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Feds take on Shovel Brigade

The Associated Press

RENO, Nev. — The federal government has sued a citizens group for trespassing in its Independence Day rally intended to assert local rights on a washed-out dirt road along a remote stream that's home to the threatened bull trout.

U.S. government sues, claiming trespassing

More recently, it has come to symbolize the friction between some rural westerners and the federal government over the control of public lands, which make a trespass charge stick. The question of who controls South Canyon Road has been a point of contention — and litigation — for years between Elko County and the U.S. government.

prompted the peaceful July 4 demonstration led by the Shovel Brigade citizens group. The group took its name after sympathizers donated hundreds of shovels for an earlier failed effort to reopen the road.

Last month hundreds of protesters from across the nation converged on tiny Jarbidge, Nev., near the Idaho border, to reopen the washed out road

despite warnings from the Forest Service that the work could threaten the survival of the bull trout's southernmost U.S. population by damaging the stream bed and adding silt to the river.

"It's our theory that they still have to get a permit to go on Forest Service land to do the work they did," Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven Myhre said Thursday.

The Fish and Wildlife Service declared the fish threatened two years ago, entitling it to the protection of the Endangered Species Act. The law prohibits any action that would harm a protected species, include destruction of its habitat. Jan South Canyon Road was cut out in a 1955 flood. Locals claim the Forest Service has no jurisdiction over the road because it was there long before Congress established the national forest in the early 1900s.

RECALL REACTION



Chris Farnsworth, front, and Matt Jacobson, tire technicians at Commercial Tire in Twin Falls on Kimberly Road, replace tires for a customer who had Firestone tires that are part of a large national recall. The voluntary recall involves some 6 1/2 million tires.

Firestone action hits area dealers

By Rachel Denny
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Local Firestone tire dealers are preparing for an onslaught of customers returning tires, after Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. voluntarily began recalling 6 1/2 million tires for light trucks and sport utility vehicles Wednesday.

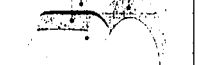
Already, local dealers have fielded a barrage of phone calls from worried customers, and have started to replace tires. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has received 270 complaints about failing

Recall and replace

As the government begins an investigation of complaints about failing Firestone truck tires, the company announced a recall on Wednesday of about 6.5 million tires.

Reports allege that the treads of some Firestone tires, similar in build to the one drawn above, pool away from the tire's body.

Tread
Steel belts
Radial body plies
Sidewall



Firestone truck tires, which have been linked to a reported 46 deaths and 80 injuries, the Associated Press reported.

"We have had a ton of calls, we had 50 calls just last night," said Dale Cooper, service manager at Jules Harrison Ford, an authorized Firestone dealer. "We have barely got the information. Firestone hasn't sent us anything yet. Ford did take action immediately because they know any safety issue isn't good."

Thursday, Jules Harrison Ford changed three full sets of Firestone tires, Cooper said. Commercial Tire, also an authorized dealer, has changed five or six sets, said Randy Terry, Twin Falls area manager for Commercial Tire.

"There is a need for concern," Terry said. "People need to be

replaced. The estimated price tag is \$85 million and likely would be financed through bonds. It would cost the state about \$7.8 million a year for 19 years to pay off that large a bond issue.

"And that's not even talking operational costs," Spalding said. Those could run nearly \$20 million a year.

The state will spend \$44 million in general tax revenue on its existing system this year, up 20 million from just three years ago.

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Questions surround fatal I-84 accident involving cow

By Brandon Flala
Times-News writer

WENDELL — It was unclear Thursday how a cow managed to get onto Interstate 84 the night before, prompting an accident that left an Oregon man dead and two women injured.

Police don't know who owned the cow, or how it got onto the interstate west of Wendell.

Eyewitnesses sought in second accident

Police want to talk to the driver of a light blue Buick, which might have been involved in a second fatal car accident near Wendell Thursday.

Anyone who saw a car fitting that description on Interstate 84, about a mile east of Wendell, at around 10:50 a.m. Thursday, is asked to call the Gooding County sheriff's office at 934-4421.

At 9:11 p.m. Wednesday, a 1994 Acura driven by Larry W. Moore, 62, of Corvallis, Ore., was eastbound on I-84 when a cow wandered into the lane of traffic, the ISP said in a news release.

Moore was pronounced dead at the scene. Passenger Marjean D. Moore, 60, also of Corvallis, was taken to Gooding Memorial Hospital where she was kept

Thursday. "I've been here nine years, but I don't recall anything quite like this."

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Buchanan calls for 'godly nation'

The Associated Press

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan pledged Thursday to make "America a godly nation again" by cracking down on abortion and "rampant homosexuality" if he makes it to the White House.

The conservative former Republican issued his personal manifesto as his adopted party opened its convention by fracturing into two separate meetings — Buchanan backers and those of party founder Ross Perot.

Rival faction wants Reform Party to avoid such social issues

is silent on what have come to be called the social, cultural and moral issues. I do not believe presidential candidates can remain silent," Buchanan wrote.

His "Statement of Personal Belief" stands in sharp contrast to the third party's platform, which calls for campaign finance and other government reforms. Instead,

Buchanan pins the foundation of his campaign on social issues, pledging to eradicate late-term and taxpayer-funded abortions and to bar homosexuals from military service.

"I will put moral authority of the office behind the causes of life, faith and country, and support a rule of law based on a moral order that is rooted in Biblical truth and the laws written by God on the human heart," Buchanan said in the statement.

The statement confirmed the fears of Buchanan's opponents, led by



Reform Party hopeful Pat Buchanan prepares for a news conference Thursday in Long Beach, Calif.

"While the Reform Party platform

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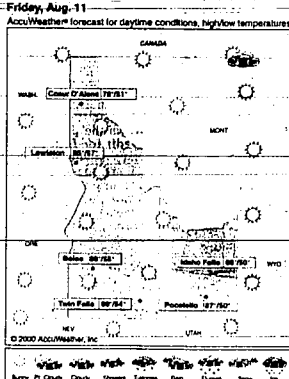
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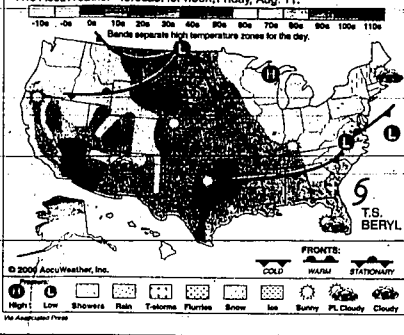
MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain, along with high/low temperatures and brief weather descriptions.

Idaho weather



National weather



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FIRE DANGER

The BLM's fire danger in South-Central Idaho is: Mountains: High Prairies: High

SKYWATCH

Sunset today: 8:46 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 6:41 a.m. Lunar phase: Full, Aug. 15; last quarter, Aug. 22; new, Aug. 29; new quarter, Sept. 5.

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ACROSS THE NATION

Nation: Sunny skies dominated the Northeast and much of the West Thursday, while strong thunderstorms drenched parts of the Southeast. A cool front moved off the East Coast, giving way to partly to mostly sunny skies, although clouds and showers lingered in Maine. In West Virginia, homeowners were cleaning up downed tree limbs left behind by at least four tornadoes. Showers and occasional strong storms swept through the Southeast, with up to two-thirds of an inch of rain in parts of Tennessee, South Carolina and Georgia.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Table with columns for Twin Falls, Idaho, and the Nation. Rows include Yesterday, Last year, Normal, and various weather metrics like precipitation, highs/lows, and comfort factors.

Report: Metal lead to Concorde fuel leak

PARIS (AP) — A fuel leak that led to the fiery crash of an Air France Concorde jet was probably caused by a strip of metal left on the runway where the supersonic jet took off, investigators said Thursday. The 16-inch metal piece probably punctured one of the jet's tires, sending chunks of rubber flying into the jet fuel tanks. The debris — some weighing nine pounds or more — was projected outward and damaged one or several fuel reservoirs on the plane's left wing, causing "a very important fuel leak and fire," said a statement from the Transport Ministry's Accident and Inquiry Office. The statement, which said the plane was traveling at 195.5 mph at the time the tire burst, shed more light on why the Air France Concorde crashed outside Paris on July 25, plowing into a hotel and killing 113 people. But it said the exact chain of events that brought the plane down remains to be determined, and that experts still must confirm their theory that the stray 16-inch-long metal piece was responsible for the tragedy. It also did not say where the metal might have come from. Air France's five remaining supersonic Concorde jetliners have been grounded since the crash, though British Airways' fleet of seven Concorde continues to fly. French Transport Minister Jean-Claude Goyssot has said the Air France Concorde will not fly again until experts understand exactly what caused the accident. Investigators on Thursday resumed gathering debris from the site where the Concorde plunged into a hotel in the town of Gonesse. The work had been halted a week ago after cancer-causing asbestos from the doomed aircraft was found in the engines, officials said. Meanwhile, a report in the British publication New Scientist raised questions about the needle-nosed jet's engines. According to the publication, a 1998 study commissioned by British Airways shows 55 "significant risks" inherent in the design of the Concorde engines. The publication quoted a spokeswoman for British Airways as saying a joint program was under way with Air France to eliminate risks that could lead to a catastrophe. However, New Scientist reported that some of the risks identified in the study — including uncontrolled fire and multiple engine failure — figured into last month's crash.

Prisons

Continued from A1 even more cell space must be considered, calling prisons a growth industry. That \$50 million facility was financed with bonds that are costing the state \$4 million a year to retire in 20 years. It costs about \$11 million a year to operate it. At its own meeting Thursday morning, the board agreed to assess proposals being floated by several counties to build large combination jail-prisons, possibly 1,000 beds, that would house both state and local prisoners. Townsend questioned whether the state should guarantee its use of a minimum number of those cells as might well be required, but "I don't think we should rule it out, out of hand." "It might help," he said, "but it wouldn't address the kind of population growth we're looking at." In the five weeks since the new 1,250-bed prison has been opened, the department has moved over 800 inmates in, bringing back the last 600 who had been housed in New Mexico and beginning to reduce the backlog of prisoners in the county jails to 200. There were 390 in jail cells on Thursday, and prison officials are transferring them at 40 a week. The system also picked up another 30 inmates in July, pushing it over 5,000 for the first time. The new prison will be filled before next summer, officials predict. In the past two years, the prison population grew by 1,200 — enough to fill the new prison — and Spalding there is nothing to indicate that pace will slacken. "You're going to be in a design-build mode from here on," he told the board. "We've come from just seven years ago from a no-build mentality. We're still trying to climb out of that."

Reform

Continued from A1 party officials who helped found the organization in its Headier days when Perot captured 19 percent of the vote in 1992. The party has taken a hands-off approach to social issues, believing government should have no role in such personal matters. "I don't think it's going to serve any purpose, saying things like that, which are just inflammatory," said Stanley Spink, a delegate from North Kingstown, R.I., who opposes Buchanan. The battle for control of the party is aimed partly at gaining \$12.5 million in federal funds that go with the Reform Party nomination. Allies of Perot, who has stayed silent, have rallied around little-known candidate John Hagelin as the only alternative to Buchanan. Hagelin appeared to respond to Buchanan in his own speech to more than 1,000 people in the breakaway convention next door. The path to victory is "not through a message of exclusivity and intolerance, not through embroiling ourselves in divisive social issues," he said. "But by putting forth an inclusive message, a broad-based platform of commonsense reforms, that the overwhelming majority of people support."

Accident

Continued from A1 overnight and released Thursday, Hotchkiss said. Another passenger, Florence B. Moore, 80, of Rigby, was first taken to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, then taken by ambulance to St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, where she was listed in serious condition Thursday afternoon, a health unit coordinator said. The Moore's relationship are not known, Hotchkiss said. All three were wearing seat belts. The Idaho Transportation Department fences off all interstates, said Lytle Gaskill, maintenance coordinator for the department. He said he didn't know if a fence was down, or if there was a break in the area. "It happens once in a while," Gaskill said. "Cows are capable of tearing down a fence, but it's not a regular occurrence." Also, fences can't be placed around interstate exits and entrances, he said.

The department is responsible for repairing fences. "It's a priority, kind of like when a stop sign is down," Gaskill said. A second, unrelated fatal accident occurred Tuesday near Wendell Thursday morning. At about 10:50 a.m. Thursday, Erin Holloway, 17, of Wendell, was eastbound on I-84, about one mile east of Wendell, when she lost control of her car and rolled. Goshoot County Sheriff Bill Gough said. Holloway was pronounced dead at the scene, Gough said. Holloway was the only person in the car. An eyewitness told police that a light blue Buick in front of Holloway slowed down or braked, Gough said. In response, Holloway also braked. "(Holloway) slammed on her brakes, lost control, went off the right side and rolled," Gough said. Police found skid marks, he said. The light blue car didn't stop and police have no more information about the car, Gough said.

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CORRECTION

A headline in Thursday's paper incorrectly identified the occupation of Ardele Hanson of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Hanson, honored Wednesday by the hospital, is a medical technologist. The Times-News regrets the error.

Tires

Continued from A1 looking at it." The recall involves all size P235/55R15 Firestone radial ATX and ATX II tires produced in North America, and Wilderness AT tires produced at the company's Decatur, Ill., plant with the code "VD," the company said. The recall will be conducted in three phases with the first replacements to be offered in Arizona, California and Texas, followed by a second phase in Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Missouri. Recall will follow in the rest of the country, according to the Associated Press. This doesn't mean Twin Falls motorists won't be able to get replacement tires, Cooper said. "People need to come in and have their tires inspected so we can make sure they're the right tire," he said. "We're ordered

tires in that size already to substitute the Firestone tires. We are substituting with a better tire. There is a shortage all over the country in that size. "As soon as we get our shipment we will replace those tires free of charge. If someone has had to replace their tires due to a blowout and they have their receipt they can be reimbursed free of charge," Cooper added. Firestone has said it will first supply new tires to stores in the states involved in the first and second phase of the recall. Ford has said they can be reimbursed. "There may eventually be a shortage of tires in that size," Terry said. "We're just trying to take care of the customers. If they have a complaint we're here to help them take care of that problem. Are they getting hard to find? No. I believe Firestone's going to take care of us, we're supposed to take care of the customer and Firestone will take care of us."

LOTTERY UPDATE. Congratulations to the lucky \$100,000 POWERBALL WINNER that purchased a ticket at Paul's market in McCall! BIG PICK 3 WINNER! Don Finney won \$1000 playing Idaho Pick 3 Lotto. He bought his winning ticket from the Cuck Stop in Hayden. www.idaholottery.com

Clinton says he's grateful for forgiveness

SOUTH BARRINGTON, Ill. — Baring his soul before thousands of evangelical ministers, President Clinton said Thursday he feels "this overwhelming sense of gratitude" to have gained a measure of forgiveness from Americans for his affair with Monica Lewinsky.

Clinton sat before an audience of about 4,500 with the Rev. Bill Hybels, senior pastor of Willow Creek Community Church and a Clinton adviser since 1992, for his most revealing discussion ever about his spiritual struggles since his affair with Lewinsky, a former White House intern, nearly brought down his presidency.

Turning a conference of evangelicals into a public confession, he called the affair "a terrible mistake."

His utterances could have a political impact, too: Vice President Al Gore, a week away from his nomination as the Democratic standard-bearer to succeed Clinton, has suffered in the polls from being tied to a president whose job approval is high but whose ethics have drawn widespread scorn.

"I feel much more at peace than I used to," Clinton told the clergymen, among 11,000 attending a ministers' leadership conference. "I don't think anybody can say, 'Hey, the state of my spiritual life is great.' I don't think that's true. It's always a work in progress."

"It may be that I didn't get knocked down ... I might not have had to really deal with it 100 percent," Clinton said, in apparent reference to his impeachment by the House of Representatives.

"In a funny way, when you feel



President Clinton answers a question Thursday from Senior Pastor Bill Hybels during a question and answer session at Willow Creek Association Leadership Summit in South Barrington, Ill. The summit is one of the nine conferences to take place at Willow Creek in 2000, each addressing a specific aspect of church life.

there is nothing left to hide, it sort of frees you up to do what you ought to be doing anyway. I feel this overwhelming sense of gratitude. I also learned a lot about forgiveness."

He said more than 60 percent of Americans have "stuck with me."

As for people who say he never really apologized for what he did, Clinton said those who saw his nationally televised confession — and watched him cope with the impeachment crisis — could not

possibly doubt his sincerity.

"There was a time when I was upset about it. But then I realized that was another form of defensiveness," Clinton said. "... It's just a crutch for not dealing with what you're supposed to be dealing with. So I just let it go. I hope people can see it's different."

The president revealed that he became a Christian in 1955 as a 9-year-old and, at age 11 or 12, was impressed with the Rev. Billy Graham's stand against holding one of his famous cru-

sades before a segregated audience in Little Rock, Ark.

"Billy Graham ... had a profound impact on me, got me to thinking at an early age about (the connection) between your faith and your work," Clinton said. He said he even sent Graham a share of his allowance.

Shortly after admitting to the affair with Lewinsky in August 1998, Clinton received counseling from a trio of ministers, who agreed not to reveal what they discussed with him.

President gives economics lesson to college student

CHICAGO (AP) — President Clinton, whose capacity for discourse on almost any subject amazes even his close aides, delivered an impromptu economics lesson Thursday courtesy of an indebted college student named Heather Ely.

He cited Ely as an example of the many opportunities available to young people in a booming economy, and an unwitting victim of success.

Clinton said that Ely, who will be a senior at DePaul University this fall, "actually got hurt by the prosperity of the economy," which, the president, takes large credit for fostering over more than seven years in office. Clinton spoke at DePaul during a discussion, arranged by the White House, of education costs.

Some of the \$25,000 Ely has borrowed for school so far came from private bank loans with variable interest rates. She also has low, fixed-rate federal loans.

During her time in school, interest rates on the variable loans have shot up, she told the president. "I worry how I am going to pay it back when I get out of school," Ely said.

Clinton then began a lengthy explanation of why and how

interest rates rise in a good economy and the "unintended consequences."

"What happened was, when the economy started growing so fast, interest rates went up because there was a lot of competition for money and because the Federal Reserve got worried about inflation," Clinton said.

"It's a good thing to have growth without inflation, but if you have to get it by raising the interest rates, you have all these unintended consequences," Clinton said.

Although he frequently says he never interferes with the rate decisions of Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan, Clinton could not resist a small editorial aside.

"When people raise interest rates, they think, 'I'm going to do this to slow down the economy, so I'll stop people from buying optional things, or I'll defer the business loan for expansion,'" Clinton said.

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Reno to evaluate FBI system

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department will hire a major university to conduct an independent analysis of the FBI's "Carnivore" e-mail surveillance system, Attorney General Janet Reno said Thursday.

"The university review team will have total access to any information they need to conduct their review," Reno told her weekly news conference.

The team report will be made public and a review team of top government officials will ask privacy and law enforcement experts to comment before making a final recommendation to Reno.

Researchers find good, bad news in fat study

WASHINGTON (AP) — In America's endless search for a magic pill to shrink the waistline, researchers have found a "fat switch" — a protein that causes developing cells to become either muscle or fat.

But unfortunately, the "fat switch" protein does not offer the promise of an eternally slim body, say University of Michigan Medical School researchers.

"If you could see my midriff, you would know that breaks my heart," says Ormond A. MacDougall, one of the scientists. In a study appearing today in the journal Science, co-authors MacDougall and Sarah E. Ross report that a protein called Wnt-1b would know that a muscular switch to determine which developing cells become fat and which become muscle.

Reno. "I would hope we could do it quickly," Reno said. Assistant Attorney General Steve Colgate, a career official who is supervising the review and will chair the department review committee, said Reno might be able to choose a university in 10 days and that final recommendations from the university and from the department panel might reach her by Dec. 1.

"Carnivore" is the name for an FBI system for monitoring e-mail transmissions that has caused an uproar in Congress and among privacy and civil liberties advocates.

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Perseid meteor visits this weekend

DALLAS — You don't need any fancy equipment to enjoy the Perseid meteor shower this weekend.

"I tell people to go out into the country, make friends with a few cows, lay out on a blanket or a lounge chair, have a nice, cool drink and simply look up," said Wilgus Burton, planetarium director for the Garland School District in Dallas.

Weather permitting, the weekend should be best for viewing, especially between midnight and dawn. The Perseid meteor shower rains through the sky every year at this time as the Earth travels through debris left behind by the comet Swift-Tuttle.

The comet last passed by the sun in 1992. This year, the planet entered the river of dust July 27 and won't emerge until Aug. 24. On-peak evenings, 100 to 150 meteors may be ablaze every hour about 100 miles overhead, Burton said. In light-polluted skies, people can usually see only a fraction of those, perhaps a few each hour. Most meteors are produced by particles smaller than a Rice Krispie, but they travel faster than 1,000 mph.

Navy helicopter crashes; two rescued, four missing

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas — A U.S. Navy helicopter with six people on board crashed in the Gulf of Mexico on Thursday morning. Two crew members were rescued from a raft and four were missing.

Several Coast Guard and Navy craft, including three helicopters, a jet and a patrol boat and the USS Clinton minesweeper, searched for the missing crew members Thursday afternoon.

The two injured were taken to Spohn Memorial Hospital in Corpus Christi. Their precise condition was not immediately known, but Coast Guard Lt. Cmdr. Jan Johnson said the injuries were "critical enough to warrant being transported directly to a hospital."

The crew was aboard an H-53 helicopter that crashed about 11 a.m. some 15 nautical miles (roughly 17 miles) offshore, Johnson said. They were from the HM-15 squadron, which is based at Corpus Christi Naval Air Station, and typically takes part in mine-sweeping operations.

Russians refuse American inmate U.S. physician

WASHINGTON — Russia on Thursday refused a request to have a U.S. embassy physician in Moscow visit an imprisoned Pennsylvania businessman, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said.

"We have raised this issue repeatedly with senior Russian officials," Boucher said. "We have made clear they bear the responsibility for protecting the welfare of American citizens detained in Russia."

The businessman, Edmund Pope, who has bone cancer that is in remission, was arrested four

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months ago on charges of stealing military secrets. He was gathering information on a commercially advertised torpedo. No trial date has been set.

Boucher said the Russians maintain only consular officials not other diplomats can make prison visits.

Civil rights group finds teen's death suspicious

JACKSON, Miss. — The Rev. Jesse Jackson's civil rights organization plans to conduct its own investigation into the hanging death of a black Mississippi teenager, saying authorities moved too quickly to rule it a suicide.

Jackson and the family of 17-year-old Raynard Johnson contend the young man was lynched by people who disapproved of his friendships with white girls in the rural community of Kokomo.

Two autopsies, including one commissioned by the family, found no evidence of a struggle, and investigators have said their findings also indicated Johnson killed himself. Authorities have said Johnson's girlfriend broke up with him shortly before he was found hanging from a small pecan tree in his front yard on June 16.

In a telephone news conference from Washington, Jackson said his investigators have identified at least 15 people who could have had something to do with Johnson's death. He did not name them.

Amtrak breaks 10-year record for riders in July

WASHINGTON — Amtrak is routing 10-year highs in riders and revenue last month as proof that it is on the way to financial health.

The national railway recorded 2,953,996 passengers in July, the highest monthly ridership since August of 1990. Amtrak took in \$107.2 million in July, an increase of 11.6 percent over July a year ago. It marked only the second time Amtrak has brought in more than \$100 million in a month.

Amtrak did not release information on how its expenses changed over the same period. Amtrak has consumed more than \$22 billion in government subsidies since its creation in 1971 and acknowledges it will lose money again this year. It is under a congressional mandate to wean itself from federal operating subsidies by 2003.

Still, Amtrak officials hailed the results as proof that recent initiatives are succeeding.

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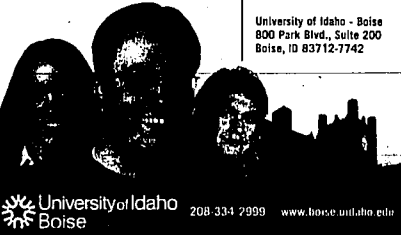
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Officials: NASA will send two new landers to Mars in year 2003

WASHINGTON (AP) — NASA, still recovering from back-to-back Mars mission failures last year, plans to double up on a 2003 landing expedition by sending a pair of wheeled robots to search for evidence of water on the Red Planet.

Two spacecraft, each carrying identical roving robots, will be launched in 2003 and then bounce 18 days apart in January 2004, to beach ball-like landings on Mar, agency officials said Thursday.

Sending two spacecraft, offi-

cialists said, will double the chances of success and shed more light on fundamental questions about Mars.

Two separate Mars exploration craft, including a lander, failed last year, forcing a reorganization of NASA's Martian program.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration already had planned to send one robot explorer. But Edward Weiler, head of NASA's office of space science, said that "celestial mechanics" — an unusual alignment of Mars and the Earth in

2003 — made a second mission an attractive and economical option. "If you have an opportunity for surface science on Mars, then maybe it is a good idea to do two landers," Weiler said at a news conference.

Weiler said that in the wake of last year's failures, NASA has added some new managerial positions and plans to provide more funds for testing and to solve any problems. For this reason, he said, the new Mars missions will be "slightly more expensive" than before the reorganization.

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NATION

L.A. and Democrats renew old friendship

By Reed Johnson
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The Playboy Mansion party hounds are hopping with anticipation. An ex-prostitute turned onetime Libertarian Party hopeful is urging call girls to "minimize their risks" when scoping out the action around Staples Center because "an election year is a very hot year." The L.A.-based Advocate, the nation's oldest gay and lesbian-oriented news magazine, is busily interviewing out-of-town convention delegates. And a University of Southern California sexologist is declaring that, in Los Angeles, "the sexual future will be seeing a woman's sexual future."

In case you were too busy watching Briney Spears' navel to notice, the Democrats are coming to town. And, boy, has L.A.'s sex life, along with the nation's sense of erotic right and wrong, changed since the party of Bill Clinton last bedded down here en masse.

Marilyn Monroe was already an F. Kennedy's main Hollywood squeeze, but Beverly Hills' own Monica Lewinsky was barely a gleam in her parents' eyes when Los Angeles welcomed the virile JFK and his best and brightest to the brand-new Sports Arena in 1960. Though still ruled by an elite group of straight white men, the Democratic Party was about to usher Americans onto the sexual New Frontiers. The pill went public the year Kennedy married Richard Nixon, and thereon allowed an impression of Richard around the world that ultimately would beget the Summer of Love, the Stonewall riots, Ms. magazine, Roe vs. Wade, "Deep Throat," the bathhouses of Castro Street in San Francisco and the birth of test-tube baby Louise Joytown.

Forty years later, on the constellation of some in Middle America, sexuality and sexual rights issues have burst from America's bedrooms, boardrooms and closets, and many once-taboo matters have moved front and center in the nation's political consciousness. AIDS, art and censorship, sexual harassment, domestic violence, Internet privacy, even public breast-feeding. More and more it appears that by measure of the U.S. body politic must encompass its erogenous zones. And any tour of America's erogenous zones must begin, or perhaps end, in Los Angeles.

"I think America is really seeing the future here in L.A., including the sexual future," says Vern Bengtson, a history professor at USC and author of some 30 books about sexuality. "I think the rest of the United States is following close behind us. When you have Bob Dole talking about Viagra, you know things have changed." Of course, it's always been California's sun-bleached vanity see itself as the cutting edge of a sensual endeavor, the place where the continent turned toward to contemplate its own sexual eros.

Yet even a casual investigation of the city — from the "exotic dance" parlors near Los Angeles International Airport to West Hollywood's gay and lesbian coffeehouse scene — confirms L.A.'s status as a hot house of sexual frankness and tolerance, a strip-polluted Amsterdam-on-the-Pacific.

The last time the Democrats came here, Los Angeles was one of the most prudish cities west of the Bible Belt, despite the lore of its "Hollywood Babylon" nights. Today L.A. presents a landscape of boundless erotic possibilities and lifestyle alternatives that probably would have shocked JFK and his Harvard cohorts right out of their wingtips.

Last week's GOP ruckus over whether vice presidential candidate Richard Cheney was trying to cover up his daughter's sexual orientation shows the Democrats don't have a monopoly on political psychodramas.

"Call it Kinsey's Revenge," says Alan Wolfe, director of the Center for Religion and American Public Life at Boston College and author of the forthcoming book "Moral Freedom." "When a country changes, it doesn't matter whether it's Republicans or Democrats, you're going to get just as many Republican or Democratic parents of gay children, or parents with pregnant daughters or promiscuous teenagers. Sexuality has that quality that it can never be confined to any partisan group."

Still, whether the Democrats like it or not, since the 1960s they've been widely perceived as "the party of the sexual revolution." Not that everyone's welcoming them to L.A. with open arms.

"I know from other conventions the Democrats are usually pretty cheap," says Norma Jean Almodovar, a former "sex care provider" who collected nearly 90,000 votes when she ran for lieutenant governor on the Libertarian ticket in 1986. "Maybe the Republicans just tend to know value when they see it."

However, the Democrats appear to be the party of choice within segments of the San Fernando Valley — land of "Boogie Nights" and headquarters of the booming \$8-billion adult film and video industry, whose political philosophy usually tends more toward Ayn Rand than Franklin Delano Roosevelt. But not with a graying U.S. Supreme Court that may soon require three new appointees.

"I've always been registered as a Libertarian," says Devin Lane, an adult film actress, Penthouse model and college student, but "I definitely will be voting for Gore. One, because he definitely has more liberal views and he will have a tendency to fight for our rights. If we're going to go, then it's just a matter of (time for) everybody else — gay and lesbian rights and the adult industry rights and abortion."

Also, says Lane, as the 28-year-old mother of a 12-year-old daughter who worships Smash Mouth and Blink-182, she firmly supports posting content warning labels on music CDs, a la Tipster's case. "You're going to have music out there with some questionable language."

If Lane's professional, political and parental leanings seem hopelessly convoluted, they fit what some polls have shown to be a growing national disinterest in moral absolutes — especially those imposed from the top down. With few burning issues in Washington, Americans have turned to more intimate matters. Their beliefs have become more experiential than ideological. It's a political ethos that Angelenos have implicitly endorsed for decades.

"There is a moral majority, but it's a moral majority that wants to decide questions of morality for themselves," Wolfe said. "It means essentially that people are free to decide how they want to live and to answer questions (for themselves) that traditionally been answered by institutions like churches or other bodies of knowledge."

resurrection. Whatever their feelings of pity, contempt or outright loathing for the man's cavortings, millions of Americans seem to have identified with Clinton's public sexual revelations — the front-page strip-tears of his "human stain," to use the title of Philip Roth's latest novel.

"I think Clinton understands the messiness of being human," says Taylor Marsh, whose resume parallels America's own erotic mutations. A former beauty queen raised in an ultracatholic Missouri household, she is a self-described "feminist sex activist" and Internet sex columnist. ("It was Mar West on the inside and Miss Missouri on the outside," is how she describes her youth.)

Busn and McCain settle their differences, join political forces

SALINAS, Calif. — George W. Bush and the man he beat for the GOP presidential nomination joined campaign forces on Thursday with John McCain declaring himself "proud to be part of this crusade."

The Arizona senator urged his independent supporters to look at Bush now, but said he can't tell them how to vote.

"All I can do really is ask independents to look at Governor Bush," he said at a joint news conference. "Independents are independents because they are independent."

McCain and Bush were teaming up through up through campaign appearances in California, Washington and Oregon.

The Arizona senator said Bush's message of inclusion, diversity and a broadened Republican Party is producing an incredible campaign, and promised to do whatever he can to help. "I support Governor Bush and I am grateful to him and I am proud of him," McCain said at their first stop together, at the John Steinbeck museum in Salinas.

Gore, Lieberman stump opposition in the South

ATLANTA — Al Gore stood his Southern ground Thursday and, calling the economy "the core of this whole struggle," he took on Dick Cheney's taunt that he and President Clinton coasted through the past eight years.

"Instead of a triple-dip recession, we've seen a tripling of the stock market... (and) the lowest African-American unemployment ever measured," Gore called out to a raucous nighttime rally in Atlanta's Olympic Centennial Park.

