 hard-earned yards on 277 workhorse carries. A banged-up hand his senior season excepted (it didn't cause him to miss any play-in games), he has never broken a bone and has never had stitches.

"I love football," he said. "I loved the hitting. And that's what really surprised me - I never got hurt. I got it in my head that I didn't feel pain."

On the baseball diamond, that full-faced approach to life is one of his greatest assets.

"My strongest position is definitely defense," he said. "I'll go hustle for a ball. When some people do the play, they're just for first base. I sprint for it all the time."

The player Walker called "a project with the bat" during fall scrimmages has also improved at the plate. His 30 strikeouts lead the team, but after hovering around the Mendoza Line the last few weeks Westburg's batting average is .263 and climbing.

"I tell you, that's a great play," Walker said. "Quite frankly, he has surprised me. The thing with Chris is he listens and he tries. It's a long way."

The long-time head coach's praise isn't lost on Westburg, who chalks his better batting up to Walker's watchful eye.

"I guess you don't make a lot of balls guys at CSI. So I guess I'm the lucky one," he said.

Another defining moment came three weeks ago, when Westburg pitched Utah Valley State College pitcher James Dayley - a former Division III adversary at Minico High School - deep for his first home run.

"When I was going up to bat, I didn't know it was him," he said. "Then T.J. Floyd reminded me who he was and I wanted a hit. He threw the ball inside, and I hammered it."

Westburg may enjoy getting back to nature, but he's also developing an affinity for junior college balling.

"He doesn't get up at Alturas in the morning, that's OK with him. I'm a high school, all I wanted was to leave Twin Falls. Now I'm glad I came here."

Golden Eagles face North Idaho this weekend

By Jeff Rosen
Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS - This much is certain: The baseball playoff picture in the Scenic West Athletic Conference will be one step closer to sorted out come Saturday night.

The College of Southern Idaho plays at North Idaho College today and Saturday in a matchup of bubble teams - each is playing 500 conference ball, but both are very much alive in the hunt for Friday 18 Tournament tickets.

Think the Golden Eagles' epic five-hour practice Wednesday wasn't without reason? "I never know what our mind-set is,"

North vs. South

Today: CSI vs. North Idaho (1), 1 p.m. Saturday: CSI at North Idaho (2), noon
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said Southern Idaho coach Jim Walker. "If guys have good games, we do all right. If they don't we're going to lose. We can't do that up at Coeur d'Alene especially."

For the first time this season, Southern Idaho (10-10 overall, 21-16 in the SWAC) enters a conference doubleheader with some momentum. After splitting two games with Snow College last Friday, the

Golden Eagles recorded their first doubleheader sweep of the season Saturday in Ephraim, Utah.

The wins were close - 8-6 and 5-3 - but they gave CSI its first two-game conference win streak.

"I felt real fortunate winning three games," Walker said. "I hope we're lucky again. Doggonit, I'd like to say we make our own luck. I really would."

Walker identified several areas needing improvement if his team hopes to leave North Idaho with better than a four-game split.

• Fewer K's: The Golden Eagles have struck out 100 times more than they had at this time last season. Torrid hitting has

helped bail them out (CSI ranks fourth this week in the SWAC with a .294 team average), but Walker wonders how many more games his squad might win whiffing less.

"We give up two or three innings a game with our strikeouts," he said. "It's like we're saying, 'We'll play four or five innings a game to your seven.'"

• More trust: Walker said this year's freshmen - and a number of the team's eight sophomores - have yet to buy into the idea that he and son Boomer, his assistant, know what they're talking about. "I don't think they give us enough credit," he said. "I'm not sour-graping it, but I'd like to

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Quick start lifts Minico over Burley

By Matt Peterson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Local sports fans have come to expect an unexpected from any sporting event between Burley and Minico.

Usually, that's a safe bet. Thursday, it was dead wrong.

In a game that was anything but surprising, Region III powerhouse Minico pounded Burley 14-2 in a run-riddled, rain-soaked affair to remain undefeated in conference play.

With 10 runs in the first two innings, the Spartans took the Bobcats out of the game early then turned things over to starting pitcher John Fennell. The lanky 6-foot-7, 165-pound sophomore did the rest, pitching all five innings and holding Burley to just two runs and five hits while striking out four.

The quick start was exactly what head coach Russ Wright and his club had been talking about.

"We are trying to stress that," Wright said. "We've got to come ready to go, pitch number one. We've tried to do that ever since Caldwell when I had to get after them a little bit because we weren't doing that. Ever since then, it's kind of been our focal point."

Local point achieved. After just 12 pitches Thursday, the

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Burley's Isaac Curiel advances to second past Minico shortstop Casey Jensen on a bloop single to right field by Burley's Parker Lyons. The Spartans beat the Bobcats 14-2 in Thursday afternoon's cross-town rivalry.

Offseason of change for CSI hoops

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The copy of Zen NBA coach Phil Jackson's book "Sacred Hoops: Spiritual Lessons of a Hardwood Warrior" was on top of the pile of College of Southern Idaho men's basketball coach Derek Zeck's "in" box.

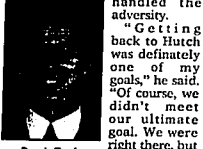
Forgive Zeck if he hasn't been able to work through the mess of papers stockpiling in the bin. Ever since the Golden Eagles' season ended March 17 at the NJCAA national tournament in Hutchinson, Kan., he has been pounding and recruiting trail.

That trail has included a stop in Indianapolis for the NCAA Final Four and several cross-country visits to the Carolinas and Seattle, Wash.

"It's been non-stop since the end of the season," Zeck said.

"There's a lot more that goes into coaching than X's and O's."

- Derek Zeck



Derek Zeck

The book, which focuses on obtaining and keeping peace of mind through adversity and action, is one of the mindsets Zeck hopes to change about himself following his first year at the helm of Southern Idaho.

After a season of tumult that ultimately witnessed the Golden Eagles reach the NJCAA national tournament and nearly upset the eventual national champion Zeck rated the year a half-and-half.

Half successful in wins and losses. Half failure in how he

handled the adversity.

"Getting back to Hutch was definitely one of my goals," he said. "Of course, we didn't meet our ultimate goal. We were right there, but just didn't get it done. But in regards to some other things, I think I could've done a lot better job."

Specifically, the 29-year-old points to how he handled himself on and off the court and behind the scenes running the school's high-profile men's basketball program.

"I'm such an intense person, and a perfectionist, that sometimes I forget about individual feelings," he said. "Sometimes I

Coming and Going

Visiting recruits: Zack White, (5-11, fr.), Idaho Class A-1 Player of the Year from Timberline High School. Averaged 27.3 points during the state tournament, 23 points during the regular season.

Andy Harper, (6-1, fr.), First-team All-Idaho selection out of Idaho Falls High School. Averaged 22.7 points and 5.7 rebounds per game.

Rafael Burman, (6-8, fr.), Transfer from the University of New Mexico. All-time scoring leader at Simi Valley (Calif.) High School.

Nate Williams, (6-9, fr.). Transfer from Connors State College in Oklahoma. A small forward.

Tim Ellis, (6-0, fr.), All-Metro League selection in Washington State out of Seattle's Rainier Beach High School. A combination point and shooting guard.

Golden Eagles moving on: Mike Hood has verbally committed to play next season at California State University at Irvine.

Matt Stebrandt is choosing between Oregon State, Gonzaga, Kansas State and Duquesne.

Matt Brown is making visits to North Arizona, Portland State and possibly St. Mary's and Utah State.

Kendall Minor has yet to decide whether to transfer to Washington State University or remain at CSI for his sophomore season.

Nancy Brunner has Georgia and San Diego State on his short list. Brunner is still considering other entering the NBA draft or possibly turning pro overseas.

Lars Stewart has Sam Houston State among others interested in him. William Parker may transfer to Oklahoma State next year.

took my intensity too far and didn't realize that I was dealing with a young, fragile kid. I didn't

do a good job with managing all of the personalities."

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Senate panel approves ban on college gambling

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - A Senate committee voted Thursday to ban betting on school sports - a practice legal only in Nevada - but declined a challenge from a Nevada senator to set a nationwide minimum gambling age of 21.

Sen. Richard Bryan, D-Nev., accused his colleagues on the Senate Commerce Committee of hypocrisy on the issue of gambling by young people. He suggested they were interested only in trying to give Nevada the shaft.

The legislation would outlaw betting on athletic, college or high-school athletic events. Though there is little legal betting on the Olympics and none on high school sports, Nevada's gambling industry accepts bets on college sporting events that do not involve a school in the state.

The Nevada gambling industry took in \$2.3 billion in sports wagers in fiscal 1999, with 30 percent to 40 percent bet on college sports.

