



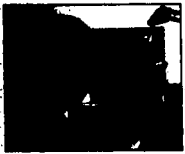
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## NEW TODAY:



## Comunidad

Today The Times-News launches "Comunidad," a weekly page for and about the Magic Valley's Latino community. Comunidad (that's Spanish for "Community") will feature local events plus stories about people, places, food and culture. See Comunidad on Page E1

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## Longtime magistrate will step down in 2001

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - After 22 years on the bench, one of the 5th Judicial District's longest-standing magistrate judges will not seek another term this fall, district Trial Court Administrator Linda Wright said Wednesday. Melvin Edwards, 57, who has

served since 1978, recently gave written notice that he will not seek another term, Wright said. Edwards' current term expires Jan. 8, 2001.

Edwards was on vacation Wednesday and could not be reached for comment.

A magistrate judge hears civil cases where the amount of damages requested does not exceed

\$10,000, criminal misdemeanor cases, and small claims cases, and may conduct preliminary hearings in felony cases.

Edwards is one of three magistrate judges based in Twin Falls.

The process of replacing Edwards won't get rolling for a number of weeks, and might not be finished before November, Wright said.

The Idaho Supreme Court will issue a notice of the vacancy to attorneys in the state.

The standard yearly salary for a magistrate judge - set by the Legislature - is \$85,192. To qualify, a person must be at least 30 years old, a member in good standing of the Idaho State Bar, and must have at least five years' experience practicing law.

## TRAIL OF DREAMS



Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Supervisor Dennis Bowyer stands at the site of the proposed trail east of Perrine Bridge in Twin Falls.

## City trail will cross to east side of canyon

By John T. Huddy  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Picture that you're standing on the south side of the canyon rim, just below the Perrine Bridge ramp, gazing eastward. The bright afternoon sunlight illuminates a brand new trail that winds its way along the craggy, sagebrush covered canyon rim.

A jogger pushes his way up the small hill, a mother and father stroll with their young children to one of the four canyon overlooks.

Sound too good to be true? It is not.

The city of Twin Falls is planning to make this picturesque scene a reality by building a 3,000-foot-long rim trail.

The trail, which will be 10 feet wide, will stop just above Pillar Falls on the rim and will cost about \$140,000 to build. Money

### Trail plans

The city plans to build a paved trail along the canyon rim just east of the Perrine Bridge. The trail will be similar to the city trail to the west of the Perrine Bridge which overlooks the Canyon Springs Golf Course. **Facts about the trail:** Length - 3,000 feet Width - 10 feet Special features - four outlook platforms Cost to build - about \$140,000

Source: Twin Falls City Engineering Department, Twin Falls City Parks and Recreation Department

is in place to pay for the project. And now that the city has gained access to state-owned and privately-owned land east of the bridge, the project, which has been on the drawing board for three years, is officially a go. Twin Falls Parks and Recreation

Supervisor Dennis Bowyer said Wednesday.

"One of the big hold-ups was trying to get the easements over there," Bowyer said, glancing out at the canyon rim.

About 12 acres just east of the bridge is owned by developer Craig H. Neilsen. That property, called Canyon Park East, is earmarked for a retail development.

Neilsen representative Gillian Silver said Neilsen granted the city an easement through the property to allow for a trail. Neilsen also plans to build a trail through his Canyon Park North property on 13 acres west of the Perrine Bridge.

Construction on the city's east-side trail should start sometime this fall. Some of the trail may even be completed this winter, said Scott Sterling, a city engineer who has been helping design the project.

The city's trail dreams don't stop there.

"We intend to extend it all the way to Shoshone Falls," said Lamar Orton, the city's planning and zoning director. The city already has a paved trail to the west of the Perrine Bridge that extends about a mile along the rim from the end of Washington Street North to Pole Line Road.

Some of the land to the east of the bridge will have to be grazed, Bowyer said. Some of the east-side trail will extend through the property of some canyon rim homeowners. The city has received permission from the residents to proceed, Bowyer said.

"When we built the other trail, people said it was one of the best things for Twin Falls," Bowyer said. "The views on the east side of the canyon will be even more spectacular than the other side."

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## Coach alleges violation

CSI's Zeck says he was offered money to help Calif. school

By Kevin Hall  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - College of Southern Idaho men's basketball coach Derek Zeck said Wednesday he had been offered money to help the University of Southern California recruit one of his players.

Such a payment would violate NCAA rules, an NCAA official said.

Zeck said the offer came from USC assistant coach David Miller when CSI visitors to USC Wednesday he had been offered money to help the University of Southern California recruit one of his players. Miller wanted Zeck to help USC recruit a prospect would end up attending USC. Miller wanted Zeck to help USC recruit a prospect would end up attending USC. Miller wanted Zeck to help USC recruit a prospect would end up attending USC.



Derek Zeck



Jerry Dupree

"We were at Northridge, and they offered me money to recruit a player," Zeck said. "He said, 'I'll write you a check to donate to your booster club to recruit and get Jerry.'"

Zeck said he told Miller no thanks. "I said I don't do that," Zeck said.

If proven, the offer would be a violation of NCAA rules, said Wally Renfro, director of public relations for the NCAA.

"It is a violation for a four-year school to try and influence through money and gifts, where a prospect would end up attending school," he said.

Renfro refused to discuss possible penalties for such a violation, because he didn't know the details of the situation.

Zeck said he had considered reporting the offer to the NCAA, but he hadn't wanted to deal with the distraction of an NCAA investigation.

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Goldberg also said that USC was not permitted to discuss any matters regarding recruits.

Dupree, a 6-foot-7 sophomore **Page see CSI Page A2**

## Searchers find recorder from deadly jet crash

The Associated Press

**MANAMA, Bahrain** - A Gulf Air Airbus A320 crashed into shallow Persian Gulf waters Wednesday night after circling and trying to land in Bahrain, killing at least 137 people. Rescuers were searching early today for the other six people aboard.

Thirty-six of the 143 people on the flight, which was en route to Manama from Cairo, were children, officials said.

"We have no survivors yet," Ibrahim Al-Hamer, Bahrain's undersecretary for civil aviation, said in announcing 137 bodies had been recovered.

There was no immediate word on what caused the crash. Searchers also recovered the flight data recorder, but its contents were unknown.

U.S. Navy helicopters, destroy- **Please see CRASH, Page A2**



## And the sole 'Survivor' is ... Rich

The Associated Press

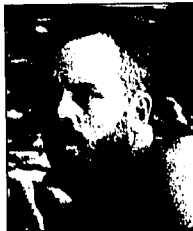
**NEW YORK** - The tribe spoke one last time.

It said: Rich. Richard Hatch, the ruthless strategist on CBS' "Survivor," proved his mettle Wednesday night by wangling the million-dollar prize.

During the two-hour finale, Hatch edged out three rival castaways on the tropical island that served as the setting for the game-show hit. Outlasting Susan Hawk, Rudy Boesch and Kelly Wigglesworth, Hatch became the sole survivor from the 16 who marooned themselves on remote Pulau Tiga at the series' launch in May.

The final choice - between Hatch and Wigglesworth - was handed down by a jury of seven former tribe-mates. Their vote was a squeaker: 4 to 3. "I wouldn't change anything that I did," Rich told the jury in a final statement.

Then, waiting for the ballots to be tallied, he admitted, "I can't



Richard Hatch  
'I wouldn't change anything'

breathe."

"Survivor" host Jeff Probst called out his name. There was a sprinkling of applause from the group and Rich looked stunned.

At the Newport Athletic Club in Hatch's hometown, Middletown, R.I., where he trained before going to the island and still works out, the crowd of about 40 who had gathered to

watch the final show erupted in cheers.

Jon Smyth, Hatch's personal trainer, thought back to a moment before Hatch left for the island. "He looked me dead in the eye and said, 'I'm going to win this competition,' and I said 'I know,'" Smyth recalled. "It was strange," he said. "It was the most confidence I've ever seen."

Smyth said the Machiavellian Hatch seen by millions on TV is not the man he knows.

"That's a side of Rich I've never seen before," he insisted. "In real life Rich is a warm, fun guy to be around. He's funny."

Even so, Hatch concocted an alliance that helped carry him to victory.

With the castaways originally divided into two tribes, one of them, "Pagans," faced a tactical buzzsaw from the other, "Tagi." The final four contenders all were part of that "Tagi" alliance, which was left to consume itself.

Rich emerged from the rubble with \$1 million in cash and a new car.

# THE REGION

### Carnas Prairie

High: 83 Low: 39  
Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers. Mostly sunny Friday, high 83.

### Treasure Valley

High: 92 Low: 56  
Mostly clear today and tonight. Same Friday, high 92.

### Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High: 81 Low: 48  
Mostly cloudy today, chance of showers, some clearing tonight. Mostly sunny Friday, high 86.

### Eastern Idaho

High: 85 Low: 48  
Mostly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers. Some clearing tonight. Partly cloudy Friday, high 89.

### Northern Idaho

High: 90 Low: 50  
Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers. Mostly sunny Friday, 87.

### Northern Utah

High: 90 Low: 62  
Partly cloudy today and tonight with chance of showers. Same Friday, high 90.

### Northern Nevada

High: 90 Low: 55  
Partly cloudy today, some clearing tonight. Mostly clear Friday, high 90.

# MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
High: 89 Low: 56 Partly cloudy, light winds. Some clearing tonight.	High: 89 Low: 56 Mostly clear today and tonight.	High: 90 Low: 50 Partly cloudy with chance of showers.	High: 90 Low: 50 Mostly clear today and tonight.	High: 80 Low: 50 Mostly clear today and tonight.

### Idaho weather

Thursday, Aug. 24  
AccuWeather forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures

### National weather

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Thursday, Aug. 24.

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at WJF-FM 163.4 or 162.55 MHz. The internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: <http://www.state.id.us/itd/ra-road/index.html>

# YESTERDAY'S WEATHER

Twin Falls	Precipitation	High/Low
Yesterday	0.1	94-58
57 year	0.1	94-58
Last year	0.1	91-57
Normal	0.1	87-49
		Month to date: .14
		Normal to date: .32
		Water year to date: 5.62
		Normal year to date: 5.60

### Idaho

City	Max	Min	Pcp	Idaho High/Low
Boise	96	62	0.1	degrees at Lewiston
Burley	96	55	0.0	Low, 29 degrees at Elk City.
Coeur d'Alene	91	45	0.0	High, 112 at Grandview
Grangeville	m	m	0.0	Death Valley, 73.0
Hagerman	97	47	0.0	Low, 29 at Elk City
Idaho Falls	93	46	0.0	
Lewiston	99	59	0.0	
Malta	92	46	0.0	
Moltis	91	57	0.0	
McCall	87	38	0.0	
Pocatello	95	49	0.0	
Salmon	m	43	0.0	
Stanley	83	31	0.0	
Sun Valley	84	42	0.0	

### The Nation

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	89	68	0.0
Anchorage	59	45	0.0
Allentown	86	69	0.0
Boston	75	61	.04
Chicago	84	64	0.0
Indianapolis	88	77	0.0
Denver	87	54	0.0
Des Moines	84	66	.04
Detroit	89	77	.14
Honolulu	89	77	0.0
Houston	92	75	0.0
Las Vegas	99	71	0.0
Los Angeles	84	64	0.0
Memphis	98	75	0.0
Atlanta	92	82	0.0
Milwaukee	78	61	.02
Minneapolis	84	60	0.0
New Orleans	90	77	.01
New York	78	66	.06
Oklahoma City	100	72	0.0
Omaha	84	69	.22
Phoenix	99	79	0.0
Pittsburgh	77	70	.22
Portland, Me.	73	63	.02
Portland, Ore.	89	63	0.0
Reno	91	57	0.0
St. Louis	94	77	0.0
Salt Lake City	92	73	0.0
San Francisco	69	57	0.0
San Jose	81	59	0.0
Spokane	91	54	0.0
Washington	81	53	0.0
Yuma	101	83	0.0

### Canadian Cities

Calgary	81	42	0.0
Montreal	73	61	0.0
Ottawa	73	54	0.0
Vancouver	73	54	0.0

### UV INDEX

Index: 8 (high)  
Burn time: 15 minutes

### FIRE DANGER

The BLM's fire danger in South-Central Idaho is: Mountain: Extreme  
Prairies: Extreme

### SKYWATCH

Sunset today: 8:26 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow: 6:55 a.m.  
Lunar phase: New. Aug. 29; first quarter, Sept. 5, full, Sept. 13; last quarter, Sept. 21.

### ACROSS THE NATION

Nations: Scattered showers and thunderstorms drenched much of the Northwest, while clear skies covered the Southeast and Pacific Northwest.

Fair skies and dry conditions dominated in the Southeast. Moisture from the Gulf of Mexico produced scattered showers and thunderstorms along southern Louisiana and southern Mississippi. Scattered thunderstorms also were reported in Florida.

Another day of hot and dry weather was seen across the southern Plains in Oklahoma and Texas. California and the Pacific Northwest had fair skies. Scattered thunderstorms covered portions of western Colorado, Utah, and southern Wyoming.

-The Associated Press

## Study: Get dirty and cut chances of asthma

The Associated Press

Early exposure to other youngsters and their germs appears to protect children from developing asthma later on, according to a study that could reassure parents feeling guilty about putting their infants in day care.

The study found that children who attended day care in their first six months or had two or more older siblings were about half as likely to have asthma at age 13 as youngsters who had one or no older siblings and did not attend day care until they were older.

This echoes the hot new "hygiene theory" that says children who do not get outside and get dirty every now and then are not being exposed to enough germs to stimulate proper development of their immune systems.

"This paper reflects the growing belief that the more sterile the early environment, the more problems later in life," said Dr. Leonard Bielory, director of the Asthma and Allergy Research Center at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in Newark.

The findings come amid an unexplained explosion of asthma among children and worries that smaller families and households scrubbed with antibacterial cleansers may be weakening our immune systems.

Asthma cases jumped 158 percent from 1980 through 1998, with many of the new cases among children, according to the Centers for Disease Control and

## Crash

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and an ongoing tug with a 10-ton crane joined the nighttime search and rescue effort, three or four miles off the northern coast of Bahrain, which is headquarters of the U.S. 5th Fleet.

Fleet spokesman Cdr. Jeff Gradeck's office said the waters at the crash site were less than 40 feet deep.

An air traffic controller at the Bahrain airport, reached by telephone, described watching the plane attempt to land.

"The plane was near the runway, but didn't land," he said, asking that his name not be used. "It circled two times and the third time it crashed into the sea."

The controller saw no flames or sign of trouble before the crash and could not immediately explain why the plane circled before landing. He said the plane's crew did not report anything out of the ordinary. He gave the time of the crash as 7:20 p.m. (10:30 a.m. EDT).

"I could not read my eyes," said Sobeh, 27, a resident of the nearby neighborhood of Al-Fodha who saw the plane go down. "When I saw it heading toward the sea nose down, I screamed 'Oh my God, this thing is going down.'"

Sobeh and Riyadh, 24, another Al-Fodha resident, said the plane flew unusually low over their heads heading to the runway, but took a sharp turn toward the sea.

Both men, who would not give their full names, said the plane returned minutes later flying even lower but headed straight to the sea where it crashed. They said unusual noises came from the plane's engines, but they saw no flames.

"I was in a state of shock," said Riyadh.

Gulf Air said in a statement that 135 passengers and eight crew members were on board GF072, an evening Cairo-Bahrain flight.

## Diabetes threatens more Americans

The Associated Press

A new study shows a substantial increase in the prevalence of diabetes in the United States over the last decade.

Researchers largely blame increasing obesity among Americans for the rise in diabetes.

Diabetes is closely tied to obesity, and doctors say the higher incidence of the disease is due in large part to America's weight problem.

Obesity is "not just a cosmetic issue anymore," said Dr. Frank Vinicor, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's diabetes division.

The share of the population diagnosed with diabetes jumped 33 percent nationally, to 6.5 percent, between 1990 and 1998, the government said Wednesday. The rise crossed races and age groups but was sharpest among people ages 30 to 39.

The study, published in the September issue of the journal

## Researchers tie weight to hike in diabetes rates

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Diabetes increased at an alarming rate in the United States during the past decade — rising 70 percent among people in their 30s — and health experts are blaming the wired-up, couch-potato culture of the 1990s.

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## CSI

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forward, left CSI last week. Reached by phone in California Wednesday, Dupree said he was enrolling at San Bernardino Valley College. John Smith, an assistant under Zeck last season, is now San Bernardino Valley's head basketball coach.

Both CSI and San Bernardino Valley are two-year colleges.

Zeck said he had suspected Dupree wasn't going to return to CSI this fall. As recently as Aug. 16, Dupree changed his mind the next day, Zeck said.

Smith said Dupree won't play for San Bernardino, thereby preserving three years of college basketball eligibility.

The timing of Dupree's decision couldn't have been any worse for the Golden Eagles, who may go into the season with two scholarships, Zeck said.

"I'm not upset at Jerry, except for the timing," Zeck said.

## Stressed mom leaves children at the library

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — A young mother charged with abandoning her three children in a library said she was stressed out and had tried desperately to get help caring for them.

Rozzina Mack was charged Wednesday with felony child neglect. Police spokesman Mike Carley said Mack told police she wanted a break from her children and thought the library was a safe place to leave them.

In a television interview from jail, Mack said she isn't a bad mother and had tried to place the children in foster care but didn't get any help despite numerous calls to several agencies.

"I didn't know what to do," she told WVEC television.

She said she wants eventually to be reunited with her children and hopes for a reconciliation with their father. "I learned my lesson," she said.

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### LOTTERY UPDATE

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Wednesday, August 23, 2000

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# Officials allow human embryo research

WASHINGTON (AP) — New guidelines to allow federal funding of human embryo cell research may prompt a revolution in medical science, leading to dramatic new ways to treat virtually every human disorder. But anti-abortion groups are vigorously opposed, saying the research means "you have to kill a human embryo."

The guidelines, issued Wednesday, allow federal funding for research with stem cells that have been removed from human embryos — which already has been done at two universities — and that these stem cells they could be used in federally funded studies.

Opponents quickly denounced federal research with embryo cells.

"You have to kill a human embryo to get them," said Douglas Johnson, legislative director of the National Right to Life Committee. He vowed, "There will be a legal challenge."

Stem cells form very early in the gestation of a human being.

## Harvesting cellular building blocks

New federal guidelines would allow scientists to conduct research on stem cells, the foundation cells taken from human embryos that potentially could be used to grow new tissues and organs.

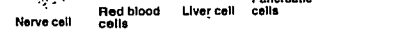
### Removing stem cells

The embryo develops into a blastocyst—a few layers of cells around a cavity—four days after fertilization.



A coating, which will become the placenta, surrounds the blastocyst. This coating must be broken to access the stem cells.

Removed from the blastocyst, the stem cells cannot develop as an embryo. They can, however, be cultured and grown into different tissues.



Sources: Advanced Cell Technology; compiled from AP wire reports. Wm. J. Costello, S. Hoffmann/AP

They are the predecessors of all the tissues in the body—the heart, brain, skin and bone. Scientists have found that the embryonic stem cells can be prompted to evolve into the individual types of

cells found in each of the organs of the body.

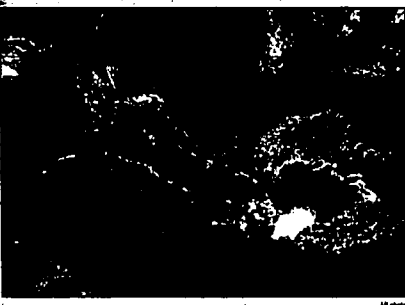
President Clinton said the stem cells offer "potentially staggering benefits" for a wide variety of medical conditions.

Last week Great Britain's government said it would introduce legislation to allow similar research in that nation.

Dr. John Gearhart of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore said research with lab mice had shown that stem cells can restore nerve tissue and some function following stroke or spinal cord injury. The cells can also grow bone marrow lost to disease or radiation, he said.

"We believe that stem cell research will enable us to treat many diseases in a whole new way," said Dr. Paul Berg, a Nobel laureate from Stanford University.

Some researchers believe it may eventually be possible to nurture stem cells into whole new organs. They talk of growing new hearts and lungs and livers to restore health to ailing humans. Research into such possibilities, said Gearhart, "will move forward more rapidly" under the new guidelines.



An enhanced satellite image of Tropical Storm Debby taken shortly before 5 p.m. E.D.T. is shown at the National Hurricane Center in Miami, Florida, on Wednesday.

## Florida Keys evacuate all visitors, prepare for Debby

MIAMI (AP) — All visitors were ordered evacuated from the Florida Keys on Wednesday as officials prepared for the possibility that Tropical Storm Debby could hit Florida as a hurricane.

Monroe County, which governs the island chain, declared a state of emergency with Debby still hundreds of miles away.

"It could be powerfully close by Friday," said Michael Tichacek, a meteorologist at the National Hurricane Center.

Mary Ann Kirkland, dockmaster for Whale Harbor Inn & Marina, said it was business as usual at the Keys fishing resort on Islamorada, about 65 miles

southwest of Miami. "The skies are clear—a couple of little puffy clouds up there—but it's a beautiful day," she said.

To the north, in Cape Canaveral, Kennedy Space Center workers took plywood and sandbags out of storage to be put up in case the storm veered in that direction. Space Shuttle Atlantis could be moved off a launch pad into a hangar if it were threatened.

The most recent hurricane to hit South Florida was Irene, blamed for seven deaths last October. The storm flooded much of the resort city of Key West with up to 10 inches of rain.

## Safety board advises airlines to improve electrical wiring

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The National Transportation Safety Board on Wednesday recommended sweeping efforts to improve electrical wiring on airliners — particularly older ones — to avoid a catastrophic explosion like the one that destroyed TWA Flight 800.

The action came as the board formally concluded its investigation of the 1996 disaster, finding — as expected — that a short circuit in the plane's nearly 200 miles of wiring probably led to a fuel tank explosion that tore the aircraft apart 13,800 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. All 230 people aboard the New York-to-Paris flight died.

The Federal Aviation Administration said it would implement the recommendations from the safety board, an independent watchdog agency. Every type of aircraft in commercial service would be affected, but the ultimate cost of the recommendation would depend on specific repairs yet to be determined.

Bernard S. Loeb, director of the NTSB's office of aviation safety, said the likelihood that many aging aircraft have wiring problems does not automatically render them unsafe to fly.

"We are not saying that these planes are unsafe," Loeb told the board. "What we are saying is that there are problems that need to be addressed."

The FAA said it already has launched an intensive research program to improve the safety of wiring. In a shift, the agency also has embraced an earlier NTSB recommendation that airlines eventually be required to pump nitrogen into fuel tanks to render

volatile vapors incapable of sudden ignition.

"We think they are appropriate," Tom McSweeney, the FAA's associate administrator, said of the newest recommendations. "We will be moving forward on them. We are already working on many of the issues."

The safety board left no doubt that it is especially concerned about the condition of electrical wiring on older aircraft. The average age of commercial airliners in the United States is 16 years, but many are much older than that. The TWA 800 plane — a Boeing 747 — was about 25 years old.

After the crash, NTSB and FAA officials examined dozens of aircraft and found numerous examples of cracked insulation on wires and of wiring contaminated by lint, toilet fluids and other debris.

"I would like to think that this will change the system as far as aging aircraft" are concerned, said NTSB Chairman Jim Hall. "This is the most significant thing that could come out of this tragedy."

### The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Janet Reno said Wednesday that law, not politics, drove her to decide against appointing a special prosecutor to examine Vice President Al Gore's truthfulness on campaign finance questions.

Gore's answers about White House coffees and a 1996 campaign event at a Buddhist temple reflect "neither false statements nor perjury," Reno told reporters. "Fundamental ambiguities in the question and how it's understood by the person answering the question make a perjury charge or a false statement charge impossible to prove."

At her weekly news briefing, Reno detailed her view of the sometimes contentious April exchange between Gore and Robert J. Conrad Jr., head of the Justice Department's campaign finance unit. The interview focused on the controversial coffees and on Gore's insistence that he did not believe the Hsi Lai Temple event was a fundraiser.

Conrad concluded that Gore's answers were dubious enough to warrant further investigation by an independent prosecutor. Reno, who asserted that Conrad was not alone in his views, overruled him.

"I have concluded," Reno said, "that there is no reasonable possibility that further investigation could develop evidence that would support the filing of charges for making a willful false statement."



Attorney General Janet Reno

They are the predecessors of all the tissues in the body—the heart, brain, skin and bone. Scientists

have found that the embryonic stem cells can be prompted to evolve into the individual types of

legacy, he will be not be faced with an ongoing federal inquiry into his honesty.

Gore spokesman Chris Lehane described the campaign as "pleased" with the Justice

Department's decision. Instead of elaborating, Lehane switched topics and said, "But our focus is going to stay where it has been and will be, which is American families."

# Reno defends decision regarding Gore

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# Bush and Gore offer tax cuts; details differ

WASHINGTON (AP) — On tax cut plans, the differences between Democrat Al Gore and Republican George W. Bush go way beyond size: Gore's \$500 billion tax plan is aimed at the middle class but has many strings attached. Bush would cut \$1.3 trillion in taxes for everybody, from the very wealthiest on down.

In part, the differences reflect attempts by Democrats and Republicans to satisfy their base supporters while appealing to swing voter groups such as small-business owners and stressed suburbanites, said David Rohde, political science professor at Michigan State University.

"Upper middle-class and wealthy people are a much smaller part of the Democratic coalition than they are of the Republican coalition," Rohde said. "Each program is shaped by the nature of the constituencies, both in terms of the activists and the voters."

The presidential campaign is also the latest installment in the 1990s debate about taxes and the size of government. President Clinton has vetoed several major GOP tax cuts while pushing smaller-bore breaks similar to those embraced by Gore.

In terms of raw cash, there is no doubt the wealthy would benefit mightily under Bush's plan: About 60 percent of the \$1.3 trillion would go to taxpayers earning \$92,500 or more, with only 12 percent going to those with incomes of \$39,300 or less.

The richest of all, those earning over \$319,000 a year, would get an average \$46,000 tax cut, according to Citizens for Tax Justice, a labor-funded research group that studies how taxes affect middle-class people.

To Gore, Bush's plan unnecessarily uses budget surpluses for

## Compare and save

Here are some highlights of tax cut proposals advocated by George W. Bush and Al Gore. Revenue cost would come out of the projected budget surplus.

### The Bush plan

Total cost: \$1.3 trillion over 10 years.

Gradually reduce all income tax rates by 2006. Income is now taxed at five levels: 15 percent, 28 percent, 31 percent, 36 percent and 39.6 percent. Bush would simplify and reduce these to 10 percent, 15 percent, 25 percent and 33 percent.

Double the \$500 per-child tax credit and raise the income cap from \$110,000 for a married couple filing jointly to \$200,000.

Reduce the marriage penalty paid by many two-income couples by allowing a deduction of 10 percent of the lower-earning spouse's salary, up to \$30,000.

Gradually repeal the estate tax over eight years.

Make permanent the research and development tax credit that Congress just extended for five years.

Raise from \$500 to \$5,000 the amount that can be deposited in a tax-free education savings account and expand them to include kindergarten through 12th grade.



Source: Compiled from AP wire reports

rich people who don't need it, jeopardizing such priorities as education, the national debt, Social Security and a Medicare



### The Gore plan

Total cost: \$500 billion over 10 years.

Raise standard deduction for married couples to ease the marriage penalty for those who do not itemize deductions.

Provide a \$3,000 tax credit to help with the costs of long-term health care for a disabled or elderly relative.

Create new tax-free retirement savings accounts that would be matched by the government.

Allow a tax deduction of a 25 percent tax credit on up to \$10,000 in tuition for college or other postsecondary education.

Permit a 25 percent per-employee tax credit for small businesses that join purchasing pools to provide health insurance.

Create a tax credit for up to 50 percent of after-school program expenses for children age 16 and under.

Other tax breaks for school construction, worker training, low-income housing, land conservation, energy efficiency and stay-at-home parents.

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prescription drug benefit. "They would focus the benefits of a giant tax cut on the wealthy at the expense of every-

one else." Gore said at a recent campaign stop.

Bush, however, contends the surplus is big enough to accommodate his tax cut and still take care of the other priorities. Because taxpayers earning over \$100,000 pay two-thirds of all income taxes, according to the nonpartisan Joint Committee on Taxation, Bush says they deserve a refund if government is collecting more revenue than is necessary.

Bush also argues that his plan would actually mean more to the middle class by sharply reducing the relatively smaller taxes they pay and removing 6 million people from tax rolls altogether. For example, Bush says a family of four earning \$50,000 a year would see their income taxes cut in half, to about \$2,000 — money that could be used for school clothes, a vacation, or to pay off credit cards.

Bush acknowledged Tuesday he's had trouble getting this argument across to voters in the face of Gore's criticism, but said "I am not changing my opinion. I think it is the absolute right thing to do for America."

Gore, on the other hand, is pushing a lengthy list of specific tax credits and deductions aimed at the roughly 60 percent of taxpayers earning below \$75,000 a year. There are breaks for long-term health care, higher education, small-business health insurance, after-school expenses and tax-free retirement savings accounts, among others. They phase out above certain levels of income.

In essence, this approach substitutes tax benefits for a government program. Instead of simply receiving a government check — not as popular in this anti-big government era — individuals who qualify can get the money by filling out an IRS form.