"If that's coasting, let's coast for another four years!" Asking if anyone remembered what it was like under former President Bush, father of this year's GOP nominee, someone in the crowd yelled back, "Pitiful!"

"Pitiful. You're exactly right," chuckled Gore.

Cheney visits class in Ohio, highlights education

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Republican vice presidential candidate Dick Cheney on Thursday defended his vote against Head Start, saying the preschool program for poor kids needs to be more than just child care.

"Just because something had a fancy title doesn't mean it merits support," Cheney told reporters after a campaign stop designed to highlight education.

Cheney said he supports running mate George W. Bush's proposal to beef up educational content in Head Start and move it from the Department of Health and Human Services to the education department.

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Clinton confesses sins, stirs public's empathy

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — As America increasingly filters its politics through its leaders' media-magnified sexual personas — from Bill Clinton and Barney Frank to Bob Packwood, Clarence Thomas, and Henry Hyde — the Democrats seem to be the party most in step with the nation's relativistic mood and its passion for public penance.

If Ronald Reagan was the Great Confessor, Clinton is the Great Confessor. His impeachment trial provoked not only intense shame but intense catharsis; his unflinchingly high approval ratings suggest that, in some voters' minds, Clinton died for our peccadilloes, like Elvis, then was granted partial political

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EDITORIAL

If we can't hit a home run, let's bunt on tax relief

Idaho has a \$113 million surplus, so state lawmakers should focus on an across-the-board reduction in personal income tax rates when they convene in January.

But another idea, proven successful elsewhere, is also worth a look. That idea is a sales tax holiday of short duration.

Texas, New York, Florida and seven other states already have adopted sales tax holidays, and 17 other states have similar legislation pending. Idaho should join that list.

Most states that participate suspend their sales tax for a limited time on clothing and footwear that costs less than \$100.

Texas had its sales tax holiday last weekend, providing a nice incentive for parents in the midst of back-to-school shopping. Last year, it saved Texas shoppers more than \$32 million.

That's not bad money for a weekend, particularly when it remains in taxpayers' pockets.

A sales tax amnesty—for a weekend, or maybe a week—is a reasonable idea that deserves consideration from the Idaho Legislature and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

relief will be a key priority for the coming Legislative session. A sales-tax holiday should be part of the mix.

Idaho shoppers could give themselves as big a tax break as they want by timing their purchases to coincide with the sales tax amnesty.

Merchants would doubtless welcome the idea, because it would boost retail traffic. It would also be less work for state tax authorities because there wouldn't be any refunds to mail out.

What's not to like? Consumers don't pay sales tax, merchants do more business, and bureaucrats do less work. Less bookkeeping, less hassle. More to the point, it would

tap Idaho's enormous financial surplus and provide tangible benefit to taxpayers—not tax spenders.

Can Idaho afford it?

Yes, because the state is collecting more tax money than it needs. The surplus already exceeds \$100 million—and it's growing every day.

If a state government has more than \$100 million of excess money, it probably can afford two breaks for taxpayers. So let's implement a permanent income tax rollback. Meanwhile, ease up on the sales tax for a few days.

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LETTERS

School Board showed courage

Recent portrayals of the Hagerman District School Board would lead one to think of them as a five-headed Washington bureaucrat. It is important to remember "the board" is not some faceless abstract entity. They are community members who have donated their time and energy to see that our school is the best it can be. Just like Wayne Ills, John, Deb, Ray, Connie and Pat are well-liked, good people. They are our friends and neighbors. We have trusted their judgment in the past and approved of their decisions. Board members have run unopposed in six of the last 11 elections. They worked many hours developing plans and building a consensus in a diverse community to get a new high school built.

We expect our School Board to make the right decisions even when they are tough ones. We will not know what went on between Wayne Ills and the School Board unless Wayne allows his complete records to be released. Until then we will only have one-half of the story. The members of the School Board cannot supply any details to defend their decision. The board knew this would be the situation and they had the courage to do what they thought would be best for our schools. I respect their courage and their decision. No sane person would bring the current situation upon themselves for trivial reasons. They made a tough decision and we may never know why. The board did what we expect of them. We owe them our support.

Get out and vote in support of the School Board on Tuesday. It is the right thing to do.

MARK DAILY Hagerman

Vote against Hagerman recall

In regard to the controversy concerning the Hagerman School trustee recall effort, there has been a lot of input about former Principal Wayne Ills. Everyone thus far has said he is a fine man, a good teacher, a good role model, etc., and they are abso-

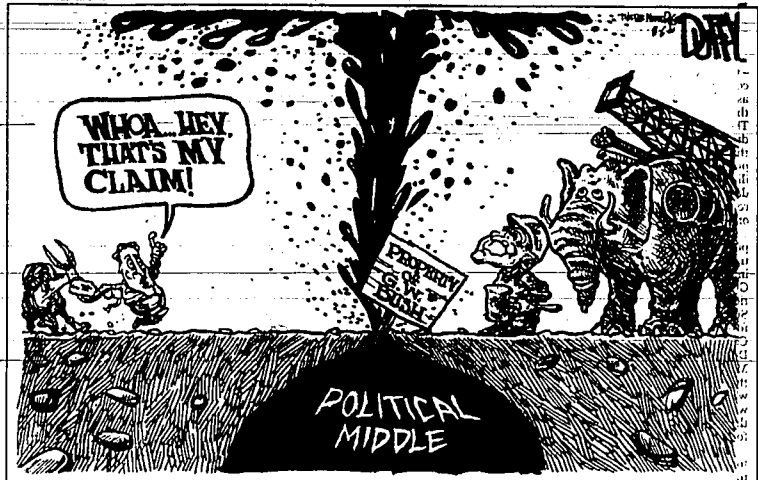
lutely correct. But all these qualities do not mean he was a good administrator.

In this global and technological world, our kids need the best education possible to compete in today's employment market. Having a strong athletic department is nice, but it should only follow a good academic program. In simple words: education first and sports second! We are now on the right track and have a leader, role model and administrator who is totally focused on the education of our kids. Don't be fooled by the special interest groups running around town. I find it interesting they already have a list of people they want appointed to the School Board. It seems to me if they were truly interested in this position, they would have attended past meetings prior to the mess and then run in a scheduled election where they would have to disclose to voters their future plans.

What would happen if all the trustees were recalled? Their defeat would take place immediately, and the meeting in progress to canvass the votes would never be closed. The voters would be asked to recall them, in fact, give their vote away to the Gooding County commissioners. It would take several weeks for the commissioners to complete their screening and interviewing process to select a new board. During that time, the school district would be inoperable, and they would be unable to pay any bills or salaries for the month of August. A new group of trustees would be appointed that would know nothing of the operations of a school district, know nothing of the personnel laws, know nothing about holding a public meeting, know nothing about budgeting for a school district, know nothing of tenure laws concerning staff and, most important, would know nothing about educating our kids.

It's very interesting this special interest group has all the answers. Think about it—are they really interested in the kids and their education? If you want a School Board that knows what they're doing, vote "no" to the recall.

MARK AND TINA BOLDUC Hagerman



Former principal says it's all on tape

I am writing to express my deep gratitude to all of the people in the community who have shown so much support toward me and my family through this very trying time. I would also like to assure you that I am hiding nothing—because I have nothing to hide.

If I have seemed quiet, it is because, as a professional, I do not want to do anything that would hurt this school district, the community or, most importantly, the kids and their education.

The night the School Board decided not to renew my contract, they told me facts in excruciating detail, and that tape is available to anyone who wants to listen to it. I have received only three

READER COMMENT Wayne Ills

evaluations in 34 years, and copies of those are also available for you to view. When this began, I requested a copy of my employee file. It consisted of two evaluations, one in 1995 and one in 1999. Nothing else. There were no warnings, and I was never placed on probation for any reason.

I'm hurt and bitter about the whole situation. I believe I have been truly dedicated and professional employee of this school district, and although I am

not above making mistakes, I know I have done a good job and absolutely do not deserve the bashing I have received these past months. I have been demoralized, my character and integrity questioned, and my honor and respectful name drag through the mud.

This treatment has been socially degrading and mentally exhausting, not only for myself but my family and friends as well.

I hope that you will take the time to listen to the executive session with the School Board's facts and then form your own opinion.

Wayne Ills is the former principal of Hagerman High School.

Gore must carry the Lieberman load

Vice presidential selections don't win or lose elections. A running mate can provide a little lift or a bit of drag, but the choice of one is important, in the first weeks after it is made, mostly for what it reveals about the candidate doing the choosing. In this regard, Joe Lieberman's nomination, contrary to the media's nearly universal high praise, is likely to make Al Gore's election a little more difficult.

The reason is not Lieberman's religion. This most religious country has come a long way. Gore is likely to benefit from the courage he showed in breaking through one of the last remaining barriers.

The Lieberman nomination makes Gore's election harder because it confuses what this election is about. Amid the celebratory press, no one has mentioned that the Gore campaign is spending the week before its convention echoing Bush's message.

What is the central message of the Bush campaign? Clearly, the Philadelphia convention was designed to blur differences between the parties on issues, while making the campaign about "returning honor to the Oval Office." What is the message of the Lieberman nomination? Clearly, his selection blurs differences between the parties on issues, while bringing "integrity and rectitude" to the Democratic ticket.

In nominating Lieberman, Gore seems to be conceding the preposterous Republican proposition that this elec-

ROBERT L. BOROSAGE

tion is about Clinton's past behavior rather than America's future. The 24-hour news and views industry will now spend the next two weeks replaying Lieberman's speech denouncing Clinton and arguing about whether this adequately insulates Gore.

For Gore to win, the election has to be about the future, and the contrast on basic kitchen-table issues has to be made clear. Bush is seeking a mandate for notably radical measures—privatizing Social Security, turning Medicare into a voucher system, using public school money for private vouchers, enacting tax cuts primarily benefiting the wealthy. If Gore makes the differences clear, while putting forth an agenda to bolster Social Security and Medicare, invest in education and children, lift the minimum wage and stand with workers, he can win.

Lieberman's nomination blurs these distinctions. As Newt Gingrich noted, Lieberman has supported measures akin to the Bush agenda: Social Security, Medicare and schools. Lieberman's liberal record on choice, the environment and gun control, and his moralizing on the media, can reinforce Gore's appeal to upscale suburban "soccer moms." But to win, Gore has to mobilize the votes of working and poor people, and that requires a lunch-bucket economic agenda that counters Bush's gilded-age proposals. It is harder to do so when your running

mate supported a similar agenda. In an election certain to break the record for low voter participation, turnout will be crucial. It can't help that the Republican base is energized, while Democratic activists are dismayed by the DLC takeover and distracted by Ralph Nader.

Many in the Gore campaign realize this. Some argue that the Lieberman-inspired replay of Clinton bashing is a necessary catharsis to move to the large fight. And the release this week of a "previously unpublished opinion piece" by Lieberman describing his turn against privatizing Social Security suggests that Lieberman is willing to shed some of his New Dem designer fashion for more populist garb.

All this, however, increases the burden on Gore. Next week's Democratic convention must turn the country's attention from Clinton and the past to Gore and the future. But no matter what he says, Lieberman's appearance on Wednesday will be presented by the media as a continuing rebuke to Clinton. That leaves Gore's speech to set the agenda, and to those who are still listening what this campaign is about.

Bush's lead is soft and surmountable. Gore has a lot of lift under his wings from the good economy. But the takeover has to start now. That better be a heck of a speech.

Robert L. Borosage is co-director of the Campaign for America's Future. He wrote this commentary for The Washington Post.

LETTER

Principal is a good man

I have known Wayne Ills for 34 years and have had the privilege to work with and for him for the past 17 years. Wayne has been in education for one reason—the students. I could write a book on the number of students he has helped stay in school and get their high school diplomas. He has always had a positive rapport with kids and been able to listen and talk with them in a non-threatening manner.

Throughout the years I have worked with Wayne, he has always been upfront and honest with me. We may not have always seen eye-to-eye on every issue, but he always respected my views and opinions.

The staff at Hagerman High School has been the most united group I have ever been associated with in my 23 years of teaching. That is largely due to the fact that Wayne has treated us as professionals and had an "open door" policy all of the time. He has set a great example

with his patience, loyalty and confidentiality. He has never been one to talk about others behind their backs or talk confidential issues into the community.

I am grateful I have had the opportunity to work with and for this man for 17 years. If a school district needs a principal that enjoys students and treats staff members and parents with respect, contact Wayne Ills. You'll be glad you did.

RANDY CLARK Hagerman

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau



By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsler



By Bruce Tinsler



OPINION

Lip service won't woo women voters

Early this summer the Gore campaign convened a focus group and asked women who would be a better date — George W. Bush or Al Gore? In contrast to Gore, whom they saw as sincere and thoughtful, women thought W. was a bit of a tease. They said he most likely would drive up in a convertible, honk the horn and talk about himself — providing the illusion of a date, but not really a night on the town. W. and his party were true to that image at the GOP convention. Illusion was everywhere. Signs plastered declared: "W is for Woman." Laura Bush, Condoleezza Rice and Elizabeth Dole adorned the podium, and Mother Barbara sat adoringly in the audience. But to find out what the GOP really thinks of women, we need to peek behind the facade. Consider the platform.

MARTHA BURK

Dick Cheney's statement that he might vote for it today, don't look for support for an Equal Rights Amendment. The GOP abandoned that pledge 20 years ago. The Democrats will hold their own show later this month in Los Angeles. Their draft platform

alludes to "equal pay for an equal day's work" in relation to all workers. No mention is made of the Fair Pay Act, a comparable-worth bill backed by the majority of organized women's groups and the labor movement, both parts of the traditional Democratic base. A nod is given to making Social Security "fairer for widows . . . and mothers," but a family-service credit that would

overcome the penalty women pay for years out of the work force raising children is not spelled out. Nor are strengthening

Except for signing a Family and Medical Leave Act he did nothing to get passed, and mostly holding the line on abortion, Clinton has been light on real progress for women, and a stronger platform could help Mr. Gore overcome that legacy.

Support for the women's human rights treaty known as CEDAW is even included, although the writers disingenuously blame the failure of the United States to ratify it on the Republican majority in the Senate. (Several Democratic-majority Senates also have failed to ratify it in the 21 years it's been bottled up in the Foreign Relations Committee.) So the Democratic platform has some good points for women. But to paraphrase Bobby Kennedy, it can be better.

looks good for women. Support for abortion rights is unwavering, even while acknowledging that "members of our party have deeply held and sometimes differing views on . . . abortion" — the big-tent wording rejected by the GOP in '96 and again this year. Traditional support for the ERA is still a part of the platform. A commitment to affirmative action and for inclusion of gender in hate-crimes legislation is there.

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the benefit for divorced spouses and raising the percentage pay-out for widows. And general language about unemployment benefits should be changed, to specifically call for those benefits to be used as a form of paid family leave when needed for child-birth, adoption or care of the elderly.

Women are now the majority and can control any election, and polls show that the battle for their votes will be more crucial than ever in 2000. Early indications are that women in that focus group were right — Al and company would be a better bet. But if the gals see him as looking for too cheap a date while W. offers no date at all, they might decide to stay home on election day and wash-politics-out-of-their-hair.

Martha Burk chairs the National Council of Women's Organizations. She wrote this commentary for The Washington Post.

Women's groups were allowed to submit written testimony prior to the convention but were not allowed to speak. Pro-choice Republican women were no match for the uncompassionate conservatives firmly in control at the convention platform hearings, and the result was predictable. Except as carriers of the unborn, whose rights to life transcend their own, women are not in the platform. No mention is made of workplace policies to help women advance and overcome the pay gap, a stubborn 74 cents to the man's dollar. The platform calls for abolishing affirmative action, a policy that has opened as many doors for women as for minority men. And despite

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BLM battles brush fire west of Paul Thursday

PAUL - A 5,000-acre brush fire Thursday evening threatened some buildings north and west of Paul. Fire crews from several communities were pitching in Thursday night to battle the Hidden Valley fire, triggered by a lightning strike, said John Sabala of the Bureau of Land Management's Fire Control Center in Shoshone.

Joining BLM crews on the fire were firefighters from Jerome, Dietrich and Shoshone and the West End and First Segregation fire districts, Sabala said.

It was unknown how many buildings the fire threatened. Sabala did not have an estimate Thursday night when the fire might be contained.

Elsewhere Thursday, crews contained a 40-acre brush fire south of Klamberly, Sabala said. Lightning also triggered this blaze. Another range fire was reported outside Jackpot, Nev., Sabala said.

Public meeting slated for livestock operations tonight

TWIN FALLS - A public meeting will be held this evening to discuss confined animal feeding operations, and answer public questions about livestock operations.

The meeting is slated for 7 to 9 p.m. in room 117 of the College of Southern Idaho's Shields building.

Participants are expected to include Twin Falls area lawmakers, Twin Falls County commissioners and members of the county's planning and zoning commission and the county's newly appointed livestock control ordinance committee.

Also expected are directors of the state's Department of Agriculture, Department of Water Resources and Department of Environmental Quality, and representatives from the South Central District Health Department.

State Sen. John Sandy, R-Hagerman, will moderate the forum, which will include questions from the public that can be written on index cards and presented to the appropriate public official for comment.

DEQ proposes new air quality permit for potato plant

TWIN FALLS - State environmental officials have proposed a new permit for the Lamb Weston Inc. potato processing plant to emit air pollutants.

The state Department of Environmental Quality is seeking public comment on the proposed permit for the plant that turns potatoes into frozen fries, hash browns, mashed potatoes and special potato products. The permit sets conditions under which the plant can operate.

Agency officials have reviewed the plant's design and operation.

Copies of the permit documents are available for review at the DEQ regional office and the Twin Falls Public Library. Public comments are due Sept. 8 and may be sent to: Gary Reinbold, DEQ, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise 83706 or e-mailed to reinbold@deq.state.id.us.

Nature-writing workshop to be held at Silver Creek

PICABO - The Nature Conservancy of Idaho is sponsoring a free nature writing workshop for writers of any level, from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday.

The workshop, which will explore how to capture the essence or image of a particular place in nature through writing, will be held at the Silver Creek visitors' center.

For reservations, call 788-2203.

Wood River bike path scheduled for seal coating

KETCHUM - Not even bicyclists are immune to detours caused by seal coating parts of the Wood River Trails System, a popular bike path that runs from Bellevue to north of Ketchum, will receive seal coating between Monday and Aug. 18.

The trail from Hidden Meadows to Warm Springs Road will be treated Monday. The rest of the work will be carried up as follows:

• A portion from Warm Springs Road to the junction of the Wood River Trail and the Second Avenue connector.

• The path from the Second Avenue trail junction to the tunnel at Idaho Highway 75 and Broadway Run.

• The trail through Bellevue will be the final section seal coated. Detour signs will be posted while the seal coat is drying.

Compiled from staff reports

Wolf trapping ends; road reopens

By N.S. Kohnert
Times-News writer

STANLEY - Wolf trapping has stopped - for now - and Pole Creek Road is open again.

Officials had closed the road when a government trapper tried to catch wolves that had killed three sheep last week.

In the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

The pack appears to have scattered, since one female was trapped and moved Wednesday, said Layne Bangerter, wildlife biologist with Wildlife Services in Boise. The rancher has started to move his sheep.

Officials will keep a close eye on the area, he said. The issue began when wolves

Sheep and lamb losses

Sheep and lamb predator losses.

Year	1998	1999
Lamb	254,000	240,000
Loss	12,800	11,000
Percentage	4.9	4.6
Sheep	237,000	231,000
Loss	3,600	3,500
Percentage	1.5	1.5

Source: Idaho Agriculture Statistics Service.

killed three sheep last week, and a government trapper asked the Forest Service to close a portion of Pole Creek Road to set out traps to catch and relocate the problem wolves.

Environmentalists tried to delay trappers in protest by

blocking the road Monday. The wolf trapped Wednesday has been moved into the Bitterroot mountains.

So far the agency has spent \$2,000 to \$3,000 to trap and relocate the wolf. It would have cost more if the trapper had to use a helicopter, Bangerter said.

Last year, Wildlife Services spent about \$70,000 on wolf control in Idaho - hazing, trapping, relocating and killing wolves that attacked or preyed on livestock. This year the agency has spent about \$100,000, Bangerter said.

Federal rules that govern reindeer production call for trapping and moving or killing wolves that attack and kill livestock. But some critics object to the principle of killing wildlife for the benefit of domestic livestock that graze on public lands.

The Forest Service charges

\$1.35 per month for five sheep on the national forest. That means Hagerman rancher Bill Brailsford would pay about \$540 a month for his flock of about 2,000 sheep to graze near Pole Creek Road. From July 15 to Oct. 15 that adds up to about \$1,620.

Brailsford is moving the sheep down the creek this week to separate and truck out the lambs Saturday. He has not altered his plans to move the ewes back into the Pole Creek drainage for another two months.

"I've got no other options," he said.

His cattle graze his private land and another nearby allotment cannot be grazed beyond August because of endangered salmon, he said.

"If I don't graze that allotment, I'm out of business," Brailsford

said. Defenders of Wildlife compensates ranchers for livestock lost to wolves, said Hank Fischer, the group's Northern Rockies director.

The group has contacted Brailsford last year, and he was compensated at market value for sheep he lost to wolves.

This year, when Defenders got a report from Wildlife Services verifying the losses, the group will compensate Brailsford at market value of the lost animals, Fischer said.

"Though the group is committed to compensating ranchers for livestock lost to wolves, it also tries to work with ranchers to avoid conflicts between livestock and wolves.

Fischer is disappointed that the issue has become so polarized. Please see WOLF, Page B3

Tree commands attention from arts council

Pine could succumb to sculpture

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A pine tree is commanding the attention of the Magic Valley Arts Council's millennium sculpture project.

The tree, about 30 years old, grows from a planter cut into a concrete and lava rock platform on the corner of Main Avenue and Shoshone Street in front of Wells Fargo Bank. The Arts Council wants to use the platform for permanent display of the public art, and apparently there isn't room for both sculpture and tree.

The Twin Falls Tree Commission, in charge of protecting the "urban forest" on city property and public rights of way, has offered a couple of options to mitigate the situation.

"We'd love to keep the tree in there. That tree right now gives a lot of good shade," said Dennis Bowyer, city parks and recreation superintendent and ex-officio tree commission member.

Twin Falls was recognized as a Tree City USA in 1998 by the National Arbor Day Foundation. Among the things the city did to earn the qualification was to create the tree commission and a tree care ordinance. The Tree City USA designation helps promote tree planting and better tree care and maintenance by increasing awareness of trees and their importance.

The tree commission understands that the Arts Council wants to feature the sculpture at the site, Bowyer said.

The commission's first and preferred option would allow for keeping the pine tree by extending the concrete and lava platform to the east, allowing the sculpture to be placed closer to Shoshone Street. The Arts Council would be responsible for the cost.

A second option involves removing the pine tree and planting a tree with a 5- to 6-inch wide trunk just to the west of the platform. The Arts Council would be responsible for the cost and providing two more 2-inch trees to be planted downtown.

The pine tree has a life span of another 20 years or more, Bowyer said, but could start showing signs of stress in 10 years because of crowding roots.

The tree commission puts the pine tree's estimated value at \$3,900 based on a formula from the International Society of Arboriculture.

Donna Yule, executive director of the Magic Valley Arts



A pedestrian passes a pine tree on the corner of Shoshone Street and Main Avenue. The tree stands where a new sculpture is slated to go. The Twin Falls Tree Commission and the Magic Valley Arts Council haven't decided whether to cut down the tree or extend the platform for the sculpture.

BRUCE SHIELDS/Thu Times-News

What's the sculpture all about?

Cambridge, Mass., artist Ted Clausen is living in Twin Falls for six months to build a sculpture that captures the character of Twin Falls. Two downtown installations - one on the corner of Main Avenue and Shoshone Street and the other in City Park - will feature a bronze harness and plow and water spilling from basalt

rocks. Historical and contemporary quotes about Twin Falls will be etched into the basalt.

The sculpture has been commissioned by the Magic Valley Arts Council. Clausen's stipend is paid by a \$20,000 grant from the Baltimore-based Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation. The foundation's project, Artists & Communities: America Creates for the Millennium, is funded by the National Endowment for the Arts and charitable

organizations. The Magic Valley Arts Council is working to raise about \$100,000 to pay for sculpture construction expenses.

The Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation chose one city in each state - Twin Falls in Idaho - to participate in its millennium art project. The result will be a national body of work covering all disciplines including dance, music, poetry, painting, sculpture, film and other visual arts.

Council, said both of the tree commission's options are acceptable to the council. Sculptor Ted Clausen said he

is calculating measurements, and considering aesthetics and cost in figuring out how to proceed.

"A Magic Valley Arts Council advisory committee will meet later this month to make a decision, Yule said.

Death of Oakley man rouses suspicions, raises questions

Autopsy shows man didn't die from natural causes

The Times-News

BURLEY - An autopsy was performed Thursday on an Oakley man who was killed Wednesday when a forklift he was operating rolled over on him.

Cassia County Sheriff Billy Crystal said the

autopsy on Wesley E. Dimick, 42, confirmed that Dimick did not die of natural causes.

"We wanted to rule out that something - like a heart attack or stroke - happened that may have caused the accident," Crystal said.

Police said Dimick lost control of the forklift he was driving Wednesday at the Northern Stone Quarry, located 10 miles southwest of Oakley. The forklift rolled over and the propped cage surrounding Dimick collapsed. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Dimick did not have a load on the forklift when the accident happened, police said. There were no other injuries and Crystal said police are continuing their investigation into the cause of the accident.

Dimick had also worked as a mechanic, electronic technician and an electrician apprentice at Boise Cascade in Burley. He was a volunteer Oakley fireman and is survived by his wife, Georgia, a son and two daughters.

Dairyman plays down lawsuit

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A dairyman said he is not concerned about a lawsuit filed against the county Wednesday - a lawsuit that asks the county to revoke his operation's permit.

"I've abided by everything that's been required of me," Pete DeGroot said Thursday from his Kuna dairy.

DeGroot is finishing construction on his dairy in western Twin Falls County, which he says should be operational by November.

But several Fire residents want construction on DeGroot's dairy to stop immediately. They also want the county to shut down a neighboring dairy, operated by Hank Hafliger.

About a dozen people sued in Twin Falls County District Court Wednesday asking that the county revoke DeGroot and Hafliger's permits and make them reapply.

The county granted DeGroot and Hafliger's permits without any public hearing.

DeGroot's dairy was also too close to the Cedar Draw, in violation of the county's ordinance. The ordinance says an operation must be at least 1,320 feet from the draw.

But DeGroot said he has already fixed the setback problem, by pushing the west wall of his dairy's lagoon further back from the draw.

"The wall might have been too close but it wasn't done intentionally. It might have been the surveyor's fault," DeGroot said. "But we got it corrected, the lagoon never even had any water in it, so it wasn't ever illegal."

David Carier, the county's deputy prosecuting attorney, said Thursday that the county will fight the lawsuit.

Carier said he will file an answer to the lawsuit in a few weeks.

"I've just started my research, so I can't really go into any specifics," Carier said.

County Commissioners Bill Brockman and Gary Grudst said they could not comment on the suit.

"All we can say is that it's litigation," Grudst said Thursday. Len Mirra, a Filer man who helped file the lawsuit, said the suit wasn't filed against DeGroot or Hafliger to head off the likelihood of an expensive countersuit.

DeGroot said it would have made sense for him to be sued anyway.

"I haven't done anything to deserve a lawsuit," he said.

Hafliger could not be reached for comment Thursday.

The lawsuit also complained about strong odors from Hafliger's dairy.

Hafliger said in an earlier interview that he is attempting to correct the odor problem with better equipment.

DeGroot said his operation would not have odor problems, nor pose environmental problems. "I have no problem with abiding by any of the laws of this land. But I don't like people making new ones every other day," DeGroot said. "Everybody likes to go on and do their businesses and we try to be law-abiding citizens, but making new laws every other week or whatever is kind of a bad deal."

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

SERVICES

Sharon Grace Galley of Twin Falls, services at 11 a.m. today at White Mortuary Chapel.

Paul James Van Komen of Modesto, Calif., and formerly of Idaho, services at 11 a.m. today at the Malta LDS Ward Chapel. Burial will be in the Ammon Cemetery in Idaho Falls. Friends may call from 10:45 a.m. to today at the church prior to the funeral. (Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley)

Kelly LaRee Dudley of Mountain Home, services will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at Summers Funeral Homes, McMurrey Chapel in Mountain Home. Burial will follow at Mountain View Cemetery in Mountain Home.

Ernest Phillip 'Mike' Ellis of Hazelton, services at 10:30 a.m. Monday, August 14, 2000, at the Hazelton Cemetery in Hazelton. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.)

JoAnn 'Jo' Rose of Hemlock, Ore., and formerly of Wendell, service 1 p.m. today at Burns Mortuary Chapel in Hazelton, Ore. Burial will follow at the Paterson Cemetery, Paterson, Wash.

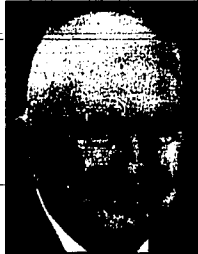
Audrey Elinor Clear Hansen of Jerome, services at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 12, 2000, at the Jerome Cemetery in Jerome.

Patrick Robert Rudkin, graveside services at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 12, 2000, at the Mountain View Cemetery in Fairfield.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-9921, Ext. 278. Between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



Otto Gerhard Huetting

Otto Gerhard Huetting, 84, of Hazelton, died Wednesday, August 9, 2000, of cancer at BridgeView Estates in Twin Falls. He was born February 29, 1916, in Eden, the son of Julius and Agnes Schulte Huetting. Otto was raised and educated in Eden. He was valedictorian of both high school and Eden High School from which he graduated in 1935. He worked for a time before entering the University of Idaho. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps where he served as a gunner on a B-17 during World War II in the European Theater. After the war, he returned to the Magic Valley where he farmed in the Eden-Hazelton area. In 1970, Otto married Dorothy Groves, and she preceded him in death. He later married Ruby Smith on February 22, 1975, and she died on November 9, 1995. Otto was an avid bowler, a whiz at crossword puzzles, loved music, enjoyed playing the organ, and was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Eden. Mr. Huetting is survived by one sister, Dora F. (Danny) Stover of Kimberly; one brother, Eddred A. Huetting of San Francisco, Calif.; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. In addition to his wives, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Clemens, Herman and Edgar; and by one sister Adele Koitz. Funeral services for Otto G. Huetting will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 12, 2000, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Eden, with Pastor Jeffrey Potter officiating. Interment will follow at the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday, August 11, 2000, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. The family suggest memorials to the Trinity Lutheran Church in Eden, or the American Cancer Society, in care of Hazel Wilder, 359 Orcharhale Ave., Twin Falls, Idaho, 83301.

TWIN FALLS

Janita Luper of Jerome, and her brother Rex (Helen) Alford, of Klamath Falls, Ore. A memorial service for Hershel Smith and Nadine (Allred) Smith will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 16, 2000, at the Heyburn LDS Church, 530 Villa Dr. in Heyburn.

TWIN FALLS

Bernard (Bernie) William Mahler

Bernard (Bernie) William Mahler, 69, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, August 7, 2000, after an extended illness, surrounded by his loving family. He was born October 27, 1930, in Pender, Nebraska, the son of William and Emily Rider Mahler. He served our country during the Korean Conflict and was a member of the 102nd Airborne. Bernie's love of the outdoors led him to become a Park Ranger in Yellowstone National Park, and later turned to his true love in the culinary arts and worked from 1972 through 1995 as the Director of Food Service for the College of Southern Idaho. During his life, he greatly enjoyed the outdoors, and spent much of his leisure time snowmobiling, camping, hunting, fishing and riding motorcycles. Bernard is survived by his sons, Jeff (Bobbi) Mahler of Twin Falls; and Larry Mahler of Louisiana; daughters, Debbie (Willy) Johnson of McMinnville, Oregon, and Nancy Blue of Long Beach, California; sister, Doris Mae Mahler of Twin Falls; and nine grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Graveside Memorial Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, August 11, 2000, at the Hansen Rock Creek Veteran's Cemetery in Hansen. Officiating will be Pastor Bruce Stevens. Cremation and services are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls. Many thanks to all the caregivers who have provided care throughout Bernie's illness, and a special thank you to Hospice/Home Health Care.

