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# Jerome freshmen report



Photo by BRUCE SHELTON/The Times-News

Brandt Cox waits in line to get her schedule changed at Jerome High School. School districts across the Magic Valley held the first classes of the school year Monday, but Monday at Jerome High School was geared to freshmen only.

## Orientation eases new students into high school

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

JEROME - For more than 200 freshmen at Jerome High School, Monday was a time to get acquainted with their new school - before some 700 sophomores and upperclassmen packed the hallways.

The high school devoted the first day - the opening day for most Magic Valley public schools and the College of Southern Idaho - to freshmen orientation. Today all grades will be on campus.

Freshmen Alley Stevens, Beth Bartholomew and Sarah Hall, all 14, explained that the first year of high school is a drop in status to the lowest rung on the ladder. That's the bad part. The good part, they said, is sports, more classes to choose from and more nice teachers.

Sophomore Crystal Jacobs, 15, was on campus Monday to help with orientation.

"The first day is the worst day of school, literally," she said. "You don't know where the heck you're going."

And some seniors can be pushy, she said. But already thinking ahead to the end of the year, she



Val Jones, a psychology and geography teacher at Jerome High School, gives an orientation speech to a class of freshmen.

learned about school policies, services and events. Parents joined them for lunch and an informational meeting.

All Jerome High School students this year will benefit from an addition to the high school.

### Grand opening set

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at 11:45 a.m. Friday at Jerome High School to celebrate the grand opening of its new addition. Call 324-8137 for more information.

Health and biology teacher Megan Milligan settled into one of eight new classrooms built last year, to ease overcrowding at the school. Before the expansion, she had been a roving instructor, traveling from room to room to hold lessons.

Senior and student council member LeRoy Walker, 18, was on hand Monday with other upperclassmen to assist freshmen as they found their way around the school. He said he hopes freshman orientation will become an annual event.

"It's a great opportunity for freshmen to be more confident in themselves on their first day of school," Walker said.

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## Firm with Cheney ties profits from peacekeeping

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The company run until this month by former Defense Secretary Dick Cheney has reaped more than \$2 billion in federal contracts to support U.S. troops on some of the peace-keeping missions that George W. Bush says have helped run down the military.

U.S. deployments in Bosnia, Kosovo, Somalia and elsewhere - the kinds of missions Bush has pledged to reduce if elected - have meant big contracts for Dallas-based Halliburton Co., which Cheney, the GOP vice-presidential candidate, headed from 1995 until he retired two weeks ago.

What started out as a \$4 million contract in 1992 to help the government plan how to provide meals, tents, toilets and laundry for troops sent on missions to far-flung lands has grown substantially for Halliburton, an oil-services conglomerate.

Halliburton's Brown & Root Services subsidiary has received the lion's share of the Pentagon's

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## Trend in C-sections reverses

### Obstetricians' group issues new guidelines

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Caesarean sections started dropping slowly in the early 1990s after an outcry that American women undergo too many - but now they're on the rise again.

Most puzzling: Why C-sections are increasing in first-time moms, not just in women who previously had one. And where pregnant women live determines how likely they are to wind up on the operating table - C-sections are more common in the South than out West.

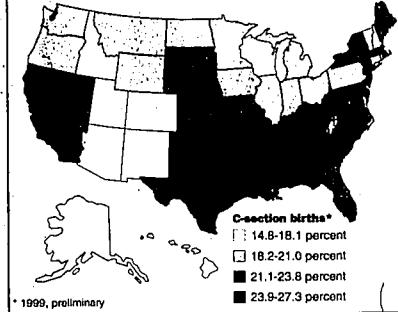
Now, with Caesareans inching back up to 22 percent of U.S. births, the nation's leading obstetricians' group is issuing new guidelines to reduce unnecessary C-sections and reserve the surgery for mothers and babies who truly need it.

There are many suspects in the C-section rise - state-by-state variation particularly suggests doctors' habits sometimes can overshadow medical need.

"Maybe we've become too technical," says Dr. Jean Walker, an attending obstetrician at Chicago's Rush-Presbyterian-St.

### A difference in practice

State-by-state variation in the number of Caesarean sections - a procedure that increased slightly to 22 percent of U.S. births - suggests doctors' habits sometimes can overshadow medical need.



Luke's Medical Center, which is taking new steps to lower C-sections. "We're going back to natural things like walking more often and birthing balls and really encouraging natural descent of the fetus."

To do that, Rush just began a nursing change - back to more

continuous, hands-on care during early labor, especially for first-time moms whose labor takes longer, a big reason for C-sections. After all, studies show women who have continual care from nurses or midwives get fewer C-sections than when busy

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# Council approves \$26M budget

By John T. Huddy Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Despite a 5 percent increase in water and sewer rates, the average city resident won't see a change in their utility bills, thanks to lower garbage fees, the city's financial director said Monday.

Gary Evans said PSI Waste Systems Inc. plans to drop garbage fees by \$1.39 per month, which could balance out the city's increased water and sewer rate hikes.

PSI trucks will not have to make the lengthy drive to the Hub Butte Landfill anymore, driving to a closer transfer station site instead. This will reduce expenses.

The average city customer uses about 15,000 gallons of water per month, and spends about \$39 per month on utilities.

The council approved the city's \$26 million 2000-01 budget in a 6-1 vote. Councilman Trip Craig cast the lone dissenting vote, saying he wanted the budget to go to a second public hearing instead.

At Monday's public hearing, only City Library Director Arlan Call spoke. He commended the council and city staff for its work on the budget for the spending year starting Oct. 1.

Evans and City Manager Tom Courtney also told the council that an expected 5 percent increase in city recreation fees might not be necessary.

The City Council approved a \$208,756 cost-cutting plan last week designed to keep the city's property tax rate at the current level. But that plan would mean an increase in city recreation fees, including all city sports programs.

"If we can find \$4,000 by other means, then across-the-board fee increases would not be necessary."

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# DEA suspects meth link

## Investigation centers on Rupert supply business

By Ruth Streeter Times-News writer

RUPERT - The federal Drug Enforcement Administration in Utah last week seized 400 pounds of iodine crystals - material that can be used to manufacture methamphetamine.

A Rupert man, whose business was searched last week, has not been charged in connection with the case. In an interview Monday, the man, Bruce Mortensen, said he had been set up.

Don Mendrala, resident agent in charge of the DEA's Utah office, said iodine used in several meth labs was traced to Rupert.

After a several-month investigation, DEA officers executed a search warrant Thursday at S & M Dairy Supply in Rupert, a company owned by Mortensen that manufactures products for dairies.

The DEA confiscated several hundred pounds of iodine crystals and business records that could indicate where the iodine is being sold, Mendrala said. More important than discovering the iodine is the hope of discovering where the iodine was sold, he said.

Officers have found about 175 methamphetamine labs in Utah this year, Mendrala said, and Utah has ranked fifth in the

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NATION

# 747 drops part, lands at airport

LOS ANGELES (AP) - An engine on a Boeing 747 carrying 449 people broke apart shortly after takeoff, dropping pieces as big as a dishwasher on a beach.

The KLM Royal Dutch airliner bound for Amsterdam safely returned to Los Angeles in an emergency landing Sunday after circling for about 90 minutes while it dumped 83 tons of fuel over the ocean.

No injuries were reported. Authorities initially said a large bird was probably sucked into one of the jet's four engines. But officials with the National Transportation Safety Board said Monday that that was probably not the case.

NTSB investigator Richard Parker said inspectors did not see any feathers or animal parts in the engine in initial inspections, opening the investigation to other possibilities.

"There could be a number of things, such as maybe a panel coming loose, or metal fatigue, or something else," he said.

GE spokesman Rick Kennedy said investigators were still considering the possibility that a foreign object had been sucked into the engine, a GE-made CF6.

Earlier this month the Federal Aviation Administration ordered maintenance examinations for that type of engine, focusing on a part called the compressor spool. Kennedy said a company representative was on the scene and had not yet determined what occurred with the engine, but he said a compressor spool was not involved. He said a problem with the spool would result in engine failure, a different reaction from what happened to the KLM jet.

"There's not a correlation between the spool inspection and what happened this weekend," Kennedy said. "Drawing a correlation between the two is outrageously irresponsible."

Soon after the airliner lifted off, air traffic controllers saw part of the exhaust of one engine fall to the ground and warned the pilot, who was feeling vibrations from the damaged engine, KLM spokesman Hugo Baas said.

# Wildfire threatens homes in Montana

Another blaze ravages through Idaho ranch

RED LODGE, Mont. (AP) - A fast-moving wildfire closed the scenic Beartooth Highway to Yellowstone National Park, threatening up to 150 houses and forcing evacuation of some hospital and nursing-home patients in Red Lodge.

Elsewhere, a firestorm in an Idaho forest destroyed most of the buildings at a guest ranch, and a second guest ranch was ordered evacuated.

## Predicting weather - A12

The fire near Red Lodge - named the Willie fire, because Willie Nelson was performing at a music festival nearby when it broke out - became the No. 1 firefighting priority in Montana. But ground crews with shovels might not be on the job before Tuesday because so many other blazes across the West are demanding their attention.

"Even if we got everything we want, it may not be enough," Forest Service ranger Rand Herzberg told exasperated resi-

dents. "This is going to be a tough one, folks."

Les Linn, 76, said he packed up and got out of his house when the fire was about half a mile away. "We loaded up the back of the pickup. The thing I made sure I got first were my guns."

The Willie fire started Sunday when a motorcycle crashed and caught fire a few miles south of town on the Beartooth Highway that leads into the northeastern corner of Yellowstone.

The fire quickly grew to 3,000 acres on the west side of the highway, which was closed on Sunday.


Many tourists had to find

another way out of the park after the closure of the 65-mile route to Red Lodge. "We're moving everybody back toward Yellowstone Park, telling them to turn around," said a spokeswoman for the Montana Highway Patrol.

Flames were just feet from some of the evacuated houses.

"One side of the road has to turn around," said fire information officer Scott Fitzwilliams.

A few of the houses evacuated were worth as much as \$1 million, but most were middle-class homes, said Sheriff Luke Schroder.



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# GOP offers minimum wage hike without cut in tax rates

WASHINGTON (AP) - House Speaker Dennis Hastert offered Monday to push legislation boosting the minimum wage by \$1 over two years without making the increase contingent on two key tax cuts that drew objections from President Clinton.

Hastert, R-Ill., said in a letter to the president that Republicans still wanted a \$76 billion package of business tax breaks to accompany the wage measure but would remove proposals to abolish the estate tax and to change pension laws, including increased contribution limits for 401(k) plans. Both are subjects of separate bills.

Democrats have long sought in these prosperous economic times to increase the \$5.15-an-hour federal minimum wage, but Republicans say tax breaks are needed to cushion the higher costs that would fall on businesses. The Senate and House have passed different versions of such

legislation, but efforts at compromise have been bogged down for months.

"It is very clear that a vast majority of congressional Democrats and Republicans would like to see a balanced approach achieved before we adjourn," Hastert said in the letter to Clinton.

According to Clinton administration estimates, about 10 million workers earning between \$5.15 and \$6.14 an hour would be directly helped by a \$1 minimum wage increase. For a full-time worker now earning minimum wage, it would amount to a \$2,000 annual raise.

House Minority Whip David Bonior, D-Mich., called Hastert's offer a "bona fide effort and an attempt to reach a positive solution." He predicted a minimum wage increase and tax package would pass before lawmakers finally leave Capitol Hill this year.

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**NATION**

**Pair shot at college in Arkansas**

**FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP)** — Two people were shot to death Monday at the University of Arkansas in an apparent murder-suicide on the first day of the fall semester. School officials said the two fatalities took place in a second-floor faculty office in Kimpel Hall. "We believe the two persons killed are a faculty member and a

graduate student, but that remains to be confirmed," Chancellor John White said in a statement. The statement did not indicate what department the victims were believed to be from, but that section of the building houses offices for the English department. Students and faculty were evacuated from the building after the

shooting around 12:20 p.m. Kimpel Hall houses faculty in a number of departments — communication, drama, English, foreign languages and journalism, Williams said. Journalism department chairwoman Patsy Watkins many of the 50- to 60-student classrooms on the floor would have been filled at the time.

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# COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

## IBM, Gateway focus on sleek, all-in-one designs

The Miami Herald

Oh what fun it is, owning a computer.

We trip over cables. The tangle of cords string together bulky monitors and towers and speakers that can dominate the room. Worse, struggling over a less-than-friendly computer can lead to buyers' remorse, incompatibility battles between software and hardware, and wasted weekends getting computer and Internet to shake hands.

An increasing number of manufacturers think they have the solution: stylish, slimmed-down and simplified desktop computers. The idea is to restore our faith—and space—in computing.

Makers like IBM and Gateway have each shrunk a line of computers into all-in-one, sleek pieces of furniture with luscious flat-panel monitors. These types of all-in-ones fit all computer guts into the monitor stand. The newcomer's first reaction is to hunt about for the rest of the system, before realizing that what you see is what you need.

"We found that consumers were looking for something that was easier to use, that made it easier to connect to the Internet," said IBM's Dilip Bhatta, product marketing manager for the NetVista x40i, one of two simplified devices that I tried for this column. "You can set up this NetVista product in five minutes or less."

The Miami Herald also evaluated Gateway's Profile 2. Both systems are intended for home and home office use.

"The ultimate goal is to make everything simple," said Sid Kim, a regional Gateway sales development and marketing manager.

The research firm Harris Online recently found that one out of every three American consumers surveyed suffers from

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"digital distress"—anxiety and confusion spurred when considering, purchasing or setting up new technological devices. Proposed remedies included "easy instructions, easy integration of pieces" and good sources of help, including, ironically, the Internet.

Both the NetVista x40i and the Profile 2 cleverly consolidate speakers, hard drives, CD-ROM players, floppy-disk drives, four or five USB ports, modems and pre-installed high-speed Internet systems, (which double as network Ethernet devices). They feature luscious 15-inch, flat-panel monitors.

You can connect to the Internet through either dial-up or fast-access service; both kinds of hardware are pre-installed. Both computers run on Windows 98, Second Edition, which has improved support for USB, or Universal Serial Bus, devices, and respectable software packages. They also have handles at the top of the all-in-one monitors, so they can be moved from room to room.

In response to the kinds of "digital distress" reactions discovered in surveys, most users will never see the innards of these computers.

Many such slimmed-down, sim-

plified computers have found a big part of the key to simplification in the USB ports. The zippy and easy to use USB ports replace the older, slower parallel and serial ports, and PCI/ISA cards.

You simply connect the cord from an external, USB device into the small, rectangular USB plugs on the computers. You can daisy-chain one USB port into dozens more, adding as many devices as you wish.

What works in a USB plug? Almost anything. Scanners, printers, cameras, hard and backup drives, mice, keyboards, CD and DVD-ROMs, video-import, graphic-import, multimedia, audio and game equipment, and numerous other gadgets.

With the legacy system, you often need special software to make the devices compatible with the computer. Not so with USBs. Once you plug them in, Windows 98 or 2000 usually recognizes the devices automatically and makes any changes needed.

These USB configured computers are known as legacy-free systems. Make no mistake, however, about these legacy-free and all-in-one computers. There are sacrifices to these early generations. Costs are higher, roughly comparable to laptop computers, particularly because of the expensive flat-panel, LCD screens and, to a lesser degree, the compact design.

With all its internal components, IBM's NetVista x40i, presently starts at \$1,800. Gateway's less-powerful Profile 2 starts at \$1,700. Meanwhile, says Gateway's Kim, many buyers find the trade-off worthwhile.

"For instance, we have sold 500 units to a bank so they don't have to put the towers on the floor or use up space on the desk," Kim said. "We sold over 1,000 units to a grade school district for their computer labs."

## AOL address books hit with road

By Jim Coste  
Chicago Tribune

**QUESTION:** I have a new computer and want to transfer the names and addresses in my America Online address book. How can I send my AOL address book to my Quadra 950 AOL account on my new G4 via e-mail?

**ANSWER:** You're a lucky man to own that G4, which is Apple Computer Inc.'s hottest new desktop computer, Mr. S. And you're blessed again in that AOL has instituted movable address books for Macs and PCs alike since you bought that now elderly Quadra back when Steve Jobs was just another billionaire maverick.

Windows and Mac users alike simply fire up their old machines, run AOL and select the Address Book choice from the Mail Center option at the top of the screen. You will find a Save/Replace icon at the bottom of the Address Book display. Click it and you will be prompted to create a file with all your addresses. That file can either be saved to a floppy disk and moved between computers or, as you say, it can be e-mailed and then restored on another computer's AOL software.

**Q:** I write poetry and prose. I have over 250 files in WordPerfect format, because when I started that's all I had. I find they are not compatible with my e-mail program (Outlook Express) or with any of my

### Computers Q & A

Microsoft composition programs. So if I send a poem or story to a friend, it becomes garbled to say the least. Is there out there a conversion program to convert my WP file to Word or Notepad?

**A:** Let us go then, you and I, Mr. K. Let us go when the evening is draped out against the sky like a patient etherized on a table. With apologies to T.S. Eliot, let us go to [www.jasc.com](http://www.jasc.com) and download the free evaluation copy of the \$60 Quick View Plus 6.0 file translation software. This superb software will make

quick work of letting you open those WordPerfect files and then copy them into Word or Notepad one at a time. Then once you have used the free evaluation unit to translate those 250 poems, you can send the company \$60 to have a boxed copy sent to you, or \$50 to download the full version. You also can buy the software by calling (800) 622-2793.

Wink, wink, nudge, nudge, aside, this is a superbly powerful tool that a great many PC owners will relish for its ability to open virtually any file ever cooked up, and allow users to either view it, or copy it into software they happen to own, such as you would do with that treasure trove of WordPerfect poetry.

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## Take a pre-schooler on a tour of Paris

By Noah Matthews  
Knight Ridder News Service

The playing field for educational software for 4- to 6-year-old girls is limited indeed. If I recall my daughter's tastes when she was that age, the loud, flashy graphics-intensive educational programs my mother bought were simply too loud, flashy and graphics-intensive for her.

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Feed cattle rise; red meat declines

**BOISE** - Idaho cattle on feed for the slaughter market went up 6 percent from last year, while commercial red meat production went down 4 percent.

Cattle on feed totaled 280,000 head on Aug. 1, up from last August's inventory of 265,000 head, the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service reported.

Placements of cattle into state feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during July came to 56,000 head, up 8,000 from July 1999 placements.

Meanwhile, commercial red meat production was down in July, 6 percent from June's 52.4 million pounds. Accumulated red meat production for the January-July 2000 period totaled 334 million pounds, up 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**ConAgra shareholders will vote on changing name**

OMAHA - Omaha's ConAgra Inc. plans to change its name to ConAgra Foods, pending a shareholder vote at the company's annual meeting Sept. 28.

The idea behind the change is to more accurately reflect what the company does, ConAgra spokeswoman Karen Savinski said. The \$28 billion (annual revenue) company makes agricultural products, such as seed and pesticides, but it boasts dozens of consumer food products, including 21 brands that produce annual sales of more than \$100 million each.

"We've grown from a small Nebraska company into one of America's largest food companies," Savinski said.

ConAgra has had several names during its 133 years of existence. It was called Nebraska Consolidated Mills in 1919; it began using its current name in 1971. ConAgra in the Magic Valley owns Lamb Weston Inc., Haney Seed Co., United Agri-Products stores in Burley and Teton, KBC bean facilities throughout the valley, the E.A. Miller feedlot in Malta and many elevators across southern Idaho.

**McDonald's releases new regulations for egg suppliers**

McDonald's, buyer of 2 billion eggs each year for Egg McMuffins and scrambled eggs, has laid some big rule changes on its egg suppliers.