# Clinton steps back, says

## Gore must 'carry message'

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, who has been as comfortable in the spotlight as any president in recent memory, is stepping back to open the political field to Al Gore and Joseph Lieberman.

Clinton said Wednesday it's important for Gore and Lieberman, the Democratic nominees for president and vice president, "to go out and spread the message, engage in the debate and make sure the American people know what the choices are before them."

"The main thing is that the

candidates carry the message and I think they're doing a fine job," Clinton said.

Since he presented his political swan song at the Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles last week, Clinton has taken a mini-vacation at Lake Placid in New York.

He has also done a few low-key fund-raisers and avoided chances to trumpet the benchmarks of his nearly eight years in office.

That includes the fourth anniversary of the welfare reform law.

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Notice is Herby Given that the City of Kimberly, Twin Falls County, Idaho (the "City"), has petitioned, pursuant to Idaho Code § 7-1301, et seq, for judicial confirmation of the validity of a certain proposed loan obligation and related matters to be incurred by the City.

The Petition seeks confirmation of the validity of the power and authority of the City of Kimberly, Idaho, to: (a) incur an indebtedness in the amount of not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the financing of the cost of certain improvements to the City's existing sanitary sewer system as an "ordinary and necessary expense" within the meaning of Article 8, Section 3, Idaho Constitution; (b) enter into a certain loan agreement with the State of Idaho, and issue its promissory note or other evidence of such indebtedness; and (c) pledge to repay the obligations of the City from the sewer system revenues to the City.

The Petition further seeks a declaration that such evidence of indebtedness, when issued pursuant to such authority, will be a valid and binding obligation of the City of Kimberly, payable in accordance with its terms.

Interested parties who wish to review the Petition, or any of the documents referred to or incorporated in the Petition, may do so during normal business hours at the office of the City Clerk, Kimberly City Hall, 132 Main North, Kimberly, Idaho.

Any interested party may appear by written appearance or answer to the Petition filed with the Clerk of the above-entitled Court at any time prior to the date set for hearing on the Petition, which has been set for Monday, the 18th day of September 2000, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at the courtroom of the above-entitled Court, at the Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone Street North, Twin Falls, Idaho.

# Laser will cost \$1 billion more than planned

WASHINGTON — A 10-year-old project designed to help maintain the U.S. nuclear arsenal indefinitely by building a laser so powerful it could simulate the conditions of a thermonuclear explosion in a laboratory has ballooned in cost to nearly \$4 billion and still has serious "unresolved technical problems," according to the General Accounting Office.

The congressionally mandated GAO investigation concluded that the National Ignition Facility (NIF) at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California will cost at least \$1 billion more than planned and take six years longer than expected to begin full operations.

It noted that the glass lenses needed to focus the laser beams "pose a major technical challenge... there is currently no solution to this problem." It also said that "technical and cost uncertainties also persist in the research and develop-

## Nation in brief

ment needed to design and build a target for NIF's laser beams."

The NIF will be the size of a football stadium seven stories high, where 192 high-power laser beams would deliver huge amounts of energy upon a single fusion target, simulating the thermonuclear conditions created by an explosion.

### Federal workers, retirees can expect more money

WASHINGTON — It appears all but certain that federal employees will get a 3.7 percent average salary increase next January. It also appears all but certain that federal retirees will get a cost-of-living adjustment of about the same amount that month.

Having the two increases track each other so closely has

created some confusion this year. Many active employees speak of their raises as COLAs while some retirees speak of their COLAs as raises.

But the two are determined very differently: retirement annuity increases are set according to inflation, while active employee pay increases are determined through the federal budget process.

President Clinton recommended the 3.7 percent raise figure for active employees in his budget proposal earlier this year and the Treasury Department, Postal Service and general government appropriations bill for fiscal 2001 reflects that amount.

Congress likely will take up that bill, the key funding measure for employment and benefit programs, soon after reconvening next month.

The House has passed its version, but the Senate has not acted.

## Healthier living may have caused heart disease drop

Healthier habits rather than better medicine may account for most of the dramatic drop in heart disease among U.S. women over the past two decades, a long-running study of nurses suggests.

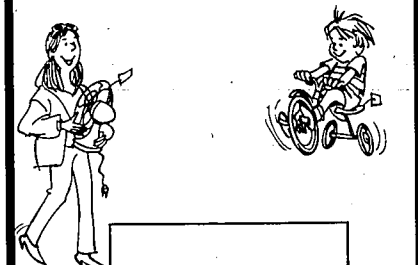
The findings emerged from the Nurses Health Study, which found that the incidence of heart disease among the more than 80,000 participants dropped by nearly a third from 1980 to 1994.

Researchers at Harvard's medical and public health schools also examined some of the factors that contributed to the drop and concluded that two-thirds of that decline was explained by the nurses eating healthier diets and not smoking — the two biggest factors — plus some benefit from the big increase in the use of estrogen after menopause.

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WORLD

# Russian president accepts blame for tragedy

MOSCOW - As Russians mourned in churches, on Web sites and at home, a humble President Vladimir Putin said Wednesday he felt responsible and guilty for a submarine disaster that killed 118 sailors and outraged the nation.

Russia's defense minister and navy chief submitted their resignations over the loss of the Kursk, one of Russia's most advanced submarines before an explosion crumpled it Aug. 12, but Putin said he would not accept them. Seeking scapegoats, he said, would be "the most mistaken response."

**World In brief**  
"I take a full sense of responsibility and sense of blame for this tragedy," he said in an interview with Russia's RTR television.

In a country where authoritarianism runs deep, Putin's comments displayed a remarkable humility and sensitivity to public opinion, and an eagerness to regain the nation's confidence unprecedented for a Russian leader.

Russians have assailed Putin and his government for their slow, contradictory reaction to the disaster and the botched rescue operation, and many observers expected Putin to respond by firing top brass.

## Iraq won't allow new U.N. inspection team to visit

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Iraq said Wednesday it will not permit a new U.N. weapons inspection team-to-visit, promising that the country would stand firm even if threatened with the use of force.

Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz said Iraq had not changed its position on a U.N. resolution that calls for the resumption of stalled weapons inspections and promises Iraq a suspension of sanctions

## V-8, ANYONE?



Participants lie in a sea of tomato juice after the 'Tomatina' fight in Bunol, Spain, on Wednesday. Every year thousands of people pelt each other with tons of ripe tomatoes that are brought into Bunol for the town's annual food fight.

if it cooperates.

The head of the new inspection program, Hans Blix, is ready to restart international efforts to ensure Iraq has surrendered weapons of mass destruction and the ability to make and deploy them in compliance with U.N. Security Council resolutions.

The new program is called the U.N. Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission. It will replace the U.N. Special Commission, the inspection team that left Iraq in December 1998 shortly before the United States and Britain launched airstrikes to punish Baghdad for allegedly failing to cooperate.

## German neo-Nazis deny intent to kill Mozambican

HALLE, Germany - One of three neo-Nazis on trial for fatally beating a black man in eastern

Germany said he was sorry on Wednesday and offered to send money to the victim's family, drawing a bitter rebuff from the man's widow.

The three men admit attacking Alberto Adriano, a 39-year-old father of three from Mozambique, but have testified they did not intend to kill him, a court spokesman.

The June 11 attack is among the worst in a resurgence of extreme-right hate crimes in Germany that has claimed at least three lives in the formerly communist east this year.

Federal prosecutors in the trial of Frank Miethbauer and Christian Richter, both 16, and Enrico Hilprecht, 24, said, however, that the drunken attackers were motivated by hatred of foreigners and "were aware that Adriano could die" but didn't care, justifying murder charges.

## Northern Ireland's cease-fire between groups continues

BELFAST, Northern Ireland - The cease-fires observed by rival Protestant groups in Northern Ireland remain intact, despite violence this week that left two militants dead, Britain's minister for the province said Wednesday.

Northern Ireland Secretary Peter Mandelson said he had no doubt that most commanders of the Ulster Defense Association and Ulster Volunteer Force - outlawed groups battling for control of Belfast's most staunch Protestant neighborhoods - wanted to maintain their joint 1994 cease-fire.

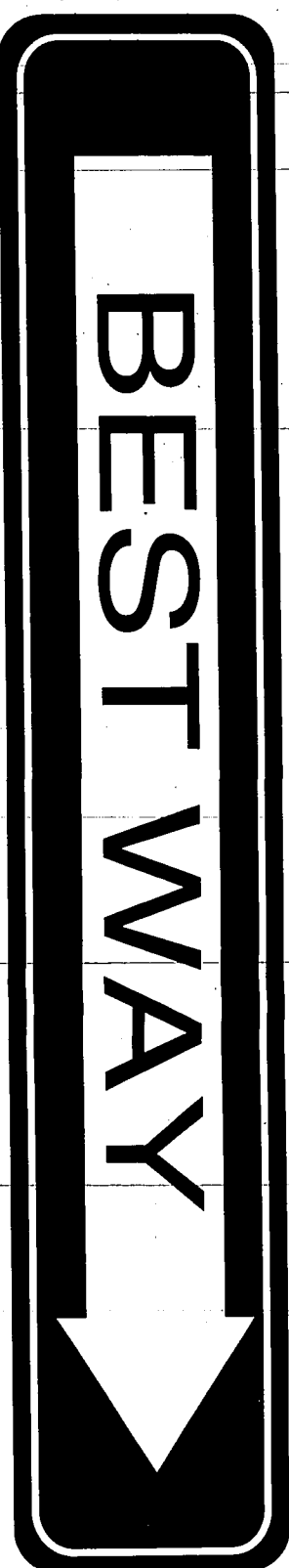
"It is possible for an organization to be on a cease-fire but for individuals associated with it to be involved in unlawful activity," he said.

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## EDITORIAL

### Working hard in school sets stage for success

It's hardly surprising that students who push themselves in high school tend to score higher on college entrance exams than their less-ambitious peers. That fact, obvious on its face, was a prominent theme in last week's story about student test scores at Twin Falls High School.

"Students can score quite highly on these tests if they take the classes that prepare them," said Terrell Donich, superintendent of the Twin Falls School District.

(We won't dwell on the fact that composite ACT scores for this year's graduates of Twin Falls High are exactly the same as the school's 10-year average. Judging by the scores, there has been little or no improvement. In fairness, though, this year's composite score is higher than both the state and national averages.)

Motivated students are fundamental to any effective school. Those who push themselves by taking harder, college-prep classes generally develop the skills they need to survive in college — and later, in life.

Many of these bright students are self-selecting. You probably remember some of them, the ones who sat in the front row and asked about extra credit on the first day of class.

But there are others who can excel in school. Some of these students don't recognize their own potential, and they need a nudge from parents, school counselors, church leaders, or other inspirational figures. Many teenagers don't have the perspective to know what's in their long-term best interest, which is why wise counsel from their elders is invaluable.

We recently met one such fellow, who graduated from Twin Falls High

School several years ago with what he would admit was a modest academic record. Today, he is in his final semester at the College of Southern Idaho and about to move on to a good four-year university, with the dream of one day becoming a college professor. He acknowledges that he got some of his inspiration in high school, but he didn't recognize it at the time.

The important thing is to kindle a fire for learning. Racking up an impressive grade-point average is a worthwhile side benefit — but it is a result of good education, not a cause for it. Students shouldn't shy away from tough classes in order to maintain high GPAs.

With the Information Age in full flower, a good education is the greatest asset anyone can have. Physical assets can be lost, stolen or destroyed, but knowledge — and its distillate, wisdom — abides as long as the bearer is of sound mind.

In purely financial terms, the lifetime earnings for people who finish college average \$1,000 more per month than the lifetime earnings for workers who don't go to college. That's \$12,000 of additional income per year, or \$120,000 per decade. Over the course of a working lifetime, it adds up to more than \$500,000 that was essentially left on the table; for a working couple, the amount of lost income exceeds \$1 million.

Simply counting money isn't the best way to measure the value of a good education. Its true worth lies in all the informed decisions a person makes over the course of a lifetime.

One of the earliest decisions a person should make is to develop a thirst for learning. After that, the possibilities are endless.

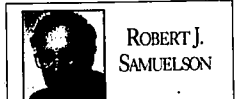
*High school students who push themselves by taking harder, college-prep classes generally develop the skills they need to survive in college — and later, in life.*



### A father's advice about America's future

**D**ear Kids, I know you don't read my columns, and that's OK. At 10, 13 and 15, you're a little young for my serious stuff. You'd find most of it boring. But I want you to read this one. Here it is — no TV until you read it. It's about the election.

I notice you're not paying much attention. This has got to change. You don't have to read every speech. You don't even have to decide whether you like George Bush or Al Gore better. But you've got to follow, in a general way, what's happening.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

**Why?**  
This question is harder than it seems. I know you have more interesting things to do. There's MTV, Sports Illustrated, Playstation and the Internet. Soccer and hockey seasons are around the corner. Once school begins, homework will rear its ugly head. Somehow you'll still have to find time for the election.

You're not alone in your lack of interest. Many young voters find the campaign dull and have ignored it, according to public opinion polls.

There's a theory that today's young are so selfish and self-centered that they've lost interest in government and elections. I don't buy the theory. Times have simply changed.

When I grew up in the 1950s and 1960s, it was hard not to pay attention. The old Soviet Union had nuclear weapons and might blow us up. In the 1960s, the civil rights movement — the struggle to end legal discrimination against black Americans — and the war in Vietnam generated mass marches and violent protests. We watched the president and government, because decisions made in Washington could dramatically affect millions of people.

The same was true of my parents' generation. They lived through the Great

Depression of the 1930s and World War II. All during these decades, elections seemed to matter more.

It's different now. You've grown up in a period of peace and great prosperity. The president seems less important. Your main introduction to the White House was Bill Clinton's sex scandal and impeachment; the president looked more like a character from "reality TV" than a national leader.

All this may explain your low interest. But it's not a good excuse. You've got to care more about the election, because it goes to the heart of who we are as a nation. The greatness of the United States is not McDonald's or Microsoft.

It's our basic beliefs about how we should govern ourselves — including elections. Through the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, we gave the modern world two wonderful ideas: liberty and democracy.

Liberty means that government can't control your life. We respect the individual. Government can't tell you what to do, think or say. It can't tell you what religion to practice — or whether to practice any religion. It can't take your property without cause — and without a law. Our second idea (democracy) insists that government springs from the people. We don't have kings or queens, dictators or rule by one political party.

Until recently, most countries didn't practice either liberty or democracy. Many still don't. Elections are one way that we argue about our basic ideas. How big and powerful can government become

before it interferes with our freedom? Who should run government? Elections are not always inspiring. Political campaigns often seem part circus and part swindle. Promises are made that can't be kept. Political candidates say things about their opponents that are mean or untrue.

Likewise, our democracy has always had shortcomings. In the beginning, only men with property — farms, shops — could vote. Before the Civil War, most black Americans obviously couldn't vote, even for much of the 20th century, many in the South were barred from the ballot box by physical intimidation or discriminatory voting laws. Women didn't win the right to vote until the 19th Amendment to the Constitution in 1920.

But on the whole, our system has worked. Except for the Civil War, people generally agree to disagree in a peaceful way. Power is transferred peacefully from one leader to another. Throughout history, not many countries have done this consistently.

As a result, we have maintained freedom and social order. It is this special combination that forms the foundation for much of what is good about America: its concern for every individual's dignity and potential; its creativity; its economic vitality (including Microsoft and McDonald's); and its general optimism.

The United States is a very special place. It will stop being special if we take it for granted. Every generation must renew its commitment to our basic beliefs. That's why you must follow the election news on TV and in newspapers.

You need to begin asking questions about the candidates, the issues and the campaign. And if you don't, I'll take your CD player away.

Love, Dad

*Robert J. Samuelson is a Newsweek columnist.*

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## LETTER

### Haffliger's dairy gives back to city

In recent months, The Times-News has been utilized by a small but vocal group of residents and residents to attack the state-of-the-art dairy being built by the Haffliger family south of Filer. This criticism comes even before construction is finished and before the Haffligers are given the opportunity to get their new dairy up and running as planned.

Although the critics of this local family-owned dairy have focused on environmental issues, the fact of the matter is that the Haffliger family dairy, approved under new Department of Agriculture regulations, provides environmental benefits. Long before most of the dairies were built in the Magic Valley, high nitrate levels in the groundwater were typical. Less than optimum irrigation practices and commercial fertilizer enhanced the problem. Why? When commercial fertilizer is applied for the growing season on gravity-irrigated land, the irrigation water moves the nitrates into the groundwater before the plants can use it all. Manure releases nitrogen over time as the plants need it. Good gardeners and organic farmers have known the benefits of manure for years. The Haffligers have an approved plan to use all the manure produced on the dairy on cropland, applied at specified rates, utilizing best management practices approved by the Department of Agriculture. This partnership in the agricultural community reduces fertilizer costs to our local farmers and has the

potential to improve the local groundwater.

In addition to providing potential environmental benefits, the dairy will enhance the local economy. The Haffliger family dairy will provide approximately 40 jobs on the dairy and, according to multipliers derived from Department of Commerce data, another 83 in the Magic Valley. Unlike many other businesses in the Magic Valley, the vast majority of the income of the Haffliger family dairy stays right here in the Magic Valley. The Haffliger family dairy purchases its hay and grain from local farmers. The Haffliger family purchases its farm equipment, supplies and machinery from local businesses and services from local providers. The Haffliger family's suppliers in turn buy inventory and supplies for their businesses, pay wages and make other purchases.

Many Magic Valley businesses and families have and will benefit from the Haffligers' dreams, generosity and hard work.

**JACKIE WAKEFIELD**  
Twin Falls

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### Abortion makes birth rate go down

Last week, The Times-News editorial board cited national statistics indicating America's teen birth rate is falling. The board listed sex education and fear of disease as the reason for this "flash of hope."

Apparently, the most obvious explanation was overload: abortion and the morning-after pill. No doubt the statistics will show another "jump in virtue" when RU-486 gains national distribution status later this year.

### Government protects its lands

The reason the birth rate is down is not because conception never occurred; it is because the birth never occurred. The world whitewashes sin and calls it "morality." God will judge it and call it for what it is: murder.

**KATHY THOMSEN**  
Twin Falls

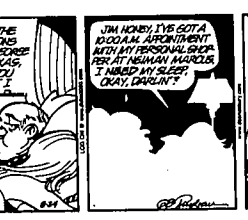
Where are you now, knowing the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management are spending millions of dollars each day to prevent our state from becoming a smoldering wasteland? Most Idahoans are appreciative of immediate access to wide-open public lands and we should all remain grateful our federal government for protecting them. Thank you, firefighters, and may God keep each one of you safe!

**PAT O'RORKE**  
Jerome

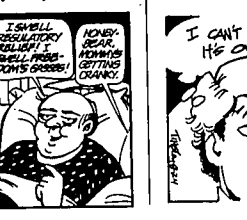
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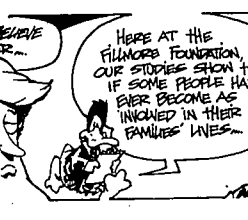
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# Politics isn't pretty Janet Reno's Department of Injustice

**T**he presidential candidates are coming into the home stretch now — the last 90 days of this interminably long campaign. We're all tired of it except the candidates and they seem to love it. They keep talking to us even though we don't want to be talked to anymore. They go to the dulllest jobs of campaigning with admirable enthusiasm. The people who do the polling keep telling us what we think.

It's difficult to imagine wanting to be President so bad that you'd make 17 speeches in one day. I read where Al Gore did that. Can you imagine the hands he had to shake, the small talk he had to endure? It makes my head hurt to think of it.

Friends asked why I interrupted my vacation to work at both political conventions. An explanation doesn't come easily, especially one that satisfies my family. However, there are some major events that take place in this country and, if you make your living writing, as I do, it helps to be in on them. The political conventions are two of those events.

I've been in a lot of conventions and usually enjoy them but I always leave trying to figure out why in the world our democracy works as well as it does when we have such a screwed up process for picking our leader. The average voter has nothing to say in the process. It is not democratic. Did you have anything to do with George W. Bush or Al Gore being the candidates? They were chosen by the parties.

Our President is the brightest, the most experienced, the most honorable American of all of us, but our system for electing a President hasn't produced that person very often in our history.

I was looking at the list of the 41 men who have been President. There are maybe four or five great ones. Another three or four not great but very good ones. I'm thinking of Harry Truman, Dwight Eisenhower. We've had four duds. Four who were worse than duds — really bad — and the rest have been acceptable but nothing exceptional. I can't name all those I've categorized, but naming the great, the good, the bad and the terrible would make an interesting parlor game. Nixon and Reagan would be named on both lists by different people.

We're proud of ourselves for having one of six million American Jews on the Democratic ticket now, but it's difficult to understand why none of the majority of Americans has ever been President or Vice President. The majority of Americans are women — there are about 140 million women and approximately 135 million men. That's about a five million majority and it's surprising they've never organized and taken over.

Do even their most ardent supporters really believe that George



ANDY ROONEY

W. Bush and Al Gore are the very best we have?

The reason our democracy works even though we don't usually get the best person for president is because we have a lot of people in this country who are at least as important as the president. We have scientists, business leaders, doctors, lawyers. We have judges and courts that are independent of politicians. Usually, anyway. We have great universities with serious intellectuals who have an effect on the direction the country takes. We have writers and reporters making life tough for anyone in government. The politicians have to pay attention to all those people.

There's an undeclared war between the people and the politicians in the United States and it isn't tidy, but the system seems to work. It's one reason we have it so good. It's why on television, we're always seeing people from other countries trying to sneak into ours. We don't see pictures of any of us being arrested trying to sneak out of our country because we know of a better one somewhere else.

Andy Rooney is a columnist with Tribune Media Services.

**B**y refusing for the third straight time to name an independent counsel to investigate alleged wrongdoing in the Clinton-Gore administration — this time to investigate Vice President Al Gore's fund-raising role in the 1996 campaign — Attorney General Janet Reno has established herself as an even greater stonewaller than Richard Nixon and his Justice Department, headed by John Mitchell.

Reno again ignored the conclusions and recommendation of the person assigned to investigate Gore's fund-raising activities.

After interviewing Gore in April, Robert J. Conrad Jr. urged her to name an outside counsel to explore whether the vice president lied about what he knew and when he knew it, concerning the infamous Buddhist temple "community outreach" event and those numerous White House coffees. Gore repeatedly denied under oath that they were fund-raisers, though everyone who attended expected to, or was later asked to, donate to the reelection campaign.

The history of this inquiry provides enough evidence of possible violations of the law that only a special counsel could credibly sort it out. But, clearly, political considerations have come before the law in this case, and in the others, that got too close to the White House. It was former White House chief of staff Harold Ickes who



CAL THOMAS

rejected Gore's "iced-tea defense," in which Gore claimed to have been out of the room on bathroom breaks during a 1995 White House meeting. That's when possibly illegal plans were hatched to raise money for the 1996 campaign. In a 1998 interview with the FBI, Ickes testified that he had no recollection of Gore leaving the room at any point and that "if there were any interruption involving the president or vice president, the meeting would have been suspended until they returned."

Newsweek reported in June a memo from Justice Department lawyer Judy Feigin to Assistant Attorney General James K. Robinson regarding the "Independent Counsel Matter: Al Gore Jr." In her memo, Feigin observed that, when asked, some witnesses recalled a discussion about there being a hard-money component in the context of the

media fund during a fund-raising meeting with Gore on Nov. 21, 1995.

The purpose of an independent counsel is to credibly examine evidence that these other career people believe may indicate wrongdoing. Attorney General Reno has singularly blocked their efforts

and continues to mock justice and cause harm to the reputation of her department and the honest, hard-working people who, unlike her, put the law before the preservation of a politician's skin.

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SPORTS

Livan sizzles through another gem

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - Livan Hernandez, who had never thrown a shutout in 104 major league starts before last week, pitched his second straight four-hitter, leading the San Francisco Giants over the Florida Marlins 5-0 Wednesday.

Hernandez (13-9), who has allowed three runs in his last 34 innings, led the Giants to their eighth win in 10 games.



Chicago's Gary Matthews, Jr., is hit by the baseball Wednesday as he steals second base. Houston's Tim Lincecum is covering the bag.

**Braves 5, Rockies 2**  
DENVER - Greg Maddux (14-7) won for just the second time in seven starts, allowing two runs and seven hits in seven innings.

**Phillies 4, Reds 3**  
CINCINNATI - Mike Lieberthal's eighth-inning homer started a rally from a 3-1 deficit as Philadelphia won consecutive games for the first time since Aug. 8-9.

**Cubs 15, Astros 5**  
HOUSTON - Ruben Quevedo (2-5) took a no-hit bid into the sixth inning before Julio Lugo's three-run homer.

Major League baseball

Innings as Chicago stopped a three-game losing streak.

**Cardinals 5, Pirates 2**  
ST. LOUIS - Rick Ankiel (8-7) won for the second time in 11 starts allowing both runs and six hits in seven innings.

Dave Veres got four outs for his 22nd save, stranding Aramis Ramirez, who had tripped in the eighth, when Keith Osik popped out to shortstop.

American League

**Indians 7, Athletics 5**  
CLEVELAND - David Segui hit a go-ahead RBI double in the

sixth inning Wednesday night as the Cleveland Indians beat the Oakland Athletics 7-5 for their fifth straight win.

Jim Thome homered as Cleveland won for the 14th time in 19 games and sent the A's to their fifth loss in six games.

Tigers 6, Mariners 5

DETROIT - On a night insects invaded Comerica Park, Jun Encarnacion hit a two-run triple in a five-run seventh, sending Seattle to its ninth loss in 10 games.

Swarms of flying insects caused fans to flee their seats early in the game.

Yankees 10, Rangers 9

NEW YORK - Jorge Posada

went 3-for-4 with a homer and five RBIs and Tino Martinez hit a game-winning RBI single in the ninth inning.

**White Sox 8, Orioles 4**  
CHICAGO - Magglio Ordonez had three RBIs and Chicago made the most of nine walks and two Baltimore errors.

Blue Jays 9, Royals 8

TORONTO - Carlos Delgado had his fifth two-homer game of the season, hitting a go-ahead drive in the eighth off Andy Larkin (0-2) as Toronto won its third straight.

Delgado, who tied Chicago's Frank Thomas for the AL lead with 38 homers, hit a leadoff homer in a five-run seventh.

Twins 8, Devil Rays 2

MINNEAPOLIS - Cristian Guzman had three hits, including a two-run triple, his major league-leading 19th this season, and Marney Ardoin hit a bases-loaded double.

Danny Redman (12-6), who leads AL rookies in wins, strike-outs, ERA and winning percentage, gave up two runs and five hits in seven innings, and LaTroy Hawkins finished with hitless relief for his ninth save.

Mayne event is a winner for the Rockies

DENVER (AP) - The bullpen beyond the right-field wall was deserted, and Colorado manager Buddy Bell was bordering on despair when he spotted injured catcher Brent Mayne in the Rockies' clubhouse.

"Can you pitch?" Bell asked. "Yeah, I can pitch," Mayne replied, fibbing slightly as he realized he was on the verge of fulfilling a lifelong dream.

player in 32 years to win a major league game. "From a personal note, I wanted to get out there and pitch, try it out," Mayne said Wednesday. "That's a once-in-a-lifetime thing. I never even thought about getting the win. Later, I thought, 'Wow! I can be the win right here. This is his even better.'"

Mayne, who had missed four games with the left wrist, pitched the 12th inning of Colorado's 7-6 victory over the Atlanta Braves. He gave up a two-out hit to Rafael Furcal and a walk to Andrew Jones before retiring reigning NL MVP Chipper Jones on a check-swing grounder to third.

NFL towns welcome college kickoffs

By Richard Rosenblatt The Associated Press

College football picks

College football kicks off with a professional feel to it. Three of the Denver opening "classics" will be played in NFL stadiums.

Blacksburg, Va. The newest "classic" in the lineup matches New Mexico at Texas Tech on Saturday in the Hispanic College Fund Football Classic.

On Sunday, the Kickoff Classic matches Penn State and Southern California at Giants Stadium, home of the New York Giants and New York Jets.

But make no mistake - these are far from neutral sites for the Seminoles, Wildcats and Nittany Lions.

Marino

Continued from B1 Shula said. "It's sort of a helpless feeling. There's nothing you can do to fill the void that's left from doing something so exciting for so many years."

Florida State fans will caravan the 160 miles along Interstate 10 to Jacksonville, while K-State fans will do likewise for 120 miles on I-70 from Manhattan, Kan., to Kansas City.

Golf

Continued from B1 She holds to offset three bogeys. She holds a one-stroke margin over reigning U.S. Girls' Junior Champion Lisa Ferrero of Lodi, Calif., and Lauren Gant of Fort Wayne, Ind.

"We're coming into a hostile environment," USC coach Paul Hackett said.

Two of the games - Penn State-UC Florida State-BYU - feature three of the winningest active coaches - Joe Paterno, Bobby Bowden and LaVell Edwards.

Paterno needs seven wins to pass Bear Bryant's major-college record of 323 victories, while Florida State's Bowden has 304 wins and BYU's Edwards 251.

Edwards begins his 29th and final season at BYU in an unfamiliar situation - looking for a starting quarterback. Edwards, who brought produced record-setting suits as Ty Detmer, Steve Young and Jim McMahon, will choose Charlie Peterson or Brett Egemann, brother-in-law of CNN's Larry King, to replace the retired Kevin Federici.