Despite recent requests by the

National Hockey League, National Basketball Association, National Football League and Major League Baseball to extend the proposed ban to professional sports, the committee rejected the amendment to exempt "Legalized gambling on kids is wrong," said Commerce Chairman John McCain, R-Ariz. "They should not be reduced to a point spread and a spectacle for wagering."

Supporters of the amateur sports betting ban said it would help in the broader fight against illegal gambling on college campuses. Bryan said the ban "will have absolutely no impact at all" because 99 percent of gambling on college sports occurs illegally on college campuses, not legally in Nevada casinos. The committee rejected his amendment to exempt college sports betting from the ban.

In its report last year, the National Gambling Impact Study Commission recommended banning bets on college sports. It also recommended a nationwide minimum age of 21 to gamble, which Bryan proposed as an amendment to the bill.

Flyers show Hasek brotherly love

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA - Welcome to Philly, Dominik Hasek. As you can see, things are pretty hectic.

The Philadelphia Flyers, feeding off turmoil and distraction, gave Hasek a little taste of the pressure-cooker Thursday night. They bombarded him with 30 shots and beat the Buffalo Sabres 3-2 on Simon Gagne's third-period goal.

The Dominator, the arch enemy of any playoff opponent, was left shaking his head and muttering to himself after the dizzying scramble that led to Gagne's tiebreaking goal.

"Maybe I'm a little surprised," said Keith Primeau, who assisted on Gagne's winning goal. "You're not going to score three goals against Dominik every night."

Hasek might have looked a little shaken. Despite all they've been through, the Flyers didn't appear rattled at all.

Coach Roger Neilson, recovering from multiple myeloma, watched from a box in the balcony while interim coach Craig



Dallas defender Richard Matvichuk slips Edmonton left wing Daniel Cleary in the face with his stick as Cleary tries to pass the puck during the Western Conference quarterfinal playoffs in Dallas Thursday. Cleary was not hurt badly on the play.

Ramsay ran the team from behind the bench. Former captain Eric Lindros, out with a concussion, was nowhere to be seen. The Flyers carried on mighty

fine without him. "We have a good group, and we liked our team," Ramsay said. "It just happened to build throughout the season."

Wizards win, but Michael's a no-show Matchup

CHICAGO (AP) — Michael Jordan would have enjoyed watching this one.

Richard Hamilton scored a career-high 26 points, including 11 of Washington's last 13 points, as the Wizards, Jordan's new team, beat the Chicago Bulls, his old team, 109-103 Thursday night.

Four other Wizards were in double figures, including Mitch Richmond, who was 4-of-5 from 3-point range and had 16 points.

The loss spoiled an outstanding night for rookie Elton Brand, who scored a career-high 44 points and grabbed 12 rebounds in becoming the first Bull to score 40 points since Jordan had 44 on April 18, 1998.

Brand made 14 consecutive shots to set a team record, breaking Clem Haskins' mark of 11 in a row on Feb. 15, 1970.

Brand's previous career high was 38 on Feb. 24 at Indiana. His high as a Duke was 33 points against Virginia on Jan. 10, 1999.

NBA

Jordan wasn't at the United Center for the Wizards' first game in Chicago since he became a part-owner and president of basketball operations. He — and just about every other general manager in the NBA — was in Arizona for the Phoenix Desert Classic, a pre-draft tournament.

Blazers 93, Spurs 77

SAN ANTONIO — Rasheed Wallace scored 27 points to lead the Portland Trail Blazers to a 93-77 victory Thursday night over the San Antonio Spurs, who struggled without an injured Tim Duncan.

The Trail Blazers shot 56.5 percent from the field for the game, a season high for a Spurs opponent. Portland amassed a 55-39 lead by halftime, and added to that edge in the third period. A 3-pointer by Steve Smith put the



Blazers ahead 68-47 midway through the quarter.

Rockets 111, Mavericks 102

HOUSTON — Although their hopes for this season have long been dashed, the Houston Rockets and Dallas Mavericks look ready to begin a genuine

Dallas' Michael Finley, left, knocks the ball away from the Houston's Kenny Thomas as he goes for a rebound during the first quarter Thursday in Houston.

Texans rivalry for the title.

Reserve guards Cutino Mobley and Mookie Norris combined for 39 points as the Rockets posted a 111-102 victory over the Mavericks in a game that featured playoff intensity and a nasty exchange of elbows and punches in the fourth quarter.

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see more trust with these kids in what we're trying to do. It's like pulling the rug out from under them."

• Confidence on the mount: Sophomore Joey Clark has now struck together two outstanding starts, collecting wins against Utah Valley State College and Snow to bump his record to 5-3. Freshman Craig Kilshaw is also showing signs of consistency, posting a 3.11 ERA — best on the fourth-year rotation. But sophomore Danny Clements (2.5, 4-21 ERA), aid to a lesser extent Josh Gold (4-3, 7-27), have yet to throw as well as they'd like.

"Joey and I like to see Danny have that cockiness again. We need him. We absolutely need him. He's a potential MVP."

Walker and pitching coach Todd Coburn have been working with Clements on his release, urging him to throw high to low. "That's what helped Joey," Walker said.

• A winning attitude: The big inning continues to haunt the Golden Eagles. A walk here leads to an error there, and suddenly the other team has five runs on the board.

"That's probably our biggest downfall," Walker said. "We let-

ting what we do affect us mentally. Is it a lot of freshmen? Yes. Is it attitude? Yes. Our poise is not good."

It's the most important factor this week because the better we play, the sooner we'll be in the playoffs.

"It's like [catcher Mark Weidman] says," said outfielder Chris Westbrook. "We'll do good, then we go all the way back to the bottom. We want to start off good and stay there."

The Golden Eagles will get a little help this weekend, with the Cardinals hitting a combined 240 — worst in the region. But NIC is a little better than CSI in the team ERA category, with a 4.35 to the Golden Eagles' 4.94.

Individually, Joe Bisant's .516 on-base percentage is second only to Kevin Sytko's .534. On the mound, the Cardinals have two solid starters in Ryan Lujan and Adam Fritz, and a third threat in tall Casey Hooreibeck, who played basketball at CSI last season before joining the team.

Walker did little to dampen the competitive nature of the Idahoans-Idaho series.

"There's a pretty good rivalry there between us," he said. "It will be an interesting weekend."

Zeck

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Throughout the year, several players were disciplined for violating a seemingly endless list of behavior rules. Two players, Keith Burton and Kamron Leonard, left the team early in the year, and two others, William Parker and Dean Browne, were removed just before the regional tournament.

Assistant coach John Smith resigned shortly after the campaign ended, leaving Zeck to con-

template changing his approach to coaching.

"(Smith's leaving) was one of the things that helped me wake up and realize I could've done a better job communicating with my players and my assistants," Zeck said.

The coach added that his introspection has led to some revelations.

"There's a lot more that goes into coaching than X's and O's," he said. "I'm a guy that wants to

win so badly and wants to do good that I look at my team as an extension of me. All of our kids are trying as hard as they can, and when they make a mistake or don't do something exactly right, I need to understand that and not be so attuned to the (problem). That's one of my faults."

Zeck said he's working on adapting Jackson's Zen philosophy to his own.

"I just think I need to be more

in tune with what's going on in the here and now with these kids," he said. "If you do something out of anger or out of emotion, and I'm a very emotional guy, that's wrong."

Zeck said he will do a 360 in his style and behavior toward his players and fans.

"There's the issue with how I related to outside people," he said. "Sometimes, I get so focused on my (purpose) that I

make people feel bad because I'll walk right by you and may not have even seen you."