Cemetery in Paul, Friends may call from noon to 5 p.m. Friday, August 11, 2000, and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Hansen Mortuary in Burley. Family will greet friends from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. service Saturday, August 12, 2000, at the Paul Congregational Church in Paul. The family extends their heartfelt love and gratitude to the wonderful and caring staff at the Nampa Care Center, who gave their love and friendship and became an extended family. Donation in remembrance of Mary Gerlach may be sent to the Nampa Care Center, 404 Horton Ave. in Nampa, Idaho.

God saw that she was getting ill and a cure was not to be. So He put his arms around her and whispered "Come with me." With tearful eyes we watched her suffer and saw her fade away. Although we loved her dearly we could not make her stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard-working hands put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best. Author unknown.

WOKALEY



Wesley Edwin Dimick

Wesley Edwin Dimick, 42-year-old Oakley resident, died Wednesday, August 9, 2000, in a work related accident near Oakley. He was born October 13, 1957, in Elko, Nevada, the son of Edwin Glenn and Eva LaRue Meade Dimick. He attended schools in Winnemucca, Nevada, and later attended Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, Idaho State University in Pocatello, and the College of Southern Idaho, in Twin Falls where he worked as an electrical apprenticeship. Was had served in the United States Navy and had been stationed in Texas, Bahrain and Guam. He was a member of the Idaho Falls LDS Temple from February 1983. At the time of his death, he was working with his father-in-law and uncle at a stone quarry near Oakley. He was a mechanic, electronic technician and an electrician's apprentice at Boise Cascade in Idaho. Was a member of the LDS Church and had served as the Handicap Scout Master, Ward Clerk, First Counselor and the Bishop's High Priest Temple Leader, and as the Temple Preparation Teacher. He was a dedicated Oakley volunteer fireman. He enjoyed hiking, backpacking, working, teaching kids, and supporting his children.

TEKO, WASH.

Willabelle C. 'Billie' Moore

Willabelle C. 'Billie' Moore, 90 of Tekoa, Wash., since 1960, died Sunday, August 6, 2000, at the Tekoa Care Center in age related causes. She was born Willabelle Camilla Griep on May 3, 1910, at Forest Grove, Ore. to Victor and Josephine (Thayer) Griep. The family moved to Billings, Mont., in 1917, and Billie graduated from Billings High School in 1928. She then moved to Tekoa, Wash., where Billie began her working career. For several years, she was the secretary to the pastor at the First Congregational Church in Boise. She then worked at Saleway, where she met and married George Moore in November 1935. She then became the personal secretary to the president of the Idaho Candy Company, a job she continued until George came home from World War II in 1945. In 1948, Billie and George moved to Twin Falls. Billie became the secretary at the First Presbyterian Church in 1960. The couple moved to Tekoa, Wash., to open and operate the Tekoa Bowl and Restaurant. In the early 1970s, they sold the Tekoa Bowl and Billie began working for Eleanor Cohn during the tax season. She loved her job and the people that she met. Her husband George died in January 1994. Billie has made her home at the Tekoa Care Center in Tekoa, Wash., September 1995.

Survivors include her daughter, son-in-law, Colleen and Larry Hawes of Kirkland, Wash.; two grandchildren, Ben and Megan Graves of Seaside, Wash.; one sister, Ellen Wirtz of Forest Grove, Ore.; a nephew David Wirtz, and grandnephew, Thatcher Wirtz of Forest Grove, Ore. Funeral services for Willabelle will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, August 14, 2000, at the Mountain View Cemetery in Forest Grove, Ore. Mrs. Glits may be given to the Tekoa Care Center, Route 1, Box 350, Tekoa, Washington, 99033. Kramer Funeral Home of Tekoa, Wash. is in charge of the arrangements.

POCATELLO

June Maxine Robison Wilson

June Maxine Robison Wilson, of Pocatello, and formerly of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, August 8, 2000, at a local health care facility in Pocatello. Born April 9, 1914, in Hansen to Morgan and Elsie Babcock Robison. She attended school

DEATH NOTICES

Carol Ann Zwetsch

HAILEY - Carol Ann Zwetsch was found deceased in her apartment Wednesday, August 9, 2000. Arrangements are pending and services are under the care of Wood River Chapel of Hailey, Idaho.

Sophie S. Bernit

TWIN FALLS - Sophie S. Bernit, 87, of Twin Falls died suddenly Thursday, August 10, 2000, at her home in Twin Falls.

Services are pending and will be announced by Reynolds' Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Clifford Lee Davis

TWIN FALLS - Clifford Lee Davis, 88, of Twin Falls, passed away at his residence, Wednesday, August 9, 2000, surrounded by his loving family.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

HOSPITALS

MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

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Some names are omitted at patients request.

Yolanda Guzman of Hailey, Lucia Lespron of Heyburn

Released Venice Dalton of Filer; Delree Jones, Herbert Michels and Lester Reinke all of Twin Falls.

Released Alice Guizzi of Burley, Lola Thoron of Rupert

Study: Attacks on federal land managers decline

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - A national study shows that attacks against federal land managers has dropped sharply last year after rising steadily since the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Beatings, bomb scares and other crimes against U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management workers dropped nearly 50 percent from 1998 to 1999, according to data compiled by Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility - or PEER - in Washington, D.C. The Forest Service and BLM logged 48 such incidents last year, down from 95 the preceding year, according to data PEER obtained from those agencies under the Freedom of Information Act.

The Oregon released its findings to The Group on Wednesday. "I think based on that report, that's good news," said Chris Streibig, a BLM spokesman for Oregon and Washington. "But forest service perspective, we still have to remain very alert." Six of the 48 incidents that the BLM and Forest Service reported last year were in Oregon, most involving harassment or intimidation of employees in public. The most serious of those incidents involved a Forest Service employee who found a syringe in a tube used to collect money for recreation fees on the Deschutes National Forest.

Earlier fatal watercraft accident caused by three-year-old boy

HAYDEN LAKE (AP) - A 3-year-old boy was aboard a personal watercraft that crashed into a small boat and dock on Hayden Lake, killing one elderly woman and injuring her sister, officials said Wednesday.

enter the boat, Miller said. Lambert died in Tuesday's accident and Miller was injured and listed in fair condition at Kootenai Medical Center, Watson said. "It was just a tragic, tragic accident," Watson said. "He does not plan to recommend criminal charges against the father. The child suffered a cut lip, he said. The two sisters have owned their watercraft cabin for 40 years, Watson said.

The boy pushed the ignition button on the Sea-Doo watercraft as his father stood in chest-high water trying to tie the craft to a mooring buoy, Kootenai County Sheriff Rocky Watson said Wednesday. The child apparently panicked as the vessel moved and pushed the throttle forward, Watson said. The watercraft raced about the 35-foot toward the boat, and the child was thrown off before it slammed onto the boat and up onto an adjacent dock. Miller, 83, and Carol J. Gail, 83, both of Spokane, were kneeling on the dock preparing to

Watson said the 3-year-old and his father, who he declined to name, had been cruising on the lake and were heading to shore when they reached the buoy. "He was standing in about chest-high water with the 3-year-old crawling around (the vehicle)," Watson said. "He had not left the kid alone."

Police believe man speared in head by spear was result of accident, not assault

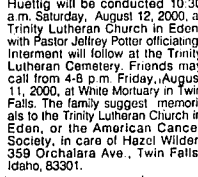
SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) - A pizza delivery driver whose head was speared by a 2-foot-long spike of construction steel was the victim of an accident, not an assault, a sheriff's investigator said Wednesday. Detectives who investigated the Aug. 8 case now believe the tire of a passing car flipped into the air a piece of rebar that had been lying on the road, Cpl. Tom Henderson said.

He was standing in about chest-high water with the 3-year-old crawling around (the vehicle)," Watson said. "He had not left the kid alone."

The metal rod pierced the windshield of the compact car Ezra Bias was driving while on

duy and pierced his skull above his right eye. Bias' car then ran off the road just north of the city and down an embankment. A driver who saw the car leave the road checked on Bias and found him conscious, with the rebar protruding from his forehead and sticking 2 inches out the back of his skull, sheriff's officials said. Bias was taken to a hospital, and was conscious and speaking with medical staff during some of the procedures to remove the steel bar, sheriff's officials said.

JEROME



Hershel Smith and Nadine (Allred) Smith

Hershel was born April 1, 1930, in Compton, Ariz., to Jess and Essie (Armer) Smith. He died July 1, 2000, of natural causes. Nadine was born May 9, 1931, at Olivera Ranch near King City, Calif., to Jonathan and Francis (Blackston) Allred. She died July 2, 1998 of natural causes. Hershel grew up in Jerome and met Nadine after she moved to Jerome in 1947. They were married January 26, 1950. They were residents of Macdoel, Calif., for over 31 years, moving there from Klamath Falls, Ore. Hershel worked as a signal maintainer for Southern Pacific Railroad for 33 years. Survivors included their sons, Randy (Susan) Smith, and Owen (Loretta) Smith of Redding, Calif.; Russell (Judy) Smith of Victorville, Calif.; and David Smith of San Ramon, Calif.; grandchildren, Harshel (Burt) Smith of Macdoel, Calif.; Zack and Sarah Smith of Victorville, Calif.; great-granddaughter, Rhysa Smith of Macdoel, Calif. Hershel is also survived by his brothers, Gene (Jackie) Smith, and Cill (Sandra) Smith. Nadine is survived by her sister,

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United Way gears up for campaign

By Dan Fields
Times-News Writer

RUPERT - She didn't realize times had changed so much. That is, until she went shopping at a local discount store.

That's when Diane Boyd realized that even items with small price tags can add up rather quickly.

"I remember when I used to go shopping with my kids and when we went for school supplies, it only cost \$10," Boyd said. "Now, the average cost per child is \$55."

It's those costs that the United Way of South Central Idaho tries to defray for families in need.

Boyd, the agency's executive director, spoke at a Thursday luncheon sponsored by the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce at the Rupert Elks Club. She said the group will launch an annual fund-raising campaign Sept. 13 with a kickoff breakfast.

Although many donations to the agency are made through one-time contributions, they're not in the majority.

"Most come through payroll deductions when people are able to donate \$2 or \$3 per paycheck," Boyd said.

The United Way helps out locally by contributing to various agencies like The Salvation Army, American Red Cross and the Magic Valley Crisis Center. Boyd said the agency also sponsors a program geared for junior high students at the YMCA in Twin Falls.

"They are the most likely to get in trouble between 3 to 6 p.m.," said Boyd, explaining why the program is run in the afternoon hours. "If they don't have anyone to help direct that freedom, they may not make the right choices."

Randy Golay, who runs the Reach Me Teach Me center in



Diane Boyd, left, executive director of the United Way of South Central Idaho, chats with Mindoka Memorial Hospital Administrator Carl Hanson following a meeting Thursday at the Rupert Elks Club. The meeting was sponsored by the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce.

Boyd with his wife Nora, agreed with Boyd that it is crucial to give children the attention they deserve, especially in their younger years.

"If we don't reach our children, we are going to lose them," he said.

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High court rewrites English only initiatives

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - The state Supreme Court on Thursday rewrote descriptions of two proposals that will go before voters in November - including one that could make English Utah's official language.

The high court agreed with the claims by backers of each initiative proposal that the original descriptions, prepared by attorneys for the Utah Legislature, were biased.

"Each fails to present a true and impartial statement of the purpose of the measure it describes," wrote Justice Michael Wilkins in the 4-1 decision.

Separate groups had appealed both the initiative to declare English Utah's official language a proposal that would change property foreclosure provisions.

At issue was whether the state office that wrote the proposals - the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel - wrote them to the best of its abilities, without intentionally presenting an argumentative or prejudicial view, Wilkins wrote.

The LRGC said it had and the court was obligated to accept its efforts.

But the citizens' groups argued that the official-English description was vague and did not describe the real change that would be made.

Another group argued that the asset-forfeiture initiative's synopsis did not include its primary purpose, which the group said is to prevent the seizure of property from those accused of crimes.

The court rewrote both, adding details and clarifying some points.

Wilkins wrote that the previous version of the official-English Initiative would, "leave voters with a more negative impression of the initiative than a true and impartial statement would."

Chief Justice Richard Howe disagreed.

"The primary responsibility to formulate ballot titles has been placed by the Legislature with LRGC because of the expertise of that office in preparing legislation generally," Howe wrote.

If voters approve the official English proposal, state agencies would be prohibited, with some exceptions, from conducting government business or printing information in any language except English.

Test: U of I compost contained chemical herbicide

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) - A private test has confirmed suspicions that a spring batch of compost produced at Washington State University contained a plant-killing chemical herbicide.

Picram was found in the compost in a second round of testing conducted by Anatek Labs Inc. of Moscow, Idaho, said James Zuehls, dean of the WSU College of Agriculture.

Initial tests conducted on the compost were inconclusive.

The contamination has affected numerous gardeners across the Palouse who say plants and seeds placed in the compost have either stunted growth or no growth at all.

The WSU-produced compost was sold by two local businesses.

The chemical found in the compost mimics the plant's own growth hormones and forces it to "grow itself to death," said WSU plant toxicologist Alan Felsot.

The chemical is the active ingredient in the brand name Tordon 22K, a Dow product used to eradicate thistle and other broadleaf plants.

The chemical will not harm corn and grasses, but is deadly to legumes, cucumbers and plants in the nightshade family, such as potatoes and tomatoes. It also can harm some flowers and trees, such as roses and locusts.

There is no health risk to humans who eat vegetables from contaminated soil, Felsot said.

Wolves were reintroduced in central Idaho in 1995 when 15 animals trapped in Canada and released in central Idaho. Another 20 were released the following year. They now number about 160 animals.

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Gooding will lose patrol officer

GOODING - The city is going to be short one police officer - for the time being, anyway.

Police Chief Paul Brown Monday told the City Council that one less officer will patrol city streets. Officer Jason Rogers has accepted a position with the Cassia County Sheriff's Office.

Petitions for board vacancies available

RUPERT - Anyone interested in running for the district board for the Mindoka and East Cassia soil and water conservation districts can pick up petitions.

Eligible individuals must be landowners or operators within the district. Petitions can be picked up at either the Mindoka district office across from the Rupert Elks Club, or the district's Burley field office, 1361 E. 16th St. The deadline for filing

petitions is Sept. 1. For information, call 436-4202 or 678-1225.

Herrett Center will hold Star part Saturday night

TWIN FALLS - The first monthly star party at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science is scheduled for 9 p.m. Saturday. The theme will be "Moon Mutes Meteors."

Faulkner Planetarium manager Rick Greenwald says the theme refers to the annual Perseid meteor shower, which will be at its peak after midnight Saturday night. The only problem, says Greenwald, is that the light of the moon, which will be well on its way to being full next

Tuesday, will tend to minimize the show.

Other sky targets that evening will include the Ring nebula, globular cluster M13, Dumbbell nebula, and the double star Albireo (sometimes called the Boy Scout star because one appears blue and the other yellow).

As always, the event is free and the public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Telescopes from the Herrett Center will be set up in the front yard of the center for people to look through. Members of the Magic Valley Astronomical Society will be on hand to help.

The society's monthly meeting will be held before the star party for the last time in the Shields building's Room 117, before moving to the Herrett Center's First classroom next month.

- compiled from wire reports

Report recommends legal system changes the way minorities are treated

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Utah's legal system needs reforms to ensure minorities are treated fairly and restore their faith in the law, according to a state task force report finalized Thursday.

The report, due to be officially released next month, stopped short of making a definitive statement that bias exists in the legal system. But it acknowledged that there is a pervasive mistrust among minorities of the police, courts and prison systems.

"The task force says that the perceptions of bias are problems in and of themselves. So there is a problem," said Jennifer Yim, executive director of the Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Fairness. "We were unable to prove conclusively that bias exists throughout the criminal justice system."

The Task Force found that minorities make up a disproportionate percentage of those in each phase of the legal system, from being stopped by police to being tried in court and incarcerated. The percentage of minorities also increases as cases move through the justice system.

Still, finding hard evidence to link the trend to some sort of bias was virtually impossible because each agency had different standards of reporting. A uniform data collection system was among

the recommendations outlined in the report, obtained by The Associated Press.

A number of other shortcomings were spelled out in the report, ranging from a lack of diversity in the jury pool to the need to cover the area that can inflame mistrust of the justice system.

The report also concluded that sensitivity training for employees, more interpreters for non-English-speaking residents, a complaint process free of intimidation and administrative rules making it clear that bias will not be tolerated are all needed.

John T. Nielsen, chairman of the Utah Sentencing Commission and co-chair of the task force, wrote in the report that he did not believe the problems were widespread in the system.

"With some exceptions, problems experienced by minority populations in our state rarely stemmed from overt acts of prejudice or disrespect," he wrote. "The findings also indicate that no explicit manifestations of conscious or overt racial bias pervade the system."

The task force was created by the Judicial Council in March 1996. It included the heads of state law enforcement, juvenile justice, courts, prisons and parole agencies, as well as representatives of racial and ethnic minority groups.

Some examples

The following are excerpts from the Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Fairness report finalized on Thursday. A copy of the report was obtained by The Associated Press. The task force found shortcomings and recommended changes in the following categories:

Diversity issues: "The criminal and juvenile justice system workforce as a whole is not representative of the Utah population, nor the population served," the report said. "In most instances, the criminal and juvenile justice system as a whole does not make an active, concerted effort to recruit, hire, retain and promote minorities."

Sensitivity training: "The Task Force finds that, while many segments of the justice system offer diversity training - few, if any, offer ongoing, mandatory training aimed at providing cultural competency skills."

Lack of interpreters: Subcommittee members found a lack of interpreters in the justice system to understand law enforcement directions, charges against them and treatment of those incarcerated. One subcommittee "found that the lack of interpreting results in injustice for some limited-English proficient minorities."

Botched extortion plot leads to murder of five

CONCORD, Calif. (AP) - A botched plot to extort \$100,000 from an elderly couple led to the murders of five people, three of whom were dismembered and thrown into the Sacramento River Delta, police said Thursday.

Two brothers - Mormons who had been excommunicated due to their drug use - have been arrested along with their female roommate on drug possession and burglary charges, and police consider them "potential suspects" in the slayings.

As witness-clad investigators searched the delta for more evidence, police said they were investigating whether Selma Bishop, the 22-year-old daughter of blues guitarist Elvin Bishop, had joined in the scheme before she was killed.

"Obviously she had a relationship with these people. We're trying to understand exactly what her involvement was, and at what point she became a victim," Concord Police Lt. Paul Crain said Thursday. Among the biggest mys-

teries are when and where Bishop was killed, and whether Ivan and Annette Stinemmer were forced to write two checks totaling \$100,000 before they were killed. It's possible someone forged the signature, Crain said.

Bishop - or someone else posing as her - called a bank before the checks written to her name were cashed last week, Crain said. One police theory is that she fled and was killed after objecting to the Stinemmers' deaths.

Fingerprints show Ivan Stinemmer is one of the three victims whose body parts began surfacing Monday in at least eight duffel bags. Coroners were working Thursday to positively identify his wife and Bishop as the others.

A chainsaw and a sawhorse were found inside the Stinemmer's van, which was abandoned in Oakland with the keys still in the ignition, Crain said. He wouldn't say whether they were used to cut up the bodies.

Wolf

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ized. It's important that both sides bridge their differences so ranchers can continue to make a living on public lands and wolves will continue to live in central Idaho, he said.

Defenders is working with ranchers and land managers on some incentives and alternatives - such as perhaps consolidating grazing allowances to leave some areas with fewer or no livestock,

he said. Hailey architect Jon Marvel, head of the Idaho Watershed Project and a vocal critic of public land grazing, said his group is willing to buy out all the sheep allotments in the SNRA.

Sawtooth National Forest Supervisor Bill LeVere said the 1972 law that created the SNRA requires the Forest Service to protect fish and wildlife, scenic, pastoral and historic values.

Marvel countered that the law doesn't require grazing on public land.

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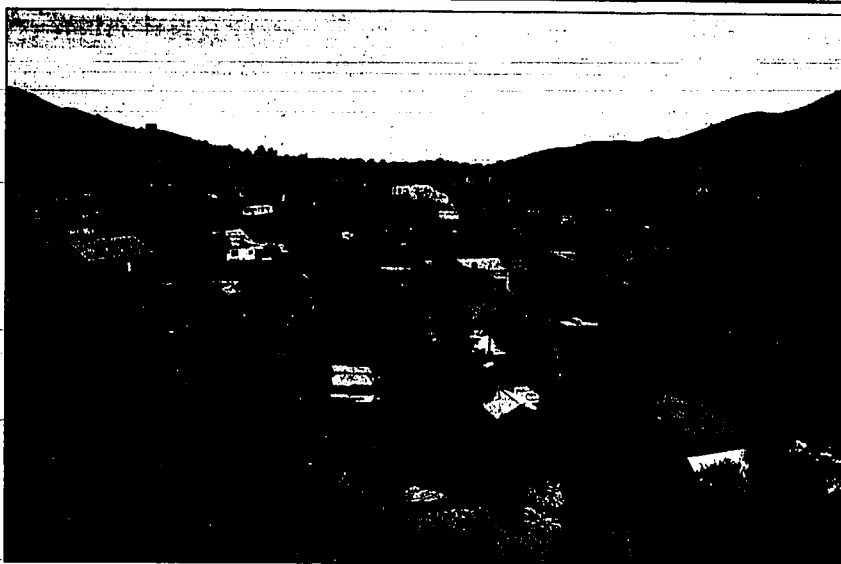
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Agencies are considering Eureka, Utah, for Superfund designation, making it eligible for federal funds to clean up contaminated land.

Tests find high lead levels in town's children

EUREKA, Utah (AP) - High levels of lead and other heavy metals found in children's blood and soil samples may result in this historic mining town of 800 becoming the state's 15th Superfund site.

Preliminary blood testing by the Central Utah Department of Health and preliminary soil samples taken by the Utah Department of Environmental Quality both found high levels of lead and other heavy metals. "It hasn't been declared yet, but from the looks of the results of two rounds of blood testing, this is bad. It's a no-brainer," said

Robert Resendes, director of the Central Utah Department of Health. He was quoted in a copy-right story in The Daily Herald.

Resendes said the statistics from the onsite blood testing were still being compiled.

The Environmental Protection Agency is coordinating with local, state and federal government officials on soil sampling and possible corrective action. "We've gathered some data and we need to get our arms around this problem as it is. We need to know more," Sonya Penneck, the EPA's manager of public affairs and involvement, said.

The Superfund is the popular name for the EPA's National Priority List, a ranking of the nation's worst toxic waste sites.

Through Superfund, the government pays to investigate and reclaim the hazardous areas.

If Eureka is put on the list, Penneck said, the first priority will be finding who was responsible for the contamination and having them pay for the cleanup.

Eureka, about 50 miles southwest of Provo, is part of the state's historic Tintic Mining District where millions of dollars of gold, silver, copper and lead were mined over more than 100 years.

Lead contamination on old mine sites is not uncommon, said Al Lange, the EPA's onsite coordinator. He said the goal of the study will be to get to as many Eureka homes as possible to track down the source of the contamination through soil samples and checking inside the homes for other sources.

In addition to lead, investigators will look for contamination by other heavy metals such as arsenic and zinc.

The state has been doing preliminary surveys at old mining sites during the past year and Eureka was tested in July.

EPA presses ahead with cleanup hearing

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - The Environmental Protection Agency's national ombudsman will hold a public hearing, despite U.S. Department of Justice attempts to delay it.

The Justice Department represents the Coeur d'Alene tribe in its lawsuit against mining and railroad companies. The tribe seeks \$1 billion for cleanup.

Last week, U.S. Assistant Attorney General Lois J. Schiffer raised legal objections to EPA ombudsman Bob Martin's plans for the hearing, which will take place as planned on Aug. 19 in Coeur d'Alene.

Assistant Administrator Tim Fields with the EPA said on Wednesday he will not stop or delay the hearings despite Schiffer's objections.

"It is just legal advice," Fields said. "This is the ombudsman's hearing."

In a July 27 letter signed by Schiffer, the Department of Justice asked to have the ombudsman's open public hearing process delayed until special rules could be put in place to prevent details of the Coeur d'Alene tribe lawsuit from leaking.

"There is clear risk that the ombudsman's process could undercut the judicial process and harm the United States' interests in the ongoing case, as well as the

interests of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe," Schiffer wrote in her letter to Fields.

Schiffer refers to a set of rules drafted by the EPA last year that, if adopted in draft form, mean the ombudsman's open public process could become internal. That would allow administrators to screen and control the release of any information pertaining to an ombudsman investigation.

While Fields could not comment on the final set of guidelines, which is due for release at the end of this month, he insisted it does not allow the administration to select or prevent the discharge of information from the ombudsman's office.

Martin's office has remained actively opposed to these rules, saying their adoption could eliminate any power the ombudsman has to keep EPA officials in check.

"Our job is to fight for the people to get the truth to bubble up in these cases," said Martin's chief investigator, Hugh Kaufman. "This is clearly a case of them working against that to hide the truth from the public."

Idaho Sen. Mike Crapo initially requested the ombudsman investigation of the Coeur d'Alene Basin. He said Schiffer's letter appears to be another attempt to avert the investigation.

Idaho seeks cleanup panel

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Idaho environmental regulators want to create an independent commission to oversee cleanup of mining contamination in the Silver Valley.

It would replace the existing Coeur d'Alene Basin Commission, whose members are appointed by the governor and would have authority to spend trust fund money and cut deals with other governments.

"This is not a state entity but its own," Environmental Quality Director Steve Allred said.

The seven commissioners would represent Washington, the federal government, the Coeur d'Alene Tribe and Shoshone, Kootenai and Benewah counties. Each could unilaterally veto any proposition.

Allred said the state was eager for reaction to the proposed Coeur d'Alene Environmental Improvement Act, which would require approval from the Washington and Idaho Legislatures, Congress and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe before the commission could begin operating.

Companies say pipeline project will meet area's future fuel needs

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Oil giant Conoco Inc. and Sinclair Oil Corp. began work Thursday on expanding a 262-mile pipeline that delivers gasoline, diesel fuel and jet fuel to the Wasatch Front.

Once completed, 3 million gallons of the petroleum products will pour in through the line. The line now carries 2 million gallons each day, mostly to Utah and Idaho.

While motorists won't see a drop in prices because of the new line, Conoco spokesman John Bennett said the line will ease the region's growing fuel thirst for years to come.

"This will provide an adequate,

long-term, reliable supply," Bennett said. "You can be certain that when you go to get gas, it's going to be there."

Crews began laying 12-inch pipe parallel to the existing 8-inch pipeline that runs roughly along Interstate 80 from Rawlins, Wyo., to North Salt Lake.

The project was approved by the Bureau of Land Management after the agency conducted an environmental review that showed no harm would be done by the new pipe.

The \$72 million pipeline expansion to the Pioneer Pipe Line should be completed in December or January. The pro-

ject is expected to create as many as 600 new jobs.

The 262 miles of 12-inch pipe will be purchased from Geneva Steel, the Vineyard-based steel mill fighting its way out of Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

The line is shared by Sinclair and Conoco, which will continue their joint operation.

In conjunction with the new pipeline, Sinclair is completing a refinery expansion in Wyoming, said Clint Ensign, vice president of governmental relations for Sinclair. The new refinery will allow Sinclair to produce gasoline with 75 percent less sulfur, which helps reduce vehicle emissions.

Dam brings generators back on line

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) - A fire at Grand Coulee Dam that took out several generators has had little effect on the supply or price of electricity for the Bonneville Power Administration.

In the newly deregulated wholesale electricity markets, prices have soared as summer demand increased and several power plant failures occurred.

The high price of electricity - which last week had gone from about 3 cents per kilowatt hour a year ago to 30 cents per kilowatt hour - is driving up consumer rates in California and Nevada and has forced the shutdown of electrically intensive industries such as aluminum plants and sawmills in the Northwest.

But the Portland, Ore.-based BPA, a federal power marketing agency that sells all of Grand Coulee's electricity, hasn't been forced to buy replacement power or pay higher prices as a result of the fire, spokesman Petry Gruber said.

"The system is large enough to absorb the loss at Grand Coulee," he said Thursday.

The BPA system has 29 dams with a total of about 150 generators, "and there's no way all of them are operating at once, so there are plenty of generators standing by," Gruber said.

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Feds encourage geothermal development

Western states will spend money for energy-use projects

LAS VEGAS (AP) - Energy Secretary Bill Richardson announced more funding for a federal initiative that would have 10 percent of the West's electricity needs provided by geothermal resources within 20 years.

More than \$33 million will go toward the development and use of geothermal energy in the next four years in Nevada, California, New Mexico and Utah, Richardson said Wednesday in detailing 21 partnerships between private industry and the Department of Energy.

"The West needs access to reliable electricity," he said, referring to recent power brownouts and blackouts in California. "We're working to develop technology to generate power."

Richardson likened Nevada to Saudi Arabia when it comes to its geothermal energy deposits. Geologists say Nevada has the highest potential of any state in the nation to deliver energy generated by the earth's heat.

Nevada companies and sites will receive at least \$12 million in private and public funds over the next three or four years, said Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev.

They are: Empire Energy LLC, Empire; Steamboat Environments LLC, Reno; Coso Operating Company of Faithness Resources, U-boat; Mount Wheeler Power Co., Eye Patch; Noramex Corp., Blue Mountain; and SB Geo, Steamboat Springs.

Last month, Reid won a subcommittee's approval to sub-



U.S. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, left, and Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., speak at a news conference in Las Vegas Wednesday in which Richardson announced that nearly \$73.5 million will be used in the development and use of geothermal energy this year in Nevada, California, New Mexico and Utah.

stantially increase the funding for development of solar and renewable and alternative energy sources.

Reid has said the nation must end its dependence on fossil fuels in favor of renewable energy such as solar, wind and geothermal sources.

Developing the clean and cost-effective energy source will fuel economic development, create jobs in rural areas and support a cleaner environment, Reid said.

In January, Richardson launched a Geopowering the West initiative with \$4.8 million in research grants for develop-

ing the power source in Nevada, California, Utah, Texas and North Dakota.

Its goal is to have 7.5 percent of the western states' energy needs provided by geothermal energy by the year 2010, increasing to 10 percent by 2020. In addition, goals include supplying electric power or heat to at least 7 million homes by 2010 and doubling the number of states with geothermal electric power facilities to eight by 2006. States currently with geothermal power plants are Nevada, California, Utah and Hawaii.

Reid, who is the ranking Democrat on the Energy and Water appropriations subcommittee, successfully sought increased funding for the new solar and renewable energy initiative from \$360 million in fiscal year 2000 to \$445 million in fiscal year 2001. The Clinton administration requested \$450 million in its fiscal year 2001 budget.

As part of his visit, Richardson also opened the United Steelworkers of America's 30th Constitutional Convention.

New Mexico withdraws demand in nuclear dump

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) - The state Environment Department has withdrawn a bonding demand that had delayed highway projects promised by the federal government in developing the underground dump for plutonium-contaminated waste now stored in Idaho and other states.

The department wanted the government to post a \$100 million bond to assure cleanup of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant near Carlsbad after it closes in about 35 years.

But President Clinton has already signed a law invalidating the state's demand.

Republican Sen. Pete Domenici called the bonding requirement "unreasonable" and claimed it caused needless delay on important New Mexico road work.

"Congress has enacted controlling legislation which states that a financial guarantee cannot be required of a federal contractor at WIPP," Environment Secretary Peter Maggiore said in withdrawing

the bonding demand this week.

The U.S. Department of Energy had sued the state over the bonding requirement and withheld \$20 million in highway funding because of the demand. The highway money was earmarked for work on trucking routes to the storage facility.

Maggiore said the dump's operator, Westinghouse, has posted \$20 million as part of the guarantee for cleanup.