The Kickoff Classic features the return of USC quarterback Carson Palmer, who missed most of last season with a broken collarbone. Palmer, 6-5, 220 pounds, has looked good in practice, and Hackett is counting on him to help the Trojans challenge for the Pac-10 title.

Autumn

Continued from B1 • More weekly starts Last year, we launched our weekly Rising Star athlete-of-the-week profiles recognizing outstanding high school student-athletes for their accomplishments. We also started running weekly statistical leaders in boys' and girls' basketball. The pattern continues this fall, with high school football and volleyball stats each week.

The picks:

BYU (plus 25) vs. No. 2 Florida State (at Jacksonville, Saturday) Winfe opens his Heisman run in fine fashion ... FLORIDA STATE, 45-14.

Iowa (plus 28.5) vs. No. 8 Kansas State (at Kansas City, Mo., Saturday) K-State starts off with the usual patsy ... KANSAS STATE, 49-7.

Georgia Tech (plus 16) at No. 11 Virginia Tech (Sunday) Vick-to-Andre Davis means lots of Hokie points ... VIRGINIA TECH, 31-21.

No. 15 USC (plus 3) vs. No. 22 Penn State (at East Rutherford, N.J., Sunday) This just might be the year of the Trojans ... USC, 31-24.

1999-2000 bowl games: 8-13 (straight up); 8-13 (vs. points); 1999 season: 180-68 (straight up); 126-121-2 (vs. points).

• Pigskin pickings Finally, our semi-indulgent but pretty darn-popular Pigskin Picks are back for another public whipping - with one exciting addition. We'll be rounding up one semi-celebrity guest picker each week to gaze into his or her crystal ball and join us in predicting who will win and who will lose on the high school, college and NFL gridiron. You won't hear from Dennis Miller, but you may recognize a former CSI great or two, a local media 1999 season: 180-68 (straight up); 126-121-2 (vs. points).

Table listing various sports events and dates.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Extra tryout set for Twin Falls soccer

TWIN FALLS - An extended tryout session has been set for eighth and eighth graders from Twin Falls who are interested in playing junior high soccer this fall.

Football jamboree hits Jerome Saturday

JEROME - The American Falls, Wood River and Gooding junior varsity and varsity football teams will be in Jerome Saturday to play in the Youth Endowment for Athletics 2000 Football Jamboree.

Jerome and Wood River play at 11 a.m., American Falls and Gooding play at 11:45, Jerome plays American Falls at 12:30 p.m. and Wood River and Gooding clash at 1:15. American Falls and Wood River meet at 2 p.m. and Gooding and Jerome close out the afternoon at 2:45. All times are approximate, with the varsity matchups taking place on the main game field and JV contests being held on the practice field.

Admission is \$3 for students with activity cards and senior citizens and \$4 for adults. Preschoolers are admitted free. Coaches' and season passes will not be honored.

Rupert Ladies Day winners announced

RUPERT - Johnie de Blaquiere, Elvera Richan and Ardeith Stark tied for first place in the Rupert Ladies Day Flag Tournament Tuesday at Rupert Country Club.

Barbara Carney finished fourth, Sergene Jensen fifth and Fran Rathe sixth.

Smith shoots to firing club championship

GOODING - Louise Smith fired an 87 Wednesday to win the Gooding Country Club championship by two strokes. Second was Amy Perkins with an 89.

Smith topped the championship flight gross scoring, with Bonnie Coats and Janet Billiard tied right behind at 93. Perkins topped the net scoring with a 66, followed by June Trapp at 67. Elina Burton shot a 100 gross at the first flight, with Betty Adamson tied at 106, while Dorothy Hall and Rosie McHargue shot 69 and 72, respectively, in the first flight net.

Heyburn hockey sign-ups are Saturday

HEYBURN - Registration for the Mini-Cassia In-Line Hockey Association will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Heyburn Hockey Rink.

The cost is \$20 for the season, \$15 for a second and \$10 for the third or more. The season begins Sept. 9. For more information, call Dave Joyce at 436-6131.

Lane's wife charged in his shooting death

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - The wife of Fred Lane was ordered held without bond Wednesday as prosecutors said she could be charged with first-degree murder in the shooting death of the NFL running back.

Deidra Lane, 25, appeared close to tears as she appeared before Mecklenburg County District Court Judge Philip Howerton. Under North Carolina law, she was charged with one count that covers both first- and second-degree murder. First-degree murder is punishable by execution, while second-degree murder carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

Dodgers apologize to ejected lesbians

WEST HOLLYWOOD, Calif. - The Dodgers apologized Wednesday to a lesbian couple ejected from Dodger Stadium earlier this month after the two shared a kiss during a game against the Chicago Cubs.

The two were escorted out of the ballpark on Aug. 8. Goldey and Kort say they initially were not told why they were being ejected, but later they were told that someone complained and said children should not be exposed to "those people." The couple said their companions, a heterosexual couple, also kissed but were not ejected.

In addition to the public apology, the Dodgers donated 5,000 tickets to three gay and lesbian organizations and promised sensitivity training for their employees.

Tiger fans flee plague of flying insects

DETROIT - Things got kind of buggy at Comerica Park on Wednesday night, when swarms of small insects caused fans to flee their seats at Comerica Park early in the Detroit Tigers' game with the Seattle Mariners.

Fans began running up the aisles as Seattle's Edgar Martinez batted in the first inning, swatting at the insects as they moved. Those who remained in their seats repeatedly swatted at bugs on themselves or others. There was no immediate word on what caused the swarm.

It did not affect those on the field, and play continued. It was not immediately clear whether refunds would be offered. "If millions, if not billions, of bugs set their sights on your city, there's not much you can do," Tigers spokesman Tyler Barnes said. "We're responsive to our control."

The bugs, which looked like black ants with long, clear wings, were visible on cars parked in lots outside the park, on people's clothing and on the sidewalk. In some unfortunate cases, the ants flew into people's mouths.

Seals grind out win before rains fall

NEW HAVEN, Conn. - Monica Seles methodically marched into the semifinals of a rain-plagued Pilot Pen with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over Dominique Van Roost on Wednesday.

Only one other match - Patty Schnyder's 1-6, 7-5, 6-3 win over Elena Dementieva - was completed Wednesday before rain suspended play for the day.

Not lonely for long: Bears claim Culpepper

LAKE FOREST, Ill. - Brad Culpepper, the eight-year veteran defensive tackle released by Tampa Bay on Monday, signed a two-year contract with the Chicago Bears on Wednesday.

Culpepper considered offers from Cincinnati and Philadelphia, Chicago, where he will back up Mike Wells and Jim Flanagan. Terms of the Bears' contract were not disclosed. But Culpepper was scheduled to make \$850,000 this season with the Buccaneers.

Grieffy takes exception to recent criticism CINCINNATI - Ken Grieffy Jr. stopped Hall of Fame broadcaster Marty Brennaman before the Cincinnati Reds' game Wednesday night and took issue with his criticism.

Brennaman sharply criticized Grieffy on the air Sunday after he jugged for first base on a hit that might have been stretched into a double. During a conversation that became profanity-laced, Brennaman said he would continue to criticize Grieffy whenever he gave less than his best effort.

"The next time you don't run hard to first base, I'll point it out again," Brennaman said. He said he was responsive to Grieffy's response and he'll be here after you're gone."

Compiled from staff and wire reports



SPORTS

U.S. Open final could be Williams affair Vancouver ousted at Little League Series

NEW YORK (AP) — There will be no semifinal meeting this time for Venus and Serena Williams. If the sisters, dominating women's tennis this summer, face each other at the U.S. Open, it will be for the championship.

Wimbledon champion Richard Krajcik for a spot on the final day program. The bottom half of the men's draw has French Open champion and second-seeded Gustavo Kuerten and several other top players who are more comfortable on the red clay than on the hardcourts of the National Tennis Center.

The Williams sisters and Davenport, seeded No. 2 behind Martina Hingis, are the top names in a women's field swarming with U.S. players.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. (AP) — The team from Davenport, Iowa, became the first from the Central Region to reach the U.S. Pool championships at the Little League World Series on Wednesday night, eliminating Vancouver, Wash., which used a 6-year-old boy as their inspiration.

Little League World Series Series, will meet Bellaire, Texas, in Thursday's final. While three teams finished with 2-1 records, Vancouver wound up being the odd squad under the tie-breaking format.

Since 1992, when the pool format was introduced, the Central was the only region not to reach the U.S. final.

Wednesday's draw for the year's final Grand Slam tournament put third-seeded Venus, the Wimbledon champion, in the top half of the 128-player field and Serena, the defending Open champ and seeded No. 5, in the bottom.

While the women's field for the tournament that starts Monday was split fairly evenly in the two halves, the top of the men's draw came out loaded with top players who are more comfortable on the red clay than on the hardcourts of the National Tennis Center.

The Williams sisters and Davenport, seeded No. 2 behind Martina Hingis, are the top names in a women's field swarming with U.S. players.

Justin Evans had two hits and scored twice, including the go-ahead run in the fifth inning that clinched the dramatic 6-4 victory. Davenport, which earlier this week ended the Central Region's three-year losing drought at the

Bellaire, which lost 5-0 to Thursday's final. Vancouver, which lost 5-0 to Thursday's final, became the first from the Central Region to reach the U.S. Pool championships at the Little League World Series on Wednesday night, eliminating Vancouver, Wash., which used a 6-year-old boy as their inspiration.

Their remarkable summer run had been dedicated to and inspired by 6-year-old "TJ" Jacobs, who underwent surgery to remove a benign brain tumor last June.

SCORES AND STATS

BASEBALL

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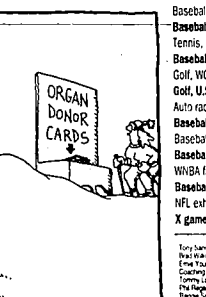
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# HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY PREVIEW

## MAKE THAT 31

### Dunne leads Jerome for fourth decade

By Matt Patterson  
Times-News writer

**JEROME** - He was a four-time state champion in high school and an All-American in college.

But Jerome High School boys' cross country coach Tim Dunne might have saved his best performance for the practice field.

With 12 state cross country championships to his name, including 10 straight starting in 1973, Dunne enters his 31st season at the helm as one of the Magic Valley's winningest coaches. And that's not even counting the 14 other-state titles he's won with the school's track team.

Dunne's quest for cross country title No. 13 begins Friday when his team hosts the Jerome Invitational at C.S.I. Though the Tigers finished 17th of 18 at the state meet last year, they return five runners from last season's squad.

And that's got the long-time

coach excited about his team's prospects.

"(The team) is not approaching the '97 team which was (in the top three) at state," said Dunne, whose last cross country state title came in 1986. "But they're one of the better teams we've had in the '90s."

Leading the 2000 team will be the much-improved Tyler Layne. Though he finished 126th overall at state last year (sixth among Jerome's runners), the junior enters the season as the Tigers' undisputed No. 1.

"We challenged tonight for our top seven," Dunne said. "And he was a minute and a half faster than what he was doing at the end of last season."

A combination of mental and physical development has contributed to the improvement.

"We did a lot of speed work with him, a lot of interval training," Dunne said. "And cross country and distance running is a lot mental, so I think that's

also matured in him."

Following Layne will be junior Tim Davis and sophomore Craig Paulin. The pair finished Nos. 3-4 for Jerome at state last year and again look to be competing at a comparable level.

"They've been about the same," Dunne said. "But both of those kids have improved from last year."

Senior Nick Mink, Jerome's top state finisher from last year, and senior T.C. Scheer couple with sophomore Tyler Mortensen to round out the team's top six.

Jerome, competing in the Class A-1, Div. II ranks, will run against new conference foes Blackfoot, Bonneville, Burley and Century.

Judging from what he saw of those team's last year, Dunne said he likes his team's regional chances.

"We're getting excited," Dunne said. "We look fairly solid in our region."

## QUICK START



Runners scream off the starting line at a race last season.

## Patterson

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finished in third last year at state, is currently competing at Lewis-Clark State College.

"He's dying from all that training and lifting weights," she said.

It also helps to run for one of the area's best cross country programs. While the Gooding girls team took third at state last fall, Seifert said this year's squad is talented, if not deep.

"We've only got eight girls," he said, "where last year we had 14-15 girls. But Carin said her first job when school starts (Wednesday) is she's going to get a couple more runners."

In addition to Patterson, Seifert fields seniors Marla Bonto, Lacey Olsen, Alondra Rodriguez, Sadie Cheney and Amie Nelson to step up along with sophomore sensation April Homan and junior Amanda Miles.

"They're all running real good," he said. "We just have to avoid injury."

Especially when it comes to Patterson. "Found for pound, she's probably the toughest person on the team," Seifert said. "She's a real leader both in the classroom and at the school. She's just always up and real positive and outgoing. If you don't like Carin Patterson, you don't like people."

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The Gooding High School cross country team works out on the grass Wednesday to get ready for Friday's meet at the College of Southern Idaho.

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## TEAM-BY-TEAM PREVIEWS

# Gooding, Jerome lead the pack

The Gooding girls' and boys' country teams finished first in the district in Class A-2 competition last year, with the girls taking third at state and the boys placing seventh.

**Gooding Junior** Carin Peterson will again be a girl to watch this season, but Wood River's Holly Hobson may have another scenario in mind in this, her senior year. Hobson came in eighth at state last year, and has trained conscientiously in the off-season, according to her coach, James Foster.

"Both girls should provide some local excitement throughout the season and at state competition in October."

In the Class A-1 ranks, Jerome turns Dusty Schvaneveldt as a junior. She has placed in the top at the state meet for the last three years. Schvaneveldt will lead the Lady Tigers, who were region 3 champions last season, to fifth at state.

On the boys' side, the Tigers return five runners from last year's 15th-place finish at state, and will be led by junior Tyler Layne.

And in Class A-3 competition, the Oakley boys took third place at state last season, and will be led this year by Barry Jenks, who finished eighth at that meet.

### A-1

#### Burley Bobcats

**Coach:** Mary Miller, second year  
1999 finish: boys, 18th at state  
**Key contributors:** Boys: Josh Burgess, sr.; Ross Mitchell, sr.; Preston Goodrich, jr.; Bowen Richie, fr.; Tom Preston, fr.; Joe Preston, sr.; Ryan Manning, sr.; Eric Berg, jr.; Josh Walton, jr.; Drew Johnson, fr.  
Girls: Carrol Ward, sr.; Alisha Wilkinson, sr.; Mandy Oltz, sr.; Karlee Honda, sr.; Stephanie Davis, Megan Bradley.  
Outlook: Ward took 10th at state last season for the girls, and will lead this year's team. Burgess, who finished 22nd at state last year, will lead the boys.  
Coach says: "I think overall we're a lot stronger now because of the experience they've had. Carrol Ward's looking

great right now. She's the kind of person that she'll keep herself in pretty good shape no matter what."

### Jerome Tigers

**Coach:** Wes Paterson, 31st year; girls, Michelle Skyles, seventh year  
1999 finish: Boys, 17th at state; girls Region 3 champions, fifth at state  
**Key contributors:** Boys: Nick Mink, sr.; T.C. Scheer, sr.; Tim Davis, jr.; Tyler Layne, jr.; Craig Paulson, so.  
Girls: Dusty Schvaneveldt, sr.; Amber Wade, jr.; Kristin Mink, jr.; Jalma Garrard, sr.; Jalme Palmer, so.; Anna Lott, so; and Christie Green, so.  
Outlook: All five of the returning boys were state participants in 1999, so the Tigers can expect strong performances from their experienced runners this year. However, those five will need some help to fill out the team scores.  
Coach says: "We are going to be fairly strong again this season, depending on many factors. We have plenty of talent and experience."

### Minico Spartans

**Coach:** Wes Paterson, 15th year  
1999 finish: N/A  
**Key contributors:** Boys: Fernando Lemus, jr.; Adam Sunderland, so.  
Girls: Malorie Sunderland, sr.; Charlie Bowen, jr.  
Outlook: The early runners are few for Minico this season, with only 11 runners out so far. Malorie Sunderland is the only Spartan runner with any state experience, finishing 54th last year. Paterson anticipates more participation once school begins.  
Coach says: "Both Malorie Sunderland and Lemus run solid and consistent and steady. They are beginning mentally to look like runners."

### Twin Falls Bruins

**Coach:** Larry Lewis, twelfth year  
1999 finish: N/A  
**Key contributors:** Boys: Brett Kleinkopf, jr.; Adam Miller, sr.; Jed Clawson, sr.; Andrew Carroll, sr.; Paul Burgess, Jr.  
Girls: Amy Conover, sr.; Jolyn Walker, jr.; Amber Wayment, sr.  
Outlook: Both Bruin teams have runners with experience, but need to work on improving times as an overall team.  
Coach says: "The boys need to close the gap from our top runner to our seventh. The girls have three proven run-

ners. We need our other girls to move up."

### A-2

#### Declo Hornets

**Coach:** Lynn Payne  
1999 finish: boys, second at state; girls, sixth at state  
**Key contributors:** Girls: Jamie Chathburn, jr.  
Outlook: After finishing second in the boys' state meet and sixth in the girls', Declo only has one returning runner from last season. The addition of soccer teams has dramatically affected Declo's cross-country program. Chathburn, who finished 58th at state last year, is hoping to gain some more teammates once cuts are made in other fall sports.  
Coach says: "We're just not quite big enough to be able to support that many fall sports, but as long as there are just a few that want to run, I think they'll let us keep the sport."

### Filer Wildcats

**Coach:** LaRell Patterson  
1999 finish: Fifth in district  
**Key contributors:** Boys: Stan Moore, sr.  
Outlook: Filer will only have a boys' team this year, as no girls have gone out for cross-country. Moore will be joined by senior Skyler Richards and freshman Jake Carmahan.  
Coach says: "Richards and Moore should do very well individually and Carmahan is looking very good for a freshman. We need more kids to make a team."

### Gooding Seniors

**Coach:** Ken Seifert, eighth year  
1999 finish: boys first in district, third in state; girls first in district, fourth in state  
**Key contributors:** Boys: Steve Anderson, jr.; Lance Nebeker, jr.; Kevin Rogers, jr.; Levi



### Wood River Wolverines

**Coach:** James Foster, second year  
1999 finish: boys, second in district  
**Key contributors:** Boys: Steve Harris, sr.; Matt DeCarufel, so.; Andrew Slough, sr.; Eric Hamlin, sr.; Jake Cheney, so.  
Girls: Holly Hobson, sr.; Jessie Bradford, sr.  
Outlook: Hobson is looking to rival Gooding's Carin Peterson for top A-2 girls' runner in the state this season.  
Coach says: "Our returning runners are strong, especially the ones who participate in Nordic skiing."

### A-3

#### Valley Vikings

No information received

### A-4

#### Oakley Hornets

**Coach:** Karma Archibald, eighth year  
1999 finish: Third at state (boys)

### Kimberly Bulldogs

**Coach:** David Emerson, fifth year  
1999 finish: Third at district (boys)  
**Key contributors:** Boys: Wes Hopwood, sr.; Jene Prudent, sr.; Bryan Henry, sr.; Danton Bradshaw, sr.; Sean Egbert, sr.; Jackson Platt, jr.; Chris Egbert, jr.; Brandon Platt, so.; Matt Tyler, so.; Ryan Fisher, so.  
Outlook: Kimberly has five girls out this year, so they are happy to be able to field a girls' team.  
Coach says: "Wes Hopwood placed fifth in the mile at state track last year, and Jene Prudent was not far behind him. If we can handle Declo, we can make it to state. With Declo joining the conference, they will be the team to beat."

### Key contributors

Boys: Trevor Hawkes, Blaine Hawkes, Barry Jenks, Sam Rodriguez, Sam Mullen, Stuart Mullen, Tobin Hale, Sam Rose, Seth Clark.  
Girls: Tara Emery, Ashley Pickett, Dawn Severe, Maria Puz.  
Outlook: Jenks will lead the Oakley boys this season after finishing eighth at state in 1999.  
Coach says: "Jenks has been working out this summer. He'll be ready to go."

### Raft River Trojans

**Coach:** Paul Edwards  
1999 finish: N/A  
**Key contributors:** Girls: Karla Freestone, sr.; Christi Edwards, jr.; Cormen Jones, jr.; Tina Tustin, jr.  
Outlook: For the second season in a row, Raft River has no boys' team. Four of the six girls whose team qualified for state last year return this season.  
Coach says: "All the girls I have coming back have been running all summer. We'll be a lot stronger this year."

### A-3

#### Valley Vikings

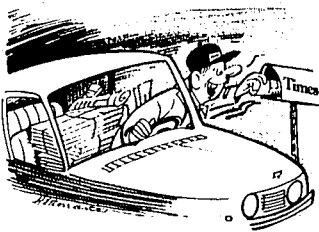
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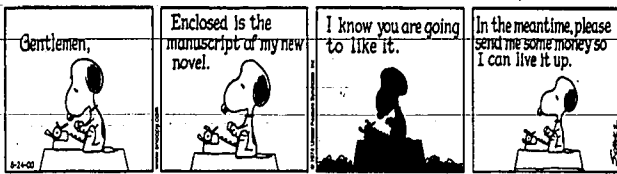
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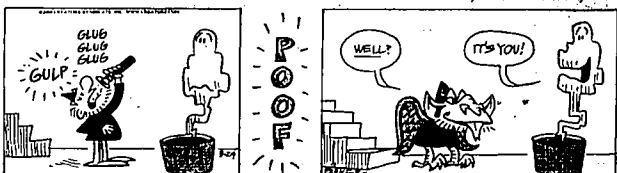
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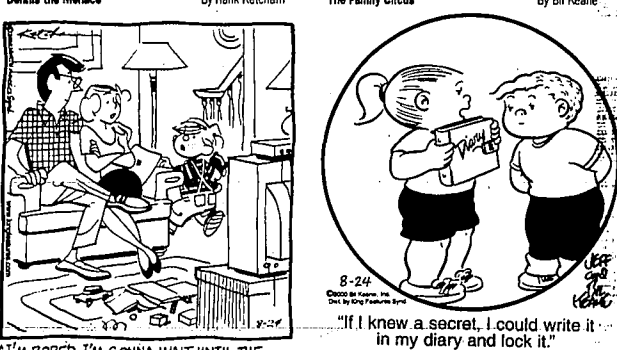


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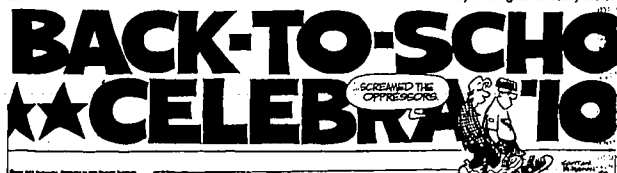
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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Astronaut to speak at auditorium tonight

**TWIN FALLS** - Retired Col. Mike Mullane, who was among NASA's first group of space shuttle astronauts, will present the speech "Countdown to a Dream" at 8 tonight in Roper Auditorium at Twin Falls High School.

The public presentation is co-sponsored by the Twin Falls School-District and the Herrett Center at the College of Southern Idaho. The Herrett Center will provide telescopes for viewing on the high school lawn following Mullane's presentation. Both the speech and stargazing party are free to the public.

Mullane's public address, filled with humor and lots of information about space, is geared toward families and holds an inspirational theme for young people.

In 1978, Mullane was selected among the first group of NASA's space shuttle astronauts; the shuttle program took flight in 1981 following the retirement of Project Apollo's moon exploration missions. Mullane completed three missions aboard Discovery and Atlantis space shuttles. He retired from the Air Force and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in 1990.

### Legislative task forces meet Friday in Boise

**BOISE** - Two legislative task forces will conduct hearings on their respective areas of focus Friday in Boise.

The Health Insurance Premium Task Force will meet at 9 a.m. in the House Majority Caucus Room at the Statehouse.

The panel will hear presentations from insurance industry representatives on the applying recent legislation extending the premium index rate band and issues relating to the insurance premium tax.

Idaho Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, will update the panel on the progress of the high risk reinsurance pool.

The Early Childhood Education Task Force has changed its meeting place for its 9:30 a.m. meeting to the Gold Room in the Statehouse.

For more information call Jennifer Cavaness-Williams at (208) 334-2475, Ext. 4844.

### Brenn Hill to perform in Elko at G Three Bar Theater

**ELKO, Nev.** - Brenn Hill will be taking the stage Friday night at the G Three Bar Theater at the Western Folklife Center in Elko.

Hill will perform his original songs that capture the sights, sounds and traditions of the American West.

Now in his mid-twenties, Hill began performing at the age of four and has appeared several times at Elko's annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering. Friday's performance will include pieces from his latest release, "Deeper than Mud."

The concert will begin at 7 p.m. inside WFC's historic Pioneer Bar which will open for business at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for WFC members and senior citizens. Children under 12 will be admitted free.

The WFC is located at 501 Railroad St. For more information, call Meg Glaser or Janette Watts at 775-738-7508.

### House move will cut power to about 250 customers

**TWIN FALLS** - Idaho Power Co. will cut electricity to about 250 customers between 3 and 9 a.m. Friday for a house move, according to an Idaho Power news release. Idaho Power will complete the work as quickly as possible.

Areas that will be affected include the intersection of Washington Street and Addison Avenue south to Victory Avenue, from Victory Avenue to South Park Avenue, and from South Park Avenue west to Grandview Drive up to Welch Lane.

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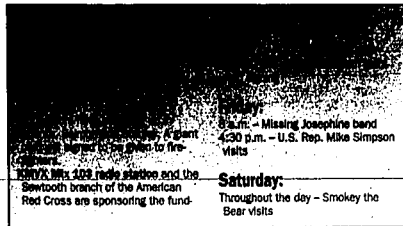
# Arson worries fire officials

## Fire crews gain upper hand on most blazes

By Brandon Flala  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Firefighters gained the upper hand on most fires in southern Idaho Wednesday, but the possibility of arson has officials worried.

"We have enough problems as it is with so many lightning



Firefighters from the Elko Fire Station and the Twin Falls Fire Station are working on a fire in the Blaine County area. The fire was caused by a lightning strike.

fires," said Andy Payne, Bureau of Land Management fire manager.

**Saturday:** Throughout the day - Smokey the Bear visits. There have been three arson-

caused fires near Timmerman Hill in the past 10 days, according to a BLM news release.

The most recent fire, about 1 1/2 miles southeast of Timmerman Hill, burned 300 acres Tuesday. About 25 firefighters contained the blaze later that day, the release said.

The same person's might have started all three fires, the release said. BLM law enforcement and the Blaine County

Sheriff's Office are patrolling the area and looking for suspects.

There's a \$1,500 reward for information on any of the arson fires, the release said.

"About ten years ago, we had the same kind of problem," Payne said. An arsonist was setting fires, but one of them destroyed more than just land, he said.

"A rural department fire-

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## Tempers run hot

### Special meeting on South Canyon Road makes for heated debate

By Karan Terrell  
Times-News correspondent

**ELKO, Nev.** - Tempers flared Wednesday when Elko County commissioners met to discuss the county's next move in the South Canyon Road dispute.

Elko County Sheriff Neil Harris had to intervene in a shoving match between Commissioners Mike Nannini and Tony Lesperance. The scuffle began after Chairman Roberta Skelton acknowledged Lesperance's request to speak and Nannini interrupted. After a brief exchange of words, both came out of their chairs and approached each other. Harris and a member of the audience got between the two angry commissioners and Skelton gavelled the meeting back to order.

Commissioners called Wednesday's special meeting after U.S. Justice Department attorneys sent notice of intent to proceed with lawsuits against the county and the original organizers of the volunteer movement to reopen South Canyon Road near Jarbidge. The litigation was suspended in November pending the outcome of a court ordered mediation.

The motion filed last week in U.S. District Court asks U.S. District Judge David Hagen to lift the court order against Elko County and Grant Gerber, John Carpenter and O.Q. 'Chris' Johnson, organizers of the Jarbidge Rebellion, a group of volunteers who had planned to reopen the South Canyon Road in October but were stopped when Hagen issued a restraining order against the three men and Elko County.

On Wednesday, commissioners voted to ask that the mediation process be continued. Elko County District Attorney Gary Woodbury will represent the county and will file the request with the court.

Just what commissioners hope to accomplish through mediation was a topic for debate at Wednesday's meeting. Nannini, a member of the mediation team,

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## Burley man dies in rollover

By Ruth Streeter  
Times-News writer

**LYNN, Utah** - A Burley man died Tuesday evening after losing control of a truck that was hauling rock from a nearby quarry.

Emergency medical personnel declared Hugh Allen Reed Schrenk, 35, dead at the scene, said Sgt. John Kelley with the Utah Highway Patrol. Schrenk died as a result of injuries sustained from the accident, Kelley said.

Schrenk had been driving a 10-wheel rock hauler down a steep grade when he lost control going around a curve. The truck went off the right side of the road, a Utah Highway Patrol news release said. The truck rolled and ejected Schrenk, the

release said. The accident occurred at around 6:20 p.m., the release said. Schrenk had been hauling decorative rock from a quarry just west of Lynn, a few miles south of the Idaho-Utah border. Schrenk had not been wearing a seat belt, the release said.

He was formally declared dead at Bear River Valley Hospital in Tremonton, Utah, before being taken to a mortuary, Kelley said.

