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TF extends halt to new CAFOs

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The county has extended its moratorium on livestock operations another four months.

And while one committee member is optimistic about the future of the county livestock ordinance committee, another member has reservations.

"Four people on the committee are either associated with a dairy

Talking cows

The Twin Falls County Livestock Ordinance Committee will meet at 11 a.m. Oct. 19 at the county office building.

or the cattle industry," Jim DeKleinhaus said. "Every vote we take is four to three."

In addition to DeKleinhaus, a retired businessman and chairman of the committee, the panel

includes retired U.S. Army Lt. Col. Ed Smith, dairymen Dave Gondolfo and Alvin Smutny, insurance agent Dave Snelson, banker Jack McCall and county Planning and Zoning Commission member Libby Lucas.

Contention among committee members over setback distances has plagued the committee's work, committee members and local officials agree.

Some committee members have argued that setback dis-

tances should be greater than what other members had hoped for.

"I think that has been one of the biggest struggles we've had, is the setbacks," said county Planning and Zoning Director Bill Crafton. "That's what they are trying to do is get something that would allow them to work."

Lucas said she's optimistic about the committee's future. "There's always some issues that are going to slow things up,"

Lucas said Wednesday. "But in the next few weeks I feel we'll really make some progress."

The setback issue has been a sore point, but the committee is as balanced as it probably will get, she said.

"I don't know that you're ever going to be able to find a perfectly balanced committee," Lucas said. "I think you just have to go with what you've got and we will."

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Yellow jackets hit Heyburn woman

Mild winters spur population growth

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

HEYBURN - Following a yellow jacket attack Tuesday, in which one boy was hospitalized, a local entomologist says the number of yellow jackets is up this year.

Two mild winters in a row in southern Idaho means the survival of yellow jacket queens is high and the number of generations have increased, said Bob Stoltz, extension entomologist with the University of Idaho's Kimberly research station.

"The more queens over the winter, the more colonies you're going to have," Stoltz said.

Without knowing what breed of yellow jackets were living under the dog house at the Trudeau home in Heyburn, Stoltz couldn't say with certainty whether they were an aggressive breed.

But yellow jackets are likely to "get kind of pesky" this time of year, as their food source dwindles and they are looking for more, Stoltz said.

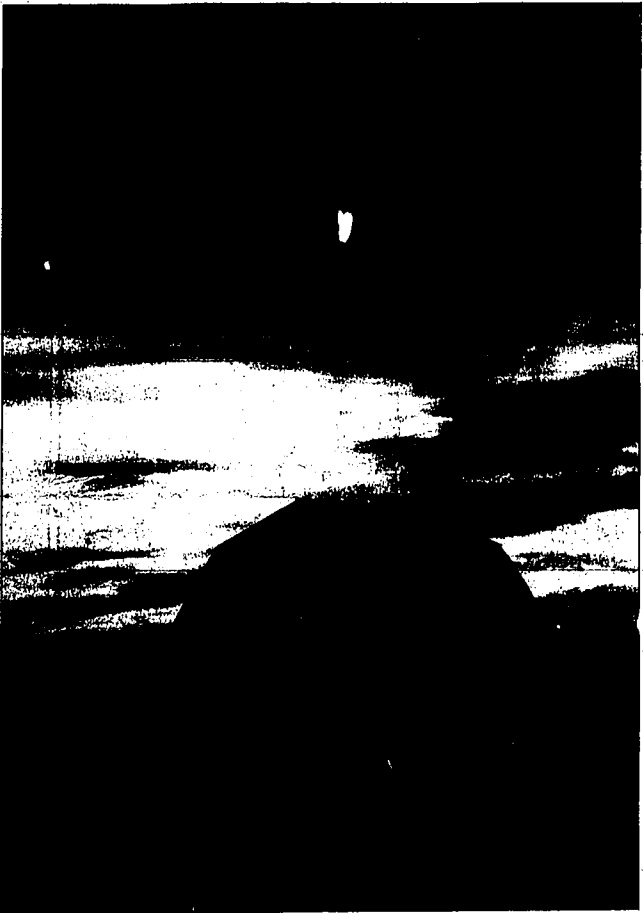
Yellow jackets tend to make their nests in voids in walls or the ground, Stoltz said.

About eight children and three adults were stung Tuesday by a swarm of yellow jackets unleashed from a volleyball-sized nest during a birthday party. Six-year-old Hunter Trudeau was hospitalized and released Wednesday afternoon.

Hunter, who is "deathly allergic" to yellow jackets according to his mother, Tamra, could have died if he hadn't received immediate medical attention. Hunter was put on steroids and an IV and doctors were very concerned, Tamra Hunter said. But by Wednesday he was able to go home, she said.

The nest was disturbed by a balloon that popped on the corner of a doghouse, Tamra Trudeau said. The children who

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Colorful clouds silhouette a barn near Buhl. Today's weather forecast calls for sunny and clear skies with a high temperature of 64 degrees and the low temperature dipping to 32 degrees.

Hill, Dixie Chicks, McGraw grab honors

The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - The Dixie Chicks took four awards including best entertainer at the Country Music Association awards Wednesday, and Tim McGraw and Faith Hill became the first husband and wife to win best male and female vocalist awards in the same year.

The Dixie Chicks also won best album for "Fly," video for "Goodbye Earl" and best vocal group for the third straight year.

Hill and McGraw, who won the vocal event award together in 1997, thanked each other. "I feel so alone," Hill said while accepting her trophy. "My husband's not out here. I don't know who to hug. Can I hug someone?"

From the audience McGraw threw her a hug, just minutes after winning his award and calling Hill "my soul mate, my wife,

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who's my inspiration."

Industry voters showed they were game for a little controversy but still open to old-fashioned inspiration. They awarded the Dixie Chicks for their video featuring a murder, and the duo of Alan Jackson and George Strait for "Murder on Music Row," a song that accuses the country music industry of killing the traditional country music that made its name. But "I Hope You Dance," an inspirational ballad about how people should seize the day, also won awards - for best single and song.

Lee Ann Womack, who won the prize for best single, sang "I Hope You Dance" backed by five ballerinas dancing around a maypole during the live CBS telecast.



Tim McGraw performs Wednesday in Nashville, Tenn.

Aryans drop appeal; new trial under consideration

The Associated Press

COEUR D'ALENE - The Aryan Nations has withdrawn its appeal of a \$6.3 million judgment awarded to two people who were attacked by security guards for the neo-Nazi group, court officials said Wednesday.

The sect apparently intends to concentrate on its motion for a new trial, which is still pending before First District Judge Charles Hosack.

Edgar Steele, the lawyer for Aryan Nations, did not return messages left at his law offices in Sandpoint on Wednesday. However, court officials confirmed that Steele withdrew the notice of appeal the day before.

Norm Gissel, an attorney for plaintiffs Virginia and Jason Keenan, would not speculate on why the judgment appeal had been withdrawn.

After the judgment, Steele filed a request for a new trial, contending, among other things, that there was juror misconduct. During the trial, some jurors indicated they wanted to send a message to the Aryan Nations that it was not wanted in northern Idaho, the motion said.

Hosack has not said when he will rule on that request.

In late September, Butler reached a deal with attorneys for the Keenans to voluntarily give up his 20-acre northern Idaho property to satisfy the judgment. Butler will remain on the property until Oct. 25, or one week after Hosack rules on a new trial.

Steele, who represented Butler and co-defendant Michael Teague in the civil trial, said the sect would only go through if Hosack refused to grant a new trial.

By Craig Linder
and Edward F. Daniels
States News Service

WASHINGTON - Federal and state land managers must work together if they hope to improve the health of the nation's forests and prevent more fires, Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne told a congressional panel Wednesday.

"This summer, any justification for continuing the status quo forest policy just went up in flames across the state of Idaho and throughout the West," Kempthorne told the House Agriculture Committee.

Kempthorne said states must become "full partners" with the federal government in forest management and endorsed programs that would allow states to oversee the daily management of some national forests.

"We must reduce the command and control from Washington, D.C., and get the decision-making down to where it needs to be - on the ground and in the hands of the land managers, our national forest supervisors, and our state foresters," he said.

But much of Kempthorne's call was aimed at an increase in timber harvesting and logging in national forests. Even though the federal government owns 20 times as much forest land as the state, Idaho removes more board-foot from its land each year.

Removing timber and underbrush would reduce the risk of widespread fires, Kempthorne said.

"I hear about fuel loads continually from firefighters who were putting their lives on the line to fight these fires," he said. "Until

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Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne

FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

| TODAY | TONIGHT | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY | MONDAY |
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| Plenty of sunshine with a nice afternoon. | Clear and chilly. | Sunshine and a pleasant afternoon. | Sunny to partly cloudy and mild. | Partly sunny and mild. | Clouds, some sunshine; chance of a shower. |
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REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Bright and sunny today with a breezy afternoon. Clear and turning rather cold tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow with a comfortable afternoon. Sunshine and a few clouds Saturday; milder.

Boise: Plenty of sunshine today with a chilly start followed by a comfortable afternoon. Clear and turning rather cold again tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow. Sunshine most of Saturday.

Northern Nevada: A seasonably chilly start, but sunshine today will promote a comfortable afternoon. Clear and turning seasonably cold again tonight. Mostly sunny and pleasant tomorrow.

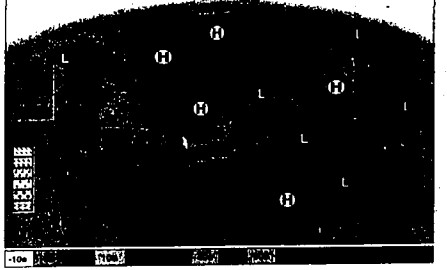
Northern Utah: Sunshine and patchy clouds today with a breezy afternoon. Clear and turning seasonably chilly tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow with a comfortable afternoon. Sunshine Saturday.

Northern Idaho: Sunshine and no more than a few clouds today with a cool breeze. Clear and turning rather cold tonight. Bright and sunny tomorrow with a pleasant afternoon. Sunny to partly cloudy and mild Saturday.

NATIONAL EXTREMES

Yesterday (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 101° in Wink, TX Low 13° in Embarrass, MN

NATIONAL WEATHER



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Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, right, prepares to enter his car as French President Jacques Chirac has a last word with Palestinian representative Yasser Arafat at the Elysee Palace in Paris Wednesday. U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright brought Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak together for talks to try to quell the violence in the Middle East.

Israel agrees to pull some troops from confrontation

PARIS (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, in a move to quell escalating violence, agreed in marathon negotiations with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to pull back tanks and personnel carriers from forward positions on the West Bank and Gaza, Israeli and Palestinian officials said Wednesday.

Nabil Shaath, a top aide to Arafat, said the pullback was one area of agreement in the talks mediated by Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. He declined to elaborate.

The Palestinians also have pressed for an international inquiry into the violence on the West Bank and Gaza.

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U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, who joined the talks late in the day, agreed to work with the Americans to devise a formula acceptable to both the Israelis and the Palestinians for such an investigation, a U.N. official said.

The pullback agreement is an attempt toward dispelling mistrust that has imperiled already shaky peacemaking efforts between Israel and the Palestinians.

An Israeli official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said that under the deal, tanks and armored personnel carriers

would be returned to military bases within the Israeli-controlled territory.

Without providing details on what was agreed to Wednesday, French President Jacques Chirac said, "It's a considerable step which could permit a return to calm I hope with all my heart, in Gaza, the West Bank and Jerusalem."

He said the talks were to continue Thursday in Egypt.

On the fundamentals, progress was made and measures drawn up aiming to a ceasing of the violence, which was obviously a precondition to the resumption of the necessary and inevitable peace process," Chirac said.

Supreme Court justices debate morality of tests during pregnancy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hearing a case in which women were arrested from their hospital beds, Supreme Court justices Wednesday vigorously debated whether hospitals can test pregnant women for drug use and turn the results over to police.

"This is being done for medical purposes," suggested Justice Antonin Scalia. "The police didn't show up at the hospital and say, 'We'd like to find a way to bust your patients.'"

But Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg said she did not see how arresting women after they gave birth would protect the fetus, the primary concern of a South Carolina public hospital. "I looked at the (hospital) consent form; it doesn't say anything about police," she said.

Women treated at the Medical University of South Carolina contend that the hospital's former consent form violated pregnant patients' privacy and their constitutional protection against unreasonable searches.

The women "were searched by their doctors for evidence of crimes and then arrested, seven of them right out of their hospital beds," said Francis Smith, the lawyer for the women who sued.

The hospital's attorney, Robert Hood, said the women were jailed "not only for the illegal use of the drug but for what they were doing to their child... We are trying to stop a woman from doing irreparable, major harm to her child in utero."

"Law enforcement was not the purpose of this thing at all," Hood added.

A federal appeals court upheld the tests as legitimate efforts to reduce crack cocaine use by pregnant women.

The Supreme Court's ruling, expected by July, could determine whether the hospital reinstates the policy or whether other hospitals consider adopting similar policies.

Ten women who sued the Charleston hospital in 1993 said testing pregnant women for drugs and giving the results to

police violated the Constitution's Fourth Amendment, which generally requires that searches be authorized by court warrant or based on reasonable suspicion that a crime has been committed.

The justices questioned both sides closely.

Justice David H. Souter suggested to Smith that doctors might have "a special need to know" whether their patients are using drugs. But he also asked Hood whether doctors who reported positive test results had become agents of the police.

Scalia compared the hospital's policy to a requirement in many states that doctors tell police when they encounter evidence of a crime, such as a gunshot wound.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor asked whether drug tests are routinely performed on pregnant women. "Absolutely not, your honor," said Smith, who added that the testing policy was initiated by the hospital but jointly drawn up by police and hospital officials.

Lawmakers propose abortion restrictions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Abortion foes in Congress introduced bills on Wednesday that would tighten standards for doctors administering the newly approved abortion pill RU-486.

Rep. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., joined by Sen. Tim Hutchinson, R-Ark., said the legislation was needed because the Food and Drug Administration, in setting rules for prescribing the drug, had "caved in" to abortion rights groups seeking easy access to abortion. "Congress now has the unenviable task of correcting the FDA's mistake."

Kate Michelman, president of The National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, said the legislation would impose restrictions that would "in effect negate the ability of doctors to prescribe this option for women."

Coburn said he hoped to get the bill to the House floor in the final days of this session.

Hutchinson was less ambitious, saying he was looking to have a hearing this year and pursue the

issue next year.

The FDA approved RU-486 on Sept. 28, ending a 12-year debate in this country. It gives American women a pharmaceutical abortion method already in wide use in France, Britain, China and 10 other countries.

Activists want 'better' cigarette off market

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anti-smoking groups said Wednesday they want R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. to stop test-marketing its experimental cigarette after an independent study found that Eclipse, touted as safer than ordinary cigarettes, poses many of the same health risks.

The company refused, said its testing supports the claims, and questioned the conclusions of the study commissioned by the state of Massachusetts, contending they were drawn from limited data.

RJR says Eclipse, which heats rather than burns tobacco, delivers 80 percent fewer carcinogens than typical "ultra-light" cigarettes and "may present less risk of cancer associated with smoking."

Several anti-smoking groups said the claim was misleading because some of the cigarettes

used for comparison are not commercially available.

"There is no such thing as a safer cigarette," said M. Cass Wheeler, chief executive officer of the American Heart Association.

Wheeler said RJR's promotion "is cynically calculated to deceive the public about the true nature of Eclipse and the dangers it continues to pose to smokers."

The Massachusetts tests found that, compared with RJR's low tar Now King Size Hard Pack ultralights, Eclipse has 734 percent more acetaldehyde and 475 percent more acrolein, two cancer-causing agents.

Two of the most potent carcinogens, Benzo(a)pyrene, or BaP, and NNN, were found at roughly the same levels as in Brown & Williamson's Carlton King Size Soft Pack and Eclipse, but were far lower in Now King Size.

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NATION

Western states feel slighted in politics

LAS VEGAS (AP) - He arrived just before noon and hopped a motorcade to the University of Nevada. He met privately with breast cancer survivors, then talked women's health at a rally. After an interview with local reporters, it was off to the Strip to accept the Teamsters' endorsement.

By sundown, he was gone. It's the fastest-growing state in the nation, home to a sizzling nuclear storage controversy and considered a toss-up in the presidential race. Yet Al Gore, in his second campaign trip to Nevada, spent all of six hours here in September before heading to California for the ninth time and a five-day tour.

Republican candidate George W. Bush has come calling once, for two days of fund raising.

It's the political curse of the West. From the Nevada desert to the mountains of Montana, the eight-state Intermountain West could be considered the redheaded stepchild of presidential politics - ignored and oftentimes irrelevant.

Democrat Gore, like Bush, is making sure to include at least brief stops in states where the presidential race is close. The candidates have been to Arizona seven times between them. They total six trips to Colorado, five to New Mexico, three to Nevada. All four of those states are considered competitive in the election.

Still, from the Nevada desert to the mountains of Montana, people in the region often feel slighted during presidential campaigns.

Westerners still vibrate at memories of the 1980 presidential election, when then-President Jimmy Carter conceded defeat to Ronald Reagan before polls out West had closed. This year the nominees were a foregone conclusion by the time most Western primaries rolled around, and regional campaign appearances by the presidential candidates, and even the vice presidential candidates, for the most part have been few and brief.

"We call it a Tarmac stop: You stop at the airport, wave at people, shake hands, get back on the plane and leave," says Floyd



Democratic presidential candidate Vice President Al Gore reaches into a crowd of supporters to shake hands at the conclusion of a campaign rally in Warren, Ohio, Wednesday.

Civil, a political analyst for the Denver-based Center for the New West.

Both campaigns insist the region is vital.

"In these states, you see a great range of issues that are important to Americans, that are important to the vice president," says Gore spokeswoman Maria Meier. Still, Gore hasn't been to four of the eight states.

"The Bush-Cheney camp is not taking anywhere for granted," says Bush spokesman Andrew Malcolm. Bush has been to six of the eight.

But for the most part, the Intermountain West remains little more than a refueling stop on the way to California.

The reasons lie in mathematics and demographics: The region, composed of Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming, contributes just 40 electoral votes toward the 270 needed to win.

California alone has 54.

And with the exception of sometimes swing states Arizona, Colorado, Nevada and New Mexico, the Intermountain West is a GOP stronghold. Republicans hold the governor's office in all eight states and control 30 of the region's 40 U.S. House and Senate seats.

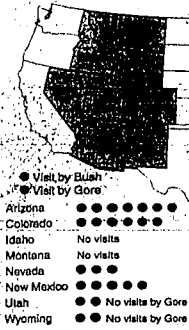
"The Republicans have come across as being able to speak with a more distinctively Western voice," particularly on issues such as access to public lands and natural resources, says Daniel Kemmis, director of the Center for the Rocky Mountain West at the University of Montana.

"The Democrats," he adds, "have moved more in the direction of being able to sacrifice the West for electoral gains among environmentalists."

Writing off the West may not prove as politically correct down the road.

Visits to the West

A look at the number of visits Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore and Republican nominee George W. Bush have made to the eight-state Intermountain West since they announced their candidacies in June 1999.



Sources: Bush and Gore campaign headquarters; "America Votes"

With the nation's five fastest-growing states in the West - Nevada, Arizona, Utah, Idaho and Colorado - the region is expected to pick up the majority of new congressional seats when the 2000 Census is complete, meaning at least a handful more electoral votes.

While much of the growth in the early '90s could be attributed to an influx of mostly conservative Californians to the region, it is now characterized by soaring Latino and Asian populations and independent voters with little allegiance to either party, according to Cirilli.

In Colorado, for example, 12 percent of eligible voters are Hispanic while 34 percent are registered as "unaffiliated" or independent. In Nevada, the Asian population rose 123.7 percent over the last decade, the largest such increase in the nation, while the Hispanic population rose 144.6 percent.

Debate adds up to vexing mathematical challenge

WASHINGTON (AP) - They swept into voters' homes like brain Novocain - all those numbers in the first presidential debate.

Al Gore said that for every dollar he'd use for this thing, he'd use so many dollars for that. George W. Bush talked in trillions. Baffling percentages flew between them. There was no telling amid the math mania whether average Americans would be well served or sold down the river.

"I started to glaze over," said Tom Norman, a systems analyst in Grand Rapids, Mich. "When Gore was flinging those numbers all over, it's like - take a breath."

Gore issued a stiff challenge Wednesday to voters confused by the arithmetic.

"They can add up the numbers for themselves," he said on CBS' "The Early Show."

But after the statistical slugfest Tuesday night, even the experts were bummed.

"I couldn't figure out what he was saying," said Bob Bixby of the Concord Coalition, a nonpartisan group that advocates deficit reduction, after watching Bush try to explain where he gets the money for partial Social Security privatization.

The numerical claims are bound to intensify in the five weeks until the Nov. 7 election and more will be heard on

Gore's favorite device for slamming Bush's proposed tax cuts - casting as many of the benefits as possible in terms of how much would be soaked up by the nation's "wealthiest 1 percent."

Bush was mostly on the defensive on the numbers as his Democratic rival attacked his across-the-board tax cuts as well as a prescription drug benefit for the elderly that Gore says is too limited and takes too long to help people.

Figures collided headlong. Gore said he would spend one quarter of the projected surplus over the next 10 years on tax cuts. Gore insists the tax package is more expensive than that because money that could be used for debt reduction is tied up in the tax plan, making the government's interest payments higher.

Gore said the Republican governor would give almost one half of the surplus to that "wealthiest 1 percent."

Actually, Bush's tax cuts - in total - only consume 29 percent of the surplus, making it a mathematical stretch to say half of the surplus would go just to the rich.

"I paid attention but I couldn't relate with the numbers," said Denny King, a construction worker on his lunch break in front of the White House.

Gore also said the wealthiest 1 percent would get 30 percent of Bush's tax cuts.

Gore has edge in instant debate polls, but both improved image

WASHINGTON (AP) - Al Gore fared the best in instant polls of debate watchers, but George W. Bush apparently helped himself, too, in his confrontation with the vice president.

Gore gave a stronger performance, according to registered voters in three of four polls:

- He had 56 percent to 42 percent for Bush in a CBS News poll of 812 registered voters.
- The Democrat hid 48 percent to 41 percent for Republican

Bush in a CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll of 435 registered voters who watched the debate.

• And 46 percent in an NBC News poll of 563 registered voters said Gore did the better job, while 36 percent said Bush fared better.

The two were ranked about even in an ABC News poll with Gore at 42 percent and Bush at 39 percent.

Women favored Gore, while men favored Bush.

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Tropical storm floods Miami



As some motorists make their way down a flooded street and around abandoned vehicles in the central Miami area Wednesday, others seek refuge on the median.

MIAMI (AP) — Residents of the metropolitan area were urged to stay home Wednesday because of flooding and blocked streets following a storm that poured more than a foot of rain on parts of South Florida.

Water rose so high near canals in Opa-locka that catfish were carried into some first-floor apartments.

Classes for all 360,000 students in the Miami-Dade public schools were canceled Wednesday, along with Catholic schools there and in some other counties, and Miami-Dade Mayor Alex Penelas told nonessential county employees to stay home. Thousands had lost electrical service.

"The bottom line is that these are not good conditions for the traveling public," Penelas said.

Water rushed inside the home of Virginia Pacheco when she opened her door in unincorporated west Miami-Dade.

"There are probably fish, snakes out there," she said. "You could go fishing."

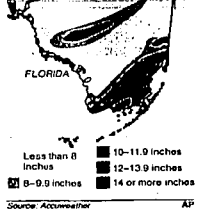
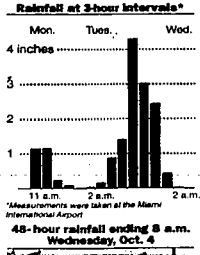
A tornado touched down in Hialeah and tore the roof off a fire station while it was being used as a voting site for Tuesday's state and local elections. No one was injured.

Another was spotted near Miami's Metrodoo but no damage was reported.