The megacorporation ordered up improvements in the way laying hens are treated: more pen space, no more clipped beaks to prevent harmful pecking, and no "forced molting," which is the controversial practice of withholding food and water to cause hens to lay more eggs.

The new guidelines, established in conjunction with the Animal Welfare Council, also require egg suppliers to provide a minimum of 72 square inches per hen, compared with an industry average of 40 to 50 square inches.

McDonald's said the standards were recommended to the company's scientific advisory board that the company formed to address concerns about the way food animals are treated.

Compiled from wire reports

## Network plans new TV station for Magic Valley

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** - Twin Broadcasting and North Rocky Mountain Television announced KTWT-TV, Channel 43, is expected to sign on with broadcasting services in the Magic Valley by mid-September.

KTWT will be an affiliate of the Paramount Network (formerly

known as UPN) and of the American Independent Network, the two companies said.

"KTWT is a sister station of KDDI and will offer quality programming and the highest level of commercial production that local businesses have come to expect from PAX 55," said Bill Mogensen, general manager of both KTWT and PAX.

Mogensen said Channel 43 will have approximately the same coverage area for non-cable viewers as KDDI and will be broadcast in stereo. He said negotiations are under way to have KTWT carried over local cable systems.

The 24-hour programming lineup on KTWT will include current hits such as "WWF Smackdown," "Star Trek - Voyager," "Mo'isha"

and the new "XFL" Professional Football League beginning in February, plus Disney cartoons, movies and popular vintage shows such as "Beverly Hillsbillies," "Lucy," "Wagon Train" and "Alfred Hitchcock" as well as the popular syndicated series "Cjeers" and "Frasier" and other programs for the entire family, the station said.

## BANKRUPTCIES

The Times-News

**BOISE** - Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

### Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

**Ken G. Wallman and Lorena M. Wallman**, 12722 Idaho Highway 75, Ketchum, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-41336.

**Rowdy Jay Bailey and Tanya Victoria Bailey**, 414 W. Ave. F, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-41335.

**Douglas Allen Hitt**, 1150 E. 4325 N., Buhl, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-41334.

**Kevin Allen Carson and Shanda Carson**, 645 Fawnbrook Ave., Apt. 273, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-41326.

### Chapter 13, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

**Tatibthea Dominique (Pullin) Clifford**, also known as Martinez and Pullin, 2430 Idaho Ave., Hollister, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 00-41304.

### Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$100,000

**Todd A. Reali and Karey A. Reali**, 2814 S. 850 E., Hagerman, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 00-41264.

**Rex A. Burnes**, 1730 Camarillo Way, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 00-41351.

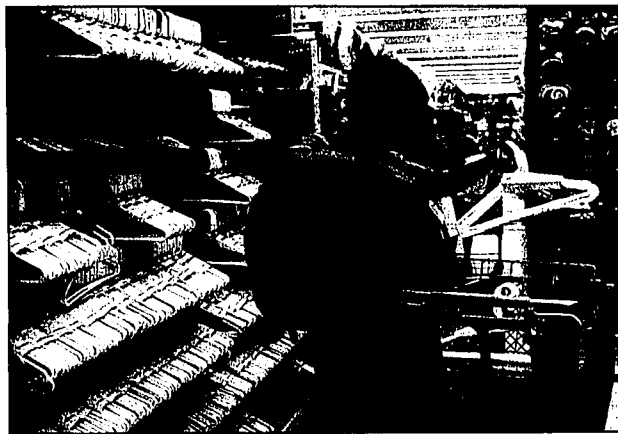
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**Robert Lloyd Fate** and **Charlotte Louise Fate**, 1245 Idaho Highway 75, No. 11, Ketchum, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 00-41357.

### Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

**Antonio F. Soto and Sally I. Soto**, also known as Soto Trucking, 127 W. 335 S., Rupert, Please See BANKRUPT, Page A9

## HOT PACE



Kun Yuan, a student at the University of Alabama in Birmingham, checks out the coat hangers recently in a Birmingham store.

## Spending jumps, savings hit bottom during midsummer

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - American consumers went on a buying binge in July, ratcheting up spending twice as fast as their incomes grew. That drove down the nation's personal savings rate to the lowest point ever recorded.

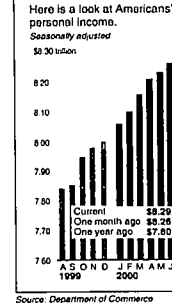
After spending cautiously during the spring, consumers splurged last month, increasing their spending by a brisk 0.6 percent, the biggest jump since February, the Commerce Department reported Monday.

Spending rose a little bit faster than the 0.5 percent gain many analysts were anticipating.

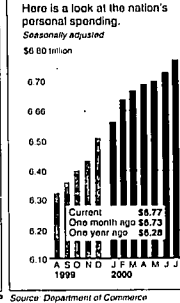
Americans' incomes, which includes wages, interest and government benefits, meanwhile, grew by a modest 0.3 percent in July, matching analysts' expectations.

Economists said people are feeling wealthy and in the mood to spend because jobs are plentiful, incomes are rising, inflation is low and the stock market - which was volatile in the spring and helped to temper spending - is buoyant. "The consumer is

### Personal Income



### Personal spending



back," declared Joel Naroff, economist with Naroff Economic Advisors. "It was not just motor vehicles and furniture that people bought. They traveled, ate out and bought all the little things they wanted."

All that spending pulled down the personal savings rate - savings as a percentage of after-tax income - to a negative 0.2 percent in July, the lowest monthly rate ever. In June, the rate stood at a positive 0.1 percent.

## Food frenzy

Companies prepare for major round of consolidations

Knight Ridder News Service

The Pillsbury Dough Boy is alive and well. Maxwell House is still good to the last drop. And Thomas' English muffins still have their nooks and crannies.

In fact, shoppers perusing the cereal or canned-food aisles won't notice much change as six of the world's largest food manufacturers plan to merge into three.

"Consolidation is driven by the need for companies to maintain investor confidence, grow their bottom and top lines to be profitable and invest money behind brands to meet consumer needs," said John Gould, a spokesman for Unilever, which owns hundreds of brands worldwide including

Haagen-Dazs, Breyers and Ragú.

"Will a U.S. consumer see any difference? The answer is, absolutely not."

The acquisitions - if approved by the government and company shareholders - would put some of the most popular food names under one roof.

In a \$10.5 billion deal, General Mills - maker of Betty Crocker cake mixes, Cheerios, Lucky Charms and Bisquick - would combine with Diageo's Pillsbury division, which owns Haagen-Dazs ice cream, Old El Paso tortilla products and Hungry Jack potato mixes, among dozens of others.

Hellmann's mayonnaise, Entenmann's baked goods and Thomas' English Muffins would be combined with Ragú tomato sauces, Breyers ice cream and Lipton ice tea as Unilever waits approval of its \$24.3 billion purchase of Bestfoods.

If Kraft's \$15 billion purchase of Nabisco goes through, treats like Triscuits, Oreos and Life Savers would be produced by the same company that makes Post Honeycomb cereal, Cool Whip and Jell-O. Philip Morris Cos. owns Kraft's Philo Morris Cos.

The intended mergers are the answer the companies need to increase their profits and boost shareholder confidence, they say.

But for the consumer, who may not have heard of Unilever but buys Klondike bars and I Can't Believe It's Not Butter, the company's deal with Bestfoods means nothing. And it's not unusual for

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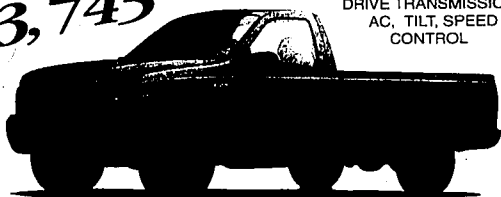
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a consumer to know a brand rather than its parent company. "Brands themselves are built on their connection to the consumer, not the company's connection to the consumer," said Pamela Stegeman, vice president, industry affairs of the Grocery Manufacturers of America.

Despite all the activity within the food industry, consumers likely will still find their favorite brands on the shelves. The new companies would re-evaluate their brands and get rid of the unsuccessful ones - those products that consumers probably aren't buying anyway.

Even Unilever, which announced last year it was going to shed 1,200 of its worldwide brands, still plans to focus on the company's 400 leading brands like Lipton, Unilever's European bakery division, for example, already has been sold.

While the six companies involved in the latest round of mergers all have a worldwide presence, they combine to make up at least 10 percent to 15 percent of the \$460 billion U.S. food and beverage market, according to Tim Willard, a spokesman for the National Food Processors Association.

Philip Morris, which owns Kraft and Miller Brewing, raked in \$3.1 billion last year in U.S. food sales, according to Food Processing, a monthly trade publication. But there are dozens of food companies that specialize in a niche or region that fill in the remaining market.

Worldwide, Switzerland-based Nestle is the leader with \$7.4 billion in sales last year. The merger is a way for companies to round out their portfolios. For example, General Mills would significantly expand its presence in the refrigerated-foods category with the purchase of Pillsbury - a leader in sales of refrigerated dough products like sweet rolls, biscuits, cookies and pie crusts.

"It's cheaper for them to buy than to build a brand," said Mike

Gilles, president of the Growth Group, a marketing and consulting firm in California.

Before the companies begin restructuring, they need both regulatory and shareholder approval. The companies must file with the Federal Trade Commission to start the regulatory approval process. The proposed agreement is scrutinized either by the FTC or the U.S. Department of Justice in search of any illegal anti-competitive practices.

So far, the FTC has begun the review process only for the Nabisco-Kraft deal, according to Mitch Katz, an FTC spokesman. Reviews of the other two mergers have not begun at either agency.

If the deal is approved, the FTC would continue to watch the new companies-to-make-sure they don't abuse their increased power by engaging in price gouging, Katz said.

Officials say the companies have no intention of jeopardizing the already-established relationships that consumers have with popular brands.

However, if a brand does not fit with the company's philosophy, it likely would be sold off.

General Mills plans to sell off Pillsbury dessert mixes - a category it already dominates with its Betty Crocker brand. The company also will sell off Pillsbury's Gen Giant canned-vegetable business, but will keep Green Giant's frozen vegetable and meat starters.

The new General Mills will focus on brands that are leaders in their categories, like Pillsbury refrigerated baked goods, Yoplait yogurt, Hungry Jack frozen waffles, Totino's frozen pizza, Big G cereals and Betty Crocker dessert, dinner and side-dish mixes.

That's good news for smaller food companies that may be regional or have one successful product. "This is an opportunity for smaller companies to come in and take over and deliver benefits for that segment of people buying (those products)," Gilles said.

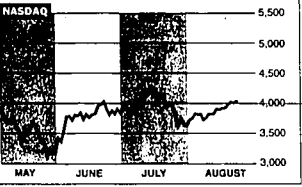
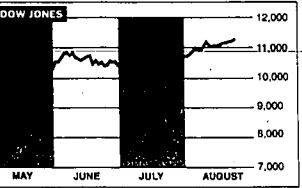
Some see confidence growing in market

NEW YORK (AP) - Stocks moved higher Monday, a possible sign that investors are more confident about the future direction of stock prices following several days of indecision.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 60.21 at 11,252.84, after rising more than 110 points earlier in the day.

Broader stock indicators also advanced. The Nasdaq composite index gained 27.91 to 4,070.59 and is now up slightly for the day, marking the first time the technology heavy index has been in positive territory since early spring. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 7.64 to 1,514.09.

Stocks had fluctuated last week, while mostly moving higher, as investors began to recognize that interest rate hikes no longer seem to be a factor in trading. "Investors have been extremely jaded about in the past few weeks," said Don Hayes, president of Hays Advisory Group in Nashville, Tenn. But, he said, "people seem comfortable that there won't be any more interest rate hikes."



Financial stocks were up across the board Monday on the belief that stable interest rates will encourage borrowing and improve the lucrative business of underwriting stocks and bonds.

Thirteen stocks begin trading in decimals

NEW YORK (AP) - Thirteen U.S. stocks began trading in decimals instead of fractions Monday for the first time in American financial history.

The move was the first step in a government-mandated switch designed to reduce U.S. stock exchanges in line with other world markets.

A stock selling for \$35.375 a share will now be priced at \$35.375. Shares priced at \$50 1/16 will be listed at \$50.125. "If you can look at a \$-bill and understand what that's made of, then you can understand the new decimalization," said investor Reid Scrivner, an Atlanta-based analyst.

Susan Wyderko, of the Security and Exchange Commission, said: "You don't have to translate in your mind any more what .125 is versus 3/16 or 25."

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DOE eyes Idaho for space batteries

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - Nobody talks about shooting rockets from the Idaho desert any more, since the state's efforts to build a spaceport have been indefinitely postponed.

But the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory could get a smaller chunk of aerospace business by making nuclear batteries to power interplanetary space travel.

The U.S. Department of Energy is considering whether an isotopic radioisotope probe might be produced at the site. The agency is seeking comments on a study looking at where the country's supply of plutonium-238 might be produced.

It is needed to make nuclear-batteries for future Mars isotopic radioisotope probes and the ocean on Jupiter's moons.

Troubles mount for Japan automaker

TOKYO (AP) - Mitsubishi Motors' shares fell 12.4 percent Monday following a weekend raid on its headquarters and reports that its president would resign to take responsibility for a growing scandal.

On Monday, President Kazuhiko Kawasaki promised a thorough housecleaning over decades of hiding auto defect down 48 cents at \$3.39 a share on the Tokyo Stock Exchange, even as the benchmark 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average hit a six-week high. The Nikkei rose 269.79 points, or 1.60 percent, closing at 17,181.12 points.

The Nihon Keizai financial newspaper and Kyodo news agency reported on Monday that Kawasaki had decided to resign, citing unidentified company sources. A Mitsubishi spokesman, speaking on condition of anonymity, denied it.

Kawasaki's predecessor, Takemitsu Kikuta, stepped down last year after Kawasaki promised that the company made illegal payments to corporate racketeers.

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## EDITORIAL

### Western fires symbolize failed federal management

Montana Gov. Marc Racicot is watching his state burn down, and he contends the federal government should bear the brunt of the blame. He's right.

As of Monday, 39 fires were burning up 815,000 acres of national forest land in Montana.

That's a little shy of the size of the state of New Hampshire.

Montana's forests were a torch waiting to ignite, the governor argued on two national news programs on Sunday, since the Clinton administration has ignored years of warnings about the buildup of trees and underbrush that provide fuel for the flames.

Instead of being concerned with the health of Montana's forests these past seven years, the Clintonites have focused almost exclusively on roadless areas - and on keeping the loggers out and the hikers in.

Combine that with the Forest Service's longstanding policy of ruthless fire suppression, and it's a recipe for the disastrous summer of 2000 that Montanans had little part in making

but now must clean up.

And pay for. The fires have had an enormous economic impact on two of Montana's three bread-and-butter industries - tourism and timber.

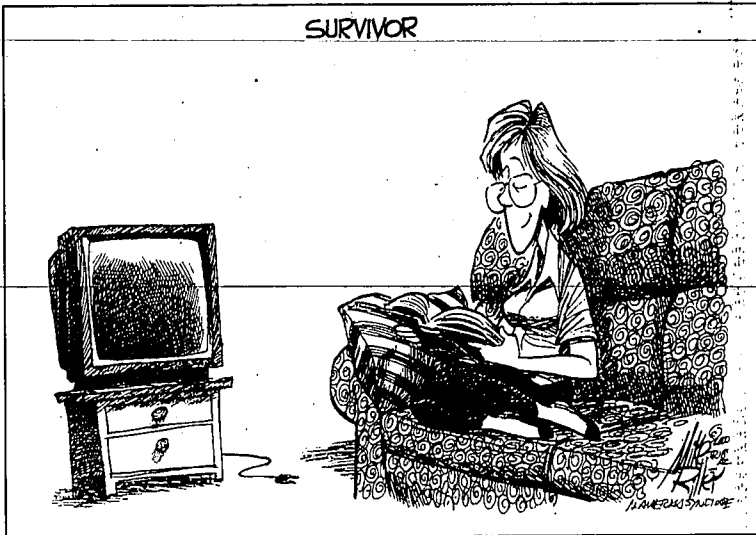
It's a pattern familiar to Idahoans too, of course: The important decisions about

now millions of acres of Idaho lands are made in U.S. Department of Agriculture headquarters on 14th Street in Washington, D.C., not in the Statehouse on Jefferson Street in Boise.

That magisterial philosophy of public land management has predominated during the Clinton administration, and it can be expected to flourish if Al Gore is elected president in November. Washington is always going to know best until the management of the USDA and the Bureau of Land Management are changed.

That's why this will be a watershed election for Westerners. It will determine whether we gain a measure of control over our own destiny - or continue to live on the firing line of the war on the West.

*Washington is always going to know best until USDA and BLM management are changed.*



### Protect forest with thinning, some logging

The nation has watched while lives have been lost, homes destroyed and millions of acres of our national forests charred this summer.

You may think that dry weather is the cause, but think again. You can thank the federal government for decades of fire suppression and anti-logging policies that promoted raging fires in forests of crowded, dry and dead trees.

The people who live in and around the forests are paying the highest price for this mismanagement. President Clinton announced that he would help make amends by doling out a \$150 million in emergency assistance. Unfortunately, money won't bring back what was lost to the flames, nor will it prevent history from repeating itself.

It's time that Congress and the president devise a new strategy for managing our forests. If they investigated, they would learn that historically, forests were more open and healthier. For example, before federal involvement 20 to 55 ponderosa pines grew per acre of forest. But after decades of federal "management," we now often have 300 to 900 trees in that same amount of space!

It's not surprising that more than 60 percent of federal forests are now either unhealthy or deteriorating, according to a U.S. Forest Service report. One reason pre-federalized forests were healthier was frequent fire.

For example, ponderosa pine forests burned every five to 15 years in blazes ignited by lightning strikes or by Native Americans. Natives used fires extensively and changed the face of North

**DANIEL SIMMONS AND ALI FREEMAN**

America by modifying the landscape to favor certain plants and animals. These frequent fires burned at low intensities that cleared out the brush without harming large trees. Then entered federal management. Not only did federal agencies not start fires as Native Americans did, they worked hard to quickly stamp out all of Mother Nature's fires.

A hundred years later we have forests full of dead and dying trees, creating unhealthy tinderbox conditions. The accumulated wood fuels hotter fires and serves as a ladder, allowing flames to climb into the tree canopy and destroy larger trees.

Now President Clinton and Congress have three options. They could continue with the existing policy - but that only promises future devastation followed by emergency aid. Not exactly a good option.

Others suggest that forest managers massively increase the number of "prescribed burns," where fires are intentionally lit in hopes of reducing underbrush and thinning the forest.

Also, "controlled fires" sometimes get out of control, particularly when there is so much fuel in the forest. For example, the feds burned 400 homes in the town of Los Alamos this spring in a "controlled burn" that escaped.

The best option, recommended by

forestry experts, involves mechanically thinning forests - cutting out underbrush and some trees to restore forests to their previous state of 20 to 55 trees per acre. Selective logging does not release massive amounts of air pollution and it generates revenue to help defray the costs of forest management.

Recognizing deteriorating forest health, some environmentalists support selective logging.

The many fires this year and the unhealthy, tinderbox conditions on remaining federal lands should be a cue to restore the ecological health of forests. But it's not clear if federal forest managers have heard the message. The Clinton administration is pushing to create new national monuments and roadless plan for federal forests, both of which will make fire management more difficult because they create de facto wilderness areas where needed thinning may not be allowed.

While in Idaho, the president joked that when he first arrived in Washington, "There was a lot of underbrush that needed cutting there." If the president will not heed the advice of experts and environmentalists for the forests, perhaps he will heed his own.