Schrenk's truck also hit a utility pole, knowing out a major power line for Wendover, Nev., on the Nevada-Utah border, the release said.

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## RAIN MAKER



Ulysses Tinoco makes an adjustment to a center pivot in a field east of Gooding. Thunderstorms dropped a trace of rain in various parts of the Magic Valley on Wednesday but the forecast for today doesn't include rain.

## Investigators rule out hair spray as cause of Burley's woman's death, says county sheriff

By Ruth Streeter  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - Hair spray does not appear to have been an element in a Tuesday morning fire that killed a Burley woman in her home.

Blanche Lamar Carr, 84, died of smoke inhalation Tuesday, Cassia County Coroner Paul Young said.

Cassia County Sheriff Billy Crystal said investigators had initially speculated hair spray was involved, but after talking with Carr's daughter, investigators ruled the use of hair spray out. Crystal said he didn't know what had led to that initial speculation.

"As the course of the investigation goes on, things change," Crystal said.

In initial police report makes no mention of hair spray in the area where Carr was found and said the only apparent cause of the fire was a combination of a cigarette, Carr's highly flammable nylon nightgown and a nearby oxygen tube.

Investigators don't know if Carr was smoking at the time of the accident, Crystal said, but a witness said she had seen Carr smoking in her home shortly before observing the explosion.

Investigators aren't certain whether Carr was using oxygen at the time of the explosion but said they suspect the oxygen

## Jail room gets tight

### Sheriff suggests solution, but won't happen soon, say commissioners

By Mark Heinz  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls County Jail is starting to burst at the seams, and a sizable flow of money is spewing out of county coffers as a result, said Sheriff Wayne Tousey.

Tousey said he might have found a solution - buy the old Norco Windows building on Washington Street South and convert a portion of it into new jail space.

"You could almost move every county office in there and still have room left over for a jail," he said.

But Twin Falls County Commission Chairman Bill Brockman said nothing's going to change in the foreseeable future.

"Right now we've got to get a handle on this year's budget," Brockman said.

And that budget has no room for a major building purchase, he said. It will be at least two years before the county could consider even having a private company buy and renovate the Norco building and then purchase the building through a long-term lease.

Still, the Norco option - suggested to the commission by Tousey - deserves serious long-term consideration, Brockman said.

The 150,000-square-foot building is now being used as a whey warehouse by Jerome Cheese Co., which has two years left on a three-year lease of the property, said Twin Falls City Economic Development Director Dave McAlindin.

Meanwhile, the county is spending \$35 to \$45 per inmate per day to have overflow inmates housed elsewhere, Tousey said. The number of inmates has run as high as 30 over the jail's limit of 172 with most of the additional inmates being sent to jails in nearby counties, he said.

That's costing the county as much as \$300,000 annually, Brockman said. With neighbor-

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played a role. Young said it didn't appear Carr had suffered a heart attack before the accident.

Although Crystal earlier had said he had heard that Carr was blown across the room by the blast, he said Wednesday that was not true and that she was found where the explosion took place.

Carr had only minor burns to her right rib cage area and under her chin, the police report said.

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# MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

## Bliss School Board hears report

By Dana Jensen  
Times-News correspondent

BLISS - Summer school in Bliss drew about 40 students and was a big success. Principal Rob Sauer told the Bliss School Board this week.

Students toured the Hagerman Fossil Beds, Sage Gymnastics in Twin Falls, the Twin Falls Police Department, Shoshone Falls, the Big T swimming pool in Twin Falls and saw a Disney movie.

At the Twin Falls police station, they heard a presentation from two officers about the department's drug-sniffing dog, and about the Drug Abuse Resistance Education car program.

The serious part of the summer school was handled by four teachers in a team setting: two kindergarten through third-grade teachers, and two fourth-through sixth-grade teachers. On Wednesdays, the students rotated through four areas - language, science, math and physical education.

• Bus routes will remain the same as last year. The board approved the routes.

• Supplies and equipment within the schools would cost slightly less than \$1.2 million to replace, according to a report on school valuations presented by Superintendent Kevin Lancaster. The report was compiled by a professional appraisal service, and covered books, desks and equipment but not buildings. The appraisal is a response to a request for loss for insurance purposes.

• Bids for supplies and services were accepted: Cemex was awarded the propane bid; Meadow Gold received the milk bid; the Stinker station was awarded the contract for bus fuel; and Valley Co-op was awarded the contract to provide stack coal for \$67.50 per ton.

• Dead grass has built up on the soccer field. A pizza and soda party was held to encourage the players to rake the field, and a second party will have the field in playing shape, Lancaster said.

## OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 8 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 8 p.m. every day.

### JEROME



**Azella G. Smith**

Azella G. Smith, 91, of Jerome died at the Andover Estates on Sunday, Aug. 20, 2000.

She was born March 16, 1909, in Independence, Oregon. She moved to a homestead in Moya Springs, Idaho, with her father Tom and Luella Alderson. She attended school there until the family moved to Bonners Ferry where she completed high school. Azella married Emmett Smith on November 26, 1931, in Spokane, Washington. They moved to Jerome where she has since resided. She was a homemaker most of her life, as well as working as a bookkeeper at the Smith Drilling and Pump Company with her husband for several years. Azella was a member of the Democratic Party, Civic Club, American Cancer Society, Jerome Senior Citizens and other community service groups. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, and entertaining family and friends.

She is survived by two sons, Gary (Mary) Smith of Seattle, Wash., and Adrian (Helen) Smith of Jerome, one daughter Berna Della (Al) Toutant of Spokane, Wash.; one daughter-in-law Ariane Smith of Jerome; one sister Florence Albert of Elk, Wash.; two sister-in-laws, Emma Simpson of Boise, and Florence Smith of Woodville, Wash.; 15 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Azella was preceded in death by her husband, Emmett, son Barry; two sisters and one brother.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 25, 2000, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel with Father Ron Wekerle officiating. Burial will follow at the Wendell Cemetery at 12:30 p.m. Friends may call to visit with the family Friday morning at the chapel one hour prior to services.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the church or charity of one's choice.

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on his pick-up, and most of all he loved spending time with his family. He will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly Ann Schrenk of Burley; two daughters, Krystal Ann Burton Schrenk and Lynette Rosa Irene Schrenk, both of Burley; a son, Scott Alan Leo Schrenk of Burley; his mother, Mrs. Don (Marie A.) Smith of Malta; his father, Richard Schrenk of Chico, Calif.; his maternal grandmother, Susan M. Reed of Burley; his step-grandparents, three sisters, Victoria (Howard) Wicker of Twin Falls, Becky Schrenk of Chico, Calif., and Tonia (Paul) Armstrong of Roblin, Idaho; a step-sister, Joyce Gee of Burley, two step-brothers, Dale (Roxanne) Smith of Burley and Andy (Chimene) Smith of Burley; his step-grandparents, Willard (LaRue) Hawkins of Rupert; numerous aunts; uncles; cousins; and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, William A. Reed and his paternal grandparents, Elmer and Melva Schrenk.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, 2000, at the Burley LDS 2nd, 4th and 10th Ward Chapel at 515 E. 16th St. in Burley, with Bishop Todd Harris officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary at 221 W. Main St. in Burley on Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. and at the church from 10 to 11:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Saturday.

The family suggests memorials be given to the Alan Schrenk Memorial Fund at D. L. Evans Bank.

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**Allen Schrenk**

Hugh "Allen" Reed Schrenk, 34-year-old Burley resident died Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2000, near Trenton, from injuries sustained in a truck accident.

He was born October 28, 1965, in Burley, the son of Richard E. and Marie Avalae Reed Schrenk. He graduated from Chico High School in Chico, California. He married Beverly Ann Miller on July 31, 1987, in Elko, Nevada. Allen had driven cement trucks for Kloepper Concrete, and at the time of his death he was working for American Star Stone in Oakley. He was a member of the LDS Church. Allen enjoyed fishing, hunting, working

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**Della Severe Williams**

Della Severe Williams, 82-year-old Rupert resident, died Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2000, at Parke View Care and Rehabilitation in Burley.

She was born on April 30, 1918, in Oakley, Idaho, the seventh of eight children to George H. and Bertha E. Bates Severe. She attended 10 years of school, graduating from Oakley High School. Following graduation, she attended Idaho State Normal School. She taught school in Menan and Burley before marrying Walter Schorzman in 1944. They were the parents of Glen, Jeanie, Mary and Fred. Walter died in 1963. Following his death, Della resumed teaching at Overton Elementary School in Burley. During this time, she completed her Bachelor of Science degree at Idaho State University. In 1968, she married Jerry Williams.

She moved to Downey, Idaho, where she taught at Arimo Elementary School. They then moved to Boise, where Della continued her teaching career in Meridian. Della and Jerry both retired in 1980. They continued living in Boise until 1994, when they moved to Rupert. During their retirement they enjoyed working in the LDS church, gardening, visiting children, grandchildren and other relatives. They also had a close relationship with Bud and Coby Hill. Della had most recently been living at Aspen Grove Assisted Living in Liverty.

Survivors include her children, Glen W. Schorzman of Port Arthur, Texas; Jeanie S. Hobbs of Rosalia, Oregon; Mary S. Haymond of Spokane, Washington and Fred J. Schorzman of Aurora, Oregon; one step-daughter, Jeri Hannah Williams of Boise; one daughter, Della Severe of Oakley; one sister, Marjorie Coombs of Salt Lake City, Utah; seven grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The family extends their appreciation to Karen Hall, Elaine Matthews, and Kathy Poulton who so graciously watched over their aunt while running the home. Della had the prestigious honor of carrying the national flag in the opening ceremonies at the National Elks Convention in Dallas. Being an Elks was one of her favorite pastimes and she loved heading up committees, organizing projects, and "talking shop" with other Elks. His hobby included snowmobiling, fishing and golfing. When his kids were younger, he always managed to get away from the farm for a week in the summer for an annual family camping trip or to take them on a vacation to Salt Lake City to see the rodeo. He also enjoyed swapping stories with his

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buddies over the Internet and meeling his cronies for coffee during the winter months.

He is survived by his wife, Helen, of Jerome; five children, Randy Shulsend of Jerome, Kimberlee Shulsen of Filor, Wendee Shulsen of Seattle, Wash., John Shulsen of Jerome, and Staci Shulsen of Pocatello; three grandchildren, Ciera Cole of Filor, Braden Wacey of Jerome, and Jordana Shulsen of Jerome; his mother, Hilda Shulsen, and his brother, Donald Shulsen, both of Jerome.

Traditional Elks Ceremonies were conducted on Aug. 22, 2000, at the Jerome and 1st and 3rd Ward LDS Church in Jerome, under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Donations may be made to the Elks Rehabilitation Hospital.

### DARWIN

**Darwin Gene Shulsen**

Darwin Gene Shulsen, 58, of Jerome died Aug. 4, 2000, after a year-long bout with cancer.

He was born October 9, 1941, to Leonard and Ila Shulsen in Jerome. He grew up in Jerome and graduated from Jerome High School in 1959. Following high school, he went to Idaho State College, and then joined the Army. Upon his return from the Armed Forces, he began farming with his father and brother, east of Jerome. Darwin remained active in the National Guard. Darwin married Barbara Jane Bolich in 1962. They had two children, Randy born in 1962 and Kimberlee born in 1967. Barbara and Darwin were later divorced. Darwin married Helen Mungler in 1971. Together they raised three children while running the family farm. In 1961, Darwin joined the Elks Lodge #1785 in Jerome. Throughout the years, he held several offices in the Local Lodge and Grand Lodge, including Exalted Ruler from 1970-71 and 1992-93, and District Deputy from 1975-76. In 1992, he served as the Elks State Publicist in Idaho. He joined the National Americanism committee in 1997. He has been a member of the Elks' Rehabilitation Hospital since 1998. In July of this year, he had the prestigious honor of carrying the national flag in the opening ceremonies at the National Elks Convention in Dallas. Being an Elks was one of his favorite pastimes and he loved heading up committees, organizing projects, and "talking shop" with other Elks. His hobby included snowmobiling, fishing and golfing. When his kids were younger, he always managed to get away from the farm for a week in the summer for an annual family camping trip or to take them on a vacation to Salt Lake City to see the rodeo. He also enjoyed swapping stories with his

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## SERVICES

William "Bill" Dorman of Caldwell services at 2 p.m. today at the Oregon Trail Church of God in Caldwell (Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell).

Deanne Sue (Wagner) Furcell of Pinesdale, Fla., memorial service at 1 p.m. Sept. 30, 2000, at the Prairie City Christian Church in Prairie City, Iowa.

Shirlene Carter of Rupert, services at 2 p.m. today at the Burley First Christian Church at 1401 Oakley Ave. in Burley. Friends may call at the church prior to the service (Rasmusen Funeral Home at 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley).

Glenda Gay Grady Mann of Hagerman, services at 3 p.m. Friday at the Palouse Community Chapel in Palouse, Wash.

Bert J. Hatch of Twin Falls, services at 11 a.m. today at the Twin Falls West Stake Center at 667 Harrison Blvd. in Twin Falls. Friends and family may call at the church one hour prior to services (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Magic Valley).

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review to the council. She said the grant process was on schedule and she hoped to have the paperwork in by mid-October. Riddle has been given a green light to pursue a \$2 million loan from the Department of Environmental Quality; state money could be used as matching money for a grant.

In other business:  
• Representatives from U S West and New-Com spoke to the council about a proposed communication pole which will be built next to City Hall. The structure will cost about \$80,000, which will be paid by the two companies.

## Workers get ready for the 80th annual Elko County Fair and Livestock Show

Elko, Nev. - Workers are busy preparing the Elko County Fairgrounds for the 80th Elko County Fair and Livestock Show. Activities will begin Friday and continue through Tuesday. The weekend highlights will include quarter horse and thoroughbred horse racing with parimutuel betting, a 4-H Livestock Show and Sale, the Nevada Stallion Stakes, a Home Show of arts and crafts, stock dog competition and cattle branding and sorting contests.

Thoroughbred and quarter horse racing will begin Friday and continue through Sunday and will resume Aug. 30 through Sept. 4. The Internment Quarter Horse Futurity and the American West Futurity time trials will be held this weekend and the races will be held Labor Day.

Sixty-one horses have been entered in this year's Nevada Stallion Stakes which will begin Friday, the first day of the annual Elko County Fair and Livestock Show. The steeds are the offspring of 30 stallions from Nevada and adjacent states.

"The purpose of the Nevada Stallion Stakes is to recognize the worth of a stallion through the foals that he sires," said fair spokeswoman Mary Jourigan.

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Champion, reserve champion and high point Nevada stallions will be named based on this week's performances by their offspring. The 61 entries will be judged in the snaffle bit, hackamore and bridle classes and winners will share the \$11,400 in prize money.

The hackamore class contest will begin at noon Friday and the snaffle bit competition will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday and Sunday. The bridle class will be judged Sunday. Carl McCuisston of Oklahoma and Rick Drayer of California will be this year's

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The annual fair parade will begin at 10:30 a.m. in downtown Elko and will travel down Idaho Street to 12th Street and on to the fairgrounds.

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The women's branding eliminations will be held Saturday afternoon with the semifinals scheduled Sept. 3. The men's branding eliminations will begin at 9 a.m. Aug. 30 and will be followed by the sorting eliminations. Finals for both events will be held Saturday.

The final leg of the Fourth Annual Stock Dog Trials will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday. Dogs from Nevada, Southern Idaho and Utah will be judged on gathering cattle and herding the stock through obstacles and loading them into a trailer. Earlier trials were held in Ely and Panaca.

About 300 4-Hers from throughout the county will display their projects beginning Sept. 1 at this year's Elko County 4-H Livestock Show and Sale.

Ron Torell, area extension livestock specialist, said this year's show has received more than 600 entries. The market animal auction will begin at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 3 and will include 34 steers, 49 lambs and 11 pens of fryer rabbits.

Elko County 4-H Coordinator Myrna Wolfe said the county's 4-H program is growing by 10 percent a year.

### BOISE

**BOISE (AP)** - The City Council has rescinded a ban on presenting nudity to the public.

A change approved by the council 4-1 on Tuesday retains the portion of an ordinance approved last week making it illegal to appear nude or seminude in public. But removed was a section making it unlawful to manage, produce, sponsor, present or exhibit a person in the state of nudity.

The vote came after a 45-minute closed-door executive session.

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# Interior official:

## Craters expansion would not restrict public access

By Kerry Kantlin  
States News Service

WASHINGTON - The proposed expansion of the Craters of the Moon National Monument would not further restrict public use, according to a U.S. Interior Department official.

"Basically, users would have the access they have now," department spokesman Tim Ahern said. "There would not be any new restrictions."

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt's proposal went to President Clinton on Aug. 11. If Clinton approves it, 661,000 acres would be added to the 54,440-acre monument, primarily to the south of the monument.

The management would be divided between the Bureau of Land Management and the National Park Service. The park service would manage about 410,000 acres, including the newer lava flows.

The park service manages the original 54,440 acres declared a monument in 1924 by President Coolidge, said Elaine Sevy, a park service spokeswoman.

U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, said he does not oppose an expansion of the monument. However, he said he and other members of Idaho's congressional delegation are concerned that public use would be limited.

Public uses include water and grazing rights, and use of existing roads for recreation.

Neither Simpson nor any other members of Congress have any direct say in the terms of the proposed expansion, because it falls under the Antiquities Act of 1906. The act gives the president the authority to create national monuments on federal land to preserve lands of historic or scientific interest.

# Fires

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ighter died while trying to stop an arson-caused fire and it then became a serious criminal investigation," Payne said. "That's why we're offering a reward."

The arsonist was never caught, he said.

The other arson fires started Aug. 14, the release said. One was near Stanton Crossing on U.S. Highway 20. A witness reported burning a person through something out of a car window before a fire broke out.

The second fire started on the same day near East Magic, the release said.

Investigators found an ignition device at one of the fires, Payne said. If the arsonist(s) are caught, they could face criminal charges, he said.

Arsonists could also be saddled with the cost of putting out the fires, Payne said.

Besides arson, forecasts of dry lightning have officials concerned, said Randy Richter, Sawtooth National Forest fire manager. And a light rain shower Wednesday didn't help much, he said.

There was a trace of rain in Twin Falls Wednesday, and south of town there were a few hundredths of an inch, said meteorologist George Skari of the Boise National Weather Service.

"There's a chance of thunder showers today and Friday, he said.

Containment is expected today for most fires in southern Idaho, Payne said. Of the four major fires burning on BLM land, three are expected to be contained today, he said.

All fires that started on forest land have been put out, but a couple fires have since burned onto forest land, Richter said.

Fires expected to be contained by today include:

The Burley Complex Fire, about 13 miles south of Oakley, which has burned 28,503 acres, according to the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise.

The City of Rocks Fire which has burned 15,503 acres.

The West Basin Fire, about 13 miles east of Jackport, Nev., which has burned 65,000 acres.

The Goose Creek Fire, about 30 miles south of Oakley, which has burned 2,000 acres.

Times-News writer Brandon Biala can be reached in Twin Falls at 733-0931.

## KEEPING AN EYE ON THE PROJECT



Ed Bean, right, and Jim Morrison of the Idaho Transportation Department do survey work for the bridge project on Idaho Highway 25 over the K Street canal in Rupert.

# Dem lawmakers ask president to help state

LEWISTON (AP) - Idaho Democratic leaders say the party could lose more legislative seats because Republicans blame the Clinton administration for the decline of natural resource industries.

They are asking the president for federal support to clean up the damage from wildfires, rehabilitate the land and create long-term, forest-related jobs.

"These jobs might include thinning, managed cuts, streambed restoration and road rehabilitation," House Democratic Leader Wendy Jaquet and Senate Democratic Leader Clint Stennett wrote in an Aug. 10 letter to the president.

They said the administration has succeeded in finding an alternative route between the two extremes on issues.

"Creating a forest management plan that focused on forest health and uses forest products to develop value-added employment is far superior to forest management plans that are focused on private sale and profit."

Jaquet and Stennett, both of Ketchum, said Republicans have created wedge issues around the decline of the natural resource industries and blamed Clinton.

"Of the 12 seats we hold in the House, five of them are in jeopardy," they wrote. "In the Senate, we could lose one northern Idaho seat that we have held for 18 years, which will bring our numbers down to three."

Sen. Marguerite McLaughlin of Orofino is retiring after 18 years in the Senate and four years in the House. Jaquet said she and Stennett alerted Clinton to what Idaho Republicans are saying about Democratic prospects.

But she added she is confident Democrats are going to retain their 16 legislative seats and pick up some of the 89 now occupied by Republicans.

Idaho GOP Party Chairman Trent Clark earlier said Republicans could gain one to four of the six seats held by Democrats in northern Idaho. He

pointed to McLaughlin's dot and those of freshmen Democratic Reps. Shirley Ringo of Moscow, Mary Lou Shepherd of Wallace and Jerry Stoicheff of Sandpoint.

Rep. June Judd of St. Maries faces a challenge from Sen. Maries Republican Richard Harwood, who lost by 410 votes two years ago.

Jaquet and Stennett said Adams, Benewah, Clearwater and Shoshone counties are experiencing unemployment rates above 10 percent, although Idaho's overall rate is 4.4 percent.

They complained Idaho has not received the federal support for job training, property tax stabilization and other assistance given to other Northwest states because of mill closures.

Considering extending unemployment benefits might be in order in the short-run, Jaquet and Stennett wrote.

They said they have constituents who need clarification on what uses will be allowed under Clinton's roadless initiative.

"A statement from you that we will still be able to hunt and fish on these lands and do what we have been able to do would really help our campaigns and that of our presidential candidate, Vice President Al Gore."

They requested Clinton ask George Frampton, chairman of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, to create specific budget items to help make Idaho's communities whole.

# Judge orders teen to stand trial for fatal crash

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - John David Meredith Jr. looked over his shoulder, then sped away after he caused a U.S. Highway 95 crash that killed three people earlier this year, prosecutors say.

Kootenai County prosecutors allege the 18-year-old Timberlake High School senior from Athol had been weaving his pickup truck recklessly before forcing a car into oncoming traffic the night of April 25.

At a preliminary hearing Tuesday, prosecutors laid out a case against Meredith, saying his actions caused the deaths of 16-year-old Kami Durbin, her mother, Sherry Durbin, 39, and family friend Tammy Dobbs, 30, who was a passenger in the Durbins' car.

Magistrate Robert Burton concluded there is enough evidence for Meredith to stand trial.

"He saw the accident and knew he was involved," Chief Deputy Prosecutor Lansing Haynes said. "There is probable cause that he was involved in a reckless and wanton manner."

Sherry Durbin and Dobbs died at the scene. Kami Durbin, also a Timberlake High School student, died a day later at Kootenai Medical Center.

If convicted, Meredith faces up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for each count of vehicular manslaughter and up to five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine for leaving the scene of an injury accident.

# Community remembers pool victim

OROVILLE, Wash. (AP) - The death of Sara Hulphers hit hard in this close-knit border community, where she was remembered by grieving friends as "a treasure of a kid."

Hulphers, 20, died Tuesday after being scalded when she fell into a thermal pool late Monday at Yellowstone National Park, where she was employed.

George Thornton, a teacher at Oroville High School, where Hulphers graduated with honors in

1998, remembered her as "very outgoing, friendly, very accepting of others."

"She's one of the good kids, really nice, just a treasure of a kid," he said, his voice choking with emotion. "You work very hard as a teacher, and every once in a while you get a great kid, one you know will be a great person and a great parent. This is just tragic. She was a great person."

Hulphers was active in drama and worked on the annual, school secretary Joan Bergens said.

"She was just a great kid; very outgoing, happy, bubbly - a very fun student," she said.

# Elko

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said federal government officials had explained they could not negotiate the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act regarding the endangered bull trout in the Jarbridge River. He said federal officials were reluctant to compromise on the ownership of the road and suggested the county ask that the word "nonrevocable" be placed before the permanent right-of-way distinction.

Woodbury agreed with Nannini's remarks and said it was his understanding the government wouldn't give up ownership of South Canyon Road.

Lesperance disagreed, saying ownership of the road should be the only issue discussed in mediation. He said if the federal government won't agree the county owns the road, then the matter should be decided in court.

"If we win the lawsuit, we don't have to put the road back," Lesperance said. "The road would have a way of getting back on its own."

# Jail

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ing counties starting to face similar jail overcrowding problems, the idea of a regional jail has been discussed, Brockman said. The Norco building has come up as a possible site. But a regional jail probably won't get serious consideration until counties are

forced to send a significant number of Idaho inmates to other states, he said.

Moving into the Norco building would also give the sheriff's department a chance to consolidate its operations, Tousey said. His offices are now split between the jail, the Theron W. Ward

judicial Building and the Twin Falls County Courthouse. Tousey said he'd like to see his offices under one roof someday.

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# Senator observes spawning of chinook in Secesh River

BURGDORF (AP) - The water in the Secesh River roils in spots where the skies above it crackled and burned just weeks ago.

Nor far from where the now-50,000-acre Burgdorf Junction fire started north of McCall, Idaho's last surviving major run of wild summer chinook salmon are spawning in the river their ancestors navigated.

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo on Tuesday observed a spawning ritual the chinook have conducted for ages. He came to gauge what damage, if any, the fires have caused to salmon habitat, and to gather background information for new salmon hearings he has called in Washington, D.C. in September.

About 550 fish - all but 10 wild - made their way back to the Secesh River this year, said Fish and Game regional fisheries manager Don Anderson estimates they could leave as many as 250 redds, or spawning beds.

The last time the summer chinook left more than 200 redds here was 1962. Last summer, up to 100 fish created 37. The Secesh run is unique because it is the only population not extensively diluted by hatchery fish.

This year, Anderson said, more than 6,000 hatchery fish passed the mouth of the Secesh on their way up the South Fork

of the Salmon River.

The senator and others watched as a female readied her stretch of a gravel bar to deposit eggs while several males - up to four feet long - battled for position around her to release their sperm, or milt, into the water.

The smallest, a 3-year-old fish, was no match for his larger competition. But Anderson said if the young fish timed his run just right, he could fertilize some of the female's 5,000 eggs.

Each female will spend a week at her redds, closing the perfect spot on the stream bed and the perfect flow of water around it. She will move about a cubic yard of gravel.

"I figured they just came up, spread the gravel around a little bit and laid their eggs," Crapo said. When the salmon fry hatch, they can be under as much as 18 inches of gravel, and Anderson said that is the point at which nearby fires could affect the fish.

Without the forest cover, more sediment will wash into the river and that could clog the redds, cutting off oxygen to the young and even blocking their passageways out of the gravel beds.

But Anderson said he did not expect much damage from the Burgdorf fire, pointing out where the flames crossed over the river. It was hard to tell the fire had even been there.

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# Activist shells out \$42,000 for Panhandle lease



Jon Marvel

OROFINO (AP) — Jon Marvel of the Idaho Watersheds Project spent \$42,000 to remove grazing cattle from more than 16,000 acres of state land near Weippe.

"I just think it's a shame what it's going to do to the community, how a guy can come in and write a check and put families out of work. It's not what this country is about," said Russel Miles of Weippe.

"If this is so critical to their businesses, why

don't they bid like it's that important?" Marvel replied.

Marvel bid \$8,000, beating the ranchers' bid by \$500. In addition, he paid almost \$5,000 for the estimated first year of rent on the land and \$29,325 to cover costs of fencing and other improvements by the Lacey Creek Grazing Association.

The association has been grazing cattle there for decades. Rancher Christopher Clark

of Weippe said the group plans to appeal the auction to the Idaho Land Board. The ranchers already have solicited help from politicians like outgoing state Sen. Marguerite McLaughlin of Orofino.

"The thing that's sad about this is that these guys are all wondering how they're going to make a living," McLaughlin said.

"It's too bad if people don't want to bid and they want to have politicians bail them out,"

Marvel said.

The Watersheds Project was prepared to spend "a lot more" to secure the Lacey Meadows allotment, said Marvel. He submitted a one-page proposed management plan, confirming no cattle will graze there.

Auctions on five other allotments contiguous with Lacey Meadows were canceled after Marvel announced he would not bid. They totaled about 8,000 acres.



Fish are washed up on shore at Knott Creek Reservoir Aug. 13 near Denio, Nevada. The fish began dying earlier this month, due to low water.

## Fish die at Nevada trophy reservoir

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Warm water and low oxygen levels killed thousands of fish at a northern Nevada reservoir renown in the West for its trophy-size trout.

The first sign of trouble at Knott Creek Reservoir was noticed on Aug. 10 by a summer intern working with state wildlife biologists.

"Statistically, it's barren now as far as the fish go," Nevada Division of Wildlife spokesman Chris Healy said Wednesday.

At first, some area residents believed fire retardant dropped from air tankers fighting a wildfire in the region was to blame.

But biologists said the kill at the reservoir high in the Pine Forest Range was mainly a natural occurrence, brought on by above-normal temperatures, a spurt of algae growth, warm

water temperatures and low oxygen levels.

"It's just a combination of factors that lined up," Healy said.

John Doyle, a Winnemucca lawyer who has fished Knott Creek for more than 30 years, witnessed the devastation first hand.

"I was up there on the morning of the eleventh with my daughter," he said. "The total circumference of the lake was just covered with fish. It looked as if they were trying to get out of the water... almost as if they all died at once."