The storm also interfered with some cable TV service and President Clinton, in Coral Gables on a fundraising tour, missed part of Tuesday night's

Floating Florida

The Miami area was crippled Wednesday by flooding, though most of the rain that inundated the region had stopped by midday.



presidential debate between Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

Miami International Airport never officially closed, but numerous flights were canceled or rerouted, said airport spokesman Marc Henderson.

The storm developed over Cuba, then gathered strength and moisture as it moved across the Florida Straits on Tuesday.

All of Miami-Dade got at least 11 inches of rain and the airport got 15.3 inches in 36 hours, the National Weather Service said. Rainfall had most by stopped in Dade County by Wednesday morning, with only scattered showers, but rain continued falling up the coast, where Broward County had gotten more than 8 inches.

But little rain fell in drought-stricken central and northern Florida where it could be used, the weather service said.

"This has fallen in places that don't have the long-term drought," said meteorologist Bob Pifer. "That's kind of aggravating for everybody who's stomping around the water to hear that."

In October 1999, Hurricane Irene dumped up to 18 inches of rain and caused millions of dollars in damage.

Some streets and highway exits remained nearly impassable during what would have been the Wednesday morning rush hour. Some traffic signals were out of order and hundreds of vehicles stalled by deep water littered the roads, some sitting in the traffic lanes.

The storm also knocked down tree limbs and signs, and damaged roofs.

NASA hopes for improved weather

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA is holding out hope that the rain will stop and the sky will clear before tonight's planned launch of space shuttle Discovery.

Meteorologist John Weems put the odds of acceptable launch weather at 60 percent.

"It's just a matter of timing," Weems said Wednesday. "I've got faith."

Discovery is scheduled to blast off at 9:38 p.m. today on a crucial space station construction mission. It will be the 100th launch for the nearly 20-

year-old space shuttle program, a milestone overshadowed by the complexity of the flight.

Seven astronauts will attach steel framework and a docking port to the international space station. Four back-to-back spacewalks are planned.

"It is one of the most complex station assembly flights that we will conduct," said shuttle program manager Ron Ditmore.

Even though another battery has failed inside the station's new living quarters, no spares will fly aboard Discovery —

there's neither time nor room. Instead, spares will be launched on a Russian cargo ship in November, said space station manager Robert Cabana.

Six of the eight electricity-producing batteries in Russia's Zvezda module are working, which is more than enough to support the first permanent crew, Cabana said. One battery failed after it was installed by shuttle astronauts last month; the second had to be turned off by Russian flight controllers earlier this week.

Hospitals resort to penmanship classes for 'illegible' physicians

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — He's a veteran physician who works as a trauma surgeon. Just don't ask Dr. Sheldon Brotman to write a legible prescription.

That's why he's here, sitting in a handwriting class at Atlantic City Medical Center, learning how to hold his pen, position his paper and put a sharp angle on his "z" so it doesn't look like an "s."

"My signature is always a problem down at the pharmacy," Brotman said.

Long winked at as a harmless peccadillo, poor penmanship among health care providers is increasingly being diagnosed as a threat to patients.

Now, some of them are being sent back to school in hopes of eliminating the illegible. Such chicken scratch can become a prescription for tragedy.

Experts say up to 25 percent of medication errors may be related to illegible handwriting. A pharmacist misreads an illegible prescription, one drug is mixed up with another.

Last year, a Texas jury ordered a doctor, drugstore and pharmacist to pay \$450,000 to the family of a man who died after the pharmacist misread the doctor's handwritten prescription.

Also last year the Institute of Medicine, an arm of the National Academy of Sciences, reported that medical mistakes overall — including those stemming from unreadable notes from doctors — may cause up to 98,000 deaths a year in the United States. Other researchers later termed those numbers exaggerated, but the authors stood by their report.

"It's no longer a laughing matter," handwriting expert Barbara Getty said. "If an accountant makes a mistake, someone loses some money. But with a doctor, it can cost someone their life."

Getty and partner Inga Dubay, who together have



Handwriting expert Inga Dubay leads a class in penmanship at Atlantic City, N.J. Medical Center Monday.

in Los Angeles in May. That course triggered a flurry of invitations from hospitals eager to cut handwriting-related mistakes and the liabilities they cause.

It's a decidedly low-tech approach for a high-tech industry: With workbooks, pencils and rulers in hand, more than 40 doctors, nurses and pharmacists crowded into a conference room at Atlantic City Medical Center on Monday to unlearn the "looping cursive" they learned as schoolchildren.

"You must open up your '4' or it will look like a '9,'" Getty warned at one point.

Later, emphasizing the need to relax their grips, she said: "We only have one commandment in here: Thou shalt not pinch."

Brotman, who remembers as a sixth-grader being told by the principal that he wouldn't graduate if his penmanship didn't improve, said he hoped the course would help him.

But experts say such training — while a good idea — is no cure-all for errors.

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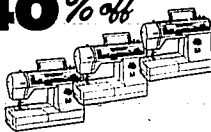
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'Road-rage' death brings guilty verdict

However, jury says manslaughter rather than murder

COLUMBIANA, Ala. (AP) — A woman was convicted of manslaughter rather than murder for shooting a motorist she had been tailgating during a road-rage confrontation.

Shirley Henson, 40, could receive anything from probation to 20 years in prison for Nov. 8 shooting death of Gena Foster, a 34-year-old mother of three, on an interstate exit ramp.

Henson, who was convicted Tuesday, could have been sentenced to life in prison had the jury found her guilty of murder. Prosecutors said Henson had been tailgating Foster for up to six miles in a rush to get home to see her dogs at the end of the workday. An agitated Foster, who would not let Henson pass, finally stopped her car on an exit ramp. She went to the door of Henson's sports utility vehicle, and was fatally shot in the face.

Henson said she shot Foster because she feared for her life. Prosecutors said Henson could have simply driven away if she was afraid.

"(Henson) was mad. She wanted to get home and she wanted that woman out of her way," assistant district attorney Randy Hillman said. "She chose to keep involving herself in this situation until it went bad. And then she freaks out and shoots the woman in the face."

Defense lawyer David Cromwell Johnson argued that Foster was entirely to blame. He portrayed the victim as a drug-addled wild woman who refused to let Henson pass and then tried to kill her on the



Shirley Henson, center, leaves the Shelby County Courthouse in Columbiana, Ala. Tuesday, escorted by her husband Mike, left, and son Steven, right, after being convicted by a jury of manslaughter.

ramp. Henson frowned as the jury foreman read the verdict but showed no other emotion. Her husband, Mike Henson, sat behind her with a hand to his face.

Foster's mother, Patricia Newell, said Henson has never expressed any remorse and should go to prison. "In the United States we've got to do something about road rage. We've got to stop it,"

Newell said, her eyes reddened. Shelby County Circuit Judge Al Cravson refused a prosecution request to double Henson's bond to \$100,000, ruling there was no risk of her fleeing if she remained free.

DNA tests confirm identity of pregnant woman's baby

RAVENNA, Ohio (AP) — A baby was in good condition Wednesday after he was removed from his slain mother's womb by another woman, who passed the child off as her own until committing suicide as police closed in.

The infant was in the temporary custody of the Portage County Department of Human Services; DNA tests were conducted to verify paternity. The case was uncovered Tuesday when police arrived at Michelle Bica's home to question her about the week-old disappearance of Theresa Andrews, who lived four blocks away. Before police could reach her, Bica shot herself.

The 8-pound, 6-ounce baby boy was found in her home. The body of Mrs. Andrews, 23, was found buried in Bica's first-floor garage.

Portage County Coroner Roger Marcial said Andrews was shot once in the back and likely died instantly. The .22-caliber bullet matched ammunition in the gun Bica used to kill herself.

Marcial said the straight cut of the crude Caesarean section on Mrs. Andrews led him to conclude that the baby was removed after the shooting. "I just figure if the cutting was done before she died, there would have been a lot of struggling," he said.

Mrs. Andrews' due date was Wednesday.

The baby was listed in good condition Wednesday at Robinson Memorial Hospital. Andrews' husband, Jon, was awaiting DNA tests to confirm that the healthy infant is his son.

"He's a long way from facing reality," Andrews' attorney



Michelle Bica
Committed suicide.

Nicholas Phillips said of the client: "It's such a difficult, unique situation where you're enjoying your newborn son and mourning the loss of your wife."

Prosecutor Victor Vignutini said the baby probably was delivered Sept. 27, the day Mrs. Andrews disappeared from Ravenna, a city of about 12,000, some 30 miles south-east of Cleveland.

Marcial said traces of blood found in the Bica house indicate Andrews was shot in the first-floor laundry room there.

On the day she disappeared, Mrs. Andrews had paged her husband at work and said a woman had called inquiring about a 1999 Jeep Wrangler they were trying to sell.

Andrews, a sheet-metal worker, told police that when he got home at 4:30 p.m., the house was open, the vehicle gone and his wife missing. Police found the vehicle about a block away and later found the Jeep keys in Bica's purse.

There was no indication whether the women had known each other. A series of cellular phone calls to the Andrews' house led police to Bica.

Report cites firefighting problems during blaze

WORCESTER, Mass. (AP) — Two of the six firefighters killed in a warehouse fire started by a homeless couple had rushed into the abandoned building without notifying their commanders, a government safety panel said Wednesday.

A report on the Dec. 3 fire, issued by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, also said bad radio communications hampered firefighters' efforts.

Two of the firefighters became lost in the burning warehouse while looking for homeless people they thought might be inside. Four more firefighters went in to find them, and they all died.

It was the worst loss of life among firefighters in a building fire in America in more than 20 years. President Clinton and Vice President Al Gore joined 40,000 mourners at the memorial service.

Manslaughter charges were filed against the homeless couple who started the blaze when

they knocked over a candle during a fight. But a judge dropped the charges last month.

The safety panel did not say identify the two firefighters who entered the building without telling commanders, but it said they were among the six who died.

Its report also said firefighters were confused about the layout of the six-story warehouse because of poor inspection and planning before the fire.

In a series of safety recommendations, the safety panel said vacant buildings should be carefully checked with warning signs of specific dangers posted at entrances, called for more elaborate planning to manage personnel at fire scenes, and urged use of a special safety commander when necessary.

State Fire Marshal Stephen Coan would not comment on the report. However, he noted that the state Legislature in July created a \$10 million safety grant program to buy additional safety equipment for fire departments.

Judge tosses gladiator lawsuit

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — A federal judge has dismissed a civil rights lawsuit filed by a former prison guard who claimed he was retaliated against after exposing gladiator-style fights at the facility.

After an inmate was fatally shot in April 1994, Lt. Steve Rigg of Corcoran State Prison and fellow whistle-blower Richard Caruso went to the FBI with allegations that led to a trial against eight prison guards.

The guards were accused of violating the rights of inmates by allegedly pitting them against each other. A jury acquitted the guards in June.

Judge David Levi on Tuesday

found that Rigg failed to show any evidence that corrections officials ignored his complaints and created a hostile work environment.

Rigg said he would appeal the decision.

Caruso was awarded \$1.7 million last year in a civil rights suit charging retaliation at work. Caruso was able to establish that an internal investigation of him was pursued by the corrections department after he went to the FBI.

Prison authorities granted Rigg a job transfer to another blaze at about 4 a.m. when they entered the building and found a fire growing in the abandoned four-story building's basement. The fire quickly spread and embers from the blaze sparked fires on two nearby buildings that were quickly doused.

The main fire was brought under control by 7 a.m. There has been no damage estimate and the cause of the fire was unknown.

Major blaze guts abandoned building

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — A six-alarm fire in an abandoned building burned out of control for more than two hours Wednesday, spreading to adjacent buildings and causing the evacuation of nearby homes.

More than 100 firefighters fought the blaze, which started smaller fires as embers streamed overhead. At least 50 people were evacuated from the area, but no injuries were reported, according to an Oakland Fire

Department spokesman. Firefighters discovered the blaze at about 4 a.m. when they entered the building and found a fire growing in the abandoned four-story building's basement. The fire quickly spread and embers from the blaze sparked fires on two nearby buildings that were quickly doused.

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Postal Service must pay \$1 million to family of girl killed by truck

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. - A federal judge has awarded more than \$1 million to the survivors of a postal-truck accident that killed a 3-year-old girl.

The order from U.S. District Judge Gary Fenner culminated a two-year legal struggle that began April 21, 1998, when a postal truck slammed into the building in which Andrea Nicole Salazar was playing.

In the case, U.S. Postal Service officials

acknowledged liability because the driver, who jumped from the vehicle before the crash, had been negligent in his operation of the truck.

Lawyers representing Andrea's family and the Postal Service argued over damages in a three-day bench trial before Fenner in late September.

The government does not foresee appealing Fenner's order, said Chris Whitley, a spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office, which represented the Postal Service.

Lawyer Anita Porte Robb, who represented Andrea's family, said Tuesday the Postal Service's admission of responsibility was an important factor in the case.

"It's pretty tragic," Robb said. "These were the kinds of folks they had driving the postal vehicles. It's pretty frightening."

In December 1998 after a four-day trial, a Jackson County jury acquitted the driver, Sinclair L. Taylor, of careless driving.

In his two-page order, Fenner did not

explain how he arrived at his final damage figures. He did, however, award:

- \$850,000 to Andrea's parents for her death.

- \$50,000 to her mother, Jenny Salazar, for emotional distress.

- \$25,000 to the family for injuries suffered by Andrea's brother, Dario Salazar, who was 2 years old at the time of the accident.

- And \$100,000 to Jesus Manuel Valles, her father, for physical injuries and emotional distress.

Whitley noted that government lawyers suggested damages of \$650,000 at the end of the case in September. The plaintiffs had asked for \$5.75 million.

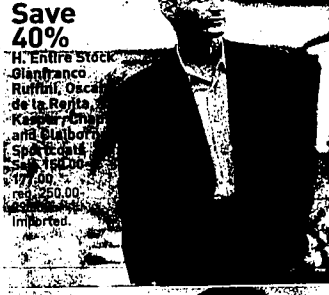
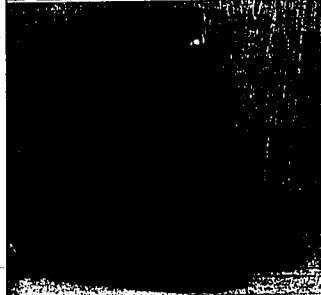
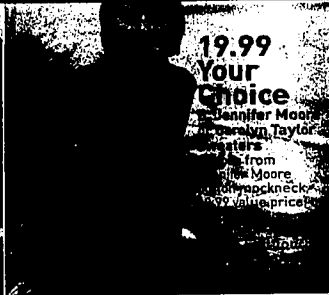
In filing the federal wrongful-death and personal-injury lawsuit in April 1999, Robb said the Postal Service initially had denied an administrative claim for damages from the parents. The lawsuit, she said, was to establish whether driver training, poor maintenance or improper loading contributed to the accident.

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EDITORIAL

If you're good, then Gore may give you a tax break

Getting a straight answer out of Al Gore is like sticking your arm into a barrel of grease and trying to grab an eel. At Tuesday night's presidential debate, he bobbed, weaved, ducked and did everything to mask his intentions for tax reform.

Gore spent much of his time hammering George W. Bush's proposal for tax breaks to people who pay the majority of taxes. He didn't want to dwell on his own plan for tax reform - which isn't surprising, given its intrinsic unfairness.

The Senate Budget Committee analyzed Gore's tax plan. Its report on the subject paints a bleak picture of what the future would bring under a Gore administration.

At the outset, it's worth noting that Gore says his tax plan will provide \$500 billion worth of relief over 10 years. When the Senate Budget Committee ran the numbers, it pegged the actual amount of tax relief somewhere between \$145 billion and \$170 billion.

Why the discrepancy? Probably because Gore's plan requires would-be recipients to scurry through a maze of red tape. Gore predicts many of them would reach the finish line, but Senate analysts suggest that many people would get bogged down and give up before receiving any relief at all.

Gore's tax plan fails at several levels, not the least of which is its funda-

mental premise. Instead of lowering marginal tax rates for all taxpayers - a simple and fair way to return excess taxes - Gore wants to hand out tax credits and exemptions like a political Santa. If you've been good - that is, if you belong to a group that he approves of - then you might get a tax break.

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Among the favored groups are married couples, those with children in day care or college, those who care for ailing parents, and those who drive environmentally friendly vehicles. If you drive an SUV or a full-sized pickup, your chances of a

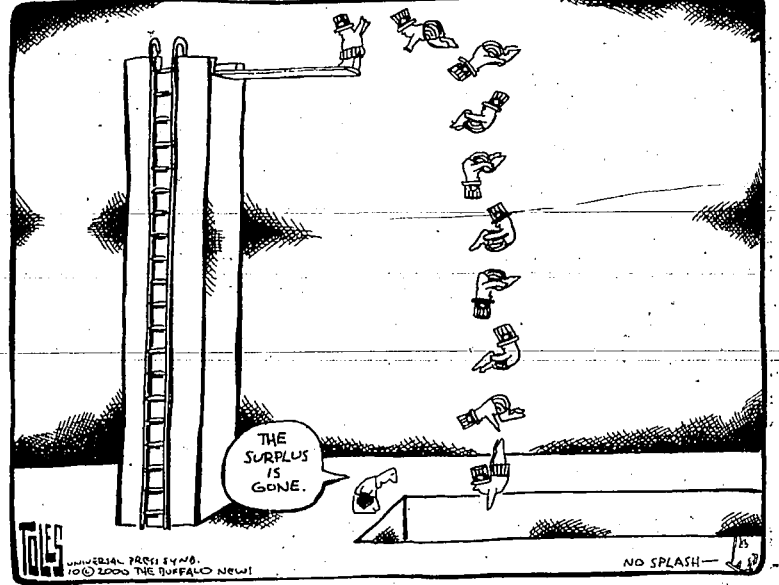
tax break just went down.

Even if you are one of Gore's chosen people, you still wouldn't be guaranteed any tax relief. That day-care center where you send your child? Is it federally approved? If not, forget about your tax break. (Thus does Uncle Sam's regulatory nose poke further into your child's upbringing.)

And your son or daughter in college? You can forget about a tax break if your household income exceeds \$120,000 per year.

Gore's proposal to add or revise 29 tax credits to America's already bloated tax code. Yet with all that tinkering, about 50 million American taxpayers still wouldn't receive a tax break.

This is Al Gore's idea of tax reform? No thanks. We prefer a plan that gives real relief to all taxpayers.



Scorecard for the first presidential debate

On the scorecard I kept while watching the first presidential debate with a group of undecided and persuadable voters in this Milwaukee suburb, both candidates accomplished most of my feeling that Al Gore and George W. Bush had developed into very capable contenders, with clearly defined policy differences and leadership styles.

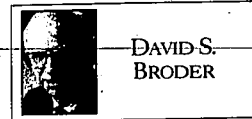
They are giving the country the kind of choice it deserves. I must report that many of the 10 folks around the table objected to the candidates' repeatedly breaking the time limits and ground rules they themselves had set. It struck some of them as a metaphor for the way politicians say one thing and do another. Some of them wished a third party - either an independent candidate or a more assertive moderator than Jim Lehrer appeared to be - had been there to tell Gore and Bush, "Just answer the question and move on."

Gore, most of them said, looked "more presidential," but Bush clearly held his own, and - just as the overnight polls indicated - no votes were won or lost around our table.

Looking back at the list of five goals for each candidate I had set down in a previous column, I gave them high marks. In summary:

(1) Bush did persist in pushing his education record and proposals for school reform. When education became the topic, he perked up noticeably and the fatigue I thought I had seen halfway through the 90 minutes instantly disappeared. Our voters also thought Bush came on strong in the last half-hour.

(2) When Lehrer raised the character question, Bush did suggest that the Buddhist temple visit and "no controlling legal authority" displayed a contempt on



Gore's part for higher standards. But, when given a second opening, he failed to do what Bill Bradley had done when he debated Gore: Make the case that a candidate who evades the truth cannot earn the trust a president needs to govern.

(3) Bush did repeatedly assert that he had governed in a bipartisan way in Texas and is prepared to do the same in Washington. And he argued that partisanship had kept the Clinton-Gore administration from achieving many of its goals. But he has room to expand his indictment of the political climate of Washington, which much of the public loathes.

(4) He made no verbal gaffes. The claim that he is language-impaired is no longer plausible.

(5) He was relaxed, but not particularly light-hearted. The one humorous shot - that Gore had invented not only the Internet but the calculator - came across as rehearsed. Now that he has displayed some depth, Bush can afford to let more of his personality and good humor show.

Gore did equally well on my scorecard. To wit:

(1) Gore went after the Bush tax cut from the opening moment to the close, attacking the centerpiece of his opponent's economic plan on both fairness and policy grounds. What he did not do, of course, is challenge the assumption that vast trillions of surplus are out there to be exploited, because his own budget,

no less than Bush's, depends on the presumption that these projected surpluses will materialize. Nobody wants to be the Grinch.

(2) He did less to question Bush's Texas record than I had expected, perhaps because he wanted to drive home the tax issue and perhaps because he is saving the environmental-social policy stuff, where Bush is vulnerable, for later debates.

(3) On what I called "the three Cs" of Clinton, Court and Congress, Gore bragged of the administration's economic record, virtually ignored the "threat" of an unchecked Republican Congress and focused hard on the possibility of Bush appointees reversing the Supreme Court's support of abortion rights. I thought Bush was sending an important signal by saying he would not try to overturn the recent FDA approval of the abortion pill.

RU-486 - strengthening my belief that abortion rights are now irreversible in this country. But Gore clearly wants to keep the issue alive.

(4) Gore ventured close to the borderline of the slow-paced, pedantic, condescending tone he sometimes has shown in the past, but rarely crossed it. His theatrical sighs - indicating disbelief at Bush's statements - were a subject of comment, and our voters, like many other wealthiest 1 percent.

(5) Surprisingly, Gore did nothing to try to rattle Bush. This tactic, which he has used in almost all his past debates, perhaps has become too much his trademark for him to risk repeating it. But he may stray as close as it now looks to be. I would not be surprised to see Gore revert to form.

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LETTERS

Educators need some education

There you go, Twin Falls - you get what you ask for. In the Sept. 26 Times-News, we find that among the Twin Falls School District's stated goals for the 2000-2001 school year is to become "data driven." Not driven to provide quality education, not striving to ensure our students are able to use their minds, but - data driven. In our quest for a measure of "accountability" in our educational system, we have been fed the story that test scores are the only reliable gauge possible. Only higher test scores will "prove" that our system is working.

And how does the school district get good test scores to validate its methods? Why, they spend all day drilling children on how to be better test-takers - with focused review after review of the information that will be used on those tests - that's how. That way, test scores are always on the rise and our school district looks like it is "doing its job." With all this test-taking, when is there time for educating our children - instilling a lifelong desire to learn more, awakening a young mind to the potential for greater achievement and building an ability to apply that knowledge in the real world?

From "50 in a Minute" to "Accelerated Reader," the basic skills of math and reading are being reduced to how well can the kids answer timed test questions - not how well they understand and can apply or discuss the concepts taught. We don't have time for learning in our school district, but we do have time for tests, tests and more tests - all generating a mountain of data for our data driven

school district. Is that really what we want as parents and taxpayers? More data? Let's work together for some other measures for the success or failure of our educational system. This drive for more data has gotten out of hand.

One more thing. About that decreasing enrollment: Last I heard, the population of Twin Falls was growing, so where are the children going to school?

Maybe all the people moving into Twin Falls are single adults, retired couples or young couples without children, or perhaps - more disturbing for Twin Falls School officials - new residents and an increasing number of current patrons are choosing to enroll their children in schools that are achievement driven, not data driven.

EDWARD S. PIERCE
Twin Falls

Public Television needs support

What's going on with Public Television? Two shows do not make a network! There are a great number of people who think we should see both sides of the story, not just one. The legislators are way off base not supporting Public TV in Idaho. Many people are listening and paying for Public TV.

For the government to withdraw funding support is awful. It's no wonder they don't spend it on the schools, roads and now Public TV. What are they saving it for? Do they just like to look at it?

