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## GOOD MORNING

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## Extending care



Foster parents John and Denise Martin have cared for 28 children in their home and said it's always tough saying goodbye. They're now in the process of adopting a foster child.

## Many approve of change in foster system

**TWIN FALLS** - The number of adoptions of foster children has increased dramatically in the Magic Valley and statewide over the past few years. But officials say their focus on reuniting families has not changed.  
Lynn Baird, a human services supervisor at the Idaho Department of Health and

Welfare, said that adoptions of foster children doubled each of the past three years. In fiscal year 1997 seven foster children were adopted in the department's Region IV. The next year that number jumped to 14, and in fiscal year 1998-99, which ended in July, that number rose to 30, she said.  
These findings echo Health and Welfare's announcement that adoptions of foster children

doubled since then, doubled at the state level as well. It was the fastest rate of increase in the nation.  
Baird said the jump can be attributed mainly to the Idaho Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997, which was implemented in September 1998 throughout Idaho. The act states that children in foster care for 15 months in any given 22-month span are immediately considered candi-

dates for adoption and their parents automatically lose parental rights.  
Previously there was no such time limit for the parents to get their lives in order and provide a safe and healthy home for their children, she said.  
The act is designed to shorten the span between the termination of parental rights and adoptive placement by allowing case-

## Los Alamos residents get brief look at ruins

**Raging fire leaves little more than smoldering ashes**



An unidentified victim of the Cerro Grande fire in Los Alamos, N.M., surveys the devastation at his home Sunday.  
normal, the 7,000 people of nearby White Rock, which wasn't burned, were allowed to go home. Buses arrived from Santa Fe

throughout the day. They carried counselors, clergy and 389 residents up winding roads to the mountain community of 11,000 that was suddenly emptied of life four days earlier.  
But the trip home was incomplete: Access was limited, and most were forced to see the damage from behind windows as the buses slowly moved through town. The handful who did get off the bus photographed or videotaped the damage, but were told not to get too close.  
Only residents whose homes were destroyed were allowed back into Los Alamos. Burned-out cars sat near scorched trees in neighborhoods now painted in shades of gray.  
Some cried, and others sat in stony silence, seemingly stunned by the extent of the destruction, said Jack Downing, a Red Cross psychologist who traveled on one of the buses.

## Tens of thousands rally for tighter gun control

**WASHINGTON** - Tens of thousands of mothers, many accompanied by children and husbands, rallied in sight of the Capitol Sunday to demand strict control of handguns while memorializing loved ones and strangers felled by bullets.  
Through personal stories of tragedy, songs, banners, posters, T-shirts and tears, participants in the "Million Mom March" aimed to send Congress a "Mother's Day" message: A new movement of mainstream Americans is getting politically active, ready to battle the gun lobby and to work against lawmakers who oppose gun control.

"Politicians, take heed. We are watching you. The hands that rock the cradles rule the world," said Dawn Ahna, mother of Lauren Townsend, a student killed in the Columbine High School shootings last year.  
Huge crowds thronged to the National Mall, the blocks-long grass and gravel terrain that has been host to many Washington demonstrations under a brilliant spring sun. Though there were no official crowd estimates, participants filled half a dozen blocks on the Mall framed by the museums of the Smithsonian Institution, Congress and the Washington Monument.  
Crowds ranging from a few hundred to an estimated 4,000 in Chicago.  
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## Officers train for instant decision

**By Brian Haynes**  
Times-News writer  
**TWIN FALLS** - Law officers never know when they'll have to pull their guns in the face of danger. But when they do, they face a critical, split-second decision on whether to pull the trigger.  
That decision can cost an officer's job, a police department's reputation and, ultimately, a human life. Because so much rides on that decision, local law enforcement agencies say they take great care in preparing to handle those situations before and after they happen.  
"It all boils down to training," Twin Falls police Sgt. Mark Marvin said. "You train and train and train the way you want officers to perform in the field."  
Marvin, who helps supervise the department's gun training, said an officer's reaction to a tense situation depends on training. Poor training could mean a poor response, he said.  
That's why Twin Falls police officers have gun training throughout the year. They practice firing at different distances under varying conditions, he said.  
Training also includes regular reviews of departmental policy on when deadly force is justified.

## Fiasco deals serious blow to U.N. credibility

**Los Angeles Times**  
**WASHINGTON** - Just 12 years after it was judged worthy of the Nobel Peace Prize, United Nations peacekeeping has hit rock bottom in Sierra Leone, with troops so badly equipped and poorly led that they are unable even to protect themselves, let alone a highly vulnerable civilian population.  
Although U.N. officials in the West African nation's capital, Freetown, insist that they will not turn tail and run despite the humiliation of a rebel maneuver that cut off about 500 U.N. troops a little more than a week ago, supporters and critics of the world organization in the United States are grumbling that the United Nations seems incapable of stopping conflict.  
For the U.S. government and its allies in the West, the United Nations' loss of credibility presents a stark dilemma: to either put up with atrocities that mock their democratic ideals or send in their own troops to punish the world's brutal thugs, probably suffering casualties in the process.  
Hoping to avoid just such a choice, President Clinton late last week conferred with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

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# THE REGION

## Camas Prairie

High: 67 Low: 35  
Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon and evening.

## Treasure Valley

High: 75 Low: 48  
Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms in the afternoon and evening.

## Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 67 Low: 42  
Partly cloudy with a slight chance of evening showers or thunderstorms.

## Eastern Idaho

High: 74 Low: 42  
Mostly cloudy today and tomorrow with a chance of afternoon thunderstorms.

## Northern Idaho

High: 73 Low: 47  
Mostly cloudy with a chance of afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms.

## Northern Utah

High: 77 Low: 47  
Mostly cloudy with south winds to 30 mph. Mostly cloudy and windy tonight and Tuesday.

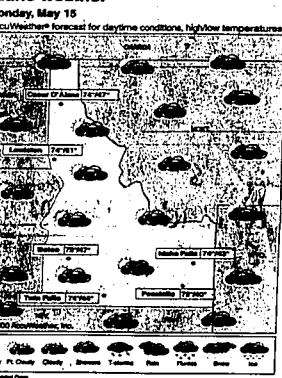
## Northern Nevada

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Mostly cloudy with south winds to 30 mph. Mostly cloudy and windy tonight and Tuesday.

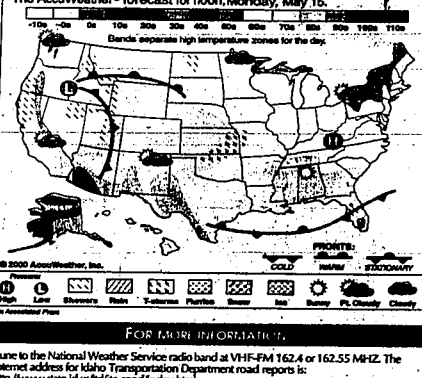
# MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
High: 74 Low: 44 Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers.	High: 63 Low: 41 Cloudy with a chance of rain or afternoon thunderstorms.	High: 66 Low: 50 Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers.	High: 70 Low: 40 Partly cloudy.	High: 70 Low: 40 Partly cloudy.

## Idaho weather



## National weather



## UV INDEX

Index: 7 (high)  
Sunrise tomorrow: 6:15 a.m.  
Sunset today: 8:53 p.m.  
Lunar phases: Full, May 18; last quarter, May 26; new, June 2; first quarter, June 8.

## ROAD INFORMATION

Call the following number for road conditions in Idaho: 1-888-IDA-ROAD (1-888-432-7623).

## SKYWATCH

Sunrise today: 8:53 p.m.  
Sunset today: 6:15 a.m.  
Lunar phases: Full, May 18; last quarter, May 26; new, June 2; first quarter, June 8.

## ACROSS THE NATION

Idaho: Skies across Idaho were mostly or partly sunny Sunday afternoon. Continued warm temperatures, mostly cloudy skies and isolated showers are expected for the beginning of the week. Elsewhere: A strong ridge of high pressure brought mostly clear to fair skies to much of northern Sunday, while a disturbance in the Pacific spread clouds across the West. The high pressure centered over Missouri produced pleasant and dry conditions from the mid-Atlantic states through the Mississippi Valley and into the Rocky Mountains. A weak disturbance pushing through Nebraska and Kansas brought a few light showers. A low pressure system moving in from the Pacific spread clouds over much of California, Washington and Oregon, with high clouds pushing into Idaho, western Montana, southern Utah and southern Nevada. Sunday's temperatures ranged from a morning low of 25 degrees in Gallup, N.M., to a midday reading of 91 at Sanford, Fla. The Associated Press

# YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Yesterday	76	41	Yesterday in Twin Falls	76	41
Last year	55	36	Month to date:	51	31
Normal	73	42	Normal mo. to date:	46	30
			Water year to date:	5.49	5.49
			Normal year to date:	5.49	7.51

## Twin Falls Precipitation

Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho: High	Low
Boise	74	45	tr.	30
Barley	79	43	tr.	30
Coeur d'Alene	66	46	tr.	30
Malta	72	45	tr.	30
Hagerman	m	m	tr.	30
Idaho Falls	72	35	tr.	30
Lewiston	75	52	tr.	30
Malden	m	m	tr.	30
Malta	72	45	tr.	30
McCall	63	36	tr.	30
Pocatello	77	39	tr.	30
Salmon	64	39	tr.	30
Stanley	60	30	tr.	30
San Valley	m	m	tr.	30

## The Nation

Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	83	52
Anchorage	46	43
Baltimore	70	49
Boston	70	49
Chicago	65	49
Dallas	70	38
Denver	70	38
Des Moines	59	46
Detroit	59	46
Honolulu	86	73
Houston	83	67
Indianapolis	65	40
Memphis	68	41
Las Vegas	65	41
Los Angeles	72	54
Memphis	74	52
Miami Beach	88	72
Milwaukee	60	41
Minneapolis	65	41
New Orleans	85	72
New York	74	56
Oakland City	70	48
Omaha	70	42
Orlando	78	46
Portland, Ore.	68	47
Pittsburgh	64	47
Portland, Me.	68	47
Reno	71	38
Salt Lake City	78	46
San Francisco	63	51
Seattle	63	51
Spokane	68	47
Washington	77	60
Yankee	98	63

# Report: Sierra Leone rebels release some U.N. captives

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (AP) — Sierra Leone's rebels freed 139 of more than 500 U.N. personnel held captive into Liberian custody, Liberia's President Charles Taylor said Sunday, hours after U.N. officials in Freetown secured the release of 18 others.

Taylor, speaking in Liberia's capital, said 15 members of the latest group had been flown by government-chartered helicopter to Monrovia, while the remaining 124 were waiting to be flown said Sunday, hours after U.N. officials in Freetown secured the release of 18 others.

A U.N. spokesman in Sierra Leone's capital said he was unaware of the releases and officials at United Nations headquarters in New York said they were unable to immediately confirm the report.



British Army paratroopers, helping man a U.N. military checkpoint, turn away well-armed Sierra Leone militiamen at a checkpoint Sunday.

## U.N.

Continued from A1 offering U.S. air transport and logistics support to the beleaguered U.N. force. But Washington also hedged its bet, offering encouragement to Nigeria to restore a Nigerian-led West African military force that was replaced by the United Nations last month.

Military and political strategists say there is blame enough to go around in the United Nations' Sierra Leone fiasco. Member countries contributed troops that were too few in number and lacked adequate training, arms and leadership. Annan and his staff sent the force to Sierra Leone even though they knew, or should have known,

that it was inadequate. And the United States and other major powers didn't follow through on their implied promise to use as much force as necessary to punish any group that threatened the peacekeepers.

"Peacekeepers are always lightly armed forces, but there used to be an understanding that if they were attacked, there would be backup," said Edward Luck, a U.N. supporter and author of the book "Mixed Messages: American Politics and International Organizations, 1919-1999." "They sent the peacekeepers off with antiquated maps, no artillery, little firepower and no backup."

## Foster

Continued from A1 workers to explore multiple placement options before the parents' rights are terminated, Baird said. It also requires a permanent plan to be in place 12 months after children enter foster care.

Ross Mason said the idea is to prevent children from spending long periods of time with foster families, as many have done in the past.

appropriate and made changes to speed things up," he said. "It basically forces the issue rather than leaving it dormant for a long period of time."

needs must also factor into the equation, she said. Foster parents John and Denise Martin said from their perspective, the state now does a better job of balancing the needs of parents and children.

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## Decision

Continued from A1 When an officer faces a potentially deadly situation, all those hours of training boil down to a few seconds of reaction, Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousey said.

"We have to make a split-second decision on whether the guy is going to shoot at us or not," he said. "You don't know if the gun's real. You don't know what his intentions are. You don't know if it's loaded."

Twin Falls police officer Jason Schultz faced that situation last week, when he shot a man during what police initially thought was a hostage situation. Police said the man was pointing a gun at officers; the man's lawyer said the man already had put down the gun when Schultz fired.

The incident is under investigation. The police department also had officer-involved shootings in 1997 and 1993. The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office hasn't had a deputy shoot anyone as long as Sheriff Wayne Tousey can remember in his 25 years in the department.

"I think we've just been fortunate," he said. The rarity of officer-involved shootings shows the quality of training and restraint by the officers, Marvin said.

Many times Marvin has seen Twin Falls officers in confrontations where they were perfectly justified to shoot but didn't. "I think we've just been fortunate," he said.

## Rally

Continued from A1 showed up at similar rallies in dozens of cities across the country — from Maine to Michigan to Oregon.

"We are Columbine," exclaimed a banner carried by Coloradans who traveled here in response to the shooting. The gun-control advocates didn't have the day to themselves, however. A considerably smaller group of several thousand counter-demonstrators gathered near the Washington Monument to hold a rally where they argued that guns were needed for self-protection.

That demonstration, organized by a group called Second Amendment Sisters Inc., also included mothers who brought their children. The group booted President Clinton's motorcade as it happened to pass by, returning the president to the White House from church.

"My kids know. If you see a gun, don't touch it. You leave the gun to you, you call a responsible adult," said Dzhia Meyer, from Watchung, N.J. When opponents of gun control marched toward the Capitol, they came close to "Million Mom

Philadelphia, where Marvin used to work, those confrontations would have ended with someone getting shot, he said.

"I don't know the opposite of trigger-happy, but we're the opposite," he said. Before Police Chief Lee DeVore came to Twin Falls in 1987, the department had no policy for officer-involved shootings. That changed because so many critical issues are involved, including civil liability, DeVore said.

The policy requires an internal investigation and an independent criminal investigation by another agency.

It also forces the officer involved to take paid leave and visit a psychologist. Often after a shooting, officers will replay the events and wonder whether they should have acted differently, DeVore said.

"You can wake up in the middle of the night and think about those things" long after the incident, he said. That's why officers must see psychologists, even if they resist, he said.

Even the other officers on shift and the dispatchers involved have a debriefing with psychologists, he said. "We want everything done properly, legally, morally," DeVore said.

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March" participants, who jeered and chanted "NO NRA, NO NRA. Your stupid guns kill."

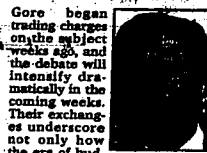
In response, members of the pro-gun group held a "Second Amendment, civil rights. You give up your guns, we'll give you ours." Clinton remained at the White House, encouraging several hundred rally figures to surround the "political mountain" they had to climb. First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, running for a U.S. Senate seat from New York, joined the demonstration. Neither she nor the president appeared on the dais, although their messages carried on jumbo television screens.

Mrs. Clinton did join the march for a time, but the crush of onlookers forced her to a nearby road where she slowly made her way to the Capitol on her own, shaking hands with well-wishers who lined the streets. Lt. Gov. Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, a Maryland Democrat and a daughter of the slain Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, said "You know, Mothers Against Drunk Driving had an enormous impact against traffic deaths and I think we can have the same impact here."