The last major fish kill at Knott Creek occurred in the mid to late '60s.

When full, Knott Creek Reservoir covers about 125 square acres. At the time of the kill, it was about half that size and contained approximately 1,000 acre-feet of water.

Biologists estimated 5,500 fish died over about a four-day period. Among the largest was a 28-inch, 10-pound rainbow trout.

The reservoir is located on private property, but the wildlife agency has an agreement with the ranch owner to keep a minimum 500 acre-feet of water in it to support the fishery and allow anglers to use it.

It is stocked by the wildlife division and managed as a "trophy" fishery.

"Knott Creek has always been a destination for fly fishermen throughout the West because of its reputation for lunker fish," said Matt Holford, Nevada director for the conservation group Trout Unlimited.

Denny Rickards, an avid fly fisherman in Fort Klamath, Ore., agreed.

"It's sad. It's one of those places

that's extremely picturesque," said Rickards, who noted Knott Creek in his book, "Fly Fishing the West's Best Trophy Lakes," published earlier this year.

"The fish averaged somewhere between 15 to 22 inches. A few were bigger, but that was a pretty good average."

Rickards and Holford said the kill was not surprising.

"Temperatures in the Great Basin are up. We're seeing rivers and streams dry up abnormally early," Holford said. "It's just a combination of a long, dry summer."

Healy said similar die-offs, though not as extensive, have occurred this year in other waters in the region, including Dutch John and Siard creeks in the Santa Rosa Range and Spalding Canyon Reservoir south of Winnemucca.

## Lightning claims inmates on fire line

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Two state inmates died after being struck by lightning Wednesday while fighting a fire in the Stansbury Mountains, north of Grantsville.

Six inmates were hit around 12:30 p.m. All six and their crew leader, a state forestry firefighter, were flown by helicopter to the University of Utah Medical Center, where Michael Bishop and Rodgie Braithwaite were pronounced dead at 1:25 p.m., 15 minutes after their arrival.

The crew leader was not struck, but went with his crew members because he was concerned about them, said Teresa Rigby, a spokeswoman for the Bureau of Land Management.

The names of the five were not released pending notification of their families, state Department of Corrections officials said. Further details about the dead men were not immediately available.

The six inmates were members of a prison work group that routinely battles fires, Department of Corrections spokesman Jesse Gallegos said. About 60 inmates participate in the firefighting program, nicknamed the "Flame-n-go's."

There were 20 inmates participating in this 37-person crew, which also included firefighters from the BLM and Utah National Guard.

Gallegos said he did not know if this was the first time an inmate from the work group had been killed while fighting fires.

"These guys literally put in thousand of hours every summer fighting fires," he said. "This was just one of their firefighting sites."

Rigby said a fire investigation crew from Idaho was on its way to Utah to investigate the deaths.

There is no record of any previous deaths by lightning among firefighters in Utah since 1950, according to the National Weather Service.

The firefighters who survived were being evaluated but did not appear to have life-threatening injuries, said hospital spokesman John Dwan. He said three might be released after their evaluations.

Rigby said the men seem to have done everything right as they became aware of the approaching storm.

"As it approached, it appears they were taking appropriate action, moving down lower to get off of the high ridge tops," she said.

"They were trying their best, but the lightning storm did move in rather quickly and just kind of overtook them."

This year, the need for firefighters has surged in Utah, as 1,477 fires burned 230,167 acres through Wednesday morning, according to the National Interagency Fire Center. Fire officials across the West are predicting the worst season in decades.

The fire in the Stansbury Mountains began on Saturday and had burned about 250 acres through Wednesday. Fire officials say the fire was about 75 percent contained despite small flare-ups. Steep rocky terrain and poor access continued to be a major concern.

## Idaho inmate with violent history injures two guards

BOISE (AP) — An inmate with a history of prison violence attacked two guards Wednesday at the Idaho Maximum Security Institution, leaving both hospitalized with cuts.

Department of Correction spokesman Mark Carnopis said Todd D. Jackson was in stable condition after undergoing surgery at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center for cuts to his face and neck.

Kelly W. Hansen suffered a broken nose and cuts and was being kept at the hospital overnight for observation.

Carnopis said it was unclear which weapon was used in the attack.

Benjamin Martin Hatton, 20, a Florida native serving five to 15

years for a 1996 robbery conviction in Ada County, was placed in isolation after allegedly attacking the men shortly after 1:30 p.m. in a Block's day room, an open area outside the tier of cells.

Carnopis said Hatton was involved in a riot at the Idaho Correctional Institution-Orofino in the summer of 1997 that resulted in an additional five-year concurrent prison sentence.

Another concurrent five- to 12-year sentence was added for each of two counts of aggravated battery with which Hatton was charged for attacking another guard in 1998, Carnopis said.

All 605 inmates at the prison south of Boise were locked in their cells while the investigation continued.

## Governors will gather in Boise

BOISE (AP) — Idaho's capital city has been selected as the site of the National Governors' Association's 94th annual summer meeting in 2002, providing Gov. Dirk Kempthorne called "a significant opportunity for us."

The meeting will be held July 13-16, 2002, at the Boise Centre on the Grove convention center downtown.

It is expected to attract up to 1,800 people, including government officials and media representatives, and promises to result in a multimillion-dollar windfall for southwestern Idaho businesses.

Kempthorne said that combined with the Western Governors' Association meeting in Coeur d'Alene in August 2001 and the 2002 Winter Olympics in Utah, "The rest of the world is going to become very familiar with Idaho."

The governor said in the coming months he would be assembling an army of volunteers to help coordinate what he vowed would be a world-class event.

Boise hosted the National Governors' Association conference once before, in 1985. Since then the city's downtown has been completely renovated, and the area continues to grow rapidly.

The association represents the governors of the 50 states, the commonwealths of the Northern Mariana Islands and Puerto Rico and the territories of American Samoa, Guam and the Virgin Islands. Its 2000 summer meeting was held in State College, Pa., and the 2001 session will be in Providence, R.I.

## Drug tests come for Kuna school officials

KUNA (AP) — The school district will be the first in the state to conduct random drug testing of its administrators.

Kuna Superintendent Doug Rutan and Ada County Sheriff Vaughn Killeen on Tuesday announced the 20 top staff members from the six schools in the district will be subject to random testing as classes begin this fall.

That includes the superintendent, principals, vice principals, supervisors and coordinators of departments such as transportation and food service.

Bus drivers already are mandated by federal law to be tested. Two dozen of the 113 school districts in Idaho perform drug testing

on students involved in athletics and other extracurricular activities.

Killeen said Kuna is the first in Idaho to submit its administrators to the same evaluations.

All new employees will also be tested before they start working. If someone tests positive for drugs, the district can either terminate them or point them toward treatment, Rutan said.

Mike Fritzen, executive director of the Idaho Association of School Administrators, supports the new policy and said drug testing is common in private industry.

"It's an issue of health and safety," said Fritzen. "And when dis-

tricts are promoting their schools as drug-free environments, they have to be totally drug-free."

"If we are going to be good leaders for our kids, we need to set an example," Rutan said.

"I've talked to every single one of my staff and they unanimously support it."

Killeen said one-half of all industrial accidents that result in death or serious injury arise from drug use at work.

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# Yellowstone workers thought pool was cool water

**YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP)** — Three young park concession employees on a late-evening outing jumped into a 178-degree hot spring, thinking it was an ordinary coldwater pond, a doctor said. One died and two were in critical condition Wednesday.

The three were burned late Monday in the Cavern Spring, a 10-foot-deep pool in the Lower Geyser Basin, seven miles north of Old Faithful in the middle of Yellowstone National Park.

They were returning from a swim in the Firehole River when friends heard their cries, park spokeswoman Cheryl Matthews said.

"These three teen-agers jumped into the pool thinking it was cold water and got quite a shock," Dr. Jeff Saffle, treating the survivors at Salt Lake City hospital, said Wednesday.

Yellowstone's thermal pools are often surrounded by thin, fragile crusts. Numerous warning signs are posted. Visitors to the Lower Geyser Basin are urged to stay on a half-mile boardwalk over the treacherous



Cavern Spring in Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming is shown in this photo, date unknown. A park concession employee was killed and two others were critically injured after falling into the 178-degree hot spring Monday.

terrain. Sara Hulphers, 20, of Oroville, Wash., was burned over her entire body and died a few hours later at the University of

Utah's Intermountain Burn and Trauma Center in Salt Lake City. Tyler Montague, 18, of Salt Lake City and Lance Buchi, 18,

of Sandy, Utah, were in critical condition. Saffle said Montague and Buchi were in shock and barely coherent after being rescued

but told doctors that they dove into the pool on purpose. He estimated their chances of survival at 30 percent to 40 percent.

"It is way too early for us to be optimistic," Saffle said.

Rangers don't think alcohol was a factor, park officials said. Matthews said such accidents are infrequent. In 1998, a man fell into a thermal pool and suffered second-degree burns.

In Oroville, in north-central Washington, high school teacher George Thornton remembered Hulphers as "very outgoing, friendly, very accepting of others."

"She's one of the good kids, really neat, just a treasure of a kid," he said, his voice choking. "You work very hard as a teacher, and every once in a while you get a great kid, one you know will be a great person and a great parent. This is just tragic. She was a great person."

The three teens worked in the Old Faithful area, Hulphers and Buchi in the Old Faithful Inn and Montague at the Old Faithful Lodge.

# Attendance drop forces school delay

**PHOENIX (AP)** — Polygamous religious families ordered by their church to home school their children have caused schools in Colorado City, Ariz., to delay the fall semester by a week for fear of low student turnout.

Public schools in the town on the Arizona-Utah line were scheduled to start school last Tuesday. The first day of school has now been pushed back until Monday as the school tries to address the lack of students and teachers.

More than 1,000 students attended schools in Colorado City last year. School officials estimate that 450 to 500 students will attend next week when classes begin, said Mike File, Mohave County's school superintendent in Kingman.

"There have been a number of community meetings and discussion about what to do next," File said.

# Mother says she had nowhere to turn

**SEATTLE (AP)** — Depression was the reason that a mother left her 4-year-old disabled son at a grocery store.

"I love my children deeply," Susanne McCarty said in a prepared statement Wednesday. "I have everything of mine invested in them. I simply had nothing left to give and nowhere to turn."

McCarty said she had hoped her adopted son, Avery, would continue getting the care she could no longer give. She said abandoning him in a shopping cart in a Calgary, Alberta, grocery store on Aug. 8 was the only option she could think of.

"A unique set of circumstances that left me deeply depressed led to my abandoning my son," she said. "It seemed the only thing I could think of at the time to assume that he continued getting the good care I always gave him before that, but I simply could not maintain."

She met with two Washington Department of Social and Health Services social workers Tuesday in Clallam County, said Steve

Williams, department spokesman. He would not disclose what happened in the two hours they met, except that she will continue to be in regular contact.

"Her conversation was private, and that privacy will be respected," Williams said.

Authorities started looking for McCarty after they found Avery with a plastic backpack and a note saying his mother loved him but could no longer care for him.

The boy has a rare genetic condition that causes a form of dwarfism.

On Sunday, McCarty, a 46-year-old nurse who lives in the Beaver area near Forks, voluntarily met with police in Victoria, British Columbia. She contacted a state caseworker in Port Angeles on Tuesday.

In her statement Wednesday, she pleaded for the public to give her time to let her work things out with the authorities.

"I am in daily contact with my daughter and the authorities, and I will meet all my responsi-

bilities," she said. "My family has a lot of healing to do, and it is very difficult to do this when everyone is watching and drawing conclusions."

The boy remained with a foster family in Calgary but Canadian officials plan to return him to the United States,

Williams said.

On Tuesday state officials filed a request for authority to place the boy in a foster home while the investigation continues. A Clallam County family court judge is expected to schedule a hearing on the matter soon, Williams said.

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FEATURES

# The King of Diamonds holds an ax

Ask the card player in your family which of the kings doesn't hold a sword. No, look again. The King of Diamonds holds an ax.

Those Irish who take large personal pride in their ancestry should know this: The 69th Regiment of the New York National Guard, mostly Irish, shipped out to France in World War I with 3,500 men, and was ever replenished with replacements. It suffered 3,501 casualties.

All volcanoes spew sulfur.

In Great Britain, if the name of the place ends in "by," you can figure it came down from the Vikings. "By" is the common Scandinavian word for village. That's why "by-laws" are so called, too. "Town-laws."

Yes, if you odds are it will hold back. Or so says a wily authority on the animal family Canidae.

After setting the broken bone, the doctor puts on the cast. That's the tricky part. It can't be too tight. That can cause nerve damage. The too-tight cast is said to be a leading cause of malpractice suits.

Q. Didn't you say Lynch's Law reads: "Never let go of what you hold until you've got hold of something else?"

A. No, I did not. That's the First Law of Wing-Walking. Lynch's Law reads: "When the going gets tough, everybody leaves."

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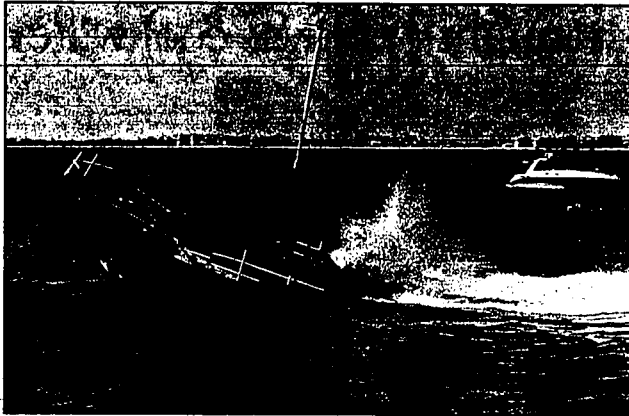
Q. Railroaders know George Pullman brought out the first sleeping car. But who designed the first dining car?

A. Likewise Pullman. Credit him for the first parlor car, too. For awhile there he had a lock on train comforts.

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WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd



The former Golden Venture sinks below the Atlantic to make an artificial reef off Boca Raton, Fla., on Tuesday. The 147-foot coastal freighter was used to smuggle nearly 300 Chinese refugees from Taiwan to New York in 1993. When the boat grounded off Queens, 10 of the refugees jumped onboard and died.

# Refugee ship becomes reef

BOCA RATON, Fla. (AP) — The elegant setting belies its tragic history, the former Golden Venture was sent to the bottom of the ocean to form an artificial reef.

The ship, which grounded off Rockaway Beach, N.Y., in 1993 while carrying a cargo of Chinese immigrants, sank in 20 minutes Tuesday after holes drilled into its hull filled with water.

A crowd of boaters idling nearby cheered and horns blew as the 147-foot-long ship's stern tilted back into the Atlantic Ocean then slid slowly into the water, leaving behind a wake of foam and a small oil slick.

"Wasn't that cool?" said Palm Beach County environmental analyst Janet Phipps, who donned wet suits and scuba gear and swam 70 feet below to check the new artificial reef's position.

"It's beautiful. It's sitting perfectly upright in the sand," diver Tom Leyrer said after he resurfaced. "There were parrot fish checking out the bow. It's really going to be a good dive site."

The county paid \$60,000 for the aging rust-colored ship, renamed the United Caribbean, after its owner couldn't find another buyer because the vessel needed too many repairs.

As the Golden Venture, the ship carried about 290 Chinese immigrants who paid up to \$30,000 each to be secreted away under a tarp in the cramped belly of the freighter. Passengers were forced to live on a diet of rice, dirty water and spoiled food as the ship sailed from Kenya to New York.

The vessel ran aground on a sandbar on June 6, 1993, after a four-month voyage. Ten people died trying to swim to shore.

The judge ruled the added weight had not caused Hallstrom to be "substantially impaired in any major life function or activity."

Gutman dismissed Hallstrom's age and sex discrimination claims, saying the show employed a model 10 years older than her and noting all the show's models are women.

His lawsuit is scheduled for trial Sept. 22.

Holly Hallstrom filed a countersuit, claiming she was fired unjustly after 19 years on TV's longest-running game show.

"After full consideration of the evidence ... the court finds there is no triable issue of material fact in this action," Superior Court Judge Paul Gutman ruled Tuesday.

# Immigration nearly deports chess master

New York Daily News

NEW YORK — For chess whiz Ricky Chris Ramoutar, it was the opportunity of a lifetime: a trip to Moscow to represent the United States in a youth chess tournament. But that journey two years ago ran afoul of U.S. immigration laws and nearly got the Bronx teen deported to his native Trinidad.

Ricky's deportation troubles began in 1998, the year that he and his teammates from Middle School 118 — the All-Star Knights — were national middle-school chess champs. They represented the U.S. in a 25-nation tournament that brought together the world's best young chess players at the World Youth Games in Russia.

Ricky had an Immigration and Naturalization Service-approved parole to make the trip, but his application for a green card is still pending. U.S. immigration law prohibits applicants from leaving the country until their status is determined, and that apparently is why he was threatened with deportation earlier this week.

However, an immigration judge has dropped the whole thing, allowing the shy 16-year-old to snop out of a depressed state and resume playing what classes to take this fall and what color to dye his hair next.

His lawyer, Robert Murtha,

seemed baffled by the proceeding. "At this point, we want to find out what happened," he said. "Because something went wrong."

The teen has lived in the Bronx since age 4, when he came to the United States with his parents, brother and sister on a tourist visa. The St. Raymond's Catholic School junior doesn't remember much about Trinidad and prefers techno music to calypso.

Hoping for better opportunities, Ricky's father, Barmint Ramoutar, 43, didn't return the family to Trinidad, allowing his wife to expire. He found work as a welder and later divorced Ricky's mother. He married an American citizen, Sharon Price, in 1997. Price then petitioned the INS for green cards for the father and sons, which are still pending.

"Chess gave me something to do when I had nothing to do," said Ricky, who sports a blotch of red dye in his hair. "It has helped me to experience more things."

Martley Kaplan, executive director of Chess-in-the-Schools, a program that promotes chess as an academic tool in inner-city schools, has developed a close relationship with Ricky.

"Chess gave me something to do when I had nothing to do," said Ricky, who sports a blotch of red dye in his hair. "It has helped me to experience more things."

# Rap music award show ends when audience gets violent

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — An awards show honoring the best in rap music had to be cut short when a fight broke out in the audience and scores of people tried to rush the stage.

When police tried to quell the disturbance Tuesday night at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium, several in the audience turned on them and began pelting officers with bottles and compact discs.

One was arrested and no one was reported hurt. The second annual The Source Hip-Hop Awards Show was being

taped for broadcast on UPN next week, but network officials said the fate of that broadcast is now in doubt.

Last year's awards show produced the highest ratings the network had ever drawn for a Friday night. That show also ranked No. 1 in New York and Miami and No. 1 among teenage viewers, the network said.

Among those who were honored at this year's show were Dr. Dre and Ice Cube, who received lifetime achievement awards. The show was sponsored by The Source magazine.

# Judge dismisses 'Price is Right' suit

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A judge says there's insufficient evidence to prove discrimination claims by a former "Price is Right" model who sued Bob Barker and the show's producers.

Barker sued Holly Hallstrom after she left the show in 1995, denying claims she made to the media that she was fired because she had gained too much weight.

His lawsuit is scheduled for trial Sept. 22.

Holly Hallstrom filed a countersuit, claiming she was fired unjustly after 19 years on TV's longest-running game show.

"After full consideration of the evidence ... the court finds there is no triable issue of material fact in this action," Superior Court Judge Paul Gutman ruled Tuesday.

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21. Variable resistors

22. Band together

23. Scott hero

26. Masquerade costumes

28. Classified

29. Jazz style

30. Lumina company

31. "Presumed Innocent" writer

32. Cass

35. Live on

36. Roly or Ely

39. Scoundrel

40. Shermans and purgore

41. Location of Vietnam

43. Dangles

44. Strive toward

45. As a group

46. Moje

49. Wounding blow

50. New Zealand

51. Polytechnic

52. Log point

53. Bow over

54. Yikes!

58. Narrative

59. Language of Pakistan

60. Started the fire

61. Blow over

62. Caspian fodor

63. Viscous

**DOWN**

1. Bid

2. Sneaky pile

3. Humbug!

4. Greek-Italian

5. Location of Vietnam

6. Sinks to

7. Strive toward

8. As a group

9. Wounding blow

10. Hero for folios

11. French actor

12. Arise at

13. Turf place

14. Division

15. Caspian fodor

16. Bowshaped

17. Cheat

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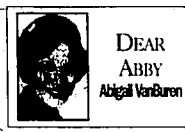
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Transsexuals want to be seen as people

DEAR ABBY: I have recently "come out" to my family for who I really am - a transsexual. I have felt this way as long as I can remember. At 26, I could no longer hide myself and, after seeing a therapist, I have begun the process of changing my gender. Some members of my family support me. However, my father and grandparents are staunchly against this. They say they will not accept it because to do so would be to admit that God makes mistakes.



DEAR ABBY: The usual gender transition involves a period of psychotherapy to consider all of the ramifications, followed by hormonal therapy, and then living full-time in the new gender for at least a year before seeking sexual reassignment surgery. This is not an easy process for the transsexual person, nor for the family.

"I think that God makes mistakes. God made me this way, and I must deal with it in the way that makes me happiest. Since I have come out, I have been happier than I have ever been, and I plan to finish my transition over the next few years." Every move I have made on this journey has been conservative of these around me, changing gradually rather than shocking them by completely altering my appearance overnight. Could you please help me educate my family and others who know so little about what the transgendered community goes through? We struggle to lead normal lives and try to be productive in society. We are teachers, lawyers, doctors and office workers. As few as we are, we are not mistakes as my father claims. Still, we face prejudice on a daily basis.

I would urge any family in this situation to contact PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays). They have many resources available for transgendered people and their families. Their mailing address is: PFLAG, 1726 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036 and the Web address is www.pflag.org.

We need our families to stand behind us as we make our way through this challenging journey. Please, Abby, help educate people to see that we are just like them.

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Taurus: Moon position is good; don't be discouraged

IF AUGUST 24 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are sensitive to sound, have unusual voice. Taurus, Libra, Scorpio persons play unusual roles in your life - could have these letters, initials in names: F, O, X. During September, play waiting game. It is a time for promotion, direction, fulfillment of intense love relationship. In November you make fresh start, will exercise greater degree of independence.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Restrain relative who wants you to live a different kind of life. As gentle as possible, but say, "Thanks, but no thanks." Capricorn plays top role.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Finish what was started. Don't be discouraged by naysayers. Moon position highlights income potential, ability to locate lost article.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Cycle high, make fresh start in new direction. Individual who broke promise feels guilty and will make up for it. Be ready for a different kind love.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your kind of day. Focus on home, family, sale or purchase of property. Follow your intuitive instinct as target. Another Cancer native wants you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Focus on ability to win friends and influence people. You might be thinking, "Everything is going my way." Gemini, Sagittarius persons will play dramatic roles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Display strength, talent, creativity. Those who were against you will do an about-face. You could

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become "unsettled kid." Taurus. Leo individuals play featured roles.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): People say, "You can't be figured out." Read and write, teach and learn. You exude sex appeal. Don't break too many hearts. Answer to question found in fascinating book.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Check invoices. Be positive there is no computer error. Individual who makes fantastic claims wishes you no good. Domestic adjustment could include change of marital status.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Define terms. See people as they are and not merely as you wish they could be. Someone tries to tell something. Be aware, alert and a good listener.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You could be on precipice of fame, fortune. Pursue active, concealed notions. Create your own policy and follow it. Aries, Libra individuals want you to succeed.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You deserve second chance. You will get it and win. Spotlight on initiative, original thinking. Imprint style. Wear colors with gold in them. Leo figures prominently.

Woody Allen and Soon-Yi adopt baby girl

NEW YORK (AP) - It's another girl for Woody Allen and Soon-Yi Previn.

The 64-year-old filmmaker and his 29-year-old wife have adopted a second daughter, a spokeswoman for Allen confirmed Wednesday.

The Daily News, quoting unidentified friends of Allen's, said the baby was born in Texas about six months ago and arrived at Allen's Upper East Side town house shortly afterward.

The couple's first daughter, Bethet, was adopted last year and is named after Allen's idol, jazz clarinetist Sidney Bechet. The new baby is named Mizzie Bethet Allen after Mizzie Johnson, drummer with Bechet's band, and Lorenzo Tio, the musical pioneer who taught Bechet how to play.

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## Wildfires menace our society far more today

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - People didn't always fight the wildfires that sprang up in the West. At one time, fire was viewed as a friend.

One hundred years ago, fire was seen as an effective tool for clearing the floor of the forest, and increasing food for sheep and cattle.

"The last herder coming out of the mountains would set a fire to ensure good forage the next year," said Leon Neuschwander, a fire ecologist at the University of Idaho.

But ever since the great fires of 1910, fire has been treated as the enemy and attacked with military-style assaults.

"Many critics point to the huge fires burning across the West now as a legacy of the Forest Service's war on wildfire."

"They contend aggressive firefighting has so changed the nation's forests they no longer resemble the sylvan landscapes of the 1800s."

"People have been trained to hate fire," said Mark Peterson of The Lands Council, a Spokane-based environmental group. "But fire is to our ecosystem what rain is to a tropical rain forest."

Now dead wood and other fuel is piled up on the floor of many forests. And forests that are once had 30 big trees per acre are crowded with 10 times that many, Neuschwander said.

At the same time, decades of logging have left the forests crisscrossed with roads, inviting more people to venture deep into the woods, where some will spark fires.

"The result can be catastrophic wildfires that barely resemble the

forest fires of the past, Neuschwander said.

Flames that once stayed close to the ground in the meadows between trees now dance across the tops of the densely packed forests, turning the trees into giant torches.

"That's a fire almost impossible to fight," Neuschwander said. "The flames are 90 feet tall instead of 3 feet tall."

"The fires we have now are hot, real hot, and resemble nothing of what the fires of 1910 would have looked like," he said. "In the forest primeval, natural wildfires burned brush off the forest floor and opened the pine cones that seeded new trees. Indians used to set fires to speed this work. After wildfires arrived, forests were thinned by timber companies and by ranchers."

Then came the fires of Aug. 20-21, 1910, that roared through the Bitterroot Mountains of Montana and Idaho.

Known as The Big Blowup, those fires burned an estimated 3 million acres, killed 85 people and incinerated entire towns. The nation was so shocked that Congress for the first time appropriated money to fight forest fires.

Federal and state governments created well-trained, standing armies of firefighters, who were given orders to extinguish every fire by 10 a.m. the morning after it was reported, Neuschwander said.

To accomplish that, the nation built roads and telephone lines into the forests, set up fire-look-out towers, and built campgrounds to concentrate tourists rather than having them spread out, he said.

length and intensity. Despite efforts by U.S. firefighting forces and help from the military as well as other countries such as Canada and Australia, as of Monday, 5.7 million acres had burned throughout the nation this year, more than double the 10-year average.

"We have an extremely modern, well-trained, well-equipped work force... excellent engines, great fire-retardant chemicals, and good tools - and we still have large-scale fires across the Western United States that we are unable to contain," said Ron Dunton, fire program manager for the Bureau of Land Management, which oversees 264 million acres

# Montana closes more recreation lands

HELENA, Mont. (AP) - Montana Gov. Marc Racicot declared more of his state off-limits to recreation because of extreme fire hazard Wednesday. His new proclamation means 19.6 million acres of Big Sky mountains and plains are closed.

That is about 31,250 square miles, an area roughly the size of Maine.

In Idaho, meanwhile, a United Service Organization troupe including three former beauty pageant winners to visit crews fighting the 171,500-acre Clear Creek fire.

The USO was formed in 1940 to entertain troops, but "at the fire camps, we're not going to separate the soldiers from the civilian firefighters," said Army Maj. LeAnn Swieczkowski, the

military liaison at the Interagency Fire Center.

Former Miss Maine Victoria Reed, Miss New Jersey Stephanie Ferrari and Miss Arkansas Erin Wheatley recently performed for U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf, and brought their own sound equipment to work from a makeshift stage on a flatbed truck.

Even though firefighters likely will be exhausted, Swieczkowski said they need the morale boost.

"It's something they'll remember for the rest of their lives." As the Montana governor spoke, 27 large fires were burning on nearly 630,000 acres in the state. Montana encompasses 93 million acres. His new order banned hiking, camping, hunting and fishing on public land in

western Montana and parts of central and southern Montana during the height of the summer tourist season.

Some exceptions were written in for specific recreation areas. And Glacier National Park, one of the state's top draws, is not affected, although it has special fire-prevention policies in effect for visitors, said spokeswoman Amy Vanderbilt.

More than 5.73 million acres have burned across the United States so far this year - an area about the size of New Hampshire - in what has been called the worst fire season in a half-century. The National Interagency Fire Center said 79 large fires are now burning, almost all in the West, and covering more than 1.4 million acres.

The worst fires are in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming.

They included a volatile blaze that has burned at least 75,000 acres near Townsend. That fire on Tuesday shut down two major power lines to the Pacific Northwest and closed U.S. 12.

Both highway and power lines were back in service Wednesday, with motorists being guided through the smoke on the highway in escorted convoys. Sawyers continued to remove trees and other growth from the area of the 500-kilovolt lines, in hopes of safeguarding them.

The big fires in western Montana - including the more than 274,000 acres of fire around Montana's Bitterroot Valley - were relatively calm.