Idahoan for 30 years,
DOTTE MILLER
Twin Falls

Magik Valley has gone to the cows

I grew up in the Magik Valley, and although military commitment and marriage have made it impossible for me to live there, I still consider it my home. I recently logged on to magikvalley.com and was shocked at how things have changed.

What is happening to beautiful Magik Valley? I thought it was a farming community, not industrial dairy land. What happened to the local farmer that worked his land to feed, clothe and educate his family? Was he pushed out by the dairyman looking for ways to pay for his new Lexus?

I can't believe why these big dairy operations are getting away with it! Big dairymen aren't there to support the local small farmer and his family; they only exist to provide more income for the already "well to do." Don't get me wrong,

money isn't evil. It's what people are willing to do in order to get it that's bad.

Dairyman and their supporters are most likely swaying local and environmental officials and gaining favor to allow this to happen. As the working class living near dairies swat flies and eat meals with "moo-poo" stretch in their

your leaders sit in a posh restaurant cutting deals to make more money. Don't the big dairymen see what happens is about? It's not a fancy car, expensive vacation or lavish home. It's about living with a clean conscience and having respect for their fellow man and the environment.

Speaking of respect, the dairy cow gets none. How happy are they living in their own filth, crowded around one another? How many drugs and hormones are the getting to boost their already ridiculously

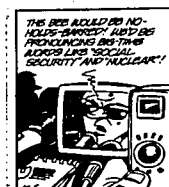
high milk production? Are they truly healthy animals, providing a safe product without harm to the environment?

My husband and I have had the opportunity to live in three states in the last 12 years. We have seen first-hand how big business, the lure of money and a few greedy governmental officials can destroy a community. I pray this doesn't happen to my hometown.

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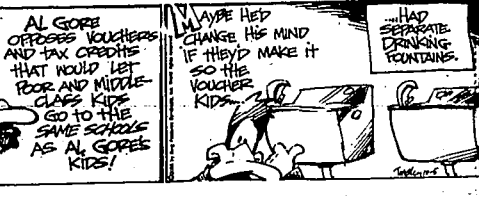
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Reading the tea leaves after the debate

In baseball, the tie is supposed to go to the runner. In politics, it probably goes to the leader. That seems to be the initial verdict on Tuesday night's presidential debate, with the overnight polls showing a narrow advantage for Al Gore that mirrors his small edge in the presidential race. But the margin for the vice president in both measures of opinion is sufficiently close, and the unresolved doubts of many voters about both contenders sufficiently large, that neither camp can be certain about the ultimate outcome.

In one sense, both candidates achieved their goals in the encounter at the Boston campus of the University of Massachusetts.

Gore, almost relentlessly at times, stuck to his message that George W. Bush offers a tax-cut plan that would inappropriately reward the nation's wealthiest citizens and a prescription drug plan that would initially leave out many middle-class elderly people.

Coming into the evening with a well-deserved reputation for

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being an aggressive debater, Gore sought to avoid anything that smacked of a personal attack on the Texas governor. Bush, on the other hand, sought to contrast his Texas experience with the sins that many Americans connect with Washington and to make the point that his experience is at least as important as Gore's. "I fully recognize I'm not of Washington," he said early in the debate. "I'm from Texas, and he's got a lot of experience, but so do I."

Entering the debate with a reputation more for being likable than for being knowledgeable, Bush more than held his own in some exchanges about domestic issues.

On the other hand, veteran Republican operative Dan Schnur may have been right in his late-night analysis on CNN when he said both men failed in important ways to overcome their most significant handicaps. American voters have tended

to seek presidents whom they like, and Gore did little to overcome Bush's advantage in this area.

While Bush seemed knowledgeable on domestic issues, he made a questionable suggestion about inviting the Russians to help resolve the situation stemming from Slobodan Milosevic's refusal to recognize the election he seemingly lost.

Gore pointed out the Russians disagree with the U.S. position and favor the runoff Milosevic has proclaimed. "We might not like the results that come out of that," he said.

Bush also responded to a question about how he would respond to the collapse of a major financial institution in a simplistic way.

More important, the Texas governor never really rebutted Gore's repeated assertion that his tax-cut plan would give more to the wealthiest 1 percent of Americans than he was seeking for new domestic and defense spending.

Instead, he emphasized the benefits it would give middle-class Americans and accused

Gore of "fuzzy math." But Bush acknowledged on TV interview shows Wednesday morning that Gore's point was correct, though he defended it on the grounds that it reflects the large amount of taxes paid by the wealthy.

One interesting aspect of the debate's aftermath is whether Bush chooses to press his criticism of the vice president's character, a subject he didn't bring up but showed no hesitation in pressing when it arose.

That is tricky, given the disdain for negativity displayed by many of the independent voters who hold the key to the election. But Bush appears to have no choice but to press his contention that it is time to change administrations in Washington and hope that more people favor that position than feel that good times would be better maintained with the status quo.

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Breaking the code in presidential debates

Presidential candidates often say one thing and mean another. Even Al Gore brought up the topic of "code words" during the campaign's first presidential debate Tuesday night.

Top code breakers went to work on the debate transcript to determine what Gore, George W. Bush and moderator Jim Lehrer were really thinking.

Lehrer: I have asked (the audience), and they have agreed to remain silent for the next 90 minutes.

Translation: They'll all be asleep in a few minutes anyhow. Gore: He would spend more money on tax cuts for the wealthiest 1 percent.

Translation: I think only 1 percent of you are smart enough to remember this, so I'm going to repeat it 149 times in the next 90 minutes.

Gore: There's a man here tonight named George McKinney from Milwaukee. He's 70 years old. He has high blood pressure. His wife has heart trouble.

Translation: Vote for me or the McKinneys die.

Bush: The Strunk family in Allentown, Pa. - I campaigned with them the other day - they make \$31,000 combined income.

Translation: Only \$51,000 a year? Are these guys really Republicans?

Bush: Let me make sure the seniors hear me loud and clear.

Translation: Please turn up your hearing aids now!

Gore: I think we need to put Medicare and Social Security in a lockbox. The governor will not put Medicare in a lockbox. I don't think it should be used as a

MARTIN MILLER AND ROY RIVENBURG

piggy bank for other programs. Translation: And I've got \$10 million in soft money in a safe deposit box in Zurich.

Bush: It's a school full of so-called at-risk children. It's how we unfortunately label certain children. It means basically they can't learn.

Translation: This is my core constituency.

Bush: The other day I was honored to be flanked by Colin Powell and Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, who stood by my side and agreed with me.

Translation: Flanked? I meant spanked.

G: re: I am asking you again to see me for who I really am. Translation: A two-faced robot who will do anything to be president.

Bush: This is a man who's got great numbers. He talks about numbers. I'm beginning to think not only did he invent the Internet but he invented the calculator. It's fuzzy math.

Translation: All math is fuzzy to me.

Gore: I stand here as my own man.

Translation: Bill told me to say that.

Bush: I think that people need to be held responsible for the actions they take in life.

Translation: Except for anything I did before the age of 40.

Martin Miller and Roy Rivenburg wrote this commentary for the Los Angeles Times.

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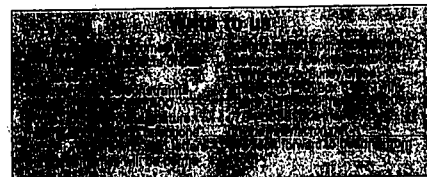
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WORLD

Palestinian youth discover adult status is just a stone's throw away

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — No one ever paid much attention to Shadi Abu Daqa, a middle child among 18 siblings — until now. The 16-year-old is basking in Palestinian admiration after scaling an army tower and tearing down the Israeli flag in the middle of a firefight.

Young rock throwers are the front line in Palestinian clashes with Israeli soldiers, and they compete to outdo each other in acts of daring. Some join in because of peer pressure, others are driven by personal grievances against Israel. And a few, like Abu Daqa, find their moment in the spotlight.

"I was always seeing this Israeli flag on the army post," he said of the Israeli banner atop a deserted watchtower on the edge of a base in Netzarim in the Gaza Strip, the scene of days of ferocious firefights. "It looked strange to me. I always wanted to take this down and put a Palestinian flag in its place," said Abu Daqa, who looks younger than his age.

Like many Palestinian youths, Abu Daqa headed for the streets last week following the visit by hawkish Israeli politician Ariel Sharon to a Jerusalem holy site revered by Muslims and Jews.

From his home in Abbasan, a village in southern Gaza, he took a \$2.50 taxi ride to Netzarim, where the Israeli military defends a small Jewish settlement. On the first day of clashes he was hit by a rubber bullet in the left leg, and on the second day he was hit in the right leg. Both wounds were slight, and he returned for a third day of action.

"I don't know where the courage came from," he said of his decision to head for the flag pole. But when another Palestinian youth tried and failed to take down the flag, Abu Daqa raced to the pole, which exposed him to the nearby Israeli troops.

After tearing down the blue-and-white flag amid the shooting, he tossed a stone at an Israeli soldier.

"I ran, then I heard the fire from his gun," he said. "I was injured. But because of the (Israeli) helicopters and the dust in the place, the soldier stopped, and I kept running until a Palestinian policeman picked me up."

Suffering wounds at the hands of Israeli forces is widely seen as a badge of honor by Palestinians, and those killed are often remembered with posters plastered on cars and buildings.

Abu Daqa wound up in the hospital after he was shot in the leg for the third time — this time with a live bullet. But his exploits were captured by television cameras, and he's become a minor celebrity among Palestinians.

The urge to participate in the

Violence

Locations of Israeli settlements and firing lines are marked on this map. Areas of conflict are shown in red.

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confrontations runs deep, even among young children.

In the West Bank town of Nablus, Mahsoz Hamoud said her 6-year-old son Muhammad kept asking to go to nearby Joseph's Tomb, where firefights have erupted on an almost daily basis.

Muhammad's father took him there Tuesday, and afterward, "he was really proud and really happy so he could tell his friends about the demonstrations."

Hamoud said her son even picked out a picture of himself that he would like to go on his "poster" if he is killed.

Despite the dangers, some parents encourage their children to take part in the street clashes.

"If I had 20 children I would send them all down (to fight)," said Tamam Sabeh, a 50-year-old woman in Nablus attending the funeral of an activist on Wednesday. "I wouldn't spare any of them. We're not scared of death."

The Israelis accuse Palestinian leaders of using children for the political gain that comes from news footage of them confronting heavily armed soldiers. The issue has become even more complicated in the current round of violence, because mixed in with the waves of young stone throwers are Palestinian militants firing automatic rifles at Israeli troops.

Souad Hosam, a 38-year-old Palestinian housewife, said stand throwing has become such a rite of passage for youths and it's futile for parents to try to hold them back.

"How can we stop them when they see what happens to their friends?" said Hosam, who lives in Nablus, a chronic trouble spot. "They're angry and upset and they want to express themselves."

"This is their life. No school, no work, just stone throwing and coming to funerals. There's nothing else for them to do," she said.

Museum returns bushman body

GABORONE, Botswana (AP) — A stuffed African bushman, whose display in a Spanish museum provoked international outrage, was received as a celebrity Wednesday after returning to the continent he was taken from 170 years ago.

Hundreds of well-wishers sang Botswana's national anthem and tried to elbow their way into the community hall where his casket was on display. Dozens of police officers fought to hold back the throng, allowing only small groups inside at a time.

Once inside, people quietly filed past the 4-foot-long casket draped in Botswana's flag, looking at the bushman's skull through a small window in the lid.

"I consider this to be an event touching on the dignity of the African person — restoring the dignity of the African people," said Kenny Kapinga, a 35-year-old off-duty police officer who was among the hundreds of people who went to the airport for the arrival of the body.

The bushman is believed to have died at age 27, but his name is not known. His body was reportedly stolen from his grave, stuffed and brought to Europe in 1830 by French taxidermist Edouard Verreaux and his brother. Spanish naturalist Francisco de Darder bought the body and bequeathed it to a museum in the Spanish town of Banyoles, 360 miles northeast of Madrid, where it was put on display in 1916.

In 1992, as Spain was preparing for the Olympic Games in Barcelona, the exhibit aroused international condemnation. African countries, the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity said the exhibit was racist and that it treated the man as a curiosity from a primitive culture.

The body was removed from the exhibit and — after eight years of delays that Eduardo Garrigues, Spain's ambassador to Botswana, blamed on "bureaucracy" — was sent to Botswana on Wednesday.

"Our history as Africans and as the black race is riven by all sorts of injustices. This is part of a process of closing the old chapter," Foreign Minister Mompoti Merafai said.

The body's arrival provoked mixed feelings in Keletos Rakhudu, a city council member in Botswana's capital, Gaborone. "I'm happy he's here, but I'm sad about what has happened," said Rakhudu, who had attended

a short prayer ceremony before the public viewing.

A state-organized funeral and burial are scheduled for Thursday, and plans are under way to honor the bushman with a monument.

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RISEING High School Sports STARS

Kyler Heward

Declo football

Replacing an all-state running back wasn't supposed to be easy. But Declo High senior Kyler Heward is making it look that way.



Taking over for departed Declo legend Jason Webb, an all-state player and holder of eight different school rushing and scoring records, Heward hasn't allowed the Hornet faithful time to reminisce.

"Not that they would want to. Through five games, Heward has shown a similar brilliance, rushing for 867 yards and 13 touchdowns on just 73 carries. That's an average of nearly 12 yards per handoff."

All that while playing middle linebacker, returning kicks, punting and kicking off.

"It's been mainly natural (taking over from Jason Webb), and Heward who scored five touchdowns in last week's 56-14 blowout of Wood River. "I knew that I did have some big shoes to fill ... but I knew that we'd be OK."

As did coach Kelly Kidd. "Kyler's not new to our varsity program," said Kidd, whose team enters tonight's SCIC game against Kimberly with a perfect 6-0 record. "He carried the football in practice on the scout team ... We kind of expected him to do what he's doing. It didn't surprise us (the coaching staff)."

Though he's not especially big (6-0, 165), Heward often plays like a Big-10 fullback, lowering his shoulder and punishing would-be tacklers in the open field.

"I've always been told that once you make the first impression on someone," Heward said, "they'll be a little shy to hit you the next time."

Next year, Heward - who also plays basketball, runs track and serves as ASB president - said he wants to go on a church mission.

Dusty Schvaneveldt

Jerome cross country

For obvious reasons, there are no win-loss records in the sport of cross country.

If there were, Jerome High senior Dusty Schvaneveldt would be a perfect 6-0.

In other words, if her "um has entered it, she's won it.

"I wouldn't be so impressive if the Tigers weren't consistently running against some of the region's top talent. Last Saturday, for example, Scenic West won the highly competitive Bob Firman Invitational at Eagle Island State Park in Boise - the site of this year's state cross country meet - by nearly 30 seconds."

That bodes well for the post-season. Though she's finished no lower than ninth at the last three state meets, Schvaneveldt has never cracked the top five. So could this be the year she realizes her dream of a state title?

"I hope so," Schvaneveldt said. "And now since I know the course, I can visualize (running) it."

In those mental training sessions, Schvaneveldt said she never loses. But visualization is just a part of her training regimen. She runs twice a day (the first run starts at 5:50 every morning), totaling between 30-37 miles a week, and watches what she eats. She can't even remember, for instance, when she last had a pop.

"She's a real hard worker," said Jerome coach Michelle Skyles. "There's never a meet that she goes into where I don't believe she can win. Dusty is capable of running with anyone in the state."

"Whatever happens, Schvaneveldt who carries a 4.0 GPA - said she wants to continue running in college. Among those schools on her short list: Boise State University, Eastern Washington University, University of Montana and Weber State University.

-Matt Peterson

Mariners are marching

Sox stare series sweep in the face

The Associated Press

CHICAGO - Paul Abbott pitched like a playoff veteran as Seattle's bullpen was unflappable. That's why the road-tough Mariners are headed home with a 2-0 lead over the Chicago White Sox in their division series.

Shutting down Frank Thomas and Chicago's high-scoring offense for a second straight game, the Mariners beat the White Sox 5-2 Wednesday, putting the team with

October fever
Today:
Braves at Cardinals, 2 p.m. (ESPN)
Mets at Giants, 6 p.m. (FOX)

the AL's best regular-season record on the verge of a quick exit.

Game 3 in the best-of-five series is Friday at Safeco Field in Seattle.

"Right now, obviously, we're in some trouble," Chicago manager Jerry Manuel said. "I think if any team can do it, we can. We won 95 games and feel we can find a way to win three more."

More playoffs - B3

- Yankees even score
- Mets splash down
- Braves-Cards preview

The Mariners won eight of their final nine road games in the regular season, including a wild card-clinching win at

Anaheim last Sunday. And now they've carried it over into the postseason.

Seattle stung the White Sox 7-4 in the opener Tuesday when Edgar Martinez and John Olerud hit 10th-inning homers off Chicago relief ace Keith Foulke.

Abbott, who started the season in the bullpen, gave up just five hits and two runs over 2-3 innings to win in his first post-season appearance in a pro career that



Seattle Mariners pitcher Paul Abbott delivers in Game 2 of the American League division series against the Chicago White Sox Wednesday.

began in 1985. Seattle's bullpen took over as Arthur Rhodes, Jose Mesa and Kazuhiro Sasaki didn't allow a hit or run in the ninth for his second save of the series.

Mushers take down Dietrich

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

FAIRFIELD - Perhaps it was the short week of preparation, their lack of a running game or the rigors of a tough road trip. Bottom line, the Dietrich High School Blue Devils simply didn't come ready to play football.

Their opponents, meanwhile, were itching for a rumble.

On a windswept Camas Prairie Wednesday, the Mushers of Camas County steamrolled their lackadaisical visitors, 34-14 in a Sawtooth Conference contest that was all but over by halftime.

The Mushers (3-3) dominated the Blue Devils (4-3) on both sides of the football, compiling 415 yards on the ground while holding Dietrich to just 160 yards of total offense. The Blue Devils mustered a lowly four yards rushing in the first half.

It was the ninth consecutive win for Camas County in a longtime rivalry.

For Dietrich, which played its third straight game without tailback Chris Maughan, the lack of its rushing leader showed, said head coach Shon Hocker.

"We came out really flat," Hocker said. "We were just beyond flat. The loss last week to Richland just took a lot of steam out of us."

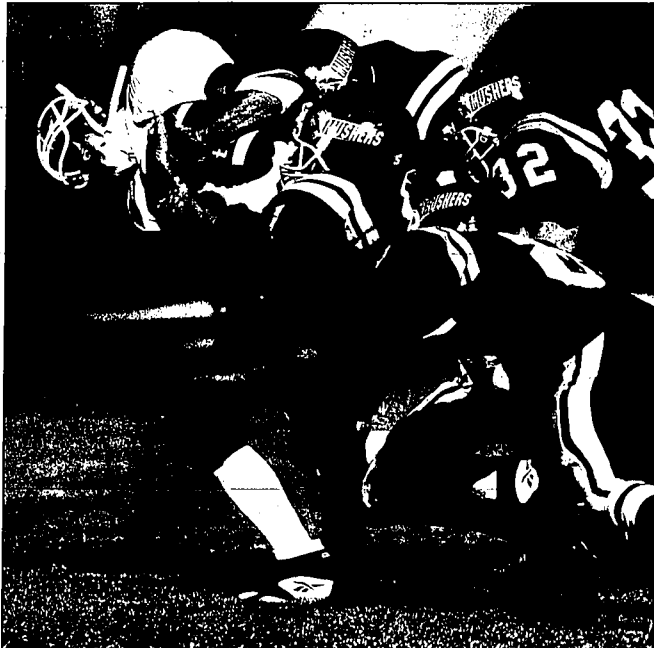
Not so for the Mushers, who were led by the tandem attack of senior backs Russell Schiermeier and Josh Ivie. Ivie, who scored four touchdowns in the win, roared his way to 286 unofficial yards on 30 carries. He also showed his athleticism in the second quarter by hurdling a Blue Devil defender on his way to his third touchdown.

"Josh was on fire," said Mushers coach Randy Jewett. "And he was just as tough defensively as offensively."

Ivie credited the strong performance of his offensive line, who punched open huge holes throughout the game.

"It was a really good blocking game. The line blocked well," Ivie said. "That's the main thing, when the rest of the team is blocking. But we didn't kill them by any means."

Schiermeier, who added 107 yards on the ground, said it was nice to see daylight through the



Dietrich High's Sam Sorensen drags a pack of Mushers for a few yards before getting tackled. Camas County beat Sawtooth Conference foe Dietrich 34-14 Wednesday in Fairfield.

middle of the Dietrich defense.

"The line was awesome, they opened up holes that you could drive a pickup through," he said.

The day didn't begin well for the Mushers, however, as they fumbled away their first possession. But the Camas defense forced two Dietrich punts without surrendering a first down.

Ivie got the home team on the board in the first period with a 1-yard plunge. The Mushers pulled

away in the second quarter scoring on two live runs and a scamper by quarterback Brandon Blodgett. Dietrich's Stetson Weber hit Daniel Vasquez from 14 yards out for the Blue Devils' first score just before halftime.

Ivie scored his fourth touchdown of the game in the third, while Dietrich's last score came in the fourth on a 3-yard Sam Sorensen run.

Camas County plays at Sho-Ban

next Friday while Dietrich, which lost its second straight game, hosts the conference leading Wolves.

Camas County 34, Dietrich 14
Date: Oct 5, 2000
Location: Fairfield, OR
Scoring Summary:
Camas County: Schiermeier pass from Ivie 14:18
Dietrich: Vasquez run 14:00
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Dietrich: Weber pass to Vasquez 14:00
Camas County: Ivie run 3:21
Four Points:
Dietrich: Sorensen run 7:30

Home sweet home

CSI returns for two must-win matches

By Joe Sunnion
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - When the College of Southern Idaho volleyball team

returns to the floor against North Idaho College tonight, 4-1 in the Scenic West Athletic Conference Saturday, the Golden Eagles will find themselves in an unfamiliar position.

The good news today is that CSI (36-4 overall, 4-1 in the Scenic West Athletic Conference) will be competing at home for the first time since winning the CSI Invitational Tournament on Aug. 29 - a date that must seem like years ago to the road-weary club.

The bad news is that when the Eagles take on Ricks College (29-5 overall, 6-0 SWAC) Saturday, CSI won't be the best volleyball team on its own court.

"The problem with playing (Ricks College) is that it is a bad matchup," said CSI coach Ben Stroud. "They are a team that doesn't make any mistakes and we are team that makes a lot of mistakes. And that's a bad combination."

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Roy, Belfour open season even

Avs and Stars play to 2-2 draw

The Associated Press

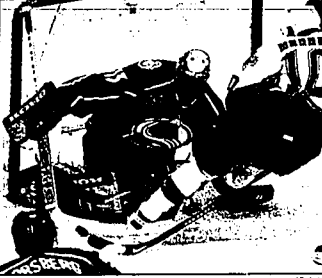
DALLAS - Ed Belfour and Patrick Roy were even on this night.

The Dallas Stars and Colorado Avalanche played to a 2-2 tie Wednesday night in a penalty-filled season opener matching two of the league's best goalies and the teams that played in the last two Western Conference finals.

Belfour stopped 26 Colorado shots while Roy, who remains fourth winsy shy of breaking the NHL record for career victories, had 19.

Neither team was able to take advantage of numerous power-play opportunities. There were 21 penalties in the game, 11 against Dallas, but neither team took full advantage. The Avs were 1-for-10 on the power play and Dallas was 1-for-9.

Penalties that carried over from the third period into over-



time, kept the teams away from the 4-on-4 extra-session format until there was only 2:54 remaining.

Dallas won both of the Western finals in seven games, including a series-deciding 3-2 victory on the same ice four months ago. Colorado outshot Dallas 8-7 in

the third period, including Alex Tanguay's breakaway that was deflected by Belfour with about three minutes to go. In the final minute, Milan Hejduk had an opening on Belfour's left side, but couldn't get the puck in.

Dallas had a 3-2 shot advantage in overtime.

Bruin girls ignite in explosive second half

More high school sports

By Matt Peterson
Times-News writer

PAUL - For 48 minutes Wednesday afternoon, the upset was on.