# Bush to push Social Security reform

The Washington Post

George W. Bush will attempt today what few politicians have done successfully in the past: grab hold of the "third rail" of American politics and survive. Bush plans to outline his ideas for reforming the Social Security system, including the creation of private savings accounts, in a speech scheduled for delivery in California. Few issues affect more Americans more directly, and perhaps none better illustrates the policy differences and personal arguments that are driving the presidential election.



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the campaign because Social Security is a three-generation success story. America and we are embarking on a national discussion about what's the best way to preserve and protect it," said Republican pollster Bill McInturf. "That's a big issue and what presidential campaigns should be about."

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# FBI resumes gun checks

WASHINGTON (AP) - The FBI has fixed an internal software problem that halted gun sales nationwide for more than two days, an official said Sunday. The repairs allowed resumption of firearms sales that are dependent on background checks with the bureau's criminal history database. The system began operating again at 7:30 a.m. EDT, FBI spokesman Steve Fisher.

The FBI's Interstate Identification Index, a database containing criminal histories of 26 million people, stopped working late Thursday afternoon. The computer failure at the FBI Criminal Information Center in Clarksburg, W.Va., halted gun sales because it prevented completion of background checks that the Brady law requires for buyers.

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**Cooling brains**

Researchers believe they can prevent much of the permanent damage by cooling a victim's body. Cooling involves regulating body temperature from the inside.

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# Cold might limit stroke damage

The Associated Press

The coolest idea in stroke treatment is refrigeration. Yes, cold is hot. Many doctors believe they can reduce the permanent damage after a stroke by quickly dropping victims' body temperatures for a day or two, in effect, storing their brains on ice until the crisis passes. "It's like putting food in the refrigerator. It doesn't go bad. You slow down all the processes," says Dr. David Tong of Stanford University.

is flushed out after 45 minutes and then is warmed up and found to be as good as ever. The chilly water suspends biological processes that ordinarily would kill brain cells almost immediately. Though done occasionally during surgery, chilling the sick was regarded as too clumsy, risky and unpleasant to be routine and flat-out impractical for the 700,000 or so strokes in the United States each year. Instead, researchers bet that medicines would be designed to work as well. But that goal has proven disappointingly elusive as dozens of supposedly brain-protecting drugs failed testing over the past decade.

workable and valuable first step for treating victims of strokes. "When done carefully, there are strong early indications of effectiveness," says Dr. Jeffrey Saver of the University of California, Los Angeles. Strokes typically occur when a blood clot lodges in the tree of arteries in the head, choking off the flow. Quickly giving the clot dissolver TPA can forestall much of the damage, but most patients do not get to the hospital soon enough for the medicine to do any good.

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# World leaders unite against online attacks

The Associated Press

In an age when cybercriminals can reach across borders with the click of a mouse, the world's leaders are realizing they will have to work together to crack down on Internet attacks. Starting Monday, leaders from 20 Group of Eight countries will be in Paris for a three-day discussion of Internet crime. Separately, the 41-nation Council of Europe, working with the United States, Canada, Japan and South Africa, is drafting a treaty to standardize cyber crime laws.

Schjølberg, a Norwegian judge who tracks computer criminal laws around the globe. In the Love Bug case, investigators in the Philippines had to delay a raid for several days while prosecutors searched for laws that could apply. During the early 1980s, hackers targeting U.S. government computers often routed attacks through the Netherlands to make tracing and prosecution difficult, said Tom Talleur, a KPMG ana-

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— Steve Kaatz

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Hearing gives look at teacher requirements

**TWIN FALLS** - Public comment on proposed new teacher certification standards will be sought Tuesday during a hearing broadcast over a statewide telecommunications network.

Maximizing Opportunities for Students and Teachers is a State Board of Education initiative funded by the Boise-based J.A. & Kathryn Albertson Foundation.

When adopted by the State Board, the standards will direct how Idaho's colleges and universities prepare teachers and other educators.

Parents, teachers, school administrators, business professionals, minority representatives and others developed the standards, a State Board news release said. The standards require teacher candidates to show what they know and can do, not just whether they completed academic course work.

The state is targeting the class of 2003 as the first that will need to meet the new standards, but the timeline has not been solidified.

The local public hearing will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in room C 89 of the Evergreen Building at the College of Southern Idaho. Testimony will be limited to three minutes. People who have questions or comments can call Patricia Toney, teacher policy coordinator, at 208-334-2270, or contact her by e-mail at ptoney@osbe.state.id.us. A toll-free message line can be reached at 1-877-892-3937.

### College will consider Office on Aging money

**TWIN FALLS** - The College of Southern Idaho Board today is scheduled to consider whether to support for another year a \$14,000 appropriation that the college might have made for many years from its general fund to the Idaho Office on Aging.

CSI is the "Office on Aging's" grant administrator, acting as the agency's fiscal agent. The college does this for several government entities such as the CSI Refugee Center and Trans IV bus system, which pay CSI for the administrative services.

This year the college did not budget the \$14,000 from its general fund for the Office on Aging in an effort to bring the long-standing relationship closer toward policies governing CSI's other financial policies.

The board will meet at 8:30 a.m. in room 258 of the Taylor Building when more details about the matter will be discussed.

### Buhl to discuss facility improvement plan

**BUHL** - The School Board today is scheduled to discuss how to spend the remainder of a \$3 million plant facilities levy since improvements originally targeted by the Buhl School District have been completed and money remains.

The board is not scheduled to make a decision today about how the money should be spent.

Other matters and groups on the board's agenda include state math and writing tests, a drug prevention task force, and a new state-required reading program for primary students who are reading below grade level.

The board will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the district office.

### Botanical illustration class is available in Sun Valley

**KETCHUM** - Botanical illustration will be the subject of a class May 20 and 21 at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts.

Irina Gronberg, a teacher at the University of California-San Diego and the Athenaeum School of Art, will teach students to create accurate renderings working directly from live plants. She will demonstrate how to use the color wheel to benefit of French Impressionism to create a sense of atmosphere.

The class will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Cost is \$80 for members and \$105 for non-members. For more information, call 726-9499.

Compiled from staff reports.

# City considers street painting plan

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The City Council will discuss giving a face lift to the city's streets at its meeting tonight.

A bid of \$4,061,225 to TMT Pathway, LLC, for the project will be discussed. The city wants to re-paint the stripes on its streets.

But Twin Falls isn't the only city doing some street painting. The city of Filer and Buhl will also be doing some touchups.

If Twin Falls accepts TMT's bid, then the three cities will split the bill for materials.

Here's how the bill will be broken down if Twin Falls approves the bid:

- Twin Falls - \$10,500
- Twin Falls Highway District - \$16,500
- Buhl - \$4,050
- Filer - \$742,500
- Filer Highway District - \$1,518,750
- Hillsdale Highway District (Hazelton) - \$6,750

The council will also consider bids for a supply of magnesium chloride for dust suppression on gravel, streets and alleys.

The lowest bidder is WRR Industries, Inc. of Salt Lake City at \$37,036.70.

The council will also discuss other business tonight, including:

• The presentation of a Peace Officers Standards and Training Program Basic Certificate to officer Chad Wington.

Wington was required to complete the basic academy and serve one year as a police officer in Idaho.

• A public hearing regarding a request from First Federal Savings Bank to take over a public alley located next to the bus downtown.

First Federal wants to take over the alley to possibly turn it into a third drive-

through window as well as add another customer parking lot. Both uses will require a special use permit, a city staff report says.

• A public hearing regarding a request from Gary A. Madenford to amend the requirement for "garages" for each lot of his Birch Creek subdivision to "garages with carports."

Birch Creek is south of the 300 to 400 blocks of Phossam Road West.

The City Council will meet starting at 5 p.m. in the City Hall meeting chambers. The public hearings will start at 6 p.m.

## Program gives students a close look at wildlife

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** - Thirty second-graders squealed as Maize, a tiny red fox, snuggled up to Linda Holden, grinned from ear to pointed ear and wagged her soft bushy tail.

"She's so very sweet," said student Brita Gaedert.

Sweet-looking, maybe, but don't even think about catching a fox for a pet, said Holden, executive director of the Snowdon Wildlife Sanctuary near Ponderosa State Park in McCall.

Someone in Boise tried to make her a pet when she was just weeks old, but it didn't work out, said Holden.

Maize chewed up toys, wrecked the computer, smelled like a skunk and tried to claw through the walls. Now she has to live in a cage in a wildlife refuge because she's too tame to be released into the wilds.

"It would be like you being locked in your bedroom for the rest of your life," Holden told the children. "Foxes are like having a cross between a nervous Chihuahua and an anti-social cat. We can train dogs because we've been breeding the best behaved ones for centuries. But you can't train foxes because, if you try, to discipline them, they become mean."

The show and tell program was one of a series of wild and endangered animal programs Ketchum Environmental Resource Center has offered second-graders at Hemingway Elementary School this year.

The center has also sponsored programs on bats, salmon and an anti-social cat. We can train dogs because we've been breeding the best behaved ones for centuries. But you can't train foxes because, if you try, to discipline them, they become mean."

"It's a way to introduce environmental education - local issues that kids can get involved in - into the schools," she said.

"And parents have told us their kids are so excited that it's best to offer something like this in the schools, rather than on a Saturday or after school."

Foxes are incredibly interesting animals because they have both doglike and catlike attributes, Holden told the kids.

The smallest member of the canine family, they have long legs, a long tail and a long nose - just like dogs. But they have even more catlike characteristics.

Maize's ears, for instance, are retractable.



Linda Holden, executive director of the Snowdon Wildlife Sanctuary near Ponderosa State Park in McCall, lets Hemingway Elementary School second-grader Paul Davis get up close and personal with Maize, a red fox. The show and tell program was one of a series of wild and endangered animal programs Ketchum Environmental Resource Center has offered second-graders at Hemingway Elementary School this year.

### Help out

The Snowdon Wildlife Sanctuary needs up to \$60,000 to build a double-fenced enclosure for wolf packs that get in trouble. The 12-foot-tall hot-wired enclosure would be a holding facility for packs until they can be released into the wilds. Such a closure could have prevented last month's tragedy where five White Cloud wolves were shot, Holden said. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife has no place to hold wolves while deciding what to do with them. Tax-deductible contributions can be sent to the sanctuary at Box 1731, McCall, Idaho 83338.

catlike, and she has whiskers. Her front teeth are more curved than a dog's and she has small padded feet like a cat. Dogs walk on their feet's toenails while foxes have semi-

retractable toenails. Her vertical slit eyes also feature a luminous membrane that helps her see exceptionally well in the dark.

But her best sense is hearing. She hears low frequencies so well that she can hear rodents gnawing under an inch of snow. That's probably why Maize attacked the walls in her Boise home, Holden said. She thought the humming electricity was a mouse or rat.

Foxes will stash rodents away in an underground piggy bank for lean times, occasionally digging them up and counting them to make sure they're all there. Then, they'll mark their cache by urinating on it.

Unlike wolves, foxes are both predator and prey, feeding on rodents and being eaten by cougars, bobcats, coyotes, wolves and eagles.

"Now you understand why Maize's so nervous," Holden told

the kids. "She's got to look over her own shoulder while looking for her own lunch. Even you look like large predators to her."

Even within the fox species there are great differences.

• Red foxes can actually be pure white, black, brown or red. They weigh 14 pounds, comparable to a house cat that weighs between 10 and 20 pounds. They look bigger, however, because of their bushy fur, tail and long nose.

• Grey foxes, which weigh between 8 and 12 pounds, were introduced to Idaho via fox farms when people wore fox fur. They typically live in the forests where they can escape predators by climbing trees. In fact, early English aristocrats actually imported red foxes from England to America because the grey fox they found here spoiled fox hunts by scampering up trees.

• Arctic foxes have short legs so their blood doesn't have to go so

far to warm their feet. They are 12 inches tall - the height of a ruler - and travel 1,200 miles in a single winter because it's so difficult to find food in the Arctic. They follow polar bears because the messy bears leave behind plenty of leftovers to feed on.

• Kit foxes, which weigh all of five pounds, are able to live in the hot Snake River Canyon because their blood vessels dissipate heat through their large ears.

Maize and her co-horts keep mice from overrunning the world. "They eat one pound of meat a day, or 12 mice," Holden said.

"That's 4,380 mice a year. That's important because if you had two mice at your house they'd have a million offspring by the end of the year. Somebody'd better be out there eating rodents."

Times-News correspondent Karen Bossick can be reached in Hailey at 578-2111.

## Albion revisits zoning issue

By Ruth Streeter  
Times-News writer

**ALBION** - A contentious zoning issue left unresolved a few years ago is being revisited this week.

A few years back, residents in and around Albion spurred the county to consider zoning the Albion valley, a multiple-use area, to be in keeping with the valley's agricultural and residential character. The Albion Valley's multiple-use designa-

### Hearing set

What: Public hearing on zoning the Albion Valley  
When: 6 p.m., Thursday  
Where: Marsh Creek Event Center, south of Albion on Idaho Highway 77

tion, meaning no conditional-use permits are required for any kind of development, could make it a prime destination for industrial developers loath to jump through siting hoops.

County commissioners put the controversial zoning issue on hold until a planning and zoning



The Cassia County Planning & Zoning Commission will hear public comment Thursday on whether or not to zone the Albion Valley's multiple-use land. The issue was visited a few years ago, but disagreement prompted the county to shelve discussion.

commission was formed. Now the county wants to find out what the current sentiment on zoning is and will hold a public hearing Thursday in Albion to find out.

Jim Kempton, an Albion resident. See page ZONING, Page A6

## Pull for fun: Club offers a chance at trapshooting

By Dax Dutton  
Times-News correspondent

**BURLEY** - "Full!" It's a word that commands the release of a clay pigeon and music to any trapshooter's ears.

You wouldn't think a four-inch round piece of clay could garner so much enthusiasm, but a few minutes around members of the Burley Trap Club can drastically alter that perception.

The club boasts a dozen lifetime members and nearly 20 annual members and hopes to draw into its ranks more people who enjoy being outdoors and honing their trapshooting skills.

And the club's home on the Bureau of Land Management's Miner Recreation Area overlooking the Snake River is an enjoyable place for any outdoorman to visit.

Burley Trap Club President Alan McLean said he wants to get the word out about the fun and interesting sport.

"I want people to know about us and that there is somewhere

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Roadless plan critics cite Americans with Disabilities Act

ELKO, Nev. (AP) - Follo stile "Cesar & Salicchi's ability to hike and hunt; some of his favorite stretches of northeast Nevada's rugged Ruby Mountains 48 years ago. Now, he says, the federal government wants to finish off his access to some of the West's most beautiful places by designating tens of millions of acres of national forests as roadless areas. "They're putting a limit on your freedom to go where the hell you please in the good old USA," said Salicchi, 72, who has been unable to walk without crutches or braces since 1952. "There's nothing like going over the O'Neill Basin into Jarbidge," Salicchi said, referring to a wilderness area about 280 miles northeast of Reno, near the Idaho border. "It's a road that if you take it in the fall, you'll never forget it." Wilderness access for the disabled has been controversial for as long as Congress has been setting aside federal lands where motorized vehicles are prohibited. Lawyers working for the disabled recently tipped the same by warning the Forest Service that President Clinton's efforts to ban these roads across large swaths of national forests could violate the Americans with Disabilities Act, which is designed to protect the rights of the disabled. Forest Service officials say the argument is a red herring because they don't intend to halt access on existing roads.