# Firefighters fight their own war against blazes

By Guy Lewis  
The Washington Post

Fighting forest fires is like fighting a war. I know. I've been doing it for 26 years, most of my adult life. On the front lines, professional firefighters from government agencies - sometimes helped by local residents, prison inmates, military personnel, and, increasingly, private contractors - battle the blaze, felling trees, clearing brush and moving dirt to create firebreaks. Smokejumpers - firefighting's adrenaline junkies - dive out of airplanes to land in otherwise inaccessible areas. Helicopters and airplanes - often converted military aircraft - dump water and fire-retardant chemicals. This extreme fire season, the battlefield is particularly huge. About 30,000 firefighters are battling nearly 90 blazes that have affected about 1 million acres in 13 Western and Southern states. Almost 5 million acres have burned this year.

Behind the scenes, in offices like the National Interagency Coordination Center, part of the National Interagency Fire Center here, dozens of men and women - many veterans of the fire lines - oversee these frontline efforts. They sit at computers in a large room divided into pods by low cubicle walls (it could almost be an insurance agency or a Gen. room), managing and coordinating the assignments of fire crews and equipment. Quiet but intent, they arrange transportation, track the use and maintenance of trucks, bulldozers, airplanes and helicopters, and collect the data needed by fire crews on the ground.

That's what I've been doing for the past week, working from noon till after 3 or 4 in the morning, a schedule that fits havoc with my circadian rhythms.

Two weeks ago, I was in Globe, Ariz. During an average fire season, I can expect to spend a month away from my home in Yreka, Calif. Last year I was away for two months. It might be even longer this year.

Despite all that traveling, I don't get out on the fire line as much as I used to. To be honest, I miss it. When I was younger - I'm pushing 50 now - I would have gone nuts if I wasn't in on the action. It's still difficult to stay behind a desk. The fire pulls me, even though I've found satisfaction in the behind-the-scenes work.

My job in Boise - I've been there since Aug. 11 - involves training to become a coordinator



Firefighters work a fire break while fighting the Beaver Creek Fire in the Cabin Creek Wildlife Management Area, south of Big Sky, Mont., on Tuesday.

of the National Infrared Imagery Program. I've worked as an interpreter of infrared data since the Yellowstone fires of 1988, but this is my first time as a coordinator.

As in any war, up-to-date intelligence is essential, and infrared scanning is one of firefighting's most powerful tools. We schedule nighttime flights of two Beech King Air planes. Flying at 8,000 to 10,000 feet, the planes cruise back and forth, taking infrared images of the forest and the fire in overlapping parallel strips. A 100,000-acre fire might take an hour of flight time, and as many as 10 passes, while a 500-acre fire might take just one. The output, like a photograph, shows features of the terrain - ridges, valleys, streams and rivers - as well as the fire's heat signature.

This data is delivered to interpreters on the ground, who analyze it and transfer it to the maps the fire teams use. The overall objective is to get the information to the managers of the firefighting crews, who need to know where the fire is - and where it's likely to go - so they can decide how to fight it.

It's not the kind of work I came up in the Forest Service doing. I began in the Oregon woods in 1974, planting trees as a contract employee and then working as a seasonal firefighter until I got a permanent job four years later. I didn't really know what I was get-

ting into, but as soon as I started, I knew firefighting was what I wanted to do. I loved the thrill of it, the chaos, the working in uncertainty. It was physically and intellectually challenging.

I've rappelled out of helicopters, shoveled dirt as a grunt on the fire line and commanded fire crews. Now, as district fire management officer, I run the fire operations in my district: firefighting and fire prevention as well as fuels management - "underburning" - in natural areas.

Underburning is part of what we call restoration ecology; setting fires to mimic what nature does - creating opportunities for decay and renewal - and other practices designed to encourage sound forest growth. Years ago, we used to set fires to destroy the remnants of timber harvests.

Destroying the debris was an essential part of fire prevention. We still do that in some areas, but restoration ecology has become an increasingly important part of our fire program.

In extreme seasons like this one, where there are lots of fires all over the West, we have to make the most of our resources. A lot of what I do here involves the challenge of getting the crews on the fire line what they need. If they don't get it, we hear about it.

The Forest Service has only two planes equipped with infrared mapping devices. With

as many fires as we have now, we have to prioritize, working with others in the 11 coordination centers across the country to make decisions based on factors beside the intensity of the fire. When I was in Arizona, for example, there was a major fire that did not get infrared scanning because of cloud cover and thunderstorms, equipment problems and other higher-priority fires in Montana and Idaho.

Once we decide what fires to cover, we schedule planes over as wide an area as possible. One night last week, a plane left Rapid City, S.D., at about 7 p.m. to fly two and a half hours to central Idaho. The pilot and infrared engineer (a technician in the back of the plane who monitors the scanned image and adjusts it to provide the best contrast) flew over three fires.

They were scheduled to land in Salmon to deliver the images, but there was too much smoke. Instead they flew to Challis. After the plane left Challis, it had five more fires to fly over. As I was leaving work at 3:15 a.m., they had just taken off from their last stop in McCall, and were coming in to Boise.

Lewis works for the U.S. Forest Service as a district fire management officer in the Scott River Ranger Station in the Klamath National Forest of Oregon and California.

# Outlook worsens as fires continue their march across the West

Chicago Tribune

BOISE - As wildfires rage across the West and the height of the fire season in California gets under way, officials are issuing a sober warning: The worst may be yet to come.

"We have very, very high potential for large fires, unless we get some major rains," said Mike Barry, intelligence coordinator with the U.S. Forest Service in Redding, Calif., speaking of the situation across that state. And meteorologists say no relief is in sight for the next 30 to 60 days.

The timber states of Oregon and Washington are also entering the apex of their fire seasons with forces on high alert and drier-than-usual conditions in some areas.

Because California forests are so dry, the thunderstorms that typically come this time of year could ignite a crisis if they are accompanied by scarce rain, high winds and lightning strikes, Barry said.

That would magnify the dangers of a fire season that officials are calling "unprecedented" in its

of federal lands, mostly in the West.


Fire officials have had to set priorities: protect people first; try to contain fires before they get out of

hand second; help save communities (not only homes but also workplaces) third; and then let the rest burn, especially if the fire is in the back country and not an

immediate danger.

"There are fires we just won't be able to get to," said Howard Parman, a Bureau of Land Management spokesman.

By the end of this week, two more military battalions are expected to fly into Montana and Idaho, bringing another 1,000 firefighters to the front lines.

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## Slapping bugs on Manitoba's mosquito coast

Somehow, you forget how bad the mosquitoes can be. We had chosen our camp specifically because we thought it would offer us some relief from the mosquitoes. Already, on this seven-day canoe trip through the Manitoba bush, we had suffered several onslaughts from the blood-sucking little vermin.

This site, we had hoped, would be different. We were probably 30 feet above water level on a bald rock, our tents pitched just back on the fringes of the jackpine. A good breeze had blown from the west all afternoon.

But, no. That wasn't enough to deter this late-summer crop of skeets. You know the kind. They're the fast little ones that drill first and ask questions later.

I am not talking about the mosquitoes being something of a nuisance. I'm talking about a wholesale feeding frenzy. Stand in one place for a few seconds, and you might have a dozen drilling you simultaneously on the hands, ears, cheeks, neck and ears.

The four of us were not naive about the bugs.

We had come with bottles labeled "Maxi-DEET" and with net bug jackets designed to hold the hungry creatures at bay.

Not that we like to use either. We're all a little cautious about using the DEET-laced repellents, DEET being the active ingredient that disrupts mosquitoes but may also be harmful to the health of humans.

The bug jackets are effective, but they also create a microclimate around your head and torso that's something like a Finnish sauna.

At 8 p.m., when the clouds moved in and the humidity rose, the mosquitoes called out reinforcements. We had no choice. We retreated to the tents. Inevitably, several mosquitoes came in with us.

We dispatched them as soon as the mosquito netting was zipped shut. Problem was, it was only 7:30 p.m. Nature being nature and human bodies having their limitations, my tent partner and I knew we would have to go outside at least once before dawn. We chose to make the move about 10 p.m., after lying in the tent talking for two and a half hours.

Unbelievable. I have not traveled in the Arctic during summer, but I have heard tales of unbelievable mosquito infestations. They could not be much worse than that greeted us as we left the tent that night. Hundreds of mosquitoes had been hovering under the rain fly of our tent, and now they besieged us as we exited.

Mosquitoes must have some special frequency that alerts other mosquitoes when they have found a blood-blotting prey. Look and what we had to do: then, arms flailing as we ran, we retreated to the tent, zipped in and almost melted the zippers getting the netting shut again.

That's when the war started. Being a predator, I took and a trip journal, the two of us swatted, slapped, mashed, pulverized, squeezed and thumped mosquitoes for at least 15 minutes. It was a bloodbath.

More often than not, if we swiped a mosquito against the amber nylon fabric of the tent, it would leave behind a streak of blood, indicating the insect had already acquired its requisite blood meal. How could so many of these mosquitoes already have feasted upon us?

When it was over, when we could cast the beams of our headlamps around the tent without seeing anything flying, the walls of the tent looked like something out of a horror film.

Satisfied finally, we doused our lights and lay back on our bags. We lay there for a couple of minutes, bare arms exposed, assessing our success.

The only mosquitoes left in the tent were crumpled carcasses lying on our clothes, in our hair, in our sleeping bags. We were alone.

From outside the tent came a high-pitched drone. Thousands and thousands of mosquitoes, wanting us.

We would deal with them in the morning.

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# Feathered haven



Kent Fothergill of Buhl keeps an eye on shorebirds visiting the Hagerman Wildlife Management Area.

A.S. NOKKENTVED/The Times-News

## Many unusual species flock to Hagerman Wildlife Management Area

By N.S. Nokkentved  
Times-News writer

HAGERMAN - The setting sun bur-nished the trees, reeds and birds in marshes south of town on a recent evening. A flight of about a dozen white faced ibis, their long legs stretched out behind and distinctive long beaks in front, glided down to land on the mud.

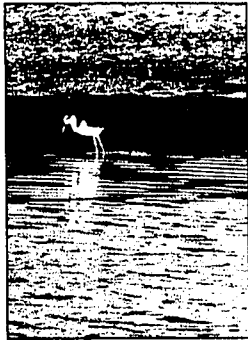
The elegant birds, with iridescent green and purple on their wings, moved along the water's edge. Their long beaks probed the mud for benthic invertebrates - scientist talk for bugs that live in the mud. "This is fluke," said Kent Fothergill, a Buhl resident who belongs to the Prairie Falcon chapter of the National Audubon Society. "Normally you'd have to go to American Falls to see so many shorebirds."

For anyone interested in bird watching, the marshes and ponds of the Hagerman Wildlife Management Area are some of the best places in Idaho, Fothergill said.

Birdwatching at the Hagerman WMA is always good, but this summer has brought an unexpected bonus. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game drained some of the ponds, exposing large mudflats that have become a magnet for shore birds. The ponds were drained to allow repairs on dikes, bridges and water-control structures. Construction will limit public access in some areas, which will be posted.

Meanwhile, bird watchers can spot some truly infrequent visitors to the Magic Valley. Some of the migrant birds spend their summers in the Arctic and then winter at the southern tip of South America. They often pass through Idaho, but their numbers and variety are limited in other years.

"This is your shot if you want to see them in Idaho," Fothergill said. He pointed out a great egret, several long-billed dowitchers with improbably long, straight beaks, and a pair of graceful black-necked stilts - with their trademark long red legs. A small flock of western



Left, a black-necked stilt probes the mud for bugs. Right, a flight of white-faced ibis sets down on the flats created when ponds were drained to repair the area's dikes.



### Being there

Take U.S. Highway 30 west from Buhl, cross the Snake River and turn right at the sign marking the Hagerman Wildlife Management Area. Turn left into a dirt parking area at the Riley Creek Pond. Bring comfortable walking shoes, binoculars and a good field guide for birds.

sandpipers scurried nervously along the water's edge.

On any given day, the Hagerman WMA offers great bird watching, but what makes area unique is its huge concentration of waterfowl in January and February, Fothergill said.

As many as 60,000 ducks and more than 4,000 geese and other waterfowl winter at the Hagerman WMA. Fothergill praised

the foresight of the Fish and Game officials who established the area some 60 years ago.

Back in 1940, Fish and Game bought 423 acres of pasture along Riley Creek. What once was the Tucker Ranch became the Hagerman Valley Refuge. Since then, more land has been added to what is now the 880-acre Hagerman WMA.

Part of the area is a trout hatchery, but the rest is managed as wildlife habitat. The area is speckled with 16 man-made ponds and wetlands on a flat bench between the canyon rim and the Snake River. Water for the hatchery, ponds and marshes comes from several springs and Riley Creek.

With mild winters and spring water at a near-constant 58 degrees, the area remains ice-free most winters - which is a powerful lure for water fowl. With so many game birds in the area, it's not surprising that

owls, hawks, ospreys, bald and golden eagles also prowl the Hagerman WMA. The area is a pleasant place for a walk, but the grass is tall so long pants are a good idea. At times, ticks are abundant.

In the woods at the edge of the marshes, bird watchers can find western woodpecker, eastern kingbird, yellow warblers, nighthawks, red-winged and yellow-headed black birds and several other species.

Kingfishers, with their dry, rattling call, are regular residents, and great blue heron patiently wait to spear a meal in the shallows. Cormorants drape themselves on old utility poles rising from the water.

There's a lot to see at the Hagerman WMA. Now is a good time to see it.

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## Fish and Game looks at options for hunting amid historic fire season

The Associated Press

IDAHO FALLS - The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is trying to accommodate hunters shut out of the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness, but is hedging its bet somewhat because of fall weather.

The Idaho Fish and Game Commission will decide Friday how to accommodate hunters shut out of the 2.4 million-acre wilderness by last week's Forest Service order.

The closure could reach into October and affect thousands of big game hunters.

Fish and Game biologists are

considering lengthening seasons so hunters can hunt when the wilderness reopens. They may also allow them more time to decide where they want to hunt, or they may let sportsmen hold onto their tags until next year.

"We're focusing on ways to make sure there is a hunting opportunity this year," said Lonn Kuck, big game manager.

But Commission Chairman John Burns said the department might consider some refunds depending on what happens.

As many as 5,000 hunters traditionally stalk game each year

in the Frank Church. One popular backcountry rifle season starts Sept. 15, but the wilderness will likely be closed unless there is a major rain or snowstorm, Kuck said.

In addition, 56 hunters hold once-in-a-lifetime tags for bighorns, mountain goats and moose. They cannot hunt until the wilderness reopens. Biologists are aware of the hardship on hunters who are trying to finalize their plans, Kuck said.

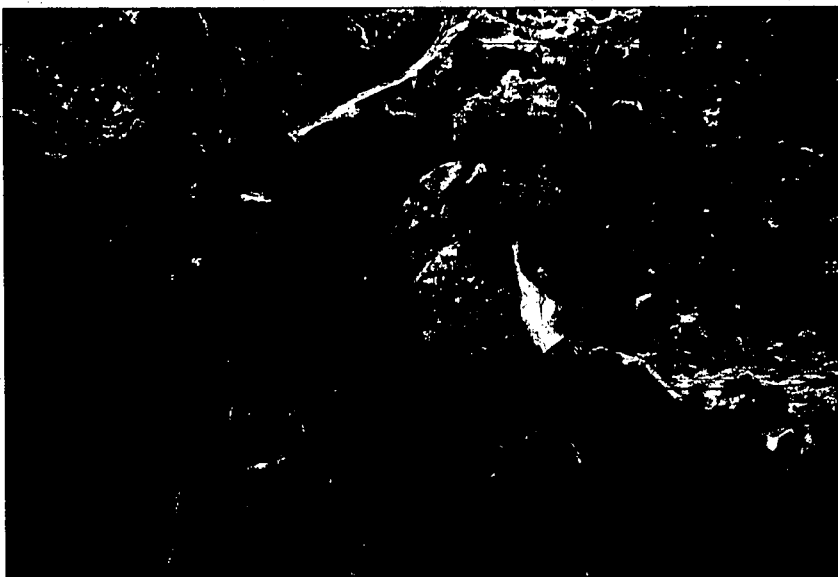
But they are working slowly because the weather may get

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U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. John Dravetz walks through a burnt area in the Clear Creek fire area near Salmon earlier this month.

OUTDOORS



Rock climber Grant Ortman crawls across the ceiling of Hidden Forest Cave in the desert near Bend, Ore., earlier in June. Some spelunkers, or cave explorers, are critical of rock climbers saying they damage cave rocks with the chalk climbers use to keep their hands dry, and with the anchors they install in the rocks for their ropes.

# Battle wages over caves in Oregon

## Spelunkers say rock climbers are causing irreparable damage

BEND, Ore. (AP) — Grant Ortman clips on his harness, slips on his climbing shoes and starts up the rock — but instead of scaling a cliff, he maneuvers up the sloping walls and across the slippery ceiling of a cave. Ortman's goal is out toward where the edge of the amphitheater-like cave meets the hot, dry desert air. Thirty minutes later, he triumphantly rappels to the ground of the quiet, refreshingly cool space filled with the aroma of green moss thriving outside just a few feet away.

Often drawn to central Oregon by the climbing Mecca known as Smith Rock, rock climbers looking for a new challenge and a bit of solitude have turned to the numerous caves — like "lava tubes" created by receding molten magma around 150,000 years ago.

But critics — mostly cavers, or spelunkers — say the climbers are irreparably damaging the rock with the chalk they use to keep their hands dry and the anchors they install in the rock to clip their ropes into.

The result is a clash between the young, adventurous, independent world of rock climbers and the established society of cavers, who have clubs or "grottos" that date back almost 100 years.

In the middle is the U.S. Forest Service, which has oversight of caves in the Deschutes National Forest, and is working on an environmental assessment plan aimed at preventing and repairing damage to nine of the caves and nearby wildlife habitat.

Some of the proposed restrictions in an early draft applied to all visitors — like moving parking lots farther away from the caves, making mountain bikes and horses off limits, banning glass containers and prohibiting the use of generators.

But other proposals were aimed directly at sports cavers — like immediately banning the use of hand-drying chalk and removing all existing anchors and bolts.

While there are only a few other places in the country where rock climbers are using caves to climb, the situation outside Bend reflects a national debate about caves: Are they

recreational opportunities or highly fragile ecosystems that need to be protected — sometimes even hidden — from the public?

There are no two people more passionately involved in the debate about the Deschutes National Forest caves — and on more opposing sides — than Larry King, who belongs to the Willamette Valley Grotto in Hillsboro, and Larry Brumwell, the owner of Inclimb Rock Gym in Bend.

Brumwell, a tall and thin man who talks a mile a minute, moved to Bend nine years ago to pursue his passion for rock climbing.

He was among the first group of rock climbers in the early 1990s to explore the caves and still gets excited as he remembers showing them to world-class athletes awed at the challenges the caves provided.

But that was before the Forest Service instituted a moratorium several years ago on climbers using chalk and replacing or installing new anchors — making many of the routes in the caves impossible to climb.

Now Brumwell is the point man for climbers looking to organize and oppose any permanent restrictions that might be included in the final environmental assessment.

Brumwell said there are dozens of caves in the area, but climbers want access to only three: Skeleton, a sandstone cave about a quarter-mile deep in which agile climbers move about without ropes or bolts; Charcoal, which is currently closed to all visitors to protect bat habitat and for archaeological reasons; and Hidden Forest Cave. "That staircase allows the masses in here."

"We're not allowed to put in anchor bolts but they'll put in stairs for the general public," Brumwell says, pointing to a set of metal stairs into Skeleton Cave. "That staircase allows the masses in here."

"We just want to take a different path. We want to climb on the ceiling of cave, not walk on the bottom."

Brumwell points out that the average visitor can't tell the difference between climber's chalk and the natural calcification of

mineral deposits in the cave, and while admitting there are always a few bad apples, said most climbers are respectful of the caves.

He's volunteered to make his gym a central location for registering climbers and informing them of the rules. And he's willing to bring his gym's junior climbing team out to the caves to do regular cleanups.

He expresses a lot of anger at cavers like King, who he feels are trying to portray rock climbers as vandals — and keep them from caves just for territorial reasons. He says the small, shallow caves in central Oregon have little value to cavers hoping to discover bizarre formations like stalagmites.

"Basically it comes down to battle with past users. What we do is as valuable as cavers. They're saying it's not because they were here 60 years ago," Brumwell said. "A true caver would not drive to central Oregon to see this tube — but a climber would."

That's exactly what worries Larry King.

King, who holds positions with the National Speleological Society and the Willamette Valley Grotto, did volunteer work for the Forest Service staff as they worked on the environmental assessment.

He spent 36 days at the caves watching visitors and writing down their activities.

He blames the rock climbers for making the caves well-known enough to lead to other uses — weddings, people bringing dogs in, diapers being left behind.

He accuses climbers of using battery-powered hammer drills to install 158 bolts in just one cave, moving rocks to create flat spots to start their ascent, pulling out vegetation, destroying signs and climbing on a faint, prehistoric pictograph depicting signs asking them not to climb.

"They've turned this cave into an indoor climbing gym," King says with disgust. "Cavers have such a stricter interpretation of the 'leave no trace' ethic."

King said the caves are fragile ecosystems. The temperature inside the caves remains a constant 45 degrees or so. Native grasses, trees, butterflies, birds

and bats thrive within the cave and just outside it.

King said he's more interested in the caves' values for education and science than recreation, and the bolts and ropes left behind by climbers are a visual distraction.

"When we go into caves we want to have the impression we were the first one there," he said. "We want to leave it in as natural condition as possible."

Although he said it's not a "caver versus climber" issue, King can get virulent when discussing the practices and techniques of rock climbers.

"They used to be one of Oregon's best-kept secrets before rock climbers got a hold of them. Now it's a climbing gym," he said. "Anybody can visit these caves — but no one has the right to damage them."

For now, the moratorium on chalk and bolts remains in place.

The Forest Service has gathered public opinion on its proposed environmental assessment and expects to release its final version in early September, according to Les Moscoso, recreation planner for the Forest Service.

Alternatives the agency is considering include taking no action, pulling out the existing anchors and bolts, or allowing climbers access to the routes that are already being used in Hidden Forest Cave, Moscoso said.

A permanent environmental assessment will allow the Forest Service to issue citations to cave visitors who break the rules, he said.

"These caves have been used for years by public and Native Americans. They've also been abused on and off for a long time," Moscoso said. "So with use increasing and Bend growing, we need to get something more official done out there and address some things before it gets too out of hand and too difficult to manage."

As for King, he said climbers never should have installed bolts in the first place.

"That's part of rock climbing — defiance of authority," he said. "Young males don't ask permission. It's bolt first and ask questions later."

# Wildlife organizations ask feds to help swans

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Two wildlife groups have asked the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on Tuesday to declare Yellowstone National Park's trumpeter swans endangered and protect critical habitats stretching at least into Utah.

A 95-page petition says that inadequate habitat protection has kept the swans from migrating into areas such as northern Utah, Nevada and even California. That has "bottlenecked" the swans in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming.

The petition comes a little more than two months after the agency angered wildlife organizations by introducing a proposal to allow a permanent trumpeter swan hunting season after an experimental, five-year season in Montana, Utah and Nevada.

"These birds need the opportunity to increase their numbers and re-establish their migration if there's any hope of re-establishing their numbers," said Andrea Lococo, the Rocky Mountain coordinator of The Fund for Animals.

The Yellowstone birds no longer migrate on their own, she

said. Others that were moved to areas such as the Bear River National Wildlife Refuge in Utah in hopes that they would learn to migrate were mistaken for the look-alike tundra swan and shot by hunters.

The petition asks that the Rocky Mountain breeding population of the birds — which are the largest waterfowl species in North America and are considered the largest swans in the world — be classified as endangered on an emergency basis.

That means the Fish and Wildlife Service could skirt the yearlong study normally performed before it lists an animal as endangered.

Chuck Davis, the endangered species listing coordinator for the Fish and Wildlife Service's Denver office, had not seen the petition. But he said usually emergency status is only granted when entire populations are threatened.

John Cornely, the Fish and Wildlife Service's regional migratory bird coordinator, said he could not discuss the petition, but trumpeter swans generally are doing well.

# Utah board endorses deer hunt on Antelope Island

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Contrary to the wishes of three of its five citizen advisory boards, the Utah Wildlife Board has endorsed holding an annual revenue-generating deer hunt at Antelope Island State Park.

The proposal next goes to the state Board of Parks and Recreation in November. If that board approves it, the wildlife board will set season dates and permit numbers.

Board member Rick Danvir said Aug. 17 the issue isn't about hunting, but money for Parks and Recreation.

One proposal would allow two deer to be taken on the island. One would go out by lottery and the other would go to the highest bidder. It is estimated to bring in \$10,000 to \$12,000 after the first year, under another proposal, both permits would be auctioned.

"I don't really care if we shoot deer or not. But, I do care that we generate some dollars," Danvir said. The money would most likely go to habitat work on the island.

The board's 4:2 vote Thursday to endorse the hunt went against the majority of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources Regional Advisory Councils. Three of the five RACs voted against hunting deer on the island, including the Northern RAC.

At the Northern RAC meeting, one of the hunt's advocates, Don

Peay of Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife, said the auction permit could even bring in \$100,000 or more. The parks board shot down the idea of a hunt in 1998. The issue was brought up again during the 2000 Legislature. Wildlife Resources and Parks and Recreation officials asked legislators, who were introducing the bill, to instead bring it before the public through hearings conducted by the two agencies.

To date, Parks and Recreation Director Courtland Nelson said the division's primary goal on the island has been "watchable wildlife."

"There's a unique situation on Antelope Island. It is a location where you can go out and find opportunities to interact with wildlife," Nelson said.

Wildlife board member Raymond Heaton said he believes watchable wildlife and huntable wildlife are one and the same.

"Wildlife watchers will never know there was a man on the island hunting there," he said. "I'm not opposed to allowing a hunt, but we can all live happily ever after if we do it right."

Packer told the wildlife board that his division is about \$92 million in debt this year. He said the few thousand raised by two hunting tags on Antelope Island won't make the difference.

# F&G: Copepods harmless to fish

BOISE (AP) — Anglers fishing in Lake Cascade are finding small, white copepods on their catch.

They are nothing to worry about, say Idaho Department of Fish and Game officials.

The worm-like organisms mark the reproductive stage of a crustacean related to freshwater shrimp. They are less than one-quarter inch long.

"Many Idaho waters contain these copepods," said fisheries manager Don Anderson. "Lake Cascade simply has a higher concentration, making them more noticeable to anglers."

He said the parasitic stage eventually drops away from the fish and grows into the free-swimming "shrimp-like" adult. The parasites then become food for

the fish.

Anderson said the parasites are rarely lethal to host fish and will not harm humans who may accidentally ingest them. Simply skinning or filleting fish will remove the parasites from the fish's edible portions.

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cold and rainy and then there would be no need to tinker with the seasons.

"Everything is predicated on the weather," Kuck said. "We're only one rainstorm away from not needing to do any immediate action. We're still in a wait-and-see mode."

"They're just trying to get people not to panic and flood into other areas, which I think is good advice," said Herb Meyr, who has hunted in the Frank

Church for 15 years.

"Extending seasons would help the industry," said Grant Simonds, executive director of the Idaho Outfitter and Guides

Association.

Thirty-eight outfitters, who cater to more than 600 hunters, are affected by the wilderness closure.

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# The modern archer needs good equipment

By Tony Hansen  
The Idaho Statesman

**BOISE** — You can be the best archer shot in the woods. You can hike any mountain without breaking a sweat. You know how to bugle with the best of them. And you're shooting at a target as big as a sport utility vehicle.

But if you haven't matched your arrows and broadheads to your bow, bad things could happen. You could miss. Worse yet, you could hit the elk in the wrong place.

"That's unacceptable if you're a real bowhunter," said Dwight Schuh, a well-known bowhunter from the Treasure

Valley. "You need to buy the very best ammunition you can. If you're going to spend some money, spend it on broadheads and arrows. They are that important."

At its most elementary, the sport of archery and bowhunting is very rudimentary. You start with a stick bent taut by a string. You add a long, slender shaft for an arrow. Pull back the string and let fly.

But today's archery gear is much more sophisticated. You've got classic traditional gear — longbows and recurves. Then you have the array of compound bows — single-cams, dual-cams, dual-wheels — the choices are virtually endless.

And as bow technology has advanced, so has arrow design. During the "days" of early bowhunting pioneers like Fred Bear and Howard Hill, there was but one choice for arrows: cedar. But today, there's much more — aluminum, carbon, carbon-aluminum hybrids. Even the world of wooden arrow shafting has become perplexingly diverse. There's cedar, chundo, Norway pine, sitka spruce, ash and more. And then there's always the option of tapered or non-tapered shafts.

So which is best? "Whatever performs the best out of your equipment," Schuh said. "It doesn't have to be the most expensive but it must be

high-quality."

The best way to find an arrow that flies true is to shoot a lot of them. Any reputable pro shop will gladly let you test their inventory. If you don't let you try before you buy, buy elsewhere. There's simply no other way to be certain that the arrow shaft will fly true out of your setup without shooting it first.

I have an old Pro Line compound that was my first hunting bow. It shot terribly. I struggled to tune that bow for three years before, on a whim, I picked up a set of carbon shafts. They were quite new to the market. My old bow was instantly revitalized. The arrows worked perfectly. That doesn't mean my old alu-

minum shafts weren't good. They just didn't match my setup.