Unfortunately for the Minico High girls' soccer team, the game lasted 80. And the Spartans opponents saved their best soccer for the final 32.

Behind a second-half hot trick from senior Debbie Dodds, Twin Falls turned a 2-1 halftime deficit into a 6-2 rout of the Spartans at West Minico Junior High.

Dodds, who had missed three easy breakaway shots in the first half, started the rally in the 48th minute with her first goal of the afternoon, a spinning kick into the upper right corner from about 20 yards out. She added goals in the 53rd and 61st minutes and assisted teammate Jennifer Andrews' score in the 54th minute.

The four goals, which came

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during a decisive 13-minute span near the start of the second half, rallied the Bruins to

slammed the door on a Minico team that has yet to record a conference win.

"That was nice to put that first one in," Dodds said. "That got me focused and cleared my mind of those other ones. In the first half, I was just waiting way too long to shoot."

Senior Rachel Welch (fourth minute) and sophomore Mallory Tortorelli (66th minute) both added goals for Twin Falls.

Welch's score was the only first-half goal for the Bruins, who early in the game bunched around the ball on both ends of the field and at times, looked to be going through the motions.

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Bruin boys stomp Spartans on soccer field

By Holly Kretz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—The Bruins used the first half of Wednesday's regional matchup with Minico as practice—a drill in getting the ball to the sides. "We weren't trying to score goals," said Twin Falls High boys' soccer coach Trent Felton. "We were running it like a drill to get the ball into the wing channels." But the Bruins played to win in the second half, scoring seven goals and outdistancing the Spartans 8-1.

Twin Falls' first score came in

the 37th minute of play. Forward Brock Cooper's shot tipped off Spartan goalie Berry Hurtado's hands and into the net for Cooper's first goal of the outing and the only score in the first half.

"Twin Falls played with us in the first half," said Spartan coach Dennis Haynes. "In the second half they decided to play soccer instead of handling the ball."

After the break, the Bruins went after Minico, with six players combining for seven goals.

Dylan Mikseell and Cory Sayre put up a pair of solo goals less than 10 minutes into play. Then the Bruins were given a free kick

and the opportunity to run the play they had been working on all week.

The Spartans lined up but were not ready for Jerry Black to fake the kick. Josh Alonso followed Black with a pass to Cooper who knocked it past the goalie for his second score of the afternoon.

Less than five minutes later, Black passed across the field to Sayre, who headed the ball in the net to make it 5-0.

Minico collected its only goal of the game off a penalty kick by Jason Harman a couple of minutes later. But the Bruins answered with

Kenny King punching in his first goal of the season.

Twin Falls' Dylan Sinclair was given a penalty kick, but missed wide with seven minutes to play. Sinclair redeemed himself with a goal a minute later, making the score 7-1.

Joey Machula ended the game by scoring off a Chuck Meade pass.

The Bruins (9-3 overall, 4-1 in conference) travel to Burley Saturday, then face Highland Wednesday for a chance to host regionals. Minico falls to 0-9-2 overall and 0-4 in conference and visits Idaho Falls Saturday.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Stockton says he'll keep playing in 2001-02

SALT LAKE CITY — NBA career steals and assists leader John Stockton doesn't plan to retire after this season, the last under his current contract.

Stockton, 38, is entering the final year of a two-year, \$22 million contract. He holds NBA records with 13,790 assists and 2,844 steals, and also has won two Olympic gold medals. Stockton has reached the NBA Finals twice, but never won the title.

In other news out of Jazz camp, reserve point guard John Croty will miss about six weeks after arthroscopic surgery to repair cartilage damage in his right knee. Croty, 31, was hurt during informal workouts last week.

TF's Watson in 10th at walleye tourney

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Twin Falls' Dewey Watson was in 10th place out of 30 Co-Angler Division anglers after the first day of the Wal-Mart RCL Walleye Championship Wednesday.

Watson caught five fish totalling 18 pounds, 14 ounces; Gary Morris of Blaine, Minn., was first with five fish totaling 30 pounds, 15 ounces. Tourney rules allow up to five fish to be weighed per day. The winning Co-Angler entrant takes a \$75,000 prize, and has a chance to collect another \$75,000 in sponsor bonus cash. The Co-Angler tourney continues through Friday.

Soccer dinner planned in Buhl Saturday

BUHL — The People to People Sports Ambassadors will hold a "Thank You" dinner this Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the St. John's Lutheran Church, 1128 Poplar Street.

The event provides an opportunity for the community to visit with Buhl area soccer players who traveled abroad in the People to People Sports program this summer — Mitch Alexander, Brynne Andersen, Darren Peterson, Heather Campbell and Katie Sallor. They will share their memories and experiences.

The menu includes catfish, baked potatoes, green beans dessert and drinks for \$5 per person. Players from the Buhl High School boys' and girls' soccer teams will assist. All proceeds from the dinner go toward the Buhl High Soccer Athletic Fund.

Meridian's Holloway crowned section champ

LAUREL, Mont. — Meridian PGA professional Tad Holloway fired a two-under 70 Wednesday at Laurel Golf Club to win the Wilson Section Golf Championship, his fourth since 1994.

Holloway made a clutch par putt on the 17th hole and finished with a birdie on 18 to best host pro Tom Anderson (71-70-141) and Boise's Jim Empey (71-70-141) by three strokes. Mike Hamblin of Twin Falls Mined tied for fourth with a 72-70-142 with Boise's Jeff Davidson crown with a 75-68-143.

Other area Regular Division finishers were: Steve Wallock, 73-74-147; John Van Vleet, 72-76-148; Bob Lantz, 75-78-153; and Steve Meyerhoeffer, 76-80-155. In the Senior Division, Doyle Cartwright was second with a 3-73-146. Tommy Sanderson had a 69-78-147 for third, John Peterson shot a 73-79-152 and John Weekes recorded an 82-83-165.

Burley Club Closer tourney is on Saturday

BURLEY — The Burley Mens' Club Closer will be Saturday at Burley Golf Course.

The Two-Man Scramble (blind draw) will begin at 9 a.m. with a shotgun start. The entry fee is \$10 per person and includes a sandwich and drink. Players must sign up in advance.

Miffed Seahawks coach pulls plug on Kitna

KIRKLAND, Wash. — Seattle Seahawks coach Mike Holmgren has benched quarterback Jon Kitna in favor of Brock Huard for Sunday's game at Carolina.

"I place high demands on the offense team, and our passing game hasn't been what we'd like," Holmgren said Wednesday.

Huard, a second-year player from the University of Washington, will make his first NFL start. Kitna was 17-of-28 for 140 yards with one TD pass and an interception Monday night in the Seahawks' 24-17 loss at Kansas City. Seattle led 17-7 in the third quarter. The Seahawks are 2-3.

Report: Dodgers will fire Johnson Friday

LOS ANGELES — Manager Davey Johnson is scheduled to meet with Dodgers executives on Friday, and he reportedly has been told he won't return next season.

Quoting sources outside the organization, the Los Angeles Times reported Wednesday that chairman Bob Daly and president Bob Grubman informed Johnson last week that he would be fired. Johnson has been reportedly scheduled for Friday at Dodger Stadium, the paper said. Johnson is under contract for next year at a salary of \$1.5 million.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Carey rolls over North Gem 34-0

The Times-News

BANCROFT — Carey totaled 346 yards of offense Wednesday, blanking North Gem 34-0 to post the Panthers' second high school football shutout in as many weeks.

Senior Carey quarterback Lee Cook was 8-for-16 passing for 185 yards and two touchdowns — both in the first quarter.

He ran for 52 yards as well, tallying two more scores in the second half.

Senior Panthers running back Jonathan Rivera had four catches for 132 yards and a touchdown, and scored a second touchdown on a 55-yard punt return in the first quarter.

Carey (5-2) plays at Shoshone Oct. 13.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Carey 34, North Gem 0. Carey 13, North Gem 0.

Richfield 64, Sho-Ban 14

RICHFIELD — It was a regular routing as Richfield's Mitch Larson ran wild for 207 yards and four touchdowns, with Ben Fox racking up 123 yards and one touchdown, as the Tigers beat Sho-Ban.

"It was a team contribution, we had some great plays, and everyone got to play," said Richfield coach Garr Ward.

Richfield (5-1) travels to Hansen next Friday.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Richfield 64, Sho-Ban 14. Richfield 27, Sho-Ban 14.

Castleford 50, Rockland 28

CASTLEFORD — Castleford leveled the Bulldogs as a team Wednesday, scoring in every quarter on the way to a 50-28 Sawtooth Conference rout.

Castleford coach Shawn Scow said he was able to play everyone of his players against the Bulldogs, who trailed 50-6 entering the final period.

Sophomore Travis Medina racked up an elite of touchdowns on the ground. The Wolves also passed for 156 yards. Castleford (6-0) travels to Dietrich Oct. 13.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Castleford 50, Rockland 28. Castleford 19, Rockland 28.

Girls' soccer

Buhl 2, Ketchum 1

BUHL — The Lady Indians started slow but caught fire after Ketchum's only goal.

"Ketchum's first goal was a wakeup call," said Buhl coach Don Campbell.

Lady Indian Myla King had a

THE FOOTBALL FORECAST

Table with columns: High schools, Skyline, Wood River, Declo, Oakley, Haggaman, Rigby, Gooding, Filley, Glenns Ferry, Minico.

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Selections are made by Times-News sports staffers Jeff Rosen, Kevin Hall, Matt Peterson, Joe Sunman and John Derr. This week's guest picker is Dietrich High School football coach Shon Hocker. During the regular season, we select 10 local high school games and pick five games of local and regional interest from both the NFL and NFL.

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long cross kick to Annie McCauley in the left corner. McCauley kicked the ball to Shirley Meiers in the center, who then passed it to Heather Alexander. Alexander answered the Cuthberts' goal with a goal for the Indians at the 19-minute mark.

Boys' soccer

Burley 1, Blackfoot 0

BURLEY — The only score of

defense and placement." Throughout a season that has seen the Golden Eagles stumble, Ricks has waltzed. For every team that CSI has leveled with a heavy hand, there is another that the Vikings have dismantled with surgical nerve and precision.

The Eagles may have the talent to try with greatness, but it's Ricks' blue collar style that could ultimately punch the Rexburg squad's ticket to the national tournament.

CSI

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ranked team in the nation following an exceptional start that included handing the Golden Eagles their first loss of the year at the Utah-Valley State tournament.

"Ricks impresses me," freshman outside linebacker Lisa Levings said. "It seems like they work hard and they are very devoted. They don't rely on hard hitting as much as they rely on scrappiness,

Bruins

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"The first half, they were asleep. They did not come out ready to play," said Twin Falls coach Steve Schmid. "We were not playing our game the way I've coached them. We were playing kickball and we were not trying to play ball-control which we've been working on all year."

Two quick Minico goals, one from junior Clare Bodemer (23rd minute), the other from Jacobie Harper (28th minute), gave the Spartans a 2-1 lead at the break.

"But Twin Falls came to life. We think we were really disappointed in ourselves the way we played," Dodds said, "because we knew we were capable of so much more... and we were like, 'You know what, we're not going to lose to this team going into the regional tournament.'"

Clearly something clicked. Because with a little sense of determination, Twin Falls had

instant offense — five goals in 18 minutes and a conference victory in hand.

"I don't know if after the lead at halftime they thought, 'We're ahead, we can coast,'" said Minico coach Gerry Wilson. "The first 20 minutes of that second half... that should have been the hardest we played, but that was the worst we played. It was the easiest we played."

Though she eventually yielded six goals, Minico keeper Shaile Crafton had an excellent first half, stopping several Twin Falls breakaways and making saves on countless other shots.

"She played a great first half," Wilson said, "and I told them, 'You girls have to toughen up on defense.' There's only so many fast breaks you can save."

Twin Falls (2-21 conference, 4-5-2 overall) hosts Burley Saturday, while Minico (0-5-0 conference, 1-9-2 overall) plays both Idaho Falls and Skyline on the road Saturday.

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SPORTS

Yankees beat A's, even series

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Andy Pettitte's near-flawless pitching and a radically revamped lineup allowed the New York Yankees to temporarily defeat obiturnaries for the two-time defending World Series champions.

Pettitte allowed five hits in 7-3 scoreless innings and the Yankees defeated the Oakland Athletics 4-0 Wednesday night to tie their best-of-five AL division series at 1-1.

The Yankees, who were being decified by critics as over-the-hill champions, snapped an eight-game losing streak and a 10-game road losing streak.

"We've been down. We've been in a terrible skid," Pettitte said. "I hope this will get us going. This is a big game for us, obviously. We've really been struggling."

The playoff series moves to New York for Game 3 on Friday night, with Oakland's Tim Lincecum (20-6) — who this year became the first pitcher since 1951 to win 20 games in his first full major league season — facing Orlando Hernandez (12-13).

Glennan Hill, in the lineup as part of New York manager Joe Torre's effort to shake up a moribund offense, broke up a scoreless game with an RBI single and Luis Sojo followed with a two-run double as the Yankees scored three in the sixth.



New York's Paul O'Neill shatters his bat hitting a fly ball with the bases loaded to Oakland Athletics right fielder Adam Platt for the last out of the first inning Wednesday during Game 2 of the AL division series.

After the left-handed O'Neill walked, righties Hill and Sojo connected off right-hander Kevin Appier.

"O'Neill's been there so many times in the past and come up with big hits for them," A's manager Art Howe said. "We knew he'd be struggling, but we didn't want to let him beat us. Glennan did."

Torre demoted O'Neill from the No. 3 spot in the batting order to No. 6 for the first time all year. He also dropped usual leadoff man Chuck Knoblauch from the starting lineup, moved Derek Jeter up a spot to leadoff and moved Jorge Posada up from No. 7 to No. 2.

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And he survived a strange eighth-inning play that almost allowed the A's to take the lead. With two out, a runner on second and the A's down 3-0, Terrence Long hit a routine groundout to New York second baseman Sojo — who fiddled the ball and then stepped on his own foot as he started to throw, and fell without releasing the ball.

That left runners on first and third, and Mariano Rivera got Randy Velarde to hit a tricky-though grounder that third baseman Scott Brosius was able to barehand in time to throw out Velarde.

Giants shake up Mets in Game 1

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Livan Hernandez was his usual postseason self. Barry Bonds was a different man.

Hernandez held the Mets to five hits over 7 2/3 innings and Bonds fought back his playoff demons with an RBI triple and a key single as the San Francisco Giants' beat New York 5-1 Wednesday in the opener of their NL division series.

Game 2 is today at 6 p.m. MDT (it will be televised live on FOX). Ellis Burks hit a three-run homer as the Giants gave both managers Dusty Baker and Pacific Bell Park their first postseason wins. The new park even played a role in the victory: Bonds' triple took a fortuitous bounce off a low wall in right, while Burks' homer hit the foul pole in left.

Hernandez wasn't dominant, but he picked up where he left off in the postseason three years ago.

Hernandez stuck out five and walked five, but he got into right field in the eighth, allowing a single by Edgardo Alfonzo and walking Mike Piazza with one out.

Hernandez improved to 5-0 lifetime in the postseason, the same mark as his older half-brother, Orlando, of the New York Yankees. On Monday night, with the Yankees in Oakland for the AL playoffs, Livan and El Duque got together for dinner.

"We're always going to have confidence," Jordan said.

Jordan has first-hand experience from 1996, when the Braves rallied from a 3-1 series to beat the Cardinals in seven games in the NLCS. Then, Jordan played for St. Louis.

"We thought we had the Braves beat and experience took over," Jordan said. "Hopefully, it's going to happen this year, too. You can't help but think about '96, how close we were and it didn't happen."

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After Robin Ventura moved the runners along with a ground-out, Hernandez walked Todd Zeile. Baker brought in set top man Fred Rodriguez, who struck out Darryl Hamilton amid raucous cheers.

Robb Nen closed out the Mets in the ninth.

For Bonds, the three-time MVP whose career has been defined by regular-season prowess and postseason problems, his 2-for-3 performance was an early answer to his critics. He hit .200 in four previous trips to the playoffs, but he had the fourth multi-hit playoff game of his career.

It was the Giants' first playoff victory in eight seasons under Baker, twice the NL Manager of the Year. The Giants, whose 97 regular season victories were the most in baseball, won in their first postseason game at Pac Bell, which opened in April.

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NL's only 20-game winners meet today

ST. LOUIS (AP) — This time the time-worn Atlanta Braves could draw on their nine straight division titles.

The Braves have seldom looked so vulnerable heading into Game 2 of their first-round NL playoff series against the St. Louis Cardinals today, which matches 20-game winners Tom Glavine and Darryl Kile.

Two costly errors and a mediocre outing by Greg Maddux contributed to a 7-5 Game 1 loss on Tuesday.

This, after the Braves squandered home-field advantage Wednesday's blow a two-run, two-out, two-strike lead in the regular-season finale on Sunday. But, no outfielder Brian Jordan in-lead, recent events did not lead

anyone in the Braves clubhouse to think maybe this

is just not their year.

"We're always going to have confidence," Jordan said.

Third base man Chipper Jones has already made two key mistakes

in the last several days. It was his fielding error that opened the floodgates for the Rockies' seven-run ninth, and he also botched Ruy Lankford's cue-ball grounder in the Cardinals' sixth.

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SPORTS

'Canes carry history on their side against Florida State

By Richard Rosenblatt AP football writer

If nothing else, history is on Miami's side. When Florida State (5-0) lines up against Miami (3-1) on Saturday, the seventh-ranked Hurricanes will have the top-ranked Seminoles just where they want them - in the Orange Bowl. Miami has played a No. 1 team eight times at its ancient home and has come away with six wins, including 3-0 over Florida State in 1988. From 1985-1994, the Hurricanes were unbeatable in the Orange Bowl, winning an NCAA-record 58 games, a streak that included four wins against No. 1 teams - Oklahoma twice, Florida State and Notre Dame. The other two were before the streak - against Penn State in 1981 and Nebraska in 1983. Two of the victories - against

College football picks

the Sooners in '88 and the Cornhuskers in '93 - were in the Orange Bowl game and sealed national titles for the Hurricanes. In the '90s, Miami played host to No. 1 just once - a 24-17 loss to national champion Nebraska in the '95 Orange Bowl. Miami-Florida State was among the glamour rivalries in the late 1980s-early 1990s, but the Hurricanes have lost the last five meetings - by an average of 22 points per game - while trying to regroup from NCAA penalties that resulted in 31 lost scholarships. The Canes say they're back. "We've got all the athletes we need now," linebacker Dan Morgan said. "We've got no excuses." The Miami machine is directed by 19-year-old Ken Dorsey, who

has thrown for 969 yards and nine touchdowns for the nation's top scoring team (50.3 ppg) and fourth best offense (486.3 ypg). The defense, which has scored five TDs, allows 16 ppg. Florida State, led by 28-year-old Chris Weinke, is similar. Weinke, expected to start despite missing practice time with a sprained left ankle, has thrown for 1,478 yards and 12 TDs for an offense that leads the nation scoring (41.6 ppg). The defense, led by end Jamal Reynolds (10 sacks), allows 11.3 ppg. Miami leads the series 23-20.

The picks

- No. 1 Florida State (minus 6) at No. 7 Miami
• Bad timing for 'Noles to hit Orange Bowl ranked No. 1 ... MIAMI, 31-30.
• No. 2 Nebraska (minus 15.5) at Iowa State

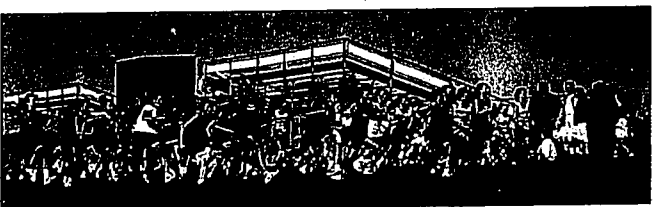
- Battle of unbeaten, but Cyclones have one win in last 22 meetings vs. Huskers. ... NEBRASKA, 33-24.
• Temple (plus 30) at No. 3 Virginia Tech
• Who's want' around last time Owls came to town - and won! ... VIRGINIA TECH, 45-21.
• No. 4 Kansas State (minus 23) at Kansas
• K-State has won last five by average margin of 36.2 points. ... KANSAS STATE, 35-20.
• North Carolina State (minus 20.5) at No. 5 Clemson
• Battle of Bobby Bowden disciples - son (Tommy) vs. protégé (Chuck Amato). ... CLEMSON, 42-28.
• No. 6 Michigan (plus 2) at Purdue
• Boilermakers' Brees vs. Wolverines' Henson. ... MICHIGAN, 34-31.
• No. 8 Ohio State (minus 1.5) at No. 24 Wisconsin
• The Buckeyes stop here. ...

- WISCONSIN, 24-20.
• No. 10 Oklahoma (plus 3.5) vs. No. 11 Texas (at Dallas)
• Last time both were in top 15 ('84), No. 1 Horns and No. 2 Sooners tied. ... OKLAHOMA, 42-30.
• LSU (plus 16) at No. 12 Florida
• Tigers still sky-high after win over Vols. ... FLORIDA, 31-13.
• No. 23 Oregon State (plus 10) at No. 13 Washington
• Beavers seek end to another losing streak - 0-12, 22 of last 23 vs. Huskies. ... WASHINGTON, 37-31.
• Hawaii (plus 37) at No. 14 TCU
• Frogs' RB Tomlinson needs to pick up pace in Heisman race. ... TCU, 44-23.
• No. 15 Auburn (plus 1) at No. 20 Mississippi State
• Bulldogs scored two TDs in final 2:28 to pull out '99 game. ... AUBURN, 28-21.
• South Florida (no line) at No.

- 17 Southern Mississippi
• I-AA Bulls coming off win over No. 1 team - I-AA Troy State. ... SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI, 45-7.
• Arizona (plus 6.5) at No. 18 USC
• Zonia defense allows 9 points per game. ... until now. ... USC, 27-17.
• No. 21 Tennessee (plus 4.5) at No. 19 Georgia
• Vols may be bitten again, this time by good team. ... GEORGIA, 31-28.
• Indiana (plus 5.5) at No. 22 North-western
• Are Wildcats for real? ... INDIANA, 31-23.
• Stanford (plus 12.5) at No. 25 Notre Dame
• Irish, with freshman QB, out to avenge last play loss in '99. ... NOTRE DAME, 27-17.
• Last week: 16-6 (straight); 8-13 (vs. points)
• This week: 79-22 (straight); 52-45 (vs. points)

YOUR SPORTS

YourSports Desk: 733-0931, Ext. 229 (Hours: 2-11 p.m.)



A whopping 130 junior high school cross country runners from across the valley competed this week in the Fourth Annual O'Leary Classic race.

Young harriers meet at record-setting race

TWIN FALLS - Some 130 Magic Valley middle school runners competed in the Fourth Annual O'Leary Classic cross country race this week. The Twin Falls combined junior highs won both boys' and girls' races, outscoring Jerome and Minico. Also competing were Kimberly, Declo and Gooding. Top team scores for the boys were: Twin Falls 31; Jerome 43;

and Minico 151. Ted Tolman from Jerome won with a time of 8:47 on the 1.5-mile course - just one second off the course record. Following were Tyler Jones of Twin Falls, Tyler Thompson of Jerome, Joel Ruprecht of Twin Falls, Conrad Lee of Jerome, Justin Elias of Twin Falls, Justin Rodgers of Gooding, Jason Peay of Twin Falls, Josh Morris of Gooding and Brett Cheney of Gooding.

The girls were led by record-smashing Stephanie Johnson of Burley. Her time of 9:32 beat the old record of 9:46. Following were Brittany Ward of Twin Falls, Anna Bartholomew of Jerome, Sara Traugbber of Jerome, Melissa Sandoval of Twin Falls, Jordan Baker of Jerome, Camiller Bingham of Jerome and Stacy Bohm of Twin Falls.