And the head of a group that provides wilderness experiences for about 4,000 disabled people a year says the argument historically has lacked sincerity. "My personal opinion is it is usually a theme that is raised by people who have less to do with the disability community than they do with the off-road-vehicle community," said Greg Lais, executive director of the Wilderness Inquiry based in Minneapolis. Salicchi, who is Elko County's treasurer, raised the issue at a congressional field hearing last fall, arguing the Forest Service to rebuild a washed out road to a campground near Jarbidge despite the agency's concerns about the effect on the threatened bull trout. He says that high-profile battle is small compared with the agency's pending roadless initiative, which would protect 43 million acres of national forests without roads. James Burling, a lawyer with the Pacific Legal Foundation based in Sacramento, Calif., warned Forest Service Chief Mike Dombek that the roadless initiative could cause "irreparable harm to the interests of disabled Americans." "I am writing you on behalf of a class of individuals who are extremely concerned that their access for recreational and other purposes into America's national forests will be severely restricted if certain proposals to dramatically increase the amount of lands designated as 'roadless' are adopted."



Witnesses, from left, Cesar Salicchi, Elko County treasurer, Matt Hofford, executive director of the Nevada Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Terry Crawford, director of the Nevada Division of Wildlife and Dick Carver, Nye County Commission chairman, are sworn in at a hearing last fall in Elko, Nev., regarding the closure of Jarbidge's flood-damaged south canyon road.

ed," he told Dombek. Burling said he has followed the topic since being involved in a dispute over the closure of a road in Elko County more than a decade ago. He worked at the time with Elko lawyer Grant Gerber, who is among the leaders of local citizens upset about the South Canyon Road near Jarbidge.

"This issue has been around certainly for a long time," Burling said. "But nobody has reacted to a great degree until this more recent problem with Clinton's announcement of a roadless policy. There are a good number of people concerned."

Burling's warning to Dombek came on the heels of a similar notice in February from a Washington D.C.-based group, Disabled Americans for Federal Forest Employment. They asked Dombek to suspend the roadless review and conduct a disability impact analysis.

"In carrying out the president's direction, the U.S. Forest Service is acting in total disregard of the laws designed to protect our right to enjoy our national forests," said Bruce Grefath, the disabled director of the organization. Only congressionally designated wilderness areas are exempt from the ADA, Grefath said. Signed into law in 1990, the ADA prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability. It applies to jobs, programs and services provided by state and local governments, as well as goods and services provided by private companies and in commercial facilities. It also established requirements for construction and renovations of buildings to make them accessible to the disabled. "Mr. Dombek, we too are hikers, hunters and anglers who have a legal right to the same opportunities afforded others. This administration has a legal obligation to make considerations and accommodations for disabled Americans to obtain the same result as others who use these same areas," he said. "We will not sit idly by and concede to this conscious act of keeping disabled Americans from enjoying their national forests." Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, is the chairman of a Senate subcommittee overseeing the Forest Service and one of Congress' loudest critics of the roadless initiative. He said the legal warnings under ADA are an "expanding development" in the ongoing controversy over roads.

CSI THIS WEEK ON THE AGENDA

- Tuesday
CSI board of trustees meeting, 5:30 p.m., Taylor 258.
TaVaci School of Performing Arts children's singing group, 6:30 p.m. Fine Arts auditorium.
Tuesday
Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition board meeting, 7 to 9 a.m., Taylor 258.
ARView Global Positioning System training, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Evergreen A23.
U.S.: Bureau of Land Management first responder hazardous materials course, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Shields 103.
Surgical Technology student interviews, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shields 112.
State Tax Commission budget and levy workshop, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 276 and 277.
GLAB (gay, lesbian and bisexual), 4 p.m., Taylor 258.
Silver Sage Cave Club monthly meeting, 6:30 p.m., Taylor 277.
Sunburst Unlimited Spring Concert, 7 p.m., Fine Arts auditorium. Free admission.
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Idaho Department of Health and Welfare strategic planning meeting, 9 to 11 a.m., Taylor 277.
Idaho Department of Fish and Game reptile and amphibian training workshop, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Shields 117.
"Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
Saturday
National Multiple Sclerosis Society pledge walk, five-mile walk around campus, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., campus circle. No fee.
"Rusty Rocker's Last Blast," 2 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
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- Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse.
Bliss School Board, 7:30 p.m., school library.
Buhl School Board, 7:30 p.m., district administration office.
Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
College of Southern Idaho Board, 5:30 p.m., Room 258, Taylor Administration building.
Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Hansen School Board, 7 p.m., school district's office.
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.
Ketchikan City Council, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.
Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Board, 6 p.m., Sage Room, Education building.
Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls county commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Tuesday
Castelford School Board, 8 p.m., school library.
Filer Planning and Zoning Commission, 8 p.m..

- council chambers.
Hagerman City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Hailey Town Center.
Jackpot Advisory Board, 6 p.m., Jackpot Fire Station training room.
Jerome City Council, 6:30 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A.
Jerome School Board, 7 p.m., high school, telecommunications room.
Magic Valley Regional Airport Advisory Board, M.T. a.m., Joslin Room, airport terminal.
Minidoka County School Board, 7 p.m., school district office, Rupert.
Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Shoshone City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls county commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Wednesday
Bliss City Council, 8 p.m., City Hall.
Blaine County Hospital Board, 7:30 p.m., hospital council chambers.

- ference room.
Minidoka County Planning and Zoning Commission, 8 p.m., courthouse.
South Central District Health Department Board, 2 p.m., 1020 Washington St. N., Twin Falls.
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 p.m., courthouse.
Thursday
Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall.
Kimberly School Board, 8 p.m., high school library.
Sun Valley City Council, 4 p.m., City Hall.
Twin Falls county commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Friday
Twin Falls county commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.
This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

2000 Race for the Cure tops last year's numbers

BOISE (AP) - This year's Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Race for the Cure topped last year's record by 3,400 people, drawing more than 10,000 participants.

The national foundation is named after Komen, who died of breast cancer at the age of 36. Race organizers did not know Saturday how much money had been raised.

"It's tremendous," said Brenda Williams, who survived breast cancer and is president of the Komen Foundation in Boise. "This is a disease that doesn't skip anyone."

SERVICES

- Judy Prentice Navarrete of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. today at Eastside Baptist Church at 204 Eastland Drive N., in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).
Carolyn C. Stuart of Jerome, service at 10 a.m. today at Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.
Edna Mae Bilck of Three Creek, service at 11 a.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).
Michael K. Olson of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary Chapel in Twin Falls.
Olson F. Crandall of Walla Walla, Wash. and formerly of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. today at Burns Mortuary Chapel in Pendleton, Ore. Local services at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).
Leah Darylene Dillon of Jerome, vigil service at 7 p.m. Tuesday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome; celebration of life and mass at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church. Services also at 1 p.m., Saturday at the Meadows Valley High School (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).
Anthony A. Louis of Jerome, and formerly of Syracuse, N.Y., service at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church at 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome (Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome).
Slick Enderday of Castelford, service at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Castelford Baptist Church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).
Chester V. Nensel of Twin Falls, rosary at 6 p.m. today, May 15 at White Mortuary in Twin Falls; services at 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls. Friends may call following the rosary until 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

DEATH NOTICES

- officiating. Interment will follow at the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. Tuesday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street in Burley, and from noon until 12:45 p.m. at the church Wednesday.
Blanche H. Cook
Rupert - Blanche H. Cook, 79, of Rupert, died Saturday, May 13, 2000, at her home. The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Acocquia LDS First and Second Ward Church, with Bishop David Coats

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After 19 years with the Cassia County School District, Lyle Uscola, right, will be replaced by Dan Merritt, left. Uscola said he will finish the school year and then put his new golf clubs to good use. He said he looks forward to enjoying retirement with his wife, Paula.

# Time to kick back and play

## Popular Cassia educator opts to retire after 27 years

By Coreen Hart  
Times-News correspondent

**BURLEY** - Lyle Uscola said it's time to play, and he doesn't mean basketball. The former Burley High School coach and math teacher, and for many years the vice principal, is retiring.

"Not even going to renew my certificate," Uscola said with a grin as he touched his golf bag. Uscola is a veteran of 27 years in education, 19 of them with the Cassia County School District. At a recent dinner in his honor, he was gifted with a new set of golf clubs. He plans to put them to good use very soon.

"It's been very, very good," he said. "If I had it to do over again, I'd do it exactly the same, except for one thing. I'd never leave education."

Uscola referred to a brief period in which he sold insurance and real estate. He made more money, but his heart knew differently.

"The journey getting to where I am has been truly a pleasure, and I hope retirement will be the same," he said.

Uscola said there have been considerable changes in education during his tenure, including the rapid advances of technology in the classroom. He said he's also seen big changes in students.

"There's been an increase in ability - the students are more aware and more worldly," he said. "The awareness is nice. I'm of divided opinion on the worldliness."

There's a sign perched above his cabinet, given to him by his first principal. It reads, "Discipline isn't something you do to someone. It's something you do for someone."

His affection for students is returned. Burley High School's front entry has a 20-foot paper banner that reads, "Good Luck, Mr. Uscola." Two students approached him bearing a large, ivy-bedecked birdbush.

"For you," they said. He

thanked them sincerely.

West Minico Junior High School Vice Principal Dan Merritt will move into the principal's office in the fall.

"This is very exciting," Merritt said. "It's a brand new school and it's beautiful. It's a wonderful thing for Dan Merritt. It's his time to spread my wings."

Uscola said his wife Paula plans to retire Sept. 1. They plan to fish, play golf and travel.

"We're very lucky that we both enjoy the same activities," Uscola said.

Times-News correspondent Coreen Hart can be reached at the Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4042.

# Utah is getting best of land trades, appraiser says

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** - A retired Bureau of Land Management appraiser who contends the federal government is getting cheated has sparked two federal investigations into massive Utah land trades.

Jack MacDonald, who was known as an uncompromising land appraiser at the BLM's Utah office, turned over reams of files when he retired to the Interior Department's inspector general and the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress.

Both offices refused comment about their investigations into MacDonald's allegations of

political pressure and generous land deals for Utah that were trumpeted by Gov. Mike Leavitt and Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt as models of state-federal cooperation.

MacDonald says the state also is receiving hundreds of millions of federal dollars, mineral rights and developable land in return for state lands worth only a fraction of that. He was quoted in a copyright story Sunday by the Deseret News of Salt Lake City.

When Congress approved the trade of 200,000 acres of state land into the Grand

Staircase-Escalante National Monument for 450,000 acres outside the monument, Babbitt joked he should fire his negotiators for giving the state such a good deal. Leavitt boasted that the trade would bring \$1 billion to public education over the next 30 years.

"Congress is the ultimate determiner of fair value," said Brad Barber, deputy director of the governor's Office of Planning and Budget and Leavitt's chief land negotiator. "Do I think the state got a good deal? Yes. Did the state take the federal government to the cleaners? No way."

# Residents will appeal dairy | Low water raises power rates

**YAKIMA, Wash. (AP)** - Plans for a new dairy east of here with 4,400 cows have cleared an early regulatory hurdle, but opponents of the project plan to appeal.

Yakima County planners on Friday issued an environmental decision that would allow the dairy to begin operations as long as a series of safeguards is met to reduce environmental impacts.

County planning director Dick Anderwald said planners reached their decision after con-

sulting with experts in farm waste handling.

"We determined there are no problems that couldn't be overcome by project design," Anderwald said.

The 600 acre parcel where Tom and Dale DeVries' dairy would be located is zoned for agricultural uses. The county conducted the environmental review because the total of the dairy's proposed buildings exceeds 30,000 square feet.

**BOISE (AP)** - Low runoff in the Snake River will result in higher power rates, but a decision by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to hold back surplus profit-sharing funds of Idaho Power will help offset those increases, the commission said.

The decision earlier directed Idaho Power to set aside revenue-sharing funds in an interest-bearing account to help defray the anticipated increased costs of power generation.

The Public Utilities Commission's decision goes into effect May 16. Residential rates will go up approximately 6 percent, or \$3.62 for a customer using 1,200 kilowatt hours per month. The commission says the overall increase for customers is approximately 8 percent.

The increase will be partially offset by a reduction of an average of about 1.5 percent for all customers and about 1 percent for residential users, according to the commission.

# More fires are expected in the Grand Canyon area

**GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK, Ariz. (AP)** - A prescribed burn that blew out of control on the North Rim of Grand Canyon National Park remained at 7,000 acres as a break in winds allowed firefighters to attack the blaze, authorities said Sunday.

Calmer conditions through the weekend helped firefighters who had been frustrated by gusty winds Wednesday and Thursday. But they worked hard to dig fire lines in anticipation of stronger winds this week.

"We're told a weather front may be coming in, which will

mean more moisture, but also more wind," Fench said.

The fire began as a prescribed burn on April 25, designed to help remove some brush and grasses on about 1,500 acres.

Like the fire that burned through Los Alamos, N.M., strong winds beginning Wednesday

drove this one beyond the prescribed burn area.

The fire hasn't threatened stores, housing or the North Rim Lodge, where visitors were evacuated last week, Fench said.

About 800 firefighters and support personnel fought the fire Sunday.

# Zoning

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dent and Republican representative, was involved in the effort to find an appropriate zoning. Those efforts were "pretty well rejected," he recalls, and he doesn't know whether the interests of the valley have changed much in the last few years.

It's an issue the valley should be concerned about, Kempton said, and an issue that needs public hearings. The county wants to plan for the future of the valley in anticipation of what might

want to locate there down the road.

"We're not trying to look at right now, we're trying to look at 20 years in the future," said county administrator Tim Hurst.

Ron Sorenson, who lives on the outskirts of Albion, said he has always believed that the less government involvement there is the better. The consequences of zoning the valley is that it "locks things up" and forces certain kinds of development and expansion to jump through too many hoops. Officials have been antici-

pating mass development for 20 years and nothing has come of it, he said.

Hurst said the ability of residents to have a say in what locates in the valley is one of the advantages of zoning. With trends moving toward recreation and construction of "second homes" closer to one's primary abode, Hurst said it makes sense for the area to adopt a residential-agricultural designation. Just this year, four new homes are being built in the valley, Hurst said.

And just where the zoning lines

will be drawn might be a difficult decision. Commercial developers who want to expand, and developers with new enterprises in mind, might let their interests guide their contributions.

Conditional-use permits would be needed for new or expanding commerce if the area was zoned residential-agricultural.

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# Blaine Commission plans public hearing

The Times-News

**HALLEY** - Blaine County commissioners will conduct a public hearing today concerning amendments to regulations regarding subdivision density. The hearing will be held at 3 p.m. in the old courthouse at 206 First Ave. S.

Commissioners will consider other matters beginning at 9 a.m.

Valley in brief

## Ketchum City Council will discuss concerts

**KETCHUM** - The City Council will hear plans for summer outdoor concerts during its regularly scheduled meeting today.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. at City Hall.

# Graduations get going

The Associated Press

Graduation ceremonies around the state saw thousands of Idaho university students walk the line on Saturday.

In Boise, family and friends watched and cheered as more than 2,700 Boise State University students graduated. The advice from speakers was both humorous and serious. Idaho State Board of Education member Severin "Sam" Haws of Boise told graduates: "If you want to

make your spouses and parents really happy, go out and get a job, real quick."

Matt Bott, student body president for the 1999-2000 school, and a graduating senior, gave the class a piece of advice he said he gives incoming freshmen.

"Don't just pursue your degree, pursue your education," he said. "A degree is a piece of paper we get from our deans. The education we receive is about learning."



Dorothy Stoeffel of Olympe joined other Mt. St. Helens survivors Sunday in Silver Lake, Wash. She and her husband, Keith, took photos from an airplane directly above the devastating eruption.