Zeck insists it's not arrogance. "A lot of people thought I was arrogant," he said. "And I'm really not arrogant at all. I'm self-confident, but I have a fragile ego myself. I think I have been misunderstood in a lot of areas. That's something I need to work on — because to be a good basketball coach, you've got to make people

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Team	W	L	GB
New York	11	8	0
Baltimore	10	9	1
Chicago	9	10	2
Tampa Bay	9	10	2
Philadelphia	9	10	2

Central Division

Team	W	L	GB
Cleveland	9	10	0
Kansas City	7	12	2
Chicago	7	12	2
Minnesota	6	13	3
St. Louis	6	13	3

NL Standings

East Division

Team	W	L	GB
Florida	11	8	0
Miami	10	9	1
Atlanta	9	10	2
Philadelphia	9	10	2
New York	9	10	2

West Division

Team	W	L	GB
San Diego	11	8	0
Los Angeles	10	9	1
San Francisco	9	10	2
Colorado	9	10	2
Arizona	9	10	2

SCORES AND STATS

ASTROS @ CARDINALS 0

St. Louis 0, Houston 0

BRUINS @ MARLINS 0

Florida 0, Boston 0

ASTROS @ CARDINALS 1

St. Louis 1, Houston 1

BRUINS @ MARLINS 1

Florida 1, Boston 1

ON THE TELEVISION

Local Sports

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Minnesota 3, Detroit 4

YANKEES @ RANGERS 1

Dallas 1, New York 1

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RED BOX 4, TWINS 3

Minnesota 3, Detroit 4

BASKETBALL

NBA Standings

Eastern Conference

Team	W	L	GB
Atlanta	23	13	0
New York	23	13	0
Philadelphia	22	14	1
Washington	22	14	1
Charlotte	21	15	2

Western Conference

Team	W	L	GB
Portland	21	15	0
Los Angeles	21	15	0
San Antonio	21	15	0
Denver	21	15	0
Phoenix	21	15	0

Wizards 108, Bulls 103

Chicago 103, Washington 108

Blazers 93, Spurs 77

Portland 93, San Antonio 77

Rockets 111, Mavericks 102

Houston 111, Dallas 102

SPORTS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Chargers close to signing QB Marinovich

SAN DIEGO — As another controversy involving Ryan Leaf emerged, Todd Marinovich worked out for the San Diego Chargers on Thursday and could soon be offered a contract. Leaf's manager Bobby Beathard said the staff will meet Friday to determine whether to sign the 30-year-old Marinovich, who hasn't played in the NFL since 1992. The Chargers are looking to add a quarterback because of the uncertainty over the troubled Leaf, who is still experiencing pain from a second surgery on his throwing shoulder.

Leaf visited Dr. James Andrews in Birmingham, Ala., on Wednesday for a third opinion.

Ripken may reach milestone in Baltimore after all

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — At this pace, fans in Baltimore might get to see Cal Ripken's 3,000th hit after all. The slumping future Hall of Famer began a six-game road trip to Kansas City and Minnesota this week six hits away from becoming the 24th man to reach the milestone. After going 0-for-4 Thursday in a 6-5 loss to the Royals, Ripken remains four short. The Orioles have a weekend series in Minnesota before returning home for three games against Tampa Bay.

Knight may be offered job with Grizzlies

VANCOUVER — Billy Knight, a former NBA All-Star and now an Indiana Pacers executive, has been offered the job as the Grizzlies general manager, the Vancouver Sun reported today. Knight, vice president of basketball operations for Indiana, refused to say whether he had even talked with Vancouver. Quoting unidentified sources, the Sun said Knight was offered the job and might have already taken it. He would replace Stu Jackson, who is almost certain to be fired by new owner Michael Heisley when the Chicago billionaire takes control of the team at the end of the season.

Report: UCLA sophomores to enter NBA draft

LOS ANGELES — UCLA sophomores JaRon Rush and Jerome Moiso have decided to forego their final two years of eligibility to make themselves available for the upcoming NBA draft, according to a newspaper report.

However, neither player would confirm the story in Thursday's Los Angeles Daily News. UCLA coach Steve Lavin was unavailable for comment, but school spokesman Marc Dellins said Thursday he's heard nothing from Rush or Moiso.

Devil Rays look to Doc Gooden for help

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Dwight Gooden is coming home. Desperate for starting pitching in the Tampa Bay Devil Rays acquired the 35-year-old right-hander from the Houston Astros for cash Thursday.

Gooden, who grew up in Tampa and lives in St. Petersburg during the offseason, will join the Devil Rays on Saturday and start that day's game at Detroit. He made one start for Houston this season, but was not involved in the decision April 8 after allowing four runs and six hits in four innings against Philadelphia.

Back injury puts Pettitte on disabled list

NEW YORK (AP) — Andy Pettitte, who struggled in his first start of the season for the New York Yankees, was placed on the 15-day disabled list Thursday because of a strained muscle on the left side of his back.

The move was made retroactive to April 8, a day after he lasted only five innings and allowed five runs in a loss at Seattle. Reliever Darrell Ebinerston was recalled from Triple-A Columbus. Pettitte originally hurt himself March 18 while trying to avoid David Justice's flying bat in a spring training game against Cleveland.

Daly, girlfriend argue outside McDonald's

AUBURN, Ala. — A disagreement between golfer John Daly and his girlfriend outside a McDonald's restaurant escalated into a dispute involving police, the Opelika-Auburn News reported Thursday.

Daly, who was in town for a celebrity golf tournament, was not arrested, police said. Officers instead took Daly and the woman, Shanae Chandler, to separate hotels after the dispute.

Amateur hoops coach charged with fraud

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — An amateur basketball coach was charged with defrauding UCLA, Duke, Missouri and Oklahoma State by paying high school players to be on his summer league team, sometimes giving them cash stashed in shoe boxes. Myron Piggie of Kansas City, Mo., was charged with paying them between April 4, 1996, and Oct. 7, 1999, and expecting to receive part of their professional salaries and endorsement income in return. He also is accused of conspiring with sports agents to determine the future professional value of the players.

Compiled from wire reports

Sanchez-Vicario moves on to B&L quarters

AMELIA ISLAND, Fla. (AP) — Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario withstood a 6.5-hour rain delay Thursday before finally beating Amanda Coetzer 6-2, 6-4 to advance to the quarterfinals of the Bausch & Lomb Championships. A four-hour morning thunder-



Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, of Spain, returns a volley against Amanda Coetzer, of South Africa, at the Bausch & Lomb Championships Thursday at Amelia Island, Fla. Sanchez-Vicario, the 6th seed in the tournament, defeated Coetzer 6-2, 6-4, being as patient with the wind, which was blowing pretty good out there.

"I knew I had to take control of the match like I had it in the first set. Once I did that, I was able to put some wins together and eventually close her out in straight sets."

Williams withdraws from Family Circle

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. — Serena Williams made tennis history in September. Now she's hoping to help create political history in South Carolina. Williams, who only months ago became the first black woman to

win a Grand Slam event since Althea Gibson more than 40 years ago, on Wednesday became the biggest sports name to back the NAACP's statewide boycott by withdrawing from next week's Family Circle Cup.

Williams, 18, was one of the first to commit to the event in January. But when word of South Carolina's continuing controversy about the Confederate flag flying over the Statehouse last month, she immediately agreed to rethink the matter.

She said not playing in South Carolina "was based on a much deeper issue and one that I feel strongly about." The Family Circle starts Monday.

Beltran belts game-winner for Royals

American League

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Carlos Beltran drove in the winning run with a ninth-inning single Thursday, as the Kansas City Royals continued their spring of last season wins with a 6-5 victory over the Baltimore Orioles.

The Royals, who ended the last three games with winning home runs, rallied after blowing a 5-0 lead.

Ray Sanchez, whose three-run, ninth-inning homer gave Kansas City a 7-6 win Wednesday over Baltimore, led off the ninth with a single off B.J. Ryan (1-1). Johnny Damon followed with a sacrifice bunt and Carlos Febles walked. Beltran followed with the game-winning hit.

Devil Rays 6, White Sox 5, 12 Innings

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Greg

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Red Sox 4, Twins 3

BOSTON — Wilton Veras drew a bases-loaded walk to break an eighth-inning tie and Boston rallied to beat Minnesota.

Nomar Garciaparra singled to lead off the eighth, then Troy O'Leary walked. Carl Everett hit a double-play ball to second base,

but Jason Maxwell kicked the ball around for an error that loaded the bases. Jeff Prys hit a fly ball to shallow left field, and Denny Hocking threw Garciaparra out at the plate to preserve the tie. Eddie Guardado relieved Bob Wells (0-1), walked Jason Varitek and then walked Veras to score the game-winner.

Tigers 2, Mariners 0

DETROIT — Juan Gonzalez, making his first home start for Detroit, hit an RBI double to break up a scoreless tie in the eighth inning.

Gonzalez, who hadn't started since the opener last week in Oakland because of a right hamstring strain, started at designated hitter and went 2-for-4. Shane Halter drew a leadoff walk off Arthur Rhodes (0-1) in the eighth

before Gonzalez scored him safe with a drive up the right field gap.

Yankees 5, Rangers 1

NEW YORK — Jorge Posada hit a tiebreaking triple with the bases-loaded—and Orlando Hernandez (2-0) shut down Texas on three singles for eight innings.

The Yankees, who have won nine straight playoff games against Texas on their way to three World Series titles since 1996, completed a two-game sweep. New York made it a tough homecoming for Kenner Rogers (1-2), who gave up eight hits in Texas' first complete game this year. Back at Yankee Stadium for the first time since pitching in plastrings in 1997, he walked two in the sixth to set up Posada's hit.