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## LETTERS

### Vets are eligible for medical help

During the famous naval battle in which all seemed lost and the enemy asked John Paul Jones if he was ready to surrender, he hollered back, "I have not yet begun to fight." A severely wounded Marine fighting for his life said, "There is always some SOB that doesn't get the word."

Well, I got out of the Marine Corps 54 years ago, and I have just gotten the word that I have been eligible for a government-sponsored medical assistance program for a long time.

Two of my friends have found this out also, and they were the ones who told me. So, my friend, if you have an honorable discharge from the service and have not heard about this program, go to the Department of Veterans Affairs office directly behind the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and find out what benefits you qualify for.

It is a small thanks for the time you spent in the service, and you deserve it.

**MATT SMITH**  
Twin Falls

### Looking forward to the TF fair

Magic Valley residents: As a member of the Twin Falls Lions Club, I have the opportunity to annually view the county fairsgrounds and personnel from preparation through completion of the event. John and his staff are absolutely phenomenal in what they do to host this annual event. The grounds are like a garden, and the upgrading and presentation of the "old" buildings is amazingly efficient. While busy with last-minute details, the staff is at your beck and call to give assistance.

Invite our valley residents to attend and enjoy the displays and events that have long identified why Magic Valley is a good place to live and raise a family.

I know of nowhere you could go to get a better buy for quality entertainment than our county fair.

Come and enjoy, and while there, thank those who make this annual event happen.

**RAY STROBLBERG**  
Twin Falls

### Unions help the American worker

Labor Day 2000 is Monday, Sept. 4. That's also the first day of Union Label Week 2000. As we get ready for that day and that week, as union members we should again take at least a few minutes to be proud of who and what we have done and what we continue to do.

We are the American Labor Movement - joined in our local, national and international unions. As the Labor Movement, we and hundreds of thousands who have gone before us have put a great big union label on the American way of life that we enjoy even as we work diligently to preserve it and improve it and extend its opportunities to all on these shores.

Many things in our lives today are so commonplace that we have to remind ourselves that they were once the objects of struggle by the Labor Movement. Take the five-day workweek, for example. And premium pay for overtime, paid holidays, annual paid vacations, health insurance, regular pay raises, retirement pension plans, etc.

While many of us take those kinds of benefits for granted, what would happen if unions, union contracts and the labor movement were soon to disappear, as some predict every Labor Day? Would government on its own initiative switch out for the individual American worker? Would businesses make the well-being of their employees as important as increasing returns to their investors? Who would defend employees against unjust discharge and other discipline if they should be so bold as to protest mistreatment and abuse by employers? Who would represent workers against efforts to strip the effectiveness from safety and health laws and regulations? Who would have pushed to pass such laws in the first place?

If the American Labor Movement suddenly ceased to exist, someone would have to re-invent it. But it does exist, and we are the American Labor Movement. Let's be proud of it and about the union label - on Labor Day, during Union Label Week and the rest of the year as well.

Remember to buy American and that buying union-made products and services helps to preserve good American jobs and strengthens the U.S. economy.

**DAN MALONEY**  
Rupert, BCTGM Local 282C

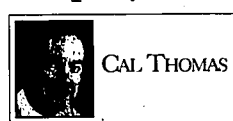
### Would Jesus want prayer at football games?

Next Sunday kicks off the new professional football season, but many high schools are already playing the game.

This year some public schools in the South are adopting end-around to a Supreme Court ruling that prohibits organized or school-sanctioned prayers at these events.

In Batesburg-Leesville, S.C., students and parents have come up with what might be called a "Hall Mary" play if it were not designed by Protestants. Students have devised a game plan that allows one of them to "speak" before kickoff. The court ruled that a prayer led by a student at Texas football games, even if the student is selected by fellow students and not by a representative of the school, violates the Constitution. Locals in Batesburg-Leesville hope that making these expressions "voluntary" will not offend the court, which seems unoffended by anything except religious expression and attempts to preserve life in, or emerging from, the womb.

Other strategies to circumvent the court ruling include the broadcasting of prayers by local radio stations before kickoffs. However screw the courts have



**CAL THOMAS**

become on this issue, there is a far more important consideration for people who believe in God and pray to Him.

One of Washington's old stories concerns former White House Press Secretary Bill Moyers. President Lyndon Johnson is said to have called on Moyers to say grace before a meal with a group of White House visitors. As Moyers began to pray, his nearly inaudible voice reportedly prompted Johnson to interrupt, "Louder, Bill, we can't hear you." Moyers replied, "I'm not talking to you, Mr. President."

To whom are these football fans and students praying? For what purpose? More importantly, if their first priority is to always be a good "witness" before people who do not share their faith in order that the observers might consider that faith, what damage is caused by forcing people to listen to a prayer of a type they

do not say which is directed to a God in whom they may not believe? Many Christians do not like those public prayers because they think it trivializes the effectual and fervent prayer.

Similarly, the over-emphasis on religion in the presidential campaign has diminished both faith and politics.

Apparently some people have such inferiority complex about their faith that they need to see it trumpeted before the world. It is an in-your-face faith rather than an in-your-heart prayer.

It was Jesus, after all, who frequently separated himself from the crowds in order to pray in private.

Some say that praying before a football game should be allowed because it is "traditional." That view mocks both tradition and prayer. Instead of trying to devise prayers that will be approved by the Supreme Court, prayer "activists" should be concerned with prayers that fulfill the instructions of Jesus of Nazareth and reach the ears and earn the approval - not of the Supreme Court but of the Supreme Judge.

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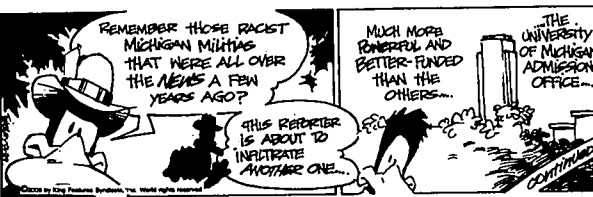
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OPINION

# Eyewitness accounts aren't always reliable

WILLIAM TRIPLETT

**I**mplicit in the constitutional right to freedom of expression is the right to exhibit, if you choose, all manner of insensitivity, imbecility and even some dishonesty — all of which one group of people exercised to the fullest during the hearing that the National Transportation Safety Board held last week on the investigation into the 1996 crash of TWA Flight 800.

In a full-page ad in the Washington Times, the so-called "TWA 800 Eyewitness Alliance" — for the most part everyday people who now proclaim themselves experts not just on jet crashes but on the properties of military explosives — denounced the two-day hearings as "lies" in a massive governmental conspiracy to cover up "the truth" that a missile destroyed the airliner.

"They know this because they saw" the missile. And they want to be heard. Trouble is, they have been heard — in some cases, many times. It's what they've heard back that they don't like: that despite their fanatical insistence, not unlike that of people who claim to have seen Jesus or the Virgin Mary, their accounts are not supported by any physical evidence. Tell me you're surprised by their reply: The FBI and the CIA, with NSTB complicity, removed all the evidence.

It certainly sounds more dramatic than sitting through the hearing itself. On Tuesday, Dr. David Mayer of the NSTB's Human Performance Division presented a detailed summary of his group's investigation of "witness statements. Suffice it to say that Mayer does not have much theatrical presence and he recited rather than incited. Which is probably why he didn't get much media attention. In a steady monotone, he listed the witness claims.

More than 700 people saw something related to the explosion and crash. About one-third of them claim to have seen "a streak of light" in the air. The majority of these claims, however, were absolutely consistent with what NSTB investigators believe to be what happened — a center-wing fuel tank explosion that broke the aircraft into two flame-streaking pieces, the larger of which further disintegrated as it came crashing down. The rest of these claims specifically maintained that the streak of light rose from surface level and went straight up, as a ground-fired missile would.

The problem with eyewitness accounts — particularly involving an unexpected catastrophe — is that at best they're slipshod. Mayer addressed the most seemingly cogent Flight 800 claims, one of which came from a passenger on a US Air flight that was in the area at the time. The passenger said he saw a "flare" first, followed by an "explosion." But according to his flight's position and heading vis-a-vis 800's position and heading at the time, and the location of his seat and the view afforded from his window, it was impossible for him to see the initial explosion: It had already happened.

Then there was the helicopter pilot who said almost immediately after the tragedy that he'd seen burning wreckage falling from the sky. Period. A few days later, though, in a second interview with investigators, he claimed to have seen a "flare-type" object in the sky before seeing the wreckage.

You just have to take their word for it, just as you do with their claim of a cover-up. Hundreds, perhaps even thou-

sands, of government employees suppressing "the truth" in an orchestrated plot the likes of which few can imagine.

It's beyond absurd. Even Richard Nixon during the early days of Watergate — when the break-in was still below most people's radar screens and he was enjoying his highest approval ratings ever, making him arguably the most powerful man in the world at the time — couldn't keep control of a cover-up on a much smaller scale.

Normally groups such as the Alliance aren't a big problem. They've got their constitutional rights. And they can go on claiming, as they have, that

their testimony has been "suppressed" (which is why, I suppose, it's been reported just about everywhere and is available on the NSTB Web site).

But the families of 230 dead people are trying to come to terms still with their loss and grief. Every reckless accusation, every vulgar act of exploiting a tragedy to keep publicizing an opinion that's already been over-publicized, is an insult to that pain.

William Triplett, a former contributing editor of Air & Space/Smithsonian magazine, covered the 1997 Flight 800 hearings.

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WEST

# Weatherman fights fires with data

**O'NEIL BASIN, Nev. (AP) —** When Mike Smith rouses himself from bed at 5 a.m. each day, he begins one of the least recognized and most important jobs in the modern fire camp: telling crews how much danger they are likely to face, in time for them to prepare for a fire.

A veteran meteorologist, Smith monitors weather patterns and alerts firefighters of sudden wind shifts or random thunderstorms that could whip up flames and throw their lives into peril.

"You are the only weather person on the fire so it's not like there's anyone else to lay the blame on if the forecast goes bad," said Smith, a senior meteorologist for the National Weather Service. "They don't go to the weather office ... they come to me, because I'm responsible."

Smith is one of 36 meteorologists in the United States qualified to work at wildfires. Twenty-five of them are now on the front lines at blazes raging across the West.

The typical fire meteorologist is a computer whiz who can set up a satellite dish, download weather models and then spend the night in a dusty tent in the middle of nowhere.

Smith puts in 14- to 16-hour days, stays away from home for weeks at a time but still calls his job sedentary compared to that of the firefighters who trek out to the flames to dig for hours in smoldering heat.

"You take the position knowing this will be part of your job," Smith said from his makeshift office in an abandoned ranch house 25 miles southeast of Jackpot, Nev., where fires blacken more than 31,000 acres of sagebrush.

"I don't think most people know what they are getting into, though," said Smith, a 38-year-old from Sacramento, Calif., who has spent 10 years chasing fires. "They don't realize they can be called up at any time during the summer and that they will be sleeping in a tent. It's not like back at the office."

Smith's day starts at 5 a.m. Within minutes, he has turned on his laptop, set on an old chest in what was the abandoned ranch's master bedroom and linked to a satellite dish outside.

He checks the latest forecast and then goes to a briefing, where he tells planning chiefs what's in store. "I know that they are making decisions based on my forecasts and that feels good," Smith said. "That's why incident meteorologists like their jobs, because we know when we are here what we do is important."

"We know that at home too, but you are more removed," he said. "You don't really see the results."

At 33 minutes past every hour, Smith receives a three-megabyte packet of compressed data from weather service headquarters in Salt Lake City, which feeds into his computer in 10 seconds.

A special program unzips the files and arranges them so they can be interpreted. The data include infrared satellite pictures of water vapor, high and low pressure systems, temperatures, wind speed and direction.

The most potentially dangerous element at a wildfire is wind, Smith said. And if an image of a brewing thunderstorm pops up, he starts worrying. "You get 30 to 40 mph downdrafts with a thunderstorm and they could blow the fire in an unexpected way."

In that case, Smith would run over to communications and get a message out to the 450 men and women battling the blaze.

"A lot of the firefighters work with their heads down, and they are not paying attention to what is around them," Smith said. "It would be my job to alert them."

Making sure the message reaches them quickly is the main reason Smith is on the scene rather than in an office in California. "If the incident commander saw something was going on it might take him an hour to get hold of the nearest weather station, whereas he can just walk up to me and say, 'Hey, what's going on?'" Smith said.

Being on site also allows Smith to see the fire firsthand and determine how the terrain, such as canyons that channel winds, are affecting local weather.

Besides satellite images, Smith uses a handheld radio to call a remote weather station set up about five miles from camp. He'll hear a computerized voice read the local temperature, wind speed and humidity. Or he can drive out to the solar-powered station, plug in his laptop and retrieve several days' worth of data.

Back in the old days, weather data came in only twice a day via shortwave radio and it rolled out on a huge printer rather than

**About this series**

This summer's Great Burn has charred nearly 6 million acres across the country. This is one of a series of articles by The Associated Press on the firefighters and relief workers on the front lines and behind the scenes.

downloading into a computer. If you missed it, that was it for

another 12 hours, Smith said.

But while the new equipment has helped forecasters fine-tune their predictions, the high-tech stuff doesn't always work in the bush.

Smith remembers when a mountain blocked the satellite or someone leaned on the dish, throwing it out of whack. Other times, headquarters accidentally cut off his data or the computer crashed.

In those cases, the weatherman relies on older equipment such as the theodolite — a 1940s gadget, no longer in production, that uses a helium balloon and trigonometry to determine wind speeds. "You learn to be creative," Smith said. "You can't just click a button and have the data come up on the screen." Whatever the method, the fire meteorologist's goal is to get the forecast right.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Police have not found suspects in assault

BURLEY - Police have no suspects in a Saturday morning shooting that left a local man nicked in the arm by a rifle bullet.
Casia County Sheriff's deputies were alerted around 3:20 a.m. Saturday to a shot fired in the 700 block of West 1st Street, according to a Casia County police report.
Armando Arredondo of Burley told an officer that he and another man, Jesus Beltran of Burley, were outside when two people in a red Mustang approached them with a question. As the car pulled away, the passengers got out and pointed a rifle at them, firing one shot, the report said.
Officers found what looked like a wad from a 20-gauge shot gun in the parking lot, the report said. They also found damage to two cars that appeared to have been caused by a BB gun, the report said.
Arredondo and Beltran said they didn't know who the people were and had never seen the car before, the report said.

CSI extends registration for fire-fighting students

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho is extending late registration for firefighters who are planning to attend CSI this fall.
CSI's fall semester began Monday. The last official day for late registration is Sept. 11. Jerry Beck, CSI's vice president of instruction, said late registration will be extended to Sept. 25 for those who were out fighting fires.

Pesticide program offers free disposal of chemicals

TWIN FALLS - Southern Idaho residents can get rid of unwanted chemicals through the Idaho Department of Agriculture's annual pesticide disposal program in September.
The program will pick up chemicals at various sites around the state in September. The American Falls, Burley area pickup date is Sept. 13. The Twin Falls, Jerome date is Sept. 14.
The program is free and it's confidential.
College of Southern Idaho Grounds Supervisor Dave Kiesig and CSI pesticide applicator Loren Rictor are coordinating registration for Magic Valley collections.
But it's important to get a form and register because that's the only way the actual collection site will be made known, Kiesig said.
For information, call the CSI Maintenance Department at 733-9554, ext. 2600, or the state pesticide disposal program at 332-8615.

Ten artists congregate to paint Warm Springs vista

KETCHUM - Ten artists will participate in a unique event here Wednesday.
The artists, from throughout the country, will gather at the base of Warm Springs ski lift to paint the vista. Spectators are encouraged to watch to see the different interpretations of the same vista unfold.
On Thursday the artists will paint in one of several locations, including Boxcar Bend south of Ketchum, River Run, Sun Peak Picnic Area, Hulén Meadows and the Gulch.
Observers can visit any or all of the sites.
The event will culminate Friday night at the Kneeland Gallery, 271 First Ave., N., where the artists will be on hand to meet people during Ketchum's monthly Gallery Walk.

Wood River hospital will open its doors this fall

KETCHUM - St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center is set to open Nov. 19 - at least two weeks earlier than the December opening officials penciled in five years ago.
Wood River Valley residents and visitors will get an opportunity to tour the hospital between Nov. 9 and 11.
On Nov. 19 hospitalized patients will be transferred from the existing Wood River Medical Center to the new hospital, and the older facilities will be closed.
Hospital CEO Jon Moses said hospital officials are coordinating plans with the Halley Medical Center to continue an urgent care center in Halley for those who have minor injuries or illnesses during evening or weekend daytime hours.
Staff expects to begin getting oriented in the new hospital in late October.

Compiled from staff reports

New candidate runs for office

County resident submits name for commissioner

By John T. Huddy Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The county needs a choice.
That's what Mike Ihler said about the upcoming county election.
Ihler recently submitted his name as an independent write-in candidate for the District One county commission seat. He will face Commissioner Bill Brockman, who was appointed to the position in November.
"I think we need to take a good look at the valley and what we want to bring in," Ihler said Monday. "Idaho is a vulnerable spot that hasn't been highly used

TF County commissioner candidates

Mike Ihler has added his name to the list of county commissioner candidates as a write-in candidate. He will face incumbent Commissioner Bill Brockman in November's general election. Here's a look at their backgrounds:

Mike Ihler
Age: 40
Years in Twin Falls: Lifetime resident
Occupation: Farmer
Political experience: None
Ihler was encouraged by several people to run for commissioner. County voters need a choice, rather than having the office held

picked by a political party, he said. Brockman said he didn't know

Bill Brockman
Age: 65
Years in Twin Falls: 35-year Magic Valley resident.
Occupation: Semi-retired rancher
Political experience: Brockman has served as a county commissioner since his appointment in November 1999, replacing Commissioner

Dennis Maughan. enough about Ihler to comment about him, but wasn't surprised

that somebody else put their name in the running.
"I expected competition in the primary. I was surprised that nobody ran," Brockman said.
Ihler is a lifelong county resident whose grandfather home-stayed in the area. Ihler has a grain, hay and bean farm south of town. He knows what is important to the community, he said.
He has been an outspoken critic of large animal operations. He requested a moratorium on livestock operations along with District Three commissioner candidate Bill Chisholm several months ago.
Though the request was denied at the time, the commissioners imposed a moratorium a few months later.
The county needs stronger leadership, Ihler said.
"I haven't seen anything so far that (the commissioners) have stepped up and really got

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Simpson supporters gather in Buhl



Mike Simpson hangs up a banner advertising a golf scramble at Clear Lake Country Club. The scramble was a fund-raiser for Simpson and organizers hope it will be an annual event.

Congressman talks about fire management

By Michael Journee Times-News writer

BUHL - A trip to the front lines of the West's battle against wild fires raging throughout the region last week reinforced U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson's view that more management of national forest resources is needed.
Simpson took a group of supporters gathered at a Monday evening fund-raising event that a visit to the 182,000-acre

Clear Creek fire northwest of Salmon gave him first-hand knowledge of what it takes to fight and prevent a fire of that magnitude.
During his visit, Simpson met with U.S. Forest Service personnel from all over the country there to fight the blaze.
"They were the first to say we have not managed our forests right," Simpson told the group of about 60 Republicans gathered for the golf scramble and fish fry event.
"They said there was way too much of the 'Don't touch it attitude,' Simpson said after dishing out peaches and homemade vanilla ice cream to his guests.
It's a theme Simpson's been harping on at most of his appearances in the Magic Valley during his current campaign for

a second-term in the U.S. House.
Along with the rest of Idaho's congressional delegation, Simpson has been very vocal in his criticism of the Clinton Administration's forest management policies.
"I'm hopeful a new administration will change the direction our land management has gone," Simpson said.
Forest officials say the ferocity of this year's fires is a result of not just dry, hot weather, but nearly a century of aggressive fire suppression.
Simpson used the opportunity to make several plugs for the GOP's presidential candidate George W. Bush. Simpson himself is facing light opposition in November's general election from Democrat Craig Williams and Libertarian candidate Donovan Bramwell.