"I advised both the United States Department of Energy and Westinghouse that the permit condition requiring financial assurance in the WIPP permit is withdrawn and will not be enforced," Maggiore said. "The withdrawal of financial assurance provisions should once and for all remove any impediments to the state of New Mexico receiving that promised \$20 million in economic assistance, in the form of highway funds, that the federal government has been withholding."

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Late trooper's family files lawsuits over death

JACKSON, Tenn. (AP) - The ex-wife of a Tennessee state trooper has joined his family in seeking millions of dollars in damages from an Idaho trucker and his employer for the fiery crash that killed the officer and another motorist.

Diann Ross, who had been married to Trooper Lynn Ross, asked a federal court for \$55 million in damages for their three children. The suit blames Clifford James Engum of Caldwell and ECK Miller Transportation Corp. of Rockport, Ind., for Ross's death.

Engum, 50, has pleaded innocent charges of second-degree murder, vehicular homicide, aggravated assault and reckless driving in the accident that also resulted in a second death during the subsequent chain of wrecks.

Engum was released from the Madison County Criminal Justice Complex after posting a \$40,000 bond.

He was driving a tractor-trailer rig on Interstate 40 near Jackson on July 26 when he smashed into the rear of Ross' patrol car. The cruiser was parked at a road construction site, and its lights were flashing.

Authorities said Engum failed to hit his brakes before plowing into the cruiser. In their report of the accident, Tennessee Highway Patrol investigators cited speed as a factor. They also suggested Engum could have been tired or asleep.

Ross, 40, was killed when his car was pushed down the east lanes of the interstate, flipped over and burst into flames.

Young animal lover rescues dog

KENNEWICK, Wash. (AP) - Sarah Eakin, 11, couldn't ignore the whimpering. Walking home from church, she stopped to peer into an irrigation ditch and saw a faint light.

"I heard a dog whimpering. His paws were bleeding because he had been scratching so hard," Eakin said.

The 150-pound dog was scrambling to avoid falling into the current and being swept to an uncertain fate beneath the road on Sunday.

"There was 3 to 4 inches of clearance. He probably would

have drowned if he had gone into the tunnel," said the girl's mother, Susan Eakin.

The girl, who has two cats and two dogs of her own, flagged down a passing motorist who helped her pull the beleaguered dog to safety. She then walked the sore-footed dog to her home for a cleanup.

It turned out the dog, a boxer-Labrador retriever mix named Coal, had escaped from a family's yard the previous night. Owner Margie Edmonson and other family members had searched for Coal without success.

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Group plans to retrace Mormons' journey

Estimated 85,000 converts left Europe

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A century and a half ago, Mormon converts in Europe began their trek to the United States, crossing the ocean by the thousands for the chance to practice their new religion. On Wednesday, a group of modern Mormons announced plans to re-enact that journey.

"We really are commemorating an era," said Bill Sadleir, chairman of the Sea Trek Foundation. The main wave of Mormon immigration from northern Europe began in 1851, and over the next 15 years an estimated 85,000 converts arrived on American shores.

Sadleir said the idea evolved after he participated in the 1997 re-enactment of the Mormons' journey by wagon across the United States to Utah, which drew hundreds of participants.

"What really surprised me was how much attention was being focused on the trek and wagon trains, when the most grueling part of the trek was the sea crossing," Sadleir said.

So he founded Sea Trek and chartered eight historic ships and replicas to pick up passengers at European ports and make the 36-day journey across the Atlantic. The group is working independently of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - although the groups says it has the church's blessing - and not all participants are church members.

"I see this as a wonderful opportunity not only to join hands with other Mormons internationally, but also with non-Mormons," said Fred Woods, research director for Sea Trek and professor at Brigham Young University who is teaching the school's first class about the Mormon migration. He has also edited a collection of first-person accounts from the journey called "Sailing to Zion."

"I don't know anybody that's not looking for some type of Zion," Woods said. "That extends to whether a person is a Jew, Gentile, Catholic, Mormon or agnostic."

The trek will start in Esbjerg, Denmark, on Aug. 7, 2001, and stop in Sweden, Norway,



The Norwegian ship 'Stataaraad Lehmkuhl' is sailing off the coast of Norway in June, 2000.



Crew members trail on the Norwegian ship 'Soflandet' in June, 2000, off the coast of Norway. Mormon converts in Europe began immigrating over 150 years ago to the United States by ships for freedom of religion.

Germany and England before departing for New York, where the ships are expected to arrive Oct. 4.

The ships will carry 425 passengers per leg, with a one-day port-to-port hop costing about \$160. Sadleir figures that fewer than 20 percent of the people will want to do the whole route from start to finish, which will cost nearly \$8,000, including all

meals and transportation. The journey won't be nearly as grueling as the original voyages, even though the ships and other forms of transport will be authentic - including a little-used steam train that will take some participants from Hull, England, to Liverpool.

Passengers will sleep on hammocks and help out on deck; but will also get modern conven-

iences like hot showers and plenty of Dramamine. Professors from Brigham Young University and the University of Utah will be on board to give lectures about the history of the period.

"Unlike the pioneer trek, I don't want everybody dressing up in pioneer costumes," Sadleir said. "That enforced these age-old images of Mormons, with polygamy and all that garbage."

Utah council votes against deer hunting

OGDEN, Utah - A proposal to allow mule deer hunting at Antelope Island state park appears to be facing opposition from yet another wildlife advisory council.

The Northern Region Advisory Council of Utah's Division of Wildlife Resources voted against the hunt 9-2 at a public meeting Wednesday night.

The RAC, one of five in Utah, advises the Utah Wildlife Board on wildlife management in Northern Utah. While the board is not bound to RAC's recommendations, it generally follows them. Two other RACs have come out in favor and two against. With Wednesday's vote, a 3-2 majority now opposes the hunt.

The wildlife board is set to make its decision Thursday, which would await approval from the Utah Board of Parks and Recreation in September.

The endangered proposal calls for allowing one or two people to hunt buck mule deer on the island each year.

"I won't shed a tear," said Courtland Nelson, director of the Utah Division of Parks and Recreation. "I think it's a good decision. I think it comes down to a decision about what's the value of a park. Antelope Island is our Yellowstone; it's a rare find, and it's important culturally and socially."

One of the hunt's advocates, Don Peay of Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, said the auction permit could bring \$100,000 or more.

The money raised by the hunt would have been returned to the state park for habitat improvement on the island.

The proposal was supported by one of the state's largest hunting organizations, Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, but it was opposed by two other sportsmen's groups, the Salt Lake County Fish and Game Association and the Strawberry Anglers Association.

Friends of Antelope Island and Western Wildlife Conservancy also voted against it.

Dan Russell of Roy, who called himself an avid hunter, said he supported hunting deer on Antelope Island, but not if it meant selling a permit for \$100,000.

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INS cracks down

PHOENIX (AP) - Immigration agents from across the country began round-the-clock surveillance at the Phoenix and Las Vegas airports Wednesday in an attempt to dismantle migrant smuggling networks used to dispatch immigrants to the East and Midwest.

About 100 Immigration and Naturalization Service agents are working under Operation Denial and are targeting "ruthless and unscrupulous" migrant smugglers who move paying illegal immigrants through the nation's airports and hold them in unsanitary and dangerous "drop houses" until payment has been made, said INS Commissioner Doris Meissner.

"We are seeing increased instances of violence from alien smugglers who are putting migrants and the public at risk," Meissner said in Phoenix.

Phoenix and Las Vegas are two top smuggling transit hubs, she said. Operation Denial took effect Wednesday morning and by midday, 67 illegal migrants had been arrested at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport, said Roseanne Sonchik, district director of the INS in Phoenix. Since January, 1,500 illegal entrants have been confiscated at the airport.

Meissner would not say how long Operation Denial was expected to remain in place, but said it will continue until smuggling operations are "disrupted and dismantled to the degree that INS staff can stay on top of it."

But some human rights groups say Operation Denial will not solve the problem and will only cause increased racial profiling of innocent travelers.

"Who do you think is going to be targeted in the airports?" said Isabel Garcia, founder of Coalicion de Derechos Humanos in Tucson. "It's going to be brown-skinned people who can't speak English very well. There's just no way they can tell who's undocumented and who's not."

INS officials said Operation Denial will not affect legal travelers and will focus on patterns of behavior often associated with migrant smuggling such as last-minute purchases of a large number of tickets, late-night flights and boarding flights at the last minute.

About 24 INS agents have been assigned to patrol Sky Harbor and INS staff at McCarran Airport in Las Vegas has been doubled to 18, Sonchick said.

Governor raises Indian awareness

HELENA, Mont. (AP) - Montana Gov. Marc Racicot believes a fundamental misunderstanding of the law is responsible for many conflicts between Indians and non-Indians.

The outgoing chief executive told his state's first major conference on race this week that people must understand that tribes have long-standing treaties assuring their sovereign status. That, he said, can put otherwise seemingly unfair decisions and events in perspective.

"The overwhelming number of people don't make a judgment based on skin color alone," Racicot said. "I still hold the belief that the differences we have are borne out of our legal relationships."

But state Senate Minority Leader Steve Doherty, whose private law practice specializes in Indian law, said he sees examples of blatant racism every day.

Doherty urged tribal members to get political involved on both the state and national levels while non-Indians realize they must do more for the Indian reservations that help many non-reservation counties hang on economically.

"The feds and the state have done pretty much zip for effective economic development on the Indian reservations and that's got to change," Doherty said.

There was consensus that talking about the problems openly was important.

"The fact of the matter is, we're here," Racicot said, "and we're here together."

Judge, congresswoman oversee canyon development

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. (AP) - The first members of a citizens' panel formed to oversee a development near Grand Canyon National Park have been appointed.

The backers of the project hope the Kaibab Institute will help reassure residents that Canyon Forest Village will comply with its environmental promises.

On Wednesday, Karan English, a former congress-

woman and now project director of the Center for Sustainable Environments at Northern Arizona University, and Richard Mangum, co-owner of Hexagon Press and a former Coconino County Superior Court justice, were appointed as the first trustees of the Kaibab Institute.

English has been an outspoken supporter of the project, and Mangum is the author of several books on Flagstaff history and hiking.

The institute is charged with ensuring that the 272-acre Canyon Forest Village complies with environmental commitments, including a promise to abstain from ground water use.

Canyon Forest Village, which has faced heavy opposition from local residents, is to include hotels, stores, housing and community facilities directly south of the entrance to Grand Canyon National Park.

The Coconino County Board of Supervisors approved the zoning for the project, but referendum petitions for the November ballot have been filed by those who oppose the project.

The Kaibab Institute is slated to eventually include five trustees and representatives of the Havasupai Tribe and environmental groups. It will have \$1.6 million for conservation projects in the Grand Canyon region.

English and Mangum were appointed by the Tucson-based Sonoran Institute.

"The Kaibab Institute promises to be a model private-public partnership. It will provide citizens with the assurance that the agreement reached in years of negotiations will be honored and will provide significant funds for conservation," said Luther Probst, executive director of the Sonoran Institute.

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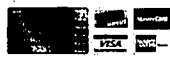
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WEEKEND

Queen of Hearts: Juice Newton will perform at Cactus Petes



Juice Newton Will perform in Jackpot.



Aug. 28 - Boise
Alison Krauss and Union Station will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$24.50 and \$28.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Aug. 30
Manny Kershaw and Cledus T. Judd will perform at 8 p.m. at the Twin Falls County Fair in-Filer. Fair admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children, and that includes general admission to all arena events.

Rock N Roll
Nightly except Sunday and Monday
Milestone will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the Lantern Lounge at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.

Monday - Salt Lake City
Brinye Sparts will sing in Salt Lake City's Delta Center at 7:30 p.m. Sold out.

Tuesday - Boise
Poison, Cinderella, Dokken and Slaughter will play the Idaho Center in Nampa at 5:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.50 and \$26.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garry Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

Wednesday - Utah
Poison, Cinderella, Dokken and Slaughter will perform at the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$28, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 Decker Lake Drive.



Maureen McGovern Will sing at Sundance Theater.

Aug. 18 - Utah
Maureen McGovern will sing at 8 p.m. in the Sundance Theater, Sundance Ski Resort east of Provo, Utah. Tickets, which are \$20, \$30 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. To get to Sundance, take the Sundance/Provo Canyon exit off Interstate 15, travel east on 800 North to the mouth of the canyon, turn left onto Highway 189, drive 7 miles and turn left at the Sundance turnoff, then go two miles up the canyon.

Aug. 18 - Utah
Shawn Colvin will play the Cliff Lodge Ballroom at Snowbird Ski & Summer Resort near Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, \$25 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Snowbird is located east of Salt Lake City in Little Cottonwood Canyon. Take Interstate 80 East to I-215 to Wasatch Boulevard, then follow the signs into Little Cottonwood Canyon.

Aug. 21 - Boise
Sixpence None the Richer will play the Western Idaho State Fair, Garden City, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10 and \$15, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Aug. 21 - Utah
Victoria Williams will perform at 10 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 391 South West Temple.

Aug. 22 - Boise
Creedence Clearwater Revisited will perform at the Western Idaho State Fair,

Garden City, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10 and \$15, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Aug. 23 - Idaho Falls
Pat Benatar will play the Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$24.50, are available at the Music-Exchange in Twin Falls or by phoning 734-2758. The Civic Auditorium is located at 501 S. Holmes Ave.



Souly Plays Pocatello Speedway.

Souly, Primer 55, Apartment 26 and Shuvell will play the Pocatello Speedway at 5 p.m. Tickets, which are \$23.50, are \$23.50 and are available at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum or by phoning (501) 704-4448, Ext. 1. The Pocatello Speedway is located along Interstate 86 west of Pocatello; take the West Pocatello exit.

Aug. 24 - Boise
Pat Benatar will sing at the Western Idaho State Fair, Garden City, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10 and \$15, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Aug. 24 - Utah
Berlin, Real Life and Anything Box will play the Rocky Mountain Raceways in West Valley City, Utah, at 4:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20 and \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Rocky Mountain Raceways is located at 6555 West 2100 South.

Aug. 24 - Utah
The Cult will play Utah's Salmair Resort in Magna, Utah, at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Salmair is located 35 miles southwest of Salt Lake City off Interstate 80 West, take Exit 104.

Sept. 3
Big Head Todd and the Monsters will perform in the Elkhorn Resort Amphitheater in Sun Valley at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$26, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Sept. 5
Tracy Chapman will play the Elkhorn Resort Amphitheater in Sun Valley at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$26.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.



Jethro Tull Will play at Deer Valley Resort, Utah.

Jethro Tull will play the Deer Valley Resort near Park City, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$28, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Deer Valley Resort is located 34 miles southeast of Salt Lake City off Utah Highway 34.

Sept. 7 - Boise
Def Leppard will play the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25.50 and \$35.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garry Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

Sept. 8 - Boise
Neil Young will sing at the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$33, \$40.50 and \$50.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garry Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

Sept. 13 - Utah
Johnny Lang will play Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.

Sept. 18 - Boise
Red Hot Chili Peppers will play the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766. The Idaho Center is located at 5000 Garry Blvd. on Nampa's east end.

GOSPEL MUSIC
Sept. 4
Michael Smith will sing at 8 p.m. at the Twin Falls County Fair in Filer. Fair admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children, and that includes general admission to all arena events.

H I P - H O P
Aug. 18 - Utah
Eminem, Dr. Dre and Snoop Doggy Dogg will perform at the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$35.50 and \$50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 Decker Lake Drive.

CLASSICAL



The Sun Valley Summer Symphony Performs Schumann.

The Sun Valley Summer Symphony will present Schumann's Concerto in A Minor for Cello and Prokofiev's Suite No. 1 from "Romeo and Juliet," 6:30 p.m. in a tent on the esplanade at the Sun Valley Resort. Free.

Saturday
The Sun Valley Summer Symphony will perform Kraft's Timpani Concerto, Beethoven's Concerto No. 3 in C Minor for Piano, Harp Concerto, 6:30 p.m. in a tent on the esplanade at the Sun Valley Resort. Free.

Sunday
The Sun Valley Summer Symphony will present Debussy's Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun, Ravel's Suite No. 2 from Daphnis and Chloe, 6:30 p.m. in a tent on the esplanade at the Sun Valley Resort. Free.

Monday
The Sun Valley Summer Symphony will conclude with a performance of Beethoven's Symphony No. 8 in F Major, Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition," 6:30 p.m. in a tent on the esplanade at the Sun Valley Resort. Free.

Aug. 17 - Utah
Pianist Eugene Watannabe and the Utah Symphony will play a program of Mozart at 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$10, \$13, \$16, \$19 and \$23, can be reserved by phoning 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Aug. 26-27 - Utah
The Utah Symphony's summer season finale, featuring

Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture, will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 26 at Deer Valley Resort near Park City, Utah, and on Aug. 27 at Snowbird Ski & Summer Resort east of Salt Lake City. Tickets, which are \$22 for general admission, both nights and \$39 for reserved seating for the Aug. 26 concert and \$29 for reserved seating on Aug. 27, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Deer Valley is located 34 miles east of Salt Lake City. Take Interstate 80 East and 1-215 South to Wasatch Boulevard, then follow the signs through Little Cottonwood Canyon.

FOLK MUSIC
Aug. 18-19 - Utah
The Utah Symphony will present a program of Celtic music featuring tenor George Dyer, 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 18 in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall and at 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 19 at Deer Valley Resort near Park City, Utah. Tickets for the Aug. 18 concert, which are \$12, \$15, \$18 and \$29, are available by phoning (801) 355-2787. Tickets for the Aug. 19 concert are \$22 for general admission and \$65 for reserved seating. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple; Deer Valley Resort is located 34 miles east of Salt Lake City off Utah Highway 34.



Ben Harper Will play at Sandy Point Beach

Ben Harper with the Innocent Criminals will play Sandy Point Beach at Lucky Peak Reservoir, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$23.75, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Aug. 26 - Utah
Gordon Lightfoot will sing at the Sandy City Amphitheater in suburban Salt Lake City at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$13 and \$18, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Sandy City Amphitheater is located at 1250 East 9400 South.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Today through Sunday
The 32nd annual Sun Valley Arts and Crafts Festival will be held on the grounds of the Sun Valley Resort 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Free.

Today through Sunday
Saturday and Sunday - Nampa
Nampa Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor the 14th annual Nampa Festival of the Arts from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at Lakeview Park. For more information, call Deborah Spille at (208) 465-2295.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight
Daron Novotny will play from 6 to 8 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Tonight
"Twin Falls Tonight," featuring free music, will be held from 5:30-8:30 p.m. in the parking lot behind of the old Rogerson Hotel in downtown Twin Falls. Food and drink available.

Tonight
Bob Nora Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Saturday
Delta 88 Revival will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls.

Saturday
Armageddon will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Saturday
Dynamite Entertainment will play at 9 p.m. at the 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave., Burley. No cover charge.

Saturday
Randy Egner will play from 7 to 9 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Monday
Jam session will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Tuesday
Saxophonist Brian Blandford will play from 6 to 8 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Tuesday
Missing Josephine will hold a CD release party from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Wednesday through Saturday
Tip McBride, formerly of the McBride Brothers, will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Diamondfield Lounge at Best Western Cavanaugh's Hotel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.

Wednesday
Guitarist David Santistevan will play from 6 to 9 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Wednesday
Bob Nora Band will play for ladies night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Thursday
Missing Josephine will hold a CD release party from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls.

Thursday
Pianist Jimmy Cooper will play from 6 to 8 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Aug. 23
Boher Koffler Brothers sometimes y will perform at Ketchum Alive, 7:10 p.m. Forest Service Park, Ketchum.

Today
The LDS singles and alumni Please see EVENTS, Page C3

Tonight through Sunday
Juice Newton will perform at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$14.99 tonight and Sunday and \$19.99 on Saturday. Cover charge for the 11 p.m. cocktail show is \$7.50 tonight and Sunday and \$10 on Saturday. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

Tonight and Saturday
Renegade will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$3.

Saturday
Dusty and the Nomads will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Spunkier's Barn on U.S. Highway 93, east of Jerome. Cover charge is \$7. Call 324-7366.

Saturday
Common People will play at 9:30 p.m. at Burren West Resort at West Magic Reservoir, located north of Shoshone, off of Idaho Highway 75 at West Magic Road.

Tuesday - Boise
Tim McGraw and Faith Hill will perform at 8 p.m. in the Boise State University Pavilion. Tickets, which are \$35 and \$50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Tuesday
Ty Herndon will sing at the Cassia County Fair in Burley at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$16 for stage front and \$14 for grandstand, are available at the Cassia County Fairgrounds office and Taco Bandido in Burley and at Corral West stores in Burley and Twin Falls.

Tuesday through Aug. 20
Doug Kershaw will play two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show start at \$14.99 on weeknights and Sunday and \$19.99 on Saturday. Cover charge for the 11 p.m. cocktail show is \$7.50 on weeknights and Sunday and \$10 on Saturday. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

Aug. 19 - Boise
The Statler Brothers will perform at the Western Idaho State Fair, Garden City, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10 and \$15, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Aug. 19 - Stanley
The Stanley Stomp, featuring the Braun Brothers, Reckless Kelly, Muzzie & The Boys and other acts, is scheduled for 1-8 p.m. in the park. Tickets are \$12; kids 3-12 get in for 55. Food will be available.

Aug. 20 - Boise
Dwight Yoakum will sing at the Western Idaho State Fair, Garden City, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10 and \$15, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

Aug. 20
The 15th annual Country Rock Jamboree will be held from noon until dusk in Shoshone City Park. Free.

Aug. 23 - Boise



Neil McCoy To perform at Western Idaho State Fair.

Neil McCoy will perform at the Western Idaho State Fair, Garden City, 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10 and \$15, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

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Events

Continued from C2
are sponsoring a luau and dance at 667 Harrison St., Twin Falls. Luau will begin at 7 p.m. Main course will be provided; bring a porkchop dish and own table service. A program will follow the dinner. The dance will start at 8:30 p.m. with music by The Gems (Plots). Cost is \$2.50. The public is invited.

Saturday
The Old-Time Fiddlers will play from 8 to 11 p.m. at the West End Senior Citizens Center, 1010 Main, Buhl. Cost is \$3 per person.

Sunday
Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance from 2 to 5 p.m. at the center, 616 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls. The public is invited.

KARAOKE

Tonight
Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Diamondfield Lounge at Best Western Cavanaugh's Hotel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.

Tonight
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont, Rupert.

Nightly except Sunday and Monday
Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Club, 402 Main N., Twin Falls.

Saturday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna, 9 E. Main, Declo.

Sunday and Tuesday
Full Moon Music Madness will play from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Riverside Bar and Resort, west of Burley.

Monday through Thursday
Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Oasis, 1607 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Thursday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Kimmy's Riverside, west of Burley.

BLUES MUSIC



John Mayall will perform at Trail Creek Cabins.

John Mayall will perform at the Trail Creek Cabin Grounds, Sun Valley Resort, the final installment of the Sun Valley Center for Arts' Twilight Blues Series. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning (208) 256-9491.

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Wednesday through Aug. 19

The Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation will present a summer melodrama, "B-a-a-a-B-a-a-a-Black Sheep, or Not Quite Quieter in Quiet Hollow," Wednesday at 3 and 5 p.m., Thursday at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., Aug. 18 at 10 a.m. and noon, and Aug. 19 at 10:30 a.m., 4 and 6 p.m., 4-H Building, Cassia County Fairgrounds, Burley. Tickets: \$3.

Tonight, Saturday and Sunday - Bole

The Idaho Shakespeare Festival will present "Othello" tonight at 8 p.m. and Alexander Dumas' "Three Musketeers" at 8 p.m. Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday in the Idaho Shakespeare Festival Amphitheater, 5657 Warm Springs Ave. Tickets are \$28 tonight and Saturday and \$23 on Sunday. For reservations and information, call (208) 366-9221. The ISF will reprise "Three Musketeers" Tuesday and Wednesday and present "Two Gentlemen of Verona" on Thursday.

REGGAE COMMUNITY

Sept. 6-7 - Utah

Burning Spear will perform at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$28, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

FIGURE SKATING

Saturday



Oksana Baiul headlines at Sun Valley Ice Show.

1994 Olympic gold medalist Oksana Baiul will headline the Sun Valley Ice Show, 9:15 p.m., on the ice rink behind the Sun Valley Lodge. Tickets which are \$27-\$48 for bleacher seats, \$33-\$44 for Sun Room seating, and \$55-\$79 for show-and-buffer tick-

ets, can be reserved by phoning the Sun Valley Sports Center at 622-2231.

JAZZ MUSIC

Thursday and Aug. 24 and 31

"Jazz on the Green," a free series of concerts, will be held at 6:30 p.m. on the lawn at Elkhorn Resort, Sun Valley.

Sept. 13 - Utah

Sergio Mendes and Brasil 2000 will perform at the Ed Kenley Amphitheater in Layton, Utah, at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$18-\$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Ed Kenley Amphitheater is located at 403 N. Wasatch Drive.

COMEDY

Aug. 19

"Las Vegas Review: Comedy, Music and Dance" will be held at 7 p.m. at the O'Leary Junior High School auditorium. The event will feature Michael Lee Clayton as Robin Williams, Missing Josephine band and the Lori Head Dancers. Admission is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. Proceeds will benefit the future U.S. Olympians-of-Sage Gymnastics in Twin Falls. For more information or advanced tickets, call 734-9900.

COMEDY

Today and Saturday

The Three Island Crossing celebration in Glenns Ferry will culminate with the 15th annual crossing at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Tickets to the crossing are \$4 for adults and \$1 for kids 12 and under. Because parking will be at a premium in Three Island State Park, use the free shuttle bus service which will pick up visitors all day Saturday at Glenns Ferry High School and the Elmore County Fairgrounds.

Today, Saturday and Sunday

The 11th annual Hispanic Heritage Fiesta will be in Twin Falls City Park from noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday, featuring games, food and music. Free Related events include a dinner and music at the fountain on Main Avenue from 7:30-10 p.m.,

a mini Mexican rodeo at the College of Southern Idaho rodeo arena on Saturday and a street dance on Main Avenue that night.

Monday through Aug. 19

The Gooding County Fair will last all week at the Gooding County Fairgrounds in Gooding. Highlights include the parade on Thursday at 5 p.m. from downtown Gooding to the fairgrounds; the Idaho Cowboys Association-sanctioned rodeo Thursday and Aug. 18-19 at 8 p.m. in the rodeo grounds; the crowning of Miss Rodeo Idaho at 8 p.m. Aug. 19 in the rodeo arena; the 4-H/FFA Market Animal Sale at 9:30 a.m. Aug. 19 in the beef barn; the 4-H/FFA Buyer Appreciation Barbecue at noon (\$4 per individual; \$20 for families). Admission to the fair is \$6 for adults and \$4 for youths 6-12 years, 5 years and under is free.

Tuesday through Aug. 19

The Cassia County Fair will fill out the week at the Cassia County Fairgrounds in Burley. Highlights will include the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association rodeo Thursday through Aug. 19 at 8 p.m. (tickets: \$8 and \$6), the Brown Amusement Carnival Tuesday through Aug. 19 all day, parade on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m., the fat stock sale at 9 a.m. on Aug. 19, and horse racing Aug. 18-19 at 1 p.m.

Thursday

The seventh annual Hot August Nite picnic and fundraiser for the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce will be held in City Park, starting with a buffet picnic dinner at 5 p.m., silent auction at 7:30 p.m., silent auctions and raffles starting half-hour intervals at 6:30 p.m., and grand-prize drawing at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$7 for kids, and they're available by phoning 733-3974.

Thursday through Aug. 19

A Little Kids' Rodeo, barbecue and pets on parade contest will highlight the first Blaine

County Fair of the new Millennium. Thursday's activities include an archery shoot at 5 p.m., a junior jamboree at 7:30 p.m. and a jackpot barrel race. Friday's activities include a pets on parade contest at 4 p.m., bingo from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., a barbecue from 5:30 to 8 p.m. and the Little Kids' Rodeo for kids 13 and under at 7:30 p.m. Barbecue tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors 60 and older and \$2 for children 12 and under. Saturday's activities include the 411 market animal sale at 1:30 p.m. and a rodeo at 7:30 p.m.

CAR SHOW

Saturday and Sunday

Magic Valley Chapter of the Veteran Motor Car Club of America will sponsor its 32nd annual antique car show, swap meet and crafts fair at the Jerome City Park on Main Street. The show will be held from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Award presentations will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday. Organizers expect as many as 150 old cars, dating from early 1900s through 1950s and into 1970, and about 50 swap booths at the north and south sections of the park. Jerome Chamber of Commerce has reserved space for a farm produce sale in the north park area. Admission is free. For more information, call Bonnie Jones at 733-9613.

AIR SHOW

Saturday

Magic Valley Aeromodelers will hold its annual radio-control aircraft fun-fly show at 10 a.m. at the flying field, 2800 E. 3100 N., Twin Falls (south on Blue Lakes Boulevard to 3100 N. then west to 2800 E). The event will include contests, exhibits, demonstrations and a raffle for radio-control airplane kits. For more information, call Gary Moffitt at 734-2413 or Aero-Tronics Model Supply at 733-3943.

PLANETARIUM

Tonight, Saturday, Wednesday, Thursday

The Faulkner Planetarium will present a show choreographed to "Pink Floyd The Wall," 8:15 p.m. Tickets, which are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and children and \$9 for families, are available at the door. Children under 4 are not admitted. The Faulkner Planetarium is located in the Herrett Center for Arts on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. The show continues on Tuesday through Saturday nights throughout the summer.

"The Search for Life in the Universe" will play Tuesdays through Saturdays at 7 p.m. throughout the summer; "How to Build a Planet" Tuesdays through Saturdays at 4 p.m., and "Larry Cat in Space" on Saturdays only at 2 p.m.

HOME TOUR

Saturday

The Community Library Tour of Homes will be held 11 a.m.-4 p.m., beginning at the library. For more information, call 726-3493.

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WEEKEND

Herndon headlines Cassia fair

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Unless your name is Garth or Shania, fame is a quicksilver phenomenon in Nashville these days.

Ask Ty Herndon. With the country music business in the doldrums and the hits harder to come by, Herndon has managed to carve out a devoted following on the concert tour, playing fairs and corporate gigs.

"You move on, you turn the page, get to the next place," Herndon told the trade publication Country Weekly recently. "If something doesn't work out, too bad—close the book; make something else work."

It's been five years since his breakthrough single, "What Mattered Most," and a string of best-newcomer nominations and well-received discs. But his neo-traditionalist vibe has been eclipsed on country radio stations and in recording studios by more a pop-oriented, engineered sound.

That's not enough to discourage Herndon, now 38 — not by a long shot.

After all, the Mississippi-born, Alabama-bred singer spent 10 years in Music City without making any real headway, ran into financial trouble as a result of some business deals gone bad, and found redemption in the honky-tonks and ice houses of small-town Texas.

There he developed a loyal following of fans for fusion of Randy Travis country with rock 'n' roll production values. He was named Texas Entertainer of the Year in 1993, and that earned him a contract with Epic Records, and a string of hits that culminated with his third single, "Heart Half Empty," and his second album, "Living in a Moment," both released in 1996.

"Big Hopes," released in 1998, and "Steam," which Herndon cut last year, haven't been as popular, but Herndon re-issued a single from "Steam," entitled "A Love Like This," in June, and another single, "No Mercy," hit No. 1 on Country Music



Ty Herndon has kept his career vibrant by touring, playing fairs and corporate gigs. Photo courtesy

A Ty that binds

- **What:** Ty Herndon will sing at the Cassia County Fair.
- **When:** Tuesday, 8 p.m.
- **Where:** Cassia County Fairgrounds, Burley.

Television earlier this year.

Herndon, who's married to a registered nurse who works with AIDS patients, says his proudest accomplishment is staying sober for four and one-half years. Drugs and alcohol very nearly short-circuited his career more than once.

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$16 for stage front and \$14 for grandstand seats, are available at the Cassia County Fairgrounds office and Taco Bandido in Burley and at Corral West stores in Burley and in Twin Falls.

"I'm seeing my dreams come true," he said. "I don't know if I can dream any bigger."