Cubs take second in a row from Braves

CHICAGO (AP) — Pinch-hitter Jose Nieves slapped a game-winning single to right with two outs in the ninth and the Chicago Cubs capped a three-game sweep of the Atlanta Braves with a 3-2 win Thursday.

Shane Andrews, whose three-run homer Monday sparked a four-run, ninth-inning rally, was

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Brewers 4, Marlins 0

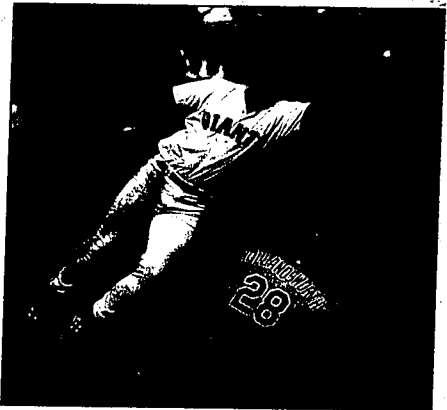
MILWAUKEE — Jason Bere allowed three hits and struck out nine in seven innings to lead Milwaukee over Florida.

Bere (2-0) allowed two singles in the second, escaping a bases-loaded jam by striking out pitcher Brad Penny to end the inning. Bere also allowed a third-inning single to Brant Brown.

Dodgers 6, Giants 5

SAN FRANCISCO — Adrian Beltre drove in two runs, 15 hours apart, and Los Angeles defeated San Francisco in the completion of a game suspended from the previous night.

The Dodgers scored three runs in the seventh off Ben Weber (0-1) to erase a one-run deficit and win their third straight, including both games at Pacific Bell Park — the Giants' new home.



Los Angeles' Todd Hollandsworth slides safely into second on a wild pitch beneath San Francisco's Jeff Kent in the seventh inning Thursday at Pacific Bell Park in San Francisco. The Dodgers won 6-5.

GENERAL NOTICE TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS

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| MUSK THISTLE (Low) | PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE (Low) |
| RUSH SKELETONWEED (Low) | BUFFALO BUR (Light) |
| SPOTTED KNAWEED (Light) | LEAFY SPURGE (Light) |
| JOINTED GOATGRASS (Light) | YELLOW TOADFLAX (Light) |

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| DALMATIAN TOADFLAX | SILVER-LEAF NIGHTSHADE |
| MATGRASS | MEADOW KNAWEED |
| SKELTONICAF BURSAGE | SYRIAN BEANCAPER |
| TANSY RAGWORT | TOOTHED SPURGE |
| YELLOW STARTHISTLE | Invaded 1997 Bean field |
| Invaded 1993 Alfalfa seed | DYER'S WOAD |
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NASCAR this week

PROFILE



NASCAR This week will run every day from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Date	Races
April 28	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Thunder
April 29	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Thunder
April 30	Sportsman, Pony, Thunder, Trucks
May 6	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Thunder
May 20	Modifieds, Pony, Trucks, Midgits
May 25	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Intermediate Super Stocks
May 27	BUZZ/Mountain Dew, Midgits, Pony, Thunder
May 27	Modifieds, Sportsman, Thunder, Trucks
June 3	Modifieds, Sportsman, Thunder, Late-Model Lite
June 10	Sportsman, Pony, Thunder, Trucks, Midgits
June 17	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Trucks
June 24	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Thunder
July 1	Modifieds, Sportsman, Supermodified, RACING League (Indy cars) Eve of Destruction: Jet Car Burn, Trailer Race, Thunder
July 9	Sportsman, Pony, Intermediate Super Stocks
July 15	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Thunder, Midgits
July 22	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Thunder
July 29	Modifieds, Sportsman, Thunder, Mini-cup, ARCA Trucks
Aug. 5	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Thunder
Aug. 12	Modifieds, Pony, Thunder, Midgits
Aug. 19	NAPA 550 Northwest Tour, Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony
Aug. 26	Sportsman, Pony, Thunder, Trucks, Trailer Race
Sept. 2	Modifieds, Sportsman, Thunder, Mini-cup
Sept. 4	Destruction Derby at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds
Sept. 9	Modifieds, Sportsman, Pony, Thunder
Sept. 16	Sportsman, Trucks, Midgits, Intermediate Super Stocks

Fan Tips

Low's Motor Speedway's two-week festival of speed — the May 20 Winston and the May 28 Coca-Cola 600 — is right around the corner. Traditionally, the fans who flock to the Charlotte, N.C., area spend considerable time touring the nearby race shops. A handy aid to such recreation would be "The Fan's Guide to Racing Shops," recently updated for the 2000 season. To order your guide (\$7.95 plus \$1.50 shipping and handling), write: Shop Guide, P.O. Box 18404, Charlotte, NC 28218.

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Your Turn

Letters From Our Readers

Dear NASCAR This Week,
I have watched CART and NASCAR racing for a long time. I want to know why in CART, they raise the car with an air hose that raises the whole car off the ground. In NASCAR, they do it the old way. Is it because of tradition? The pit times would be even shorter.
Thomas Ravely
Jamestown, N.D.

In NASCAR, the manner in which pit stops are held is essentially unchanged from the way it was 25

years ago, although times have gradually gotten faster. Having the "jackman" run around the car and lift one side at a time is considered part of the spectacle. So, yes, tradition is involved. There are many examples of technology being limited in the interest of entertainment and competition.

Dear NASCAR This Week,
As an avid NASCAR fan for over 35 years, I hate to say it, but I, like a lot of other people, am losing interest. I have all but quit attending races due to increased cost of tickets, gouging vendors, and inaccessibility to and from the tracks (poor traffic management, etc.).
As NASCAR gets bigger (more

drivers, more sponsors, more races, more TV coverage), who gets left out in the thinking and planning? You guessed it! The people who made the sport (the fans).
Rod Ricks
Stedman, N.C.

Thanks for your comments.

Dear NASCAR This Week,
Where is the No. 3 truck this year, and why is it not racing?
Ruth O'Kalley
Mobile, Ala.

Richard Childress chose to add to his Busch Grand National effort and end his participation in the Craftsman Truck Series.



On TV

- All Times Mountain
- Busch Grand National, Touchstone Energy 300 1 p.m. • Saturday • ESPN
 - Winston Cup, DieHard 500 11 a.m. • Sunday • ABC

TOP TEN

Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. (1) Bobby Labonte | Still leading the points |
| 2. (7) Mark Martin | Is this the year? |
| 3. (2) Jeff Burton | Second of 1-2 Roush sweep |
| 4. (8) Rusty Wallace | Should have won the race |
| 5. (3) Ward Burton | Still third in points |
| 6. (4) Dale Earnhardt | The master of Talladega |
| 7. (5) Dale Jarrett | Working his way back up |
| 8. (6) Tony Stewart | Great run at Martinsville |
| 9. (9) Dale Earnhardt Jr. | First stab at Martinsville |
| 10. (10) Ricky Rudd | Getting closer to full speed |

2000 POINTS STANDINGS

1. Bobby Labonte, 1,248	Todd Bodine, 1,191	Mike Wallace, 848
2. Ward Burton, 1,150	Jeff Green, 1,103	Andy Houston, 788
3. Dale Earnhardt, 1,102	David Green, 1,059	Jack Sprague, 739
4. Dale Jarrett, 1,050	Kevin Grubb, 932	Steve Grissom, 735
5. Tony Stewart, 932	Hank Parker Jr., 869	Greg Bille, 708
6. Jeremy Mayfield, 804	Mark Martin, 797	Mark Martin, 797
7. Rusty Wallace, 788	Mark Martin, 797	Mark Martin, 797
8. Jeff Burton, 788	Mark Martin, 797	Mark Martin, 797
9. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 788	Mark Martin, 797	Mark Martin, 797
10. Mark Martin, 797	Mark Martin, 797	Mark Martin, 797

ON THE SCHEDULE

THE WINSTON CUP SERIES

Coming up: DieHard 500
Where: Talladega (Ala.)
Superspeedway (2.666-mile track)
When: Sunday, April 16
Defending champion: Dale Earnhardt
Format: 188 laps/501.208 miles
Qualifying record: Bill Elliott, Ford, 212.809 mph, April 30, 1987
Race record: Mark Martin, Ford, 188.354 mph, May 10, 1997
Notable: Earnhardt swept both races at NASCAR's fastest track last year. ... When Martin set the race record, there were no caution flags. ... Earnhardt has won a record



THE BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

nine times at Talladega.
What: Touchstone Energy 300
Where: Talladega (Ala.) Superspeedway (2.666-mile track)
When: Saturday, April 15
Defending champion: Terry Labonte
Format: 117 laps/311.922 miles
Qualifying record: Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 193.517 mph, April 26, 1997
Race record: Mark Martin, Ford, 168.937 mph, April 26, 1997
Notable: Martin swept Cup and BGN races in 1997, but the Cup race was held two weeks late due to a rain-out. ... Former winners also include Dale Earnhardt, Ernie Ivan, Ken Schrader and Chad Little.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Rural communities reap state grants

TWIN FALLS — Six Magic Valley and nearby communities were winners when Gov. Dix Kempthorne Thursday announced the awarding of more than \$6.4 million to 21 rural communities scattered throughout the state.