Once you've got your shafting selected, it's time to select a broadhead. Again Schuh urges hunters to be selective.

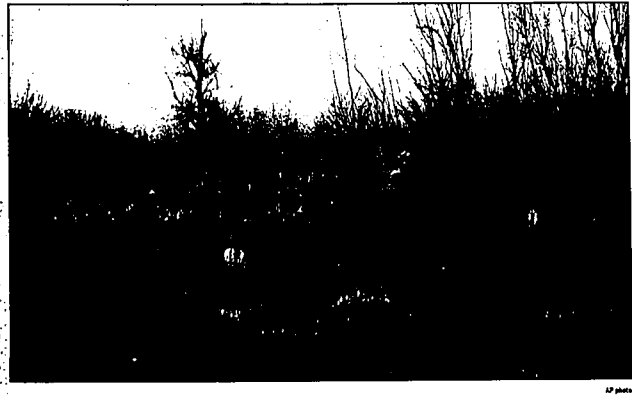
"Buy the very best that you can afford," he urged. "If you're going to save money, broadheads are not the place to do it."

Again, broadhead choices are staggering. The vast majority of broadheads do, however, basically fall into two categories: those with sharpenable blades and those with replaceable blades. Replaceable blade heads are exactly that: they can be disassembled, the razor-edged blades changed and you've got a nice, fresh — and most importantly —

sharp head.

Sharpenable blades tend to be a bit more durable over the long run but only if you know how to hone an edge. It's an acquired art and if you can't work a file to perfection, stick with replaceable heads. For traditional archers looking for the perfect wooden shaft, well, you've got a lot of choices. If you're going to be able to judge the correct arrow spine and weight for your weapon. You must be able to straighten a shaft and know the difference between straight and arrow-straight.

There's a lot of work that goes into a hunting-grade wooden shaft and it can really be rewarding. But that's another story.



Mule deer have rebounded across Utah and bowhunters home to take advantage of their prosperity. These mature bucks, photographed in Nov. 1999, were spotted on public land after last year's hunting season.

## Archery deer and elk season nears; hunters seek prospects

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — Bowhunters need to hunt around water holes this season to beat the heat with a deer or elk before the cold weather kills them all.

Deer and elk numbers are higher than they have been in almost seven years going into this Friday's archery deer opener and the elk opener Aug. 24.

The hunting should be great, thanks to a series of good moisture years and mild winters. But the writing on the wall says get them while the getting's good.

"Our most recent panic attack is the what the rancher is doing right now," said Steve Flinders, head state big game manager. "Drought sets herds up for being in poor winter condition. If we get a real severe winter, it could be a bad combination."

And this winter is supposed to be a doozy, with long-term forecasters calling for Utah snows close to historic "normal" levels.

Normal is relative, and the last time "normal" snowfall happened in Utah was the winter of 1993-94, when so many deer starved to death game managers drastically changed hunting season structure, cutting the number of permits sold in half. In one move, opening day of deer season in Utah was no longer a school holiday.

Herds in some areas remain depressed from that winter. Deer and elk have lost a lot of critical winter range, and what is left is in poor condition because of this scorcher of a summer. Great skiing is headed our way, but hunting could turn ugly for the next few years.

Mule deer across much of the state have rebounded since the disastrous '93 winter, and are at

or near management objectives. The southern region has come back with a vengeance, and the northeast region is strong, too, said Darren DeBlois, state hunting statistician.

There are two dark spots. The LaSal mountains have a shortened (five-day) season for rifle and bow hunters. Lingering drought and overhunting have kept herds down. Deer in the Cache units in the northern region have not come back because of problems mule deer face throughout the West: water development, increased predators and changing habitats. Elk and cattle are thriving as shrub areas are converted to grasslands.

The rest of the state is in pretty good shape. The health of deer herds in the Book Cliffs limited entry hunt borders on phenomenal.

"Those hunters are going to have a ball, with 40 bucks per 100 does there now," he said.

Overall, success has held steady the past two years, with 32,213 bucks taken in 1998 by 112,389 hunters and 30,048 taken in 1999 by 102,490 hunters.

Archery elk hunter success dropped through the floor last year when wildlife officials decided to move the season forward well into August.

Elk offer the best news for Utah hunters, with a herd that has grown to an all-time high of 65,000.

**How to Hunt in the Heat:** There is nothing good to be said about bowhunting in hot weather. Animals are inactive, it is uncomfortable, and most starts to spook instantly. The trick is to make it work for you.

"Find the water," said Flinders.

"Deer have to go to water, but elk really have to go to water."

That means elevation is a big factor early on. It will be mid-September before elk can tolerate over 7,000 feet.

Deer hunters must go where their tags dictate. Elk hunters should look at the Fish Lake, Wash-C Mt. and Diamond Fork and Strawberry areas, he said.

Hunting water holes is the smart thing to do, says Preston Edwards at Sportsman's Archery in Sandy.

"It has to be an isolated source. A creek running for two miles through a drainage is no good. You need a shady waterhole," he said.

Find a spring on a topo map and scout it out.

Then climb a tree, suggests Frank Ramirez at Bowfield Archery, a man with a nose for elk like none other. Ramirez did the impossible last year with three witnesses, calling a bull elk from downwind by imitating a cow call and spraying elk urine in the air. He swears by new Scentlock hunting clothing, wearing complete gloves and a face mask even in the heat.

Tree stands increase a hunter's visibility while removing the hunter from the elk's sight plain and lifting the hunter's body scent above ground level.

The mad scramble begins if a hunter drops an animal in hot weather. Get the hide off, get the carcass in the shade and cover it, so the flies do not get to it as quickly as possible.

"Some people put them in creeks. You just have to get the heat out of the meat as quickly as possible," said Edwards.

## Professional touts new technique; 'silent calling' entices quiet bulls

By Pete Zimowsky  
Post Register

**IDAHO FALLS** — Quiet elk make Jim Horn happy.

While most archers wait for bulls to give themselves away with their multi-toned calling, Horn uses a system he calls "silent calling" to attract tip-tipped bulls.

"The biggest mistake people make in bugling is giving up early in the season," he said. "I think it's too warm and the elk aren't in the rut enough. If you think that way, you're way wrong," said Horn, a professional caller from Primos Hunting Calls in Jackson, Miss.

*'Elk come for three reasons: They're horny, angry or curious. I don't care which, as long as they show up, and they'll show up when you're 'silent calling.'*

— Jim Horn, professional caller from Jackson, Miss.

"You have to know the elk are in an area," he said. "If you don't have confidence, it won't work."

Once in an "elky" area, Horn works through a three-step progression of calls to create "herd excitement."

"I want that bull thinking there is a lot going on," Horn said. "I want his blood racing." To create "herd excitement," he and his partner make a series of cow and call calls. Horn said hunters can hunt alone, but he highly recommends hunting with a partner because it creates more calling scenarios, which will give the hunters an advantage.

"To create herd excitement, create a herd of animals," he said. "Use lots of different sounds to sound like lots of animals."

Immediately after, Horn mimics a cow in heat. He said cows are in estrus — the peak of their sexual activity — up to three times during the rut. They're usually in heat for about nine to 11 hours at a time. While they are in estrus, their squeal is higher pitched and more insistent, pleading.

"These bulls really know that sound," Horn said. "They know what it means — a cow is ready to breed."

To make that sound, he uses a cow call specially made to produce a series of high-pitched squeals.

"It's called the hyper sound and it's probably the most important sound you will make," Horn said.

The final call in the sequence is a lone whistle of a bull. It's a sharp call from a high pitch to a low growl. It isn't a full bugle.

Then comes the bugle, which is often one whistle," Horn said. "Ninety percent of your bulls make a call from the mid-spectrum to the high note and down. Many of those will start with a high note and then go low."

Horn repeats the three-step calling progression five times in 30 minutes. If it doesn't work, he moves 500 yards to different terrain and starts over.

"I'm very religious to the routine when I'm silent calling because it works consistently," Horn said. One problem with "silent calling" is that the elk come quietly.

"Numerous times, Horn said he's gotten up to move to new spot and walked straight into an approaching bull.

"That's just a part of the game. Accept it and move on."

To another problem is bulls that stop short and won't come any closer.

"They have a safety zone of about 80 yards," Horn said. "They will come to there and if they can't see an elk, they'll back up." To entice them closer, Horn backs back. If that doesn't work, the bull will retreat. Horn suggests barking again and then moving to where the bull was standing last.

"Be creative, make it happen," he said. "Elk come for three reasons: They're horny, angry or curious. I don't care which as long as they show up, and they'll show up when you're 'silent calling.'"

"Elk must mate in September and early October to have their calves at the right time in the spring. Horn said it doesn't matter what is happening with the weather or hunting pressure, the bulls and cows are still actively searching each other out.

"Just because it's hot, it doesn't mean the process of mating isn't working," Horn said, who has shot hunting videos for seven years with Primos Calls. "The hormones are still working."

"To 'silent call,' Horn works through a progression of steps. First he starts by learning an area.

## Wildlife officials investigate death of osprey

**ST. GEORGE, Utah (AP)** — Division of Wildlife Resources officers are investigating the death of one osprey that had nested at Minersville Reservoir and the disappearance of another.

One of the adult osprey was found dead along the shore of the reservoir with severe damage to one wing, last Wednesday. It is unclear how the bird was injured.

The other adult osprey was being missed for nearly a week, leaving behind two young chicks in a nest.

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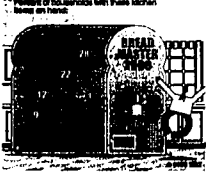
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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Idaho mining firm files for bankruptcy

**BOISE**—Months of speculation about Sunshine Mining and Refining Co.'s financial instability culminated on Wednesday in court as the company filed for bankruptcy.

A press release said the company will continue to do business as usual, including giving compensation and benefits and making payments due to suppliers.

Sunshine employs about 250 workers at its Coeur d'Alene District Kellogg mine, a dozen employees at the Pirquites Mine in Argentina and another dozen administrative employees.

The prepared statement blamed 12 years of depressed silver prices for bringing the mining company down.

But, it added officials have \$5 million and have secured another \$5 million in financing in anticipation that Sunshine will recover by the end of the year.

Sunshine Mining's 1999 revenue came to \$32.7 million, marking a one-year sales growth of 1 percent.

The company in June closed its antimony plant due to depressed prices for the mining byproduct used as a fire retardant in paint and plastic and for producing high-quality glass.

Earlier this year, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John Simko told shareholders the Boise-based company was being squeezed by debt, low silver prices and lack of investor interest in precious metals markets.

### Florida county officials put cap on payday loan rates

**SANFORD, Fla.**—Aiming to faze consumers from excessive loan charges, the Seminole County Commission on Tuesday set drastic new limits on the interest rates charged by payday lenders.

But county leaders agreed to delay enactment of the measure until May to give the Florida Legislature a chance to set statewide limits on the potentially triple-digit interest rates of the loans. The Seminole law would cap interest at 18 percent annually.

Officials hope the county's action will spur other local governments to approve similar laws. That would mirror a strategy that prompted state lawmakers this spring to impose regulations on car-title loan companies.

Compiled from wire reports

## Albertson's stock slides on warning

### Bridge News

Shares across the U.S. grocery sector plummeted Wednesday after Albertson's Inc., the nation's second-largest supermarket chain, said its second-quarter profits will likely fall short of expectations.

Shares of the Boise-based grocery shed nearly 15% of their value, or \$3.9375, to hit \$22.50 after the company said late Tuesday that its second quarter was hit by both lower-than-expected sales and rising operating expenses.

Albertson's said it expects to report second-quarter profits before one-time charges of 50 cents per share compared with

the 62 cents expected by analysts polled by First Call/Thomson Financial.

The news pressured issues across the sector, with industry giants Safeway Inc. and Kroger Co. both losing as much as 7 percent of their value in heavy trading.

Albertson's, which became the nation's second-largest food seller with its buy of American Stores last year, said its July sales were disappointing across the U.S.

In addition, sales were below projections for the entire quarter in some key markets due to "stronger-than-usual" competition from retail giant Wal-Mart Stores Inc., which continues to

expand its massive Supercenters across the U.S.

Analysts said the world's largest retailer is changing the food selling business.

"Competitive pressures in the U.S. food retailing market are heating up even faster than we thought as Wal-Mart continues its aggressive coast-to-coast roll out of Supercenters, neighborhood stores and discount store expansions," said UBS Warburg analyst Neil Currie.

Currie said the bulk of the competitive pressure was coming in Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, Montana and South Dakota—regions where Bentonville, Ark.-based Wal-Mart is expanding.

The Northwestern U.S. region is also home to some of Kroger's 3,500 stores, and Currie, who downgraded his ratings on the entire food retail sector, said the company could see some of the same competitive pressure.

BB&T Capital Markets analyst Andrew Wolf also said Kroger, because of its store locations, could face more Wal-Mart competition than Albertson's. However, he said Kroger's current quarter actually may have gained from its competitor's ills as Albertson's works to integrate some of the western U.S. American Stores locations. Safeway may have enjoyed a similar benefit, the analyst said.

## Mexico's president-elect pushes NAFTA

### Knight Ridder News Service

**MEXICO CITY**—Time was, Mexican presidents hobbled with the rich and powerful in New York and Washington, D.C., while businesspeople conducted a booming trade with Texas.

Old habits die hard. President-elect Vicente Fox is on a North America tour whisking him through both Northeastern power centers. He visit President Clinton today.

But Mr. Fox will also visit the atypical destinations of Ottawa, Toronto and Dallas. His unusual itinerary reflects how he hopes to foster ties with swaths of North America that have remained nearly untouched by the North American Free Trade Agreement.

It also underscores how Mr. Fox understands the importance of such regional NAFTA engines as Texas—by far Mexico's largest trading partner among U.S. states—and the remainder of the Southwest.

"We're at a stage in the relationship between the United States and Mexico where we have to develop region-to-region ties and state-to-state ties," Mr. Fox told reporters this summer. "That's the future of NAFTA."

"We need to bring the benefits to the level of small companies, and people."

Mr. Fox, who will take office Dec. 1 from President Ernesto Zedillo, will arrive in Canada and



Mexico President-elect Vicente Fox talks Wednesday about his open-border trade mission to Canada in Toronto.

The United States with more predecessors, analysts say. In July, he ended the

Institutional Revolutionary Party's 71-year-old lock on the Mexican presidency. At a time when international investors increasingly see democratic governments as a desirable complement to free trade, Mr. Fox's democratic victory inspires confidence among foreign political and business leaders, experts say.

Moreover, as a former businessman—Mr. Fox once served as director of Coca-Cola de Mexico S.A.—he has a knack for spotting trade opportunities.

"Fox has tremendous credibility in the U.S., because people truly believe there was a democratic transition in Mexico," said Jorge Gonzalez, chairman of the economics department at Trinity University in San Antonio and a Mexican native.

"Zedillo has been saying the same things about economic policy for six years, and no one paid attention," Mr. Gonzalez said.

"Now that Fox is saying them, people are excited."

To be sure, Mr. Fox's desire for closer ties might draw fire from some U.S. politicians, labor unions and citizens who believe North American integration has gone far enough.

While trade and investment ties are booming, many Americans remain skeptical of whether that actually benefits them, providing uncertain political support north of the border for Mr. Fox's commercial overtures.

## Gas prices rise — and are likely to keep on moving up

### The Washington Post

**WASHINGTON**—After enduring a summer in which gasoline was eye-poppingly expensive, consumers are likely to be hit with another big fuel bill this winter as natural gas prices have crept steadily upward.

With utilities paying roughly twice the amount they paid for natural gas a year ago, the problem is already apparent—but will be most painfully felt by homeowners when winter heating bills start to arrive.

Energy analysts say the natural gas industry is in a difficult place now, right on the verge of the season in which people most use its product, because production is off and inventories are low.

### Cut your bills

Tips from Adrian Chapman, vice president of regulatory affairs and energy acquisition at Washington Gas:

- arrange for inspection of home appliances to make sure they work efficiently,
- replace old appliances like water heaters and furnaces,
- get a home energy audit that points out ways to make a customer's home more efficient.

The market situation, in other words, is analogous to where the gasoline market was in May, right before prices at the pump took off, prompting calls for federal investigations and even

becoming an issue in the presidential campaign.

"We're in a very delicate situation," said Thomas Robinson, a managing director of Cambridge Energy Research Associates, an energy consulting firm.

Certain events in the past week have further threatened that precarious balance. On Saturday, a pipeline explosion in New Mexico disrupted natural gas supplies to California, which could drive up prices in the West.

The predictions of an increase in residential gas prices are the result of a jump in the price of the underlying commodity: In June, wholesalers paid \$3.58 for a thousand cubic feet of gas, according to the Energy Information Administration. A

year before, that cost was \$2.09, and in 1998 the price was as low as \$1.69.

The final price that consumers pay is typically several times that of the gas when it's taken from the well, because the commodity price does not include the cost of transporting it to retail consumers. Up-to-date numbers for average residential gas prices are not yet available from the Energy Information Administration, which is part of the Department of Energy.

The story behind this substantial price increase—like those for the spike in gasoline prices this summer—is a relatively straightforward matter of supply and demand.

Supplies of natural gas slumped just as demand surged because of the strong U.S. economy.

## Jackpot casino shuts for a time

By Sam Feltman  
Times-News correspondent

**JACKPOT**—Changing from one occupant to another is forcing owners of a Jackpot casino to temporarily close its doors.

The Pony Express Casino, leased to Jackpot Enterprises of Las Vegas, Nev., and housed inside the West Star Resort, closed its doors Tuesday to give the old occupants time to clear out and the new occupants time to move in.

Resort operators declined to say who the new occupant would be but said the Las Vegas-based firm is experienced in operating small casinos. There will be some remodeling for the new tenant, Stallings said.

West Star Resort has not yet set an opening date for the new casino.

Although the casino will be closed, the resort will remain open.

Nine employees will be affected by the changeover, but Pat Cantrell, West Star's general manager, said the new tenant has already started interviewing those employees for new positions with their casino this week. Cantrell said there will be a name change, but the company is waiting until a later date to disclose the new name.

"The owners of West Star Resort's primary intention is to bring a new level of experience to guests and this is just one aspect of that experience," Cantrell said.

Sherree J. Stallings, Sales and Marketing Director for West Star Resort, said the resort will continue its Wednesday night barbecue and will have special room rates and an open bar to attract hotel guests.

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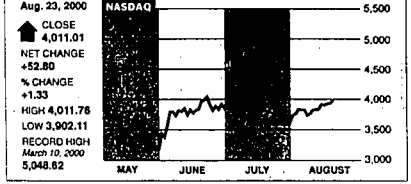
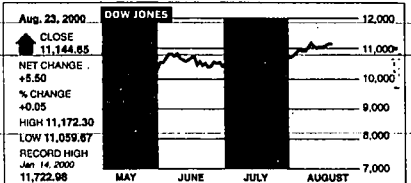
Brigestone/Firestone flies tires from Japan

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. is starting flying thousands of tires to the United States from its plants in Japan on Wednesday to help alleviate the shortage caused by a recall of 6.5 million tires.

Retired employees of Decatur plant were expected to testify Wednesday that inspectors were pressed to examine 100 tires an hour — too many to do an adequate job.

Several attorneys have filed lawsuits seeking class-action status to represent consumers affected by the recall, which is expected to cost the company \$350 million.

The tires were standard equipment on some Ford trucks and sports utility vehicles, including the Explorer.



Verizon, unions now focus on organizing

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unions and Verizon are now focusing on organizing workers rather than fighting legal battles over organizing barriers.

In an industry that has little union presence, Verizon has 32,000 wireless employees, but only 50 of those are union members.

To become their bargaining agent, the unions must sign up from at least 55 percent of employees in a specific group.

Less management agreed on neutrality clauses that allow each to present their positions to employees.

Stocks close a bit higher

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks closed modestly higher Wednesday as investors surveyed a new economic outlook that apparently included interest rate cuts.

Goldman, director of market analysis at A.G. Edwards & Sons in St. Louis, noted that the Dow index had fallen 540 points in the past two and a half weeks.

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Table of NYSE stock market data including volume, high/low, and change for various sectors like Tech, Energy, and Industrials.

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Community banks get personal, offer products

Madison, Wis. (AP) - America's small-town banks don't worry in the past about competing after all, they were the only ones...

Now big city banks, mutual fund companies and Internet financial services are all vying for their customers, and community banks have had to fight back by working hard...

That's good news for consumers. Community banks - long known for their "Howdy folks!" hands-on personal service - have begun offering a broader variety of accounts and services that provide good value to small savers.

Because of cable TV and other media, the amount of information about financial services has exploded and the expectations of consumers are higher, said Phillip D. White, who heads a financial consulting firm in Boulder, Colo.

At MidAmerica National Bank in Canton, Ill., customers select from a variety of checking accounts "depending on where they are in life," said Kathy Burton, an auditor at the bank.

To get younger customers, MidAmerica offers free checking for high school students, the Regular checking accounts carry a low fee of \$6 a month. Savers, meanwhile, can earn 2.5 percent interest a month on their checking accounts if they maintain balances of \$50 or more.

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On Fridays and "Social Security Day," which is the day monthly checks are received, Grinnell has free coffee and cookies at its two branches for seniors who drop in, said Carolyn Greenleaf, Grinnell's manager at the bank. A lot of them have their Social Security checks deposited directly to their accounts "but still come by."

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Large table of mutual fund prices and performance metrics, including fund names, prices, and changes.

## Diga me! (Call me!)

I'm Pat Marcantonio, Times-News community editor and editor of the "Comunidad" page. Comunidad means "community" in Spanish and that's what this page is all about.

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Pat Marcantonio

## Station expands reach

Owners hope to break down cultural barriers

By Gina Mulder  
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — It's been nearly two years since Lori Cortez and Maria Jurez purchased Gooding's KRXR-AM radio station, and things haven't gone quite as planned.

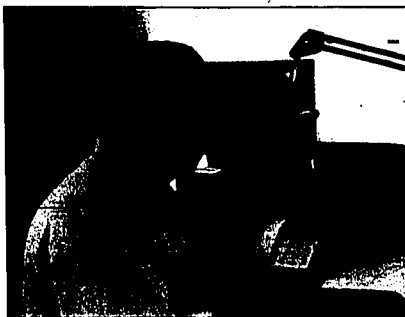
"We've done much better than we had imagined," Cortez said.

Mexisima Radio Fiesta, 1480-AM, hit the Magic Valley's airwaves like a bullet in October 1998, steadily picking up ratings, listeners and sponsors. Things have gone so well in fact, that a sister station in Idaho Falls, KGIN-AM 1260, premieres this month.

"We'll cover a great deal of Idaho between the two stations," Cortez added.

When Cortez and Jurez entered the broadcasting business, there wasn't a local radio station that catered to the Hispanic community that makes up nearly 35 percent of southern Idaho's population. Anyone wanting to hear music or news in Spanish had to wait for a few broadcast hours during weekend evenings.

A large Spanish-language station, KFTA, La Fantastica 970 in



Mexisima Radio Fiesta disc jockey Efrain Ortega takes a turn in the booth at the new station in Jerome.

Rupert, started in November 1999.

Cortez and Jurez jumped at the chance to buy the Gooding station, not just because of its unique business potential, but because it would open Hispanic markets by broadening services and opportunities.

"There was a huge chunk of the population that hasn't had this type of service," Cortez said. "It's always been so limited. The community has appreciated what we

have done and responded."

In July, KRXR received federal approval to boost its signal from 1,000 watts to 5,000 watts.

Mexisima's signal now reaches west to Caldwell, east to Pocatello and north to Sun Valley." Albino Ortega, programming director, said.

The operation quickly outgrew its Gooding headquarters and has relocated to a larger and more centrally located facility in Jerome.

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Sara Elsa Hernandez

## TF teen celebrates quinceañera

TWIN FALLS — Sara Elsa Hernandez, daughter of Edward Hernandez and Christelda Martinez in Twin Falls, celebrated her 15 years (quince años) Saturday, July 1 at the Guadalupe Chapel in Twin Falls with Father Ernie Anderson officiating.

She was escorted by Rolando Garza.

Her young ladies-in-waiting (damas) were Mary Salinas, Larissa Cleveland, Emma Medina and Angie Martinez, all of Twin Falls; Patricia Cabral of Filer; Megan Vincent-Rodriguez of Boise; and Olivia Martinez of Blackfoot.

Their escorts were J.D. Paiz, Estevan Chapa, Kelly Galvan, Paul Pelayo, Transito Perez and Cruz Martinez, all of Twin Falls; and Phillip Cabral of Filer.

Godparents (padrinos) of honor were Cecilio and Herminia Gonzalez of Twin Falls and Lisa Barcini-Garcia.

The reception was held at El Sombrero Restaurant in Jerome with music by La Familia Mexicana from Twin Falls. Her colors were navy blue, baby blue and silver.

Hernandez is a ninth-grader at Robert Stuart Junior High School.

A quinceañera is a special spiritual and cultural celebration of a girl's 15th birthday.

The Times-News is happy to publish news of quinceañeras.

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## Radio-talk show host enjoys 'sharing of souls' on program

MIAMI — International entertainer Charlyn Gayco now plays host to Radio Unica's Spanish-language talk show, "Unicamiento de Novelas y Mas" ("Only about Soap Operas and More").

The show takes themes from today's hottest Spanish-language soaps and lets listeners have their say on everything from the serious — spousal abuse — to the silly — why men fantasize about sexual threesomes.

"This show is a sharing of souls," she said. "My listeners know that my opinions come from my heart. They know they are going to hear the truth. If you are honest, they will never leave you."

It has largely been a labor of love; since she was a little girl in the Dominican Republic, Spanish-language soap operas have been must-see TV for her.

## 'Don Francisco' undergoes laser eye surgery in Chile

MIAMI, Fla. — Mario Kreutzberger, better known as Don Francisco, underwent laser surgery in Chile after a lesion was detected in his right retina.

When a days-old irritation worsened, the Chilean host of Univision's variety show "Sabado Gigante" sought a specialist, who diagnosed a retina perforation. Excessive workload, his age (he's 60) and his constant flights were cited as cause for the condition.

After a brief rest, Don Francisco resumed his scheduled activities in Chile, and is back in Miami taping "Sabado Gigante," which is the highest-rated variety show on Spanish-language TV.

## Estefan's song becomes theme of Mexican novela

Gloria Estefan's song "For un Beso" ("For a Kiss"), from her latest CD "Caribbean Soul," has



## Vida Latina

been selected as the theme song for a Mexican novela with the same title.

Her spokeswoman said the song was written four years ago. It was recently offered to Angelli Nesma, the soap opera's producer, who liked it so much, she changed the novela's title to match the song.

The Televisa production, starring Mexican actors Victor Noriega and Natalia Esperon, will premiere in Mexico Nov. 20.

A United States broadcast date has not been set.

## 'El Gordo y La Flaca' host releases compact disc

Raul de Molina, co-host of Univision's "El Gordo y La Flaca" ("The Fat Man and The Skinny Woman"), has put together a CD titled "El Gordo y La Flaca" with Sus Invitados Man De Molina and His Group set for release in September.

"El Gordo" de Molina, as he is widely known, will not be singing.

The CD is a compilation of some of his favorite songs from the Mexican "grupera" wave. Some of the guests are Paty Navidad, Priscilla y Sus Baños de Plata, Los Huracanes del Norte and Conjunto Primavera.

Actress says she can do more than cry on cue. Novela and theater actress Cynthia Klitbo wants to show she can do more than just cry on cue.

— compiled from wire reports

## Latino speakers present workshops

The Times-News

SUN VALLEY — "Creativity, Spirituality and The Arts" is the name of the workshops in music, drama and dance in liturgy at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 27 and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 28, at the church on Sun Valley Road in Sun Valley.

Featured speakers include Antonia Amedeo, who has been involved in music ministry and received her bachelor's of music degree from the University of Southern California. She sings on various recordings for Oregon Catholic Press, where she is on the staff.

Armando P. Ibanez is a priest, poet, writer, filmmaker and teacher. He has written several books of poetry, produced compact discs and is producing his first feature movie.

Liza Lopez Williams has a master's of arts degree in theology and in creative arts and dance and



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has done workshops on liturgical dance throughout the United States.

For reservations or information, call 622-3432.

## Farmworker Appreciation Day Celebration 2000 set Sunday

CALDWELL — The Canyon Area Human Rights Taskforce, KWEL and other community sponsors will honor the state's farm

workers on Sunday.

The fourth annual celebration will be held from 1-5 p.m. at Caldwell Memorial Park in Caldwell. There will be a fiesta with live music by Genavaz Nortena, a band from Idaho's sister state of Guadalupe, Jalisco, which will provide Nortena and Tejano music. There will be speeches by honorary farm workers sharing their stories. State Superintendent of Schools Marilyn Howard will be the guest speaker.

Crystal Martinez will perform some of her more recent recording and there will be a talent show.

Hot dogs, hamburgers, salads and deserts will be served free of charge.

Anyone who would like to make a monetary contribution or donate food, call Estella O. Zamora at 459-9450 or Joetta Fulgencio at 459-6294.