Simpson compared this year's election to 1980's race when Ronald Reagan won the White House.
"This is one of those elections that will change directions of the country," he said.
But he warned that while winning the presidency for the GOP must be a priority, keeping Republican control of Congress is also crucial - despite worries expressed by some that a Republican White House and Republican Congress would be too tempted to abuse their power.
"I'll give it to us for two years and judge us on the result," he said.
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Radiation levels fuel concern

By N.S. Nokkventred Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Environmentalists say radiation levels following recent fires at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory should be cause for more concern than state officials say they are.
Fires at the INEEL in late July burned nearly 50,000 acres of rangeland. State INEEL Oversight Program monitors detected an increase in radiation levels at the site following the fire.
But state officials downplayed the significance of radiation levels that environmentalists say are up to 870 percent and 600 percent of levels earlier this year.
"More than burnt sage was in that smoke, and the public demands honesty from its government," said Erik Ringelberg, executive director of Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free, based in Jackson, Wyo.
Any increase in radiation demands brings increased health risks, the environmental groups say.
The state results were not unexpected, state oversight program scientist Doug Walker said. The small increase in radiation were consistent with historical background levels.
"However, none of the post-fire concentrations present any appreciable increase in health risks to the public," Walker said.
State monitoring equipment also detected some cesium-137, a man-made element that emits high-energy gamma rays. But the radiation level was below federal public health limits, he said.
State officials say the source is unknown.
Chuck Broscoious of the Environmental Defense Institute in Troy suggests the cesium may have come from an accidental April 2, 1992, release of cesium flakes at the INEEL's then-Idaho Chemical Processing Plant. One of the areas burned this summer was contaminated with cesium, he said.
"That's possible, state oversight program director Kathleen Trever said, but the amount of cesium found was small, and it was not possible to identify the source. The cesium also could be from weapons testing in the 1950s and 1960s.
The cesium in the burned area was deposited earlier and was included on a map from 1990, INEEL spokesman Nick Nichols said. Most of the cesium from the 1992 release fell inside the facility fence and was cleaned up. But there probably still is some around there, he said.
The site contaminated with cesium also was downwind of the site where it was detected after the fire, INEEL spokesman John Walsh said.
INEEL's own tests so far have shown no man-made radioactive elements released as a result of the fires, Walsh said. Further test results are expected this week. But officials expected to see increased radiation levels with amount of particles floating in the air as a result of the fire.

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Blaine County approves new subdivision plan

By Karen Bossick Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - After six years and countless court battles, it's official: Johnny Urrutias can sell you a piece of property south of Bellevue for you to put a multi-million dollar log home on.
With the Idaho Supreme Court forcing Blaine County's hand, commissioners Monday gave Urrutias the go-ahead to subdivide his property in a decision that appeared to undermine the county's desire to protect open space and agricultural land.
"I feel it took too long to happen, but I feel like the commission finally did something without an agenda due to the

Supreme Court," an elated Urrutias said on the steps of the old County Courthouse.
The case involved two applications for subdivisions; one was submitted by the Urrutias family in 1994 to subdivide a 160-acre parcel into seven lots, and the other was submitted by Virginia Reed in 1995 to subdivide a 119-acre parcel into four lots. Both properties are in areas zoned for single-family homes on lots of 20 acres or larger and agricultural uses.
At the planning and zoning's recommendation, commissioners approved them 1995, saying that though the applications did not entirely conform to the comprehensive plan, they did comply with zoning and subdivi-

sion ordinances.
But a 5th District Court judge overturned the decision a year later when adjoining landowner, Dean Rogers, protested to the court.
The Urrutias appealed the decision in 1998 after commissioners reversed themselves.
The court's order to reverse the decision prompted the county to appeal and the Urrutias to cross-appeal.
The Idaho Supreme Court overturned the commissioners' decision, saying that a comprehensive plan is a guide, and commissioners had erred by applying the plan as if it were a zoning ordinance. Furthermore, it said, commissioners erred by retroactively applying the 1994

comprehensive plan, which was adopted more than a month after the Urrutias filed their application.
Court watchers said the decision may make it harder for Blaine County to deny property owners the right to subdivide.
Monday the commissioners weighed the 1975 comprehensive plan. Even then, the plan discouraged development on viable agricultural land, cautioning that development would detract from scenic value, result in tax increases reducing the attractiveness of farming land in Blaine County and force cities and counties to spend more money serving remote locations with emergency and other services.
It's not a question of whether the application conforms entirely to the 1975 comprehensive plan, Commissioner Len Harlig said. It does not conform at all.
But commissioners abruptly changed course and gave the Urrutias the go-ahead to subdivide.
They've got an ordinance that conflicts with the law, and they were trying every way possible to show it in," lawyer Gary Slette told family members following the hearing.
Urrutias said the land, which has been used for pasture, has been in his family for a half century. He plans to divide it into several lots - the smallest being 20 acres and the largest 39.

# MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

## Group complains about low water level

**GARDEN CITY, Utah (AP)**—Utah Power miscalculated how much water it could release from Bear Lake this year, leaving some boating ramps high and dry, a citizens group says.

"There is quite a bit of concern," said Dick Motta, a member of the Bear Lake Watch.

Motta said some members of his group think Utah Power—which controls releases from the lake—miscalculated the

amount of runoff expected from the melting snowpack and let out too much water last winter.

"It was pretty evident early in the winter that it was going to be a dry winter; but they drew down anyway," he said.

Utah Power spokesman Dave Eakelsen said there was no way to know how much runoff would make its way to the lake.

"I don't think anybody was

able to predict how hot and how dry this spring and this year would have been," he said.

Bear Lake State Park Manager Eldon Robinson said it's a banner year for the lake, regardless.

"It's the busiest year we've ever had," he said. "We haven't had a bad day. We haven't had any rain, the weather's been hot, the lake temperature's up, we haven't had a lot of wind."

## Where can woman find compassion?

**DEAR ABBY:** I know you have heard in-law horror stories for decades, but I believe mine takes the cake. My in-laws actually threw a second wedding reception for our guests because they didn't feel ours had enough food. It was a catered affair in their home immediately following ours.

When I had children, they told me they knew their daughter's children were their "real" grandchildren, but they could never be too sure mine were. They save their cruelest words for me and our children for when my husband is not around.

They call my husband "henpecked" because ours is an equal partnership, and he shares in the child-rearing, cooking, cleaning and shopping.

My mother-in-law complained last year that my husband is "too close" to his children. She says if my husband has time to coach our son's soccer team, he should have time to fix their storm windows.

My in-laws have repeatedly returned gifts to me, saying "I never cared for that scent of perfume" or "This shirt makes me look long-waisted." They have also overindulged my husband's sister's children to such a degree that neighbors and other family members have commented on it over the years. My husband has truly supported me throughout these in-law tribulations. We have a fantastic marriage.

My problem is, at 18 years of being on the receiving end of these absurd in-law antics, my elderly in-laws expect me to assist them. They are now in their 80s and infirm. My husband feels obligated to assist his parents, however I don't think I can.

Am I a small person, or is there a limit to what I or anyone should give to people who have been mean and miserable for years on end?

**— RESENTFUL IN MASSACHUSETTS**

**DEAR RESENTFUL:** You are not a small person—your feelings are more than justified. Your in-laws are so self-centered they do not consider how their words and actions affect other people. However, resentment can do more damage to the person who harbors it than it does to the target.

Should you help these people? Under no circumstances should you be expected to tolerate any more abuse. However, since your husband feels obligated to help his parents, and he has "truly supported you" throughout the years, I think you'd feel better if you returned the favor and supported his efforts. He's sure to need the help. If "helping" conflicts with something that is important to you, call an attendant care agency for a day or two. To do otherwise will only add to your resentment.



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## SERVICES

**Dorothy Deseret Cummins Nelson** of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Rupert LDS 7th Ward Chapel, Eighth and G Streets. Friends may call from 6-8 Wednesday at the Payne Mortuary in Burley and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral on Thursday at the church.

Campeche, Mexico, vigil service at 7 p.m. today at Demery's Gooding Chapel.

**Deanne Sue (Wagner) Purcell**

of Pensacola, Fla., memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, 2000, at the Prairie City Christian Church in Prairie City, Iowa.

## DEATH NOTICES

**Nellie Crouse**  
Nellie L. Crouse, 78, a resident of Bliss, died Sunday, Aug. 27, 2000, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

A prayer service will be held today at 2 p.m. at Demery's Gooding Chapel. A viewing will be held from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. today at the chapel.

Burial will take place on Thursday, Aug. 31, 2000 at 10 a.m. at Roseburg Memorial Gardens in Roseburg, Oregon. A viewing will take place on Wednesday, August 30, 2000 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Chapel of the Firs in Sutherlin, Oregon. Arrangements are under

the direction of Demary Funeral Service.

**Darrell Kay Harper**  
Burley — Darrell Kay Harper, 77, of Burley, died Monday, Aug. 28, 2000, at his home.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley.

**Verda Fuller**  
TWIN FALLS — Verda Fuller, 95, of Twin Falls died Monday, Aug. 28, 2000, at her home.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

**Admitted**  
Irene Rolfe of Rupert, Maria Larsen of Rupert, Jacqueline Deltoro of Paul, Jaclyn Hinz of Rupert, Christopher Hinz of Rupert.

**Dismissed**  
Christopher Hinz, Jaclyn Hinz, Jacqueline Deltoro, Irene Rolfe, all of Rupert

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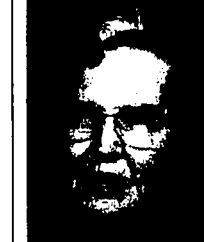
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### TWIN FALLS



**LaDorah C. Greenslate**  
LaDorah C. Greenslate, 86, of Twin Falls, passed away Saturday, Aug. 26, 2000, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

She was born October 7, 1914, in Hailey, ID. She was educated in Twin Falls and graduated from Twin Falls High School. On Aug. 4, 1937, she married Robert Greenslate who preceded her in death. LaDorah was associated with Young's Day Care for many years. After her retirement, LaDorah and her husband spent summers in the Ketchum area where they had a summer cabin. She also enjoyed gardening and craftwork. LaDorah was an active member of the Twin Falls United Methodist Church.

LaDorah is survived by her sister, LaVonne Brooks of Jerome, ID.

Services will be held at Twin Falls United Methodist Church Thursday, August 31, 2000, at 11 a.m. with Pastor Jim Frisbee officiating. Friends may call at White Mortuary Wednesday evening from 4 until 8 p.m., with the family greeting friends from 6 until 8 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to United Methodist Church of Twin Falls, P.O. Box 282 Twin Falls, ID 83301 or Shriners Hospital Memorial Fund, Intermountain Unit, Fairfax at Virginia, Salt Lake City, UT 84103.

**FOODS IN BURLEY.** On December 4, 1965, he married Darlene Palmer in Oakley, Idaho. After marriage he worked for the Paul Sugar Factory and later worked on the family farm and dairy. At the time of his death he worked for Ron Jones Farms.

Duane attended the Valley Assembly of God Church in Hazelton.

Duane is survived by his wife Darlene of Hazelton; four children, Deanna Berks of Kimberly, Dean Hawkins and Dobbie Hawkins of Hazelton and Della Hawkins of McColl; one granddaughter, Jessica Berks of Kimberly; and one brother Richard Hawkins of Hazelton.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter, Diana.

Funeral services for Duane will be held at 2 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 24, 2000, at White Mortuary Chapel in Kimberly with burial to follow at the Oakley Cemetery. Friends may call at White Mortuary in Twin Falls on Wednesday, Aug. 30 from 4-8 p.m.

**TABERNACLE CHOR OVER HAD.** (Her daughter is a member of that choir.) She had total devotion and concern for her husband and his needs. She audited college classes, archeology, anthropology just for fun with her husband in their 60's. She was employed by the US Government in Alaska, Dugway and the Tooele Army Depot. She was a teacher's aide for the Special Education children in Twin Falls, Idaho, and was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels for homebound seniors. She was also president of a women's service group in Twin Falls. Her hobbies included reading, bowling, fishing, and was a big sports fan with her husband. She was a lifetime member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Don, of Provo; her children, Cheryl (Keith) Madson, Las Vegas, Nev.; Pamela (David) Wright, Orem, Utah; five grandchildren, Julie Ann (David) Jordan, Cedar City, Utah; Lisa Joanne Wright, Salt Lake City, Utah; Matthew David (Angelo) Wright and Eric Thomas Wright, all of Orem, Utah; Hollie Madson, Las Vegas, Nev.; and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Richard Duane Candy.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Aug. 30, at 11 a.m. in the Walker Sanderson Funeral Home, 646 East 800 North, Orem. Friends may call Tuesday from 5 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday from 9-4:45 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the services at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Orem City Cemetery.

The family would like to thank the many friends and neighbors of Gloria for their constant love and support. She will be missed by all who knew her.

### PROVO, UTAH



**Gloria Jeanne Canady**  
Gloria Jeanne Joy Canady, 72, of Provo, Utah, died Saturday, Aug. 26, 2000, at the Utah Valley Regional Medical Center in Provo, Utah.

She was born June 21, 1928, in Iola, Kansas, a daughter of Joseph Norris and Hazel Everett Joy. She married Don Duane Canady, September 4, 1945, during the war years in Garnett, Kansas. She graduated from Iola High School in 1945.

She never knew a stranger. She learned all the names of clerks and sales staff of stores she frequented. She loved people and found good conversation. She was known for her bubbly personality. She adored her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She sang in her church choir as a youth and was the biggest fan the Mormon

### AUMSVILLE, ORE.

**Allen Baker**  
Allen H. Baker of Aumsville, Ore., and formerly of Hansen, Idaho, died Friday, Aug. 18, 2000, at the age of 68 from heart failure.

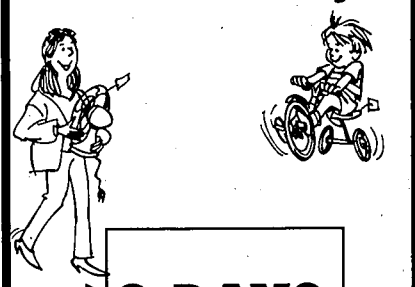
He was born Sept. 1, 1931, in Colorado Springs, Colo., to Richard and Dorothy Stull Baker. He married Kathleen Andrus in Lebanon, Ore., on Nov. 24, 1954. He served the Navy during the Korean War. He lived in Oregon most of his life and was also a taxi driver in Alaska. He loved horses, playing cards, race track, and hiking.

Survivors include his wife, three sons: Dave, Steve, Mike; a daughter, Melody Keane; four brothers, Francis, Dick, Raymond, Dave; a sister Linda Rugg; and six grandchildren.

No services are planned.



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# Burley proposes fee increases

By Ruth Streeter  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** — The City Council is taking under advisement a proposal to raise various fees next year, including golf course, cemetery, library and picnic shelter rental fees.

Under the proposal that went to a public hearing Monday afternoon, golf course fees would be raised by 5 to 16 percent. Increases include raising seasonal passes between \$15 and \$54. Numerous improvements over the past few years have prompted the city to adjust its fees. The city has spent \$685,000 for sprinklers, \$450,000 for a new clubhouse purchased through a lease-back agreement, and \$100,000 for two new mowers and other equipment for maintaining the lawn, city administrator Mark Mitton said. Proposed increases did not go

uncontested, such as the proposal to increase private golf cart fees from \$15.75 to \$17.50 for daily use, and from \$315 to \$365 for an annual pass.

Duane Hutchison of Burley said golf cart fees are "raised plenty high." It's mostly seniors on fixed incomes who use the carts anyway, Hutchison said. Forest Hill is also of Burley, said his experience as a businessman has taught him that sometimes prices must be sacrificed in order to bring in customers. Rather than raise rates, Hall suggested offering promotions for season passes. Some residents thought the increases were fair and overdue, though they had minor suggestions. Vaughn Egan suggested discounting a cart fee for those who are disabled. "If we have people who are handicapped, let's give 'em a break," he said.

Because the golf course's computer system goes back only to 1998, no statistics are available on whether usage has increased or decreased. The total number of rounds played are up about 6,000 rounds this year because of last year's wet spring, Mitton said. The cart usage was looked at very carefully in setting appropriate increases, he said. All cemetery fees would increase \$25, except for the stone setting fee, which would only increase from \$25 to \$30. It's been several years since the cemetery's fees were raised, Mitton said. The city originally considered increasing cemetery fees only \$15 while doubling the \$100 fee for Saturday funeral services, in an attempt to bring in a little extra revenue for a facility that is far from breaking even, Mitton said.

But the \$100 increase for Saturday funerals seemed unfair to some, so the proposed increases were spread out more evenly among the various services. The overdue library book fee would double, from five cents a day to 10 cents a day. Library director Julie Woodford said Monday the library's charges are larger than at other area libraries. At 10 cents a day the library would be average, she said. The cost per-hour for renting city picnic shelters would go up as well. Small facilities would go up 40 percent from \$2.50 an hour to \$3.50 an hour, while large facilities would go up 67 percent from \$1.50 to \$2.50 an hour. Times-News writer Ruth Streeter can be reached at the Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4042 or by e-mail at rstreeter@magicvalley.com.

# Subdivision decision angers Utah residents

**GENOLA, Utah** (AP) — Many residents of this southern Utah County town would like to restrict development to five-acre housing lots forever. Their desire to retain the rural nature of their community is at odds with farmers eager to subdivide their land and a state law mandating communities allow a mix of housing. So Genola's City Council has reluctantly allowed homes on 2.5-acre patches. Genola now joins other rural Utah communities being forced to rethink and rezone to permit more affordable housing. Some community leaders contend small towns, especially those near large urban centers, should be exempt from the requirement. Sydney Fønnesbeck, director of training for the Utah League of Cities and Towns — which pushed for the law — says the law probably goes too far. "We're talking about that issue now in preparing for the 2001 Utah Legislature," she says. "There must be a way some rural communities can retain their unique lifestyles." Steve Griskel of the Utah Housing Technical Assistance Program says large-lot zoning rules make it impossible for even moderate-income residents to live in certain communities. "I don't think rural communities are deliberately being exclusionary, but the effect is exclusionary," Erickson said. The author of the 1996 housing law, former Rep. J. Brent

Haymond of Springville, said, "Cities have to take responsibility. They have to set up master plans that identify who are providing for (moderate-income) needs." If they don't, they run the risk of being dragged into court. A lawsuit filed this summer accuses Bluffdale of racism for its high-density housing rules. The city wants to limit homes to one per acre. Developers and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People argue that requirement forbids higher-density housing that many minorities can afford. Genola barely escaped a similar legal fight before the City Council overruled its Planning Commission on Aug. 15 and approved the 2.5-acre housing lots. Shiril Ekins, a 79-year-old fruit grower, had been fighting the city for nearly a decade to turn some of his 2,000 acres into building lots, some as small as a quarter acre. Some officials complained that Ekins' plans would double the number of housing units in the town of 1,000 people, drive jobs to the area and force it to develop sewer and water systems it could ill afford. "They've been pushing me around for (seven) years," he said. "I don't see a rural community as I want. I told my attorney, 'It's time for hardball.'" Council members relented and allowed 2.5-acre lots.