The communities will match the money with local, state and federal dollars to build various public facilities. "Public facilities can make or break a company's decision to relocate or expand," Kempthorne said. "These grants help rural Idaho communities meet basic infrastructure needs and create jobs for local residents."

The governor announced the grants immediately after receiving word from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that Idaho will receive \$14.3 million in federal money this year for community development and housing projects.

He approved the grants based on recommendations from the private-sector Idaho Economic Advisory Council, which oversees the state's economic-development effort. Idaho Department of Commerce Director Gary Mahn said the grants soon after hearing from HUD due to months of preparatory work by communities and department staff.

"We begin months ahead to identify potential projects, help communities line up their funding and refine applications for the upcoming cycle," Mahn said. "That way, the grants are awarded each spring, and construction starts as soon as the ground thaws."

- Recipients included:
- Elmore County — \$150,000 to construct a senior center in Pine.
 - Glenn Ferry — \$500,000 to build a water-treatment facility and distribution lines.
 - Mindoka — \$100,300 to install a storage reservoir and 7,000 feet of water-distribution lines.
 - Wendt — \$206,650 to replace septic systems, add a lift station and install 1,200 feet of sewer lines.
 - Oakley — \$298,700 to install water-distribution lines, hydrants and spring improvements.
 - Hazelton — \$236,000 to construct a new water-storage tank and well.

Aqua Vie reaches pact for N.Y. distribution

KETCHUM — Aqua Vie Beverage Corp. said Thursday it has reached an agreement in principle with Rokeach, one of the nation's oldest and most established distributors of specialty Kosher products, to distribute Aqua Vie to its accounts throughout the New York metropolitan area.

From its beginnings in 1870 as a purveyor of Kosher soaps, Rokeach has grown to a multimillion-dollar operation with a dedicated fleet of trucks delivering Kosher products to more than 700 accounts in the New York area, including Pathmark, Waldbaum's, Rite-Aid and Costco, Ketchumbased Aqua Vie said.

Lava Hot Springs votes to restart chamber

LAVA HOT SPRINGS — A group of local merchants voted Thursday to resurrect the defunct Greater Lava Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce, which was not organized for years.

Mark Lowe, one of the catalysts behind the new chamber and the executive director of the Lava Hot Springs Foundation, said Tuesday's vote is a result of several meetings among the business community and a willingness to tap into the city's tourism potential.

"We developed a work plan that will get us through the remainder of this fiscal year which ends Dec. 31," Lowe said Wednesday.

Members of the new chamber will pay \$100 for an annual membership. Part of the membership money will be used to pay for the chamber, and the rest will go toward paying debt accumulated by the previous chamber, which ceased operations about three years ago.

TF businessman dies at 82

part Old Towne plans to participate in director's hiring

By Rachel Denny Times-News correspondent

Claude Brown Jr. was mainstay of local service club

By Virginia S. Hutchins Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The man who sold Twin Falls its bread, insurance, drapes and window blinds died this week, and friends remembered him Thursday as a church man, a full-of-fun friend and a mainstay of a local service club.

Claude Brown Jr., 82, died Wednesday at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center of heart problems after living near



Claude Brown Jr. Left mark on Magic Valley of all his years in the Magic Valley, said his youngest brother, Karl Brown.

See obituary, Page B2

er, Karl Brown. "He's been in business in this area all his life," Karl Brown said.

During World War II and for many years, Claude Brown Jr. was the area's Wonder Bread distributor. Then after a time in the insurance business, he joined the downtown furniture store founded by his father, Claude Brown Sr.

The younger Claude, the oldest of four sons, ran Claude Brown Home Furnishings' drapery department for 30 or 40 years, said Karl Brown, who owns the downtown store with his brother Doug and four

nephews. Claude Brown Jr. retired from the drapery department within the past year.

"He was always a respected businessman," said 86-year-old Roy Babbel, who started Babbel's Clothing Clinic — now Babbel's Cleaners — with his own father.

Claude Brown Jr. used to hang the new drapes he sold, meeting the exacting standards of Twin Falls' housewives, Babbel recalled. And Brown managed to please them, including Babbel's wife.

"She'd have told him if she wasn't. Ours are still hanging here, so they're OK," Babbel said.

Please see BROWN, Page E4

TWIN FALLS — Many details went ironed out, but Old Towne plans to participate with the Historic Downtown Business Improvement District in the hiring of a new executive director for the two BID's.

The Old Towne group doesn't yet know how much it will contribute to a director's salary but likely will not pay more than \$10,000 per year, Old Towne members said at their board meeting Thursday.

In the past, Old Towne has contributed 25 percent of the director's salary. Though the group doesn't know what percentage it will pay now, it will have a 25 percent participation in the new director's hiring.

The job will pay about \$35,000 per year, which is down from the \$40,000 former director Rappy Bombardieri received, downtown BID Chairman Ron Thompson said.

"We're trimming that position down," Thompson said. The BID's will take out of the \$40,000 salary the cost of professional accounting services. "Because of budgetary constraints with the existing budget right now we're trimmed to the bottom line."

The new director will not handle the bookkeeping, so he or she will be paid less. But the two organizations both said incentive programs must be provided. "We need to give them incentives," Thompson said. "Get them working toward goals."

"I'd rather see a lower salary with performance bonuses," Old Towne BID board member Steve Soran added.

Despite issues that need ironed out, Old Towne leaders said they want to move forward toward unification of the two BID's and to participate in the hiring.

"We've got to get things done," Twin Falls Brewery investor Ron Stanley told the board. "We've come a long way, and we've jumped up again. Let's get on with getting a new director and let's get involved."

The brewery is one of the business pioneers in Old Towne, Twin Falls' redeveloping warehouse district. Some Old Towne members are concerned that with only a 25 percent vote, they won't have enough say over who gets hired. Soran disagreed.

"I think we're going to have a small say because we're contributing such a small percent," he said. "But I think we are a pretty vocal bunch. I think our people will be influential." Soran and Old Towne BID Vice Chairman Jim Vickers will represent Old Towne in the hiring process.

An original advertisement for the executive director position said applicants would have until April 15 to turn in resumes, so the two boards will accept them up until Saturday.

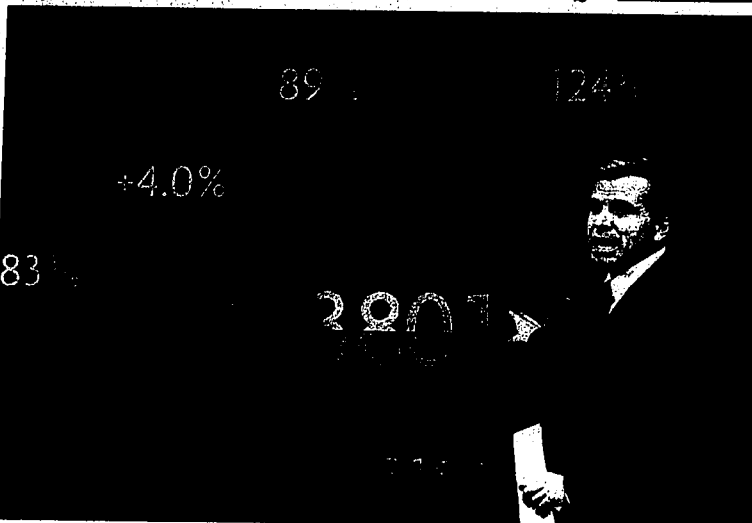
In addition to the 14 applications received by Monday, two more people plan to submit resumes, Thompson said.

Times-News correspondent Rachel Denny can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3780.

Other Old Towne news

- Hired the hip ad agency Deutch New York of New York, responsible for Tommy Hilff and Snapple ads, to replace Campbell Mithun & Erly of Minneapolis, hired in March, 1997. The new Deutch ads will debut in late May.
- Brendon also wants to back up

SIZING UP NASDAQ



CHBC correspondent Tom Costello delivers his opening report from the Nasdaq MarketSite in New York's Times Square Thursday. The Nasdaq fell 92.85 points on Thursday, bringing the point loss for the week to 769. See story on Page E-6.