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Heritage Fiesta starts tonight

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

Come celebrate

TWIN FALLS — Now here's something to shout about:

The 11th annual Hispanic Heritage Fiesta, scheduled for this weekend in and around City Park, has upgraded the games.

That includes a hollering contest ("El Grito," in Mexican tradition) at 6 p.m. Sunday, a Selena look-and-dance-alike contest at 1 o'clock that afternoon, a jalapeno-eating contest at 3 p.m. and a break-dancing competition at 2:30.

It's all part of an effort to broaden the appeal of the annual mid-summer fiesta, according to Gloria Galan, a Twin Falls City Council member, a long-time organizer of the event, and this year, an adviser to the Fiesta Committee.

"We typically get from 1,500 to 2,000 people, and we're hoping for more," Galan said.

The fiesta, co-sponsored by the Twin Falls Police Department and Rupert radio station LA Fantastica 970 AM with financial

- **What:** The 11th annual Hispanic Heritage Fiesta will be held this weekend in Twin Falls.
- **Where:** Although there will be events elsewhere in downtown Twin Falls and at the College of Southern Idaho rodeo arena, most will be centered in City Park.
- **When:** Tonight, Saturday and on Sunday, when most of the events are scheduled from noon to 7 p.m.
- **How much:** Free.

support from the Grace Kevern Foundation, Magic Valley District 1 butchery—the College of Southern Idaho, Crowley's, Ipail Marin Designs and local Mexican restaurants, has been expanding for the past couple of years.

This year's edition starts tonight with a dinner at the foundation on Main Avenue, with music by Sol de Acapulco. The Lamphouse Theater in Old Towne will show the Mexican film, "Baja California," on Saturday afternoon, and there's a

"mini-Mexican rodeo" scheduled for Saturday in the CSJ rodeo arena.

Saturday night, a street dance is planned in front of Crowley's on Main Avenue.

On Sunday, the fiesta starts at noon with traditional Hispanic music, dance, food, arts and crafts, children's games—including pinata-breaking—and a special art center for kids from preschool through sixth grade, and in the evening, a mask-making contest.

The goal of the fiesta is to provide a well-organized traditional summer celebration for the Magic Valley's Hispanic population, according to Galan, geared toward families.

And if you're into jalapenos, bring your Zante's. There's a \$50 prize, or whoever can eat the most peppers in 30 seconds on Sunday afternoon.

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Sun Valley Arts and Crafts show opens

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

Enjoy the entertainment

Entertainment for the Sun Valley Arts and Crafts Festival:

- Today**
- 11 a.m. — Puppetry with Cecelia.
- Noon — Balloons with Daisy the Clown.
- 3-3 p.m. — Sagebrush Reunion
- 3-6 p.m. — Gehad Bisharat

SUN VALLEY — It started the year that riots rocked Watts, that Martin Luther King and Bobby Kennedy were killed.

The 32nd annual Sun Valley Arts and Crafts Show, presented by the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, will be held from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. today through Sunday on the grass near the Sun Valley Opera House. It has been rated the 10th-best festival in the Northwest by The Harris List 2000.

The juried festival will feature ceramics, toys, basketry, paintings, sculpture, photography and more by 130 artists selected from throughout the Northwest. Many of the artists are new to the show.

"We selected these from 700 applications," said Heather Crocker, of the Sun Valley Center. "What really distinguishes these artists is that they

never rest on their laurels. They're always pushing themselves to be better artists, to turn out something that's better than anything they've ever done before."

Several of the artists will give demonstrations of glassblowing, woodcarving, bookmaking, basketmaking, jewelry soldering and hand building with clay during the festival.

Entertainment by such bands as Sagebrush Reunion and Doc Tater will be provided all three

- Saturday**
- 11 a.m. — Puppetry with Cecelia
- Noon-2 p.m. — Doc Tater.
- 2-5 p.m. — Bruce Innes and Gary Carlson

- Sunday**
- 11 a.m.-3 p.m. — Magic show and balloons with Daisy the Clown.
- Noon-3 p.m. — Dr. Rock.
- 3-6 p.m. — David Santistevan

days, as well. And, for those who can't get enough of arts and crafts at this festival, there's a new festival, across town.

The Ketchum Arts Festival, will be held Friday through Sunday in Ketchum.

The festival will feature a lot of local artists, such as jewelry artist Christina Healy.

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

Big band music plays at Ballroom

By Jennifer Boyd
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Founded by Jeff Fox to encourage community involvement and local entertainment, the Canyon Side Jazz Orchestra is bringing back shades of Count Basie and Duke Ellington.

Three dozen people from all over the Magic Valley came to The Ballroom recently to listen, and most of all to dance, to the classic big band sound.

The Canyon Side Jazz Orchestra plays monthly at the newly remodeled Ballroom, charging \$5 a head for three hours of jazz.

"We're trying to do this once a month, it's kind of a gamble right now," says Ballroom manager Eric Ettesvold. "It's something that I want to do, it's a good thing for the community. It gives those folks something to do, something to look forward to where they can get dressed up and go out and listen to some classic music — the

musicians are all top notch."

The Ballroom has supplied rock 'n' roll, ska, reggae; now they're trying big band in hopes to spark an interest in Twin Falls' entertainment market.

The Canyon Side Jazz Orchestra will next perform Aug. 25 at the Ballroom at 7 p.m. and every month thereafter. It also plays private parties and special events.

The Ballroom is located at 205 Shoshone St. N. in the old Elks Lodge.

Sun Valley offers paper art class

The Times-News

KETCHUM — Lisa Heller will teach how to make folded structures out of one piece of paper, use Polaroid dye transfer and more tips for creating "The Artist Book" during a week-long workshop Monday through Thursday at The Community School in Sun Valley.

The class from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. costs \$180 for members, the Sun Valley Center for the Arts and \$205 for non-members. Information: 726-9491.

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Elvis estate releases concert documentary

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Forget the jumpsuit jokes and all those fat wannabes. Elvis Presley still had the fire — and the slim waistline — of a rock 'n' roll king when he took to the Las Vegas stage at age 35.

To ensure Elvis fans and the general public don't forget, the Presley estate is re-releasing the 1970 concert film "Elvis: That's the Way It Is." The 97-minute documentary on Presley's Las Vegas concerts will debut Saturday in Memphis as part of Elvis Tribute Week, the annual fan pilgrimage to The King's hometown to commemorate the anniversary of his death, Aug. 16, 1977. The

People in the news

show will air nationally on Turner Classic Movies on Jan. 8, which would have been Presley's 65th birthday. An annual candlelight procession past Presley's Graceland grave will be broadcast on a new Web site — www.elvis-presley.com — beginning at 10 p.m. EDT on Tuesday.

Denver too hot for hot rock band Earth, Wind and Fire
DENVER — It wasn't the earth. It wasn't the wind.

It was the fiery hot temperatures that kept Earth, Wind & Fire from performing when the funk-rock band's equipment overheated on a record 98-degree day in Denver.

The concert Wednesday at Red Rocks was canceled with about 50 friends and family of hometown lead singer Phillip Bailey in the audience.

"It was devastating," Bailey said backstage. "It was, 'No, no, no, this can't be happening.'"

The previous recorded high of 97 was set in 1932. Earth Wind & Fire vowed to reschedule.

Real life justice's romance sparks new stage musical

LOS ANGELES — Get ready for "Me & Mrs. Jones" — the musical.

Lou Rawls stars in the stage show based on the real-life story and hit record about a woman's romance with a judge. The show begins a nationwide tour next spring with rehearsals starting this month in Los Angeles.

The show is being produced by the newly formed Philadelphia Sound Co., which recently acquired the musical theatrical rights to the Gamble and Huff catalog of hits from Warner/Clappell Music.

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Old mammogram films help in future tests

DEAR ABBY: I am a mammography technologist. Please help me tell mammogram patients how important it is for them to bring in their old mammogram films when they go to a new X-ray office for this test.

Only if the radiologist who reads the films has the old ones for comparison can he or she determine if the shadows are old or new. Without those films for comparison, the patient may have to undergo more mammography X-rays, and perhaps also a biopsy that might have been avoided had the old films been available to the doctor.

Because of changing insurance, it is not always possible for women to have mammograms done at the same place every time. A patient needs only to keep track of where her mammograms were taken so she can call and ask about the procedure for releasing the films to her. The films will be at the X-ray office where they were taken, not at her doctor's office. If she



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

can't remember, her doctor should be able to tell her. Don't let anyone tell you that mammograms aren't necessary! — HOLLY GORDON, FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CALIF.

DEAR HOLLY: Thank you for giving women this important reminder, and for giving me the opportunity to reprint these recommendations from the American Cancer Society for early breast cancer detection.

- (1) Women age 40 and older should have a screening mammogram every year.
- (2) Between the ages of 20 and 39, women should have a clinical breast exam by a health profes-

sional every three years. At age 40, women should have a breast exam by a health professional every year.

(3) Women age 20 or older should perform a breast self-exam (BSE) every month.

(4) If a change occurs, a woman should see her health provider as soon as possible for evaluation. The American Cancer Society can provide free information on how to perform a BSE by calling (800) 227-2345. You will be referred to your nearest ACS office.

DEAR ABBY: My grandmother lives close to where I work. Sometimes I stop off and have lunch with her, get her groceries, keep up the yard and do a little work around her house. The problem is, she wants to pay me for everything I do. She's not rich, but she's not poor either.

Last week, I vacuumed her basement because she didn't want the furnace man to see it dirty. She slipped me a \$20 bill, I

refused to take it. She showed it into my pants pocket and said that if I didn't help her, who would?

I'm uncomfortable taking her money because she's helped other family members her whole life. I feel it's only right to return the favor. How should I handle this?

— LUCKY GRANDSON

DEAR LUCKY: You are fortunate to have such a generous grandmother — and she's blessed to have a caring grandson like you.

Your grandmother has a lot of pride. Instilled in her generation was the conviction that you "pay your way" in the world. I understand your hesitation, but take the money. Consider applying part of it to something she might enjoy — a newspaper or magazine subscription, a recording of her favorite music, a prepaid telephone card — something she might not buy for herself.

Virgo: Look into the future, make your own predictions

BIRTHDAY 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY! You have experienced many changes. You possess intuitive intellects, are fascinated by the mantic arts and sciences, including astrology. Taurus, Aquarius, Scorpio persons play outstanding roles in your life, could have these letters in initials in names B, K, T. Much travel, social life for you in September. During December, very likely a change of residence, marital status.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Individual in executive position on your side, will grant request. Be careful what you ask for, you are liable to get it. Taurus plays outstanding role.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Very busy. People read what you write, want to see you in person. You exude personal magnetism which is transformed into sex appeal. Gemini in picture.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Focus on domestic issues, protection of home and family. You will acquire art objects, decorate beautifully surroundings. Your voice sounds different.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Avoid rift with individual who has nothing to do with anything spiritual. State your case, don't give up for someone's debate. Pisces, Virgo persons play roles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): There comes a time when you must put foot down, indicating enough is enough. Focus on promotion, production, distribution. Relationship could be too hot.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Look beyond the immediate, make predictions, many of which could come true. You might be asking yourself, "Is this

Virgo: Look into the future, make your own predictions

deja vu?" Scenario highlights familiar faces and places.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You are tempted to believe in love at first sight. What goes around comes around — don't be in too much of a hurry to feel you have found love at last. Be careful.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Measure carefully words, actions. You will be held responsible for subtle clues which you issue almost without knowing it. Obtain various prices on property, home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Spotlight on social activities, numerous contacts, determine which are valuable, forget the others. Remember recent resolutions concerning exercise, diet, nutrition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Cycle high to intellectual, active and accordingly. Refuse to be intimidated by those who want to be in control at any cost. You will be at right place at special moment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Give full play to intellectual curiosity. Thank those who back you but not in an obsequious manner. You have plenty to offer, act as if aware of it. Read, write.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Events have boomerang effect — what was adverse will land in positive manner, enabling you to act quickly. Taurus, Libra, Scorpio persons figure prominently.

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Junk food's unappetizing former name: Lubberwort

Long before your time and mine, junk food was called lubberwort.

The U.S. Air Force Survival School — yea, such there be — advises: "Avoid all yellow berries. Avoid all white berries. And don't get over-confident about red berries, either. Half of them are poisonous."

A 6-year-old earthworm is about as old as it's going to get.

If told Orville Wright received the second pilot's license, could you name who got the first? No, sir, not brother Wilbur. Another bicycle buff, Glenn Curtis, was the first licensed pilot. It wasn't the automobile but the bicycle that fostered early flight.

An Arabian proverb goes: "If you have health, you have hope. If you have hope, you have everything."

Skunks particularly like the flavor of wasps.

Seek pleasure. Avoid pain. So advised the philosophical Greek Epicurus. That convinced almost everybody he was smart.

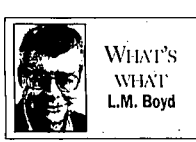
Liz Taylor returns home after bout with pneumonia

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor has been released from a hospital where she was treated for a mild case of pneumonia.

"She's doing much, much better," publicist Warren Cowan said Wednesday as Taylor headed home.

Taylor, 68, was admitted to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center on Aug. 4.

The Oscar-winning star of "Butterfly 8" and "Who's



WHAT'S WHAT
L.M. Boyd

Epicurus thought the sun was about two feet in diameter.

Q. I've read that my nostrils are "conditioned" to work not simultaneously but alternately. Left rests while right smells, breathes, whatever. What conditions them?

A. How you sleep. You change positions. Down side of your nose cavities engage. Up side breathes freely. You turn over. Sides reverse, but the procedure repeats. A survival pattern, this. In genetic memory. Or so say the scientists.

About those iridescent feathers on the hummingbird, no other bird, not a one, has feathers like that.

The Sahara is larger than the United States.

Stephen King fishes for plot to new novel in rural Pennsylvania

BUTLER, Pa. (AP) — Maybe there's nothing eerie about western Pennsylvania, but folks keep seeing Stephen King in a seafood restaurant around here.

Some residents of Butler and Lawrence counties spotted the horror author Sunday and Monday at a state police barracks and at a Red Lobster restaurant. Apparently, King visited the area, about 35 miles north of Pittsburgh, to research rural life for a new book.

Trooper Rob Lagoon said King toured the state police offices while keeping glimpsed about the story. The author did say it should be out in 2003 and would be set in an area like western Pennsylvania.

King, a resident of Maine, is the best selling author of "Misery," "Carrie," "Pet Sematary" and "The Green Mile," among others.

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WEEKEND

'Autumn in New York' plays at theaters

Combined wire services

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

'Autumn in New York'

Charismatic New York restaurateur Richard Gere is upended by the unpredictable Winona Ryder. Directed by Joan Chen.

'Bless the Child'

Kim Basinger and Jimmy Smits star in this movie about Satan worshippers that's chock full of over-the-top religious symbolism and bad dialogue. Devil lovers target Basinger's 8-year-old niece because she has supernatural powers that they want to exploit for their own ends. The premise alone is ridiculous, and heavy doses of chanting, burning candles and scowling gargoyles make the movie worse. A strong supporting cast including Christina Ricci, Ian Holm and Lumi Cavazos ("Like Water for Chocolate") is put to waste. R, 110 min.

'Chicken Run'

Nick Park, British master of clay animation and three-time Oscar-winning creator of "Wallace and Gromit," and co-director Peter Lord have put chickens front and center with this gleeful parody of prison and escape movies. A delightful pageant of chicken romance, chicken rescue and chicken intrigue that never loses its priceless stamp of individuality. (1.20, G).

'Coyote Ugly'

It's a bad movie - but it's not one of those fiascos that leave you in a foul mood. A smalltown innocent (Piper Perabo) moves to New York to follow her dream of becoming a songwriter in this combination of sentimental romance and carefully sanitized raunch. (1.34, PG-13 for sensuality).

'Disney's The Kid'

More cloyingly sentimental than it needs to be, the film has more potential interest than might be imagined thanks to Audrey Wells' script. The concept, that 8-year-old Rusty (Spencer Breslin) is as disappointed in the adult he has become as Russ (Bruce Willis) is in the child he was, is a clever one. (PG, for mild language; some of the themes may be for adults, but the tone and content are suitable for young children.)

'Gladiator'

We march back into the Colosseum for the first sword-and-sandal epic in nearly 40 years, and it looks like nothing has changed. We do get a better class of fighter; Russell Crowe actually does some acting as a Roman general who runs afoul of a pasty, runty Caesar (Joaquin Phoenix) and ends up enslaved and fighting for his life. But there are no Spartacus-style epiphanies in director Ridley Scott's genre revival, just

time-tested conventions and the arena action we came for, now digitalized and in-Dolby. Rated R; 2 hours, 34 minutes.

'Gone in 60 Seconds'

Remake of H.B. Toby 'Halicki's 1974 cult classic about a legendary car thief (Nicolas Cage) who is drawn out of retirement to save the life of his younger brother (Giovanni Ribisi), also a car thief. The movie, which co-stars Angelina Jolie, features some fine driving but the problem is not what "Gone" does on the straightaways; it's how it maneuvers through those hard-to-handle character curves. (1.57, PG-13 for violence, sexuality and language.)

'Hollow Man'

Despite a wealth of special effects and direction by Paul Verhoeven, Mr. Over The Top himself, this movie is surprisingly inert, more dull than anything else, with little to recommend it on any level. Kevin Bacon stars as a cocky, cerebral scientist who tests an invisibility serum on himself. (1.54, R for strong violence, language and some sexuality/nudity.)

'Loser'

Writer-director Amy Heckerling's formulaic teen opus is unique mostly for its refusal to indulge the hard-sell, gross-out desires of its intended youth market. There are a number of losers here, most prominently the NYU freshman played with disarming affability by Jason Biggs. His no-win campaign to gain his roommate's acceptance collides with his misguided efforts to seduce a fellow student (Mena Suvari). (1.38, PG-13 for drug content, crude sexual material and language.)

'Me, Myself and Irene'

Jim Carrey has his moments as a schizophrenic Rhode Island state policeman both of whose personalities are in love with Renee Zellweger, but this new Farrelly Brothers comedy lacks the warmth that made "There's Something About Mary" such a hit. Strictly for the hard-core gross-out crowd. (1.47, R, for sexual content, crude humor, strong language and some violence.)

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"Disney's The Kid," Twin Cinema
"Gladiator," Odyssey Theater
"Gone in 60 Seconds," Twin Cinema
"Hollow Man," Twin Cinema
"Home Alone," Twin Cinema
"Loser," Odyssey Theater
"Maddeline," Twin Cinema
"Me, Myself & Irene," Odyssey Theater, Grand-Vu Drive-In
"Mission Impossible 2," Twin Cinema
"Nifty Professor 2: The Klumps," Twin Cinema, Motor-Vu Drive-In
"The Patriot," Twin Cinema
"The Perfect Storm," Twin Cinema
"The Replacements," Odyssey Theater
"Pokemon 2000," Twin Cinema
"Scary Movie," Odyssey Theater, Grand-Vu Drive-In
"Space Cowboys," Odyssey Theater
"Thomas and the Magic Railroad," Twin Cinema
"What Lies Beneath," Twin Cinema
"The XMen," Odyssey Theater, Motor-Vu Drive-In

"Space Cowboys," Sun Valley Opera House
"The Replacements," Magic Lantern
"What Lies Beneath," Magic Lantern
"Bless the Child," Burley Theater
"Hollow Man," Century Cinema
"Nifty Professor 2: The Klumps," Century Cinema
"Thomas and the Magic Railroad," Century Cinema
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Here on Earth'
96 minutes. Chris Klein, Leelee Sobieski, Josh Hartnett. A teen romance in the vein of 'Love Story', it stars Sobieski as a wisecracking blonde and Klein as a cocky prep who whose lives and stars are crossed. Nothing wrong with this syrupy movie that a megadose of insulin (from down under his fake head-heels for an unnamed Eastern religion while on vacation in India. In the far corner, sporting pressed jeans and a headful of Grecian formula: Harvey Keitel as P.J. Waters, a sleazy cult deprogrammer whose only weakness is his fondness for a quickie on the hood of a pickup in this over-the-top battle-of-the-sexes, director Jane Campion (who wrote the mess along with sister Anna), soon has Ruth out of that sari into her birthday suit as she and P.J. (now dressed in drag and lip-sticked, I kid you not) wrastle in the Australian Outback for control of each other's heart, mind and assorted body parts. Has writer-director Jane Campion gone too far? ask the movie ads. Not if you consider 'WWF smackdown' drama. Contains nudity, sex, obscenity and a scene of a big, strong man cold-cocking a defenseless woman. Rated R.

Madly Smoke'
In the near corner, wearing the white sari: Kate Winslet as Ruth Barron, a cig-smoking, Alanis Morissette-on-the-Walkman kind of gal from down under who falls head-heels for an unnamed Eastern religion while on vacation in India. In the far corner, sporting pressed jeans and a headful of Grecian formula: Harvey Keitel as P.J. Waters, a sleazy cult deprogrammer whose only weakness is his fondness for a quickie on the hood of a pickup in this over-the-top battle-of-the-sexes, director Jane Campion (who wrote the mess along with sister Anna), soon has Ruth out of that sari into her birthday suit as she and P.J. (now dressed in drag and lip-sticked, I kid you not) wrastle in the Australian Outback for control of each other's heart, mind and assorted body parts. Has writer-director Jane Campion gone too far? ask the movie ads. Not if you consider 'WWF smackdown' drama. Contains nudity, sex, obscenity and a scene of a big, strong man cold-cocking a defenseless woman. Rated R.

Madness Games'
A heist, a bloodbath involving bird-toing Santos, and a story full of study characters spouting quippy one-liners. Screenwriter Ehren Kruger imitates Quentin Tarantino so promiscuously it's almost embarrassing. The story's about Rudy Duncan (Ben Affleck), an ex-con who becomes involved with Ashley Charles (Theron), only to find himself involuntarily caught up in a heist at an Indian reservation casino, along with tough guys Gary Sinise and Clarence Williams III. The movie is full of moments, most of them borrowed. And the finale is predictably gory and horrible, while the artistic residue is practically nil. Contains violence, sex, nudity and Tarantino gibberish. Rated R.

Map of the World'
327 minutes. Sigourney Weaver, David Moore, David Strathairn, Melissa Howard, Chloe Sevigny, Louise Fletcher. A quiet, disturbingly flawed adaptation of Jane Austen's novel about a woman's fall from grace, and the comedy that rain down on her and her family. Set in Wisconsin farm country, the film stars Weaver as a school nurse and Strathairn's wife set upon by vice. R (adult themes, profanity, nudity, violence).

Mingle in the jungle' returns to Herrett center

The Times-News
TWIN FALLS - "Mingle in the jungle" will return at 6 p.m. each Tuesday in the Herrett Center's jungle exhibit after a break in Friday that accompanied the Herrett reptile handlers' summer schedules.

Nick Peterson, the Herrett Center's chief reptile expert and caretaker, will conduct many of the sessions. He says that even for those who have already been to one or two of the demonstrations in the past, the center has enough reptiles so that different ones are seen or explained every week.

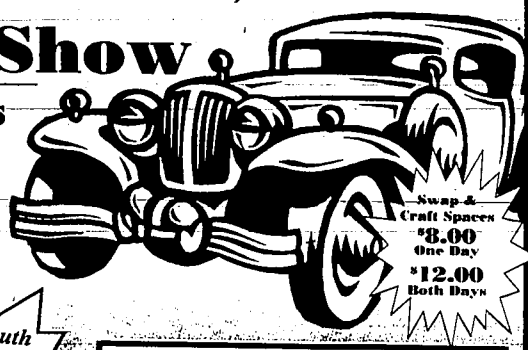
The Herrett Center has five snakes, four kinds of boa constrictors and one Burmese python. There are two large iguanas, two red-eared sliders (turtles), a giant spotted lizard from Africa, and three kinds of small, exotic frogs. The green and black and the blue ones are often called poison dart frogs, referring to the poison they secrete, which has traditionally been used by Central American rain forest dwellers to tip their hunting darts.

Another display of small colorful frogs called "Golden Mantellas" are actually native to the island of Madagascar east of Africa. They're not a poisonous frog, but Peterson says they fit in well with the display and they bring a good chance to discuss the habits of frogs.
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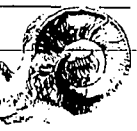
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CROWTHER-BURLO

MALAD - JaRon Crowther and Andre Burlo announce their engagement.

Crowther, daughter of Jared and Ronda Crowther, graduated from Malad High School in 1998. She has attended the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls for the past two years, majoring in elementary education, and has been a member of the CSI dance team for two years. She reigned as CSI homecoming queen in 1999 and currently serves on the student government.



Andre Burlo and JaRon Crowther
An open house will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Aug. 19, at the Burlo residence, 236 Eagle Ranch Drive in Eagle.

The couple will reside in Twin Falls, where he is employed at Costco, and she will continue her education.

BANNISTER-STEVENSON

RUPERT - Chuck and Bettie Bannister of Pocatello announce the engagement of their daughter, Bettie Bannister, to Lance Stevenson, son of Sheryl Stevenson of Rupert and the late Hal Stevenson.



Lance Stevenson and Bettie Bannister
The wedding is planned for today at the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held today at the Alameda Stake Center in Pocatello. An open house will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday at the Stevenson residence, 120 N. 450 E. in Rupert.

Chorale warms up for concert

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Chorale will soon start rehearsing for its annual Christmas concert.

Registration will begin Aug. 21 at 7 p.m. in Room 133 of the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center, followed by

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TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Who has the season record in the NASCAR Winston Cup point standings?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Golf
 Ronald McDonald House Charity Tournament, at Jackpot, Nev.

Legion baseball
 Buhl at Northwest Regional A Tournament, at Lewiston

IN BRIEF

Ronald McDonald touney tees off

JACKPOT, Nev. - The 10th Annual Cactus Petes-Idaho Ronald McDonald House charity golf tournament tees off today and runs through Sunday at Jackpot Golf Course.

More than 150 golfers representing 70 companies and several states will compete toward a goal of raising \$70,000 for the Idaho Ronald McDonald House, which serves families from Idaho, eastern Oregon and northern Nevada.

Last year's touney raised more than \$60,000, with a grand total of \$410,000 collected over the years. For more information or to make a donation, call the Idaho Ronald McDonald House at (208) 335-5478.

Recent TFHS grad Burks heads to Virginia

TWIN FALLS - Jared Burks, who quarterbacked the Twin Falls High School varsity football team last fall as a senior, has turned down three college offers and will compete instead in the post-graduate program at the Hargrave Military Academy in Virginia this fall.

Hargrave, and the similar Forke-Union Military Academy, are considered the Southeastern Conference's football farm system, offering high school athletes a fifth year of high school competition and a chance to get noticed by high-level NCAA Division I programs with no loss of college eligibility.

At 6-foot-4 and 210 pounds, Burks, one of two quarterbacks on the HMA roster, has drawn interest from Texas A&M, Southern Methodist, Wyoming, Virginia, Oregon and Col-Berkeley. Notable HMA and Forke-Union products include Eddie George, Dexter Coakley, Vinnie Testaverde and Orlando Pace.

Valley high school y-ball meets this Monday

HAZELTON - Tryouts for Valley High School volleyball begin Monday and run through Wednesday for ninth-through 12th-grade girls.

Times are 8-10 a.m. and 6-8 p.m. all three days. Players must have a physical on file to try out. For more details, call coach Julian Escobedo at 736-9433.

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Jeff Gordon holds the modern record with 5,328 points in 1998. Richard Petty totaled 8,701.40 points in 1972 before NASCAR changed to the present scoring system in 1975.

Legion champ Buhl opens regionals today

By Jeff Rosen
 Times-News sports editor

LEWISTON - If the Buhl High School football squad looks a little thin at two-a-day practices, blame America's pastime.

While the bulk of Buhl's grid-ers are spending this week in chin straps, the Buhl American Legion Baseball team's bullish run through the state Class-A American Legion Baseball tournament guarantees at least two more days of baseball for eight crossover athletes as the Northwest Regional Tournament unfolds this morning.

Buhl (37-11) meets Lakeside, of Bellevue, Wash., in the tournament opener at 10:35 a.m. Mountain

Class A Northwest Regionals

What: The end of the road for eight elite Class A American Legion Baseball teams from around the Pacific Northwest
 Where: Lewiston
 When: Today through Tuesday
 Schedule: Buhl vs. Lakeside, Wash., 10:35 a.m.; Powell, Wyo., vs.

Anchorage, Alaska 1:30 p.m.; Lebanon, Ore., vs. Bitterroot Valley, Mont., 5:25 p.m.; Marysville, Wash., vs. Lewis-Clark, 8:30 p.m.

The Magic Valley connection: Buhl will be looking to defend southern Idaho's honor - Burley won the regional title in Montana last summer

time, with three other games to follow today. The field includes eight teams - the rest are Bitterroot Valley, Mont., Lebanon, Ore., Anchorage, Alaska, Marysville, Wash., Powell, Wyo., and host Lewis-Clark.

The tournament, which Burley won last year in Montana, continues through Monday for sure,

with a second championship game slated for Tuesday, if necessary.

The eight Buhl football players will join the football team once their season ends - which could happen as soon as Saturday at the double-elimination event.

"My approach is we're here,

let's play hard," said Buhl coach Lee Cline. "You've just got to play baseball and hope for the best. We know we'll see some good teams."

And some impromptu football. In order to meet eligibility requirements of 10 practices before their first game, which comes in zero week Aug. 25 at home against Spring Creek, Nev., those eight football players scheduled a couple of simple sessions around baseball practice and the tourney banquet.

"It's not a big issue," Cline said. "It's a bit of a distraction, but we've got to do that. The kind of emotion and intensity they put up, then to turn around and bang heads with football -

it's just a shame they couldn't have a couple of days off."

Win or lose in Lewiston, a familiar face awaits Cline's charges who also play Buhl football. Indians coach Gary Krumm stepped down from the American Legion Baseball helm before the season started but remains the school's football and spring baseball coach.

Cline, an assistant to Krumm until this summer, said the summer football season has not gone unnoticed by the former Legion coach.

"Gary called me after the district tournament and congratulated us," Cline said. "And he was one of the first to call (Tuesday)

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Battle for bragging rights

Tampa Bay struggles in Miami win

The Associated Press

MIAMI - The Miami Dolphins' first team dominated the opening half, and Olindo Mare kicked his fifth field goal with nine seconds left to beat the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 15-13 in an exhibition game Thursday night.

Mike Quinn, competing for the third-string quarterback job, moved Miami 44 yards in the final 1:03 to set up Mare's game-winning kick, a 42-yarder. The Pro Bowl kicker finished 5-of-5, also scoring

from 26, 21, 54 and 25 yards.

Steelers down Panthers - D4
 Tampa Bay's reserves, helped by two long kickoff returns, rallied with two fourth-quarter touchdowns to take the lead.

Both teams are 1-1. They'll meet in the regular season Dec. 10 in Miami.

The Dolphins' first team played the opening half, rushing for 76 yards, converting six third downs and controlling the ball for more than 18 minutes. But they led only 6-0 at halftime because of two turnovers by Damon Huard, who threw an interception at the Bucs' 12 and lost a fumble at their 23.

"We moved the ball," Huard said. "We didn't score points, and that's a disappointment. We had turnovers, which are terrible."

Huard was 10-for-17 for 101 yards with three sacks. Lamar Smith rushed for 72 yards in 17 carries, all in the first half.

"I was real happy with the running game, and I really liked what Lamar Smith did," coach Dave Wannstedt said.



Miami Dolphins running back Lamar Smith tries to avoid Tampa Bay's free safety, Shawn Smith, during the second quarter of the teams' preseason game Thursday at Pro Player Stadium in Miami. The Dolphins won the game 15-13.

Gooding gumbo: Local looks to NFL

By Kevin Hall
 Times-News writer

THIBODEAUX, La. - Tackling cheese doesn't come close to tackling an NFL wide receiver. Just ask Gooding's Eric Johnson.

The former Idaho State University Bengal and Canadian Football League vet is in the bayside backwoods of Thibodeaux, La., on the campus of Nicholls State University, trying to make the 53-man roster of the New Orleans Saints.