# Scientists still watch Mt. St. Helens closely

**MOUNT ST. HELENS NATIONAL VOLCANIC MONUMENT, Wash. (AP)** - In the 20 years since Mount St. Helens' last eruption, scientists have turned the volcano into a living laboratory - monitoring every little twitch under the surface.

But with all their high-tech gear, they cannot be sure they will get as much notice before the next cataclysmic event.

In fact, scientists speculate that a huge chunk of Mount St. Helens - or worse, Mount Rainier, which looms over populous valleys outside Seattle - could collapse without warning as magma eases away at their inner cores like termites on an old house.

That could happen next week or next year, or perhaps centuries from now.

So as survivors and rescuers gather this anniversary week to share memories from the eruption, scientists continue to cautiously watch the Cascade Range's most active volcano and use their limited knowledge to help protect people from other volcanoes around the world.

Ed Klimasauskas, a geologist at the U.S. Geological Survey's Cascades Volcano Observatory, compares the ongoing research to wearing a seat belt.

"You might never need it, and probably never will need it. But it's good to have," he says.

# Mother charged with child endangerment gives birth to healthy girl in Los Angeles jail

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** - A teenage mother from Utah who was charged with endangering her child today, one of whom she reported missing, has given birth to another child.

The newborn girl was born last Tuesday at a jail ward in Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, said Victoria Pipkin, a spokeswoman with the district attorney's office. The child was placed in foster care.

The child was born healthy at 7 pounds, 3 ounces, sheriff's Deputy Darren Harris said.

Simona Denise Demery, 19, and boyfriend Jeffrey Jones, 24, were arrested hours after reporting 3-year-old Alicia Verlusis missing May 7 from a park in

Pomona, Calif. The search in that park was called off the next day as investigators said they were looking for the girl elsewhere.

Alicia's twin sister, Ebony, was placed in protective custody.

Demery and Jones lived in a building in a commercial district of Pomona without drinkable water or any food except a jar of peanut butter, Deputy District Attorney Margaret Moe said.

Demery and Jones were charged with two counts each of child endangerment and remained in custody last week with bail set at \$200,000 each. Jones' next court appearance is set for May 17. Demery's arraignment was postponed because of the birth.

# Trap

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for each bird broken in the air. Most use traditional shotguns while serious trapshooters go for special trap guns, which can range in price from \$300 to more than \$10,000.

Hanging prominently on the clubhouse wall is a page titled "100 in a row." McLean is the only name listed.

Burley Trap Club Vice President James Hazel makes a point to emphasize just how hard it is to hit 100 birds in a row.

"I was with him up to about 50 but just couldn't keep it up," he said.

Hazel said that for him, it isn't just the shooting he enjoys, but also meeting and visiting with the people who come to participate in trapshooting.

He said he hopes trap club can draw sanctioned events to the area. A Pacific International Trapshooting Association event is in the works for the coming year.

"This would draw a lot of other shooters to the area and would help put us on the map," he said. "Having shooters from around the state would really help the club."

And the club, which operates on volunteer work and membership dues, seems to be in a slump, but sure as surety it will rebound.

Hazel said the club almost died out in the mid-1980s but recently rebounded due to their hard work of club members.

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## Eyewitnesses hard to find in glass-eye caper

It's time for True Crime Blotter, the feature in which we examine reports of actual crimes to see if they reveal important underlying truths about our society (no). We begin with a shocking crime of which we were not informed in Springfield, Ill., last year, according to an article from the July 29 edition of The State Journal-Register sent in by my alert readers. This article states that a man told police that a neighbor "may have switched glass eyeballs with him." The man claimed that the neighbor "also had a glass eye, but apparently preferred the victim's," and that "his fake eyeball was taken from his pocket and replaced with another one." The police report stated that the victim "did not see the exchange, nor were there any eyewitnesses."

Of course it could have been an innocent mistake. Every one of us has, at one time or another, accidentally passed up somebody else's glass eyeball. But we have to wonder if the man is raging out of control in Springfield, in light of yet another story from the Journal-Register sent in by my alert reader Mark Mitchell.

This story concerns a man in a movie theater who became annoyed at a group of teenagers who kept making noise during the movie. After several attempts to quiet the teenagers, the man lost his temper, went up to the teenagers, and - in a clearly illegal act of retaliation - switched glass eyeballs with them.

No, really, he sprayed them with a fire extinguisher. Nobody was injured, but that is not the point. The point is that we are supposed to be a nation of laws, not of vigilante justice, and I am sure I speak for all concerned Americans when I make the following statement regarding the Fire Extinguisher Avenger: Yay. The Journal-Register pretty much took the same position in an editorial, which says that some readers had even offered to contribute to a legal defense fund for the man. As it happened, he was not charged. But this does NOT mean that we should use chemicals at people who talk during movies. Fire extinguishers are intended for emergencies and should be used only if truly needed, such as when a restaurant patron lights a cigar.

Speaking of legal defenses: A fascinating one is described the Oct. 19 edition of The La Crosse (Wis.) Tribune, in an alert reader's Hansson. The paper quotes a nice reporter saying that a motorist who had been stopped on suspicion of drunken driving "attempted to thwart the arresting officer by covering his eyes and saying, 'I cannot hear you, la la la la la.'"

Incredibly, this legal defense did not work, even though it is almost identical to the one used successfully by a resident of Ontario during his impeachment trial on charges of extreme mentoring.

And speaking of getting into trouble because of undergarments: Another intriguing legal defense was provided by a man apprehended on suspicion of drunken driving in Alberta, Canada, according to a report in The Advocate, a newspaper in the Montreal area. He said in his many alert readers. The article states that the suspect "tried to eat his underwear in the hope that the cotton fabric would absorb alcohol before he took the breathalyzer test."

Before we judge this person harshly as being a stupid idiot, we should bear in mind that Canada is considered by some experts to be a foreign country, and thus has its own laws and customs, which could include underwear eating. For all we know, it is considered the height of Canadian hospitality to offer visitors a nice pair of jockey shorts to chew on. So let's not make fun of Canadians until we've walked a kilometer in their moosehairs, eh?

Some remember that we have plenty of problems right here in the U.S. crime-wracked hellhole cities such as Sudbury, Mass., where the following item appeared in the Police Log section of the Aug. 19 Sudbury Town Record, sent in by alert reader Lew Weinstein: "4:15 p.m.: A Silver Hill Road resident reported there was a wild animal in her backyard. Police responded and found a roach in the yard, which they removed." This incident serves as a chilling reminder that our ultimate defense against crime is the "thin blue line" of police officers who daily put their lives on the line for us, never knowing when they will find themselves in a dark hallway eye-to-eye with a decomposing tuber, or - God forbid - a full-grown member of the munchies family, which every year kills more Americans than all other forms of squish combined. So the next time you see a police officer, take a moment to express your gratitude. You might also point out that "Decomposing Tubers" would be a good name for a rock band.

Steve Barry is a humor columnist for the Miami Herald.

## The gathering twilight If you're over 40, your eyesight could be at risk

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** - If you're looking forward to your golden years, make sure you'll be able to see them.

Progressive, age-related eye diseases can dim the vision of folks as they get older.

Cataracts for example, clouding of the natural lens of the eye, if left to take its natural course, leads to blindness. That doesn't happen often in the United States, because people usually do something about it first, said Dr. Brad Hobbs, a Twin Falls ophthalmologist.

The aging process, he said is the most common cause for this problem, although diabetes and other systemic diseases can play a part. Ultraviolet rays can contribute to the formation of cataracts, so people who spend a lot of time in the sun are in jeopardy.

"You could be born with cataracts, with a disease called congenital cataracts," Hobbs said. "But the average, garden-variety cataract that we see, most people begin to experience difficulty in their 60s, 70s or 80s."

The most common symptom is blurred vision, but there can be problems with glare. Usually cataracts occur in both eyes at once, but it's not unusual to have one eye worse than the other. The state of the art of cataract surgery is sophisticated.

"Everybody talks about cataracts being removed by a laser," Hobbs said. "What the real story is - the machine we use is called a phaco emulsifier, and it's easier to say laser than to say phaco emulsifier."

To do the procedure, the surgeon makes a small incision through the pupil to work on the lens. He then goes in and removes the cataract, and puts in a clear lens - an intra-ocular lens - so there's a focusing lens to replace the natural lens that is removed.

There are risks. But the chances of losing a severe problem are less than 1 or 2 percent.



Ludema Davis has been legally blind for the last 10 years. She was diagnosed 25 years ago with macular degeneration, a disease that progressively destroys eyesight.

### The scourge of macular degeneration

The second most common cause of blindness in older Americans is macular degeneration.

It's a disease of the central portion of the eye that causes cells to begin to degenerate, according to Dr. Brad Hobbs, a Twin Falls ophthalmologist. The most common symptom is decreasing vision - especially central vision. There are two kinds of age-related macular degeneration. One is the dry

type, in which the cells just slowly degenerate and don't function as well. And there's the wet type in which there's actually growth of small blood vessels from a deeper layer underneath the retina that leaks and causes scar tissue, a process that subsequently affects the vision.

The dry type is usually quite slow in its progression, usually over years. The wet type is a much more severe disease that can change your vision

very rapidly - within a period of days to weeks.

"We know things like smoking, for example, is one of the things that increases your risk of getting worse degeneration," Hobbs said. "One of the first things we tell people if they smoke and we see macular degeneration is to stop, because some of our worst patients are those who are smokers, and their degeneration seems to be worse."

Glaucoma is also a problem for older people. Hobbs said there are exceptions, but that the usual definition of glaucoma is increased intra-ocular pressure that results in damage to the optic nerve. There is also a type of glaucoma where the pressures are normal, but still develop damage to the optic nerve.

Unfortunately there are no symptoms in the standard definition of glaucoma," he said. "It is a silent disease, and that's why monitoring by having an eye exam is absolutely critical, especially after age 40."

There is a type called narrow-angle or angle-closure glaucoma that can wake you up with severe pain, or develop severe pain in the eyes with marked decrease in vision. It's obvious that you're in trouble, but this is far less common than the standard glaucoma.

Glaucoma can lead to blindness if not treated, Hobbs said.

The first approach is usually eye drops that lower the intra-ocular pressure. Laser therapy is another way to do this.

"If the traditional medications, the drops and the laser are unsuccessful, then there are operations that can be performed to lower the pressure in the eye," he said.

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## Seniors with fading vision find strength in numbers

By Joan Bean  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** - After spending the greater part of a lifetime enjoying the sense of sight, for some people it slowly fades or is lost entirely. These older folks are finding strength in numbers.

**To learn more** about the Twin Falls Senior Support Group for Blind and Visually Impaired People, meet at noon at the Twin Falls Senior Center on the last Wednesday of the month. For more information call 733-5073.

Idaho Commission for the Blind can help make this transition a little easier. Members are faced with similar problems and can share their solutions.

"Maybe somebody has a problem we have captured and have made it so we could do it and we enjoy doing it and we can tell someone else how to do it and it helps them," said Ludema Davis, the peer group leader. "Every time somebody has something that's helpful for all of us."

Most of the group's members have macular degeneration; some have glaucoma. Others have cataracts, which can be removed.

Meetings are held at noon on the last Wednesday of the month, at the Twin Falls Senior Center. There's usually a speaker who answers questions. Sometimes this person is a professional, such as an ophthalmologist, or someone who shares how he or she copes with limited sight or blindness.

Once in a while we'll have a meeting where we just talk or get more acquainted," Davis said. "If we have new people come in we have them introduce themselves and we ask questions to get to know them better."

Davis, 89, has been legally blind for more than a year. Her macular degeneration worsened

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## The word on mobile phones

It's your call, but mobile phones in England will carry health warnings after a government committee found that public concern about using them was reasonable. The British consumer magazine Which? reported recently that hands-free kits designed to protect mobile phone users actually channelled three times more of it to their brains.

**Stimulated sex**  
The Food and Drug Administration has approved the first prescription drug to help women with sexual dysfunction. The device, called the Eros CTD, works on the same principle as the vacuum pumps used to help men achieve erections. Made by Urometrics, a small St. Paul, Minn., company, it helps pump blood into the genital area.

**St. John's worry**  
The nation's largest medical specialty group last week endorsed the use of St. John's wort to treat mild depression. But in giving the nod to this popular botanical, which is available in the United States without a doctor's prescription, the American College of Physicians and the American Society of Psychogeriatrics also urged caution in its use. "In the U.S., St. John's wort is sold as a dietary supplement, not as a drug, and therefore is not regulated by the FDA," notes the ACP-ASPM, which represents more than 50,000 physicians. "The bottle labels can be misleading. The amounts of active St. John's wort ingredients vary in these supplements, and the pills often contain additional substances" that may be harmful or interfere with other medications. The group said that while St. John's wort works better than a placebo in mild depression, there are no good studies comparing the botanical directly against prescription antidepressants.

**Nobody else's noise**  
If hearing loss can have a huge effect on people's lives, so can a strange, unpleasant hearing "gain."

### Health notes

Imagine constantly living with buzzes and hums that sound perfectly real and yet you only can hear. Imagine never being able to escape those sounds, no matter how far you travel into the wilderness or however silent the outside world. This odd condition, in medical lingo, is known as tinnitus. Beethoven (though he's better known for going deaf) was afflicted by it. So was the composer Smetana, who incorporated the note he heard into one of his string quartets. An estimated 40 million to 50 million Americans have some degree of tinnitus, often accompanied by some hearing loss. The condition is commonly brought on by damage to the ears through exposure to loud noise.

### Is it safe for kids?

**WASHINGTON** - A pregnant woman who spends a few hours on a home-improvement project may unwittingly be putting her child at risk for problems ranging from hyperactivity to autism, a group of Boston-area doctors said Thursday.

The reason is chemicals in common household products like solvents and pesticides. No one knows how dangerous they are to human brain development because the government doesn't require companies to perform such tests before bringing products to market, the Greater Boston Physicians for Social Responsibility said in a report.

Tests on animals show there is cause for concern about products ranging from glue to flea collars to nail polish, said the report by the group, an affiliate of the Nobel Peace Prize-winning national Physicians for Social Responsibility.

The Boston organization said the federal government should start requiring tests to ensure chemicals do not harm human brain development.

### Health benefits of mudpies

Well, of course, it's not quite that wonderful. Short of discovering that chocolate cures cancer, what could be? What the researchers said, in their precise, scientific way, is that exposure to certain dust in house dust - endotoxin - may keep babies away from developing allergies. Endotoxin is a part of bacterial cell walls that remains in the environment after bacteria die.

Potentially, this is also image-changing news for the house dogs and cats of America, who are endotoxin producers and get a bad rap for the sneezing and wheezing they cause in some unfortunate allergy sufferers.

It's too early to draw sweeping conclusions, but Andrew Liu, an asthma specialist at National Jewish Medical and Research Center who was the principal investigator for the study, thinks the work is intriguing enough to justify more research. And he offers some advice:

"I wouldn't worry too much about dirt or dust at this point," he said Thursday. "I don't think we know enough to know if it's harmful and it's possible that it's actually helpful."

The nice thing about endotoxin, Liu said, is that it doesn't cause disease. It could open the door to a safe way to prevent asthma.

## Milking bad advice for all it's worth

**DEAR PAULA:** A saleswoman at the Elizabeth Arden counter recommended applying milk to my face and letting it dry as a way to help my dry skin. Though she made me promise not to tell anyone, I couldn't resist asking you about it. I did appreciate her honesty and attempt to protect me from buying expensive products, but the milk didn't do a thing for my skin. Does this work for some people? Did I do something wrong? Or was her advice faulty?

-GOT MILK?  
IN PHILADELPHIA

**DEAR GOT MILK:** Honest advice can be just as much a waste of time and money as buying useless expensive products if the advice is faulty.