Soccer teams fall in close matches

TWIN FALLS - Here's a recap of recent Twin Falls Junior High and Twin Falls Rapids soccer matches. Irving Jr. High (U-14 Girls) 3; TFJH (U-13 Girls) 2. Without substitutes for the entire match, a tired TFJH team matched Irving Jr. high goal-for-goal early, but also came up short. Krista Osterhout (RS) scored off an assist from Julia Hodges (OL) for the first goal.

The second goal came off the left foot of Ben Wunderlich (RS) from an assist by Osterhout. Allison Anderson (RS) played a very physical match on defense, turning back many offensive strikes. Boise Osprey (U-12 Boys) 2; TF Rapids (U-12 Boys) 1. Boise started strong, scoring two goals in the first half. Twin Falls coach Michel Guirre adjusted positions, and the U-12 boys dominated the

second half, but came up short. Kody Graham started with a powerful kick from the outside for the team's first and only goal. Adam Kolojichick, Kotch's and Devon Jenk's multiple goal shots were all turned back.



PIONEER POWER



The Twin Falls Pioneers Traveling All-Star baseball team recently completed a successful season of baseball by winning the Ray Nelson All-Star Tournament in the Wood River Valley. The Pioneers finished the season 31-8 and won four tournaments. Offensive leaders included Critter, Leatham, Kasey Jerome, Kevin Victor, Riley Traveller and Jordan Hundry. Brian Ward, Conner Watkins, Grady Gowman, Judd Olmstead and Dana Cooper were in a driving force on defense. Leading pitchers were J. Kasey Jerome, Nick Yergensen and Austin Musser. The Pioneers were coached by Mike Traveller, Garth Leatham and Kelly Jerome. The team batboy was Kaleb Jerome.

YOUR SCORES AND STATS

LOCAL BOWLING SCORES

TWIN FALLS - The following scores reported from the current week of bowling at the Magic Valley Bowling Center. BOYS BOWLING TWINS FALLS FALLS MARY GAY: Jay Miller 201, Ted Tolman 180, Dan Brown 160, Scott Peterson 140, Adam Jones 120, Ryan Smith 110, Kyle Johnson 100, Tyler Thompson 90, Jordan Baker 80, Camiller Bingham 70, Stacy Bohm 60. GIRLS BOWLING TWINS FALLS FALLS MARY GAY: Stephanie Johnson 210, Brittany Ward 190, Anna Bartholomew 170, Sara Traugbber 150, Melissa Sandoval 130, Jordan Baker 110, Camiller Bingham 90, Stacy Bohm 70.

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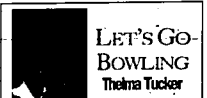
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Re-designed ball helps Brooks reach 300

Al Brooks bowls on the Wildcat League at Jerome Bowl every Thursday night for the Loomis Construction Team. With a 196 average, he has to be a terrific asset to his team. However, on Sept. 21, his team really took notice when on Game 3 he rolled a perfect 300. Al has bowled for "at least 40 years" and has two games of 299 to his credit. Last spring, he was out of town and had the opportunity to visit with some professional bowlers. In discussion with them, he learned that someone needed to redesign his bowling ball - mainly, shorten his span. He had two balls re-drilled, one of which was a Rhino Pro. He came back to Jerome, rolled three games and put his equipment away for the summer. Brooks says he got a "little bit of a slow start," but over the last nine games he has averaged 211. "The ball is comfortable," he says, "and my hand does not hurt for the next two days after I bowl." His first game that memorable night was a 200. That was followed by a 154. Brooks decided to put more lift on the ball and use the same spot he'd used for Game 2. The first seven were solid in the pocket, No. 8 went brookie, and 9, 10 and 11 were solid.



Of course, the bowling center is now quiet and everybody is watching. He pulled No. 12, and just knew he had, as the saying is, fouled it up. He turned away and did not see No. 12. According to Jerome Bowl proprietor Fred Buehly, "Yes, it was a little high, but they mixed well and fell down." Great job, Al... May you roll many more! Last Saturday, the Magic Valley Fall Championship Freepriors High Five Tournament was hosted by the B. wladrome. Each center within the B. Magic Valley was invited to send two five-person teams, one for ladies and one for men. On the ladies' side, first place with 2,941 was the Magic Bowl of Twin Falls. Bowling for the team were Kathy McClure, Julie Capurro, Teresa Boehm, Darla McCallister and Barb Smith. Second place for the ladies was Bonanza Lanes of Burley, rolling 2,829. Members were Carol

Squire, Dawn Pickett, Becky Martindale, Kris Schab and Charlene Petersen. The team from Cedar Lanes in Filer took first with 3,175 in the men's division. Members were Roy Couch, Pat Romans, Bryan Solonga, Tracy Ridgeway and Jeremy Miller. With 3,054, the Bowldrome of Twin Falls took second for the men. Team members were Ron Dawson, Cory Moore, Ed Chappell, Blaine Ross and Bob Leazer. Congratulations to all, and I'm told a good time was had by all. Ladies, don't miss out on the Columbus Day Doubles Tournament this weekend at the Magic Bowl. Entry forms are at all your centers and walk-ins will be permitted. Finally, get well, Kathy Ross. We miss you and look forward to your return to bowling. Thelma Tucker writes a weekly bowling column for The Times-News. You can contact her at 733-4357 or by email at trucker@magick.com.

YOUTH BATTLES

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Advertisement for Vano's at Candlelight Golf Course & Driving Range, featuring a golf ball and text: 'Vano's at Candlelight GOLF COURSE & DRIVING RANGE OPEN DAILY • BANCKARDS WELCOME Magic Valley's Most Complete Golf Pro Shop'.

Advertisement for GUNS, featuring a handgun and text: 'GUNS BUY • SELL • TRADE IDAMO GUN GALLERIES 302 N. Main, Twin Falls, ID, 83301 733-8593'.

Advertisement for BOSKI BOATS, featuring a boat and text: 'WINTERIZE NOW! It's Not Too Late! Winterize at Boski Boats & Receive a FREE Starter Kit. Next Spring, Upgrade to a New Boat. OUTBOARDS - STARTING AT \$20-\$60 INBOARDS - STARTING AT \$120-\$160 BOSKI BOATS FOR ALL YOUR MARINE SERVICE & REPAIR 736-3990 21406 U.S. HWY 30 • TWIN FALLS (2 MILES WEST OF THE HOSPITAL)'.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Three face drug charges in Jerome

JEROME - Three Jerome residents face felony drug-related charges after being arrested late Monday, according to court records.

Eric Strong, 25, Kelly Martin, 30, and Gayle Bolich, 27, were arrested at about 8 p.m. after police used a warrant to search Strong's residence, according to court records.

Officers found methamphetamines and a substance suspected to be marijuana, court records say. They also found a .25 caliber pistol in one of Strong's pockets, according to court records. Two small children were at the residence, court records say.

Strong was charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, possession of a controlled substance with children present and possession of a weapon by a felon, Jerome County Prosecutor John Nicholson said Wednesday.

Martin was charged with possession of a controlled substance and Bolich was charged with felony injury to children, Nicholson said.

All three face preliminary hearings Oct. 10 in Jerome.

TF Hispanic students earn national honors

TWIN FALLS - Ivan (Vonnie) Lopes and Marcella Martinez, both seniors at Twin Falls High School, have been recognized as scholar finalists in the National Hispanic Recognition Program, the Twin Falls School District reported.

The students are among 3,000 finalists nationwide who posted top scores on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test out of the more than 175,000 Hispanic students who took the test.

The National Hispanic Recognition Program is a College Board program that recognizes exceptional academic achievements of Hispanic high school seniors and identifies academically well-prepared Hispanic high school seniors for colleges.

MOMS Club sets monthly meeting

TWIN FALLS - The MOMS (Mothers Offering to Support) Club of Magic Valley will hold its October business meeting at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

The speaker will be Lydia Gillman from the Southern Idaho Cancer Center, who will discuss breast cancer awareness and breast self-exams.

For more information, call Heather at 734-8265.

MDA offers free flu shots in Twin Falls area

TWIN FALLS - The Muscular Dystrophy Association is again offering free flu shots in the Twin Falls area for people affected by any of its more than 40 neuromuscular disorders covered by MDA programs.

Influenza is particularly hazardous for people living with muscle-wasting diseases, such as muscular dystrophy, spinal muscular atrophy and Lou Gehrig's disease.

People registered with MDA may have transportation made available or be reimbursed for travel costs to visit the MDA clinic. MDA will also pay a local doctor to administer the free flu shot. People registered with the MDA isn't close to one of MDA's 230 clinics.

In Idaho, MDA has one clinic at Elks Rehabilitation Hospital in Boise.

MDA is a national voluntary health agency dedicated to finding treatments and cures for neuromuscular diseases. It's funded almost entirely by individual private contributors.

For more information, or to set an appointment for a free flu shot, call MDA Program Services Coordinator Regina Dingeldien in Boise at 208-327-0107.

Compiled from staff reports

Overgrazing scars still remain

Tour of North Fork leaves BLM officials disappointed; efforts to improve conditions fall short

By N.S. Nokkvent
Times-News writer

ROGERSON - Efforts to improve conditions along streams damaged by livestock in a grazing allotment in southwestern Twin Falls County largely failed this year, federal officials say.

Bureau of Land Management officials said they were disappointed after a tour of the

North Fork Allotment last month. An effort to keep cows out of the two creeks on the allotment, imposed after an assessment in 1999 showed it was overgrazed, apparently didn't work.

"We didn't accomplish what we had hoped," said range conservationist John Bier, with BLM's Twin Falls office.

The allotment is leased to the BLM's largest public land grazing permittee in the

state - J.R. Simplot. But the problems on the allotment last year were the result of the previous permittee.

As a result of those overgrazing problems, BLM officials had decided to keep cows out of the creeks during this year's grazing season.

"There's not going to be any cows in there for awhile," Jarbidge Resource Area Please see **GRAZING**, Page C3

Focus on breast cancer



Dr. Christline Holm and Dr. Eugene Seville study a mammogram Tuesday afternoon at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and health care facilities are offering discounts on mammograms, a simple test that detects breast cancer in its early stages.

Professionals warn early detection is key to survival

By Gary Wight
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and local health care professionals want to make sure Magic Valley women know about the importance of early detection.

Special events are planned and there will be discounts on mammograms to encourage more women to get screened for breast cancer.

"This month is geared towards making women more aware of who's eligible for breast cancer," said Steve Lovelace, a registered nurse and clinic manager at the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center. "It also helps women understand their options for breast cancer detection."

This year, approximately 182,800 women in the United States will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer, and approximately 40,800 women will die from breast cancer, according

to the American Cancer Society. But early detection can save lives. According to the ACS, nearly 97 percent of women who are diagnosed with breast cancer at an early stage survive for more

than 5 years. Physicians recommend women do monthly breast self-exams and have annual breast exams performed by a nurse or doctor. Annual mammograms are recom-

- More than 75 percent of women diagnosed with breast cancer are age 50 or older.
- Men can get breast cancer, although it is rare. For every man who is diagnosed, over 100 women are found to have breast cancer.
- About 5 to 40 percent of all breast cancers are inherited. Children can inherit an altered breast cancer susceptibility gene from either their mother or father.
- Most women - about 80 percent - who get breast cancer do not have a sister or mother who has breast cancer.
- Although the lifetime risk of breast cancer is 1 in 8, the chances of getting breast cancer by age 50 are 1 in 54. By age 60 the chances are 1 in 23.
- In the 1990s, the breast cancer death rate declined by the largest amount in over 55 years.
- Heart disease, not breast cancer, is the leading killer of women.
- Women under the age of 40 account for only 5 percent of breast cancer cases.
- Nearly 97 percent of women who are diagnosed with breast cancer at an early stage survive for more than 5 years.

Source: The American Cancer Society

ended for women age 40 and over, said Lydia Gilman of the Outpatient Diagnostic Imaging Center.

If breast cancer is caught in the early stage see **CANCER**, Page C3

Intruder leaves sex-offender list in Times-News publisher's home

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - Sheriff's officers are looking for an armed intruder who entered the home of the Times-News publisher on Tuesday night, leaving behind a copy of a newspaper report of a sex offender.

Twin Falls County sheriff's deputies were dispatched at about 8:20 p.m. to Stephen Hartgen's home west of Twin Falls, in response to a report of an armed man in the house.

When Hartgen's wife, Linda, investigated a noise, she discovered a man with a gun standing at the top of a stairwell. She and another family member fled unharmed and called police from a neighbor's house. Stephen Hartgen was not at home at the time.

A search of the house by deputies revealed an envelope containing a list of convicted and registered sex offenders and their photos, published two years ago, and a Times-News editorial explaining the paper's policy of printing the list. The intruder apparently left the envelope in the house.

Hartgen expressed concern about the apparent connection to The Times-News' publication of the registry. He asked readers who might remember someone expressing strong feelings on sex offender registration or the publication of the names to contact the sheriff's department.

The sheriff's department is also asking for information about a dark, full-size passenger vehicle seen near the corner of

2700 Road and Falls Avenue. Anyone with information about the vehicle or the incident can call Investigator Kelly Wilson at 736-4035.

The Legislature made the state's sex offender registry open to the public in 1998. The Times-News has published a list of convicted sex offenders living in the Magic Valley, including photos and addresses, three times - in November 1998, and twice since then. The Times-News was the first Idaho newspaper to print such a list.

Publication of the list has been controversial in Idaho. Advocates say the public has a right to know about sex offenders in their area. Opponents say the list violates the privacy of those on it.

Complaints continue over Jerome beautification project

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Complaints continue to come in to City Hall about the quality of workmanship on Jerome's beautification project.

Still, workers are making progress toward finally completing the \$2 million project - a project that was supposed to be completed last fall.

Downtown property owners were assessed almost \$600,000 for their properties to help pay the merchants' \$360,000 share of the total Local Improvement District bill.

A public hearing at Tuesday's City Council meeting drew no comments for or against the assessments though the city has received some written objections.

Naomi Rose, owner of Rose Antiques, paid a \$3,393 bill for

the improvements and wrote that her old sidewalk looked better than her new one.

"If this work would have been done at home it would not have been acceptable," Rose wrote. "Why should it be acceptable downtown?"

Danny and Brenda Wynn, owners of Mill End Fabrics, assessed \$5,732, complained about the cracked and uneven sidewalk and broken tiles in front of their business. They said the sidewalk design also cost them parking spaces.

Darryl Buchman, owner of Jerome Floral, assessed \$1,866, and Rosa Paez, owner of El Sombrero, assessed \$5,089, suggested the city businesses lost income during construction while the streets were torn up, the city should drop the 10 percent interest to be charged on

Please see **JEROME**, Page C3

Students play; teachers study

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Don't hurry to beat the tardy bell this morning because public school students have today and Friday off while some teachers go to class.

These teachers will attend conferences offered in their home districts and throughout southern Idaho.

But some teachers, like their students, will be off today and Friday. About 80 Twin Falls teachers will attend a variety of local workshops, said Linda Baird, the district's school and community relations coordinator.

Another 80 faculty members are heading to conferences offered elsewhere. Nearly 300 district teachers attend an optional three-day summer training institute and are compensated by having today and Friday off, Baird said.

The in-service programs vary by district. Some districts offer in-district workshops for teachers; the Twin Falls School District, for instance, is offering courses in literacy instruction, courses to prepare students for new high school graduation standards, character education, and strategies for working with students who have attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

State education associations offer a number of conferences from Boise to Pocatello. Jerome teachers, for instance, will head to the state conferences, Curriculum Director Sandra Thompson said. Jerome has offered in-district seminars in the past, but many teachers like to attend the state meetings and felt torn between the two options, she said. The overall goal is to give teachers lessons to apply in the classroom.

"These days are an opportunity for educators to learn the latest information in their fields and also to share what works in the classroom," Marilyn Howard, state superintendent of public instruction, said in a news release. "Each conference may be different in its content, but the intent is the same: improve instruction for the children of Idaho."

State conferences held today and Friday include:

- Idaho Council for Teachers of English, Boise.
- Idaho School Psychologists Association Conference, Boise.
- Idaho Art Education Association Conference, Boise.
- Idaho Association for Bilingual Education Annual Conference, Nampa.
- Idaho School Counselor Association Conference, Nampa.
- Regional Partnership in Education Conference, Lewiston.
- Southeast Idaho Regional Quality School Conference, Pocatello.
- Idaho Science Teachers Association/Idaho Environmental Education Association conference, Boise.

MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

Irrigators win court case

BOISE (AP) - Eastern Idaho irrigators, aggravated by the extremely high retail price they pay for electricity, have won a major victory in their search for cheaper rates. The only question is whether their court battle has dragged on so long that the low-cost power the association of some 900 irrigators hoped to buy over four years ago can still be found in the new atmosphere of escalating electricity costs. "We still believe there is wholesale power available at a better price," said Charles Wheatley, the Maryland attorney who represented the Snake River Valley Electric Association. A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed a lower court decision that Utah Power & Light Co., now PacifiCorp, was immune from the anti-trust allegations lodged by the association in 1996. Judge Donald Lay, writing for

the unanimous appellate court, said the Idaho law that U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnill cited in protecting the utility from the lawsuit does not meet the U.S. Supreme Court standard for providing that kind of immunity. Winnill had originally reached the same conclusion but reversed that decision 2.5 years ago when the state attorney general's office stepped in to defend the quarter-century-old law. PacifiCorp spokesman Dave Eskelsen said the utility's attorneys were still reviewing the decision. "We're certainly going to consider all the companies legal options," Eskelsen said, but for some time the issue has essentially been what the delivery point would be for power the association ships in. Wheatley said he hoped the appellate ruling would prompt the utility to negotiate transmission rights power in a position members, especially since

he said Winnill seemed favorably inclined to the irrigators' antitrust claims had the immunity issue not surfaced. The so-called anti-piracy law was intended to prevent one utility from trying to serve the traditional customers of another utility unless that utility agreed in writing. But Lay concluded that the process for creating anti-trust immunity under that law does not include active state supervision. Winnill had acknowledged that but held that the law was precise enough to essentially be self-policing, which would make active state oversight unnecessary. The appellate panel, however, found that PacifiCorp had swept under the rug a statute that allowed it to "give up its customers, acquire new customers and swap territory - all without approval by any state agency whose duty it is to ensure that PacifiCorp's actions are in the public interest."

SERVICES

Thelma Babcock of Burley, services at 11 a.m. today at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main in Burley. Friends and family may call from 10:10-10:45 today at Payne Mortuary.

Lois Kathryn Fessnacht Silvers of Jerome, graveside services at 1 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery in Twin Falls, Idaho (Hove-Robertson Funeral Home).

Elvira Barlinga of Boise, graveside services at 10 a.m. today, Oct. 5 at Morris Hill Cemetery (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise).

Margaret (Trobee) Schmidt Dickson of Rupert, Mass of Christian burial at 11 a.m. today at St. Nicholas Catholic Church.

Lowell Willis of Boise, services at 11 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly and family may call from 9 a.m. to service time today at the funeral home.

Robert 'Bobby' Willis of Twin Falls, services will be held at 2 p.m. today at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Friends and family may call from 9 a.m. to service time today at the funeral home. George O. Russell of Rupert, services at 2 p.m. Friday at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel. Family and friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today and one hour before services on Friday at Hansen Mortuary.

Edna M. Darland Vosika of Edmonds, Wash., a celebration of life at 2 p.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Robert Miller of Twin Falls, services with full military honors at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Randall 'Randy' Roth TWIN FALLS - Randall "Randy" Roth, 43, of Twin Falls died Monday, Oct. 2, 2000, at his home in Twin Falls. Services are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Gertrude 'Trudy' Law KETCHUM - Gertrude "Trudy" Law, age 84, died of a sudden illness at her home Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2000. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, Oct. 6, 2000, at The Lady of the Snows Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Ketchum Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the care of the Wood River Chapel of Haley, Idaho.

Grace Ladelle Condie GOODING - Grace Ladelle Condie, 66, of Gooding, died Tuesday Oct. 3, 2000, at Gooding Rehabilitation and Living Center.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2000, at 11 a.m. at Demaray's Gooding Chapel. Burial will follow at the Wendell Cemetery. Friends may call at the chapel on Friday from 1-7 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. until service time.

HOSPITALS

Table with columns: MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, Heyburn, Some names have been omitted at the patient's request, Dismissed, Barbara Neilson of Rupert, Hunter Hennegier of Perry Jones of Rupert, Zetta Cole of Rupert

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931, Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next day publication. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



Johnna Mae Peters

Our mother and grandmother, Johnna Mae Standlee Peters, went to be with her Lord on Oct. 3, 2000, joining our father and grandfather, Alfred Peters in heaven. Johnna called Johnnie by her friends, was born March 24, 1904, in Urbanette, Ark., to Horace (Pop) and Cora (Morrin) Standlee. She had four sisters and seven brothers. She was married to Alfred Peters on June 29, 1925, in Twin Falls. They had two children, Alfred, Jr. (Buster) and Shirley Jean. Johnna was an avid gardener and loved to travel. She enjoyed spending time with her family and was always there when needed. Everyone who knew Johnna marveled at the determination and lively nature of someone of such a small stature. She was kind and honest and expected the same of others. Johnna was a member of Eastern Star, The Addison Ave. Club, and a life member of the First Christian Church.

Johnna is survived by her daughter, Shirley Jean Pike of Burley; grandchildren, Frank E. Pike, Gayle E. Pike (Tracy), Michael A. Pike (Audra), all of West Jordan, Utah, and Diana Quastrom (Rick) of Meridian, Idaho, ten great grandchildren, three great-great grandchildren and a brother, Charles Standlee of Kienery.

She was preceded in death by her husband Al; son Buster; her parents; four sisters and six brothers.

The graveside service will take place at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6, 2000, at Twin Falls Cemetery. Minister Dana Drutinger of the Twin Falls First Christian Church will be officiating. Friends may call at White Mortuary Thursday, Oct. 5, from 6-8 p.m. with a private family viewing at 8 p.m.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be given to the Sherrins Children's Hospital, Memorial Fund - Intermountain Unit, Fairfax Ave. at Virginia, Salt Lake City, Utah 84103, or to First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. in Twin Falls, Idaho 83401. Contributions may be left at White Mortuary.

TWIN FALLS

Florence Deal

Florence Deal, 84-103, of 1st Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. in Twin Falls, Idaho 83401. Contributions may be left at White Mortuary.

son, Stanley Dean who passed away in 1992. During the marriage to the late Fred Los Angeles, Pocatello, Bliss, Richfield and Jerome. Mr. Cutright was employed as a station agent for the Union Pacific Railroad for 34 years. He died in 1962. In 1967, she married Guy S. Simons at Jerome where they resided for many years. Mr. Simons died in 1988. She was a member of the Jerome First Methodist Church, Richfield and Jerome chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star, Jerome-Past Matrons Club, Daughters of the Nile, Order of the Amaranth, Social Order of the Beaucantians, and past president of the Jerome Civic Club. She was active in all the organizations.

Survivors include her daughter-in-law, Nancy DeLoe; a grandson Doron (Aimee) Cutright; a granddaughter Julia (Stephen) Emery; a great-grandson Joshua (Stephan) Emery and a great-granddaughter Sydney Cutright all of California. She also has several nieces who also reside in California.

Graveside services will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. Friday Oct. 6, 2000, at the Jerome Cemetery with Reverend Clinton Kimbrow and Chapter 54 O.E.S. officiating. No viewing is planned and friends may gather at the cemetery shortly before services begin.

Family suggest memorials to the Jerome Eastern Star or the Jerome Methodist Church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

BURLEY



Victoria Kerbs

Victoria Kerbs, 83-year-old Burley resident, died Tuesday, October 3, 2000, at the Burley Care Center in Burley.

She was born March 24, 1917, at Burley, the daughter of Joseph Mauricio and Katie Elizabeth Sharp Farrow. She married Vernon Kerbs on June 23, 1935, at Burley. He preceded her in death on April 16, 1988.