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## BUHL CLASS OF 1940



Class of 1940 alumni are, left to right: seated: Louise Wright Adamson, Ruby Williams Quigley, Vera Garrison Perkins, Alica Maria Taylor Hayes and Ray Meisner; first row standing: Dorothy Stoddard Tanner, Rozena Hutchinson Jensen, Ruth Falisch Westendorf and Hamletta Holmes Johnson; second row standing: Bill Glasgow, Joyce Carson Taylor, Maxine Harvey Monin, Merrill Skinner, Agnes Smith King, Maxine Baxter Puschel and Roberts Clark Churchfield; third row standing: Bob Wall, Jim Jukes, Arvil Harshaw, Gene Hobson, Claire Walcott Theeser, Glen Hart, Sim Churchfield and Jim Shaddock. The Buhl High School class of 1940 celebrated its 60-year reunion Aug. 12-13. On Aug. 12, classmates met at Grandstands in Buhl where they listened to pianist Earl Hayes of Boise and the Jordan River Band. The reunion wrapped up with a luncheon on Aug. 13, at North's Chuck Wagon in Twin Falls.

## THANK YOU LETTERS

### Company brings theater to the west end of Twin Falls County

I would like to thank the west end community and Magic Valley for supporting the Westend Theatre production of "Face on the Barroom Floor." Our first show was successful. I would like to thank our sponsors for their donations. I would also like to thank the cast and crew for their hard work, dedication and sacrifice of summer vacations. They did a fantastic job. I enjoyed the performances. People involved in the Westend Theatre have established a beginning for live community theater in the West End. For our next performance in February, we will be working with Buhl High School music and drama departments to present a Rodgers and Hammerstein musical. I would like to see everyone in the Castleford, Filer, Buhl, Twin Falls and Hagerman communities audition for our next show.

Once again, thank you for your support of quality theater in the Magic Valley.

**DAVID A. BLASZKIEWICZ**  
Artistic Director  
Westend Theatre Co.  
Buhl

### Hometown bank delivers to help set up scholarship for Kimberly

We would like to thank Farmers National Bank and all the employees for helping our family to set up a scholarship fund for a girl or boy from Kimberly High School who will be going to college majoring in agriculture.

John Gibson helped us in doing this correctly and having Shelby Foukal, an employee, receive the contributions and keep records and amounts so we could have these for our thank yous. Our friends and family were so generous, we will be able to give a scholarship each year for several years.

We are so happy to have a great "hometown bank" we can depend on and receive the service we have.

John Gibson, thank you and all the people in the bank who have helped us so much and beyond the call of duty.

**JEAN EHRSON**  
And Family  
Twin Falls

### Concert fan likes concert and thanks all of the participants

I would like to thank all of the sponsors that brought Pam Tillis to the Jerome Fair. A big thanks to Con Paulos and Instant Auto Credit and Kat Country for the tickets I won to go see Pam Tillis. It was a very good show. And all the special things Instant Auto Credit does for their customers, especially Cecilia Zuniga and Al Jenkins.

**BARBARA REED**  
Jerome

### 4-H club expresses thanks for support of its horse show

The Foothill Lads and Lassies 4-H Club would like to thank the community for supporting its horse show on July 29.

Thanks to Twin Falls Sign Co., B&G Farms, Anywhere Cleaning Service, United Oil, Nuthak Farrier Service, S&R Construction, Klausner family, Bryan Harris Jr., Farms, Top Crop Enterprises, Equine Veterinary Services, Ray Sabala, Irwin Realty, Matt's Procare, Berke L. Richman at the American Express Financial Advisors, Snake Harley-Davidson, Ponderosa Paint, Jagged Edge, Dale Ford, Marlene Melody, Fred Meyer, Happy Hearts Inc., Van Dyk Truck Repair, Person's, Mel Quale's, Enterprise Photo, Garden Cafe & Bakery, Frosty Mug, Snake River Auto Body, D&B Supply.

Thanks again.  
**ASHLEY CARLTON**  
President  
Foothill Lads and Lassies 4-H Club  
Hansen

### Businesses ride up with support for Foothill Lads and Lassies

We would like to thank those who supported the horse show sponsored by the Foothill Lads and Lassies 4-H Club on July 29.

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Adding thanks for your support.  
**BEN CORLE**  
Reporter  
Foothill Lads and Lassies 4-H Club  
Hansen

### Junior Club, Hospice appreciates what that goes into display

Junior Club of Twin Falls and Hospice Visions Inc. extends thanks for making the Lawn & Garden Show successful. Proceeds go to Hospice Visions Inc.

Thanks to Lynda Brady, Ralph and Sharon Lehrman, Tim and Kate Colner, Jeff and Kaylynne Rellig, Jim and Edia Godwin, Ray and Janet Goffin, Cotton and Glenda Crumbliss and Wade and Susan Mason for allowing us to display their gardens. Our applause to the homeowners who spent time and energy preparing for our tour. We appreciate the volunteers from Hospice Visions Inc. and the Master Gardeners Club who donated their time. A special thanks to the Richard Kelley and his crew at Kelley Garden Center for the cherries and Daisy's for the ice cream. Thanks again.

Special thanks to our corporate sponsors: Gambia, Cactus Petes Resort Casino, Falls Brand/Independent Meat Co., Intermountain Gas Co., McDonald Insurance, Albertson's, Magic Valley Bank and Pepsi-Cola.

**JILL ELAM**  
Publicity Chairman  
**SHERY KELLEY**  
Event Chairman  
Junior Club  
Twin Falls

### 'Big angel' in green vehicle comes to rescue of motorist

To our big angel, whoever you are:

He said his name was Gary. He had leg braces, a goatee, glasses and was driving a green Ford with a Jerome High School sticker on it.

We were on our way to my sister's in Jackpot, Nev., when our car broke down. A green car pulled up with our big angel. He checked out our car and said he could fix it. Then he got a cooler of soda and snacks out of his car for my kids.

We took him 40 minutes, but he did fix my car. Thank God. I tried to pay him, but he wouldn't take the money, so we gave him big hugs and thanked him. He was our big angel—a godsend.

I want to let everyone know he's out there and say thank you, Gary from Jerome. You still our big angel.

**JOANN SIAMENN**  
Butte, Mont.

### House looks brand new again thanks to Paint Magic team

I would like to say a big thank you to the Paint Magic program, Ponderosa Paint and their expert, Christy; the crew from the Twin Falls Reformed church, who worked so hard; McDonald's, who furnished food; and everyone else who was involved. And to Kelly Goyal, who arranged it all.

My cedar-sided house looks brand new again and is beautiful. May God richly bless you all.

**TONA ANDERSON**  
Wendell

### TF residents show support for the Art in the Park event

Art in the Park 2000 wishes to thank the citizens of Twin Falls for their support.

A special thank you to the Art Guild of Magic Valley, Business Improvement District, Bottega Gallery, Sharon Cleveland, Connie O'Marra, CJ's Frame and Gallery, Chamber of Commerce, Twin Falls City Park, Desktop Design, First Federal Bank, Randy Hansen Chevrolet, Jules Harrison Ford, The Homestead, Harvey's Office Plus, KEJZ 95.7 FM, KIDD Channel 55, KLIX 1310 AM, KMVT, Ann-Pell Rong, Kyla Kelly, KOOL Oldies, KTFI, Magic Valley Arts Council, Magic Valley Mall, Magic Valley Publishing, Mason's Trophies & Gifts.

Thanks again to all!  
**DIANNE WANDLAC**  
Chairman  
Arts in the Park 2000  
Twin Falls

### Art in the Park event gains donations from community

We would like to thank the Twin Falls community for supporting Arts in the Park 2000.

Thanks to Maxie's Pizza, Mel Quale's, Snake River Pool Spa, Scooper Ads, Times-News writers Cathy Walworth and Brandon Fiala, Twin Falls County Sheriff's Reserve, Clear Springs Foods Inc., Desert Sun Travel, D.L. Evans Bank, First Security Bank, Allen Frost, Robert Welch, Scott Allen, David Leach, Retura Kimpron, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark, Bernie Lee, LeMoynne Realty & Appraisal, Rocky Mountain Horticulture, Southern Idaho Medical Group, Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital, Twin Falls Title & Escrow Co.

Thank you everyone!  
**LILLIE J. BROWN**  
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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Farmer's Market Kids' Fest set at Grocery Outlet, Kmart Saturday

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls Farmer Market will host a Kids' Fest from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday in the parking lot of Grocery Outlet and Kmart in Twin Falls. Vendors will donate overgrown summer squash for children's painting activity and free balloons and prizes will be handed out.

For more information, call Rose Garber at 735-5913.

### Kimberly resident celebrates 75th birthday at open house

**KIMBERLY** - Beulah Harden will celebrate her 75th birthday at an open house from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Kimberly City Park.

She was born Beulah McDrummond, Aug. 6, 1924 in Claremore, Okla. She married to David Harden on Aug. 6, 1942. Harden has resided in Kimberly for 72 years.

### Woman celebrates 90th birthday Sunday at open house in Twin Falls

**TWIN FALLS** - Friends are invited to an open house to honor the 90th birthday of Rosie Daugherty.

The celebration will be held from 2-4 p.m. Sunday at the home of Rosie and Doyt Simcoe, 562 Sunrise Blvd. N. in Twin Falls.

The family requests no gifts.

### Magic Valley Symphony will hold first rehearsal for the season

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Symphony's first rehearsal of the 2000-2001 season will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Fine Arts Auditorium at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

New youth or adult musicians, which includes string, wind and percussion who have recently moved into the Magic Valley, are invited to join the symphony. Anyone interested can call Music Director Ted Hadley at 733-1079 for an informal audition.

This year's program will include the Magic Valley Symphony Youth soloists performing with the symphony at 4 p.m. Oct. 15. A seasonal concert, A Holiday Prelude, will be held at 8 p.m. Nov. 14. The Spring Concert, with guest musician and conductor, Boise State University Symphony Conductor and Professor of Violin Craig Purdy, will take to the stage at 8 p.m. March 2, 2001. The season finale will be an old-fashioned summer style Pops Concert with music from Baroque to Broadway, from the classics to the Can-Can, from Strauss to a sing-a-long, and with surprise guests.

Season tickets are still available. For more information about purchasing season tickets, call Carmo Smith at 733-2782. For more information about the Symphony's schedule Hadley at 733-1079.

### American Red Cross seeks help for displaced families from fires

**RUPERT** - Three separate house fires in the Mini-Cassia area in eight days have left occupants of each homeless with their belongings destroyed, said representatives of the American Red Cross.

Oliver Lusk, program coordinator for the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho Mini-Cassia Branch, is working with disaster assistance volunteers and the victims to get the families back into homes and started on the process of putting their lives back together again, the organization said.

Each of the three families were renters with no insurance coverage. The fires

destroyed substantial personal property and left victims with the heartache of rebuilding their lives, the Red Cross said.

The American Red Cross is required by a Congressional mandate to respond and assist disaster victims. Local emergency dispatch operators are asked to call the Red Cross when a house fire is reported. The American Red Cross disaster staff members and volunteers respond to each fire and assess the damage and provide physical and emotional support to the victims, the organization said. When financial assistance is required, it is also given.

All American Red Cross disaster assistance is free, made possible by voluntary donations of time and money. To help the victims of this and other disasters, contributions can be made to the American Red Cross by calling (208) 947-HELP (4357) or toll free 1-800-853-2570 or the local branch at 436-7339. Contributions may also be sent to the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho, P.O. Box 104 Rupert, Idaho 83350.

### Radio station and Red Cross team up to raise money for fire victims

**TWIN FALLS** - Mix 103 Radio in Jerome and the American Red Cross are teaming up to raise money for victims of fire in Idaho.

Mix 103 morning show hosts Brandon Rathert and Karla Cunha will broadcast live 24-hours a day starting today through Saturday night at the Wal-Mart Supercenter in Jerome. They will collect donations for the victims and have what the station calls the world's largest thank you card for people to sign. The station said it will present the card to the fire fighters who have been battling wildfires.

Idaho Rep. Mike Simpson is expected to appear Friday.

For more information, call Rathert at 324-8181 or 539-1546.

## Krystle needs parents to share joy for life

Personality: Let's get something "Krystle clear." Although she is a quiet, sometimes guarded side, Krystle also likes to have fun. Whether she's ribbing 13 year-old brother, James, about his girlfriend or ruffling 5 year-old Kelly's hair, she is a hands-on sister with a playful sense of humor. She has a strong sense of responsibility when it comes to keeping the family together and looking after Kelly. Krystle needs parents who will encourage her to enjoy her teenage years. She is ready to focus on her own identity, discovering who she is and what she wants out of life.

Interests: Krystle takes pride in her collections of Hardy Boys mystery books, Beanie Babies and Native American crafts. Her talents lie in computers, archery, cooking and creative pursuits. Her favorite music genres are country and soft rock.

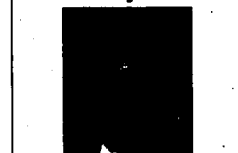
Needs: Krystle needs a mother and father who will protect physical boundaries, are emotionally available when they are needed and who encourage progress in incremental stages. She successfully tested out of resource with improved math scores.

These gains should be maintained through continued home monitoring and advocacy within the educational system. She will also benefit from positive role models who will help with social relationships. Krystle enjoys a secure attachment to her mature foster parents and her maternal grandparents in southern Utah.

She and her siblings may benefit from continued contact with these trusted individuals. Adoption assistance is available for this family of four.

"Thursday's Child" profiles children awaiting adoption. For more information

### Thursday's Child



**Krystle**  
Age 11

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fering from other stations. KRXR features a live disc jockey from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week. After 8 p.m., the station picks up a satellite feed from Guadalajara, Mexico.

Cortez knew that if the station built a strong audience with live announcers, sponsors would come on board.

"We feel that people sometimes in this business first look at the dollar signs," Cortez said. "We went the opposite direction. We catered to our audience first and it's worked very well for us."

Cortez said the bottom line has always been giving the listeners the music they want. She hopes Mexisima's sounds will impact the Magic Valley as a whole, not just one particular demographic.

"We hope to break down any cultural barriers that might be out there and music is a great way to do that," Cortez said. "Now, the non-Hispanic community has the opportunity to tune in and listen to something that may be totally different from what they're used to and to get a glimpse of what this culture is about."



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The Times-News Classified Marketplace 733-0931
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CARPENTERS
Framers needed, starting pay \$12.00 per hour, 1 yr experience required, hand tools and truck provided. Call 208-859-0858.

CHILD CARE
Little Gema Childcare is now hiring a twin & toddler caregiver, CPR & first aid plus. Pick up appl. at 677 Filor Ave.

CHILD CARE NEEDED
Childcare needed in the Wood River Valley. Must have car minimum wage. 734-5063.

CLERICAL
Customer Service
Office Clerk
373-3000 or 678-4040
PERMANENT PLUS

CLERK
Motel desk clerk apply in person. Super 8/Hyburn

COFFEE HOUSE
Java Espresso is now looking to fill a PT position, hand tools, per workweek & occasional weekends. Apply in person.

CONSTRUCTION
Wanted experienced Concrete Finishers & Laborers, pay DOE
Call 832-9255

CONSTRUCTION
Busy painting business, looking for individual to work FT. Must have own car. Call 733-5577.

CONSTRUCTION
Concrete worker needed in the Wood River Valley. Pay DOE. Call Skip at Merrick Construction 208-720-4137 or 578-1782.

CONSTRUCTION
Twin Falls painters needed with framing exp. Wages based on skills & exp. Valley area. Call 733-8267.

CONSTRUCTION LABORER
Daily construction, Salary \$10.00 per hour, experienced employer. Call 743-8214.

CONSTRUCTION
Needed carpenter finishers & laborers. Pay DOE. Phone 733-5477.

COOK
Twin Falls Cafe Center has an opening for a PM & AM Cook. Prefer someone with exp. in food service cooking but will train the right individual. Must be dependable and able to work a fast pace. Please apply in person 874 Eastland Drive, TF. 733-8267.

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE
The Times-News has a full-time opening for a Customer Service Representative. This position must be able to handle multiple responsibilities. Ideal candidate should possess an excellent phone presence, strong customer service skills, typing skills, computer aptitude, and able to work with others. Scheduled hrs. Weekends 6:30 am - 10 am and 11 am - 2 pm. All interested individuals should fill out an application at: The Times-News Attn: Dan Walcott P.O. Box 544 Twin Falls, ID 83303. A DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

DAIRY
A call feeder needed in the area. 2000 25 in. Haremman 837-4442 ewes.

DAIRY
Experienced milkers & outside help. Call 394-5568

DAIRY
Milk tester position available. Must have 1 year exp. Must have reliable vehicle. No calls after 7 p.m. Call 324-7799, hand message.

DAIRY
Milk wanted immediately. Call 543-2038 or apply at 848 S 3400 N. Castleford.

DAIRY
Milk wanted in Carey. Call 208-823-4002 or 208-731-6476

DAIRY
Need experienced milker. 2000 25 in. Haremman 837-4442 ewes.

NAPA AUTO PARTS
NAPA Auto Parts is looking for long term individuals with 25 hrs. week and neat appearance. Individuals need no experience but must be able to perform all duties. Excellent driving record, 40 hrs. per week starting pay \$6.00 an hr. Apply in person at 100 Kimberly Rd., Twin Falls, Idaho

DELIVERY
NAPA AUTO PARTS
CASHIER
NAPA Auto Parts is looking for an aggressive, motivated, professional, service oriented cashier. Twin Falls, who wants an opportunity for growth and recognition in a mid-sized company.
• 40 hours per week starting at \$6.00/hr.
• Full medical and title insurance.
• 401 K plan
• Paid vacation.

DELIVERY
The successful candidate will have the following qualifications:
• Current valid communication and customer service skills
• Good job growth within the organization
• A good attitude and neat appearance
• Applicant in person at: 1550 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho

DIETARY
Cook, FT position. Days & some evs. Call Cheryl at Magic Valley Manor in Wendell. Call 536-6623.

DISCOVERY SERVICE GROUP
Is now accepting applications for telephone interviewers.
We do not sell anything, read only conduct survey.
Swing shift available. Make your own schedule each week per month to fulfill the requirements. You must be at least 16 years of age with good reading skills. The pay for our night-shift is based on a production system. You will be able to do the more you can make. Our production is about \$65 per hour. This is the perfect job for those of you looking for a part-time job. You can work or a job that offers great growth and an opportunity to have a career in the Market Research Field.
Please contact: Ken Barstow at 835-6601 or at the Turf Plaza 778 Falls Ave. Suite B2, Twin Falls.

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Please check your ad for correctness on the first copy that runs. The Times-News is not responsible for errors after that time.
E-mail your classified ad to twinal@micron.net
FOUND - Horse, part Arabian stud, Hwy 93 & 3200 N. Phone msg. 733-8270.
FOUR mountain bike on corner of Tyler Street and Heyburn Ave. Aug. 20th. Call and identify. 735-6380.

106 SPECIAL NOTICES
FAX YOUR AD
TIMES CLASSIFIED
DEPARTMENT
208-734-5538
or 208-677-4543 (BURLEY)

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208-733-8300 & 728-4650
REMEMBER
That birthday you placed some time ago in The Times-News? Now is the time to come back and your pictures. Stop by the Customer Service Dept today.
107 ABORTION ALTERNATIVES
PREGNANCY CHISS CENTER
Call: 734-9971
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**MISCELLANEOUS**  
**LYNWOOD MARKET** employment opportunities: 1. Adm. Office Clerk, 2. Cashier, 3. Stocker, 4. All shifts. Must be able to work weekend. Send resume to: 1147 Elmer Ave., Call 733-9447.

**OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR** Immediate opening for Office Administrator. Computer skills, insurance billing, coding & collection records needed. Send resume to: 1147 Elmer Ave., Call 733-9447.

**PLUMBER** Apprentice 1st or 2nd yr. to do service work. Call 324-8517 for interviews.

**RESTAURANT** Part-time Full-time day Shift Servers, 6am-2pm. Workdays. Apply DOE. Apply Monday in person 8:00am-9:00pm. 800 N Overland St. E.

**RESTAURANT** Clean kitchen waitress, waiter, cook, & kitchen help. Full or part time. Apply in person at: Buffalo Cafe, 503 Park Ave., W. Twin Falls, Idaho.

**RESTAURANT** Idaho jobs is now accepting applications for day and night servers & cashiers. Full and part time. Apply in person between 8:00 am - 5 pm. Mon-Fri.

**RESTAURANT** Pepe Murphy's is now hiring 20-25 prep people. 18+ yrs. of job time work must be available on weekends. APPLY TODAY. 799 Cheney Dr. T.F.

**RESTAURANT** Exped. waitress needed. 18+ hrs a week. Apply in person. 428 2nd Ave. E. Twin Falls, Idaho. Call 733-9447.

**RESTAURANT** Part-time Full-time. Twin Falls now hiring servers & cooks. Exc. upbeat working environment. Job vac. avail. Great benefits. Apply anytime. 1564 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Twin Falls, Idaho. Call 733-9447.

**RESTAURANT** Part-time Full-time. Twin Falls now hiring Crew Leader position. Restaurant exp. req. 35 hrs per week. Approx. \$34 hrs per week. Send resumes to: 818 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, ID. 83301.

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**RN's and LPN's** Pinks View Care & Rehab is accepting applications for friendly, caring, and dedicated nursing staff. Competitive salary. DOE, BA or BS degree in social sciences, ed or nursing is required. Fax resume to 734-4441 or contact Kim at 737-0572.

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**SECRETARY** Immediate opening. Full-time Scheduling Secretary. World class dental experience. Benefits holiday, vacation, sick pay. Send or fax resumes to: 10310 E Main, Burley 83318. Amy Jan

**CLASSIFIED** For people everywhere 733-9931.

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**THE TIMES-NEWS IS CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER CARRIERS FOR THE FLIER AREA. Walking Routes Available**  
**ROUTE 649**  
 100-500 5th Street  
 100-500 Main Street  
 100-700 Midway  
**ROUTE 653**  
 County Road  
 100 Blk. Davis St.  
 100-300 Blk.  
 Huddellon Road  
 100-500 Blk. North St.  
 100 Blk. Ramsey Dr.  
**ROUTE 662**  
 Cantile  
 1000-1100 5th Ave. W.  
 Country View Trailer  
 Park  
 Golden Spur Drive  
 Palomino Street  
 If you live in this area & are interested in being a newspaper carrier... Please call District Manager, 733-0931 ext. 347.

**JEROME (5)**  
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**THE TIMES-NEWS IS CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR INDEPENDENT JR. ROUTES AVAILABLE IN THE JEROME AREA.**  
**ROUTE 618**  
 200-500 Blk. 6th Ave. E.  
 100-700 Blk. 6th Ave. W.  
 600 Blk. North Davis  
 600 Blk. North Filmore  
**ROUTE 624**  
 100-400 Blk. 1st Ave. W.  
 200-400 Blk. 2nd Ave. W.  
 200-400 Blk. 3rd Ave. W.  
 Alder Street  
 Cedar Street  
 Dale Street  
 100-400 Blk. Main St. W.  
**ROUTE 635**  
 100-500 Blk. East Ave G  
 100-900 Blk. East Ave H  
 700 Blk. Filmore  
 If you live in this area & are interested in being a newspaper carrier... Please call District Manager, 733-0931 ext. 348.

**RUPERT**  
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**THE TIMES-NEWS IS CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR INDEPENDENT WALKING ROUTE CARRIERS IN THE RUPERT AREA.**  
**RUPERT ROUTE 420**  
 11th St. -Scott Ave.  
 A St. - F St.  
 If you live in this area & are interested in being a newspaper carrier... please contact The Burley Times-News office at 677-4042 or stop by the Burley office at 325 1/2 E. 5th N. (Next to Wal-Mart).

**TWIN FALLS (7)**  
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**THE TIMES-NEWS CURRENTLY HAS THE FOLLOWING INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER ROUTES ON THE EAST SIDE OF TWIN FALLS**  
**ROUTE 713**  
 1200-1500 Evergreen Drive  
 1200-1400 Holly Drive  
 1000-1600 Juniper St.  
 1100 Blk Locust St. N  
**ROUTE 718**  
 1100-1400 Blk 7th Ave. East  
 1100-1400 Blk 9th Ave. East  
 700-800 Blk Ash St.  
 800 Blk Elm St.  
**ROUTE 733**  
 1000-1200 Blk Brandung Drive  
 1100-1300 Blk Galena Drive  
 1200-1300 Blk Madrona St.  
 1700-1800 Blk Pomerale Drive  
 1300-1800 Blk Stonebrook Circle  
**ROUTE 792**  
 1600-1800 Blk 2nd Ave. East  
 1500-1700 Blk 3rd Ave. East  
 1500-1700 4th Ave. East  
 Harmon Park Ave.  
 200-400 Blk Locust St.  
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**THE TIMES-NEWS IS CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR INDEPENDENT ROUTE CARRIERS IN THE WENDELL AREA.**  
**ROUTE 611**  
 100-600 Blk East Ave. C  
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 500 Blk. East Ave. E  
 200 Blk. East Ave. F  
 200-800 Blk. Idaho St.  
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**FOR SALE**  
**BURLEY**, 2 bdrm. 1 bath home. Price reduced. Remodeled, new cabinets, DWI, new floor, 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Call 733-0233.  
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**E-MAIL your classified ad to us at:** [info@magicvalley.com](mailto:info@magicvalley.com)  
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**HANSEN**, 2 bdrm. Possible 3 bdrm. 2 bath, 1400 sq. ft. wood burning fireplace, storage shed, ig. patio, DW, fenced yard, oak flooring. Call 324-6194.  
**TWIN FALLS**, Exceptional 2 story vintage home on 1/2 acre. Beautiful, 2000 sq. ft. 1 master bdrm, w/bath, wonderful dining room, formal dining room, exceptional patio w/outdoor cooking area, 2 fireplaces, masonry, mfg. units. Must see! \$148,500. Please call 208-734-8577.  
**JEROME**, EXTREMELY well maintained home on chain-linked fenced corner lot located at 1/2 acre. 3 bedrooms, 3 bdrm, woodstone, carpet. Assorted fruit trees. \$67,900.  
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**PROPERTY OWNERS!** Don't have the down payment? Call Home America 733-2224.  
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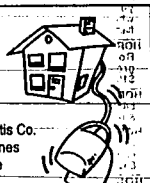
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**NORTH** 00 2A  
 ♠ Q J 3  
 ♥ A 10 8 5  
 ♦ 10 7 6  
 ♣ 7 5 2

**EAST** 05 4  
 ♠ 9 5 4  
 ♥ J 7 5 4 2  
 ♦ K 8 5 4 2  
 ♣ A J 8

**SOUTH** 06 2A  
 ♠ A 7 6 2  
 ♥ K 9 6 4 2  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ A J 8

Vulnerable: Both  
 Dealer: South  
 The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Dbl.	2♥	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	Pass	3♣
		Pass	3♥

Opening lead: Club king

### BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:  
 ♠ A 7 6 2  
 ♥ K 9 6 4 2  
 ♦ 2  
 ♣ A J 8

North South  
 1NT 2  
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**ANSWER:** Three hearts. Force with three hearts to get more information. A spade slam may be in the cards.

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**BUHL**, 3763 N. 1400 E., 8/25 & 8/26, 3 1/2 hrs. South on Castleton Rd. 8am? Wicker furn, lawn-mower, clothing, & misc. furniture. 3 family sale.

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**FILER**, 712 E. Adair St., 8/25 & 8/26, 8-4pm. Clothing, bedding, household items, & tools.

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**JEROME** - 64 miles South of Jerome (W. of Golf Course) Fri. & Sat. 8-5. Pickup truck, toolbox, tools, sporting goods, clothes & misc.

**JEROME** - 801 East Ave. B. East. Sat. Only 8/26, 9-4pm. Lots of adult clothes, housewares, Hubert electric meat slicer, & misc.

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**MURTAUGH**, 3445 N. 4500 E., 8/25 & 8/26, 9-4pm. Ty Beanie Babies, Barbie dolls, Hot Wheels, & lots of miscellaneous.

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**TWIN FALLS**, 324 2nd St. E., Sat. 8/26, 8-3pm. Interfaith Volunteers Annual Yard Sale.

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**TWIN FALLS**, 2019 Hillcrest Drive, Fri. only from 8 am to 7 Antique silver, "like new" girls clothes, size 4 through 10. Children videos, Little Tyke furniture, Skion Edge ski machine, and much more.

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**TWIN FALLS**, 452 Camargo Lane, Aug. 24, 25 & 26 from 8:00 am. to 4:00 pm. No early sales. Large multi family children & women clothing-small to extra large, lots of nurses uniforms-size extra large, baby items, swing, crib, toys, infant carseat, couch, twin bed, misc. household items.

**TWIN FALLS**, 537 Park Terrace, Fri. 7 to 4 & Sat. 8 to 10. Lots of baby items, couch, glass table with 4 chairs, picnic table, bar stools, children toys, & lots of miscellaneous.

**TWIN FALLS**, 608 Sparks, Sat. only from 8 to 5. Garage sale. No early birds.

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**TWIN FALLS**, 869 Fairway Drive, Sat. only from 8 to 2. Baby clothes & furniture, small kitchen appliances, lots of household misc. & children clothes.

**TWIN FALLS**, 975 Aspenwood Lane, Saturday only from 7 to 3. Bikes, furniture, clothes, Little Tyke and lots of miscellaneous.

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