Food products on the face can be a problem for many reasons. If you try to break out, it is like feeding the bacteria that are causing the problem. If you have dry skin, no food products have no ability to bind water to your skin or to soothe or protect it. The exception to this is plant oils, though. If you're speaking only of nonfragrant oils such as sunflower or almond as opposed to lavender or geranium oil. Nonvolatile (nonfragrant) plant oils are great for extremely dry skin.

I suspect the milk recommendation came from the idea that milk is the source for lactic acid (an AHA) and lactic acid can help exfoliate dry skin. While milk is indeed the food origin for lactic acid, no one in the cosmetics world is using milk as a source of lactic acid in skin-care products. It would be like assuming you can send a letter by writing on a tree. The tree is far removed from paper as milk is from lactic acid.

In other words, you have to extract a lot of lactic acid from milk to get that effect and the amount of milk that requires is enormous.

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**COSMETICS Q&A**  
Paula Begoun

# Sunburn victims contract melanoma

Knight Ridder News Service

WICHITA, Kan. — A year ago, Helen Jenista would have been heading for a tanning bed, increasing her visits from once a week to thrice weekly as the weather warmed.

She loves the sun and spent summers at the pool with her kids when they were little. The 20-minute tanning bed sessions were her relaxation. But in July, Jenista went with her daughter, Jodi Eldredge, to Manhattan, Kan. Eldredge had an appointment there with a doctor she used to work for, and Jenista, who lives in Drury, Kan., went along to help show off Eldredge's baby.

Eldredge had a mole near her eye removed, then asked the doctor to take a look at the mole on Jenista's left shoulder. Jenista's husband had been telling her, "You need to get that checked."

The doctor numbed it, sliced it and put a bandage over it. A couple of days later, Jenista got word that he had sent it off to be analyzed.

It was melanoma. Basal cell and squamous cell carcinomas are more common forms of skin cancer and seldom are life-threatening.

Melanoma is the most deadly form of skin cancer, expected to kill 7,700 people this year. An estimated 47,700 new cases will be diagnosed this year, says the American Cancer Society.

"Cancer just never really entered my mind," said Jenista, who is 42. "I thought skin cancer was something old people got."

Christopher Ekdinar, a Wichita dermatologist, said the number of melanoma cases has been doubling every 10 to 20 years. It's most common in two populations: "the older in the farmer, the guys that worked outdoors in the sun and served in the war," and women ages 20 to 45 who've spent years sunbathing or in tanning beds. Jenista said, "The tanning bed was my second home."

Her melanoma showed up in a mole that was about the size of a dime. "It was raised up, and it was dark, dark brown" but not a uniform color, she said.

### Melanoma: The most detectable

...most common kind of skin cancer, melanoma can be successfully treated if caught early.

**Warning signs of risk:**  
 Fair skin (never tan, often burn); spend much time outdoors; live in sunny areas; wear peeing burns in youth; family history of melanoma.

### Identifying melanomas

**A** Asymmetrical: Uneven from side to side; common moles are round.

**B** Border: Irregular. Edge jagged or not well defined.

**C** Color: Varied. Unlike a mole, has dark and light areas, varied colors.

**D** Diameter: Larger than 1/4 inch (size of a pencil eraser).

**Detecting melanomas:** Use a mirror to check your back and neck.

**Prevention:** Use sunscreen and wear a hat.

# Red Cross offers first aid, safety course

A community first aid and safety (infant, child and adult) cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid nine hour course will be offered at 6 p.m. today and Tuesday at the American Red Cross in Twin Falls.

Pre-registration and pre-payment are required for the class. For more information, call 733-6464 or 1-888-367-6321 or visit the Red Cross office, 718 Shoshone St. E.

**Co-dependents meet**  
 Co-Dependency Group will meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Canyon View West Group Room in Twin Falls. Fee is \$10. For more information, call 734-6760.

**Alzheimer's group**  
 Alzheimer's Support Group will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at SunBridge Care

### To do for you

Center and Rehabilitation, 640 Filer Ave. W. in Twin Falls. For more information, call Becky Jacobson at 734-8645.

**Childbirth class offered**  
 A prepared childbirth class will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning this Wednesday through June 14, at the Education Center at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Pre-registration is required, call 737-2900.

**Bereavement group meets**  
 The Here and Now Bereavement Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday at Hospice Visitation, 1300 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. For more

information, call Flo at 735-0121.

### Seeking volunteers

Volunteer sign-ups will be taken from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday weekly at the MVRMC front information desk.

**CPR class offered**  
 A Workplace Training, Standard First Aid (adult CPR and first aid), five and one-half hour course will be offered at 6 p.m. May 22-23 at the American Red Cross in Twin Falls. Pre-registration and pre-payment is required for all classes.

For more information, call 733-6464 or 1-888-367-6321 or visit the Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E. in Twin Falls.

**Course given**  
 A CPR class will be offered from 6:30 to 10 p.m. May 23 in the doctors' meeting room at MVRMC in Twin Falls. Fee is \$11. To register, call 737-2007.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

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## IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME

**WHAT IS IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME?**  
 Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) is a common disorder of the intestines that leads to crampy pain, gasiness, bloating, and changes in bowel habits. Some people with IBS have constipation while others have diarrhea, and some people experience both. Doctors call it a functional disorder because there is no sign of disease when the colon is examined. IBS causes a great deal of discomfort and distress, but it does not cause permanent harm to the intestines and does not lead to intestinal bleeding or other bowel or to a serious disease such as cancer.

**WHAT CAUSES IBS?**  
 The cause of IBS is unknown, and as of yet there is no cure. However, most people with IBS are able to control their symptoms through diet, stress management, and sometimes with medications prescribed by their physician.

Colon motility (contraction of intestinal muscles and movement of its contents) is controlled by nerves and hormones and by electrical activity in the colon muscle. The electrical activity serves as a "pacemaker" which controls the contractions of the colon (peristalsis). These contractions of the colon propel the contents slowly back and forth, moving the contents toward rectum eventually resulting in a bowel movement.

Researchers have found that the colon muscle of a person with IBS is more sensitive and reacts strongly to mild stimuli, resulting in spasm of the colon causing symptoms of bloating, cramping, diarrhea and/or constipation.

**HOW DO DIET AND STRESS AFFECT IBS?**  
 Many people report that their symptoms occur following a meal or when they are under stress. No one is sure why this happens, but scientists have some clues. Eating causes contractions of the colon. Normally, this response may cause an urge to have a bowel movement within 30 to 60 minutes after a meal. In people with IBS, the urge might come sooner with cramps and diarrhea.

The strength of the response is often related to the number of calories in a meal and especially the amount of fat in a meal. Fat in any form (animal or vegetable) is a strong stimulus of colonic contractions after a meal.

Stress also stimulates colonic spasm in people with IBS. This process is not completely understood. The normal contractions of the colon are regulated by a network of nerves which exist in the wall of the intestine between the muscle layers. The network of nerves communicate with the muscles of the intestine through chemicals called neurotransmitters. If the transmission of neurons is interrupted, the contractions become chaotic resulting in spasm.

**TREATMENT**  
 Because IBS is triggered by stress, emotion and/or diet, it is important to combine therapy which involves changes in diet, lifestyle, increasing exercise and avoiding stress. To help relieve spasms of the colon, your physician may prescribe an antispasmodic medication. A new drug recently released by the Food and Drug Administration, Lotronex, is beneficial in treating IBS in some patients that are afflicted with diarrhea. Also, other medications are currently being researched but may not be on the market for another two to three years.

To help relieve pain an electric heating pad or hot water bottle applied on the abdomen is very effective. Often a hot bath is extremely helpful.

**SUMMARY**  
 Although IBS can be annoying, inconvenient, and at times very uncomfortable, it is important to understand that it does not predispose you to more serious illnesses such as cancer. One does not become an invalid because of it. With the proper treatment, one can enjoy an active, healthy lifestyle.

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 after having it for 25 years. She said she can see better, but that her central vision is gone; everything looks gray to her now.

With a bright light and strong magnifying glass, she can read. She can still crochet a little, but embroidery work is impossible. Driving is out of the question.

"It's hard; it really is hard when you have to give up your car," she said. "That's the hardest thing because all of my independence is gone."

Retired veterinarian D.A. Jackson, a member of the support group, has had glaucoma for 20 years and macular degeneration for almost four.

He was able to get his glaucoma under control by using eye drops. But because of the macular degeneration his central vision is foggy.

"I look straight at you and you disappear," he said. "Somedays I can see you, but the colors are not there."

Jackson has learned to compensate in small ways. The Idaho Commission for the Blind taught him to fold his paper money in different directions according to what the denominations are.

He said at the last support group meeting the group heard from a woman who had lost her sight suddenly in an accident. She had tips for some of the little things that can cause frustration.

"She was telling how she puts tooth paste on her brush," he said. "You put some toothpaste on and by the time it gets on it

falls off — she just puts it in her mouth, puts her toothbrush in and goes to work. That's a good idea."

Support group members Howard and Helen Adkins are both legally blind.

Helen, 85, said one of her eyes had been deteriorating and now the other one is also. She said there is a lack of blood to the artery to her eye. She does get around, however, and can read and watch TV.

Howard, who's 90, has glaucoma, is blind in one eye and with the other he can see cars on the highway a mile away. But he said his vision is blurred when he reads, and some of the letters are indistinguishable.

"It slows you down," he said. "I have to read it twice."

Howard said he's impressed how some of the people get around without their sight or very limited ability to see. And there's another thing the group has shown him.

"You always find someone who's got more problems than you have," he said.

Times-News correspondent Joan Bean can be reached at 733-0830.

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- CPR Class \* Tuesday, May 23, 6:30 - 10 p.m., Doctor's Meeting Room. Fee: \$11. To register call 737-2007.

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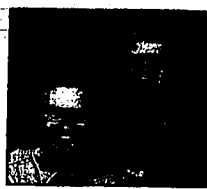


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50 ways to leave your doctor

The Washington Post

Is it possible—or advisable—to salvage a faltering doctor-patient relationship? That depends, according to the experts. There are frequently separations and divorces that need not occur.

the reason; many erroneously attribute a patient's departure to a change in health plans. So if you're dissatisfied but value your doctor, it may be worth trying to save the relationship.

or your problem is complex, take notes or use a tape recorder. If you still find that you don't understand, that your questions are not being answered, or that the answers don't make sense, find another doctor.

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More Americans doctor themselves, study shows

The Washington Post

Four in 10 American adults are more likely to try treating themselves for a medical problem before seeing a doctor than they were 12 months ago, according to a survey by Rodale, a publisher based in Emmaus, Pa.

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## OTHER VIEWS

### Courtesy, not more legislation, should decide cell phone use

From The Salt Lake Tribune

Cellular telephones are so ubiquitous these days that they, or more accurately, the manners of many of their users, are creating a backlash. There is nothing surprising in this. It merely reflects the boorishness and selfish intolerance so prevalent in society.

Restaurants are increasingly restricting their use, movie houses have done the same. Even a country club in Menlo Park near Silicon Valley has banned cell phones on its golf course. Some states have laws restricting motorists' cell phones. In Utah, a measure of this sort failed in the 2000 Legislature.

Many people fed up with the intrusion of their incessant ringing, of watching one-sided conversations, are increasingly demanding restrictions and even bans on their use. Some go so far as to intimidate that cell phones are somehow inherently bad, like many of those who discourage the private ownership of firearms. This is foolish thinking. There is nothing wrong with cellular phones. They have a variety of advantages and, most impor-

tantly, offer their owners an ability to communicate with others most everywhere. Government, in fact, has encouraged their use with adoption of 911 calling and public-relations campaigns for motorists to call for assistance. For example, in Utah in recent years government has encouraged motorists to use cell phones to report such things as suspected drunk drivers.

The problem lies with the lack of courtesy on the part of too many boorish people. Many are so self-centered they cannot even begin to fathom the notion that some places are inappropriate venues — theaters, concert halls and, yes, even some restaurants come to mind — for making and receiving cell phone calls.

Notices encouraging users to turn off their phones in various venues are appropriate, but real progress will come only when people think of the convenience or inconvenience of others as they go about their daily business. Simple courtesy can render most complaints about cell phones as well as myriad other concerns involving personal behavior in public places.

*Many cell phone users are so self-centered they cannot fathom the idea that some places are inappropriate for making and receiving calls.*



### Brace for a global investment boom

DAVID IGNATIUS

One sad fact of business life abroad is that smart people with good ideas too often can't get financing for their companies. So their good ideas die, or they take them to America, where the money window is open 24 hours a day.

What the rest of the world could use, strange though it may sound, is a few more people like Michael Milken, the man whose "junk bonds" blew apart the old, staid system of corporate finance in the United States. Milken got a little too creative with his financing — downright criminal, in fact — but along the way he helped create the conditions for America's explosion of wealth and creativity during the 1990s.

To grow and prosper, the world needs the kind of flexible financing that's available for U.S. companies. That can come only through modern capital markets that allow the risks and rewards of innovation to be shared.

That's why the best (but least noticed) piece of recent financial news was the merger of the London and Frankfurt stock markets, and their alliance with the Nasdaq market in the United States. One goal of this partnership is to create a 24-hour global market in new-economy stocks.

The London-Frankfurt-Nasdaq exchange is an opening wedge for what will be a transforming event: the development of a truly global financial system, which will give an entrepreneur in Cairo or Jakarta the same shot at building his dream as the one in Palo Alto. The enemies of globalization ignore this liberating possibility — that through global markets, good ideas won't have to carry a flag anymore. Smart people will be able to create jobs and wealth worldwide, not just in the handful of countries where an entrepreneur can today launch an IPO.

New technology will fuel this global investing boom, in addition to providing specific investment opportunities. Investors from Shanghai to Bombay to Riyadh will follow their investments through wireless devices connecting directly to the Internet. There will be some of the same lottery mentality and "irrational exuberance" around the world that we've seen in the United States. But global investors will become more sophisticated over time and will learn, painfully, to make prudent decisions.

There are other signs that U.S.-style capital markets are spreading. Stock exchanges in Paris, Amsterdam and Brussels announced six weeks ago that they will create a combined bourse to be known as "Euronext."

Another innovation is the Euro.NM alliance, established four years ago. It's a network of five capital markets to be fund start-ups — the Nouveau Marche in France, the Neuer Markt in Germany, the Nuovo Mercato in Italy and Euro.NM in Brussels and Amsterdam. According to the Wall Street Journal, the Euro.NM markets sponsored more than 180 IPOs last year, and on average Euro.NM stocks have risen 516 percent during the past three years (though, like such stocks in the United States, they've taken a tumble recently).

More evidence of the capitalist pandemic can be found in the special "Global Investing" section that appeared in a recent issue of the Wall Street Journal. It included lots of titillating factoids — that the percentage of stock trading conducted online is higher in South Korea than in the United States, for example, or that Brazil has 55 venture capital funds to finance Internet start-ups, or that 54 percent of Australia's adult population owns stock, well ahead of the United States.

They are harbingers of what's likely to be one of this decade's biggest trends: the democratization of investing worldwide. Europeans and Asians are likely to discover, by the hundreds of millions, what Americans learned during the 1990s: that it's fun and rewarding to buy stock in good companies.

Most importantly, the coming global investing boom will represent a shift in the risk-tolerance of ordinary people. In many cultures, people remain frightened of buying stocks. In Germany, for example, just 13 percent of adults own stocks, and in Japan the number is a timid 7 percent. But that's beginning to change, as evidence mounts that over the long run, stocks are actually less risky than bonds.

Much of the world remains frightened of American-style risk-taking. It's a seismic part of the dangerous "liberalism" of our culture — part of the Wild West, laissez-faire mentality that drives the American economy.