Survivors include a son, Joseph (Carl) Kerbs of Fullerton, California; a daughter, Wendy (Suzan) Neumann of Jefferson City, Missouri; and two grandsons, Leonard King of Burley and Maximo Hinas of Westminster, California; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, October 6, 2000, at the Burley First Christian Church, 1401 N. Main. Viewing will be with Reverend Herb Whitaker officiating. Burial will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call at the P. W. Mortuary, 221 West Main Street in Burley, on Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. and at the church from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Friday.

VANCOUVER, WASH.

Nancy Jean Brown Nancy Jean Brown, 51, of

Vancouver, Wash. died Sept. 25, 2000, due to complications of cancer.

Nancy is the daughter of Dan Brown and the late Howard G. Brown of Burley, Idaho. Nancy was born in Portland, Ore., where she was a medical claims analyst with Blue Shield and Blue Cross for 25 years. Nancy enjoyed golf, tennis, sailing, skiing, water sports and spending time with her family, especially the family beach trips.

She is survived by three daughters, Denise of Portland, Ore., Michelle and Jennifer of Vancouver, Ore.; mom had of Burley, Idaho; brother Howard G. Brown Jr. of Foster, Ore.; two sisters Kay Rickner of Aurora, Colo., Mary (Tom) Taylor of Camas, Wash.; three nieces; three nephews and two great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her dad.

A memorial service was held Sept. 28, 2000, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Portland, Ore. Mass will be given to the M.S. Society of Ore., 5901 SW Macadam Ave., Suite 100, Portland, Ore. 97207 or The American Cancer Society, PO Box 471, Vancouver, Wash. 98666.

LAKE HAVASU CITY, ARIZ.



Josephine Maddocks

Josephine Maddocks 81, of Lake Havasu City, Ariz. passed away Sept. 23, 2000, in Phoenix, Ariz. at the Arizona Heart Hospital. She was born Nov. 15, 1918, in Mitchell, Neb. Jo, as she was called by friends and relatives, was married to Floyd Maddocks on April 8, 1937. She lived in Kansas and Nebraska until 1944. Jo and Floyd moved to Twin Falls, Idaho where they lived until 1968. Upon retirement they moved to the Wickenburg, Ariz. area. After her husband passed on, she moved to Lake Havasu City, Ariz. to be near her daughter. She was a resident at the Beckett House for the last eight years until her death.

She is survived by a daughter, Nona Hanson and family of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.; brother Keith McClellan and family in Big Rock, Monticello, Ariz.; and daughter and family of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.

She will be truly missed by her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other family members as well as her many friends. She is preceded in death by her husband Floyd, her brothers Alfred and Shelley. Jo was a member of United Brethren Church in Twin Falls, then transferred to First Southern Baptist Church in Lake Havasu. A graveside memorial service will be Saturday, Oct. 14, 2000, at Sunset Memorial Park at 2 p.m.

Filer residents oppose subdivision

By Mickey Brown Time-News correspondent

FILER - Residents turned out for Tuesday's City Council meeting to tell city leaders they don't want a proposed subdivision in their neighborhood.

Homestead Investments Inc., owned by local developer Crest Hughes, is looking to buy and subdivide 43 acres at 4100 N. 2250 E. If the city will approve rezoning the property from agricultural to residential-ig. If approved, the development would have 32 one-acre or larger lots.

But some nearby residents aren't happy with the idea. "I'd like to know what effect all those septic systems and

wells are going to have on our water table," said Gary Detrick.

Hal Peterson told the council he "moved out of town just to get away from what you're now proposing to allow."

Resident Glen McCormick questioned whether developers had taken into account a petroleum line that is buried on a portion of the land.

Councilman Bob Parent said the council needed to hear more from the public before making a decision on the zoning change request. "I still haven't heard anyone here speak in favor of this development," Parent said. "We need to hear a lot more about this project and from those folks living near by before we make any kind of decision."

The council decided to hold two more public hearings in November and December on the zoning change request.

Other City Council business: The council approved a request from Charlie Stevens to split his acreage at 4022 N. 2200 E.

The council denied Jack Stevens' request to put a small sign on his property to advertise his home business. The council advised Stevens to apply for the required special use permit.

The council approved an easement for the Twin Falls Canal Co.

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Expert urges Idaho lawmakers to wait to see privacy federal law works

BOISE (AP) - An expert brought in from the University of Indiana by business interests told lawmakers they would be ill-advised to enact legislation restricting transfers of personal information any more than a new federal law.

"There seems to be good reason not to act on that fray," Fred Cate, director of the Information Law and Commerce Institute at Indiana, told the Legislature's Interim Committee on Transfers of Personal Information on Wednesday.

Cate said the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act that takes effect next July will accomplish many of the privacy goals behind Attorney General Al Lanza's proposal to outlaw unauthorized transfers of personal financial and medical information.

For the state to do more would impose a costly, unnecessary burden on businesses, said Cate, whose expenses for the trip to Idaho were covered by the Consumer Information Council, the membership of which reads like a who's who of Idaho business leaders who oppose Lanza's plan.

Cate said Idaho should follow the lead of other states and wait to see how well the federal law works before enacting any additional regulations that would make doing business more expensive and cumbersome, perhaps inhibiting interstate commerce and definitely increasing the cost of consumer credit.

"Whatever else you do, focus on educating consumers," he said. "They have enormous legal rights already." Among the problems with that, the state's attorney general's office has argued, is that the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act passed by Congress last year, applies only to financial data and not to

personal medical information sold to those who want it for targeted marketing of their products to likely consumers.

The federal law will allow banks and other financial institutions to share data, other than account information, with outside businesses unless customers expressly say they cannot. But Lanza wants to bar financial institutions and medical service providers, in most cases, from transferring personal information to anyone unless customers consent. While still costly, the federal "opt-out" approach is the commonly accepted standard, Cate said, while the United States has little experience with the far more restrictive and expensive-to-implement "opt-in" approach in Lanza's proposal.

The attorney general opened Wednesday's meeting by praising the committee for considering another approach, essentially

adopting the federal standard but adding the requirement for opt-in approval before financial institutions transfer personal information beyond their own affiliates.

"I think that's a brilliant compromise," Lanza said.

The panel later voted unanimously to pursue draft legislation in that vein.

Meanwhile, some legislators seemed skeptical of Cate's contention that people generally are unconcerned about companies they do business with sharing such information as their Social Security and credit card numbers once they learn the advantages.

He insisted that new federal regulations will be more than adequate in requiring that opt-out notices be "clear and conspicuous" when they are sent to financial institution customers who open new accounts, and annually thereafter.

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Screening prices cut for fair

Hospital helps community detect health problems

By Aaron Brock
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Thinking about having some health tests but worried about the cost? Tests for basic tests that can detect potential health problems have been lowered for the annual Minidoka Health Fair, scheduled from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday at Minico High School.

Tests include a complete chemistry screen, which contains checks of over 20 different systems including thyroid and liver function and cholesterol levels. At the fair, 52 covers the entire test. Normally the price is almost \$300.

In addition, the hospital is offering a prostate specific antigen (PSA) test for \$15 — a test that normally costs \$112.

"The fair just saves the community a lot of money," said Trena Phillips, the education coordinator at the hospital.

Earlier this month, the hospital began offering blood testing from 7 to 9 a.m. daily. Close to 1,000 people have already visited Minidoka Memorial Hospital to take advantage of the tests. They can pick up the results at the fair.

Hospital administrators expect several hundred more people to show up to have blood taken at the fair. They should receive results in the mail within a week of the tests, Phillips said.

Those wishing to have blood drawn for the tests should not eat or drink anything for 14 hours beforehand, she added.

Because most insurance plans, as well as Medicare, will not pay

for tests unless symptoms are present, this is an opportunity to get screened affordably, said Lab Director Ann Lee Owens.

"People don't know that something is going on in their bodies until they are sick," she said. "Without (these tests), there is no way for them to know until (the sickness) is manifest full-blown."

Since the first fair in the early 1990s, fair attendance has increased each year.

"We started with just a few hundred and we were just four short of a thousand last year," Owens said.

In all, 1,200 or 1,300 people are expected to participate in this year's fair.

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Library representatives present information to Albion council

By Mary Lynne Bristol
Times-News correspondent

ALBION — Two people trying to bring a library district to Mini-Cassia appeared before the Albion City Council during its monthly meeting.

Kathleen Hedberg, a library district committee member, and Julie Woodford, director of the Burley Public Library, presented information about the proposal, answered questions and asked what services the city would like from a district.

They also told city council members about a grant they are applying for, in hopes of establishing a district for a few months before an election would

be held to create a permanent district.

In other business:

- Bicycles, skateboards and motorcycles could be outlawed in the city park, under a written request filed by Gwen Montgomery, chairman of the park fountain project. Council members said they would look into the matter.
- Albion Fire District representatives again discussed where a new fire station will be built.
- Lamont Young, a fire district commissioner, said commissioners had determined that land near the old Norma School would not be suitable, because it

would be too costly to bring in sewer and water to the site. He asked for suggestions for other possible sites, saying the preferred location would be within city limits.

- Vacating a portion of Pierce Street, as requested by Ray and Pat Butz, was approved.
- Animal control officer Keith Brinkley said he had checked up on one dog that was taken to the animal shelter in Burley and had been called about another dog, which he was unable to find.

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Idaho man, who throws fish but won't eat it, pleads innocent to federal charges

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — An Idaho man has pleaded innocent to two federal misdemeanor assault charges for throwing a small salmon at U.S. Reps. Helen Chenoweth-Hage of Idaho and Rick Hill of Montana.

The charges were filed against Randall Mark, 20, of Moscow, after he allegedly rushed out of the audience at the start of a Sept. 16 congressional hearing in Missoula and threw the salmon patty, calling Chenoweth-Hage "the greatest threat to the forest."

The hearing focused on the summer's wildfires.

U.S. Magistrate Lelf Ericson

told Mark he must remain in the Missoula County Detention Facility pending a Nov. 13 trial. Mark's attorney said he tried but was unable to find a friend who would be Mark's custodian pending trial. Even then, Ericson said, Mark is also wanted on a warrant in Idaho for a probation violation at the time of his arrest in Missoula, he was on a year's supervised release for an earlier conviction for blocking a forest road in Idaho County. He was supposed to remain in regular contact with probation authorities and remain in Idaho.

In jail, Mark has demanded a vegan diet free of anything

derived from an animal based on his "moral conviction, spiritual belief and social values." He has only been allowed to trade food with other inmates. Some of them have reportedly asked for vegetarian diets in solidarity with Mark while others have complained he is receiving special treatment.

Two inmates objected to Mark's vegetarian cuisine and claimed he does eat from the "meat tray."

They also asked that they be provided with special diets — red steak, baked potatoes and fresh vegetables six days a week and seafood on the seventh.

Crash kills four; alcohol suspected

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — A Jefferson County woman crashed her red Chevy Nova head-on into another car, killing herself and the three women in the other vehicle.

In the accident outside Hamer, Idaho Falls resident Dorothy Suarez, 50, and her two daughters, Beatriz Trujillo, 26, and Juana Bonilla, 29.

All four women died instantly. Bonilla and her sister were both a few months pregnant, friends of the family said.

Early Friday morning, officers responded to the scene of the accident and found that the Nova had struck a Plymouth Reliant station wagon driven by Bonilla.

A witness, who was following the station wagon on the road, said the Nova was headed north while the Reliant was going south. The Nova swerved into the Reliant's lane and the two vehicles hit head-on.

Officers saw two empty 24-ounce beer cans in the back of Suarez's wrecked Nova, Sgt.

Mike Titland reported.

Though results from a blood alcohol test have not yet been reported, Titland wrote that Suarez may have been drinking.

Thursday night, before the accident, police were looking for a red Chevy Nova that was over an hour old, according to a police report. A resident had reported seeing the car weaving along backcountry roads.

Suarez was arrested for driving under the influence in Idaho Falls in 1995.

Mormon bishop enters plea agreement to drop charge of failing to report alleged abuse

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Mormon bishop charged with failing to report the alleged abuse of a teen in his ward has entered a diversion agreement that is expected to lead to the dismissal of the charge.

David West Maxwell, 36, bishop of the Crescent 23rd Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, was charged in February with failing to report the sexual assault, which he allegedly learned about from the 15-year-old female victim several months earlier.

Sandy prosecutors have since reduced the charge to a city ordinance infraction, punishable by a \$750 fine, but no jail time. Maxwell faced up to six months in prison under the original charge, a class B misdemeanor.

The diversion agreement is a common procedure that calls for an eventual dismissal of the charge, said Sandy Police Sgt. Kevin Thacker. Thacker said he did not know the details of the agreement.

A statement released by Sandy City Police said the city

and John Walsh, Mr. Maxwell's counsel, agreed the resolution "is in the best interest of justice."

The girl allegedly told Maxwell in December that she had been sexually attacked by a 16-year-old boy, also a member of Maxwell's ward. The boy was later referred to juvenile court.

Maxwell, an electrical engineer who has been a bishop for 2 1/2 years; went to police in February, but not before talking to the girl three times and to the suspect, according to Thacker.

University of Idaho to test international teaching assistants' English ability

MOSCOW (AP) — Members of the University of Idaho Faculty Council embraced a request by student leaders to have international teaching assistants take mandatory English speech tests before instructing students.

Some students have complained that they have difficulty understanding certain teaching assistants who struggle with English.

Members of the Associated Students of the University of Idaho Senate recently passed a resolution calling for the testing.

Senate Pro-Tempore Kasey C. Swisher told faculty council members that the resolution is intended to correct a situation that is becoming increasingly difficult for both students and teaching assistants.

"We knew we were going to step on a few toes," Swisher said, referring to concerns registered by some faculty members that the original resolution's language was too strong.

Dene K. Thomas, university vice provost for academic affairs, said she has been work-

ing with Swisher and other student leaders on a second version, which calls for testing to be administered in conjunction with classes for the teaching assistants.

The program would ensure a minimum level of ability among teaching assistants to write and speak English.

Teaching assistants are usually graduate students who, under the direction of a professor, handle some of the teaching load of a course.

Jerome

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the city should drop the 10 percent interest to be charged on installment payments on the assessments.

Mayor Dennis Moore said the city is determined to repair any poor workmanship.

At the sidewalks at the corner of Lincoln and Main have already been redone," Moore said. "The rest of the downtown area will be made acceptable or I will personally lead a delegation to Boise to the Idaho Transportation Department (the administrator of the LID project) to protest."

"Downtown property owners have a choice of paying their assessments within 30 days of the adoption of the ordinance or paying their assessments in installments over a 10-year peri-

od at 10 percent interest. The assessment ordinance is being assessed for a second time Oct. 17 and is expected to be adopted Nov. 7.

Also Tuesday, City Engineer Scott Bybee gave the council a report on the current emergency situation on South Lincoln Street.

"Two weeks ago we lost both pumps on the Keebler sewer lift station," Bybee said. "The lift station was inoperable for approximately two days. Tanker trucks were sent immediately to haul the sewage away. There were no spills. Had there been a sewage spill the Environmental Protection Agency would have gotten involved and there could have been a fine."

The city's Urban Renewal Agency has received a \$500,000 grant from the Idaho

Department of Commerce for sewer lines and improvements in the area.

Bybee explained that the emergency declaration makes it possible for the city to begin the process of selecting a contractor without advertising for bids.

In related city business, Bybee was asked to continue to perform the duties of city administrator for six more months and to train Travis Rothweiler who will work as the assistant city administrator for the six-month period and be paid \$3,097 per month. When the six-month period is completed, the city has the option to offer Rothweiler a contract to work as the city administrator.

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Grazing

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Manager Eddie Guerrero had said following a tour of the allotment in the summer of 1999. Often if cows are removed, riparian areas respond within one grazing season, he said.

In September 1999, Guerrero notified Cedar Creek Cattle Co. manager Chuck Jones of Grandview that he was to keep cows out of the creeks within the public land portion of the allotment during this year's grazing season.

Jones assured Biar that he could keep the cows out with regular herding, Biar said. It didn't work, Biar said.

"I have no comment on that entire issue," Jones told the Times-News this week.

Cedar Creek Cattle is owned by J.R. Simplot and J.R. Simplot Trust-Declaration of Revocable Trust, the Secretary of State's office reports.

As a result of the problems with overgrazing this year, the BLM has set stringent criteria for next year's grazing season, including a minimum four-inch stubble height along the creeks.

"Once those thresholds are reached, the cows are going to

come off the allotment," Guerrero said.

But those thresholds are going to be reached quickly in some parts of the allotment, he said. Grazing the allotment may be more trouble than it's worth. The problem is that the terrain is steep in some places, concentrating cows in the bottoms along the creek.

Last year, grazing had left the creeks in Rocky and Timber canyons choked with cow manure in some places and stream banks trampled and grazed off.

"A riparian assessment" by BLM officials — to evaluate the condition of the creeks and the vegetation along their banks — showed the riparian areas were in trouble and on a downward trend, but with potential to recover with proper management.

The creeks in Rocky and Timber canyons join just north of the Nevada border to become

the North Fork of Salmon Falls Creek, and they are part of the North Fork Allotment.

The allotment was transferred to Simplot last year after the company bought out the grazing operation of Filer rancher Gerald Tewes. Last year Tewes said he was aware of some problems on the creeks. Five years ago he had offered to fence off part of the canyons to avoid the worst areas, he said.

The transfer, however, remains under appeal by Hailey architect Jon Marvel, head of the Idaho Watersheds Project.

He contends the BLM should have looked harder at the environmental effects of livestock grazing — particularly in riparian areas — before transferring the permits.

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Cancer

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early stages there is a much greater prospect for a cure, Gilman said. Finding cancer in advanced stages makes it much more difficult to stop because there is greater possibility that cancer has spread to adjacent tissues, she said.

Throughout the month of October, the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital, Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center and St. Benedict's Family Medical Center are offering certificates for discounts on mammograms reducing the cost from \$40 to \$5 dollars. Women may call or drop in at the health care facilities for the certificates. On Wednesdays, the Outpatient Diagnostic Imaging Center is teaching women how to do

breast self-exams.

Breast cancer will be the topic of discussion at a Pink Tea from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Turf Club. Special guests will include Idaho first lady Pat Kempthorne, radiation oncologist Barbara Anderson and surgeon David McClusky who will make presentations and take questions from the audience.

"The Pink Tea allows women to have a relaxed place where they can talk about breast cancer with other women and professional care givers," said Monie Smith, communications manager for the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

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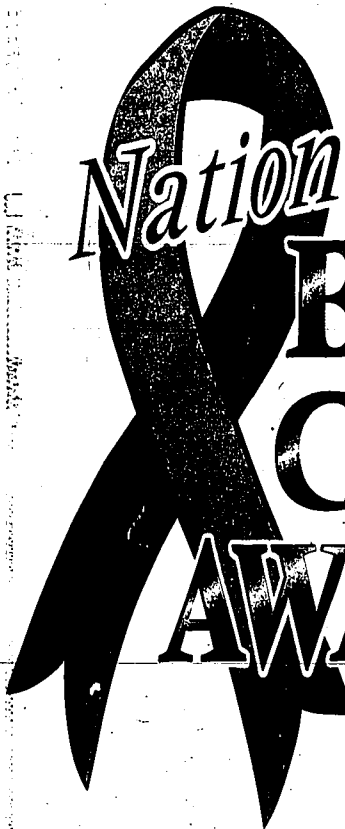
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FACTS ABOUT BREAST CANCER

What is the incidence of and mortality from breast cancer? In 2000, it is estimated that 182,800 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer (one every 13 minutes). Additionally, 1,400 men will develop breast cancer, the most common cancer among women of all ages.

Who is at risk? All women are at risk for breast cancer. The two most significant risk factors are getting breast cancer increases with age. In the United States, a woman has about a 1 in 8 chance of getting breast cancer in her lifetime. The average woman's chance of getting breast cancer is about one in 235 by age 40, our current knowledge of genetics, about 5 to 10% of women with breast cancer have a higher risk of developing breast cancer at a younger age (before menopause), the disease.

Approximately 80% of the women with breast cancer are over age 50. In fact, half of women 65 years and older. Although rare, younger women can also get breast cancer. Mammography is the best known method of early detection. Mammography has the ability to find a small percentage of breast cancers - even lumps one can feel - don't show for women to perform monthly breast self-examination and to have a clinical breast exam. Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation recommends the following steps:
Annual screening mammography for women beginning by age 40.
Women under age 40 with either a family history of breast cancer or other concerns about the medical professional about when to begin mammography.
Clinical breast examination at least every 3 years beginning at age 20 and annually after 40. Men should become familiar with the normal look and feel of your breasts. If ANY change occurs, you should see a trained medical professional.

What else should I know? Until we know more about preventing breast cancer, detection of breast cancer at an early stage provides the best chance of survival and more treatment options. When the disease is confined to the breast, the 5-year survival rate is over 95%. According to the most recent data, mortality rates continue to decline in Caucasian women. However, African American women are more likely to die from breast cancer than Caucasian women. These differences in mortality rates have been attributed to differences in access to medical care and socioeconomic and cultural factors. Early detection is the key to a greater chance of survival and more treatment options.

How to Perform a Breast Self Examination
BSE includes both looking and feeling over the entire breast and chest area. Feeling (palpation) should be done while lying down and while bathing. Looking (inspection) should be done in front of a mirror. The steps can be performed in any order, but each step is important. When examining the breast, and use adequate lighting. The steps are: 1. Look for changes in the size, shape, or color of the breasts. 2. Feel for lumps, thickens or dimples. Report any changes to your doctor. 3. Go for regular breast exams and pap tests. 4. Mammograms. 5. Repeat these steps on your left breast.

Check Your Breasts Using These Steps
At the same time each month, check for any change in the normal look or feel of your breasts. Look for a lump, thickening, or skin that thickens or dimples. Report any changes to your doctor. Go for regular breast exams and pap tests. Mammograms. Repeat these steps on your left breast.

Before A Mirror
Check for any changes in the shape or look of your breasts. Any skin changes, such as dimpling, redness, or scaling. Inspect your breasts in four steps: arms at side, arms raised, leaning forward, and bending forward.
In the Shower
Raise your right arm. With soapy hand and fingers flat, check your right breast. Repeat on your left breast.

Local Facts and Statistics

Early Detection is the Best Protection
Breast cancer is the leading cancer diagnosed in women in America and Idaho. In 1999, 175 women will die from the disease. However, if detected early, the loss of life can be significantly reduced. For most women, high-quality mammography screening should begin at age 40. Early detection is the best protection.
Routine screening mammography is the single most effective method to detect breast cancer before symptoms can be seen or felt. For most women, high-quality mammography screening should begin at age 40. In Twin Falls, Gooding and Jerome Counties had a mammogram last year, which is a significant increase from the previous year.
Most insurance companies pay for the cost of an annual mammogram. Medicare covers age 65 and older. Yet, few eligible women utilize this important benefit.

The facts about Breast Cancer: Free Breast Screening Education Program
Learn the facts about early detection, self-breast examination, examinations by clinicians. This program is offered free to the public through MVRMC Outpatient Services: 526-5265.
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1999 - 2,043 mammograms were performed and 19 breast cancers were diagnosed.
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BURLEY FUND-RAISER



The Burley FFA is sponsoring a poinsettia fund-raiser. Pre-sales started this week and will go through Nov. 1. Plants will be delivered Nov. 29-30 and Dec. 1. The cost is \$10 per plant. The FFA will donate the proceeds from 200 of the plants to the Mike Pollard Transplant Fund as part of its community service. Pictured are Terri Smith, volunteer coordinator; Mike Pollard; and Steve Staley, FFA representative. For more information or to order call Sam Condie at 678-6624.

Miguel loves to play, loves adults' attention

Personality: Miguel has the widest, happiest grin you have ever seen. He thrives on individual attention—something that can be pretty scarce when his older twin sisters, Suzi and Gabby are around. This lovable child is an active boy who loves to rough-and-tumble. He attends kindergarten where he is receiving special education services for speech/language delays. Since being reunited with his sisters in foster care, Miguel is doing better in many areas of his physical and emotional development.

Interests: Miguel enjoys activities that involve water, motion or the one-on-one attention of an adult or older sibling. "Watch me!" is a phrase that you'll hear over and over from this enthusiastic boy.