"If he doesn't, it's back to working in the local Glandia cheese factory."

But so far, through two preseason games and two months of training camp two-a-days, the dream remains alive for the 28-year-old.

"I'm feeling good, just a little tired," Johnson said. "It's a real grind but I'm holding up pretty good."

Listed at 6-foot-3, 218 pounds, Johnson said he is vying for the backup free safety spot behind eight-year NFL veteran Darren



Gooding resident Eric Johnson, shown here in a 1998 Idaho State University photo, is hoping to latch on with the New Orleans Saints.

Perry. On the team's official Web site (www.neworleans.saints.com/camp.html), he's listed second on the depth chart for strong safeties behind starter Sammy Knight.

When not defending pass plays, he's been "at war" trying to make the special teams units, such as kickoffs and punting -

where "you try to impress the special teams coach," Johnson said, "because if he likes what he sees, he can get you a spot."

A self-described "military brat" from Mississippi, Johnson came to Idaho in 1995 after graduating from high school in Germany and spending two years at Mississippi's Holmes Junior College.

A linebacker in college, Johnson was heavily recruited by several NCAA football powers, but was told he'd sit out a year. Already older than most incoming transfers, he chose LSU for its promises of immediate playing time. He met his wife, the former Tammy O'Malley, there, and enjoyed a standout junior season.

But Johnson ruptured his pelvic muscle his senior year, thinking maybe his football days could be over.

The Washington Redskins came calling, wanting to see a workout. They left unimpressed, leaving the CFL's Toronto Argonauts to resurrect his career in 1997.

"It was wild," he recalled. "I played with Doug Flutie, Andre Ware, and Mike 'Pinball' Clemons. We won the Grey Cup my rookie year. It was a lot of fun."

Johnson made \$45,000 in

Canadian dollars (roughly \$30,000 U.S.) that year, but said winning the CFL's equivalent to the Super Bowl was reward in itself.

"It's the biggest thing I've ever been involved with," Johnson said. "But I'll tell you one thing. It was cold playing in Edmonton."

After a second year in Toronto, Johnson finished his CFL career last year on the tundra of Winnipeg, Manitoba with the Blue Bombers.

Looking to move to the NFL, he landed a workout with the Oakland Raiders and "basically any team that was looking" with the help of his agent, Ken Austin. Johnson then returned to Idaho and the cheese factory (he also worked one offseason at Lamb-Weston). He and Tammy settled in Gooding, where Tammy's parents lived.

Johnson said he got the call he'd been waiting for this spring.

"I was at work and my wife called saying there was something important," he said. "She tells me the Saints want me to go down and try out for them."

"I guess I impressed them, because they signed me to a one-year contract," he said.

Provided he makes the squad as an unrestricted free agent,

CSI adds TF High coach to dugout

By Matt Peterson
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A former Golden Eagle has returned to the nest, and the College of Southern Idaho baseball coaching staff couldn't be happier.

Twin Falls High School baseball coach and former Golden Eagle outfielder Mike Federico has been named an assistant baseball coach at the school he helped win a national junior college title 16 years ago.

Federico, who replaces outgoing assistant Todd Coburn, will continue as a full-time psychology teacher at Twin Falls High School while helping coach the Golden Eagle baseball team in the afternoons, said CSI athletic director Jeff Duggan.

"It's always been a goal to get back to coaching at a higher level," said Federico, who submitted his resignation as the Bruins' baseball coach to the Twin Falls School Board Tuesday. "I'm excited to be associated with the college more than anything. It's just a great place to work."

Getting a former player to fill the position was a top priority, said CSI baseball coach Jim Walker.

"One," he wanted an assistant who'd been in our program," Walker said. "And two, he's been on the national championship team, he knows the program and he knows what it takes to win."

In addition, Federico brings some measure of stability to a position that, of late, has been anything but.

"He's established and he wants to stay here," Walker said. "He knows us so well... and there's a tremendous amount of respect on both sides."

Walker said Federico will work with the team's outfielders and most likely coach first base during games.

While Federico's hiring was only made official this week, it was something both sides had been working toward for months.

"This was first brought to me as an idea in April," Duggan said. "And he's actually been working on this all summer."

As an assistant coach, Federico will be paid \$10,000, said CSI President Jerry Meyerhoeffer.

Though Federico's departure clearly opens up the Twin Falls coaching job, it has a less desirable impact on the Twin Falls American Legion Baseball Class AA coaching position, which Federico also holds. The coach said he would like to continue coaching the American Legion club, but added that he doesn't sure how the situation would unfold.

Federico and the rest of the CSI coaching staff will get a first-hand look at the 2001 team with the start of fall baseball practice Sept. 1. Fall scrimmages are slated to begin Sept. 9.

"I'm excited to work with Boomer and listen to Skip," Federico said. "And just be a part of the college."

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Austin overpowers at Buick Open

By Knight Ridder Newspapers

GRAND BLANC, Mich. — Tiger Woods was shown up in the Buick Open on Thursday by a former Eckerd drug store clerk.

Not only that, but Woody Austin also overshadowed everyone else in the lead in a spectacular case of Not-So-Instant-Reply.

It was in 1994 that Austin, now 36, gave up jobs in a credit union and a drug store in his hometown of Tampa, Fla., and got his tour card at qualifying school.

In August 1995, he shot nine-under-par 63 in the opening round of the Buick Open, then went on to win the tournament.

It is the only victory of his checked-off 13-year pro-career, and after a long, tough life.

Austin matched that round in Thursday's opener to establish a two-stroke lead in the \$2.7 million championship.

To see if he can replicate his triumph, tune in this week-end.

But for openers, Austin, who wrung 11 birdies out of the vulnerable landscape, has Paul Azinger, Vijay Singh, Joe Ozaki and a cast of dozens at his back after another patented par-shat-



Vijay Singh, of Lewistown, Pa., follows through on his drive on the ninth hole in the first round of the Buick Open at Warwick Hills Golf and Country Club in Grand Blanc, Mich., Thursday. Singh shot a 6-under-par 66, good enough for a third-place tie after the first round.

tering day at Warwick Hills Golf and Country Club.

Seventy players finished under par; 91 finished 3 with par or better.

"This was a dream round," said an amazed Austin, who now lives in Lee's Summit, Mo. "I literally made every putt I looked at until the last hole."

Austin, who had 14 one-putt

greens, bogeyed the last hole on each nine.

He started the unbelievable day on the back nine with five straight birdies, then made a poor bunker shot and bogeyed the 18th.

No problem. He sank birdie putts on five of the next seven holes — 10 feet, eight feet, 20 feet, 15'. "I felt I couldn't miss."

He barely missed a 25-footer at the eighth hole, then a bad drive at the ninth cost him a share of a course record, 62.

"My game was so bad, this was huge for me," Austin said. "I've played so bad for 3.5 years, you can't believe. This is twice I've shot 63 here — by far my best rounds in six years."

"Austin is rather mind-boggled by the whole thing."

"In reality, this is not a golf course that fits my game. I'm not a guy that makes a lot of birdies," said Austin, a good ball-striker whose putting is, well, not good.

It just took a little Austin to spice up the Buick as Woody led the afternoon assault, with light wind and perfect greens leaving Warwick Hills virtually defenseless.

John Maginnes and Chris Perry were the only leaders who played in the morning. They are bracketed at 67 with Hal Sutton and '98 champion Billy Mayfair.

Among other favorites, Phil Mickelson and Jim Furyk shot 69s, Fred Couples and Davis Love are at 71, a shot back at Woods. Defending champion Tom Pernice Jr. posted 72.

Goodnight, Gracie: Hole-in-one gives Burns lead

WINNIPEG, Manitoba (AP) — George Burns had a hole-in-one in a 7-under-par 65 Thursday and held a one-stroke lead over three players after the first round of the \$1.45 million AT&T Canada Open.

Burns, whose caddie was a local 16-year-old, aceed the 174-yard 2nd hole at the St. Charles Country Club with a Giron.

Walter Hall, Hugh Baiocchi and E. J. Dwyer all had 66s, while Leonard Thompson and Doug Sewell were another stroke back.

Burns had more to say about his caddie than the ace that one-hopped into the cup.

"I putted extremely well today, thanks to the young fellow," he said, referring to local caddie Stewart Bannatyne. "He knows these greens inside and out. The only putt I missed badly was on (the par-4) 16th, and that's the only one I went against his read."

"This is the best I've putted in a long, long time. I can't really

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put a finger on why, but I owe a lot to the youngster."

Burns made the turn at three under after the hole-in-one and a birdie at the par-5 5th. He added birdies on Nos. 12 and 13 before closing out his bogey-free round with a 9-foot birdie putt on 18.

Jack Nicklaus, competing in this championship for the first time in five years, had the galleries roaring. The Golden Bear was five under through 16 holes before making a bogey out of a bunker on the par-3 17th. He closed out with a par and had a 68 to finished tied with Tom Wargo, Tom Jenkins, John Bland and John Morgan.

Rookie D'Alessio in first place at du Maurier Classic
AYLMER, Quebec — Diana D'Alessio followed Betsy King's

footsteps into golf, to Furman University and onto the LPGA Tour.

On Thursday, it was D'Alessio who was leading King and the rest of the field at the du Maurier Classic as the four rookie shot a 5-under-par 67 in the first round of the LPGA's major championship of the year.

D'Alessio's career-best round gave her a two-stroke lead over Se Ri Pak, Annika Sorenstam, Kristi Albers, Marisa Beena and Tracy Hanson.

Karrie Webb, seeking to become the first golfer since 1986 to win three majors in one year, shot a 71 at the 6,403-yard Royal Ottawa Golf Club.

Montgomerie dominates at British Masters
WOBURN, England — If Colin Montgomerie hopes to go into next week's PGA Championship with momentum, he could scarce-

ly have done better than his 8-under 64 start Thursday at the British Masters.

An eagle-3 from a greenside bunker on his first hole and another eagle-3 on his ninth after he started on the back nine of the Duke's Course at Woburn spoiled his first round.

All his main rivals in Europe and in the world rankings either are preparing in the United States or heading there this weekend. But the 37-year-old Scot took his decision to play here more eminently sensible as he took a one-shot lead over Mark McNulty of Zimbabwe, with Mathias Gronberg of Sweden and Scotts Gary Orr and Raymond Russell another two shots back.

"I said I wanted to come here for competitive practice and I've done exactly what I wanted to do," Montgomerie said. "Some other top Europeans are going early to prepare in their way. I just wanted this competitive play."

Henman shows Sampras the door in tourney

MASON, Ohio (AP) — Britain's Tim Henman beat Pete Sampras for the first time in his career Thursday night to advance to the quarterfinals of the Tennis Masters Series-Cincinnati.

Henman, the No. 15 seed, won 6-3, 6-4.

"Tim was playing great," Sampras said. "He was serving great and making unbelievable passing shots. He just outplayed me in just about every area."

Sampras, the defending champion and No. 2 seed, had been 6-0 against Henman.

"It's very satisfying," Henman said of the breakthrough. "It's been a long time coming."

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Sampras appeared to struggle throughout the match, at one point calling for a trainer and an aspirin. But he refused to make excuses and said there was no physical problem.

"There's always a little pain. Today, I think it was in the heel of my Sampras said."

In the second match, Fernando Vicente was out to prove that his victory over top-seeded Andre Agassi was no fluke.

The 23-year-old Spaniard rallied for six consecutive points in

the third-set tiebreaker to upset No. 16 Mark Philippoussis of Australia.

Vicente's 3-6, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (4) victory gives credence to his contention that he could have beaten Agassi even if the No. 1 seed had not retired with back problems. It was one set apiece when Agassi retired Wednesday.

Frazier gets another shot at taking down Hings today

MANHATTAN BEACH, Calif. — For the second straight week, Amy Frazier finds top-seed Martina Hings in her path. Or vice versa.

Frazier gained a chance to beat the world's top-ranked player twice in a row by upsetting seventh-seeded Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario 6-3, 6-3, 6-3 Thursday in the second round of the style.com Classic played on the hardcourts of the Manhattan Country Club.

Frazier and Hings will meet today.

Frazier, ranked No. 20 in the world, knocked Hings out of last week's Acura Classic 6-3, 6-3.

Frazier and Hings beat Chanda Rubin 7-5, 6-1 on Wednesday, she said, "You learn something every time you go out there. I'd like to play Amy again."

Grant, Kemp trade addresses in three-team deal

Sun-Sentinel

FORT LAUDERDALE — The worst scenario in the NBA has turned into a best-case scenario for the Heat.

Portland Trail Blazers free-agent power forward Brian Grant will join Pat Riley's team before the upcoming season, coming to the Heat at the bargain-basement price of forwards Chris Gatling and Clarence Weatherspoon along with a future first-round draft pick and cash.

Confirmation came Thursday from a general manager involved in the process, as well as the

agent of one of the players included in the three-team trade that also involves the Cleveland Cavaliers.

While the trade cannot be made official until later in the month because of timing elements regarding Gatling, count Gatling as Heat's revolving-door treatment.

"This shows you there's no honesty, no trust in this league," said Gatling, who is about to be traded for the fourth time since last August. "They haven't told me anything about any of this that's going on. I'll tell you, if I'm not traded, I wouldn't give that team

100 percent, not after they haven't been 100 percent honest with me."

"I was psyched to play there after I was traded (from Denver). Then this started. Now I'm not psyched about anything."

Obtained June 27 from the Denver Nuggets for Heat reserves Mark Strickland and Voshon Lenard, Gatling is not eligible to be dealt in another package deal under collective-bargaining rules for 60 days, thus the delay until the move can be made official with the league office on Aug. 26. In effect, the Heat has dealt Strickland, Lenard and

Weatherspoon this offseason for a player who should emerge as one of the top power forwards in the league.

Gatling and Weatherspoon are heading to Cleveland. The trade will be rounded out with Cleveland sending overpaid and over-weight forward Shawn Kemp to Portland and the Heat sending Brian Grant to the Heat and guard Gary Grant to the Cavaliers.

Gary Grant, a former Heat reserve under Riley, confirmed Thursday his role in the trade, although he likely immediately will be cut by Cleveland as little more than a salary-cap throw in.

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Johnson said he's looking at "about \$200,000." During camp, he's pocketing roughly \$1,000 a week.

Through two preseason games, a 24-20 loss to the New York Jets and a 25-24 win at Minnesota, Johnson has played minimal minutes in the third and fourth quarters.

"I'm still looking for that breakout play," he said. "In the Vikings game, I think I did pretty good. I played in the third quarter. I had no pass breaks, but I had a couple of tackles and had a couple of pretty good series."

Injuries have plagued the team early with starters Cameron Cleeland and Steve Israel going

down with potential season-ending injuries. So has Rob Kelly, a defensive end who was battling Johnson for one of the coveted safety positions.

"I didn't like seeing that, but that's his part of it," Johnson said.

Away from the field, Johnson said he tries to catch any sleep he can. He shares a room with former Seattle Seahawk linebacker Darren Smith. In the line-bowder of free time he gets, either at sunrise or near midnight, he usually checks in with Tammy.

"She's the talker of the family," he said.

The grind of training camp, with its 6:30 a.m. wake-ups and strict, almost prison-like workout schedules, has been taxing, but Johnson

said the worst part has been laboring under the oppressive heat and humidity in Louisiana.

"The heat is tough," he said. "You lose so much water. Yesterday, I lost six pounds. One day, it was about 115 (degrees). But everybody was feeling it."

Good thing the team eats well while at camp. Johnson described smorgasbord-style settings, with dishes such as Cajun favorites jambalaya, gumbo, po' boy sandwiches and plenty of shrimp.

"You got to try the crawfish," he said. "You can suck the juice out of it."

One of the biggest tests arrives Monday, after the team's third preseason game at Indianapolis Saturday. Johnson said he

expects the team to make its first of several roster cutdowns before the regular season opens Sept. 3.

"There'll be some massive cutdowns after this next game," he said. "It's kind of like death row and they're waiting for the governor to pardon you."

Pass that, and Johnson's next test comes Monday night, when the rookies face their next game. "I guess we have to entertain the veterans," he said. "I don't know. I can't sing or dance that great."

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Hedberg makes a splash at Cure tourney

TWIN FALLS — Jennifer Hedberg fired a 71 Thursday to win the Twin Falls Muni Ladies Association's Susan Komen "Rally for a Cure" golf tournament, and also picked up a Taylor Made putter for closest to the pin on No. 4.

Kathy Marchant was second in the first flight group with an 82 and Mary Ann Lancaster was third with a 91. First place net was Carole Kasal with a 64, second was Doreen Vennable with a 66 and third was Elaine Wigington with a 67.

Second flight gross winners included Sondra Hill in first with a 94, Penny Cash in second with a 97 and Joan Tugay in third with a 101. First place net was Betty Hawkins with a 61, Sharon Dohse finished second with a 65 and Swede Jones was third with a 63.

Golfer records first hole in one at Rupert

RUPERT — Connie Jones scored her first-ever hole in one Thursday with an 8-iron on the 100-yard, No. 16 at Rupert Country Club.

Witnesses included Rod and Carla Haag, Bruce and Terri McBride and John Cameron.

Hansen v-ball practice starts Monday morning

HANSEN — Varsity volleyball practice at Hansen High School starts on Monday at 8 a.m.

For more information, call coach Holly Hall at 829-4288.

Register now for TFTA Team Tennis Classic

TWIN FALLS — Registration for the Aug. 18-20 Twin Falls Tennis Association's Team Tennis Classic is now open, and will continue through Monday, Aug. 14.

The tournament, sponsored by Robert C. Welch, MD, the Center for Physical Rehabilitation and Dr. Mike Zligich and family, will be played in Twin Falls. Teams will have a minimum of four players (two women and two men) and a maximum of six (three women, three men). Each team will play six matches: one men's singles, one men's doubles, one women's singles, one women's doubles and one mixed doubles.

Players without a team will be placed on one. Tourney entry forms are available at Ace Printing, Elevation Sports, CJ's Frame and Gallery and the YFCA. To register, volunteer or obtain more details, call Tom Schmidt (732-4917) or Eric Rieck (733-4917).

Boise Hawks' first-round pick will start today

BOISE — Joe Torres, the first-round draft choice of the Anaheim Angels and 10th player taken overall in this summer's draft, will start today for the Boise Hawks.

The Angels' minor league affiliate takes on the North Division-leading Yakima Bears at Memorial Stadium. Torres is 1-0 with a 1.35 ERA in four starts and one relief appearance for Boise. He is just the third Anaheim first-rounder to be assigned to Boise, joining Eduardo Perez in 1991 and Jeff Schmidt in 1992.

Jerome golf goes Blingo, Bango, Bongo

JEROME — Two weeks of ladies association play at Jerome Country Club resulted in a variety of winners during a July 26 Blingo, Bango, Bongo outing and crowning of the "Golfer of the Month," on Aug. 2.

The team of Louise McBride, Vi Crowsow and Clo Davis tied for first in the former event, while Judy Prairie took gross honors and Carol Pesomik net in the latter.

Reservations are now being taken for the club's annual two-day in-club tournament on Sept. 6-7. This month's play begins at 8:30 a.m. with sign-ups accepted at 8 a.m.

Jerome Rec sponsors youth soccer camp

JEROME — The Jerome Recreation District and co-sponsors Challenger Sports and British Soccer are presenting several week-long youth soccer camps at Forsyth Park.

Children aged 4-5 can sign up for mini-soccer, which runs from 9:10-10 a.m. or 10:40-11 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Half-day camps for ages 6-10 run from 9 a.m. to noon. For ages 11-18, the half-day camp is 1-4 p.m. Full-day camps for ages 10-18 are from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m.

All participants receive a free soccer ball, trading cards and T-shirt. Free clinics for interested parents and coaches will be presented after camps each day. For more information on camps and prices, call the recreation office at 324-3389. Online, visit www.challengersports.com.

Flag football and volleyball comes to Rupert

RUPERT — The Rupert Parks and Recreation Department is accepting sign-ups for boys' flag football (grades 1-5) and co-ed volleyball (grades 5-7).

Interested players can register at the Rupert Civic Gym Aug. 10, 15 or 22, between 5-7 p.m. The cost is \$15 and all Mini-Cassia youth are eligible to play. For more information, contact Ron Dietz at 434-2400.

IPFL's Idaho tackles top-ranked Portland

BOISE — The Idaho Stallions host top-ranked Portland Saturday in a clash of Northwest football rivals.

Portland (10-5) can capture the Indoor Professional Football League regular season title outright with a win. Idaho is eliminated from the postseason hunt at 8-10, but will look to play exciting against the team that coughed up the Stallions' first victory in the Bank of America Center back in Week 6.

Game time is 7:30 p.m.

Sign up for 3-on-3 basketball tourney

BURLEY — Registration is being accepted for a 3-on-3 basketball tournament on Saturday, Aug. 19 at the Burley Smith's parking lot. Sponsored by Sparks Basketball, the tournament will run in conjunction with the Cassia County Fair. Teams will be divided among age groups.

For more information, call Kody Ketterling at 733-9554, Ext. 2223.

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and say, "Great job. Don't worry about football!"

Clearly, the baseball has taken care of the "tough" part of strong pitching performance by hurler Steve Mathews, but won five games and lost only once at the state tourney, which also took place in Lewiston.

Mathews remains an option this week's "Power game," having enjoyed three days' rest. The workload he saw in those three outings was light — he threw seven innings and just over 70 pitches against Wood River Saturday, four innings and 48 pitches against Prairie on Monday and seven innings with 73 pitches in the true champi-

onship game against Prairie again on Tuesday.

"I didn't push him," Cline said. "He stepped up and wanted to do it. It was no big thing."

Cline probably won't start Mathews today, but won't hesitate to call on him Saturday, if Buhl beats Lakeside, the Tribe takes on the Powell, Wyo.-Anchorage, Alaska winner Saturday, lose today, and they face the Lebanon, Ore.-Bitterroot-Valley, Mont., loser in an elimination affair.

"Winning the first one is so important," Cline said. "But we're not going to do a lot of pumping and planning. We're here to have fun. This is something the kids will always remember."

Thompson, Torres earn trip to Olympics

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jenny Thompson and Dara Torres flipped toward the finish line in the U.S. final Thursday night, with two of America's greatest swimmers chasing another taste of Olympic glory.

Thompson reached the wall a split-second before Torres to win a stirring 100-meter butterfly at the U.S. final Thursday night, but Torres was a winner, too, becoming the first American swimmer to qualify for four Olympics.

"This is a pretty sweet victory,"

Thompson said. "There's a lot of pressure. People think this just comes to me, but it's not as easy as one might think."

Thompson, a five-time gold medalist, shook off her previous poor performance at the 1996 trials to earn her third trip to the Olympics in 57.78 seconds.

Torres, swimming right beside Thompson, was virtually stroke-for-stroke over her by 2.95 meters, falling just short in 57.86.

No one else was within a second of these two giants of the sport.

The 33-year-old Torres, who returned to swimming last year after a seven-year retirement spent dabbling in modeling and informal work, led a slight lead in the women's race at the "turn."

Thompson caught up on the return trip and barely touched first.

Both swimmers finished short of Torres' American record of 57.58, set a day earlier in the preliminaries. And both have a lot of work to do before Sydney, where Dutch sensation Inge de Bruijn has set a very high bar to catch

with a world record of 56.64.

Still, it was a remarkable accomplishment by Torres, who swam in the Los Angeles Games 16 years ago and also competed at Seoul and Barcelona before leading the sport with two gold medals in 1988 and a bronze.

Thompson, 27, may have won five gold medals in her career — but all have come in relays. Her only individual medal is a silver in 1992, and she failed to qualify in any of her individual events at the 1996 trials.



Jenny Thompson, left; of Menlo Park, Calif.; hugs Dara Torres of Palo Alto after Thompson won the finals of the women's 100-meter butterfly at the U.S. Olympic Swimming Trials in Indianapolis Thursday.

BASEBALL

American League Boxes

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
AL East	3	1	1	0
AL Central	4	1	1	0
AL West	2	1	1	0

AL Standings

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
AL East	3	1	1	0
AL Central	4	1	1	0
AL West	2	1	1	0

NL Standings

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
NL East	2	1	1	0
NL Central	3	1	1	0
NL West	2	1	1	0

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

Event	Time	Channel
Tennis, Masters Series	11 a.m.	ESPN
U.S. Women's Amateur Championship	1 p.m.	ESPN
Golf, U.S. Women's Amateur Championship	1 p.m.	ESPN
Baseball, Reds at Cubs	7:10 p.m.	ESPN
Golf, Buck Open	2 p.m.	FPT
Baseball, Dodgers at Braves	5:30 p.m.	TBS
WNBA Playoff, Rockets at Miracle	5 p.m.	CBS
NFL Exhibition, Packers at Jaguars	5 p.m.	CBS
WNBA Playoff, Sparks at Mercury	7 p.m.	CBS

BLUE JAYS VS. ROYALS 'T

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Blue Jays	3	1	1	0
Royals	2	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
American Conference	2	1	1	0

YANKEES VS. ANGELS

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Yankees	2	1	1	0
Angels	1	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
American Conference	2	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

TEXAS VS. OREGONS

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Texas	2	1	1	0
Oregon	1	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
American Conference	2	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

DEVIL RAYS VS. THUNDER

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Devil Rays	2	1	1	0
Thunder	1	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
American Conference	2	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

FORENERS VS. PHILLIES

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Forenners	2	1	1	0
Phillies	1	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
American Conference	2	1	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Western Conference	2	1	1	0

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Eastern Conference	2	1	1	0

WEDNESDAY'S LATE BOXES

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Wednesday's Late Boxes	2	1	1	0

PIONEER LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Pioneer League	2	1	1	0

FOOTBALL

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Football	2	1	1	0

SOCCER

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Soccer	2	1	1	0

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Major League Soccer	2	1	1	0

GOLF

Team	W	L	Cl	GB
Golf	2	1	1	0

SPORTS

Carolina errors let Steelers win 13-0

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers turned one of injury-depleted Carolina's three turnovers into Ken Bell's Stewart's 4-yard scoring run and their third consecutive preseason victory, 13-0 over the Panthers on Thursday night.

Kris Brown kicked field goals of 53 and 33 yards, one just before halftime following another turnover, as the Steelers' efficient offense was held to a single touchdown for the second game in a row.

The Steelers have scored 26 points in two games since beating Dallas 38-10 in their preseason opener, yet managed to win both times even as Stewart was a combined 1-of-13 passing for 3 yards.

Stewart was 1-of-7 for 8 yards against the Panthers, who left much of their rebuilding offense back in Carolina with assorted injuries. Eighteen Panthers, or nearly one-quarter of their roster, were listed on the pregame injury report, including most of their better-known players: Steve Bargerlin, Reggie White, Eric Swann and Mubinn Muhammad.

The Panthers lost two more players to injuries during the game, wide receivers Patrick Jeffers (sprained knee) and Jim Turner (strained hamstring). Steelers rookie receiver Danny Farmer left in the second half with a sprained ankle.

Just as they did a week ago in a 34-14 loss to Jacksonville, quar-



Panthers defensive backs Jimmy Hitchcock (37) and Rashard Anderson defend Pittsburgh wide receiver Malcolm Johnson in the second quarter of a preseason game in Pittsburgh Thursday.

terbacks Jeff Lewis and Dameyune Craig couldn't move a Panthers offense that couldn't run with consistency or complete anything except flare passes that usually gained only a handful of yards.

Lewis, starting for the second week in a row for Beuerlein, was

11-of-14 for 54 yards with no completion longer than 12 yards. Craig had more rushing yards (29) than passing yards (19) while going 2-of-11.

The Panthers — outscored 47-14 so far in the preseason — threatened only once, driving to the Steelers' 4 in the second

quarter with Lewis in the game before Tim Bakabutuka fumbled on fourth down and lost a yard.

The Steelers led 7-0 at the time, needing to drive but 11 yards for the game's only touchdown after Jason Gildon recovered Lewis' fumble at the Panthers' 11.

Chris Fuamatu-Ma'afala gained 7 yards on two carries before Stewart scrambled to score from the 4 on third-and-3 with 9:05 left in the first half.

Fuamatu-Ma'afala, who led a 13-10 comeback victory over Miami on Saturday by running for 122 yards and a touchdown, managed four carries for 19 yards before leaving with bruised ribs.

Brown's 33-yard field goal on the final play of the first half followed an 11-play drive led by backup quarterback Kent Graham after Chad Scott's end zone interception of Craig's pass.

Graham, 10-0-18 for 95 yards, also led an 11-play drive at the start of the third quarter that ended with Brown's 53-yard field goal at 10:02. Graham kept the drive going by finding Troy Edwards for 10 yards on third-and-3 from the Panthers' 47.

Anthony Wright followed Stewart and Graham and was 6-of-9 for 59 yards. Steelers free agent Fepe Pearson of Ohio State was the leading rusher with 52 yards on seven carries, all in the second half.

Cowboys cornerback thinks about retiring

The Associated Press

Dallas Cowboys cornerback Kevin Smith is at home deciding whether to retire after a nine-year career that began with Super Bowl titles his first two seasons.

"Kevin came in here with hope of playing. At this point, he's making some decisions based on how he feels," coach Dave Campo said Wednesday. "I think he'll make a relatively quick decision."

Dillon already was in a bind at cornerback by having to replace Deion Sanders. Veteran Ryan McNeil was signed to start on one side, and coaches were hoping Smith could hold down the other while three draft picks cut their teeth in the NFL.

Smith was a first-round draft pick from Texas A&M in 1992. He became a starter late in his rookie year and was part of Super Bowl champion teams his first two seasons and another Super Bowl his fourth year.

Smith's departure also leaves the Cowboys without yet another link to their glory days of the mid-1990s. Michael Irvin and Daryl Johnston retired this summer and offensive tackle Erik Williams also is away from camp mulling retirement.

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retired after one day in training camp because of back problems.

Still, Brooks seeks a one-year contract, and he has Denver, Oakland and Philadelphia interested. Reportedly, he's been offered between \$440,000 and \$750,000.

Bengals

Holdout running back Corey Dillon, under pressure to sign before today's exhibition game with Atlanta, has finally reached agreement with Cincinnati on a one-year deal.

The team's Web site reported that the contract is worth \$3 million, more than twice the \$1.2 million tender offer Dillon turned down in June.

The Bengals have been increasing pressure on Dillon to sign after failing to work out the multi-year deal.

Restricted free agent, Dillon had been threatening to miss the season's first 10 games and play only in the last six so that he could become an unrestricted, free agent next season.

Last week, the Bengals notified Dillon that he would be ineligible for the first regular-season game, on Sept. 10, unless he signed and reported in time for the Atlanta game, which will be the Bengals' second preseason game.

Lions

Quarterback Charlie Batch estimates he has a 75 percent chance of playing in the team's opener at New Orleans on Sept. 3.

Batch, who broke a bone in his right knee on June 5 and had surgery on June 12, spent Monday and Tuesday in Birmingham, Ala., with orthopedic surgeon Dr. James Andrews.

"Everything was very positive; down there," Batch said. "He said the sessions to see how much pain I could tolerate and whether or not my knee would swell up. None of the two occurred, and that was very encouraging."

49ers

Center Chris Dalman is out indefinitely with a spine injury. Dalman collided with another player during blocking drills Tuesday. An X-ray and MRI revealed an injury between the fifth and sixth vertebrae in his neck.

Dalman has been the 49ers' starting center for the past three seasons. He was expected to return to San Francisco on Wednesday to consult with Dr. Bob Millard, the team orthopedist.

Seahawks

As if there aren't enough former Green Bay Packers already wearing Seahawk blue, the Seattle NFL team is considering adding another Mike Holmgren protégé.

After picking up linebacker George Koonce and briefly flirting with defensive end Reggie White, the Seahawks are one of four teams vying for receiver Robert Brooks.

Brooks abruptly retired during Green Bay's training camp last year, but he is attempting a return to football this season. He flew to Spokane for a Tuesday workout and a physical exam for the Seahawks at Eastern Washington University.