But attitudes are beginning to change as the rest of the world sees the fruits of our risk-taking, innovative culture. Even in France, where "liberalism" has become a dirty word, the government's moving to endorse the idea of stock options. Of course, the French seem likely to apply punitive rates of taxation, to make sure nobody profits too much from innovation. But over time, that will change, too. Ready or not, we're heading for a single global capital market — a money window that's always open everywhere.

David Ignatius wrote this commentary for The Washington Post.

## The Times-News

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## LETTERS

### Farmers deserve fairness

Mr. Hatfield seems to have delusions of legislative grandeur. Maybe he thinks he knows what happened to House Bill 546. His senator, the chairman of the Senate Resource and Conservation Committee, stashed the bill in his desk and wouldn't let it be voted on by the committee. This, after the House passed the bill. One senator thwarted the will of the whole House. This looks like an abuse of his power to many citizens. The bill would have brought some fairness to the process of water transfers. Water transfers have been the favorite tool the anti-dairy lobby (Mr. Hatfield, et al) has been using to further its land-use agenda. That is, to keep southern Idaho an economic backwater.

The water transfer applicant must spend up to \$50,000 in lawyer fees and expert testimony and all the protestant big boys in the state and show up with a lot of frivolous and manufactured concerns. The bill would have made the protestant liable for the costs if he is bringing the protests just to harass the applicant.

I am a farmer, and this is farm and dairy country. Many people want to move out of town and into the country, and then they want the farmers and dairymen to adjust their business for the newcomers. The economic reality of life on the farm is that small farms and dairies are not viable unless huge subsidies come from the government. I don't think anyone wants that. What we need here is some sensible attitudes on both sides of the odor and pollution issues. The dairymen and farmers need to do everything they can within reason to mitigate these problems and the environmentalists need to realize operating farms and dairies are necessary for the economic well-being of the valley.

DEL KOHITZ, Eden

### Hypnosis and smoking cessation

Regarding Mr. Crump's "Stop smoking" article: May I offer to fill in the question mark after hypnosis? I've done hypnosis professionally for 50 years and so feel reasonably well qualified to

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do so. First of all, hypnosis should never be linked with acupuncture. They are quite dissimilar.

To quote a single percentage would be impossible. The skill and experience of the hypnotist, the motivation and quality of subject, and how many sessions are all computed into the equation. I offer approximations only.

The hypnotist who works with a large group and makes every one stop smoking at 7 p.m. and then makes them all skinny at 9 p.m.: 3 to 5 percent. I have audited five such programs and rated only one of them as excellent: 10 to 15 percent for him, maybe 20 percent.

One private session with a qualified hypnotist: 30 to 75 percent. One group session and one or more private sessions: 50 percent to 100 percent. Dr. Schachter was correct in stating that no method is 100 percent, but errs in stating (again considering hypnosis and acupuncture as one) that they do not have a very high batting average. I have had several groups with 100 percent, but they are infrequent.

I've found that anyone who does not respond positively in two or three sessions will more than likely not do much better after 18 or 20 sessions unless their motivation is increased considerably.

JACK LYTHGOE  
Twin Falls

### Support bus service for Twin Falls

I'm writing in response to your remarks in your editorial about Trans IV.

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MRS. TRELIS TAYLOR  
Twin Falls

### Local issues need your vote

Here's a few thoughts for you to think about while you're drinking your coffee. Thoughts that will make you wonder just where our country is headed? Should we wonder, do we really want to go there? Take this election.

We have groups out there promoting open homosexuality, another group promoting legalizing a known drug. I wouldn't be surprised if there wasn't a group out there wanting to make it legal for children 12 and over to have sex. Let's hope that day never comes, but who knows.

Now I'll talk about some issues of mine in the upcoming Democrat primary.

No. 1, of course, is better-paying jobs for the working men and women of Idaho. I have been pushing this issue for more than four years, and it looks like progress in this area is being made.

No. 2, I believe the Idaho Lottery should pay at least 25 percent to educa-

tion. I support 28 percent. I also believe these large change businesses coming into Idaho should pay their fair share for education. Those who ship their profits out of state should have a surcharge of tax for this purpose.

I also support a local optional sales tax. Cities like Twin Falls are going to have to increase their police, fire departments and emergency systems, and the cost should not be upon the backs of the property owners alone. The cost should be shared by all.

Injured workers in the state of Idaho also need a strong voice, as do the independent business people, the small family farms and our senior citizens.

That should be enough for today. You've probably finished your coffee by now. A small reminder — please go out, and vote because if you don't want to go where I was talking about, not voting will sure get you there.

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## LETTERS

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OPINION

# Defense plan calls for a peacekeeping force

**I**t is hard to imagine Warren Rudman, Gary Hart and Newt Gingrich fitting in the same room, even in retirement. Their grand careers came from three points of the compass. The former Republican senator from New Hampshire is famous for financing the budget-cutting Gramm-Rudman Act. The former Democratic senator from Colorado still summons the memory of a pre-Clinton liberal. And the mike-popping loquacious and nimble wit of the former Republican House speaker from Georgia has shown that there is life after Congress.

Different as they are, these three have agreed on a national security reform agenda for the next president. Together with colleagues such as former Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ill., and retired NATO Atlantic Commander Adm. Harry Train, the three reported last month on a joint national security commission two years into its work. The commission is directed by former Air Force Gen. Charles Boyd.

The conclusions were frank. In the season of our Kosovo discontent, with troubling photos from Kosovska Mitrovica, the Hart-Rudman commission - formally called the Commission on National Security for the 21st Century - states plainly that the Pentagon and Congress have dodged the problems of peacekeeping.

Both are guilty of what Gingrich called "churning." To mount missions such as Kosovo, the Pentagon takes soldiers from combat billets, assigns them to police tasks in which they have limited background and at the end of a peacekeeping stint sends them straight back into training to repair speeded combat specialty skills.

It's like never getting out of spring training. Though some soldiers and officers value real-life deployments, even in a police mission, other soldiers feel like they've been cut from the majors to play triple-A ball. Lagging re-employment rates suggest that the problem of a high-paced "operations tempo" and interrupted military career paths is worth attention.

Why not, the commission asks, just "start with reality"? The Pentagon may not like peacekeeping, but it is entirely predictable that American presidents of either party will choose to get involved in police missions.

Leave combat soldiers to their chosen task, and recruit and train a specialized force for rapid interventions, with troops who want to be in "operations other than war." This is not a slouch's job. Peacekeeping requires a military constabulary akin to the Italian "Carabinieri," trained in languages, negotiation, investigation and crowd control as well as the use of intimidating firepower. As the British might say, colonial governance is still a sticky wicket, even when it's multilateral.

It's a question of protecting combat strength as well as doing peacekeeping better. The ability to fight two "major theater wars" must be more than a paper strategy, given the unsteady course of Pyongyang and Baghdad.

That leads to the second brave suggestion of the Hart-Rudman commission: American defense spending may have to rise. It's true that we spend more on defense than all of our European allies combined. It's also true that the end of the Cold War has been fiscally disappointing.

But there is no free lunch, even in peacekeeping, and stealing lunch money from strategic readiness is not the answer.

The bipartisan consensus of the commission frames a new middle ground of "liberal hawks." Using military force to preserve human rights will cost money.

Other commission recommendations also warrant debate, including federal support on a broader scale for basic science research and education, strengthening international institutions and taking a more engaging tone toward allies, as well as meeting threats to domestic security through an integrated command structure for federal

RUTH WEDGWOOD

and state agencies. But perhaps the most optimistic note comes from the unified voice of the commission. It is, as Hamilton noted, a consensus document on our common interests, negotiated "at a time when the political dialogue ... is so partisan, so divisive, so discouraging."

Ruth Wedgwood is a professor of international law at Yale and a member of the national security study group for the Hart-Rudman commission. She wrote this commentary for the Los Angeles Times.

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Yugoslavia announces crackdown on opposition

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — The Yugoslav government announced a major crackdown Sunday on the country's main opposition groups, accusing them of masterminding the slaying of a top official in President Slobodan Milosevic's ruling Socialist party — on behalf of NATO.

A day after Bosko Perosevic, 43, head of the Vojvodina provincial government and chief of a Socialist party branch there, was shot and killed while visiting a trade fair, the government claimed the anti-government student organization Opor and the opposition Serbian Renewal Movement party were behind the attack and would be punished.

All who perform activities against the state will be treated in accordance with the law and prevented. The time of their street actions is over," Yugoslav's information Minister Goran Matić said.

Former Japan prime minister dies after stroke

TOKYO — Former Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi, who defied skeptics by lasting far longer in Japan's highest office than anyone expected — in part by turning his lack of natural charm into a public asset — died Sunday, six weeks after suffering a massive stroke and subsequent brain damage. He was 62 and had been in a coma.

Together with the Japanese people, I express my deepest condolences," Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori told reporters. "He dealt decisively with important measures affecting this nation's economic revival as well as its internal and foreign policies."

Guatemalan archaeologists find ancient Mayan city

GUATEMALA CITY — Guatemalan archaeologists have unearthed the initial remains of what they believe to be a Mayan city as large as the sprawling, majestic ruins of the country's infamous Tikal site.

A team of national scientists uncovered the "El Pajamar" ruins in the northern Guatemalan state late last week. The city is from the post-classic period, and is between 70 to 800 years old, said Salvador Lopez, who headed up the effort.

Thousands of Palestinians clash with Israeli soldiers

JERUSALEM — Frustration over stalled negotiations exploded into violence Sunday as thousands of Palestinian protesters clashed with Israeli troops — demonstrations that left one Palestinian dead and about 38 people injured.

In the Gaza Strip, more than 500 Palestinians charged an Israeli army base near the Jewish settlement of Netzarim, hurling stones and Molotov cocktails over the fence. Similar clashes involving thousands of Palestinians took place in the West Bank cities of Nablus and Ramallah, injuring 13 Palestinians, an army officer and a border policeman, none seriously. Those clashes began as marches commemorated Monday's 52nd anniversary of the Nakba, or "catastrophe" — the term Palestinians use to refer to Israel's creation, which displaced hundreds of thousands of Palestinians.

Egyptian building collapses, claims at least 17 lives

CAIRO, Egypt — Dozens of family and friends, their dusty faces streaked with tears, stood stunned outside the remains of a collapsed apartment building Sunday, grieving each victim unearched from the wreckage and questioning who was responsible. By Sunday evening, 17 bodies had been pulled from the wreckage in downtown Cairo, and at least three more people were feared dead behind tons of concrete and metal rods.

'Love Bug' suspect denies all involvement in virus

MANILA, Philippines — Saying he was surprised and hurt to be cited a possible suspect, a young Filipino computer graduate proclaimed his innocence Sunday in the "Love Bug" computer virus outbreak that snarled e-mail worldwide.

Michael Buen became a focus of the "Love Bug" probe last week when officials at the Philippines' AMA Computer College said a program user in his thesis project could have

Leftist icon takes third shot at Mexican presidency

TULA, Mexico (AP) — Passion for the candidate vibrates from the crowd, with racketeering whistles of "yes we can!" as the drums of tacos and cotton candy drift through the trees.

At the center of the festive multitude is Cuauhtemoc Cardenas, a somber leftist who shook Mexico's politics to its roots in 1988 by nearly toppling the Institutional Revolutionary

Party, which has run Mexico since 1929. Many Mexicans — and most in this crowd at Tula — believe — Cardenas won that presidential election, only to be cheated in a notorious fraud.

He tells the crowd he backed away from a frontal challenge of election fraud then because "there were not conditions for the simultaneous mobilization in the entire country." This year, Cardenas assures them, "we have the ability to defend the citizens' vote."

This year, it may not matter. While Cardenas, 66, still draws enthusiastic crowds, he is a twice-defeated candidate running a distant third in the polls. Another candidate — Vicente Fox of the conservative National Action Party — rides the wave of hopes for change.

In a way, things should be easier. In 1988, Cardenas lost a shoestring representing hastily cobbled-together leftist coalition. He faced hostile government-influenced news media. The Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, was powerful throughout the nation.

Cardenas' supporters are cheering for a change in leadership. He tells the crowd he backed away from a frontal challenge of election fraud then because "there were not conditions for the simultaneous mobilization in the entire country." This year, Cardenas assures them, "we have the ability to defend the citizens' vote."

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SPORTS

Ketchum takes Class B district tennis title

The Times-News SUN VALLEY - With 20 Class B state tennis berths up for grabs, Blaine County powerhouse Wood River High School and Ketchum's The Community School made sure they'd be well represented. Combined, the two schools will send 14 representatives to this week's state tournament...

Class B District IV tennis tournament

and a boys' singles player and a mixed doubles team from Sugar-Salem. Leading the way in the girls' singles was defending state champion Lauren Drew, who defeated Wood River's Katie Sanders...

and Carson Sofro, while Cuthroat's Colleen Enright and Lindsay Woodcock exacted revenge for their boys' doubles runmates with a win over Wood River's Erin Bahosky and Aprilia Haggflog. In mixed doubles, The Community School team of Chris McCoy and Tammi Parthen beat Ned Flanagan and Kristen Hanggi of Wood River...

Greg was not expected to go to state and Sarah just played her very best tennis at district. ... The Community School tennis team (Wood River 11-0, Sugar-Salem 2-1, Gooding 2-1, District 11-0) defeated their opponents...

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Hoopsmart summer touney invites entries The third annual Hoopsmart USA summer boys' basketball classic will be held July 6-15 and July 18-25 on the Hawaiian Islands of Oahu. The tournaments will be held on the campus of H.I.L. ... Gooding hosts amateur golf tournament GOODING - The Gooding Golf Course is accepting entries for next weekend's 2000 Gooding Amateur Golf Tournament May 20-21. ... Higgs leads Idaho to IPFL win over Portland BOISE - Idaho Stallions quarterback Albert Higgs rushed for three touchdowns and passed for two more leading Idaho to a 40-31 over Portland Saturday night at Bank of America Centre.

Cardinals outlast Dodgers 12-10

ST. LOUIS (AP) - Mark McGwire homered in his first two at-bats, tying Mickey Vernon for eighth place on the career list with 536, and the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 12-10 Sunday. Craig Fagundes homered in going 5-for-5 with four RBIs. Jim Edmonds also homered and drove in three runs.



St. Louis slugger Mark McGwire connects for his second homer of the game against the Los Angeles Dodgers on Sunday in St. Louis. The Cardinals avoided the series sweep with a 12-10 victory over the Dodgers.

National League KARR - McGwire homered twice for the Dodgers, and Gary Sheffield and Todd Hundley also connected as the teams combined for a Busch Stadium record eighth homers. The previous mark of seven was set April 9 when the Cardinals hit six and the Brewers one. McGwire passed Jimmie Foxx in the first with his 13th homer of the season, a 487-foot drive. Cubs 16, Expos 15 MONTREAL - Henry Rodriguez homered twice and drove in a career-high seven runs for Chicago, but the Montreal Expos pulled off an early triple play and a ninth-inning rally. Sammy Sosa was 5-for-6 with five RBIs for the Cubs. He singled home a run in the ninth and Rodriguez, who went 4-for-6, hit a three-run homer off Dustin Hermanson (4-3) with two outs for a 15-13 lead. The Expos then came back in the bottom half on Rondell White's two-run homer and pinch-hitter Mike Mordecai's single off Rick Aguilera (1-1). Braves 11, Phillies 2 PHILADELPHIA - Chipper Jones homered from both sides of the plate and Andrew Jones missed hitting for the cycle by a single as Atlanta completed a three-game sweep. Chipper Jones hit a two-run homer from the left side against Paul Byrd (1-3) in the first and a solo shot from the right side against Trevor Miller in the seventh. Andrew Jones hit an RBI double in the first, a two-run homer in the second and a triple in the fifth.