Needs: Miguel and his sisters would do best in a two-parent family where they are the youngest. They need advocates who will pursue needed services to maximize their full potential. Miguel's energy level demands lots of outdoor fun and a family who will appreciate his need for attention. Adoption assistance is available to support special services for the children.

"Thursday's Child" profiles children awaiting adoption. For

Thursday's Child



Miguel
Age 6
Miguel and sisters Suzi and Gabby

more information about this child or others, call the Idaho CareLine at 1-800-926-2588.

West Magic group plans cleanup

SHOSHONE - The West Magic Lake Recreation Club will meet for highway cleanup at 10 a.m. Saturday on West Magic Road.

The annual women's cook off will be held at 6 p.m. and participants may sign up in five categories: main dish, breads and side dishes, salads, desserts and hors d'ourves.

Judging will be at 7 p.m. and first, second and third place awards will be given. The public is welcome.

For more information, call 487-1202.

Twin Falls woman celebrates 90th

TWIN FALLS - Maurine Westfall Barnhill will celebrate her 90th birthday today.

Barnhill was born Oct. 5, 1910 in Weldon, Iowa to George Westfall and Niva Kline Westfall. She has two brothers and six sisters.

Barnhill married Paul E. Barnhill on May 1, 1935 in Pomona, Calif. They were married for 63 years until his death on April 22, 1999.

They have two children, Fred (Helen) Barnhill of Kimberly and Jeanne B. Jones of David Calif.; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.



Maurine Barnhill

Shoshone seniors plan Elko trip

SHOSHONE - The Golden Years Senior Citizen Center overnight trip to Elko, Nev. is scheduled for Nov. 2-3.

The cost of the trip is \$50 and includes the bus, lodging, fun pack for goodies and continental breakfast.

Payment must be received by Monday. For more information, call the center at 886-2369.

Kimberly Nurseries plans seminar

TWIN FALLS - Kimberly Nurseries will host a free "It's Not too Late to Plant" seminar at 9 a.m. Saturday in the Garden Cafe.

"Preparing Your Soil for Next Spring" will be covered Oct. 14.

Pre-registration is needed for all seminars and workshops. For more information or to pre-register, stop by or call Kimberly Nurseries at 733-2717 or visit its web site at www.kimberlynurseries.com.

Twin Falls pool schedules open swim

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls City Community Pool will be open from 1-9 Friday for open swim.

The cost is \$2.50 for ages 4-12 and \$3 for ages 13 and up.

Twin Falls library sets Friday at Four

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls Public Library will present Friday at Four at 4 p.m. Friday in

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the Storywell Kiva at the library.

Claude Cash will present stories about elephants, a continuation of a favorite chapter book and nutty crafts.

There is no registration, but crafts supplies are limited to the first 25 participants.

Cooking classes focus on diabetes

TWIN FALLS - A series of cooking classes will be offered for people with diabetes and their family members.

The classes will be offered at 4 p.m. on Tuesday and on Oct. 17 and Oct. 24 at the Twin Falls County Extension Office Building at 246 Third Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

The classes will teach participants how to cook with artificial sweeteners, low-fat products and herbs and spices. Participants will also receive recipes, participate in cooking demonstrations and taste food.

The cost is \$10. For more information or to register, call 734-9550.

CSI offers story writing course

BURLEY - The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia Center enrichment program will offer "Writing to Tell a Story in 500 Words" from 2-4 p.m. Wednesday at the center at 1600 Parke Ave.

Whether students are writing family histories, newsletters or budding freelance writers, the workshop will offer techniques to grab an audience's attention in the first few sentences, organizers say. A professional reporter and editor, instructor Sandy Miller brings years of print media experience.

Cost is \$25. Enrollment is limited and early registration is recommended.

For more information, call 678-1400.

Doll making classes start in TF

TWIN FALLS - Doll artist Michaele Rowe will offer classes in the Magic Valley area for beginners who wish to learn her technique of sculpting.

Students will create their own unique 22-inch Santa. Rowe is a member of the Academy of American Doll Artists and has studied the art of sculpting under the direction of several well-known artists, organizers say.

Pre-registration is required and the dates for the classes begin Saturday at the Ceramic Palace in Twin Falls, Nov. 4 at the Homestead Place in Rupert. Printed information on the class and example of the project is available at site. For more information, call Rowe at (208)436-0731.

CSI plans Centennial trail hike today

TWIN FALLS - People age 12 and older are invited to sign up for a hike of the Centennial trail today, sponsored by the College of Southern Idaho Outdoor Program.

Robert Stuart Junior High School history teacher and local historian Ron James will lead the hike, which will follow the trail under the Perrine Bridge. He will discuss the riparian environment, the historic use of the canyon and low-impact camping.

The fee is \$15 per person and the hike is limited to 12 participants. For information, call the CSI Outdoor Program at 733-9554.

Ext. 2697.

CSI offers chance at challenge course

TWIN FALLS - The ropes challenge course managed jointly by the College of Southern Idaho and Magic Valley Regional Medical Center will hold an open enrollment day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

The course is used extensively by business groups, professional associations and teams to build trust, decision-making skills and teamwork, CSI says. The open enrollment day gives people a chance to see what's offered at the course.

People ages 10 and older are welcome to sign up for the \$20 all-day course that includes a climbing wall. For information, call the CSI Outdoor Program at 733-9554, Ext. 2697 or the Student Information Office, Ext. 2221.

Mt. Harrison Quilt Guild sets show

BURLEY - The Mt. Harrison Quilt Guild will sponsor its annual quilt show Friday and Saturday at the United Methodist Church, Almo and 27th streets, Burley.

The show will be open from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday. A \$2 donation is suggested.

Gooding center sets registration

GOODING - The Gooding Accelerated Learning Center will begin its second block on Tuesday.

All students should register the week this week at 909 Main St. in Gooding.

The following courses will be offered during the second block:

From 9:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m., English 11, English 12, physical science and United States history.

From 12:30-3:30 p.m., adult living, physical education, ag design/wiring.

For more information or to register over the phone, call Michelle Owen at 934-4214.

Albion's Hometown Octoberfest set

ALBION - Albion's Hometown Octoberfest this year will be held Saturday in the pavilion on the City Park.

The event will include at 6 p.m., chili cook-off and chili supper. Beginning at 7:30 p.m. there will be a hay ride, baked goods auction, door prize drawing and a jack-o'-lantern contest.

The cost of the meal will be \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Proceeds will replenish funds depleted by the purchase of the public announcement system for the park, organizers say.

Anyone who would like to compete in the cook-off must register with Edie Fitzgerald, chairman, at 672-6280. Contestants will need to bring their own cooking equipment and ingredients. Prizes will be awarded for the top three places.

Those who wish to participate in the jack-o'-lantern contest need to bring a decorated pumpkin. The three age categories will be kindergarten through third-grade, fourth-sixth grade and seventh-grade through adult. A prize will be awarded for the top entry in each category.

— compiled from staff reports

St. Bens plans parenting classes

JEROME - St. Benedict's Family Medical Center plans a series of parenting classes at its Health Education Center, 115 5th Ave. W. in Jerome.

Toddlers (ages 1-4) active parenting from 7:30-9 p.m. first, second and third Mondays, November and April.

Children (ages 2-12) active parenting from 7:30-9 p.m. first, second and third Mondays, October and March.

Divorced and separated parents - Parenting apart, 7 p.m. second, third and fourth Mondays, January.

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Twin Falls County Fair lists awards in open class categories

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County Fair awarded ribbons in the open class categories.

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2nd - Frank and 2 Yearling Does and 2 Does
3rd - Elaine Madson, Cottonwood, Calif.
4th - Frank McGovern, Trenton, Utah
5th - Mattie Crawford, Mountain Home, Idaho
6th - Chiquita Truettner, Geneva Ferry
7th - Barbara Glendon, Geneva Ferry

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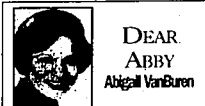
Wife's gambling habit puts retirement at risk

DEAR ABBY: I have just discovered that my wife of 35 years has been gambling heavily for several years. Nearly \$8,000 has been withdrawn at the casinos from our account and hers in the last nine months.

I am a saver; she has been a spender for the duration of our marriage. We could live very well in our retirement if we are prudent now.

She says it's her life and she will do what she wants; it's her money and she'll spend it any way she wants. She does work, but are these fair statements? Will she ever quit gambling?

—HOPEFUL IN KENTUCKY



DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Valerie, Gibson of Cheyenne, Wyo." regarding the kindness of strangers reminded me of a similar act of kindness bestowed on my husband and me earlier this year. We are both in our late 60s.

My husband considers himself an excellent driver, but actually drives like someone watching a tennis match. He constantly gazes at landmarks, left and right, instead of keeping his eyes on the road.

We were traveling along I-75

from Atlanta to Biloxi, Miss., in our motor home when I noticed a piece of metal lying in the road. I thought my husband had seen it too. By the time I yelled, it was too late. He ran over the piece of metal, and it embedded itself under the vehicle.

As we continued driving, we could hear the metal scraping the pavement but did not know what damage it had done. We stopped at a restaurant, and my husband surveyed the damage. The piece of metal had embedded itself in our septic tank, which was a relief to us, as we had feared it had penetrated the gas tank.

My husband worked furiously for about 10 minutes, but couldn't free the metal object, nor could he bend it to stop scraping the roadway. Just when we had given up, several people left the restaurant and noticed our dilemma. One young man left the group and came to our aid, but was unable to dislodge the metal either. He said he lived only a short distance away, and would go home to get a hacksaw. Within 30 minutes, he was

back as promised. He crawled under the vehicle and spent the better part of 15 minutes sawing away at the metal. He finally was able to saw off enough to stop the scraping. Although I offered, he would not accept a cent for his help. He said he hoped if his parents were ever in a similar predicament, someone would assist them.

Even more remarkable about this young man helping us is that he is white and we are black and this is still "the deep South."

—MRS. V.W. BROWN, ATLANTA

DEAR HOPEFUL: Unless your wife is willing to admit that her gambling has become a problem she's unable to control, she will continue to gamble. Most couples pool their finances and decide together how the money should be spent. Her argument that it is her life and she'll do anything she wants, etc. is defensive, selfish and irrational.

You can lead a horse (player) to water, but you can't make her

drink. Unless she's willing to get help for her gambling addiction, your wife could literally spend you out of house and home. Consult a lawyer about separating your finances before she goes through all the money. Please don't wait.

Know the score?
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Did you know that?

A jellyfish is plankton.

Typewriters were invented, constructed and sold in noteworthy numbers 25 years before any typist tried out that gimmick called "touch typing."

Q: Why do we write "A.D." before the date and "B.C." after the date?

WHAT'S WHAT
 L.M. Boyd

A. A.D. - Because the full phrase for "A.D." would read "in the year of the Lord 96," before the figure for the year A.D. 96.

B.C. - Because the full phrase for "B.C." would be "in the year 43 before Christ," after the figure for the year 43 B.C.

The Japanese have the world's lowest incidence of heart attacks, according to the statisticians. It was also a matter of record at last report that 65 percent of them smoke.

According to the syndicators, letters to the personal advice columnists drop dramatically during the Holidays.

That tendency to be easily bored is said to be inherited. Or can be.

Q: What's that language based on notes of the musical scale?

You also can describe a killer as "poikilothermic" instead of "cold-blooded." Do it, and charm your old English teacher.

Far fewer than 10 out of every 100 millionaires own yachts.

A. Solvesol. Understand you actually can hum the Gettysburg Address or whatever.

That portion of your brain called the cerebrum is "the seat of conscious mental process."

Animals without backbones have no cerebrums.

It was the common belief among ancient Egyptians that dental cavities were punishment sent down by the gods. Makes sense to me.

Those who know all about roses say there once was a blue one. About seven centuries ago. An Arabian grower named Ibn-al-Awam wrote about it.

The original Montgomery Ward was a traveling salesman.

There's no necklace on Leonardo da Vinci's well-known "Mona Lisa." But there was. X-ray examinations reveal that piece of jewelry in one of the several "Mona Lisa" paintings under the familiar "Mona Lisa" painting.

"Marlene" is the diminutive for "Magdalene."

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Cars former bassist succumbs to cancer

ATLANTA (AP) — Benjamin Orr, the bass player of the popular 1980s group The Cars who also sang some of the band's most popular songs, died Tuesday of pancreatic cancer. He was 53.

Orr died at his Atlanta home, said Billy Johnson, manager of the musician's current band, Big People. Orr was diagnosed with the disease in May.

Orr, born Benjamin Orzechowski in Cleveland, formed The Cars in Boston in 1976 with fellow Ohio native Ric Ocasek.

Orr sang lead vocals on several of the band's hits, including "Drive" and "Just What I Needed." After the band dissolved in 1986, Orr recorded a solo album, "The Luce," which produced the hit, "Stay the Night."

Recently, Orr had toured with

the band Orr, as well as The Voices of Classic Rock and Atlanta-based group Big People. Orr remained active with the band and had performed three shows last month in Alaska.

Big People will dedicate Friday's performance in Atlanta to Orr.

"They've decided to go through with it and there will be some kind of tribute to him," Johnson said.

Orr had also reunited with his former Cars mates for a documentary titled, "The Cars Live." Rhino Home Video plans to release the production in November with part of the proceeds going to the National Pancreas Foundation.

Orr will be cremated this week after a private service in Atlanta. Johnson said a public memorial service in Cleveland is being planned.



The winners

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 Male vocalist: Tim McGraw
 Single: "I Hope You Dance," Leo Ann Wornick
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 Musician: Hargus "Fog" Robbins
 International award (for promoting country music overseas): Reba McEntire
 Hall of fame inductees: Charley Pride and Faron Young

The Dixie Chicks perform Wednesday at the Country Music Association Awards in Nashville, Tenn. From left are Emily Robison, Natalie Maines and Marti Seldel. For more, please see page A1.

Asner urges L.A. jury to drop death sentence

LOS ANGELES — Ed Asner got called into court to try to save the life of a man convicted of killing a police officer.

The actor testified Tuesday that Kenneth Gay wrote a "wonderfully engaging" screenplay from California's death row, "A Children's Story" won a \$500 prize in a 1994 writer's workshop contest affiliated with the American Film Institute. Asner said, "I was highly impressed," the actor said.

Gay's attorneys hope Asner's words will help persuade a jury to return a sentence of life in prison rather than death by showing Gay can contribute to society.

Gay, 42, was convicted in 1985 of the murder of police officer Paul Verna, who had stopped the car Gay was in for a traffic violation.

His death sentence was overturned in 1998 because his lawyer was found incompetent, but the guilty verdict was left intact.

People in the news

San Francisco events may be throwback to the '60s

SAN FRANCISCO — Call it a love-in, year 2000 style.

Hundreds of thousands of San Franciscans are expected to gather today to sing the Beatles' 1967 hit "All You Need Is Love" in Union Square.

The day celebrates the publication of "The Beatles Anthology," a 560 autobiography published by San Francisco-based Chronicle Books.

Redford eyes California to foster independent films

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — The Sundance Kid is riding into his boyhood hometown to save a 61-year-old movie house.

Robert Redford and his Sundance Film Center want to turn the Aero — where he first developed a passion for the movies, Sundance officials said — into a prototype showplace for independent films.

On the drawing board: restoring the Aero's Art Deco furnishings and converting two adjoining storefronts into restaurants. The city's last independent theater also doesn't have parking lot.

"We think what they're doing architecturally is really neat. But outrageous is the word for parking. We're very concerned," neighborhood leader Doris Sosin said.

— compiled from wire reports

Gladys Knight cancels concert over low sales

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Gladys Knight might want to take the midnight train to Georgia: She couldn't sell enough tickets in South Carolina to keep a concert date.

Promoter Margaret Rush canceled today's show at the North Charleston Coliseum after selling only 639 out of about 5,000 tickets as of Monday. Rush said the cancellation is costing her \$40,000.

Rush said people kept telling her that folks in Charleston tend to buy tickets at the last minute, but sales didn't improve after heavy radio advertising over the weekend.

His death sentence was overturned in 1998 because his lawyer was found incompetent, but the guilty verdict was left intact.

Time to dig deep, Gemini

IF OCTOBER 5 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are inquisitive, are drawn to the written word, possess the kind of intellect required for study of the magic arts, sciences. Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius persons play outstanding roles in your life. You could have these letters, initials in names: E, N, W. Before end of October, burden will be lifted; you'll be free for travel, romance. During November, you make fresh start, will experience a new kind of love.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Hidden resources surface. Confidence builds, you could be contemplating journey overseas. Find representative for talent, product. Reunion is dramatic.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Fresh outlook necessary, high-light independence, creativity. Lunar position emphasizes communication, advertising, publishing. Romance will be idealistic.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Dig deep for information, make answers, not evasions. Financial record of one who would be partner should be reviewed. Marital status figures prominently.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Lunar position highlights legal affairs, public relations, marriage. Be versatile without scattering forces. Keep resolutions concerning exercise, diet, nutrition.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Discover method of getting on the inside of major transaction. Revise, review, rebuild. You're dealing with temperamental Scorpio. Say your piece.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your kind of day. Utilize words as weapons. Read, write, teach.

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Gemini individual makes snide remarks. Ignore them; let fly with a few of your own witticisms.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Music sounds, discover your own rhythm, dance to your own tune. Emphasis on home environment, making peace with recalcitrant relative. Taurus, Scorpio persons play roles.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): What seems to be falling apart merely requires minor repairs. Perfect techniques, streamline procedures, play winning game when necessary. Pisces is in picture.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): No more playing Dec. On personal level, romance stazes. Professionally, you're due for promotion; it comes in surprising manner. Cancer native in sensational role.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You get credit long overdue. People are drawn to you with their problems; solve your own dilemmas first. Open lines of communication; someone wants to talk to you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Shake off lethargy, put aside preconceived notions. Emphasize the new, be bold in your presentation. Leo, another Aquarian will be on your side.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Moon in your Eleventh House represents luck, winning friends and influencing people. Partnership, marital status figure prominently. Soul mate awaits.

Town buys trestle made famous on R.E.M. cover

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Talk about the passion. In a victory for fans of R.E.M., the county has voted to buy an abandoned train trestle located on the back of the band's breakthrough album and save it from demolition.

At a packed meeting that stretched to 1 a.m. Thursday, Athens-Clarke County commissioners voted 9-1 to pay CSX Transportation \$25,000 for the trestle.

Pictured on R.E.M.'s "Murmur" album, the trestle is part of a series of landmarks treasured by fans of the Athens-based rock

group, whose popularity has spread from this college town like kudzu over the past 18 years. The structures "came to symbolize the mythology of R.E.M. and the town that R.E.M. lives in," said 21-year-old Ethan Kaplan, owner of an unofficial Web site devoted to the band.

Kaplan, a student at the University of California San Diego, had posted the e-mail address of Athens-Clarke County Mayor Doc Eldridge on the site, urging fans to protest the planned destruction of the trestle.

"I have been inundated with e-mails," said Eldridge, who supports the preservation. "People from literally all over the world are wanting to help."

The mayor obtained a \$5,000 option this summer to buy the partially dismantled trestle, which sits just east of campus in kudzu groves, along a muddy brook.

Now the commission will negotiate with the railroad to buy the accompanying 1.9 miles of right-of-way for a pedestrian and bike trail linking downtown and the University of Georgia campus. If

the commission does not purchase the right-of-way, the trestle would have to be moved or dismantled.

Kaplan said his Web site had sold about 50 T-shirts for \$10 each since Monday, and would donate the proceeds to the county for the right-of-way.

Bertis Downs, manager and attorney for R.E.M., said the band was surprised by the outpouring, but supports historic preservation.

"We have great fans. It's neat that people care that much about our little part of the world," he said.

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Section E

Solo hunt is special time afield

Everything about the morning was right. The frost on the raspberry leaves. The angle of the sunlight. The clarity of the air.

The dog was working well, ranging left and right but staying close. And I was alone in the woods.

I say that with a mild sense of guilt, the part about being alone. I like people. My job requires that I accompany other hunters often, and I always enjoy those outings. But I know that when it comes to grouse, I enjoy hunting alone more than any other way.

Part of the reason is practicality. Grouse hunting is an exercise in listening, especially in the early season when most of the leaves are still on the trees. You listen to the movement of the dog behind a curtain of alders. You listen for the telltale rush of wings when a bird flushes.

With another hunter along, you feel compelled to make conversation, and simply keeping track of each other requires intermittent hollering. The listening comes harder.

I'm not the only one who feels this way about solitary hunting. A good friend of mine hunts alone in the Wisconsin woods. Other hunters have told him they'd like to hunt with him. He never invites them. It isn't about hoarding territory. It's about hunting style.

We moved through the forest, the yellow Lab and I, prospecting some new trails through mixed poplar and maple and fir. The woods were raucous with color on this late September morning. It was the kind of day when you wondered whether wearing a blaze orange vest was an exercise in safety or camouflage.

Veering off the trail, poking through the woods, we came upon all the familiar elements of the hunt - the occasional deer bed, the leaf-strewn boulders, strawberry leaves moistened by melting frost.

Certainly, too many leaves remained on the trees for good shooting. But enough had fallen that the woods smelled just the way grouse woods are supposed to smell - a little fermented, a little rotten in a pleasant, earthy way. I call it poplar conopseum.

We moved the first bird just 15 minutes into the hunt, down in some thick, low cover. I saw the bird for probably half a second, literally, and I threw a shot through the foliage where I thought he might be going. I knew the dog would find him if I dropped him. But the search turned up nothing, and we moved on, using the sweet scent of gunpowder.

In five hours, we would flush 11 grouse. I saw four of them, took three shots and brought home a single bird. It was a wonderful hunt.

Part of the reason the hunt was so satisfying is that I'm in my middle years, dogwise. The Lab and I have figured each other out and communicate mostly with glances. When we take breaks, I toss her sections of my McIntoshes.

Later that day, the dog picked up scent on the trail and followed it into the woods. The intense snuffing meant just one thing: A flush was imminent. She pushed the bird back toward the trail, where I had remained.

I was aware, watching the bird climb, that this was a classic moment. The rush of the bird's wings beating a soft percussion. The look of the nearly bare aspen. The few remaining leaves fluttering like gold coins.

Unlike the day's earlier flushes, this one unfolded where I could see all of it. When the bird crossed the trail, I heard Dad's old 20-gauge Browning speak once. The dog did the rest, and I stood there in the trail for some time smoothing the bird's feathers, admiring its risset tail.

Everything about the moment was so perfect. I almost turned and walked back to the car. But I couldn't quit.

I put the bird in my vest and looked at the dog.

"Hunt 'em up," I said.

Sam Cook is an outdoors writer for the Duluth (Minn.) News Tribune.

LOW WATER, LIGHT LEAD



Art Hinckley of Reno, Nev., is all smiles after landing this 26-inch rainbow trout under challenging conditions at Silver Creek.

JAMES J. KRUNICH/The Times-News

Fishing in early fall requires a deft touch

By James J. Krunich
Times-News correspondent

It's early fall. The water is low and the trout are spooky.

The air is chilly in the early mornings, when trout fin their way around in slow-moving pools. In most cases, anglers will catch just a glimpse of their dorsal fins. If the light is right, they'll see the rising head of a rainbow as it snatches something from the surface of the water.

Feeding trout are subtle at these moments. They rise gently, barely breaking the surface of the water, then disappear until the next insect drifts their way.

Whatever they're eating must be small because there is no splashing. The fish merely open their jaws and allow the insects to drift in.

In the low light, a discerning eye is needed. It's time to think: What the heck are these fish eating, anyhow?

Closer inspection reveals a few baetis, midges and some caddis, obvious leftovers from the previous evening's hatch. So what are they eating now?

A delicate cast toward the back of a pool sends two torpedoes shooting into the safety of the depths. Wild trout holding in only two feet of water are immediately frightened by any motion from above. It's a legitimate reaction because they've dodged mink, otters, birds and anglers all their lives.