A cut of the new corporate culture

New ownership brings changes at Domino's Pizza

Knight Ridder News Service

DETROIT — The famed buffalo still may roam the farm at Domino's Pizza Inc. headquarters outside Ann Arbor, Mich., but little else remains the same since founder Tom Monaghan sold his majority stake in December 1998. Gone is the strict white shirts, ties and skirts dress code Monaghan insisted upon for his nearly 30 years at Domino's helm. Employees now sport khakis, golf shirts and even goatees. (Except for mustaches, facial hair wasn't allowed.)

It's all part of a new corporate culture that arrived when Bain Capital Inc., a Boston-based investment company, bought Domino's for \$1.1 billion 15 months ago.

Leading the charge is 47-year-old David Brandon, former president and chief executive officer of Valassis Communications Inc., a Livonia, Mich.-based company that prints ads.

In March, he celebrated his one-year anniversary as Domino's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

For the last year, Brandon has worked to expand the world's No. 2 pizza maker's market share, improve its brand image and prepare the company to go public.

Brandon, who took Valassis public in 1992, said he's ready to do the same at Domino's. But he plans to wait until the market warms up to non-technology companies, he said.

other stocks."

Monaghan didn't sell Domino's because of financial trouble. In fact, between 1993 and 1998, sales climbed 19 percent from \$2.1 billion to \$2.5 billion. Until 1999, earnings weren't disclosed.

The then-61-year-old Monaghan said he sold because he wanted time for his religious and philanthropic pursuits.

He also figured there were others better suited to help Domino's grow. While Monaghan still holds a minority stake in Domino's and a seat on its board of directors, he no longer participates in the company's daily operations.

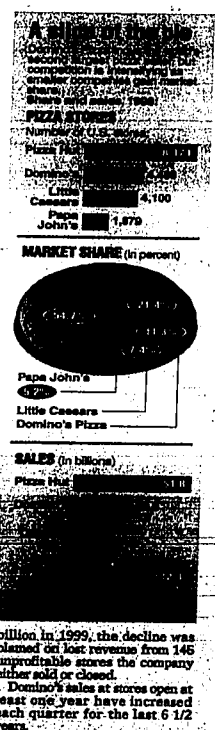
"I'm relieved," Monaghan said from his personal office at the Domino's Farms complex, properly he still owns near Ann Arbor.

"I think Dave is very talented. This is full time with him. With me it was less and less time with Domino's and more with my foundations," he said.

"Dave's more sophisticated. He pays more attention to the balance sheet, expenses and return on investment. These were never things I was really excited about."

But those are things Brandon is fired up about.

While Domino's net income slipped 93.1 percent to \$5.3 million in 1999, compared to \$76.9 million the previous year, Brandon is quick to point out the decline was due to one-time charges and interest expenses associated with a \$722-million loan the company obtained in December 1998 to restructure. Without the charges Domino's would have enjoyed a record year in profits in 1999.



While such figures are impressive, Brandon said he's not satisfied.

Trailing Dallas-based Pizza Hut in total sales, Domino's delivery market share — its primary means of business — is about 30 percent. Brandon said he would like to see it hit 33 percent to 35 percent in the next two or three years.

Experts say that's an ambitious goal considering the competitive market. Companies are constantly coming up with new pizza promotions. For instance, Detroit-based Little Caesar Enterprises — famous for its Pizza/Pizza two-for-one promotions — announced in March that it is offering customers a \$1.99 three-for-one deal.

Other competitors are invading Domino's turf. Louisville, Ky.-based Papa John's, the industry's fastest-growing chain, hooks up with one franchisee in a new city and then opens multiple stores, getting the most bang from its advertising back. Albar said.

Brandon isn't taking such competition lightly. He's making some aggressive corporate changes of his own.

Since his arrival at Domino's, Brandon has:

- Cut about 100 administrative jobs and added positions in product research and development, brand management, real estate and human resources.
- Sold 134 unprofitable corporate stores to franchisees and closed 12 stores.
- Relocated stores to more visible locations.
- Hired the hip ad agency Deutch New York of New York, responsible for Tommy Hilff and Snapple ads, to replace Campbell Mithun & Erly of Minneapolis, hired in March, 1997. The new Deutch ads will debut in late May.
- Brendon also wants to back up

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All cash, no prosperity

Households lacking in banking skills miss out on basic perks

Chicago Tribune

While much of the country is trying to figure out which stock to buy and how to get a piece of the next big individual public offering, many people are dealing with their finances on a far more basic level: They use cash.

It's an approach to personal finance that prevents many of the poorest Americans from moving ahead during the longest-running economic boom in U.S. history. Because they typically have no savings and often don't know how to navigate personal banking, people who use only cash often are unprepared for financial emergencies and have little hope of attaining basic perks of middle-class life, such as home ownership and retirement.

The lack of banking skills — and in many cases extremely limited income — force these people into permanently marginal financial status, according to a study by the Woodstock Institute, a Chicago-based economic development think tank. There is little hope of their lot improving in the near future, because there is a dearth of resources to teach peo-

ple in this economic subset new ways of handling money, the institute found.

"The public school system remains the largest single source of financial education, however inadequate it is," said Malcolm Bush, president of Woodstock.

The "all-cash" subset of the economy is made up of adults who have no checking or savings accounts, about 10 million of them, or 12 percent of the U.S. adult population, Woodstock reported. Many of them are minorities or very poor.

In Chicago, 42 percent of Latino households are 31 percent of black households have no checking accounts, compared with 5 percent of white households, Woodstock found. About 27 percent of Chicago households in the lowest third based on income do not have checking accounts, compared with 6 percent in the middle third and 7

percent in the highest third.

In surveys, many in the all-cash economy say they don't like dealing with banks or "I don't have enough money to warrant having a checking account. Still, many of these people don't turn away mail and phone solicitors hawking credit cards," the institute found.

As a result, "more and more people are going into debt," Bush said. The way banks market themselves to customers "these days doesn't help."

"When I was growing up, banks pushed savings products," said Bush, who is 55. "Today, banks are pushing lending products because the financial world has gotten more competitive and banks earn more of their profits from fees."

Catherine Williams, president of Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater Chicago, blames parents for not teaching

their children about money.

"Families are still hesitant to discuss finances with their children," Williams said.

"Parents will say, 'If you want those tennis shoes, we'll get them for you. And then they're up at one in the morning figuring out how to do it — when to pay the light bill, how to juggle other bills,' she said. "That's the part their children don't see."

Norine McCarten, education director at Chicago Commons Employment Training Center, teaches people on public aid.

In a class on banking last year, McCarten found most of her students were afraid of putting money in banks. Many thought that having bank accounts would keep them from getting public aid. Others were overwhelmed by the process.

In Chicago, at least one financial institution has joined with a public school to try to establish good financial habits in teenagers. Austin-West Garfield Federal Credit Union teamed with Flower High School in 1993 to create a program in which students learn the power of saving.

Challenges await U.S. as baby boomers retire

The Dallas Morning News

A new challenge is on the horizon for U.S. businesses. In 2001, the first of the 76 million-member baby-boom generation will reach the early retirement age of 55. Employers could face a huge talent drain as the new century begins and the work force ages.

"This is going to be one of the primary influences on the economy over the next decade," said Dennis Coleman, a human resources consultant for PricewaterhouseCoopers in New Jersey. "There are not enough baby busters following in the footsteps of 100 million baby boomers who are going to want to retire."

Robert Ryan, who heads the Dallas office of benefits consultant Watson Wyatt Worldwide, said, "Demographers have known about this phenomenon for years, but it's just now getting some employers' attention."

The problem is aggravated, he said, because "you have the aging demographics combined with a robust economy."

ed in American Demographics. And in the 10 years ending in 2006, the number of workers ages 45 to 54 will increase more than 50 percent while those ages 25 to 34 will decline by 9 percent.

Numbers like those led the Committee for Economic Development, a New York-based public policy organization of academic and business leaders, to issue a report in October calling on businesspeople and lawmakers to launch a "pro-work agenda" for older workers.

The policy group urged the federal government to eliminate rules that discourage Social Security discounts from working. It advised employers to rethink pension plans that encourage early retirement and called on employers to make it more attractive for older workers to stay on the job.

Employers are just starting to become concerned, experts say. Paul Van Katwyk of Personnel Decisions Inc. in Minneapolis, who advises employers on succession planning for executives, said he's working with a few corporate clients who are "starting to feel the impact."

"A lot of organizations aren't feeling the pain enough to really change at this point." For those who are now making changes, one popular concept is "job sculpting," Van Katwyk said. Simply put, that means recognizing that a 55-year-old engineer may not want to work in the same way he did when he was 40 or have the same goals.