Mets 5, Marlins 1 NEW YORK - Mike Piazza hit his 10th career grand slam, a sixth-inning drive off Brad Penny (3-5). Mike Hampton (4-4) allowed eight hits in his first complete game of the season. He struck out five and walked none after coming into the game leading the league with 37 bases on balls.

Pirates 3, Brewers 0 PITTSBURGH - Kris Benson (3-4) won for the third time in four starts, allowing four hits in eight-plus innings. Jeff D'Amico (1-1) allowed two runs - one earned - and six hits in seven innings in his first career start against Pittsburgh. Bruce Aven homered and Valerio de los Santos homered. Rockies 11, Giants 7 DENVER - Todd Helton's RBI double off Livan Hernandez (2-5) put Colorado ahead for good at 7-6 in the seventh, and the Rockies completed a three-game sweep. Helton, who raised his major league-leading average to .417, strained his left hamstring while rounding first and left the game.

Padres 3, Diamondbacks 1 SAN DIEGO - Arizona's team-record winning streak ended at nine as Brian Meadows (4-3) allowed one run and two hits in eight innings. Trevor Hoffman got his sixth save, stopping San Diego's eight-game losing string. Tony Womack hit a leadoff home run on Meadows' second pitch of the game.

Astros 10, Reds 3 HOUSTON - Mitch Melunkey hit a three-run homer and Scott Elarton limited Cincinnati to four hits in seven innings as Houston snapped the Reds' six-game winning streak. Elarton (2-0) allowed two runs, struck out a season high eight and walked five. He protected Houston's four-run lead in the seventh, fanning Dmitri Young with the bases loaded. Young, who was 0-for-4 with a walk, had his career-high 18-game hitting streak - the NL's longest this season - snapped.

Utah All-American chooses BYU SALT LAKE CITY - Garner Meads, a 6-foot-9 standout from Bryan High School in Salt Lake City, will play college basketball at BYU, rejecting offers from Utah and Stanford. Meads said he plans to sign a national letter of intent today. He said BYU coach Steve Cleveland, reached by telephone at the San Francisco airport, "let out a whoop" when Meads gave his decision. "He was very excited that I chose BYU," Meads said. "He said I'll be a really good fit." Meads, a McDonald's All-American and a third-team Parade All-American, is regarded as one of the best players ever produced in Utah. He averaged 22 points and 12 rebounds a game for Brighton as a senior, helping the Bengals reach the Class 5A state championship game. He had surgery April 30 to remove a floating bone fragment in his left knee.

NBA

Continued from B1 they alive. Jason Kidd had his first playoff triple-double and Cliff Robinson, playing despite a sprained ankle, scored a career playoff-high 32 points Sunday as the Suns avoided being swept with a 117-98 rout of the Los Angeles Lakers. It was the most points any team has scored against Los Angeles all season. Kidd, who has 31 career regular-season triple-doubles, had 22 points, a career playoff-high 16 assists and 10 rebounds. Rodney Rogers added 17 points and Penny Hardaway had 16. In the Suns, who beat the Lakers for the first time in eight years, The Lakers still are up 3-1 and can clinch the best-of-seven series with a victory at home Tuesday night, but they looked like that other team from Los Angeles, not the NBA's powerhouse, in this one. Phoenix led by 23 points at halftime and 25 in the third quarter. Shaquille O'Neal, in foul trouble most of the game, scored 24 points, eight below his playoff average, and was 4-for-12 from the free throw line, 1-for-9 in the first half. Kobe Bryant scored 23 points for Los Angeles and Glen Rice added 15. Knicks square with Miami NEW YORK - In a series known more for brutality than beauty, it was only fitting that an ex-football player sealed the victory. Charlie Ward scored a career playoff-high 20 points, including New York's final nine, to lead the Knicks past the Heat 91-83 on Sunday, evening their Eastern Conference semifinal series to two games apiece. The 1993 Heisman Trophy winner was the only Knicks player to score in the final 4.5 minutes, converting two layups, a jumper and a three-pointer.

Boston beats Mussina for first in AL East

BALTIMORE (AP) - Darren Lewis and Brian Daubach homered as the Boston Red Sox moved into first place in the AL East, beating Mike Mussina and the Baltimore Orioles 10-1 Sunday. Boston's season-high fifth straight victory boosted the Red Sox past the New York Yankees, the first time they've stood alone atop the division since last June 8. It also completed Boston's first four-game sweep in Baltimore since 1977. Brian Lee (2-2) won his second straight, while Mussina (1-5) struggled going with two home runs. Tigers 2, Yankees 1 DETROIT - Dave Mikeli (1-6) pitched four and a half innings for the Red Sox, striking out five and walking none in his AL-leading third complete game. Esteban Yan pitched seven strong innings for Tampa Bay but closer Albie Lopez (2-3) couldn't protect a 2-1 lead in the ninth, allowing Alex Gonzalez's RBI single and Darin Fletcher's sacrifice fly. Royals 5, Indians 4 CLEVELAND - Mac Suzuki (1-

American League

0) struck out eight in a career-high 8 1-3 innings. After Jim Thome's two-run homer in the ninth, Jerry Spradlin relieved for his first save since May 25, 1998, with Philadelphia. Chuck Finley (3-3) hit his third straight start, allowing three runs and six hits in seven innings. Mike Sweeney went 4-for-5 with two RBIs, and Joe Randa homered. White Sox 5, Twins 3 CHICAGO - Jose Valentin singled home the go-ahead run in the seventh inning off Brad Radtke (2-4). Undeclared White Sox starter James Baldwin, trying for his eighth victory, wound up with a no-decision. He pitched six innings, allowing three runs and six hits. Kelly Wunsch (2-2) pitched an inning of scoreless relief for his second win in two days. Keith Foulke earned his fifth save.



Boston Red Sox center fielder Darren Lewis leaps to rob Baltimore Orioles' Howard Baines of a home run at the wall in the eighth inning of their game at Camden Yards in Baltimore Sunday.

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Angels 7, Rangers 6

ANAHEIM, Calif. - Troy Glaus and Scott Spiezio hit back-to-back home runs with one out in the ninth inning off Francisco Cordova (1-1). Mo Vaughn homered twice for Anaheim and Garrett Anderson connected once.

Athletics 7, Mariners 2

OAKLAND, Calif. - Jason Giambi hit his major league-leading 16th home run and drove in three runs to increase his total to 46, also tops in baseball. Gil Heredia (5-2) won his fourth straight decision despite dealing with a hamstring injury. He allowed two runs and seven hits in 5 2-3 innings.

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paired with a par on the par-3 17th, the second playoff hole, when his 15-foot birdie putt clipped out.

Love stayed alive with a 20-foot birdie on the same hole, but will look back on two critical misses on the 18th. He had an 8-foot birdie putt in regulation that would have given him his first victory in more than two years.

Love, who was tied for the "third-round lead" with John "Husker" Huston, had a 69. It was seventh time Love has finished second since his victory in the 1998 MCI Classic.

**Hust gives herself Mother's Day gift with win**

FRANKLIN, Tenn. — Pat Hust made her first Mother's Day unforgettable.

With her husband pushing their son around the course in a stroller the final nine holes, Hust won the inaugural Chickadee USA Championship on Sunday for her first LPGA victory since 1998.

"Of course, it's going to be my only first Mother's Day," she said. "And to that here in Nashville on this golf course, to lead from Thursday on, yeah, it

**definitely feels good."**

Hust, who took off four months last year for the birth of her first child, closed with a 2-under-par 70 for a four-stroke, wire-to-wire victory.

Her only serious challenge came from Judy Inkster, who tried to rally from six-shot down. Inkster (69) pulled within two strokes with three holes left before finishing with two bogys for a 72.

Wendy Doolan (69), Michelle McGann (69) and Michele Redman (72) tied for third at 280.

**Scoring errors give Benson and Hedges title to Olazabal**

BUTTON COLDFIELD, England — Jose Maria Olazabal took advantage of the disqualification Sunday of runaway leader Padraig Harrington — who earlier forgot to sign his scorecard — and won the Benson and Hedges International.

A Sunday-par 65 capped by an eagle-3 from 10 feet after a superb approach at the 564-yard 12th hole earned the Spaniard his second victory in the event.

The two-time Masters champion, best playing partner Phillip Price of Wales by three strokes.

Harrington, five shots in front after a third-round 64, was dis-

qualified before he teed off when it was discovered he had not signed his card after his opening 71 on Thursday.

**Irwin wins first title of the year at Nationwide**

ALEXANDRIA, Ga. — Hale Irwin defended his Nationwide Championship title Sunday, using impeccable course management for a 3-under-par 69 and a one-stroke victory over Vincent Fernandez and Tom Jenkins.

A birdie at the par-4 12th moved Irwin to nine under and gave the three-time U.S. Open champion a lead he never relinquished. Irwin closed with six straight pars for a 9-under 207 total, his 26th Senior PGA Tour victory and the first prize of \$217,500.

Irwin needs three more victories to pass Lee Trevino for most wins on the senior tour. His victory at the Golf Club of Georgia last year, which came when he won the par-5 18th by holing a wedge from 74 yards, started a run of five straight wins.

Fernandez and Jenkins, who both started the day behind second-round leader Larry Nelson and one behind Irwin, shot 69s to tie for second at 208.

**Devils gain advantage over Flyers**

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Whether they give up six shots or 36, play tight checking or more widely open, the New Jersey Devils are winning playoff games.

And that's put the Philadelphia Flyers in a familiar position, having to overcome some more adversity.

Petr Bryzkal and Bobby Holik scored in a 25-second span late in the first of a first period and a Martin Brodeur made 35 saves as the Devils used a rare offensive outburst to beat the Flyers 4-1 in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference finals on Sunday.

"Everybody makes us out to be such a defensive team, that we trap all over the place," Devils

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defenseman Ken Danzyko said. "But we've got a lot of offensive ability out there. Today was a good indicator that we can play offensive if need be; and you have to win in this league."

Scott Niedermayer and Claude Lemieux also scored as the Devils won for the ninth straight playoff game and grabbed the lead in the best-of-seven series.

Mark Recchi tallied for the Flyers, who will have to win Game 2 on Tuesday night to avoid falling behind 2-0 at home for the second straight series.

"The way they scored goals is concerning," Recchi said. "We gave the puck up and made mistakes."

The Devils, who shut down Florida and Toronto in the opening two rounds of the playoffs with tight checking, never allowed down 2-0 in Game 1.

The Flyers, who got some unexpected help with the return of Keith Primeau from a concussion, outthrew New Jersey 36-24. It was only the second time the Devils have been outshot in the playoffs, and it came one game after New Jersey set a modern-day NHL record limiting Toronto to six shots in their deflection semifinal clincher on Monday night.

**New No. 1 Norman wins Italian Open**

ROME (AP) — A day after taking over the No. 1 slot in this year's ATP Tour points chart, Magnus Norman proved he belonged there.

The Swede continued his rock-solid play when he defeated Gustavo Kuerten, a Brazilian, in with serious clay-court credentials, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 Sunday to win the Italian Open.

Norman, who overtook Andre Agassi atop the ATP rankings Race with his win in the semifinals, showed he was ready to contend for the big tournaments with the Rome victory.

**Martinez wins German Open singles, doubles titles**

BERLIN — Court Conchita Martinez among the contenders again.

The Spanish veteran, rising in the rankings again, captured her 32nd career title Sunday with an easy victory over Amanda Coetzer.

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Martinez won the battle of 28-year-olds 6-1, 6-2 in a one-sided match at the \$1.08 million event by pounding the South African's backhand with high top-spin shots.

The 1994 Wimbledon champion, Martinez was overjoyed with the victory that lifted her to No. 3 in the Sanex WTA Tour rankings to be released today.

**SCORES AND STATS**

**BASEBALL**

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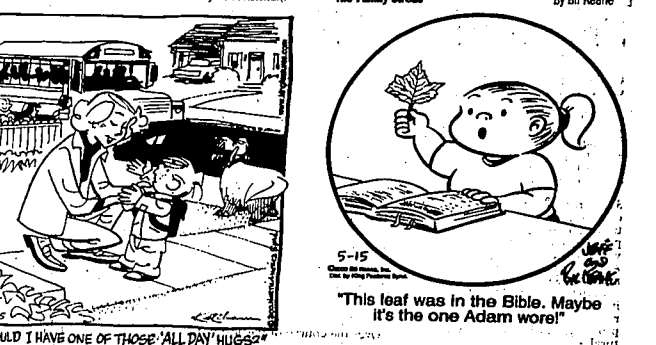


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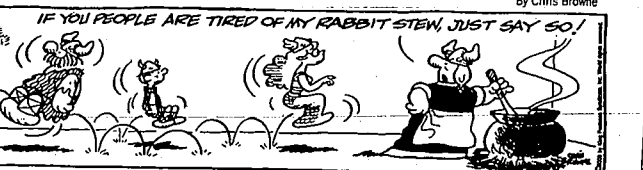
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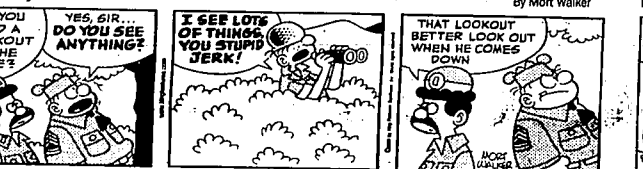
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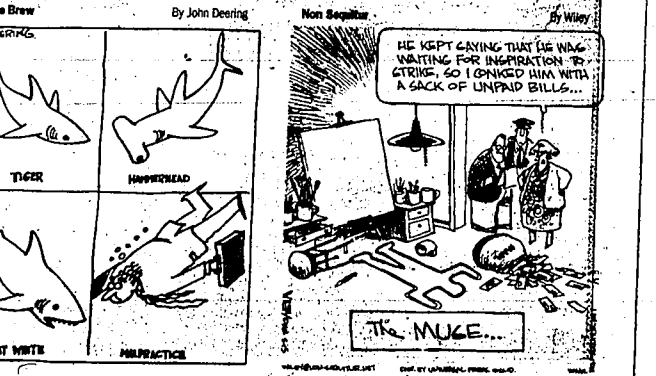


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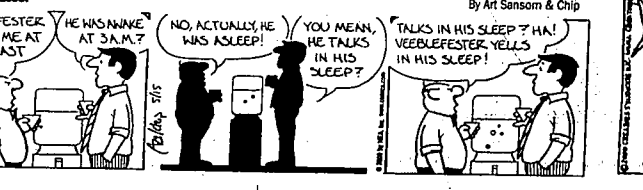
Non Sequiter

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The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip





MORNING BREAK

Storyteller lacks understanding audience

DEAR ABBY: I would like to share my thoughts regarding the 80-year-old talkaholic. This man's wife needs support. Perhaps the wife could ask for "group support" by inviting listeners to raise their hands so the gentleman knows they have heard his stories before and he is talking too much. He knows what he is doing and is taking unfair advantage of his audience and his age. He is not a fragile old man. He is an abuser.



There is no reason why a topic should be discussed only once. My foremost reason for doing this is because, when I reach 70, 80 or 90 (if I'm lucky enough to do so), I hope my friends and relatives will be kind enough to be patient with me.

the letter from the wife complaining about her husband who tells the same stories over and over. I recently wrote something that would answer that letter. It is titled "Blow It Away," and you have my permission to print it if you wish.

Keep what is worthwhile, and with a quiet, patient understanding. BLOW THE REST AWAY. -PHIL SKARIN

DEAR PHIL: Bravo! Your poem seems to have been inspired by the writing of Maria Mulock Craig, whose poetry has been featured in this column.