## UP ON THE ROOF



Hubband-and-wife team Janet and Danny Bronson, of Bronson Roofing in Burley, take advantage of Monday's warm weather to tackle a roofing project.

## College changes core curriculum

**MOSCOW** (AP) — Freshman English and basic math will still be required, but such classes and others in the University of Idaho's core curriculum are being restructured to produce graduates who are educated — not just trained. Bill Voxman, a math professor appointed last year to lead the search for better ways to relate core classes to contemporary society, now leads a 35-member General Education Task Force consisting of administrators, faculty and students. The committee's work so far includes development of two core interdisciplinary "discovery courses" and four integrated science courses the school will be offering this fall. The University of Idaho now requires students to complete 30 to 32 core credits in courses from communications, natural and applied sciences, mathematics, statistics and computer science, humanities and social science. Voxman said plans call for more integration of such classes, plus adoption of a program of core classes continuing through the senior year. "My hope is that the year after next we would have a core in place," he said. One of the new classes offered this year, Contemporary American Experiences, explores how Americans' values are shaped and how life in the United States gives residents a distinctive outlook on the rest of the world. The new integrated science courses will include such classes as Biotechnology and Society, Fact or Fiction: What is Scientific Evidence, Sustainable Forestry and The Nature of Islands.

## Biologists fight losing battle to save caribou

**SAVNDPOINT** (AP) — Biologists say the Selkirk herd of woodland caribou has dwindled to its smallest population since the animals were listed as a federally protected endangered species in 1984. Last winter's census turned up only 34 caribou, and two weeks ago one radio-collared caribou was found dead. The Selkirk herd is home to the last caribou in the 48 contiguous United States. It traverses the mountain ranges between Canada, Washington and Idaho, wintering on the ridges and feeding on lichen. The herd used to outnumber deer and graze in the Tacoma Flats along the Pend Oreille River. By the 1950s, an estimated 100 remained. Now, government biologists have implemented a zero-tolerance policy for caribou predators and are considering a captive breeding program in a desperate bid to keep the tiny herd alive. "When you get down to 30 animals, you're done. You're really done," Jim Hayden, northern Idaho wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, said at a recent meeting. But Jon Almack, a wildlife biologist for the state of Washington, and others working with woodland caribou suspect last winter's count missed a few animals. So the coming winter census will be crucial to determine the status of the herd. Woodland caribou are distinct from northern caribou, which inhabit Alaska and the northern region of Canada. A Canadian study is under way to determine whether they are genetically distinct. Deer, a more abundant food source for cougars, tend to stay at lower elevations than caribou. The loss of old-growth habitat means that deer and caribou are

sharing more of the same terrain. Plus, whitetail deer population is on the rise, attracting more cougars to the area. Yet limiting deer numbers, or cat numbers, alone might just worsen the caribou's plight in the short term, experts say. "It's time to step up, to keep a close eye on the 18 lions that are collared and recover any killed caribou as quickly as possible to determine the cause of death," he said. Six transplants have brought 103 caribou to the Selkirks. The last transplant was 11 animals in 1998. But Canadian caribou may no longer be available. Like their stateside cousins, British Columbia's caribou are threatened by loss of old-growth forest, predators and snowmobilers. "A lot of people tend to look at Canada and say, 'They've got lots of caribou,'" said Suzanne Audet, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service caribou expert. "But theirs are taking a nosedive, too." The downward trend in caribou numbers is paralleled by a funding decline. Idaho's share of those federal funds is for all endangered species in the Selkirks, so only about 35 percent goes to caribou recovery efforts. An estimated total of \$4.7 million has been spent on caribou recovery efforts since the species was listed. The government's General Accounting Office investigated the recovery effort last year at the request of U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho. It concluded that funding was inadequate.

## Internet threatens revenue

**SALT LAKE CITY** (AP) — Some Utah municipal governments are beginning to worry that online shopping, as it gains in popularity, will mean fewer sales tax dollars available to fund basic services such as firefighters and police officers. Municipalities in Utah get 51 percent of their operating funds from sales tax, about twice the national average. But shopping online means paying a local sales tax — which worries local leaders. "If the trend continues toward more online buying, how do you fund your police and fire departments? There's no such thing as an e-police officer or an e-fireman," Sandy Mayor Tom Dolan

said recently. Dolan is also president of the Utah League of Cities and Towns. Sandy hasn't seen a drop in sales tax revenue yet, he said, but other cities have. Bountiful's sales-tax revenue dipped by \$100,000 this year. It raised property taxes to recoup. "We hate to do it," Bountiful City Manager Tom Hardy said. "We have tried to keep our property tax low and our municipal services level high. But you reach a point when you can't make bricks with straw." Bountiful also has cut the number of city employees from 210 in 1980 to 180 today. Officials hope the Renaissance

Towne Centre, a large mall with restaurants and movie theaters, will jump start local purchases. The city's Planning Commission approved the project last week. Levying sales tax on Internet commerce could rescue local governments, according to Dave Spatafore, a legislative lobbyist for the League of Cities and Towns, but those taxes are still at least three years away. Gov. Mike Leavitt is among those urging Congress to solve the Internet tax dilemma. Leavitt, retailers and local officials rallied at the Capitol in April, decrying what they call a special privilege extended to Internet retailers.

## Officials hope for water dispute compromise

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** (AP) — State and federal officials signed a historic compromise in California's water disputes Monday, triggering the release of hundreds of millions of dollars for ecosystem restoration and other projects. However, nearly all the money needed to finance the \$8.6 billion, seven-year plan still needs approval from the Legislature and Congress. The Cal-Fed "record of decision," a stack of documents 18 inches tall, formalizes and offers new detail on projects outlined in the agreement announced June 9. "We have a plan that people can now hold us accountable for," said state Resources Agency Secretary Mary Nichols. The officials' signatures set in motion plans meant to stabilize the water supply for agricultural and cities; to protect drinking water quality; restore the

fragile Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and San Francisco Bay, and strengthen levees. The projects would raise the water level in certain reservoirs, including Shasta Lake; refine canals to decrease water loss; boost recycling, transfers and underground storage; improve conservation; and increase state and federal pumping 15 percent from the southern edge of the delta. The document "will provide a bright green light for specific projects," said Deputy U.S. Interior Secretary David J. Hayes. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt plans to visit California in October. As part of a plan to improve fish ecosystems, he will begin to tear down 20-foot-tall Sester Dam near Redding. The Cal-Fed plan developed over six years would create an "environmental water account" to help fish and wildlife, but the

officials have not specified where that water would come from. The Legislature is considering a bill that would create a panel to oversee the projects. The record of decision represented the last hurdle delaying the release of \$135 million in state money for Cal-Fed projects. Another \$390 million from the state for ecosystem restoration was also contingent on signing of the record of decision. Much of the money pays for engineering and environmental studies that will lay the groundwork for the projects, which have been tied up for years as the interest groups hashed out the agreement. "We have had 30 years of inaction on water policy, 30 years

frozen in inability to improve our system, which has been crumbling," Nichols said. The record of decision and the oversight commission propel the plans into action in a "well balanced and fair manner," she said. Yet fresh disputes threaten to bog the projects down before they even begin. Earlier this summer, the House voted to eliminate \$60 million that President Clinton proposed for Cal-Fed. The Senate Appropriations Committee also voted to eliminate the funding. "We remain hopeful that this Congress will provide this money," Hayes said. "In the context of \$8 billion, \$60 million is not a significant amount of money."

## Ihler

Continued from B1 behind," he said. "I've been disappointed with the lack of strong leadership." But he knows he faces strong competition. "The Republican party has a pretty strong toe-hold on the county, so I don't know what kind of uphill battle I'm facing," he said. "But I think it's time for a choice. It may not be a good choice, but at least it's a choice." Chisholm and Grant Atkinson, both of Buhl, are running as independent candidates against incumbent Commissioner Gary Gindstarr. Under Idaho Code, people can

submit their names as write-in candidates for office 14 days before the day of election. The general election is Nov. 7. Brockman said he will probably not do much campaigning before then. "I'm just going to continue serving the county like I have," Brockman said. "I'll probably put up a few signs, but I really don't have time to campaign. There are a lot of issues going on."

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MORNING BREAK

**ACROSS**

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5. Empty space
6. Louchesse
14. Wife of Jacob
16. Chili
18. Eloquent speaker
17. Caesar's river
18. Firearm
19. Garment's rear layer
20. Liberty
22. Band type
23. Polka-dog
24. Michigan capital
27. Vanity
29. Animal viewing place
30. Confronts boldly
34. — the ramparts.
35. Christian of fashion
36. Scent
37. Mold
39. Green Gables girl
40. Irritate
41. Fond du ... WI
42. Recommended
43. Red Sox great
44. Poise pursuit
47. Use sparingly
49. Tenant farmer
54. Keen tacking?
55. Learned person
56. Exact
59. Satisfaction for
58. Poise
59. Eternal City
60. Sonny
61. Actress Lupino
62. Biblical
63. Outrigger
63. Singer Roberta
64. For each
65. Back talk

**DOWN**

1. High up
3. Yanks catcher
12. Didn't spare the rod
4. Fleecy flock
6. Paid male escort
8. Shrewdness
9. "Candide" author
10. East
10. Bowling alleys
11. Employing
12. Sun follower
13. Work unit
21. AMA members
22. Slumber
25. Not a soul
28. Perched by home
28. First-class alternative
30. Outward
31. French farewell
32. Shilly
32. Perspiration
33. Poetic palindrome
35. ... at Salaam, Tanzania
37. Delafines
38. Rounds of applause
42. Zion National
44. Cattle feeder
45. Advantageous aspect
46. Drink of the gods
48. Spree
50. Classifies
51. Welldid greeting
52. Titles
53. Klimmer poem
56. Current unit, briefly
57. Victory sign
58. Small drink

# What a way to enter the world

The gastric-breeding frog of Australia incubates its babies in its stomach, then vomits live tadpoles out of its mouth. Have a nice day.

Insofar as I've read, only one U.S. president ever worried about losing his mind: Rutherford B. Hayes. It wasn't his marriage. Lemond and Lucy had nothing to do with it. Some of his relatives had mental problems.

An octopus turns white right before a fight.

Caricaturists in North America always have portrayed the symbolic Russian bear as a huge brown beast. China's caricaturists always have depicted it as one of the white polar variety.

Q. Why is the game of Bridge called "Bridge"?

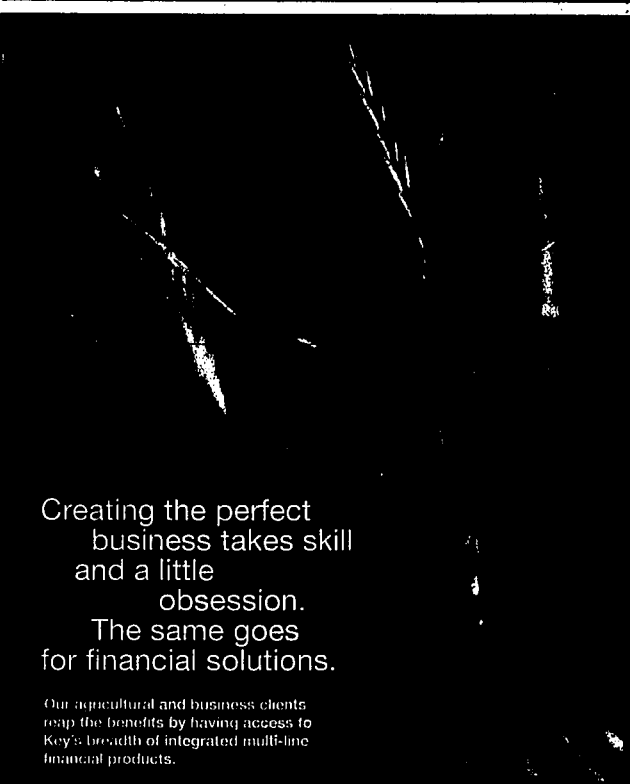
A. In the 1890s, an early version called "Bridge Whist" allowed the dealer to name trump or "bridged" this right to the dealer's partner. The "bridge" represents the interaction between two partners across the table. Women once buttered their hair.



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# Looking for Abby?

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# Freedom comes to Taurus

**IF AUGUST 29 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You are intuitive, can be confused, usually come out on top if you follow instincts and your heart. Capricorn, Cancer persons play major roles in your life — could have these letters, initials in names B, K, T. Social life accelerates in September, especially on 9th, 18th, 27th.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** If details are handled adroitly, it will be a successful time.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** You have more freedom. Protect yourself in emotional clinches. Flirtation could get out of hand, become too hot to handle.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Be diplomatic without abandoning principles. Check Taurus message. Change of residence, marital status figures prominently.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** You hold trump card, are in driver's seat. Fast-talking con person wants to sell you the Brooklyn Bridge.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Take special care in traffic. Avoid crowds. Capricorn, Cancer persons are sincerely misguided.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Cycle high. Try something new. Look beyond the immediate for travel overseas.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Where there was mystery and puzzle there will now be enlightenment.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Watch your step, look before you leap, and don't dive in before you can swim. Message becomes crystal clear.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Diversify. Make appointment to see superior. Present format, concept not devoid of humor.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Clear away red tape. Push aside fears, doubts. Preconceived notions fall by wayside.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Freedom day for you. You emit personal magnetism, sex appeal. Focus on variety of sensations.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Attention revolves around home, protection of family, property.

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### SPORTSQUOTE

“ I have five grand slams. Venus and Serena each have one. Lindsay maybe now has three because she played better. But I think so far I've been better than them. It's the consistency, that's what counts to be No. 1. ”

—Martina Hingis, at Monday's U.S. Open

### TRIVIA

#### QUESTION:

In 1967, the NHL doubled in size, taking in six new teams, among them the Kings. Which of those teams no longer exists?

...answer below

### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**High school volleyball**  
Twin Falls at Pocatello (3/5), 5 p.m.  
Wendell at Wood River, 6 p.m.  
Camas County/Raft River at Shoshone, 5 p.m.  
Kimberly/Murtaugh at Valley, 4 p.m.  
Bliss/Castleford at Carey, 5 p.m.  
Minico at Highland, 6 p.m.  
Burley at Jerome, 6 p.m.  
Cording at Wood River, 4 p.m.  
Declo at Murtaugh, 6 p.m.  
Ketchum at Dietrich, 6 p.m.  
Rimrock at Glens Ferry, 5:15 p.m.  
**High school girls' soccer**  
Declo at Buhl, 4:30 p.m.  
**High school boys' soccer**  
Buhl at Declo, 4:30 p.m.

### IN BRIEF

#### Fritzeley scores hole in one at Jerome CC

**JEROME** — Jim Fritzeley made his second career hole in one Monday with a 4-iron on the par-3, 155-yard No. 5 at Jerome Country Club. Witnesses were Bob Wassterstorm, Bill Davis, Jim Davis and Stan Davis.

#### Corbridge, Siebert take Jackpot golf titles

**JACKPOT, Nev.** — Dustin Corbridge and Lacey Siebert were crowned junior champions Sunday at Jackpot Golf Club. Corbridge carded a 38 for nine holes beating runner-up Michael Oliver for the boys' title. Siebert downed sister Deena on the girls side. Their scores were unavailable.

#### Register for Buhl flag and tackle football

**BUHL** — Elementary-aged children in grades K-6 can sign up Wednesday or Thursday for flag and tackle football at Poppewell Elementary School. Registration will take place both nights from 6-8 p.m. in front of the school. Cost is \$10 for flag football (grades K-4) and \$15 for tackle (grades 5-6). A parent's signature and proof of insurance is required. For more information, call 543-8126.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

### TRIVIA ANSWER:

The Oakland Seals.

# Vandals' Cable returns to Seattle-area roots

By Kevin Hall  
Times-News writer

**SEATTLE** — The tightness in his voice was all that was needed to know Tom Cable has a busy week ahead of him. The first-year head football coach at the University of Idaho returns to his Seattle-area roots Saturday as the 23.5-point underdog Vandals open their season at 14th-ranked Washington.

Twenty-seven years have passed since the two former conference rivals last met, with

**Idaho at Washington**  
When: Saturday, 1:30 p.m. (MDT)  
TV: No live TV, replay 4 p.m.  
Sunday Fox Sports Net NW  
Radio: KXTV 1270 AM  
Series: Huskies hold 29-2 lead  
Last meeting: 1973, UW won 41-14

Washington winning 41-14. The Huskies hold a commanding 29-2 series lead.

And Cable sounded over the phone what everyone was thinking Monday in a teleconference. "I don't think a lot of guys give us a chance," he said. "It'll show if we can stand on the line of scrimmage with these guys."

But Cable said his Vandals are primed to play at Washington. "They're ready and excited," he said. "It's a big game for us."

The meeting is the first in a five-game, six-year contract between the schools, something Cable said can only be a positive for Idaho, who was a charter member of the old Pacific Coast Conference along with Washington in 1922. "It is absolutely a great tool for us in recruiting," Cable said. "The rivalry can do nothing but help the U of I."

It's already a reunion of sorts for the old Vandal. Cable coached under both Washington offensive coordinator Keith Gilbertson and Husky head coach Rick Neuheisel, who hired Cable in 1998 as a line coach at the University of Colorado.

With Gilbertson, Cable served as an Idaho graduate assistant for two years before following his friend to the University of California at Berkeley for three years as his offensive line coach. "Gil recruited me and I've

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# DELUXE ACCOMMODATIONS

## Declo gamers respect from newfound foes

The Times-News

A season of change is taken with stride at Declo High School. The Hornets migrate north from the Class A-3 ranks — where it won a Canyon Conference title and advanced to the semifinal round of the state playoffs last year — to the A-2 classification. Though head coach Kelly Kidd said he initially bristled at the move, which he's known about for two years, it hasn't even been mentioned during summer camp.

"I didn't like it when it was presented because we were competing at the top in A-3," he said. "But it hasn't affected the kids at all."

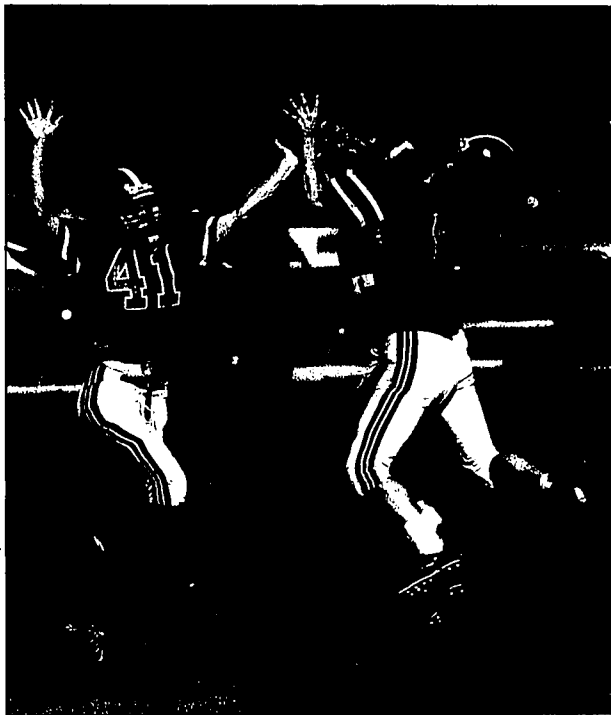
If the argument for not moving was that Declo couldn't compete following two straight A-3 state playoff appearances, think again. The Hornets went 3-1 against A-2 opponents last year.

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## High School Sports Previews

### Inside, today:

**SCIC football, Pages C1, 4-5**  
The Times-News continues its week-long, team-by-team preview of the fall high school sports season in southern Idaho.  
**Wednesday**  
Class A-1 football



Kimberly's Greg Thomas (41) gets airborne as he tries to haul in a pass attempt during practice Monday. The Bulldogs open their season at home Friday against American Falls.