Pizza

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Dominos's new image with an improved product.

During the past year, the company has added more toppings to its pizzas, bulked up the crust weights and introduced heated delivery bags to keep the pizzas hot.

But the pizza and business practices aren't the only things changing at Dominos's.

More quietly, executives emphasize that the days of mixing politics with pizza are over.

Never afraid to express himself,

Monaghan — a devout Catholic — admitted that he turned some pizza eaters off with his opinions, causing a strong anti-abortion brandon won't go so far as to say Dominos's is distancing itself from its Monaghan-led past, but

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Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including soybeans, wheat, and corn. Columns include contract name, high, low, and change.

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Advocates see progress in consumer safety

required the blade to stop within three seconds of letting go of the handle and wrote rules for the installation of cellulose insulation to prevent fires.

Then a new movement took hold: Shrinking government and budget cuts in 1979 and 1980.

Through the Nixon, Ford and Carter administrations, and in 1972 the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Since its birth, the CPSC, the smallest of the lot, has been on a roller coaster ride.

There was a feeling of accomplishment and some urgency," said product safety attorney Richard J. Babbel.

While the cutting was going on, the CPSC's ability to regulate was nearly gone.

He was kind of hidden in the business world," said Frederickson, who opened a landmark downtown candy business in the 1930s.

When he got to know Claude, he had a wonderful sense of humor. He was a real pleasant person to be with," Frederickson said.

He owned a ham radio and talked to people all over the world by radio, participating in Magic Valley ham radio shop quartet organizations for years.

"Yeah, it's been a good life in Magic Valley," Babbel said.

Anyone who spends all his life in the Magic Valley lives in one of the best places in the world, he said.

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MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table of mutual fund prices and performance data, including fund names, shares, and returns.

COMICS

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

MY STORY TAKES PLACE IN THE NAPA VALLEY IN CALIFORNIA.

THIS IS WINE COUNTRY, AND ON ONE OF THE RANCHES, THERE LIVED A RANCHERO WHO BECAME SO FOND OF DRINKING WINE, THEY CALLED HIM THE "WINE RHINO".

HAHAHAHA

RATS!

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

I WANT BY GOD AND TRAVEL ON THE WAY HOME, LET ME THINK OF EXPANDING THEIR BUSINESS AGAIN.

THINGS HAVE INTERESTING WAY OF TURNING OUT.

I REMEMBER WHEN GOOD YARDING GRABED HIM AND SAID HE WAS A VERY SMART.

NOW, HERE HE IS WITH ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSES IN TOWN.

...AND HIRING THE BEST AND "TALLEST" MAN!

Dilbert By Scott Adams

I'D QUIT THIS JOB, BUT NEXT YEAR I'LL GET AN EXTRA WEEK OF VACATION.

IF YOU GET AN EXTRA WEEK FOR EVERY TEN YEARS OF SERVICE...

... YOU'LL BE HAPPY IN 480 YEARS.

GOOD PLAN.

SHUT UP.

Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake

BUMSTEAD! YOU'VE WASTED ALL AFTERNOON SITTING AT YOUR DESK JUST MESSING AROUND WITH PAPER CLIPS!!

GOSH BOSS, WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I WAS DOING THAT?

BECAUSE I'VE BEEN SITTING RIGHT HERE WATCHING YOU!

B.C. By Johnny Hart

NEVER ASK DIRECTIONS FROM A GAS STATION ATTENDANT NAMED WALDO.

Pickles By Brian Crane

... I THEY SAY THAT MEN GET MORE AND MORE ATTRACTIVE AS THEY GET OLDER.

I DON'T THINK ITS THAT THEY GET MORE ATTRACTIVE...

... I THINK ITS JUST THAT OUR EYES GET WORSE.

Garfield By Jim Davis

I'M EXPECTING AN IMPORTANT CALL.

EVEN A WRONG NUMBER COULD BE IMPORTANT!

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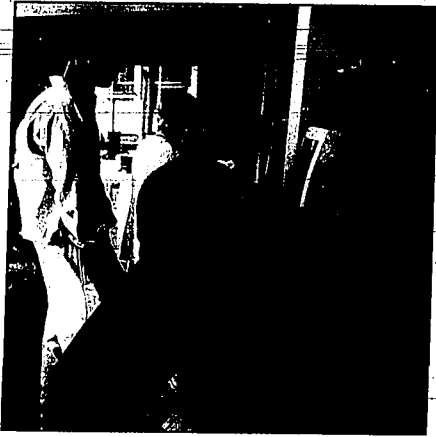
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MONEY



Investors check their stocks Tuesday at Waterhouse Investments in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Volatile market helps savvy (lucky?) trader

The Dallas Morning News

IRVING, Texas - At noon Wednesday, the Nasdaq composite index was headed toward its second-largest point decline ever, but day traders at SourceTrade.com didn't panic.

In fact, some weren't even there.

"That's the beauty of being a trader rather than an investor," said Cynthia Perthus, president of the Irving day-trading firm. "You're more liquid."

While most American investors hold stock for periods ranging from days to decades, day traders leap in and out of individual securities by the minute.

Widespread, real-time access to major stock exchanges has fueled the phenomenon, with an estimated 5,000 to 7,000 full-time day traders now trying to profit on tiny moves up or down in a stock's price.

So, while gyrations in the technology sector have some long-term investors losing sleep and money, Perthus says volatility can mean profitability for day traders.

"This kind of market is fabulous for people who do this kind of work because the volatility is huge," she said. "It gives them a lot of opportunities to trade, and that's where they make their money."

Wall Street professionals and financial planners have decried the rise of day trading, saying it distorts the market because its practitioners aren't evaluating a company's true worth.

One example is the pumped up volume on PagerNet. Investors traded an unusually high number of PagerNet Inc. shares - about 44.2 million - for three days in January.

Energy prices boost inflation

WASHINGTON (AP) - The biggest leap in energy prices in nearly 10 years made wholesale inflation in March rise 1 percent for the second month in a row. But outside energy, prices were well-behaved. Meanwhile, soaring gasoline prices helped push up retail sales by a faster-than-expected pace.

The government reports, released Thursday, show that the speeding economy continues to be fueled by hardy consumer spending, yet aside from the surge in energy prices, inflation remains quiet, economists said.

Given the outlook that Americans will continue to spend more in the months ahead, thus supporting strong economic growth, many analysts believe the Federal Reserve will boost interest rates by at least a quarter of a percentage point on May 16.

"The economy is on fire but even with the strong growth, inflation remains a no-show outside of energy," said economist Richard Yamarone of Argus Research Corp. "For retailers, every month is Christmas."

The Fed has boosted interest rates five times since June 30 to slow the economy and keep inflation under control.

Rumors flew on Internet message boards about the troubled telecom stock.

But Wall Street analysts attributed the trading to relatively small trades by individual investors.

The company had no news to report at the time.

Eventually, experts say, most day traders will run afoul of one of the stock market's oldest laws: It's impossible to keep timing those investments perfectly.

But for the time being, traders continue to trade on the ups and downs - even on a day when the Nasdaq dropped 286.27 points.

"I made money just on little bounces today," said Tuesday Henry, a client at All-Tech Investment Group Inc.'s Dallas office.

"I'm happy with today." But it's days like April 4, when a fellow day trader made \$300,000 after the Nasdaq rallied from 3,649.11 to close at 4,148.89, that fuel day traders' dreams, said Mark Shepherd.

"Those days can make your year," said Shepherd, a SourceTrade client who trades from his home in Plano.

Or they can break the bank for traders who aren't experienced or disciplined enough to ride the market swells, said Ricky Harrington, senior vice president and technical analyst at Wachovia Securities in Charlotte, N.C.

"I think traders and investors alike are going to have to be extremely cautious over the next quarter because I think you are going to see huge and there still could be a lot of downside in this market," he said.

"This market, in the long run, will get most traders."

Downward spiral continues for Nasdaq

NEW YORK (AP) - Stocks fell broadly Thursday after a spike in wholesale inflation and some mixed reports on corporate earnings rekindled the nervousness that has pervaded Wall Street all week. Technology stocks, under mounting stress over their high valuations, gave up a fragile advance and tumbled for a fourth straight session.

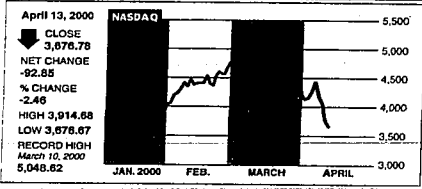
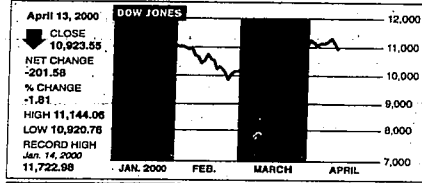
The Nasdaq composite index fell 92.85 to close at 3,676.78, bringing its loss for the week to 769 points. The index rose as much as 145 points earlier in the session before collapsing in the final hour of trading.