DEAR DOWN: I strongly disagree. Given the man's age and the description of his behavior, it is possible that he suffers from age-related dementia and is not aware that he is repeating himself. He would not be helpful, it would humiliate him. What's needed is patience, compassion and a medical evaluation. Read on.

It strikes me that the wife and friends are not very social. They are unkind and selfish, thinking only of themselves. What possible harm can there be in letting older people enjoy themselves and spending a few moments paying attention to them? Someday they'll be gone, and you will wish you had been kinder, more patient and more caring.

And is easily blown away. The things people say to us are a lot like the wheat. Some of it has truth and value, and some of it, like the chaff, is worthless.

Sometimes people will tell the same jokes and stories over and over, say provocative things, just to get your attention, quickly overreact to your viewpoints, always play the devil's advocate, or just talk and talk and talk. People usually have a reason for what they say, and we need to listen carefully, and even look behind their words, and between the lines.

AUCTION CALENDAR THROUGH JUNE 7

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MONDAY, MAY 15 - 5:00 PM Woodworking Tools - Household Twin Falls Advertisement: May 13

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FRIDAY, MAY 19 - 7:00 PM Wally Thornton Benefit Auction/Dance Art - Antiques - Donated Items Twin Falls Advertisement: May 17

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FRIDAY, MAY 19 - 11:00 AM Office Furniture & Supplies Auction Heibum Advertisement: May 14 & 17

SATURDAY, MAY 20 - 11:00 AM Laura Colon Larico Estate Household - Collectibles - Twin Falls Advertisement: May 18

SATURDAY, MAY 20 - 10:30 AM Ann Christian Estate Household - Collectibles Shop Equipment - Bully Advertisement: May 17

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Speaker favors HMO bill

WASHINGTON (AP) - In a private White House meeting last week, House Speaker Dennis Hastert told President Clinton he favors HMO legislation that extends new rights to all Americans with insurance...

said Clinton told the speaker that he also would insist on legislation that covers all Americans and that the issue was nearly non-negotiable. The president also said that as long as the bill contains a way to enforce a patient's right, the White House is "open to talk about how it is enforced," said the official speaking on condition of anonymity.

Their meeting occurred the night before a larger session that Clinton convened Thursday with key congressional negotiators on a patients' bill of rights. Clinton said that discussion was designed "to determine what the issues are and what the processes are to resolve them."

In a statement issued after the meeting was under way, Hastert said, "We are very close to completing a balanced bill, one that will address the issue of the uninsured as it addresses the issue of accountability."

Despite Hastert's optimistic statement, progress toward a compromise on the health maintenance organization legislation has been fitful. This is due partly to the wide election-year gulf between Democrats and Republicans and partly to the internal differences among lawmakers of the same party in different houses.

Trial lawyers top list of Dem contributors

The Dallas Morning News

AUSTIN, Texas - Every three months, like clockwork, another \$25 million arrives for the five Texas tobacco lawyers.

So far, the attorneys who handled the state's case against cigarette makers have collected more than \$400 million. And they are spending some of it exactly as the GOP feared - to defeat George W. Bush and fellow Republicans in November.

According to the latest finance reports, the trial lawyers who represented Texas have contributed more than \$20 million in unrestricted soft money to the Democratic Party this election. And they're promising more.

"They've hit a rich vein," said political strategist Robert Alexander, an expert on campaign finance issues. "Certainly the tobacco suits have increased their income by a factor of four or five to one, and they are responding accordingly."

In this year's escalating money chase, the lawyers who make their money suing big business in cases where people say they have been injured or wronged - are among the biggest givers to the Democratic Party. That's the party that says it will be in control of the House and put Vice President Al Gore in the White House.

In Bush, trial lawyers say they see someone who would move nationally as he did in Texas to curb lawsuits against business, curtail legal fees and cap jury awards.

"What I see Governor Bush doing is curbing the rights of individuals against corporate entities. That's what this is about," said Dallas lawyer Fred Baron, the incoming president of the American Trial Lawyers Association. "Whose side are you on: corporations or individuals?"

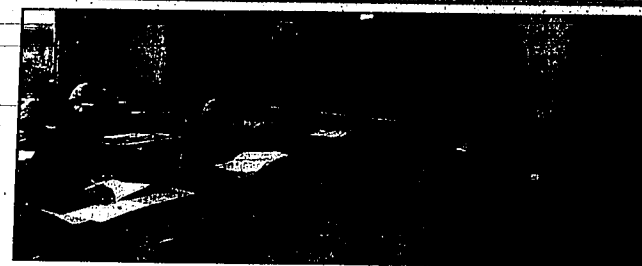
Suspect in O'Hair case goes on trial

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - Five years after they vanished along with \$500,000 in gold coins, the only person ever charged in the disappearance of outspoken atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair and her son and daughter is going on trial in federal court.

There will be no crime scene photos - their bodies were never found. But prosecutors believe O'Hair, who reveled in calling herself the most hated woman in America, was slain, dismembered and buried in 1995.

Gary Frank, 52, is charged with conspiring to kidnap and extort money from O'Hair, her son Jon Garth Murray and her granddaughter Robin Murray O'Hair, whom she had adopted as her daughter.

If convicted at the trial, beginning Monday, Kar could face life in prison.



Anne Marie Sherry, a math teacher at the Whitney M. Young Magnet High School, goes over lessons using a Singapore math book Tuesday in Chicago. Math experts encourage U.S. schools to use the Singapore books because the small southeast Asian country beats the U.S. and the rest of the world in math, hands down.

Teachers look to Singapore

CHICAGO (AP) - In professor Yoram Sagher's classroom, a school math teacher hunches over textbooks, scribbling their way through a tough geometry problem.

His lesson today: If you can't beat 'em, join 'em. The textbooks come from Singapore, the small southeast Asian country whose students beat Americans and the rest of the world hands-down in math.

Education. "One of the effects of these books on all teachers is that they are much more courageous about giving harder problems to students."

Education act sparks fierce battle

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - Without fail every five or six years, Congress has dutifully renewed the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, a durable piece of Great Society legislation that largely shapes the federal role in local schools.

With a Republican-controlled Congress for the first time having a chance to erase the Democratic imprimatur from the 35-year-old law and education ranking as a top campaign issue in opinion polls, the Senate has launched into a broad debate over the sharply different approaches that the political parties would take to leveraging \$34 billion a year in federal funds to improve the nation's schools.

Senate Republican leaders are proposing wholesale change, erasing the states from long-standing federal rules about how the money should be spent and allowing governors to pursue their own spending priorities on education. Democrats, meanwhile, would preserve the law's traditional focus on helping disadvantaged students and adding refinements designed to make federal school aid more effective than it has been.

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Newly expert concrete and backhoe worker. Must have drivers license and own tools. Job includes excavation, setting and pouring foundation, putting in walls, steps and sidewalks, garage floors, sewer/water lines. Pays by the piece work. Call 886-7182.

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Needed at Western Cafe. Full time day & night positions available. Experience helpful but will train 2nd shift person. Apply in person at: 115 N Main St. 733-3598 Ketchum, ID.

COUNSELOR
Specialist, supervisor/counselor at-risk youth in Rupert area residential facility. BA in human services field preferred. Must have good written, verbal skills. Please send resume & family, work as team member. Competitive salary & benefits. Letter of interest & resume to: Id. Youth Ranch, 1275 N. 400 E. Rupert, ID 83350

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Great opportunity! Give away free 18" Satellite Dish. Commission on sale. Call 878-2242

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Delivery Driver. Immediate opening for the following position: This position is FT with growth potential. Candidate must have a good driving record, work history and attitude. High school or GED. Health and Dental. 401K and more. CDL preferred. Please send applications to: Hayden Delivery Company, Attn: Dr. Steve, 1818 S. State, Boise, ID 83715-5610, or fax to 226-733-0400

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FT & PT Dietary Aide/Server. Good position available. No experience necessary. Please apply at: 1818 S. State, Boise, ID 83301

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Seeking quality driver. Header exp. No. Benefits. Stable. Call Brett, 5pm-8pm. 208-829-5227

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Diesel truck driver needed. Must have CDL. Call 543-8974 or 543-8777

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Hotel driver with CDL/A license, includes mechanic work, starting wage. Call: Clear Lake Country Club, 403 Clear Lakes Lane, Buhl, ID.

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Kinberly School District is hiring for a (8) English teacher for 2nd grade, one for 3rd grade, one for 4th grade, one for 5th grade, one for 6th grade, one for 7th grade, one for 8th grade, one for 9th grade, one for 10th grade, one for 11th grade, one for 12th grade. Salary: \$34,000 - \$42,000. Call: 226-733-0400

ELECTRICIAN
Industrial licensed electrician needed at Idaho food processing facility in Gooding, Idaho. Day shift, some weekend work. Excellent benefits & compensation pkg. for qualified candidate. Send resume with salary req. to: Glanbia Foods, Inc., 1373 Fillmore St., Twin Falls, ID 83301

LANDSCAPE LABORER
Wanted. Exp. preferred. Apply in person: 2862 Addison Ave. E. FT. LABORER/Mechanics helper, around mining equipment. \$10.00/hr. 788-4525

LABORERS AND PRODUCTION
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LEGAL SECRETARY
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Now accepting applications for: Landscaping, Forklift, Greenhouse, Part-Time, Full-Time, Temporary or Permanent. Call: 733-3855

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COOKING
Electrician/Journeyman Electrician with industrial experience preferred. Day shift with some weekend work. Top pay for qualified candidates. Maintenance Technicians: Prefer PLC troubleshooting experience. Must be willing to work nights. Machine Operators: Must be mechanically inclined and willing to work nights. Starts at \$9 to \$10 per hour.

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GENERAL
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FT w/benefits. Must have experience & positive work ethic. Over 21 yrs. Able to work w/out. Apply/drop resume to: 400 E. Rupert, ID 83350

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Customer Service. Work locally, Monday through Friday. Employment Solutions 733-9777

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SALES
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### GOODING (5)

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1000-2000 California Street  
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1000-1400 Idaho St.  
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### TWIN FALLS (6)

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THE TIMES-NEWS CURRENTLY HAS THE FOLLOWING INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER ROUTES ON THE WEST SIDE OF TWIN FALLS

**ROUTE 800**  
Skyline Trailer Park

**ROUTE 801**  
Aspen Street  
Cascado Street  
Cottonwood Street  
Skyline Drive

**ROUTE 802**  
Pheasant Fr. West  
Twin Circle Drive  
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**ROUTE 803**  
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Cordova Ave.  
Coronado Ave.  
El Camino Ave.  
Skyline Drive

**ROUTE 805**  
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300-600 Blk. 3rd Ave. W.  
200-600 Blk. 4th Ave. W.

**ROUTE 810**  
400 Blk. Caswell Ave. W.  
Paradise Place  
Rosa Street North

**ROUTE 816**  
200 Elm St. 500 4th Ave. N.  
200-600 Blk. 5th Ave. N.

**ROUTE 865**  
Fairbush Ave.  
100-200 Blk. Camoy  
Casa Grande Court  
500 Blk. Shoup Ave. W.

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Park Meadows Circle  
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Park Way Circle  
1000-Park Way Drive

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D. St. - Sharon Heights

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### TWIN FALLS (7)

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**ROUTE 713**  
1200-1500 blk Evergreen Drive  
1200-1400 blk Hwy 101  
1100-1600 blk Juniper St. N.  
1100 blk Locust St. N.

**ROUTE 714**  
800 blk Elm St. N.  
700-800 blk Walnut St.

**ROUTE 715**  
1200-1400 blk Wilmore Ave.

**ROUTE 757**  
700-800 blk Min. View Drive  
2018-2100 blk Rancho  
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500-800 blk Antisite Blvd. North

**ROUTE 758**  
1100-1400 blk Alta Dr.  
1100-1400 blk Fremont Dr.

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500-600 blk Lynwood Drive  
1200-1400 blk Spruce Ave.

**ROUTE 763**  
2100 Blk Crosswood Dr.  
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**ROUTE 788**  
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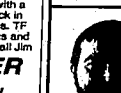
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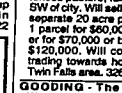
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# THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolf

Two swift arrivals on Sunday at too slow a pace... Shakespere

Whenever possible, a wise declarer will take what he can win when to lose a trick. It is not always best to win a trick at the earliest opportunity. Often, especially at trick one, his principle is overlooked and may well lead to a lost contract.

Today's deal provides a good example. After dummy came down, South surveyed his chances and realized he was a big favorite to make his game and, perhaps, an overtrick if either the spade king or diamond ace were favorably placed, he could lose no more than three tricks.

Sensing a danger, South hastily took East's club queen and cashed his ace at trick three of trumps. Next, he took a spade finesse, losing to East's king. East returned a club to West's king, and it was easy for West to find the diamond shift. This led to a speedy one down in a game South should have made.

To secure the game, South should have taken the water East's club queen at trick one. East would rather than return a club, and South wins his ace. South runs his spade jack at trick three, and East wins his spade's game. East has no entry to the West hand for the critical diamond shift, and the defenders can win only three tricks.

Whenever possible, look ahead for hidden dangers. More games are lost by hasty play at trick one than at any other time.

**NOBLE** ♠ 10 6  
♥ Q 10 9  
♦ K 8 5  
♣ 9 5 3

**WEST** ♠ 3 2  
♥ 10 9 8 7  
♦ Q 9 3  
♣ K 10 8 7 2

**EAST** ♠ 9 5 4  
♥ 10 9 8 7  
♦ A 10 6 5  
♣ A 4

**SOUTH** ♠ 7  
♥ K J 8 7 6  
♦ A 7 3  
♣ 4 2

Vulnerable: East-West  
Dealer: South

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♣ Pass 1♠ Pass 2♣ Pass 3♣ Pass

Opening lead: Club seven  
LEAD WITH THE ACES  
South holds:  
♠ Q J 10 9  
♥ Q 7  
♦ K J 8 3 2  
♣ 9 3

East South West North  
1NT 2♣ 2♠ 3NT All pass

ANSWER: Diamond trick. West probably has four spades; hope for partner to hold either the ace or queen of diamonds.

Send brief questions or requests for more tips of Aces to: Bobby Wolf, 1000 N. 2nd St., Twin Falls, ID 83141. Author's book, "The Aces on Bridge," is available at \$19.95. Copyright © 1999, United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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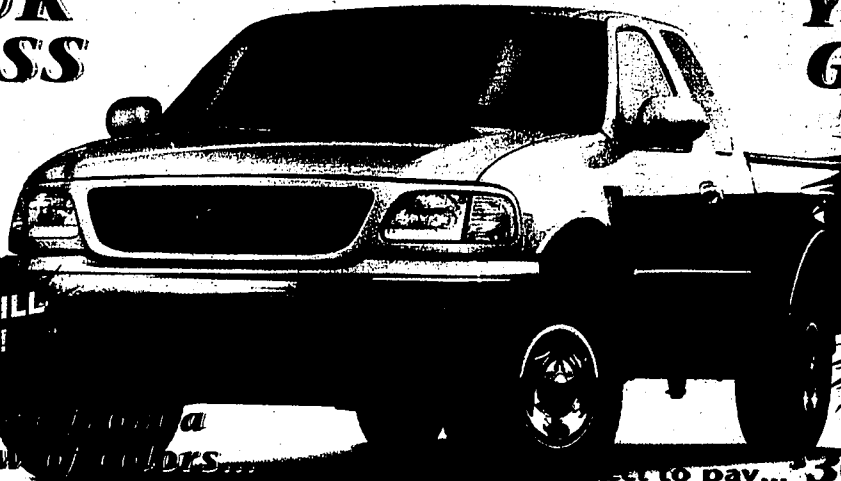
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