# Venus Williams wins 20th straight

The Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — Too eager and much too wild, Venus Williams nearly turned her bid for a 20th straight match victory into a first-round debacle at the U.S. Open.

After winning eight consecutive games and taking a 6-3, 5-0 lead Monday against France's Anne-Gaëlle Sidot, Williams suddenly look very ordinary, very vulnerable and not at all like the Wimbledon champion on the road to a second Grand Slam title.

She sprayed her serves everywhere, ran her double-fault total to eight and watched Sidot reel off four straight games.

In the space of a few minutes, a romp turned into a tense confrontation. Then, just as quickly, Williams bore down and broke Sidot to close out a 6-3, 6-4 victory.

"I think I was rushing a lot in the match, and then I lost focus out there," Williams said. "I felt a little bit lazy on my serve. It seems when I'm in a big match I serve a lot better. When I'm in a match like this, I struggle."

In taking a 5-0 lead in the second set, Williams showed off all the speed and groundstroke power that enabled her to win four straight tournaments coming into the Open. And even though she struggled near the end, she still seemed a little more comfortable than Sampras did during his match.

Mopping his face between almost every point, four-time men's champion Pete Sampras slogged sluggishly through a slow-



Top seeded Andre Agassi serves to Alex Kim during their first round match at the U.S. Open tennis tournament Monday.

### U.S. Open

**Highlights of Monday's play at the \$15 million U.S. Open tennis championships:**  
**Weather:** Mostly cloudy and humid with periods of rain and a high temperature of 77.  
**Day 1 attendance:** Day session: 28,415.  
**Early results:** Men: No. 4 Pete Sampras beat Martin Damm; No. 5 Yevgeny Kafelnikov ousted Olin Stangorchev in five sets; and No. 11 Tim Henman topped Fernando Vicente. Women: No. 1 Martina Hingis, No. 8 Nathalie Tauziat, No. 9 Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, No. 13 Amanda Coetzer and No. 15 Jennifer Capriati won their first-round matches.

motion, first-to-two victory as the open got off to a sleepy start. As leader Sampras looked, he served well enough to over-

come an even slower Martin Damm of the Czech Republic, 7-6

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# Garcia ones up Tiger in prime time event

## Quinney wins U.S. Amateur tourney

The Associated Press

**PALM DESERT, Ca.** — Sergio Garcia finally found the secret to beating Tiger Woods — play him at night.

Garcia outplayed Woods under the lights Monday night, upsetting the world's best player 1-up as golf returned to prime time in the "Battle at Bighorn."

The win in the made-for-television event won't show up on any official lists, but it was worth \$1.1 million and a ton of pride for Garcia, who has struggled this year while Woods dominated the sport, winning three majors.

Garcia made a 35-footer for birdie on the 16th hole to go ahead for good, and the tiring Woods could not answer on the final two holes.

Woods put it within 4 feet on the final hole for a possible birdie to tie, but Garcia sunk his 10-footer for a birdie of his own before Woods even had a chance. Woods flew across country earlier in the day and was fighting a cold or the flu after a streak of eight days that saw him win the PGA Championship and the NEC Invitational.

"I'm so cold. I'm freezing," Woods said to caddy Steve Williams as he waited to putt on the 17th hole on a warm night in



Tiger Woods drives from the second fairway against Sergio Garcia during the "Battle at Bighorn" in Palm Desert, Calif. Monday.

the desert. A day after Woods finished off the field in near-darkness to win the NEC Invitational in Akron, Ohio, he and Garcia needed portable lights mounted on cranes to finish the final five holes at the Bighorn Gold Club.

And the darker it got, the better Garcia played. Garcia made eight birdies, five on the back nine, against a pair of bogeys for what would have

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### SPORTS

# Buhl soccer boys blank Bliss 2-0

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**BUHL** — Goals by midfielders Eric Van Patton and Tim Farnell were enough to carry the Buhl boys' soccer team to a 2-0 shutout over visiting Bliss Monday. Van Patton's goal came in about the 33rd minute of the first half when the junior scored from the left side corner on an assist by Josh Sirucek.

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Senior Tim Farnell added the insurance goal on a penalty kick in the 32nd minute of the second half. The penalty came on a shove from behind in the penalty box.

"It was a good outing for the first game," said Buhl coach Jerry Zinn. "The boys coach

defense by both sides. Both teams were a little bit rusty, but for the most part it was a well-played game."

Indian goalkeeper Darren Peterson made four saves. Bliss outshot Buhl 12-9. The Tribe travels to Declo today.

**Saturday's late scores**  
**Twin Falls 1, Century 0**

### Twin Falls 4, Skyline 1

**IDAHO FALLS** — The Twin Falls Bruins varsity boys' soccer team got off to a strong start Saturday, sweeping both Century 1-0 and Skyline 4-1.

The Twin Falls sophomores had mixed results in their two opening matches. The Bruins beat Century 7-2 but fell 7-0 to Skyline.

# Indians lead wild card race; Mets share first

**ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)** — Bartolo Colon allowed five hits over eight innings as the Cleveland Indians beat the Texas Rangers.

The Indians moved a half-game ahead of Boston in the ever-changing AL wild card race. Colon (12-7) struck out six and walked two. He blanked the Rangers until the eighth, when Mike Lamb hit a two-run homer.

### Devil Rays 5, Red Sox 2

**ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.** — Mike DiFelice hit a tiebreaking, two-run double in a three-run eighth inning as the Tampa Bay Devil Rays beat the Boston Red Sox 5-2.

Bryan Rekar (5-9) allowed two runs and eight hits in eight innings to win for the first time in six starts.

With the score 2-all in the eighth, Fred McGriff drew a one-out walk off Hipolito Pichardo (5-3). Bobby Smith struck out, McGriff took third on Aubrey Huff's single and DiFelice doubled to right-center field. Jason Tyner added an RBI single.

### National League

#### Mets 4, Astros 2

**NEW YORK** — Edgardo Alfonzo hit a three-run homer in the first inning and Glendon Rusch made it stand up as the New York Mets beat the Houston Astros 4-2 Monday night.

McGriff took third on Aubrey Huff's single and DiFelice doubled to right-center field. Jason Tyner added an RBI single.

#### Reds 6, Braves 3

**ATLANTA** — Cincinnati stunned Greg Maddux (14-8) by scoring five runs in the first inning, and Ron Villone (9-7), starting because Scott Williamson had a sore back, pitched a five-hitter for the first complete game of his eight-year professional career.

Atlanta (78-53), trying to extend its already unprecedented streak of division titles to nine, is only 13-13 in August and has lost four of its last five.

#### Giants 5, Pirates 4

**PITTSBURGH** — Russ Davis led



Home plate umpire Brian Runge calls Cub Gary Matthews safe at home as Padres catcher George Williams holds up the ball in the sixth inning Monday. Matthews scored on a single by Ricky Outler.

off the ninth with his second pinch-hit homer of the season, a drive off Scott Sauerbeck (5-2), and San Francisco extended its NL West to 3.5 games, matching its season high.

Alan Embree (2-3) pitched a scoreless eighth inning for the victory and Robb Nen finished for his 31st save. Pittsburgh has lost six straight.

#### Expos 9, Diamondbacks 5

**MONTREAL** — Orlando Cabrera and Michael Barrett each had three hits and three RBIs as Montreal overcame a 3-2 deficit in the seventh, sending Arizona to its sixth loss in seven games.

Mike Thurman (4-4) gave up three runs — two earned — and six hits in seven innings. Anthony Telford got six outs for his third save.

Curt Schilling (10-9), who had pitched eight straight complete games against the Expos, allowed six runs and nine hits in seven innings.

#### Cardinals 5, Marlins 2

**MIAMI** — Will Clark's RBI triple off Armando Almanza (4-2) tied the score in a four-run eighth

and Craig Paquette's RBI single put St. Louis ahead.

Mike James (1-2) pitched a scoreless seventh for his first major league victory since 1997 with Anaheim. He combined with Rick Ankiel, Jason Christiansen and Dave Veres (23rd save) on a five-hitter.

Florida's A.J. Burnett hit his first big league homer and struck out a career-high 10, leaving with a 2-1 lead.

#### Dodgers 5, Brewers 2

**MILWAUKEE** — Kevin Brown allowed five hits in seven innings and the Dodgers had a five-run first against Jeff D'Amico as Los Angeles beat the Milwaukee Brewers 5-3 Monday night.

The anticipated pitching duel between D'Amico, who hadn't lost since early June, and Brown was over moments after it began. D'Amico's eight-game winning streak was snapped with the loss, which left him two short of the franchise record for consecutive victories.

Los Angeles won for the seventh time in eight games and pulled within 2.5 games of Arizona for second place in the NL West. The Dodgers are six

games behind division-leading San Francisco.

#### Padres 8, Cubs 2

**CHICAGO** — Phil Nevin hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning and a three-run double in the ninth Monday night as the San Diego Padres beat the Chicago Cubs 8-2.

It was the 14th loss in 17 games for the Cubs and dropped them 18 games below .500. Chicago was within six games of .500 on Aug. 2.

#### Phillies 3, Rockies 2

**PHILADELPHIA** — Todd Helton probably wishes he took one more swing Monday night, even though he raised his average to .397.

Bobby Abreu hit his third homer in two games as the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Colorado Rockies 3-2 despite three hits from Helton.

But with Colorado trailing by a run in the seventh, Helton took a called strike on Robert Person's 3-1 pitch as Mike Lieberthal threw out Juan Pierre at second to end the inning.

# Dillon arrested in wife's assault

**CINCINNATI (AP)** — Cincinnati Bengals running back Corey Dillon missed practice Monday following his weekend arrest in a Seale suburb after his wife was assaulted.

Dillon, 25, also did not tell the team about his arrest Saturday. Players were off on Saturday and Sunday, and Dillon told the team he would be late returning.

"He had called and his agent had called, but the information they relayed was not consistent with what I'm hearing," general manager Mike Brown said from home Monday night. "I just heard the report (about the arrest) minutes ago. I have nothing to say concerning that until I know about it."

Police said the former University of Washington standout was arrested Saturday afternoon after officers responded to a domestic violence complaint at a Federal Way, Wash., address.

When officers arrived, they found Dillon's 23-year-old wife bleeding from the mouth in front of the house. Dillon was in the driveway, police said.

Dillon was booked into the King County jail for investigation of fourth-degree assault, but was released later Saturday.

Police said the couple was in a car when Dillon struck his wife, who was driving. She got out of the car and walked one block to the address where police were

summoned. It was not immediately clear who lived at the house.

Agent Marvin Demoff didn't return a telephone message Monday night. The Bengals had been told that Dillon would be back for practice on Tuesday, but that was before they learned of the arrest.

"I was told he would be returning tomorrow," Brown said Monday night. "Whether that is the case, it is unclear to me at this moment."

Dillon was repeatedly in trouble as a juvenile, prompting him to slip to the second round in the 1997 draft. He's been arrested twice while with the Bengals.

# Vandals

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 known him since I was 16," said Cable, who played under Gilbertson's father at Snohomish (Wash.) High School. "And my career with Rick, I spent a year with him when he brought me to Colorado. They've both been good to me."

Even with the big spread and coming in a preseason pick to win the Pac-10, Neuhessel knows Cable will bring a ready bunch with him come Saturday.

"We have lots of concerns with Idaho, they are coming in here to whip us," Neuhessel said. "They are a team with a new coach and loaded with enthusiasm. I know when Idaho comes down that tunnel on Saturday they will be a unified group."

# Bighorn

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 been a 66. Woods didn't make a bogey, but managed only five birdies, including the conceded putt on the final hole, for a 67.

Garcia grew increasingly animated as he played nearly flawless down the stretch, while Woods appeared tired and trying to keep his focus in a surreal setting in the desert foothills.

The evening started well for Woods, who got out in front quickly as spectators began scrambling for position on an overcast but hot and humid late afternoon in the Santa Rosa foothills. Garcia missed the first green and made bogey after chipping past the pin, while Woods

made a routine par. But, with Woods making only one birdie on the front side, Garcia got back to even after a birdie on the eighth hole. They remained that way after a front nine in which neither played particularly well, both shooting 1-under 35s.

### Quinney beats Driscoll for U.S. Amateur crown

**SPRINGFIELD, N.J.** — With one dramatic, lightning-quick putt on the only hole of the day, Jeff Quinney won the U.S. Amateur, avoiding a lifetime of "what ifs" and got a bonus — a golfing date next year with Tiger Woods. Quinney, who blew a three-hole lead with three holes to play in

regulation, won the weather-suspending 100th Amateur on Monday by sinking a 30-foot birdie putt on the 39th hole to defeat James Driscoll.

Along with the title, Quinney of Arizona State earned exemptions for the U.S. Open and British Open and an invitation to the Masters next year. The U.S. Open is the big one. The reigning U.S. Amateur champion plays the first two rounds with the reigning U.S. Open champion — Woods.

### Stephenson takes round lead at Hy-Vee Classic

**DES MOINES, Iowa** — Jan Stephenson battled tricky greens

while shooting a 2-under-par 70 Monday to lead after one round of the Hy-Vee Classic, the second Women's Senior Golf Tour event.

Stephenson, who put together three birdies on the back nine and also birdied the fifth hole, was the only player to shoot under par. She led Marta Figueras-Dotti and Susie Berman by two strokes.

Vicki Ferguson, Judy Dickinson and Jane Crafter all shot 73. Ferguson won the first tournament on the Women's Senior Golf Tour, at Green Bay, Wis., this month. Ten others, including LPGA Hall-of-Famers Amy Alcott and JoAnne Carner, were within five strokes of Stephenson.

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night, Wisconsin plays Western Michigan, while Miami goes against Michigan State.

Open

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(3), 75, 64.
It was that kind of day at the National Tennis Center, when heavy, muggy weather took a toll on players and fans alike after nearly two hours of rain interrupted matches early in the afternoon.

he usually does in a week. He didn't get much, but he didn't have to, relying instead on 22 Aces and Damm's tendency to make the occasional inelegant error.

Torpid performances infected many of the matches, including No. 5 Yevgeny Kafelnikov's 6-7 (5), 1-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3 comeback against 116th-ranked Orlin Stanoychev.

too, did No. 15 Jennifer Capriati, seeded at the number one spot at the time since 1993, beating Emmanuelle Gagliardi 6-4, 6-0. Capriati hardly seems to be a serious threat for the title in a field that includes Venus and Serena Williams, and Lindsay Davenport, but she's moving in the right direction.

BASEBALL

American League Boxes

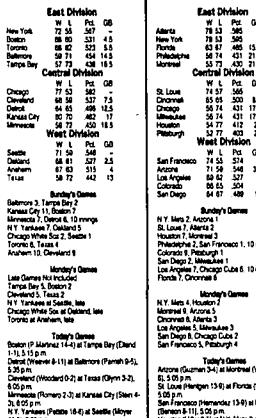
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IN THE BLEACHERS

By Steve Moore



ON THE AIR

TELEVISION

Table listing television programs and their air times. Includes 'Tennis, U.S. Open, Early rounds', 'Tennis, U.S. Open, Early rounds', 'Baseball, Reds at Braves', 'Baseball, Padres at Cubs', 'Baseball, Yankees vs. Yankees', 'Tennis, U.S. Open, Highlights (tape)'.

FOOTBALL

NFL Standings

Table showing NFL standings for AFC and NFC divisions. Includes teams like Baltimore Ravens, Cincinnati Bengals, Cleveland Browns, Denver Broncos, Detroit Lions, Green Bay Packers, Houston Oilers, Indianapolis Colts, Jacksonville Jaguars, Kansas City Chiefs, Miami Dolphins, Minnesota Vikings, New England Patriots, New York Jets, Oakland Raiders, Philadelphia Eagles, Pittsburgh Steelers, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Tennessee Titans, Washington Redskins, Carolina Panthers, Dallas Cowboys, Denver Broncos, Detroit Lions, Green Bay Packers, Houston Oilers, Indianapolis Colts, Jacksonville Jaguars, Kansas City Chiefs, Miami Dolphins, Minnesota Vikings, New England Patriots, New York Jets, Oakland Raiders, Philadelphia Eagles, Pittsburgh Steelers, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Tennessee Titans, Washington Redskins.

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## HIGH SCHOOL CLASS A-2 FOOTBALL PREVIEW

### Football

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including 54-0 and 46-12 routs of new league rivals Gooding and Kimberly.

That fact wasn't lost upon Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference coaches. All who returned questionnaires about their programs picked Declo to finish no worse than second in the league.

"You know last year we talked about winning a state championship as our ultimate goal," Kidd said. "This year we're excited about trying to make the playoffs."

To get there, the team will have to replace some mammoth shoes, beginning with graduated all-state running back Jason Webb.

In his varsity career, Webb scored 62 touchdowns and tallied 4,565 yards on the ground, 1,022 through the air. He set eight school records including season rushing, career scoring and career total offense. He's currently attempting to walk-on at Brigham Young University.

"Some people see it packing in on us," Kidd said. "I think if we didn't have a real solid team he'd be really missed. Though Jason will probably be our all-time greatest back, we're not living in the past."

Kidd's confident that Webb's backup, Kyle Howard, can handle the job.

"He's going to be awesome," Kidd said. "He's as good as it gets ... and way more physical than Jason was."

Helping Howard is senior Tony



Pizaro (5-6, 150), a hard-nosed back who'll add to the Hornets' ground game.

Leading the offense again this season will be senior Jacoby Fox (6-1, 190). Bigger and stronger than last year, Fox should be especially dangerous as a runner, Kidd said.

Then there's the matter of losing a pair of 300-pound booked tackles — Ty Cahoon and Lance Osterhout — to graduation. The Hornets return a solid lineman corps led by last year's starting guard tandem of Hector Rios (6-1, 225) and Steve Thometz (5-8, 195).

Playing between the pair will be senior center Aynsley Adams (6-1, 180), also a returning starter. While the tackle positions have yet to be decided, Kidd said he has plenty of options with Beau Cahoon (6-3, 285), Ivan Solis (6-1, 265), Nathan Smith (6-0, 250) and Kent Carson (6-0, 221).

"Size wise, we've got a good nucleus of kids," he said. Bottom line, Kidd's just happy to have more than two league foes this season.

"It's exciting to have some conference rivalries again," he said.

### LEAP OF FAITH



Filer's Danny Prigmore goes up for a pass against Buhl's Sonny Thornborrow during their game last September. Both Buhl and Filer are revamping for a run at the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference.

## Ute football player recovers from gunshot

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah football player Ben Allison was recovering Saturday after being shot in the chest at a family wedding.

Allison was being treated for a wound on the right side of his chest at LDS Hospital, where he had been upgraded from serious to fair condition, hospital spokesman Jess Gomez said.

"This is not a life-threatening injury and he is expected to recover," Gomez said.

The early Saturday morning shooting occurred during a family wedding in West Jordan, the university said in a press release.

#### Around the region

Police said the shooting may be gang-related, and it appears that Allison and another man who was shot in the leg were innocent bystanders. The second victim, Sammy Kawauka, 22, was treated and released.

Lt. Julie Stringer said several shots were fired at about 12:30 a.m. in a crowded parking lot outside of the National Guard Armory where the wedding had taken place.

Police have identified a number of suspects, but have made

no arrests. The 6-foot-1, 232-pounder from Ogden was preparing to begin his sophomore season as a tight end with the Utes.

#### MSU coach Mike Kramer suspends three players

BOZEMAN — Montana State football coach Mike Kramer has suspended three players for violating team rules.