"He looked awfully good in the workout," said Holmgren, the head coach of the Seahawks who previously coached the Packers. "The big question mark with him is that he's the toughest guy I've ever coached, and I believe that — is that his body has been through the ringer a bit. My big concern is to see if he can hold up. I know he wants to play, but he's had some injuries."

Brooks suffered a season-ending knee injury in October 1996. The next season, he returned and caught 60 passes for 1,010 yards and seven touchdowns. But last year, he had back surgery to remove a herniated disk and

Walker, Hannah find way into Hall of Fame

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Herschel Walker will be known throughout Georgia before he played a game for the Bulldogs. It took one college game to gain national attention.

Georgia trailed Tennessee by 17 points late in the third quarter when Walker took a pitchout at the Vol's 16 yard line, cut up the middle and ran over future Dallas Cowboys teammate Bill Bates en route to the first of his two touchdowns in a 16-15 victory.

That season Walker ran for more than 200 yards four times and finished with 1,616 yards, finishing third in the Heisman Trophy voting, as he led a



Georgia tailback Herschel Walker follows a block against Memphis State in this 1982 photo.

Georgia squad that had been 6-5 a season earlier to a 12-0 record and the national championship.

"I thought he would be great. I didn't think he'd be that great that soon," said his coach, Vince Dooley, now Georgia's athletic director. "I didn't know he'd be such an incredible back in his very first game."

Walker's place in college football history will be confirmed today when he and 21 others are enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame. Among the other inductees are Alabama's John Hannah, Oklahoma's Greg Pruitt, Iowa's Chuck Long, Notre Dame's Ross Browner and UCLA's Billy Kilmer.

Walker said joining the Hall of Fame honors all those he played with at Georgia, and that he

learned the importance of teamwork during his freshman season.

"We went undefeated because we worked together, we tried together. Notre Dame was probably more talented than we were, but we worked together and won," Walker said.

The Bulldogs beat the Irish 17-10 in the Sugar Bowl that season as Walker rushed for 150 yards and two touchdowns on 36 carries.

Walker rushed for 5,259 yards in three seasons at Georgia, leading the Bulldogs to a 33-3 record as he set 11 NCAA, 16 Southeastern Conference and 41 Georgia records, before jumping to the fledgling United States Football League.

Return to form: Cone is sharp in Yankees' win

NEW YORK (AP) — David Cone won for the first time in 16 starts, proving he could still be a valuable part of the rotation by pitching the New York Yankees past Oakland 12-6 on Thursday.

Cone stopped his eight-game losing streak, striking out a season-high eight in six innings. His only mistake was a fat fastball that Jon Giambi hit for a two-run homer.

Cone gave up eight hits, two runs and one walk in six innings. The Yankees had lost the last 13 games Cone (2-10) had started, but there was



Tampa Bay's Aubrey Huff watches his first-inning three-run homer clear the way against the Twins Thursday in St. Petersburg, Fla. The Devil Rays won the game 10-4.

Mike Cameron hit two-run homers to lead Aaron Sele, who reached 13 wins for the fourth straight season, as Seattle beat Chicago, Seattle (68-47) is 21 games over .500 for the second time ever.

Devil Rays 10, Twins 4

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Aubrey Huff hit his first major league homer, a three-run drive in a five-run first-inning, as Tampa Bay beat Minnesota for its fifth win in six games. Tanyon Sturtze (3-2), making his second start for Tampa Bay, struck out seven in seven innings, allowing two runs and seven hits.

Tigers 10, Orioles 3

DETROIT — Bobby Higginson had three hits and four RBIs, and Detroit knuckleballer Steve Sparks baffled Baltimore. Sparks (2-2) allowed two runs and four hits with four strikeouts and a walk in 7 2/3 innings.

National League

Mets 10, Astros 3 HOUSTON — Mike Piazza was

4-for-4 and drove in four runs, and Robin Ventura also had four RBIs as the New York Mets routed the Houston Astros. Piazza had RBI singles in the third and fifth innings, doubled in the third and hit a two-run single in the eighth. New York closed with two 2.5 games of NL East-leading Atlanta.

Cardinals 5, Rockies 4

ST. LOUIS — Jim Edmonds doubled home the winning run with two outs in the ninth inning as St. Louis beat Colorado. Todd Helton was 4-for-4 for the Rockies to raise his NL leading average to .384, including doubles in his first three at-bats that raised his league-leading total to 40.

Padres 15, Phillies 3

PHILADELPHIA — Bret Boone and Phil Nevin hit three-run homers as San Diego posted season highs for hits and runs. Tim Lincecum and Joe Vitello also homered for the Padres, who have won nine of their last 12 games.

Major League Baseball

Series champions took a season-high five-game lead in the AL East. Oakland lost its fifth in a row. Jose Canseco, making his first start for New York, hit a three-run homer and also doubled and had two sacrifice flies.

Blue Jays 15, Royals 7

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Tony Batista hit his 34th homer, leaving him tied for the American League lead, and had a go-ahead single as

D-backs struggle after fall from first place

PHOENIX (AP) — The Arizona Diamondbacks haven't been this far out of first place in more than a year. Anger is simmering to the surface as the team heads on a six-game road trip.

A 4-5 homestand ended with a painful 4-3 loss to Montreal Wednesday night, and Arizona, which once led the NL West by 6.5 games, found itself three behind division-leading San Francisco.

"I think frustrated might be a word to use," Randy Johnson said. "But you know what, we put this game behind us and we go to Pittsburgh, then we move on to Philadelphia. And you know, someone's going to pay."

All has not been well for the defending NL West champions for some time. The Diamondbacks are 29-33 since

the end of May, 11-15 since the All-Star break.

The big trade that brought Curt Schilling to the Diamondbacks won't do much good if the team can't score or pitch well in relief.

Arizona is 5-7 since Schilling arrived, and he has three of those victories, two of them complete games.

An inconsistent bullpen and poor hitting in the clutch have been persistent problems for weeks.

After one of his best seasons at the plate in 1999, when he had a career-high 38 homers with 112 RBIs, Jay Bell has fallen off sharply this year. In his just-completed homestand, he hit .207 (6-for-29). For the season, he's batting .255 with 11 homers and 44 RBIs.

"I think guys are getting a little mad now," catcher Kelly Stinnett said. "Hopefully that will be good for us, to get out there and get mad and show people what kind of team we are. We've got reach down and find out what we're really made of."

After going 15-3, Johnson is winless in his last four starts. Twice the bullpen couldn't hold the lead for him. After pitching out of trouble repeatedly Wednesday night, he left after seven innings with a 3-2 lead that vanished not long after he stepped into the dugout.

After the game, the Diamondbacks recalled reliever Byung-Hyun Kim and first baseman Erubiel Durazo from Triple-A

Tucson. Kim, designated to be the right-handed setup pitcher in front of closer Matt Mantel, was sent down to work on his control, which deserted him after an outstanding first half of the season.

Durazo, once a feared power hitter in the lineup, went down to regain his swing and confidence after a long slump.

With a rough schedule facing them in September, the Diamondbacks know they can't allow themselves to fade much farther in the standings. "We can't sit and dwell on it," Showalter said. "Hopefully we can turn it around out on the road."

Christian group wants touney moved over flag

ATLANTA (AP) — Citing use of the Confederate battle symbol in the Georgia state flag, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference asked the NCAA to move three Final Four tournaments out of Atlanta.

The SCLC president Martin Luther King III sent a letter Tuesday to NCAA president Cedric Dempsey, urging that the men's Final Four tournaments in 2002 and 2007 and the women's tournament in 2003 be shifted from Atlanta unless the Georgia flag is changed by March 31, 2001.

King said that date so the change would be completed by April 4, the anniversary of his father's 1968 assassination. The Georgia Legislature is out

of session until the second week of January. Post-legislative efforts to change the flag have failed, most recently in 1993.

King said the NCAA events should be moved because "the Confederate emblem represents the most reprehensible aspects of American history, not only for people of African ancestry but for people of every background who know and understand the destructive horrors created by slavery."

The NCAA's executive committee is scheduled to meet today in Indianapolis and will discuss the letter, NCAA spokesman Wally Renfro said. The contents of King's letter were first reported Thursday by USA Today.

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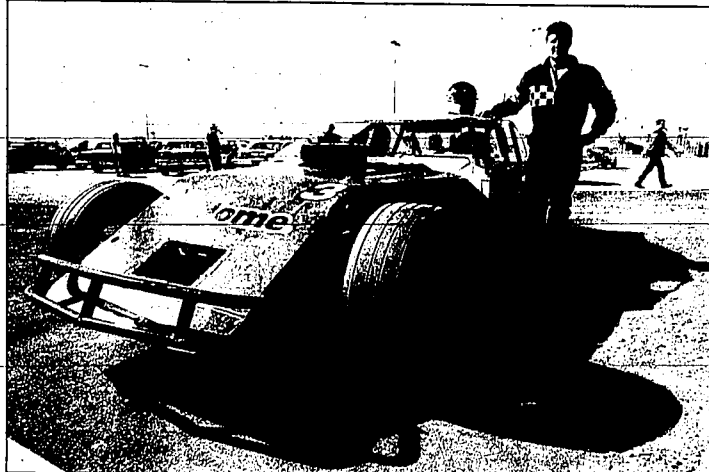
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3. Rick Corbridge	861	3
4. Harold Wartluft	743	4
5. Dana Pruett	735	5

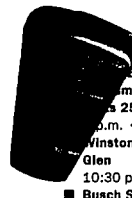
G-N Sportman	Pts.	LW
1. Jeffrey Meads	842	1
2. Thomas Powell	798	2
3. Brian Welch	753	4
4. Dale Miles	738	3
5. Charlie Ham	706	5

Pony Stocks	Pts.	LW
1. Mike Prara	703	2
2. Alan Larson	688	3
3. David Caldwell Jr.	652	1
4. Gene Goodfellow	634	4
5. Todd Audet	594	6

Thunder Stocks	Pts.	LW
1. Natalie Wheeler	670	2
2. Ray Van Holland	668	1
3. Kenny Vanderham	640	3
4. Kevan Larson	595	4
5. Mike Mattix	582	5

This week's car: Steve Jones' Modified No. 3

Model: Dodge	Tires: Goodyear Eagles 226 x 815	Where purchased: Harris Auto Racing in Iowa
Make: Avenger IROC	Fastest lap: 15.21 seconds	Worth: \$20,000
Year: '00	Top track speed: close to 100 miles per hour	Fit crew: Bill Justman, Ross Poulton, Joey Thomas, Norm Jones
Engine: 360	Sponsors: Arow Auto, ATAT @Home, Summerlin Trucking	Comment: "It's fast and, knock on wood, it keeps on running well."
Transmission: 4-speed Muncie	Years owned: 4	
Carburetor: Holley 4-barrel		
Special parts: "Everything's stock."		



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TOP TEN

- Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.
- 1. (1) Bobby Labonte
- 2. (2) Dale Jarrett
- 3. (5) Rusty Wallace
- 4. (3) Dale Earnhardt
- 5. (4) Tony Stewart
- 6. (7) Jeff Burton
- 7. (6) Jeff Gordon
- 8. (9) Ward Burton
- 9. (8) Mark Martin
- 10. (—) Jerry Nadeau

Fan Tips

Craftsman, the tool division of retailer Sears, has extended its sponsorship of the NASCAR Truck Series that has boasted its name since its inception in 1995. The new agreement will maintain the Craftsman Truck Series through 2005 and will significantly boost the yearly pit fund.

ON THE SCHEDULE

<p>WINSTON CUP ■ What: Global Crossing at the Glen ■ When: 10:30 p.m. Sunday ■ Where: Watkins Glen (N.Y.) International (2.45-mile track) ■ Format: 90 laps/220.5 miles ■ Defending champion: Jeff Gordon ■ Qualifying record: Rusty Wallace, Ford, 121.234 mph, Aug. 13, 1999 ■ Race record: Mark Martin, Ford, 103.030 mph, Aug. 13, 1995 ■ Notable: Gordon has won the last three races at Watkins Glen and the last six Winston Cup races on road courses. ... Gordon started third last year, first in 1998 and 11th in 1997.</p>	<p>BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL ■ What: NAPAOnline.com 250 ■ When: 10 a.m., Aug. 19 ■ Where: Michigan Speedway (2-mile track) ■ Format: 125 laps/250 miles ■ Defending champion: Dale Earnhardt Jr. ■ Qualifying record: Dave Blaney, Pontiac, 180.054 mph, Aug. 9, 1999 ■ Race record: Mark Martin, Ford, 169.571 mph, Aug. 19, 1995 ■ Notable: Martin is the only two-time winner of this race.</p>	<p>CRAFTSMAN TRUCK ■ What: Federated Auto Parts ■ When: 6 p.m., Saturday ■ Where: Nashville (Tenn.) Speedway USA (.596-mile track) ■ Format: 200 laps/119.2 miles ■ Defending champion: Dennis Setzer ■ Qualifying record: Tim Steele, Ford, 111.079 mph, July 17, 1999 ■ Race record: Jack Sprague, Chevrolet, 79.226 mph, Aug. 16, 1997 ■ Notable: This race has been shortened from 250 to 200 laps.</p>
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After injury, Mayfield's immediate driving future in doubt

By Monte Dutton
NASCAR This Week

SPEEDWAY, Ind. — In the Indianapolis Motor Speedway practice session on the morning of Aug. 4, Jeremy Mayfield was in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Apparently as a result of oil dropped from Chad Little's ailing engine, Mayfield's Ford struck the third-turn wall of Indy. And while his injuries were not grave, they did knock him out of the race and put his ability to compete in the next several races in doubt.

Mayfield's Ford wobbled before spinning completely out of control and hitting the wall almost flush on the driver's side. A replay, while not showing the accident in vivid detail,

did reveal that the car in front of Mayfield's, driven by teammate Rusty Wallace, wobbled when it reached the same spot on the track. Joe Nemechek's Chevrolet also barely escaped an incident.

Mayfield was admitted to the hospital with "a closed head injury."

Dr. Troy Prymer of the hospital's neurological staff said the injury would prevent him from taking part in the Brickyard 400, but Mayfield checked out of the hospital at 4 p.m.

Mayfield had qualified fourth, but Kyle Petty, who had failed to make the starting field, took over as driver of the car.

That, of course, means that Petty had to drop to the rear of the field for the start.

THE STREAK ENDS: The longest consecutive-starts streak in NASCAR history ended at Indianapolis when Terry Labonte elected not to compete in the Brickyard 400.

Labonte suffered a concussion and a lacerated right leg in a crash at Daytona on July 1, and lingering effects of the concussion caused dizziness when Labonte tried to practice in his No. 5 Chevrolet.

Not badline qualified the car, and after consulting with doctors, Labonte elected to pass up Indy and this week's race at Watkins Glen.

Labonte's streak of 655 races in a row began with the Daytona 500 in 1979.

SABO MAKES IT OFFICIAL: Felix Sabotini announced his plans Aug. 4, officially affirming what everyone had known for weeks: He had sold a majority and controlling interest in his team to Chip Ganassi.

Ganassi, the longtime Indy car entrepreneur, will also switch the team from Chevrolet to Dodge next year, with Steve Linn swimming to drive the No. 40 car and the driver of the other car yet to be determined. Garage-area reports had Ganassi interested in luring Bobby Hamilton away from Larry McClure's Chevrolet team.

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Firefighters Ricco Whitequills, left, Mitchell Stripped Squirrel, Les Wildgun and Ron Dwarf work Thursday to douse hot spots from a wildfire in Pinesdale, Mont. Wildfires charging through Bitterroot Valley have destroyed scores of buildings and forced hundreds of residents to flee.

Blaze threatens Salmon water supply

The Associated Press

The state's largest fire continued to threaten the city of Salmon's water supply as the flames edged closer to the municipal watershed Thursday.

More than 1,520 firefighters and Marines were battling the 115,800-acre blaze along the Montana border as crews built a contingency line around the watershed. The line was created as a second barrier to keep the fire from crossing Jesse Creek.

"We're reinforcing a contingency line. The watershed will be protected," said Francis Reynolds, spokeswoman for the Salmon-Challis National Forest. "Our top priority is to keep (the fire) out of Jesse Creek."

If the fire crosses the water, it could burn surrounding trees, causing soil and debris to enter Salmon's water supply.

About 90 miles west, the Burgdorf Junction fire in west-central Idaho's Payette National Forest burned 26,700 acres while threatening to cross the Salmon River into the Nez Perce National Forest.

Hundreds of ancient Indian pictographs or rock paintings are found along the river.

Forest archeologist Steve Armstrong told firefighters that building a line around the paintings could prevent smoke from



Smoke is seen in this aerial photograph Wednesday from the Burgdorf Junction wildfire about 30 miles north of McCall.

blackening the rock walls and ruining the art made of ochre and bear fat.

Throughout the state, twelve fires have charred more than 240,000 acres.

In the Payette National Forest, the Flossie Complex - about 50

miles northeast of McCall - had burned 15,600 acres and was less than 1 percent contained.

The Three Bears Fire was burning on both sides of the Salmon River in the Nez Perce National Forest. It grew to 15,000 acres on Thursday. That fire also

was less than 1 percent contained.

On Thursday, the American Red Cross of Boise sent two volunteers to provide disaster relief in the Bitterroot Valley south of Missoula, Mont. in response to fire evacuation orders there.

Fire's coming but some Westerners won't budge

HAMILTON (AP) - You can tell them the fire's coming. You can tell them they have to leave. This being Montana, however, they won't always go.

"I'm just going to stay until I can't stay any longer," Gary Greer said Thursday afternoon, surveying his one-acre spread at the foot of a ridge bristling with tinder-dry ponderosa pines.

The edge of the vast Valley Complex wildfire in southwestern Montana's Bitterroot Valley was about three miles from Greer's home. It had already broken through one line, and officials were predicting that flames could soon push northward into Greer's neighborhood.

They issued a mandatory evacuation order for Greer's road on Wednesday. But Greer, 57, an irrigation contractor who has lived here 18 years, defied the order.

He stayed to tend 800 feet of fire hose he'd connected to water sprinklers pumping out more than 200 gallons per minute across his yard. His house had metal siding and a metal roof, the better to resist windblown embers, and the property was sur-

rounded on three sides by green pasture. If the power were to go out, Greer had a tractor and generator-powered generator to keep the pumps going.

"I'm not going to be stupid about this, but as long as I can be here, I will," Greer said. "It's my home. I don't see the point of sitting in town in the smoke instead of sitting here in the smoke where I can keep an eye on things. Besides, I've got plenty of food in the basement left over from the Y2K thing. We could stay here a long time."

Montana is known for people who consider themselves rugged individualists. "The Bitterroot Valley is rife with people suspicious of the government," said Michael Powell, publisher of the Bitterroot Star, a weekly newspaper. "There's a lot of distrust of the government, a lot of distrust of the Forest Service."

The vast majority of residents have obeyed evacuation orders promptly and gladly. But for the vocal minority with a don't-tread-on-me attitude, authorities have gotten creative in their definition of "mandatory."

Firebusters: Nerves behind the fire lines are tight too

BOISE (AP) - The air is clear, the surroundings bright and clean, if not exactly neat.

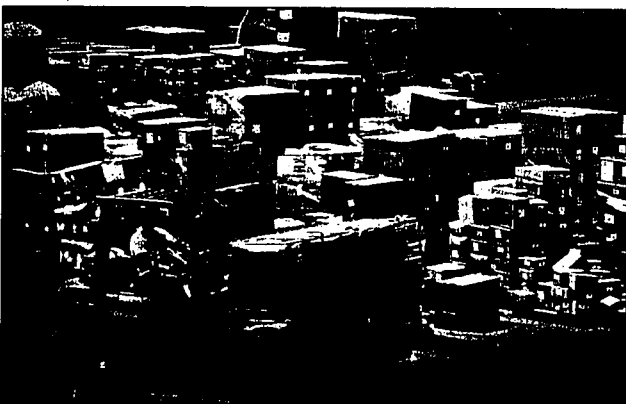
It is nowhere near the dust, dirt and ash engulfing the nation's 20,000 firefighters as they battle blazes burning a million acres of forest and range throughout the West.

But the intensity and focus are just as sharp at the country's nerve center in the wildfire fight. Five dozen specialists man the command center on the second floor of the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise around the clock.

They may look casual in their jeans, T-shirts, sneakers, but they're moving firefighters and equipment to new and expanding fires like chessmen in a championship match.

"There's not the same feeling of immediacy when you don't see or breathe the smoke," said Neal Hitchcock, who runs the logistics center. "It's a different level of stress."

The decisions of federal land managers involving fire management have been under particular scrutiny since 1988, when a million acres of Yellowstone National Park burned amid criticism that underbrush and dead vegetation had foolishly been allowed to pile up for years. Earlier this year, a prescribed burn intended to burn such fuel exploded in New Mexico, char-



Bureau of Land Management employee Kevin Staley moves equipment Aug. 4 outside the main supply warehouse at the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise. With this year being one of the worst fire seasons in years, supplies are being delivered to support over 20,000 civilian and military fire fighters throughout the West often faster than they can be stored in the warehouse.

ring more than 200 homes near Los Alamos and causing millions of dollars in damage. Forest Service Chief Michael Dombek has been a frequent

visitor this season at the Boise fire center, which is comprised of seven federal agencies. He knows how critical the behind-the-scenes support is for crews fac-

ing the flames. "Something as simple as foot powder," Dombek said. "If you have firefighters with sore feet, you've got problems."

What is quickly becoming one of the worst fire seasons since Yellowstone National Park burned in 1988 has intensified the pressure on the support system.

Military time - time zone by time zone - ticks off on a huge digital readout along one wall of the 70-by-50-foot room where the specialists field requests from the front and try to match them with existing resources. That has been painfully difficult this season.

"We literally are spread on wildland fires from Arizona to Canada and from the Rocky Mountains to the coast," said Jack Sept of the Bureau of Land Management. "What that does is stretch our network."

The fluorescent lights in the coordination center are subdued, allowing natural light to stream through oblong windows and across desks covered with papers, Post-It notes and resource books.

No one shouts, but the hum of conversation is steady and just above the light-roving music softly playing on the office radio. But the telephone traffic into the center's only phone is constant.

Hitchcock talks every morning to key federal and state land managers and briefs his staff on developments across the region so they have some perspective on what lies ahead for the day. "I try to have everybody look beyond their situation," he said.

The decisions made at the center are carried out at one of 11 warehouses scattered across the country. The largest, 80,000 square feet, is just a stone's throw from the Boise logistics center.

At any given hour, forklifts are moving pallets of hoses, shovels, clothing, coils, sleeping bags - even barrels of foam retardant to be sprayed on buildings threatened by flames.

It has shipped \$27 million of supplies and equipment so far this year - 1.9 million batteries, 38,000 fire shirts, 117,000 ready-to-eat meals, 600 chainsaws, 36,000 canteens and 6,800 pulkads, an ox-wedge curved blade at the top for cutting timber and scraping fire lines.

"We get a call, people tell us, 'I need seven hotshot crews, a weather station, four helicopters,'" Sept said. "They also need the comforts of home: a sleeping bag, foot powder, shower units. You've created a small town, and there's a lot to take care of."

The pressure for resources has required firefighting agencies to be increasingly responsible for the equipment, returning as much as possible so it can be used on another blaze.

"We can't get out more equipment, more pumps, more supplies," fire center spokeswoman Janelle Smith said. "It just takes time. It really is the management structure that is being taxed."

Thin budget adds to firefighters' worries

WASHINGTON (AP) — Years of inadequate funding have left fire fighting programs for federal lands dangerously strained, a top Bureau of Land Management official warned months before this summer's deadly Western wildfires broke out.

"We knowingly ask our firefighters to work longer hours in more dangerous circumstances," Lester Rosenkrance, then the BLM's fire program director, wrote in January. "To do so, in the name of budget cuts, is simply unconscionable."

The January memo, sent to BLM Director Tom Fry, was one of a series of complaints by critics who say federal budgets haven't kept pace with rising firefighting costs. Federal land agencies got only about 85 percent of the money needed for wildfire preparations from 1997 through 1999, Congress' General Accounting Office reported last year.

Top administration officials say they haven't been dithering while the West burns. Since 1996, fire preparedness spending has increased 40 percent, said Tim Ahern, a spokesman for Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt. Just last month, Congress approved \$250 million in emergency funding to fight wildfires.

"We're giving them what they need," Ahern said. "The real problem this summer is not budgeting. The problem is, you have fires you haven't seen in half a century."

The funding complaints surface amid one of the worst Western fire seasons in decades.



Tim Mason, the squad boss of the Boise Hot Shot team, rests Wednesday during his 12th day on the fire lines in the fires outside Sula, Mont. Mason said this was one of the worst fires that he had fought.

As of Thursday, 70 major wildfires had charred 4.3 million acres of land — nearly twice the 10-year average — in a dozen Western states. Five firefighters have been killed.

Rosenkrance, who has since retired, complained in his memo to Fry that BLM fire preparedness budgets have been limited to less than 85 percent of their most efficient level. That has forced

the agency to hire fewer seasonal firefighters and hire them later in the year, cutting down on time for training, he wrote.

"We profess that firefighter and public safety is our first priority ... yet insufficient funds are placing us in grave danger of compromising that principle," Rosenkrance wrote.

Mark Ray, a Republican staffer on the Senate Energy and Natural

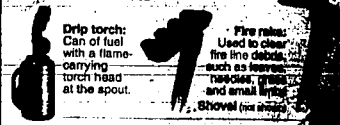
Resources Committee, called the memo "kind of troubling" and said Congress would consider adding money to the federal firefighting budget.

"It's a problem that we're going to have to address and address quickly," Ray said. "We're not going to be able to address it in the calamity we have right now, but we need to work on fixing it quickly."

Weapons against a wildfire

Firefighters working to contain a forest or brush fire often have the best gear, but here's what a fully-equipped firefighter has:

FIREFIGHTING TOOLS



PROTECTION AND SURVIVAL



Emergency shelter: Small flame-resistant tent; used if firefighter can't escape oncoming fire.

Shroud: Protects head and neck.

Helmet: Goggles.

Respirator: Filters air.

Fire-resistant clothing: Must drink water constantly to prevent dehydration.

Boots: Thick soles; steel toe.

May also carry: Radio, GPS location finder.

Heavy physical labor

To qualify for arduous fireline work, a Forest Service firefighter must be able to carry, without running or jogging:

- A 45-pound (21-kg) pack
- 3 miles (5km) over level ground
- To 45 minutes

Equivalent to a fast hiking pace with heavy camping gear. 50 seconds walk 100 yards with 5,000 feet (2,700m).

Fire knocks out major power lines

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — A growing wildfire south of Montana's capital that has forced 400 families from their homes shut down two massive power lines — the latest development in the West's wildfire nightmare.

The Bonneville Power Administration said Thursday there was no immediate risk of a power shortage after the two 500-kilovolt lines — "as big as they get," a BPA official said — were knocked out by smoke and airborne particles from a 10,000-acre fire 25 miles south of Helena. One line partially melted.

"Our lines are in bad shape out there," said Perry Gruber, a spokesman for BPA in Portland, Ore., an owner of the lines. He said remaining power grid should be adequate to meet demand, barring loss of another major line or a peak brought on by heavy use of air conditioners.

"It's like saying they took a few of the highest out of service," said Eric Myers, an analyst for the Edison Electric Institute, a trade organization in Washington, D.C. "There are other roads for the cars to take."

He said he presumed major power lines have been destroyed by wildfires in the past, but could not recall any.

The knocked-out power lines are part of a wildfire toll that mounts daily as the West's wildfire season grows progressively worse. The National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho, said 65 large fires were burning in the West Thursday, covering more than 847,000 acres.

The worst were in the Northern Rockies. In Idaho, 15 significant fires were burning over 220,000 acres including the nation's largest, the 115,000-acre Clear Creek fire.

In Montana, the state's 20 largest active fires had burned 300,000 acres, mostly in the Bitterroot Valley, where more than 50 homes have burned and hundreds of people have been evacuated. Nearby, the Big Hole National Battlefield, site of a



Mattie Jessup, 11, right, and Lydia Jessup, 12, play cards Thursday at an evacuation center in Hamilton, Mont. The sisters were forced from their home because of the fires.

major Indian battle, was evacuated as a 23,000-acre fire neared.

In Colorado, firefighters took advantage of high humidity and rain that calmed a fire burning on 5,050 acres at Mesa Verde National Park, raising hopes that visitors may be able to visit portions of the park as early as next week.

Park Superintendent Larry Wiese said the park would

reopen as soon as possible, although visitors would not have access to ruins in the burn area.

Although dwarfed by the Bitterroot infernos, the fire south of Helena commanded more attention. It has brought the evacuation of homes, and on Wednesday the fire destroyed an old post office in an outlying settlement, plus some other out-buildings.

Flames Thursday shot hun-

dreds of feet into the air.

The fire also triggered the shutdown of the Montana Tunnels gold mine, where managers fearing for the safety of employees sent 120 workers home Wednesday.

Gruber said repair crews were ready to work on the power lines, but the fire kept them away. "It's pretty much up to the flames as to when the lines go back in service," he said.

A day after the governor announced the public would be barred from some western Montana forests comprising an area a bit larger than New Hampshire, Plum Creek Timber Co. closed its vast Montana lands to public use.

The Bureau of Land Management restricted use of its lands even in eastern Montana, less hard hit than western Montana this fire season.

Department of Energy honors Idaho station heroes

Knight Ridder News Service

Bill Richardson was so relieved to not have another Los Alamos or Hanford on his hands he had to tell someone about it.

So, on Monday morning, Richardson, the secretary of energy, called about 75 of his closest friends at the INEEL's fire station. Richardson simply wanted to thank those who fought — and contained — the range fires that burned from July 26-29.

"I have never heard of him doing this," DOE-Idaho Manager Bev Cook told the crowd.

Richardson's tone was about what you'd expect in a situation like this. Grateful. Celebratory. Glowing. And yes — relieved.

"All you guys are our heroes." "I honor every one of you and I wish I could be there with you."

And there stood Richardson's heroes, some with hands in pockets, others sipping coffee, all grinning sheepishly and applauding at the right times as they listened to their boss on a hidden loud-speaker.

It was a nice wrap-up to what has been a stressful time.

"There's a lot of pressure," said George Rigby, the deputy fire chief at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. "We don't want to become the next Hanford or Los Alamos."

At Los Alamos, a prescribed burn went wild and scorched 70,000 acres and part of a town. At Hanford, a car wreck sparked a fire that swept across one of the most contaminated sites in the country.

In the INEEL, several thousand acres burned, but no structures were damaged and nobody got hurt. "I'm proud of what they did," Rigby said.

INEEL firefighters did what they always do — contain potentially damaging fires. Over the past six years, there have been 42 range fires at the site.

Survey finds plutonium after fire

RICHLAND, Wash. (AP) — Plutonium contamination above the usual level was detected in an air sample taken near the central part of the Hanford nuclear reservation 10 days after wildfire swept the site.

The U.S. Department of Energy said the findings do not pose a public health risk, but managers were unable to say Wednesday what is the source of contamination.

Plutonium has been detected before in air samples taken during the huge wildfire that burned nearly half of the 560-square-mile reservation at the end of June.

The data released Wednesday were the first from samples taken several days after the blaze.

The level of contamination in the sample was .0016 picocuries per cubic meter of air. If a person were to breathe that amount of plutonium every day for a year, his or her radiation exposure would be between 5 millirem and 10 millirem. A typical dental X-ray delivers 10 millirem to 15 millirem of radiation.

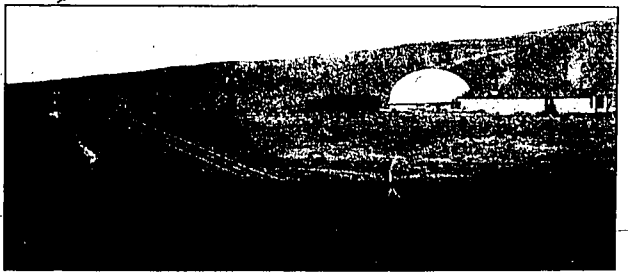
The sample came from the 200 West Area, where some of Hanford's most dangerous radioactive waste is stored underground. The average read-

ing at the site is .00001 picocuries of plutonium per cubic meter.