The Dow plummeted 201.58 to close at 10,923.55, its steepest point drop since March 7.

Broader stock indicators were also lower. The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 26.66 to 1,440.51 and the Russell 2000 index of smaller companies fell 4.22 to 489.22.

Inflation fears that had been almost dormant the past few weeks resurfaced Thursday after the latest government report on inflation revived concerns that the Federal Reserve would continue to push interest rates higher. The Labor Department's Producer Price Index showed wholesale prices shot up 1 percent in March, led by the biggest jump in energy costs in nearly 10 years.

The advance was a worse show-



ing on inflation than the 0.5 percent rise many analysts expected, raising concerns that the Consumer Price Index, due out Friday, will also be poor for inflation and interest rates.

Bank and financial stocks, among the most sensitive to rate changes, fell Thursday. J.P. Morgan, which rose Wednesday after reporting strong profit

growth, fell 5 3/16 to 131 1/2. American Express fell 4 3/4 to 146.

Separately, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan defended the Fed's moves to raise interest rates and said the stock market's wild swings in recent days showed it is "groping for the correct balance."

mined an already shaky technology sector.

The continuing drop in the Nasdaq left the index 27 percent below its March 10 closing record of 5,048.62. Wall Street professionals consider a 20 percent drop from a peak the traditional touchstone of a bear market.

"Technology stocks are clearly in a bear market," said Eugene C. Mintz, financial markets analyst at Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. "The Nasdaq tried to rally two or three times and just couldn't hold it."

Analysts say the most fundamental reason for the drop in high-tech stocks is a growing sense that investors pushed those issues too far last year, when the Nasdaq rose an unprecedented 86 percent. The frenzy for technology stocks gave many young, unproven companies market values they did not yet deserve, analysts say.

The Nasdaq's inability to sustain its short-lived rallies indicates that the nervousness that sent the index on a long spiral downward is still in place, analysts said.

Rambus, a maker of technology used in the computer chip industry, provided the latest cautionary tale. Wednesday, the company reported a quarterly loss of \$6.98 per share, citing acquisition costs and one-time expenses.

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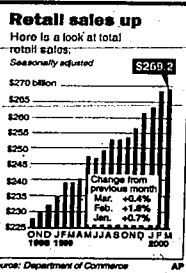
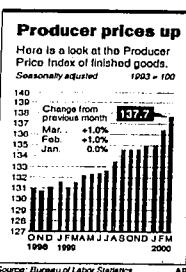
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ROUTE 722 1100-1200 Bk 4th Ave. East 1100-1400 Bk 5th Ave. East 1100-1400 Bk 6th Ave. East 100-600 Bk Ash Street

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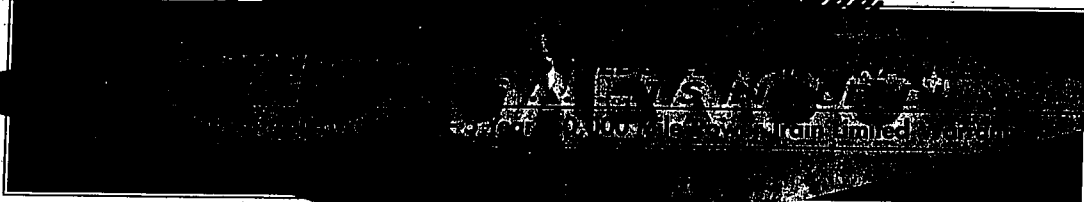


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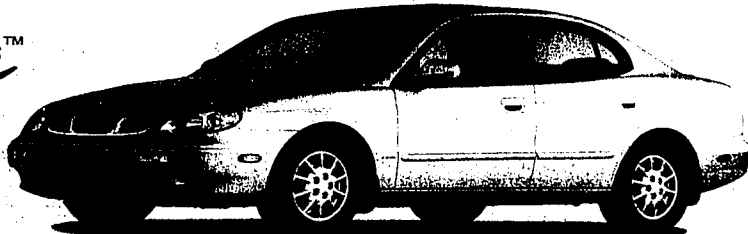
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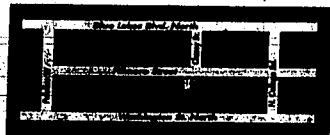
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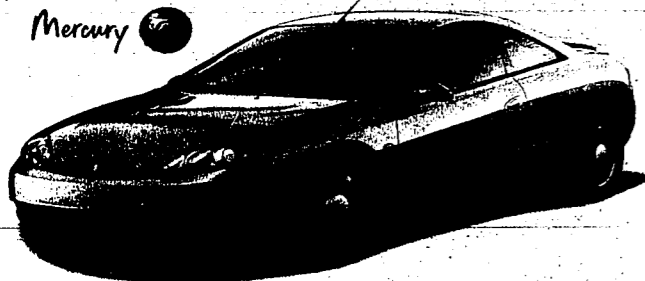
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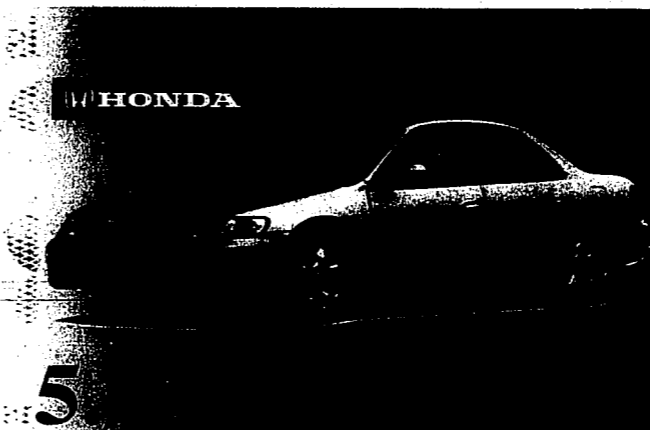


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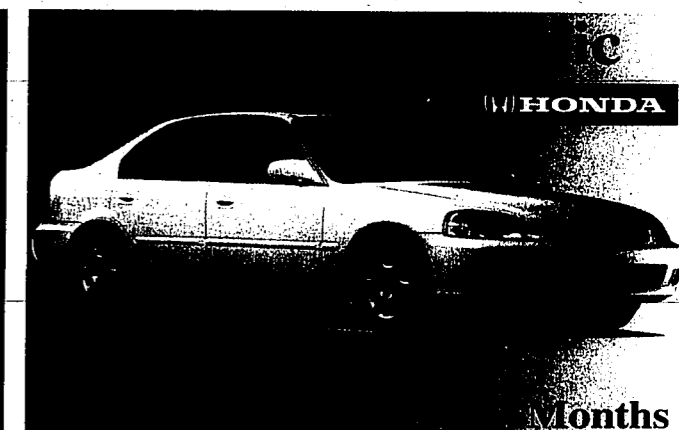
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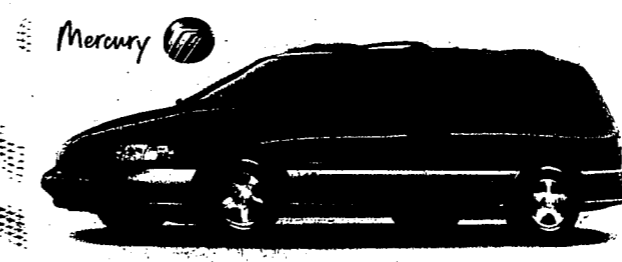
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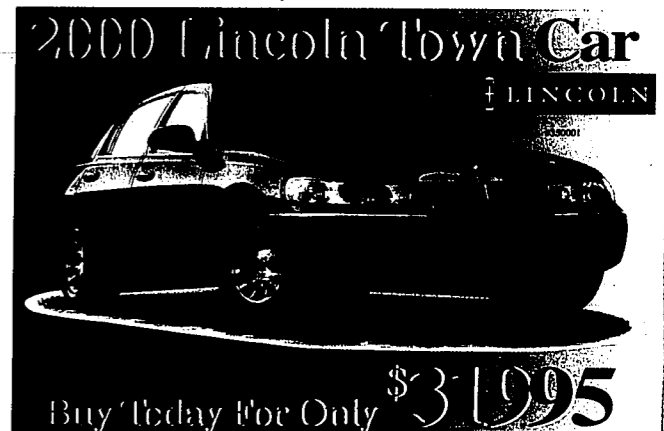


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