Sophomore Jason Roberson and redshirt freshmen Jay Hackett and Corey Smith will miss the opening game against Humboldt State on Sept. 9 and the game against Weber State

on Sept. 16. They will still practice with the team, he said.

Smith, a receiver from Federal Way, Wash., and Hackett, a cornerback from San Diego, were listed as starters on MSU's most recent depth chart. Roberson, a safety from Denver, was second at his position.

Kramer declined to say what team rules the players violated.

**Northern Arizona adds former MSU aide to staff**  
FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — Coach Jerome Souers added Mike Orthmann to his staff Monday.

Orthmann will coach tight ends and coordinate the players' academic compliance. He replaces Scott Criner, who left to join the Las Vegas XFL franchise.

Orthmann was the offensive line coach at Montana State last season, his fourth with the Big Sky Conference team from Bozeman. He spent 1989-92 at Eastern Washington, another Big Sky school, and coached at high schools in Idaho and Washington before that.

Orthmann began his coaching career at Kennewick (Wash.) High School, his alma mater, in 1986.

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High School Class A-2 Football Preview

Team-by-team preview

Though most of the coaches in the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference picked newcomer Declo to make an immediate impact, front-runners Wood River and Kimberly should also have an inside track on this year's crown.

Every team returns with strength in at least one area. Most notably Wood River. Head coach John Blackman enters his 13th season with an eye on first place and his largest turnout ever of 75 players.

"We're pretty solid," Blackman said. "My whole offensive front is basically all seniors, my secondary is back and we're two deep at every position."

Taking snaps will be senior signal caller Cory Gotoicecha with senior Zac Brondie joining him in the state wrestling champion in the backfield. Seniors Max Paisley (11 touchdowns) and Sky Wolfe are Gotoicecha's targets for passing.

Though SCIC defending champion Kimberly lost several players to graduation, the Bulldogs still return a balanced team of returning starters led by senior tailback Aid Gambrel (847 yards, six touchdowns) and wide receiver Zach Hollibaugh.

"I like our team. We could use

a little more depth at certain positions," said Kimberly coach Kirby Bright.

The remaining class of 2000 in Buhl, Filer and Gooding are rebuilding this season, though each sports senior-led lines on both sides of the ball. Buhl lost its leading tackler, passer and receiver to graduation and is searching for replacements.

Leading candidates include Ty Popplewell at quarterback and Jeff Walker at wide receiver. Leading rusher Chris Floyd (851 yards, five touchdowns) returns as does a solid linebacker corps.

Filer coach Russ Wright said he is thin at running back but likes his overall team speed, especially in the secondary with Danny Prigmore, who also plays quarterback, and Travis Toland. The Wildcats return several linemen as well, including tackles Donovan Wiser, Zach Lynard and guards Brad Dockstead and Travis Arnout.

Gooding coach Ty Jones likes his running game with senior Mitch Sorenson and juniors Jared Gough, Carl Haney and Chance Schummer taking hand-offs. If his backfield can get some blocking up front, Jones said the Senators have to improve.

**Buhl Indians**

Coach: Gary Krumm, 6th season  
1999 season: 3-5, finished fifth, eliminated by Sugar-Salem in first-round playoff

Key players: Jr. RB Chris Floyd, Jr. RB Ryan Wagner, sr. PK/P Jeff Walker, Jr. TE Josh Villaro, sr. OG/DL TJ Cline, sr. OT Tyler Belles, sr. LB Rod Paulson.

Outlook: In the trenches, Buhl should be as big and as deep as anyone in the league. Athleticism, strength and depth are positives. Offensively, question marks remain, with no returning starters back at critical skill positions such as quarterback and wide receiver.

Coach says: "Our defense is way out front of our offense. We've got to come up with a quarterback and some leaders offensively."

**Declo Hornets**

Coach: Kelly Kidd  
1999 season: 8-3, Canyon Conference champion, fell to eventual Class A-3 state champion Teton in state semifinals.

Key players: Sr. RB/LB Kyle Howard, sr. RB Tony Pharr, sr. LB Ben Young, sr. DE Caleb Meyer, sr. OG Hector Ries, sr. OG Steve Thomecz.

Outlook: A solid nucleus of seniors return with speed and experience at skill positions.

Declo, in its inaugural Class A-2 season, is a threat to win the SCIC title.

Coach says: "We're excited about the season and looking at making the playoffs."

**Filer Wildcats**

Coach: Brett Wright, 5th season  
1999 season: 2-6, finished fifth

Key players: Jr. QB/DB Danny Prigmore, Jr. RB/LB Zack Bliss, sr. TE/DL Craig Gause, sr. OL/DL Donovan Wiser, sr. DBP Travis Hoffman, sr. DT Zach Lynard, sr. RB Dan Auth, Jr. WR Matt Woody, Jr. WR Cade Lancaster

Outlook: Experienced offensive and defensive lines and speed at skill positions, but Wildcats lack depth in backfield. Filer hopes to gain some early momentum to carry into season. Wildcats haven't been to postseason in 25 years.

Coach says: "We have to look at (ending team's playoff drought) as realistic. Turnovers were the story of our season last year. This year, we're going to pound it out and try to avoid mistakes."

**Gooding Senators**

Coach: Ty Jones, 2nd season  
1999 season: 0-8, finished sixth

Key players: Jr. QB/PK/DB Joe

Abernathy, sr. RB/LB/P Mitch Sorenson, sr. WR Josh Goddard, sr. OT/DL Jared Wilkins, sr. OG/DL Matt Rigby, sr. C Matt Donnan, Jr. DL Ryan Pereira, sr. LB Michael Smith.

Outlook: An earnest effort in the weight room could pay off in an improvement over last year's winless season. The Senators have several returning running backs and should have good depth up front.

Coach says: "We have five kids at running back and we can mix and match. We're stronger and quicker and our overall team speed is great. It's a rebuilding process, but we've made huge strides."

**Kimberly Bulldogs**

Coach: Kirby Bright, 7th season  
1999 season: 5-1, finished first, lost to Bear Lake in first-round playoff

Key players: sr. RB/LB Kaid Gambrel, sr. WR/DB Zach Hollibaugh, sr. TE/DL/JJ Plew, sr. OT/RB Reggie Jarvis, sr. OG Mitch Roberts, sr. DL Jeremy Equizuisa, sr. QB/DB Robbie Cain.

Outlook: The Bulldogs will rely on senior leadership and junior talent as they look to the 2000 season. As with all teams, they are concerned with staying healthy and

lack of depth.

Coach says: "I like what I see. I think we're going to be pretty strong. We have a lot of senior leadership and we're just ready to play."

**Wood River Wolverines**

Coach: John Blackman, 13th season

1999 season: 5-4, finished second, lost to American Falls in first-round playoff

Key players: Sr. QB/PK/DB/P Cory Gotoicecha, sr. RB/DB Zac Brondie, sr. WR/DB Max Paisley, sr. WR/DB Sky Wolfe, Jr. OT Jeff Bolton, sr. OT John Reese, sr. OG Michael Bjerke, sr. C Josh Alstrom, sr. DB Ben Cortese, Jr. LB Evan Peebles.

Outlook: Wood River is on the verge of breaking through for a conference-title after a second-place finish last season. Depth, experience and size are all team strengths, especially with the entire Wood River secondary returning. The Wolverines will rely on senior leadership at key positions with a record turnout providing plenty of looks at every position.

Coach says: "I'm really excited about the season. We've got a good solid core of seniors and a good cross-section of classes."

Hazing not foreign to American high schools

Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON - Some high school students looking to pursue extracurricular activities and participating in athletics are encountering obstacles to joining clubs, organizations and sports teams. According to a survey released Monday by Alfred University, 48 percent of those high school students who responded to a survey have been through some form of initiation process when joining clubs or teams. In addition, 43 percent of students who responded said they were subjected to humiliating activities and 29 percent responded that they were forced to perform illegal activities.

The study, funded by the university in Alfred, N.Y., defined hazing as "any humiliating activity expected of you to join a group, regardless of your willingness to participate." Humiliating activities can lead to more seri-

ous behavior such as substance abuse, physical abuse and risky sexual behavior, the study's authors said.

"Humiliation in hazing is like the canary in the coal mine," said Nadine Hoover, principle investigator of the survey.

Colleges have long been the focus of hazing crackdowns, but the Alfred study shows that high schools and primary schools are also breeding grounds for hazing. Of those responding that they have been hazed, one-quarter said they had experienced the process before they were 13 years old. Girls are nearly as likely to be hazed as boys are, the study reported.

Alfred researchers mailed out 20,000 confidential surveys to high school students across the country and received back 1,541 responses, a number Hoover called statistically significant. "I am very confident in these results," she said, adding the

results indicated a need to study high school hazing further.

Football squads and other sports teams are not the only organizations to engage in hazing. According to the study, 8 percent of those joining arts, music or other groups and 7 percent of those joining church groups were hazed.

Even though hazing could and does deter some students from joining clubs and teams - 13 percent said they did not join a group because of hazing - there is also pressure on students to join organizations. College admission can hinge on membership and participation in clubs, activities and sports.

Because of the secretive nature of hazing, most schools are unaware of what happens when students are left alone, especially away from school property. The result can be administrators who are ignorant of, misinformed about or turn a blind eye toward hazing.

Play ball, boys (and girls)

Knight Ridder News Service

It had to happen sooner or later. After years of girls breaking out on all-boy teams in baseball, football and even wrestling, boys are beginning to demand places on teams in all-girl sports.

This summer, five 16-year-old boys triggered an uproar at the Little League Softball World Series. The boys showed up with the Arizona team, in uniform. The senior, stronger boys gave the Arizona team an unfair advantage. In fact, the Arizona team won the tournament by forfeit. An all-girl team from the Philippines refused to play the Arizona team in the final game even though they had

beaten the coed team, 3-2, earlier in the tournament.

I don't think that the boys should have been allowed to play. Coed teams are fine when kids are younger, but high school boys unfairly change the game of softball. They are bigger and stronger than high school girls.

There is a simple solution to all this hubbub. Boys should have the chance to play softball on all-boy teams. Likewise, girls should have the chance to play on all-girl baseball teams.

The problem is that people keep thinking of softball as "girls baseball." As early as elementary school, we start getting boys to think baseball and girls to think softball.

Softball is not girls baseball. It is a whole separate sport. Think of it: In softball, the ball is bigger. The dimensions of the field, the equipment, the uniforms and even some of the rules are dif-

ferent. It takes different strategies to win at softball.

I am not saying that softball is better or worse than baseball. Just different. Anyone who has seen a tournament-level fast-pitch softball game knows it is a tough and hard-won sport.

Check out the softball competition in the Olympics next month. U.S. pitcher Lisa Fernandez is as overperforming as Pedro Martinez on his best day.

So, let's open up softball to boys and get some all-girl baseball leagues.

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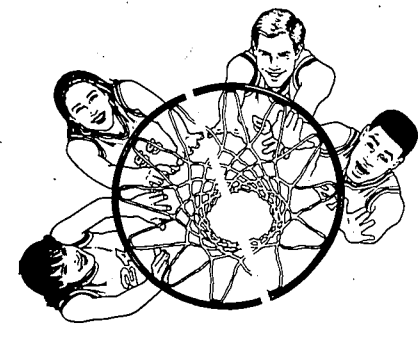
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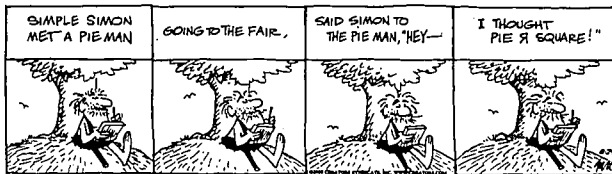
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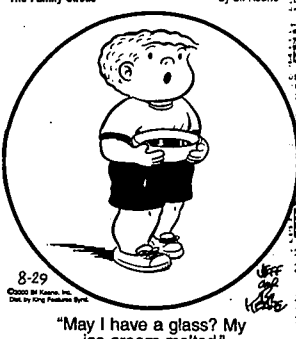
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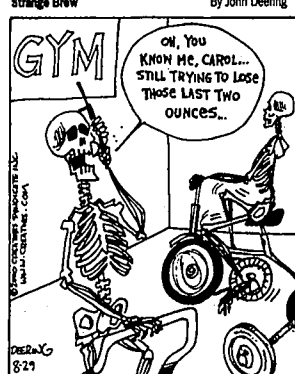
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## Never go to bed mad Couple shares secret of 70-year marriage

By Heather Abel  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Time flies when you've been married 70 years.

Just ask Floyd and Babe Anderson of Twin Falls, who celebrated 70 years of marriage Aug. 9.

A celebration took place three days prior at Rock Creek Community Church with dinner and an open house. A limousine transported the Andersons to the party. The sign in the back window read, "Just Married 70 Years."

Around 100 people attended the anniversary party, from as far away as Kansas, Nebraska, Washington, Oregon, California and Texas.

"To make it 70 years is something," said daughter, Mary Norris.

"Time flies," added Babe Anderson.

The two met in Elk Creek, Neb. and married in Seneca, Kansas on Aug. 9, 1930. She was age 16 and he was 19.

The Andersons moved to Twin Falls in 1934 and have lived here since with the exception of two years in California, during the World War II. They farmed in the Magic Valley for 40 years on the Stricker

Ranch Farm, on one of the Perrine Farms and the George Farm. They retired in 1975.

The Andersons have three children: Betty (Jim) Prunty, Mary (Don) Norris and Dan (Charlene) Anderson, all of

*"There were lots of kisses and 'I love yous.'"*

- Betty Prunty  
about her  
parents

Twin Falls. They also have 10 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Floyd, 89, and Babe, 86, said the secret to a happy and successful marriage is never going to bed mad at each other. They have passed this advice along to their children.

"I don't remember them ever fighting around us kids," Mary Norris said.

"If they did fight, it was over quick," Betty Prunty said. "There were lots of kisses and 'I love yous.'"

"Divorce has never entered my mind, not once," Babe Anderson said.

The couple says they have stayed young due to "work, work, work" and having young people around them.

The Andersons enjoy traveling and snowmobiling. In their motor home they have seen Kentucky, Tennessee, Canada, Washington, Oregon, the Black Hills, Arizona and the Grand Canyon, to name a few places.

They also owned a large cabin near Stanley and had fun on snowmobiles.

Spending Christmas Eve together and camping out in the summertime are family traditions.

"No matter where I've lived, I've never missed a Christmas Eve," Betty Prunty said. "No matter how busy he was, Dad always made time to take us out camping around the 4th of July."

HEATHER ABEL/The Times-News

Babe and Floyd Anderson of Twin Falls recently celebrated 70 years of marriage.



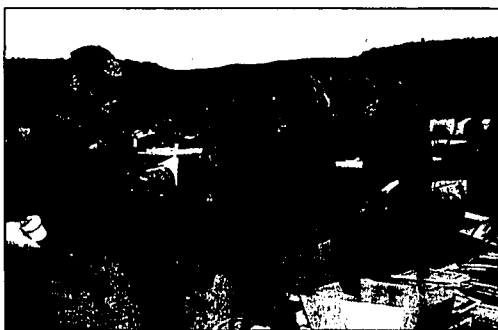
## Firefighters express thanks for gifts

Thank you, thank you, thank you. Two hundred fifty times thank you from the 250 firefighters who received the gifts the people of Twin Falls provided. We have effectively conquered this 60,000-plus acre blaze.

### Want to help?

Donations are still needed for firefighters especially bandannas, gloves, socks, candy, discs, mesh clothing, clothing bags, pocket Bibles, baseball caps, suntan lotion, playing cards, newspapers and notes of encouragement. They can be delivered to KEZJ-KLX studios at 415 Park Ave. in Twin Falls or call 733-7512 for more information.

Thanks to you for lifting our spirits. I don't know what was appreciated more; the special notes of encouragement, cards, music, or the cookies, handkerchiefs, magazines, books, soap, lotion, friendship bracelets, newspapers, playing cards, music, or the Bibles. I can't forget the hot showers from Cactus Petes in Jackpot. The soaps and lotions were put to good use right away. Firefighting is tough physical work and it is especially drying on our hands. The lotion helped heal a lot of dry skin. Our



Members of the 777 Interagency Hotshot Crew from Las Vegas enjoy items donated by Magic Valley residents, including Bibles, magazines, books, lotion and candy. The firefighters were later reassigned to other fires burning in the west.

1310 KLIX and KOOL Oldies 96.5 FM for organizing these care packages. A big thank you goes out to the Fred Meyers store for letting us gather donations at their location. You can't imagine what your gifts mean to us. Many of us are from far away places, and these care packages give us new enthusiasm to pick up our shovels and continue the fight against these Western wildfires. On behalf of the Nevada Division of

Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry, Florida Division of Forestry, Alaska Fire Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, National Park Service, United States Forest Service and the Federal Bureau of Land Management, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your gifts of kindness. It was like Christmas in August.

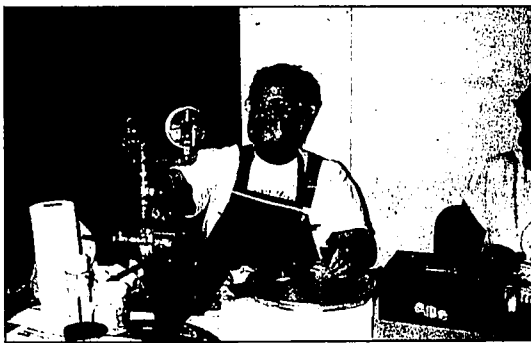
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Firefighter Lindsey Nelwert, 26, a former Twin Falls resident, enjoys her shampoo and socks Aug. 24 at a fire camp. Nelwert, who is on the south central Idaho Bureau of Land Management crew from the Rogerson guard station, was one of the many firefighters on the 60,000 acre West Basin fire on the Idaho/Nevada border. Boxes of items were donated by Magic Valley residents. The fire is fully controlled.

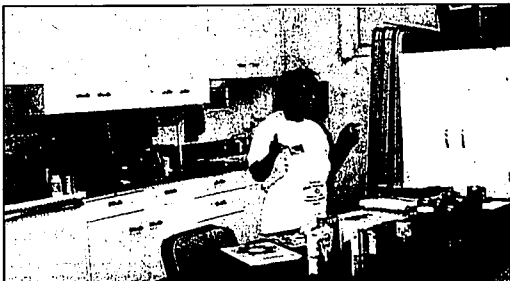
## CANNING TIME

Dixie Walker, certified master gauge tester, checked almost 100 gauges during the June clinic at the Cassia County Extension Office. She was assisted by Elizabeth Dunn. Walker will also test gauges in her home for those who did not attend the clinic. For an appointment, call 436-6909. "A working gauge is a regularly checked gauge," Walker says.



MATT STEINER/The Times-News

Molly Mehler, University of Idaho master food preserver, teaches a class on canning procedures at the June Science in the Kitchen clinic. For more information about current food preservation recommendation, call Joan Parr, extension educator, at the Cassia County Extension Office, 878-9461.



Jolene Yepes and Ranae Chandler, teachers in Heyburn, work on building a mouse trap car in a project-based learning class as part of program on gifted and talented education.

## Teachers, parents focus on gifted and talented ed

By Sandra L. Calkins  
Times-News correspondent

BOISE - Many teachers and parents from the Magic Valley returned to school to focus on gifted and talented education.

They spent a week at Boise State University in a program called Edufest, now in its fourth year.

Participants chose from a variety of classes meant to help them improve services to their students. Classes ranged

from such topics as Differentiated Curriculum for the Regular Classroom, Web-Based Learning, Utilizing Community Resources, Creative Contraptions, Programming for Leadership Talent and Parenting Gifted and Talented Kids.