"That area has a history of being elevated," said Ed Parsons, a senior technical adviser from the Energy Department's Office of Engineering and Safety.

He could not immediately say if it had been determined what triggered the elevated reading this time or at other times since the 1960s.

Hanford was established during World War II to make plutonium for the atomic bomb and continued to do so for nuclear weapons until the 1980s.



The Fast Flux Test Reactor on the Hanford nuclear reservation near Richland, Wash., was threatened by a wildfire that came close to some of the defunct reactors on the reservation in June, 2000.

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Rolf Landua, German physicist and spokesman of the 'Athena' project, stands Wednesday in the antiproton decelerator room of the European Laboratories for Particle Physics near Geneva, Switzerland.

European scientists plan to build atoms of antimatter

GENEVA (AP) — European scientists searching for answers to some of science's most basic questions announced plans Thursday to build atoms of antimatter and then "cage" them for use in experiments.

The researchers at the European Laboratory for Particle Physics, or CERN, said they plan to make atoms of antihydrogen. It would be the first time that antiatoms have been slowed down enough to be caught and studied, intensifying global competition between scientists trying to decode the mystery of antimatter.

Physicists believe that antimatter is the mirror image of conventional matter in the universe. For every subatomic particle in the universe, there appears to be another identical in appearance and structure, but with its electric or magnetic properties reversed.

Scientists have been puzzling for years over the disappearance of antimatter. The Big Bang should have created the same amount of matter and antimatter, and in principle the two should have wiped each other out. But somehow there was enough

matter left over to create the universe, and antimatter only exists now in cosmic rays and particle accelerators.

CERN, famed for its 16 3/4-mile particle accelerator, this time is using a small decelerator — 616 feet around — to create its "anti-matter factory."

The CERN scientists plan to test the antihydrogen atoms to see if they behave in the same way as ordinary hydrogen.

"We are looking at how the universe would look if it was made out of antimatter. Would there be the slightest difference between our universe and the universe of antiatoms?" said Rolf Landua, spokesman for one of three projects at CERN looking at the issue.

If antimatter differs from matter, even by one part in a hundred billion, that could explain why the world is made up of matter and why antimatter has disappeared, he added.

The decelerator takes antiprotons — the opposite of protons — which have been created in the accelerator, groups them together and then slows them down to a tenth the speed of light.

Chilean judge tackles tough Pinochet case

SANTIAGO, Chile — Judge Juan Guzman may have the legal fate of Gen. Augusto Pinochet in his hands. Having successfully stripped Pinochet of his immunity, the soft spoken, strong-willed magistrate now faces the task of trying the man who once held total power and retains political and military support.

"I am not going to say this is a matter of just enforcing law," Guzman said hours after the Supreme Court removed Pinochet's congressional immunity, at Guzman's request, clearing the way for a trial on human rights charges. The Supreme Court voted 14-8 to remove Pinochet's immunity.

That ruling allows Guzman to try Pinochet in one of the worst cases of human rights abuses during his 17-year rule — a military squad known as "the caravan of death," that executed 72 political prisoners shortly after the 1973 coup that brought him to power. Nineteen of the victims remain unaccounted for.

Guzman is probing 158 criminal complaints against Pinochet, and had focused his efforts on trying to determine the fates of more than 1,000 dissidents who disappeared after being arrested, including digging in cemeteries in Santiago and elsewhere. No results were known.

Volcano on island off Tokyo erupts, forcing evacuations

TOKYO — A volcano on an island off Tokyo erupted Thursday, belching black ash into the sky and forcing the brief evacuation of hundreds of residents.

The eruption of Mount Oyama on Miyakojima island began at about 6:30 a.m., sending up a column of dark smoke and ash 9,000 feet high, meteorological officials said. There were no reports of falling ash causing injuries or damage as of late Thursday, said municipal official Tadashi Sakuma.

It was the 2,670-foot volcano's fourth eruption in a month.

Blast kills 10, injures many more in troubled Kashmir

SIRINAGAR, India — A car bomb ripped through the main shopping district in Kashmir's

World in brief

capital after a smaller decoy explosion lured security forces to the scene Thursday. Nine officers and a photojournalist were killed, officials said.

Kashmir's main Muslim guerrilla group, the Hezb-ul-Mujahideen, claimed responsibility for the explosion. It came just two days after the group called off a cease-fire and talks with the Indian government aimed at restoring peace in the Kashmir Valley.

Kashmir has been wracked by a separatist movement since 1989, when Muslim militants began fighting Indian security forces. The militants want Kashmir to break away from India and remain independent or merge with Pakistan. The conflict has left 25,000 people dead.

Reformist parliament seeks to pass women's rights bill

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran's parliament is seeking to pass a bill that would ban girls under 14 and boys under 16 from getting married without court permission, a lawmaker said Thursday. The looming debate is shaping up as another clash between hard-liners and reformers.

Reformist lawmaker Fatemeh Haqiqatjou said a two-thirds majority in parliament on Wednesday agreed to debate the bill in the legislature, where hard-liners and reformers confronted each other on Sunday over easing the nation's restrictive press law.

The debate on the marriage-age bill could set up another clash between reformist and hard-line members of parliament. Haqiqatjou said leading hard-line lawmakers oppose the bill. Hard-liners say the bill contradicts Islamic sharia laws, which they claim allow girls to be married at 9 and boys at 15.

Reformists disagree. "There are many cases of girls forced to marry at the age of 10 or 11 in different parts of Iran, especially in central Iran, which is harmful to them and creates many social and cultural problems," Haqiqatjou told The Associated Press.

Death toll rises to eight in downtown Moscow blast

MOSCOW — Police were inundated with reports of suspicious packages and bomb threats Thursday after a blast in downtown Moscow that killed eight people. Investigators announced no progress in solving the crime.

Nerves were frayed after the rush-hour blast in a busy underground passageway Tuesday in Pushkin Square. For many Muscovites it was a frightening reminder of the apartment bombings that killed some 300 people in Moscow and two other cities last September.

Security agents were called in Thursday to examine suspicious objects found in building entrances and other public places, including a box at one of Moscow's main airports, Vnukovo. Some turned out to be filled with garbage; all were deemed harmless, police said.

A man injured in the bombing died overnight, bringing the death toll to eight. More than 90 people were injured, the Emergency Situations Ministry said Thursday. Among the injured was a 13-year-old American boy of Russian descent who was visiting relatives in Moscow. Ilya Yelin, of Brooklyn, N.Y., was shopping with his mother in the kiosk-lined passageway when the bomb exploded.

"I went to buy CDs there and then when I stepped away from the store the explosion came. I fell and then I got up and grabbed somebody's hand and we went outside. Then the ambulance came," Yelin told Associated Press Television News from his hospital bed. He suffered burns and lacerations, and was to be released from the hospital later Thursday.

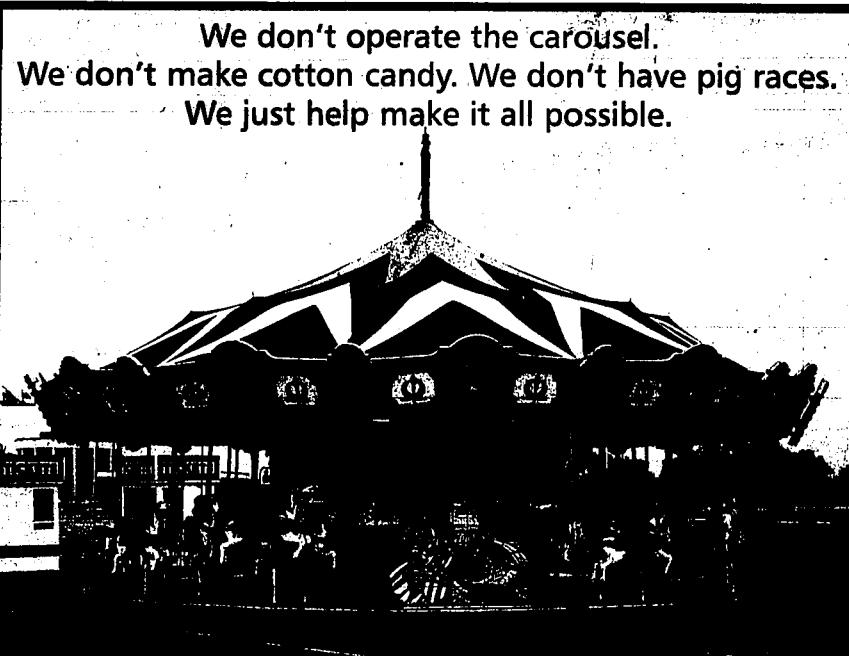
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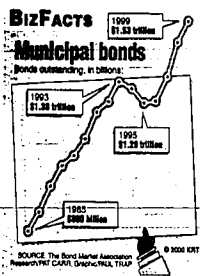
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Agency tackles parking, land-use issues

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Downtown businesses could get a boost if the Veterans Administration moves its new Twin Falls clinic across town.

The city's Urban Renewal Agency is eager to get the outpatient facility for veterans - which opened Memorial Day in a leased facility on Shoup Avenue West - to the former site of the Matt's Mini-Mart buildings at 260

Meeting today

Twin Falls' Urban Renewal Agency meets at 7:30 a.m. today in City Hall, 321 Second Ave. E. The public is welcome.

Second Ave. E. Dave McAlindin, the city's economic development director, said earlier this year. "People will shop. People will eat. People will buy coffee, fill prescriptions," McAlindin said.

Urban Renewal meets this morning to consider a contract with the VA for a lease of that property, which the VA wants to begin Nov. 1, he said this week.

The agency recently bought the mini-mart property and tore down the structures for parking and a small "pocket" park. But a different destiny could be in store.

If talks with Urban Renewal yield a sale or lease deal, the VA might build a new structure for itself downtown. Wayne Tippets, administrator and chief-execu-

tive officer of Boise's VA Medical Center, said earlier this year. It would be a standard doctor's office with half a dozen exam rooms.

Three other items are on today's Urban Renewal agenda: "The agency will consider a memorandum of agreement for construction of 35 off-street, public parking spaces on a portion of the old Twin Falls Feed & Ice site it owns. Urban Renewal would retain the property's Shoshone Street frontage for some other use," McAlindin said

this week.

A group of Old Towne developers is promoting the plan.

Owners of the long-vacant Gem State Paper and Supply building have a willing buyer - if the redeveloping warehouse district gets sufficient parking to accommodate Old Towne's existing businesses and potential Gem State tenants.

So Ron Stanley - an investor in several private-sector Old Towne ventures - and the others in May asked Urban Renewal to turn

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Kmart profits sink on sales, competition

CHICAGO - Kmart Corp. said Thursday that second-quarter profits sank 83 percent because of weak sales of clothing and other seasonal merchandise and increased competition from discount retail rivals such as Wal-Mart Stores Inc.

The two chains compete in a couple of Magic Valley markets.

Before a \$471 million charge for store closings and other restructuring moves, Kmart earnings fell to \$23 million, or 5 cents a share, for the quarter ended July 26, the second-largest U.S. discount chain said. That compared with \$138 million, or 26 cents a share, in the year-ago period and matched lowered analyst estimates.

The retailer had to mark down prices in July on clothing and other goods that had not been selling in May and June, reducing the amount of profit it made on each sale.

Same-store sales, or sales in stores open at least a year, rose 7 percent from last year's second quarter. Total sales rose 2.5 percent to \$9 billion.

Troy, Mich.-based Kmart has also been struggling to compete with the low prices offered by its biggest rival and the trendy private-label goods sold at Target Corp. and other discount retailers.

Last month, after Kmart said sales in May and June were lower than expected, a flock of analysts slashed the retailer's profit estimates.

Same-store sales rose less than 1 percent in May and fell 1 percent in June, missing forecasts for a 3 to 5 percent gain each month.

Horizon Organic Holding reports increased sales

BOULDER, Colo. - Horizon Organic Holding Corp., a producer of organic dairy products and the parent of Paul Dairy, said its second-quarter net sales increased 44 percent to a record \$297 million from \$20.6 million for the same period a year ago.

Operating income for second quarter increased 12 percent to \$16 million, from \$1.3 million reported a year earlier. But net income was \$514,000 compared with \$666,000 for second quarter 1999.

Basic and diluted earnings per share for the were just 5 cents, versus 7 cents per share for the same period last year.

Sales growth was attributed to a number of key factors both in the United States and abroad.

The company said it increased distribution in conventional grocery stores and, for the first time, exceeded 40 percent national penetration.

Also in the second quarter, the company's line of ultra-pasteurized milk accounted for 29 percent of total milk sales, exceeding expectations by 33 percent.

Additionally, juice sales increased 110 percent due to the successful expansion of that product line.

Horizon said it experienced similar success in the United Kingdom with the introduction of three new flavors of yogurt under the Rachel's Organic brand, which also exceeded sales projections.

The company also announced it has strengthened its relationship with partner Suisa Foods. As a result, in the third quarter, Suisa will expand its processing of Horizon Organic's ultra-pasteurized milk in the West. Horizon said that will result in significant cost savings.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

OLD HANGOUT, NEW JOB



Cop-tuned-doughnut-man Scott Earle, owner of Daylight Donuts in Twin Falls, places glazed apple fritters on a tray Thursday morning. His doughnut machine can crank out 80 to 100 dozen donuts an hour; it is the only machine of its kind in Idaho, Earle said. A law-enforcement officer for four years, Earle opened the franchise at 1563 Fillmore St. this month after deciding he wanted to switch professions and involve his family more. He plans to open another store in Jerome, and possibly another one on the south side of Twin Falls, he said.

Millers Outpost will soon be called Anchor Blue

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Teen and young-adult fashion retailer Millers Outpost, which has a Magic Valley Mall location, said it will change its store name to Anchor Blue - the store's merchandise brand since 1981 - in Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Montana on Saturday.

Anchor Blue stores still will be part of the Millers Outpost family, which has more than 220 stores nationwide, a company statement said. The renamed stores will offer their own Anchor Blue brand as well as limited name-brand casual clothing for young men and women.

Saturday and Sunday, all Anchor Blue stores will celebrate the new name with an in-store contest. Each customer who tries on a pair of Anchor Blue jeans will receive a free water bottle

filled with chances to win such prizes as movie passes, music cash, stereos, video games and in-store discounts. The grand prize in each store is a Zappy scooter.

The store's merchandise mix, includes jeans, khakis, cargo pants, fashion tops, casual shoes and accessories.

Anchor Blue is a subsidiary of Ontario, Calif.-based Hub Distributing Inc., which operates more than 275 stores - Millers Outpost, Levi's/Dockers Outlets by M.O.S.T. and Juxtapose - throughout the West Coast and Midwest. Hub is owned by American Retail Group Inc., a billion-dollar, privately held company whose holdings include nearly 1,000 specialty and specialty department stores and which employs 11,000 full- and part-time employees in 47 states, the statement said.

SEC-approved rule prevents selective disclosure by firms

Bridge News

WASHINGTON - The Securities and Exchange Commission on Thursday approved a rule designed to prevent companies from disclosing important information to a select few - namely Wall Street analysts and large institutional investors - before providing it to the rest of the public.

Under the rule - which was proposed by the SEC in December and approved with a 3-to-1 majority - a company must share information that could have a substantial impact on its stock price with the public at the same time as research analysts are told on conference calls or in private meetings.

The securities industry fought the regulation, saying it would stifle the flow of communication between corporate of-

ficials and analysts.

Specifically, analysts have argued it will make it harder for them to obtain critical information and assist their clients in making wise investment decisions.

However, the SEC has received an outpouring of letters from thousands of individual investors praising the rule.

The rule will exempt the news media and ratings agencies such as Standard & Poor's and Moody's Investors Service.

The proposal also will not apply to information shared with a company's customers or vendors.

In addition, the SEC said a company's unintentional failure to adhere to the rule's provisions should not be the basis for a civil lawsuit by private parties charging fraud and seeking damages.

Idaho Power files plan detailing state's power demands

Briefly in money

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EMerge streamlines registration at hospitals

JEROME - Marietta, Ga.-based Healthcare.com Corp., a health-care integration software and services company, Thursday announced that EMerge, its enterprise-wide "master person index," has been implemented in the registration process at Boise's Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center and two of its reference hospitals, St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome and Elmore Medical Center.

By assigning an identifier to

each patient, EMerge is not only being used to streamline the registration process, but is also serving as the foundation for Saint Alphonsus' in-house e-Health initiative. Known as CD Web, Saint Alphonsus' application enables physicians to access clinical information such as medical records, patient prescriptions, history, nurses' notes and lab results from their desktops.

ShopKo announces recent diluted earnings

GREEN BAY, Wis. - ShopKo Stores Inc. - which has a Twin Falls store - Thursday announced diluted earnings per share for the 13 weeks ended July 29 of 25 cents before special charges and the gain on the sale of ProVantage stock.

Due to the sale of ProVantage Health Services Inc. to Merck & Co. Inc., financial results of ProVantage have been restated and reflected as earnings from discontinued operations.

Consolidated sales, as restated, for the 13 weeks were \$819.5 million, a 231 percent increase over sales of \$665.5 million for the same period last year. But net earnings for the quarter decreased to \$34.9 million compared with \$42.8 million last year.

ShopKo's quarterly results include a \$48.4 million (\$1.01 per share) pre-tax gain from the sale of the remaining ProVantage stock and a \$2.9 million (6 cents per share) special pre-tax charge related to its acquisition of Pamida. The prior-year quarterly earnings included a \$57.2 million (\$1.27 per share) pre-tax gain from the sale of 35.5 percent of

the outstanding shares of the privately owned health-care subsidiary. Also included in the prior year is a \$0.8 million (2 cents per share) special pre-tax charge related to the acquisition of Pamida.

In commenting on the quarter, William Podany, chairman, president and chief executive officer of ShopKo, said: "Notwithstanding this challenging retail environment, we completed several key strategic initiatives during the second quarter."

Podany said: "During this time of retail softness, our management team's top priorities remain stringent cost containment, focused inventory management practices and continued emphasis on maintaining the value we have built in the shopping experience."

- compiled from staff reports

By Rachel Denny
Times-News correspondent

Old Towne wants to be involved in TF concerts

TWIN FALLS - A weekly concert series in downtown Twin Falls is nearing conclusion, and many Old Towne Business Improvement District board members are planning to change next year - mainly, changes that would allow them to participate.

Suggestions included moving the event from Fridays to Wednesdays and changing the location to the fountain area next to the Idaho Youth Ranch on Main Avenue.

"I think it would work a little better if it was on Wednesday," BID Chairman Dave Woodhead said.

Boise has their own Wednesday. We lose a lot of people on the weekend; they're either gone or going somewhere.

"I think on a Friday night there is a lot of competition. There are a lot of other bands playing other places. It's already an entertainment evening," he added.

The concert series, Twin Falls Tonight, has been loosely modeled after a similar event in Boise, "Live After Five," BID Executive Director Jones said.

Twin Falls Tonight organizers plan to do extensive tweaking of the event before next year, he said.

"Our challenge is to draw people downtown on an ongoing basis and provide for some entertainment," Jones said. "There are some things that are going to change next year. We'll talk about it, make it better."

Some board members favor music and provide for some parking lot behind Rogers on Main, a location that would better serve merchants, but because of advertising already done it isn't feasible to move the event these last three weeks, Jones said.

In the long run, Old Towne is interested in establishing some sort of permanent gathering place complete with landscaping, seating and lighting. BID Vice Chairman Jim Vickers said.

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MONEY

Home mortgage rates plummet to lowest level in eight months

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nationwide average for 30-year fixed-rate mortgages fell this week to the lowest level since late 1996 as fears lessened that the Federal Reserve will feel the need to boost interest rates further.

Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reported Thursday that fixed-rate loans dropped to 8.04 percent, the lowest level since 30-year mortgages averaged 7.96 percent for the week ending Dec. 24.

Private economists predicted that the fall in long-term rates should hold for the rest of the year, some said rates could even dip

below 8 percent before year's end. "This is good news for families who have been on the fence trying to decide whether to make the plunge now and buy a home," said Frank Nothhaft, an economist

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at Freddie Mac. Nothhaft predicted that 30-year rates should remain in a narrow range of around 8 percent to 8.25 percent for the rest of the year.

David Lereah, chief economist for the National Association of

Realtors, said that 30-year rates may even break below the 8 percent level if economic reports show inflation pressures moderating and the economy slowing.

That would allow the Fed, which over the past 14 months has raised interest rates six times, to remain on the sidelines at the upcoming Aug. 22 meeting and for the rest of the year.

"The Fed may have to resume tightening next year with a presidential election coming up, I think they are done for this year," Lereah said. "You would have to see some strong growth numbers or some inflation numbers for them to start tightening again this year."

United Airlines reports inner turmoil could cost company \$150M this quarter

CHICAGO (AP) — United Airlines is on a pace to lose as much as \$150 million in the summer quarter alone from turmoil that has caused a rash of flight delays and thousands of cancellations, the company's president said Thursday.

Rono Dutta apologized earlier this week for the "tremendous nightmare" inflicted on customers of the world's largest airline, which already said it lost \$50 million because of labor woes in the second quarter.

Dutta called an analyst's estimate of a pretax loss of \$120 mil-

lion to \$150 million in the third quarter — July through September — "in the ballpark," according to a company spokesman.

The estimate, issued Wednesday by PaineWebber Inc. airline analyst Sam Buttrick, provided additional pressure on UAL's sinking share price.

The company's stock, which was trading at \$79 in January, has slipped steadily and fell another 62.5 cents to \$50.50 a share Thursday morning on the New York Stock Exchange.

The company blames its prob-

lems largely on labor strife involving its pilots, who are seeking better pay and work conditions and began rejecting overtime work when their contract came up for renewal in April.

United has since scrambled to trim its schedule, recently cutting 2 percent of its flights for September and October. It says it is hiring enough new pilots to deal with the revised schedule even if they don't work overtime — a claim the pilots' union vigorously rejects — and that the current problems stem from periodic sickouts.

Renewed earnings fears lead to dip

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks closed mostly lower Thursday as technology shares slumped on fears that earnings will decline during the second half of 2000.

The Nasdaq composite index fell 93.51 to 3,753.99, while the Dow Jones industrial average closed up a scant 2.93 at 10,908.76. The broader Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 12.62 to 1,460.25.

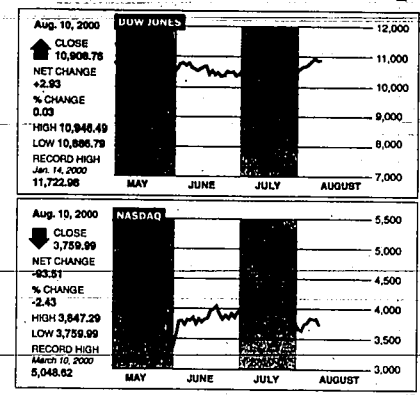
Trading was marked by caution as fears that earnings could slow in the second half of 2000 re-emerged as a factor in the market. "There's a lot of nervousness in the technology sector. The valuations are so high in that area that they can't break out on announcements," said Michael Meitz, a managing director and portfolio manager at CIBC World Markets in New York.

Semiconductor equipment maker Applied Materials fell \$2.875 to \$69.25 despite third-quarter earnings that beat Wall Street's expectations.

Applied Materials' earnings report helped drag down the entire technology sector. Even Cisco Systems suffered a similar fate after the end of regular trading. Despite beating analysts' earnings expectations and announcing that sales should remain strong through the end of the year, Dell's shares fell \$1.375 to \$40.375 as of 5:30 p.m. EDT in after-hours trading, after falling 6.25 cents to \$41.75 during the regular session.

On the New York Stock Exchange, retailer Gap was down \$4.50 at \$27 after announcing that second-half earnings might be lower than earlier predictions. MetLife investor expectations have grown so high during the decade-long bull market that even companies that meet but fail to beat Wall Street's earnings targets are being punished.

A similar dynamic emerged a month ago when investors' expectations for Microsoft, Intel and Apple Computer served as catalysts for tech stocks selloffs after reporting earnings that either met or beat analyst forecasts.



U.S. stock markets have fallen into a pattern in which blue chip and technology stocks rise and fall on alternate days. On Wednesday, blue chips fell, dragged down by a selloff in drug stocks following a court ruling

that could speed up the sale of a generic version of the antidepressant drug Prozac. Tech stocks rose, meanwhile, on Cisco's solid earnings.

Internet retailer stocks lagged once again Thursday, unable to recover from two broadside this week from Wall Street analysts.

On Monday, influential Merrill Lynch analyst Henry Blodgett said he believes 75 percent of existing Internet companies will fold or merge into other companies in the coming years.

And Wednesday, a Sanford Bernstein analyst initiated coverage of Amazon.com's retail and Amazon.com at a rating of "underperform," meaning the analyst doesn't expect Amazon's stock to perform as well as the broader market.

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Table of stock market data for the New York Stock Exchange, including columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, and various market indices like NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ.

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Girls help create female majority in cyberspace

The Washington Post... Teenage girls flocked online in greater numbers than any other group in the United States during the past year...

The Web sites drawing the highest percentage of their visitors from the ranks of teenage girls were Comix.com (half its visitors were girls ages 12 to 17), Teenpeople.com, the Dallas.com fashion site, Seventeen.com, a fan site for the rock band...

Female Internet users finally outnumbered men and boys online in the United States in May, a reversal from the early days of the male-dominated Internet, according to a report being released Wednesday by Internet market research firms Media Metrix and Jupiter Communications. Female users accounted for 50.4 percent of all U.S. online users...

Women have been slower to go online than men. Female users made up only 38 percent of all Internet users in 1996 - but their ranks have grown ever since. They reached parity with men in February and outnumbered them three months later.

"This is definitely not a one-time outnumbering of men," said Media Metrix analyst Anne Rickert. "It's a trend that suggests women are favorably positioned for further growth in cyberspace."

By far the biggest increase of the past year was for girls ages 12 to 17, whose ranks soared 126 percent, while the number of boys that age who went online rose only 45 percent.

Researchers found teenage girls are flocking to chat rooms and other online social networking magazines, fashion sites and rock bands.

"Consider the average adolescent plans for the project, and advertisements for landscaping bids started Thursday, McAlindin said.

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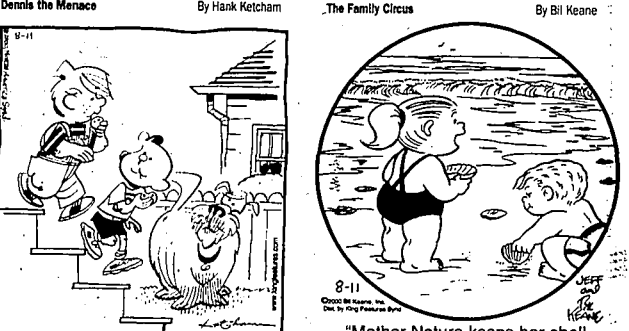
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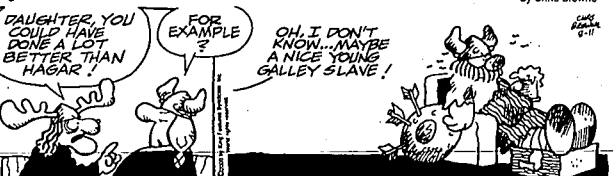
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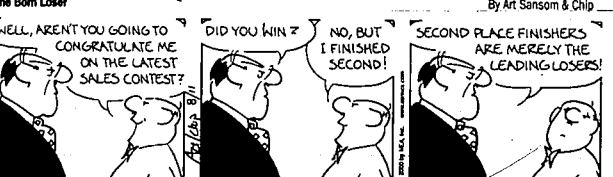
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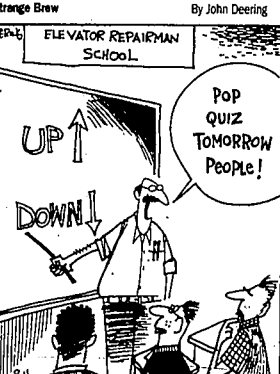
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Need experienced operators. Also need laborers. Cable installers & splicers. Need valid drivers license. 2125 S. 18th St. Burley, Idaho 83318.

COOK
Twin Falls Care Center has an opening for a PM & AM Cook. The cook is one with exp. in therapeutic cooking but will train the individual. Must be dependable and able to work at a fast pace. Apply in person at 600 Highland Drive, TF.

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Milk, weight, & sample lab. wanted FT. Computer skills needed. 324-5154 12pm-1:30pm after 8pm.

DELIVERY DRIVERS
Linn's Caesar's needs delivery drivers and in store personnel for morning shifts. Apply in person at 820 Blue Lake Blvd., Twin Falls, Idaho.

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Vale School District is hiring for the following positions: Bilingual, Chapter Teacher with Elementary certification. Also, One half time Automotive Instructor. Work with Elementary students. Also, One half time Automotive Instructor. Work with vocational students. Both positions open until filled. Call 928-5333.

EDUCATION
Newspaper at Minidoka County. Child Care Teacher. Exp. necessary. Call 734-3693.

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Minidoka County Joint School District #321 is now accepting applications for the following positions:
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EDUCATION
Substitutes needed for the Idaho School for the Deaf & Blind in classrooms, kitchen, maint. dept., & in the afternoon or even. Cottage life program. Applicant should hold a teaching certificate or substitute position. Substitute workshop will be held Thurs. Aug. 17th at 3:30 pm at the BSA cafeteria. For more info, contact 934-4457.

EDUCATION
The Gooding School District is accepting applications for the following positions:
A person with a Bachelor's Degree and 3 years of work counseling, or Special Education to work with 6-10 children with emotional/behavioral impairments in the classroom setting. Please call Kathy at 734-4435 or the Gooding School District office at 934-4321.
A teacher with Special Education certification to work with children in grades K-2 who have learning disabilities. Call 934-4321.
Paraprofessionals to work with Special Education students. Call 934-4321.

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Twin Falls School Dist. #411 is accepting applications for Student Assistant, Sp. Ed. Asst., Reg. Ed. Asst., BAA/M specializing in substance abuse prevention/intervention. First given to Master's level counselor or social worker. Supervision skills/teacher. Salary \$22,141 - \$28,000. Apply at Twin Falls School Dist., 301 Main Ave., W. 8:00am-4:00pm For further info, call Personnel @ (208) 733-6900.

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Applications now being accepted for the position of Police Officer. P.O. #21 cancelled only. Must be 21 years of age. High school diploma or GED. Applications available at 152 South 8th Street, Burley, Idaho. 83308. 734-2221 from 8am to 3pm.

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Wanted immediately night audit. 11 pm to 7 am. Please apply in person at 1863 Canyon Springs Rd.

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Business billing, coding & collection person. Needed for busy surgical practice. Experience required. Very self-motivated. Person with strong work experience helpful. Send resume to Office Manager, Box 98285, c/o The Times News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

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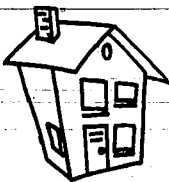
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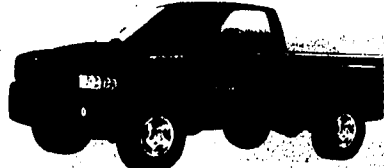
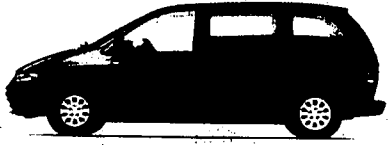
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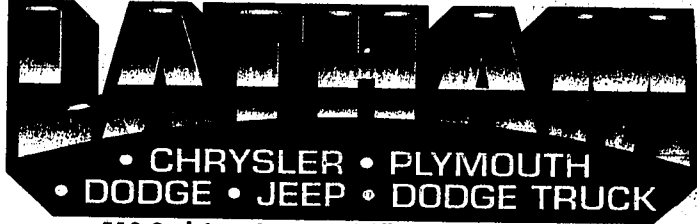
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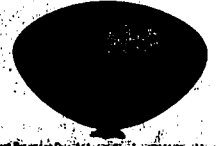
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