In addition to the classes, top scholars in the field presented a series of five keynote addresses meant to inspire teachers with ideas on how curriculum can be changed to serve the needs of all students.

## TWIN FALLS AREA COMMUNITY

### Writer attends 'Highlights' workshop

**TWIN FALLS** — Stephanie Holman of Twin Falls attended the 16th Annual Highlights Foundation Writers Workshop at the Chautauqua Institution in western New York State July 15-22.

Holman was one of 80 writers and a faculty of 30 writers, editors and publishers who attended the workshop, which focused on children's literature.

The Chautauqua Institution is a 125-year-old national pioneer in combining education, cultural events and resort activities. Highlights for Children said. The magazine's senior editor Marilena Robinson served as Holman's mentor for the conference.

Holman is an artist who started writing six years ago. She studied art at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls and is a graduate of the Institute of Children's Literature.



Stephanie Holman of Twin Falls, left, attended the 16th Annual Highlights Foundation Writers Workshop at Chautauqua, N.Y. July 15-22. With her is author Suzanne Fisher Staples of the 2000 workshop faculty.

### HELPING THE COMMUNITY



The City Kids 56 4-H group of Twin Falls finished their community service project. The community service project consisted of bagging beans, rice and instant potatoes to be used in the needy baskets. Members are Leader Phyllis Fouashears, Mary Fouashears, Scott Treat, Carl Fouashears, Bethany Krumm, Emily Bond, Tamya Oliver, Sara Oliver, Nicole Priddy and Kent Oliver.

### Buhl Library announces new books

**BUHL** — The Buhl Library announced the addition of the following new books:

- Adult fiction: "Roberts' Lady" by Nicole Byrd, "Night Fire" by Catherine Coulter, "Viking Flame" by Ashland Price, "Awaken My Fire" by Jennifer Horsman, "The Dreamer" by May McGoldrick, "The Story Teller" by Margaret Coll, "Bride For a Night" by Patti Berg, "Potent Pleasures" by Eloise James, "The Viking's Heart" by Jacqueline Navin, "The Lion's Lady" by Julie Garwood, "A Comfortable Wife" by Stephanie Laurens, "My Lady's Desire" by Gayle Wilson, "Bandera's Bride" by Mary McBride, "Molly's Hero" by Susan Amarillas, "The Devil's Teardrop" by Jeffrey Deaver, "The Family Way" by Jayne Ann Krentz, "Montana" by Debbie Macomber, "The Tie That binds" by Kent Haruf, "Midnight Shadow" by Laurel O'Donnell, "Highland Hawk" by Lois Greiman, "By Arrangement" by Madeline Hunter, "Marriage Rites" by Pauline Bentley, "An Improper Proposal" by Patricia Cabot, "To Tame A Highland Warrior" by Karen Marie Monning, "The Tarnished Lady" by Sandra Hill, "Somebody Soon" by Joann Wolf, "Bride to Be" by Jane Ashford, "Home Fires" by Candace Schuler, "One to One" by Marisa Carroll, "Last Chance Cafe" by Cruis Ann Matlock, "Thorne's Wife" by Joan Holt, "Hearr's Journey" by Cathy Gillen Thacker, "Baby, it's You"

by Celeste Hamilton, "Patchwork by Carla Cassidy, "Only the Navy Knows for Sure" by Phyllis Halderson, "Emily's House" by Nikki Benjamin, "Renegade Son" by Lisa Jackson, "Though None Go with Me" by Jerry B. Jenkins, "After Dark" by Rebecca York, "While I Was Gone" by Sue Miller, "Divine Secrets of the Ya Ya Sisterhood" by Rebecca Wells, "Kaaterskill Falls" by Allegra Goodman, "The Indwelling" by Tim F. Lahave, "Shades of Love" by Vera Caspary and "The Girls Guide to Hunting and Fishing" by Melissa Bank.

Mystery: "Judging Time" by Leslie Glass, "Sacred and Profane" by Faye Kellerman, "Garden Of Evil" by Edna Buchanan, "Cradle and All" by James Patterson, "Easy Prey" by John Sandford and "Before I Say Goodbye" by Mary Higgins Clark.

Westerns: "Home Ranch" by Will James and "The Three Mustangs" by Will James.

Science fiction: "Murder In Cormyr" by Chet Williamson.

Adult non-fiction: "Toddler On Over" by Robin Works Davis, "The Fire Inside" by "Hell's Belles" by Seale Balleger, "A Beautiful Mind" by Sylvia Nasar, "The Five Love Languages of Children" by Gary D. Chapman, "The Five Love Languages of Teenagers" by Gary D. Chapman, "Western Training" by Jack Brinard, "Bacon and Beans" by Stella Hughes, "Roofs and Rails"

by Gabrin Ehringer, "Living in the Labrinth" by Diana Friel McGaown, "Relax, This Won't Hurt" by Judith Reichman, "Health Problems of the Horse" by Robert M. Miller, "I'm Only One Man" by Regis Philbin, "Decorating Hints and Tips" by Julian Cassell, "Barrel Racing" by Sharon Camerillo, "Science Fiction" by John Clute, "Ride for the High Points" by Jim Bramlett, "All Too Human" by George Stephanopoulos and "Lasting Echoes" by Joseph Bruchac.

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Junior fiction: "The Birth of the Moon" by Colby Hol, "Zoom! Zoom! Zoom! I'm Off to the Moon" by Dan Yaccarino, "George Bark" by Jules Feiffer, "Isaac The Ice Cream Truck" by Scott Santoro, "Curious George Goes To An Ice Cream Shop", "Ice-cream Larry" by Daniel Manus Pinkwater, "Mr. Putter and Tabby Paint the Porch" by Cynthia Rylant, "How many Stars in the Sky?" by Lenny Lort, "My big Dog" by Janet Stevens, "Dinosaur Babies" by Lucille Recht Penner and "The Dinosaur Egg Mystery" by Christina M. Butler.

### Health district reminds parents to check child's immunization records

**TWIN FALLS** — South Central District Health Department is requesting that parents review their children's immunization records to make sure their child is completely immunized.

In south central Idaho, many children receive the first three shots in the primary series of diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis or whooping cough (DTaP), but the fourth shot is often missed, the district says. The fourth vaccination is also part of the primary series of shots against DTaP.

Health District 5, which includes the eight counties of the Magic Valley, had the lowest immunization rates in the state in 1999 for the diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccination, the district says. The fourth DTaP dose, recommended at the age of 15 to 18 months, is the one most often neglected. Only about 56 percent of children in District 5 received a fourth DTaP by 24 months of age in 1999.

In addition to the DTaP series, a booster of DTaP should be

given prior to kindergarten entry, the district says.

Of the 40 cases of pertussis reported to the health district last year, nine of those were in children age 5 or under.

By the age of 24 months, a child should have had the following four DTaP shots, three polio shots, four Hib shots, one measles, mumps, rubella shot and three hepatitis B shots.

For appointment or more information, call the nearest health department office.

## SENIOR CALENDAR

**Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center**

616 Eastland Drive

Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors. The cost is \$4 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Tuesday: Baked potato bar  
Wednesday: Spaghetti, Italian vegetables, tossed salad, french bread, fruit pie  
Thursday: Salad bar

**Activities**

Library, Pool Room, and Bargain Center with cards, games, color television, puzzles and movies. Open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday: Blood pressure 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Wednesday: Quilting 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Pinochle 1 p.m.

**West End Senior Citizens Inc.**

1010 Main St., Buhl

Noon meals served Monday through Friday. Buffet meal at 1 p.m. on Sundays.

Evening meals served at 5:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. Suggested donations for meals is weekdays \$2.50, Sundays \$3.50, non-seniors \$4.25 and children under 12-years-old \$2.50. Meals can be delivered Monday through Friday. Call 543-4577 for more information.

Free bus service to and from meals is available Monday evening, Tuesday at noon and Thursday noon and evening. Please call 543-4577 by 10 a.m. to arrange a ride. Coffee and cinnamon rolls each morning at the Center, everyone is welcome.

Tuesday: Liver and onions, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad, carrots, roll, fruit.

Wednesday: BARBECUE, pork strips, rice pilaf, broccoli, rolls, fruit.

Thursday: Swiss steak, potato w/ gravy, cauliflower, salad, rolls, fruit.

Friday: Spaghetti, green beans, veggie bread, rolls, fruit.

Sunday: All you can eat buffet

Thrift shop open every day. Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday Exercise 7 to 8 a.m.  
Treasure Tuesday  
Bingo 7 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday Exercises 7 to 8 a.m., and at 10 a.m.  
Farmer's market from 5-7 p.m.

Thursday Exercises 7 to 8 a.m. and at 10 a.m.  
Bingo 1 to 3 p.m.  
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Friday: Potato bar, peaches,

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**CSI offers photography course this fall**

**TWIN FALLS** — The College of Southern Idaho's Community Education Center is offering photography once again with instructor Rod Mathis.

Students will learn the fundamentals of taking a great picture, including how to use film, light, and camera equipment and subject control. CSI says. Students can use either automatic focus or cameras with manually adjusted meters, lens openings, shutter speeds and focus.

The class will be held from 7-9 p.m. Mondays, Sept. 11 through Oct. 30. The cost is \$60.

For more information, call 733-9254, Ext. 2288

**Lymphoma Society will host a free car wash Sept. 3 at the Bank of America in Haley.**

Donations are recommended and there will be free food and soda while supplies last.

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society will also host a "Everything is Beautiful" dance Oct. 7 in Boise. The dance will last 10 hours and plans to have eight disc jockeys. Tickets are \$20.

For more information or to make a donation, call 386-3224.

**The Twin Falls Optimist Club receives plaque**

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Optimist Club received a plaque from the Boys and Girls Club for the Optimist's donation of \$1,250 for a Gold Sponsorship.

Optimist President Orlean Streats and President members were hosted to lunch at the Boys and Girls Club located on College of Southern Idaho campus.

**Twin Falls Centennial Committee meets**

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Centennial meeting will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

**Twin Falls resident wins 'The Romantic Getaway'**

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Optimist Club announced the winner of "The Romantic Getaway" at its Aug. 24 meeting.

Dan King of Twin Falls and a guest will receive a three-day trip from 4 Ways Travel with a flight out of Boise to their choice of three different locations.

The money earned from the fund-raiser will be used for children in the Magic Valley, the club says.

**Gooding Senior Citizens schedule activities**

**GOODING** — The Gooding Senior Citizens will serve breakfast from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Sept. 2 at the center's location at 308 Senior Ave. in Gooding.

The menu includes coffee, eggs, sausage, pancakes, biscuits, gravy and juice. Cost is \$2.50 and the public is invited.

There will also be bingo at 6:30 p.m. on Fridays.

### Local women attend national legion auxiliary conference

**INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.** — Two Idaho women will attend the American Legion Auxiliary National Convention Sept. 27 in Milwaukee, Wis.

Mary Henderson of Wendell will be recognized as Idaho's Unit Member of the year. Norma Brown of Filer attended the convention as a delegate.

Henderson is a member of Wendell Unit 41. She will be recognized at a luncheon Sept. 5 in Milwaukee. To be considered members must be a senior member, who is over 18 years of age and never held an office higher than unit president.

Brown has been extremely active in the American Legion Auxiliary for many years, serving as national president in 1976-77 and is vice chairman of the Cavalcade of Memories committee and will serve in the same capacity next year, the Auxiliary reports. She is a member of Filer Auxiliary Unit 47 and the wife of Paul C. Brown, a World War II era veteran.

## - FOCUS ON PEOPLE -

**Local students take spot on ISU dean's list**

**Richard Arrossa and Derek Molyneux of Kimberly and Holly Sandall and Michael Fruichte of Twin Falls** were named to the dean's list for the Idaho State University Kasiska College of Health Professions 2000 spring semester.

The list recognizes students with grade-point averages of 3.66 or higher and must be a full-time student enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours.

**Have a club? Let us know about it**

The Times-News would like to profile your organization. Send your information along with your name, a photo and your phone number to Pat McCann, Community Editor, P.O. Box 548 Twin Falls, ID 83301.

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For the Thursday page: noon Monday  
For the Tuesday page: noon Friday  
For the Saturday page: noon Tuesday  
For the Wednesday page: noon Friday

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# Bannock County may split

POCATELLO (AP) — In as soon as two years, the state could have 45 counties instead of 44. If authors of a fledgling plan to cleave Bannock County in half prevail, the municipality could go from 1,165 square miles to barely 400.

Pocatello and Chubbuck, at the northern end of Bannock County, would encompass most of the land.

The southern excision, about 750 square miles, would start at the current boundary for the Marsh Valley School District and would include Lava Hot Springs, Downey, Arimo, Inkom and McCammon. It could be called Marsh Valley County.

Scott B. Johnson, an Idaho State University professor and a Bannock County Planning and Zoning Board member, said the two semispheres are as different as night and day. Pocatello and Chubbuck polarize the population. So when it is decision-making time, south Bannock County is seldom heard.

He said that was also the reason for the last time in Idaho's history a new county was formed — 1915, when Caribou County broke from Bannock County.

"Those people from Soda didn't think they were getting the right kinds of services from Bannock County," Johnson said. "Since then Caribou and Banner broke off from Bannock County to become part of Caribou."

## Militant Jewish group to watch Aryans' trial

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Representatives of the Jewish Defense League are "on their best behavior" in Coeur d'Alene to observe the Keenan v. Aryan Nations trial.

But League Chairman Irv Rubin does not mince words about community leaders, including fellow Jews, who are not more active in trying to remove the Aryan Nations from the Northwest.

"We have a vested interest in the outcome," said Rubin, who was escorted by five airport police officers and a Spokane County sheriff's deputy when he arrived Sunday at Spokane International Airport.

Representatives of the militant Jewish Defense League, which has the motto "Never Again," will be present to represent the 6 million Holocaust victims, Rubin said. "We just couldn't stay in Los Angeles and watch this happen. We had to be part of history," he said. "We're not going to say anything to the Nazis if they come to court. We're just going to be observers."

At the same time, Rubin criticizes community leaders for not being more proactive in hiding the Northwest of hate groups.

## Farmworkers' day includes dose of politics

CALDWELL (AP) — As many as 4,000 farm workers and their friends got more than hamburgers and live music at Memorial Park on Sunday. They also got a dose of politics at Farmworker Appreciation Day 2000.

Republican and Democratic candidates vied for support, and efforts were made to register voters and to gain signatures for a petition backing the inclusion of agricultural workers under the state minimum wage.

It was the fourth annual event. The farm workers were treated to a talent show and a performance by the Tejano band Vengaza Nortena.

Elsewhere, tables were filled with pamphlets on Social Security and the Children's Health Insurance Program. Some people received eye and hearing screenings. And prospective voters filled out registration forms at the booth of Latino Vote 2000, which is trying to register 800 new voters by mid-October.

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# Court upholds murder sentence

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Supreme Court on Monday upheld the conviction and 20-years-to-life prison sentence ordered for the man prosecutors called the ringleader in the slaying of an eastern Idaho convenience store owner.

In a unanimous ruling, the five-member high court rejected arguments from Thomas Lundquist that his right to a speedy trial was violated and the sentence ordered by 7th District Judge Brent Moss was excessive.

Lundquist, 20, of Rigby, was convicted of first-degree murder for his role in the Nov. 10, 1995, shooting death of Eidele Tomchak, 41, during an attempted robbery of her Jefferson County store. He went on trial 14 months after his arrest, but the Supreme Court ruled that Lundquist had waived his right to a speedy trial.

Justice Jesse Walters also

wrote that jurors were properly instructed on the elements of felony murder and that Lundquist's sentence was justified by "the serious nature of this crime" and the level of Lundquist's involvement.

Christopher Shanahan, now 20, pleaded guilty to first-degree murder after admitting he shot Tomchak in the back of the head. He was sentenced to life in prison with no possibility of parole for 35 years.

Benjamin Jenkins, now 19, pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of second-degree murder after acknowledging that he went into the Grant Store with Shanahan to distract Tomchak. He got life in prison with no chance parole for 15 years.

The Court of Appeals upheld both those convictions and sentences in December. Authorities said Lundquist

waited in the car while Shanahan and Jenkins entered the store and took about \$200 in cash and some cigarettes after shooting Tomchak as she stocked a soda cooler.

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Indiana P. Rated Movies Me, Myself & Irene	7:00 - 9:45

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Indiana P. Rated Movies Disney's The Kid Specs Cowboys The Replacements	7:00 - 9:30 7:00 - 9:30 7:00 - 9:30
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# Researchers restore nerve impulses in mice

The Associated Press

Scientists have successfully spliced pig cells into the injured spines of paralyzed mice and restored some nerve impulses.

In an additional twist, the pig cells were bioengineered with a human protein that helped to prevent the immune systems of the mice from rejecting the foreign tissue.

The study, conducted at Yale,

provides the latest evidence yet that pigs may provide the most promising new source of cells and organs for transplant into humans.

Researchers said the experiment, published in the September issue of Nature Biotechnology, is also another step toward repairing spinal cord injuries.

"Though unthinkable only a decade or two ago, it now

appears that reparative treatment for spinal cord injury may be within reach," said Lars Olson of the Karolinska Institute in Sweden, who reviewed the Yale experiment.

Researchers said the experiment shows how transplantation of cells and organs across species lines, known as xenografting, may prolong patients' lives and improve their health, at least until a human transplant became

available.

Other researchers were surprised that the bioengineered pig cells were so readily compatible with the nervous systems of the mice.

Restoring nerve function with cell transplants is just one promising area, they said. As the immunological barriers are lowered, pigs also may provide humans with hearts, lungs, kidneys and livers.

# Crash claims inventor, wife on way to visit comatose daughter

RICHFIELD, Minn. (AP) — The creator of Lucky Charms cereal and his wife were killed in a traffic accident on their way to visit their comatose daughter, who died two days later.

John Holahan, 83, a former General Mills vice president, apparently ran a stop sign and steered into a truck's path on Wednesday, police said. His wife

Rosalind, 84, died at the scene. He died four hours later.

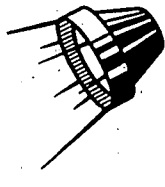
Their daughter, Shannon Killenny, 51, lost her fight with liver cancer on Friday.

"That was pretty much my immediate family," John Holahan Jr. said Sunday. "This is a terrible tragedy for all of us." The elder Holahan had been married for 60 years.

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**New Doctor Comes to Shoshone**  
 "While I was a college student, I worked as a volunteer paramedic at the Fire Department in Baltimore. It was that experience that made me decide I wanted to be a physician," said Dr. Greg Hill, who joined Dr. Keith Davis' family medicine practice in Shoshone on August 1.  
 But before he went off to medical school, he wanted to be sure he knew what a doctor's life was really like. So the college student answered ads in the Family Practice Journal from physicians looking for partners to join them in practice.  
 Since Hill was then a licensed paramedic, his letter said he would help out the doctors in exchange for room and board, and for a chance to see if a doctor's life was really what he wanted.  
 Dr. Keith Davis answered Hill's letter, and so in the summer of 1992, Hill came to Shoshone to assist Dr. Davis.

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"I instantly loved Idaho," said Dr. Hill. "The people here are so friendly and kept encouraging me to come."  
 So this summer, after four years of medical school at the George Washington University School of Medicine in Washington D.C., and three years of family practice residency in Chicago, Dr. Hill came back to Shoshone again - this time as a partner to Dr. Davis.  
 "I've been practicing as the only doctor in Shoshone for 15 years," said Dr. Davis. "It's going to be great to have a partner, so if I go camping with the Boy Scouts, or take a vacation with my family, our patients will be able to see my partner, and vice versa."  
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