But one trout continues to feed at the back of the pool. There's time for another gentle cast with a small caddis. The fish moves, slowly and deliberately toward the fly but turns away at the last moment. Two more casts and two more refusals. It's time to change patterns.

A baetis is tied onto the



Writer-angler James Krunich hefts a 19-inch brown trout that he caught on a 7x tippet at Silver Creek.

Master class with James Krunich, registered fishing guide

This is the time of year when Idaho's streams and rivers are running low. That fact, coupled with fairly warm water temperatures, means that trout won't feed heavily during mid-day hours. Dining occurs in the early morning, and just before dark. The exception, of course, is when insect hatches occur.

In order to achieve a realistic presentation, it is often necessary for fishermen to dig deep into their vests and pull out light leaders, sometimes as thin as 6x or maybe even a 7x. Depending on the manufacturer, a 6x leader will break under roughly 3.5 pounds of force. For a 7x leader, the breaking strength is around 2.5 pounds.

There's no way around the fact that light leaders make fly fishing difficult. A hefty sneeze or anything short of a very light touch will result in a broken leader. There is no sure-fire method to prevent a broken leader, but there are several

hair-like strands that's easily overmatched by a big trout.

A false cast is needed to measure the distance. Too short of a cast and the line will catch in a cross current and cause immediate drag on the fly; too long of a cast will drop the thick butt of the leader too close to the fish. And these fish are spooky.

The baetis drifts slightly downstream, directly toward the rainbow. The trout moves slowly upward, opens its mouth and sucks in the fly.

Now it's one jump, two jumps,

factors that can lead to more trout in the net.

- **Setting the hook.** This is where many anglers go wrong, because they set the hook too hard and the fish breaks off. Instead of jerking the rod back, the angler should lift the rod smoothly for about 6 to 8 inches. Shorter and more delicate motions inevitably translate into a lighter touch.

- **Rod design.** Slow to medium fast-action rods bend easily and act as mild shock absorbers when tension is applied to light leaders. A slight cushioning effect is the basic goal.

- **Excess motion.** Any movement while hooking or fighting a fish on a light leader must be smooth. Sharp movements generally result in a broken leader and another lost fly.

- **Presentation.** Under low-water conditions, perfect presentation or "dead drift" is essential. By this time of year, trout have seen wide assortments of flies and way too many bad driftings.

Fishing at this time of year can be the ultimate test of an angler's skills. Think of it as problem solving by using the process of elimination. If you're on a losing streak, keep changing your fly and leader until you start winning.

and a speeding run upstream. The glassy surface of the stream is broken.

After a spirited fight, the trout slides into the net. It's a hefty fish with bright rainbow colors along its sides. Now it's time to move upstream, to a pool where the water hasn't been disrupted.

In another hour the feeding fish will begin to lose interest. As the day brightens and the insects thin out, the fish lose interest in feeding. It's time to stow the rods and wait for dusk.

Deer season begins today; elk opens in some areas

Today is the opening day of Idaho's general deer hunting season. In many areas, the elk season also opens today.

Legal shooting can begin at 7:10 a.m. in Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Custer, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka and Twin Falls counties. In Elmore and Owyhee counties, hunters must hold their fire until 7:17 a.m.

OUTDOORS

BLM closes roads into South Hills

The Times-News

BURLEY - With hunting season under way, the Bureau of Land Management reminds hunters that the North Cottonwood and Indian Springs roads into the South Hills

are closed through the month of October due to construction.

The BLM is adding culverts, catclaw guards and gravel in an effort to improve the roads, which start about nine miles south of Kimberly and provide access to

the Sawtooth National Forest. Alternate routes are accessed to the forest are posted.

The roads are scheduled for completion about Nov. 1.

For more information, call the Burley BLM office at 677-6641.

Idaho's Taft tunnel rocks as the crown jewel of trails; work comes to an end

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - It happens every day. Some cyclist asks U.S. Forest Service engineer Larry Shepherd, "Can I peek in there?"

The St. Paul Pass Tunnel is 1.7 miles long - and endlessly fascinating. People who've been enjoying the route of the Hiawatha bicycle trail are itching for next spring when the tunnel - known locally as the Taft Tunnel - will be reopened. Donning headlamps and sweat shirts, bicyclists will be able to pedal through its damp darkness from Montana to Idaho or the other way around.

The tunnel is the crown jewel of the trail, which was named for a former luxury passenger train. The tunnel is the longest of 16 passages blasted into the Bitterroot Range by the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific railroad.

Although the trail has been open for three summers, work is just finishing up.

Shepherd supervises the work in the chilly confines of the tunnel and on sunny trail sides with postcard views. The rest of the project is happening in an air-conditioned office in Coeur d'Alene, where Forest Service archaeologist Curt Sims and artist Grady Myers have been piecing together the area's history for two years.

The tale of the trail will be told on 46 30-inch-by-40-inch porcelain enamel signs. They will feature photographs and illustrations and liberal use of maroon, the Milwaukee Road's corporate color.

One of the most colorful signs, titled "Milwaukee Road Muscle," features Myers' drawings of 10 locomotives. To show the scale of the huge engines, Myers drew a 1936 Buick next to a 4,000-horsepower diesel locomotive. Nearby, a hiker and a biker are pictured,

with a note that the average cyclist expends 21 horsepower.

Workers from around the world were brought in to build the tunnels and trestles. For a panel painting the foreign workers' role, Myers flipped through reference books until he found early-century flags of each of their home countries.

"It was tempted to make up a country and stick it in there," he said with a laugh.

Holding up a photocopy of a sign headlined "Johnson's Big

up to that time; how the mining camp of Grand Forks sprung up and disappeared.

"We didn't know exactly where it was," Sims said of Grand Forks, which burned to the ground three times. "We found a mineral claim with the actual buildings marked on it... and we found a survey corner that still exists."

With a team of volunteers, Sims excavated the site. Based on photos and a map, Myers reconstructed a bird's-eye view of the camp. Railroad buffs, including past and present railroad workers, have contributed advice, memories and memorabilia to the project.

Every story leads to another research question. For example, since interviewing a woman whose railroad family lived near the St. Paul tunnel, Myers has been looking in vain for a photo of the fan-propelled snowmobile that whisked children to school in the 1950s.

Darrel Dewald worked for the Milwaukee Road from 1944 until it shut down in 1980. He's tickled about the signs, to which he donated photos. He also appreciates the work done to improve the trail, especially the effort to keep bikers' feet and heads dry in the St. Paul tunnel.

"They surprised me, that they actually went to that extent. That tunnel leaks so bad," said Dewald.

Shepherd, the Forest Service engineer, said it would be impossible to keep tunnel visitors totally dry. The drips, he said, "are part of the experience."

The biggest challenge in tunnel reconstruction was repairing deteriorating concrete. "It's like a cancer," Shepherd said. "Once it gets started, it spreads quickly."

The tunnel is the crown jewel of the trail, which was named for a former luxury passenger train.

Cut," Myers declared to one of his favorites. It reads: In 1908, a Milwaukee contractor named Johnson needed to blast out a pass through the rock face next to the Barnes Creek Trestle. Blasters chiseled out five "coyote holes," stuffed them with 25,000 pounds of blasting powder, and touched it off.

In a fraction of a second, a gigantic blast threw tons of rock and car-sized boulders down the slope and onto Excavation Camp No. 1 below. No one was seriously injured or killed but most of the camp was smashed.

There's a picture of one car-sized boulder with three workers in front, taken in 1908. Three bicyclists recreate the pose in a 1995 snapshot.

Among other sign topics: How a Milwaukee train rescued families from the 1910 forest fire; how in 1925 the railroad company suffered the largest business failure in the history of the United States



The view from the American Discovery Trail overlooks Washoe Lake near Carson City, Nev. Hikers who step onto the trail in Nevada's capital city must decide just how ambitious they are: It's a relatively short trek west to the Pacific Ocean - or a long walk east to the Atlantic coast.

Just going for a walk across America

Work on first transcontinental walking trail ends

The Associated Press

CARSON CITY, Nev. - Hikers who step onto the American Discovery Trail in Nevada's capital city must decide how ambitious they are: It's a relatively short trip west to the Pacific Ocean - or a long, long journey east to the Atlantic coast.

Either way, they'll see a lot of America on the nation's first coast-to-coast trail - hiking 399 miles along many miles of the original Pony Express Trail.

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all of the trail. But thanks to 10 years worth of work, they could if they wanted to.

The Nevada portion of the trail ties together six state parks and one national park as it traverses 466 miles through the central part of the state. Most of the route in Nevada is on lands controlled by the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

The trail enters Nevada from the west just north of Lake Tahoe, and exits in the east near Baker. It takes the hiker through Virginia City and along many miles of the original Pony Express Trail.

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Nevada and the Rocky Mountains, was first envisioned more than two decades ago by hiking enthusiasts. Years later, the trail, passing through 14 national parks and touching 10,000 sites of historic, cultural and natural significance, finally was completed.

Ed Spear, executive director of the White Pine County Tourism and Recreation Board, said there are high hopes for a visitor boom from hikers and bicyclists traveling the trail.

Two state parks intersected by the trail, Cave Lake and Ward Charcoal Ovens, along with Great Basin National Park, also on the trail, are in White Pine County.

The trail parallels other projects officials hope will bring tourists to Central Nevada. A \$55,000 study recently was completed by the Department of Tourism to explore tourism options in the Great Basin region. "A scenic byway is being considered near Ely, and some Central Nevada residents are pushing an even wider Heritage Area that would run from Austin into western Utah.

Kokanee salmon get helping hand

By Ray Gross
Deseret News

STRAWBERRY RESERVOIR, Utah - Suddenly, without warning, their skin turns red, their lower jaws jut out and turn up showing large teeth, and their mood turns aggressive.

If it weren't so beautiful, it would be frightening.

In late August, the kokanee salmon begin their first and last spawning ritual. By mid-October the spawners will be dead.

After spending a lifetime, which is typically between two and a half and three and a half years, as a silver-colored fish with evenly rounded features, the kokanee undergo an incredible metamorphosis going into the spawn. The male's changes are the most pronounced.

Their skin turns bright red, except the head, which turns black. Their bodies actually compress, and form a large "imp on their backs. Their jaws elongate and hook. There are actually two runs at Strawberry. The first is under way. The second will begin in November and end in December.

Roger Wilson, project leader at Strawberry for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, called this year's spawn the second consecutive "good year we've had."

"Last year we trapped 12,000 fish. This year we're up to 11,000 and the spawn is only half over. On any given day we're holding several thousand fish," he said.

Some of the fish will be released to spawn naturally. Others will be stripped of their eggs and sperm. The eggs will then be raised in a hatchery and released at an imprecise age, which is usually when they reach an inch or two long. What biologists hope to do is imprint the minds of the young fish with where they were released in hopes they will return there to spawn.

"Interestingly enough, it works," said Wilson. "When we use to release the kokanee by the boat

ramps we used to get fish coming back there two and a half years later looking for a place to spawn. When they finally did find their way to a river they were tired and listless. Now we release them in the rivers and it's made a big difference. Now they're so active and full of energy some of them are jumping out of the raceways.

"We have data to show they will actually come back to the very same riffle where they were released and won't go any higher."

Around Strawberry Reservoir, fish are being released in Trout Creek, Indian Creek and Strawberry Creek.

The DWR and U.S. Forest Service have built a viewing area along Strawberry Creek. Along with interpretive signs, there are boardwalks near the river to view spawning pairs of fish.

Kokanee are also spawning in tributaries at Flaming Gorge and Porcupine Reservoir.

Those visiting the spawning beds are being asked to view the spawning pairs from a distance and not disturb the fish because the rate for successful mating for the kokanee in the wild is not very high.

To increase the chance of successful spawning, the biologists will strip the eggs and sperm from captured fish. When eggs are hatched under controlled conditions, the success rate is between 50 percent and 85 percent.

The recovery program at Strawberry started in 1991, following the latest treatment of the reservoir. During the early stages of the program, there were heated

debates over the trapping of the fish.

"It took a few years to get going, and I think people wondered if the fish would ever take to the reservoir. Now we're seeing anglers catch kokanee, and we're seeing a lot more kokanee showing up in our creel counts," said Wilson.

"Right now we're excited about the future of the kokanee. The fish is starting to get quite a following," mostly because the fish are extremely tasty.

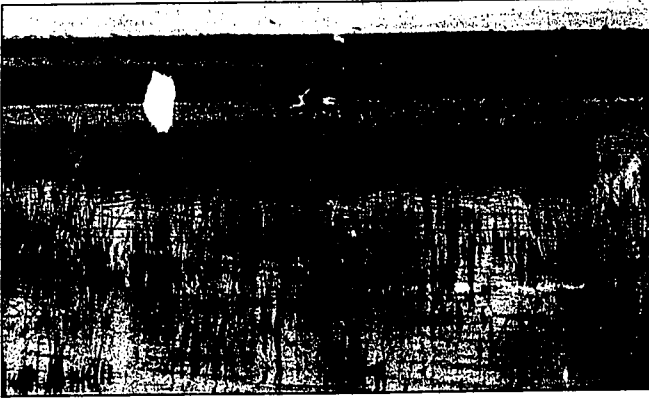
The kokanee is also an aggressive fish who hooked. Some say it's more active than the rainbow trout.

Kokanee fishing has been especially good at Strawberry and Flaming Gorge this past summer.

Wilson hopes to collect 2.5 million eggs during the stripping operation. This number, he said, should be more than enough eggs to meet the objective to plant one million fish next spring.

Wilson expects the river to be wrapped up by mid-October.

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This year's waterfowl hunting season at Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge won't happen. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has canceled the season for the first time ever because of lack of water. With more than 80 percent of the wetlands dry east of Fallon, refuge manager Kim Hanson said that the decision was made to cancel hunting just barely a week before the opening of duck season.

Lack of water closes refuge to hunters

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"The normal drain flows didn't come to the Refuge," he said.

Stillwater relies on purchased water rights - mostly from the Carson River - to flood its wetlands and also receives agricultural runoff from fields in the Newlands Project.

Because of the skimpy winter snowpack, virtually rain-free spring and hot, dry summer, Fallon-area farmers and ranchers have been miserly in their water use, leaving almost no left over for Stillwater.

The refuge has committed to 21,000 acre-feet of water, but more than 13,000 acre-feet are being protested by the city of Fallon and Churchill County, leaving only 7,900 acre-feet available.

"There's water out there. It's just not in the wetlands," Hanson said.

Fish and Wildlife had hoped the agricultural runoff and the beginning of fall precipitation would gradually fill the wetlands, but a flight over the area on Wednesday convinced officials otherwise.

"Conditions are pretty bad out there," Hanson said. Closing the area to hunters leaves it to the migrating waterfowl who need a place to rest up and get a bite to eat during their long journey along the Pacific Flyway.

Fish and Wildlife spokeswoman Randi Thompson said it was the first time the refuge had been declared off-limits to hunting.

Hanson conceded that the abrupt closure would catch some hunters unaware, but said the lack of water in the hunt area left no other choice.

"It also would be unfair to the hunters to have a ser on and not have any habitat available for them to hunt," he said.

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University of Idaho recreation professor Mike Klutzger teaches his students four different paddle strokes before allowing them to practice at Hordemann Pond in Moscow, Sept. 26. The students are in an outdoor leisure pursuits class, and were preparing to go canoeing in the Clearwater River.

Anglers use their ears to catch fish

By Rob Thornberry
Post Register

CLYDE — From the other side of the thicket, the water calls.

The Little Lost, one of dozens of tiny streams in eastern Idaho, is hidden from view, protected by a line of chest-high sagebrush and a tangle of 12- to 15-foot willows.

Unable to see the kinks and curves where small trout wait for water-bound bugs, your ears and your imagination will ultimately tell you if you're going to brush through the brush. Because your eyes — essential to dry-fly fishing — are useless, you must hear the hiding place of trout.

The Lost River Mountains shimmer in heat waves. It is quiet. The nearest angler is in the next county, so you listen without distraction. You're listening for the sound of water running through a pocket of deep water in an otherwise shallow run. You're listening for the sound of an eddy line, the point where fast water collapses behind a rock and creates the resting place for a 6-inch brookie or 10-inch bull trout.

Does water have a distinct tune, something you can grab a

hold of and say "Yes, I understand the meter, the pace, the meaning?" Can you read it by ear, catalog it and use remembered sounds to help you find fish on the other side of these willows? Or is it a tuneless noise that lacks rhyme and reason? You wonder and listen.

It's a delightful game once you give yourself to the music. Nature's rhythms are far different than man-made noise pollution, bass-pounding cars, mindless radio jockeys and whiny coworkers nattering about some injustice. Nature's tune is subtler and more open to imagination. Rivers bubble and gurgle. On big streams, it's tuned out because you rely on your eyes to read the water. Here, though, your ears are paramount. You try to hear if the river is turning, falling or piling into brush.

No bend is the same, so no tunes are exact. Still, you listen because if you're wrong the willows will chew you up for nothing more than the sight of trout-free

water. Yes, it's there. You hear the rush of water from the right and calm rumble of water from the left. It's surely a small fall in the water. And where there's a small fall, there's a pocket for a fish to hide. So you

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plot ahead into the morass. There are no beaten paths, no foot-worn trails that lead you to hot spots other anglers have already found. You're bush-whacking and it seems to come to life in an effort to keep you at bay. Near the ground, broom-sized branches whiplash at odd angles, yet always seem to find your shin with a sharp blow. At the top, the spindly limbs grab at your rod and catch your line as if trying to jerk it out of your hands.

Two steps in and you're already in no-man's land. You stand and listen. Is the tune the same or were you imagining a pocket full of fish? You plow ahead with the sound as your

beacon. Success. The river cuts away from the far bank and runs toward your feet, revealing one spot where a fish is loafing.

It's a two-fly hole. One for the trees, the other for the fish. You don't really cast. It's more a pendulum swing or a flip of the wrist, whatever is needed to cover the four feet between you and the fish. Four, very brushy feet.

The first cast misses the mark and skitters across the water in an unnatural arc. Kneel, twist, flip and the second fly hits above the hole and drops into the strike zone like a perfectly thrown curveball. The fish charges, gulps and disappears. There is no fight. You winch him in before he tangles the line in the brush.

All of 6 inches, he's bait for the average wall hanger. Still, he's enough for a smile and the energy to help you back through the thicket. Upstream and downstream, the river is wide and shallow. There is no hope of catching another fish before fighting the willows.

You retreat, whacked in the calves all the way home. Upstream, you stop and listen. Is the stream playing a fishy song? You crane your neck and listen, lost in the small stream serenade.

Forest Service approves Washington ski expansion

WENATCHEE, Wash. (AP) — The Forest Service has given preliminary approval to a long-range plan that could bring new chairlifts, a new lodge and expanded parking to Mission Ridge Ski Area.

But the Forest Service has rejected a proposal by Mission Ridge's owners to expand skiing outside the existing permit area through a land exchange involving 1,125 acres of state wildlife land.

Half of the land used by the ski area in 13 miles southwest of Wenatchee is in the Wenatchee National Forest.

Forest Service officials began analyzing the ski area's plans four years ago after concerns were raised about piecemeal development on Mission Ridge, said Bob Stoehr, a Wenatchee National Forest planner.

Ski area officials provided the Forest Service with a list of potential projects and the

agency analyzed potential impacts on water quality, wildlife and other recreational opportunities.

The preliminary approval for some of those projects gives Mission Ridge's owners an idea of what the government would allow over the next 10 years, Stoehr said. The Forest Service would conduct more extensive studies as expansion plans are finalized.

Projects receiving preliminary approval include four new chairlifts, a new lodge and parking facilities. Groomed ski terrain would nearly double, to 350 acres.

The proposal rejected by the Forest Service would have expanded Mission Ridge's permit area, allowing skiing to occur to the southwest of current boundaries.

Hunting and environmental organizations have opposed such an expansion.

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The meaning of retirement changes in 2000

The art of retirement

Life has come full circle for Thomas Hovis. He graduated from college with a degree in commercial design and spent 20 years with a major corporation. Now Hovis, 61, has returned to his artistic roots as founder of Art & Frame of Tysons Corner, in a Washington suburb.

After college, Hovis worked in television advertising and promotion and was a sales manager for a typography company. But in 1968, he put his interest in graphics on hold to go to work in the Washington office of Olin Corp. He handled corporate sales of specialty chemicals, a job that involved dealing with government agencies in the field of water pollution.

After Hovis retired from Olin in 1988 at a relatively young age, he spent a few years working as a manufacturer's representative but kept thinking about opening his own art and framing business. A friend suggested that Hovis should first learn about the business by working in the field. So he did, for a year—a valuable experience that let him know he still had much to learn about running a business.

He found help at the Mason Enterprise Center at George Mason University, which assists people who want to open businesses or become government contractors. Hovis attended classes for six months, listening to accountants, lawyers and marketing people.

Hovis runs a commercial rather than retail business, selling primarily to corporate and government clients who need wall decorations for new or renovated offices. "I like to market, to go out and talk to customers," says Hovis, the sole full-time employee. He hires freelance artists to handle framing work. He also spends time networking and is active in the local chamber of

commerce and other civic groups.

Now, four years later, business "is going real good... beyond my expectations," Hovis says.

When people ask whether he's sorry he didn't start sooner, he says he's not. "They say that there is no time and place for everything," he says. "This is the time and place for me."

Boardroom to kitchen

After many years in the same kind of work, people can feel they're in a rut and need to break out and make a new start.

"It's time for me to do something I really want to do," Lawrence M. Zippin remembers thinking about two years ago. His decision to make a new start took Zippin from the oak-paneled offices of Washington trade associations to the kitchen of Equinox, a restaurant owned by chef Todd Gray.

One day, Zippin, who had a lifelong interest in cooking, told Gray he would be willing to work without pay to learn more about the restaurant business. Gray agreed, and Zippin reported to the Equinox kitchen, where he learned to slice, dice and saute like a pro.

"I loved it," Zippin says. "The nature of the work process was so vastly different from anything I'd been used to." The kitchen had its share of "Animal House" humor, he noted, but he liked seeing instant results and the teamwork on the cooking line.

While the work was intense and tiring, Zippin says, "it lacked the sinister intrigue that I found existed in varying degrees in business offices."

Zippin, accustomed to a formal white-collar office atmosphere, worked shoulder to shoulder with apron-clad young men and women from a variety of countries. At 56, Zippin was the oldest person on staff. His new colleagues called him "Mr. Z" and

Another choice for leisure years: A second career

The good news about retirement is that it can last a long time. As we live longer and healthier lives, many people will spend 15 to 20 years in retirement. But what will retirees do to keep themselves busy for so long?

Here the news gets even better.

Many retirees start second careers. Some open their own businesses, expand their hobbies into full-time occupations, or pursue goals and ambitions they postponed for decades.

I recently talked about life after retirement with three

retirees who have embarked on second careers after finishing long periods of service in business and government. I also talked with a man who is a few years away from retirement but has already designed his second career.

Although these three have chosen different paths, they all agree on this point: It is essential for people to think carefully in advance about what they want to do when they retire, and to choose an activity that gives them a strong sense of personal accomplishment.

Here are their stories.

asked about long-ago events such as Woodstock.

From the kitchen — where he worked for nine months, from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. five days a week — it was a short step to the front of the restaurant, where Gray helped him learn the essentials of restaurant management. Soon afterward, Gray made a deal to operate Celsius, a restaurant that will be part of the Sports Club/LA facility at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel being built at 23rd and M streets NW. Zippin will become director of food and beverage, a paying position.

During his first career, Zippin spent 25 years at the American Insurance Association and five years at the Association of Jewish Aging Services. He also was active in several community groups. He retired from the trade-association business two years ago.

"I knew, as a person of high energy, I would not enjoy sitting home watching 'Judge Judy,'"

says Zippin who, in his years with trade associations, had had considerable experience arranging and participating in business lunches, dinners and association-related meetings. "I would heartily recommend that anyone who has the opportunity, who is in good health and can afford it, should pursue what they genuinely enjoy."

From work to plays

During her working years, Terry Paiste supervised writers and editors in the computer division of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. But at night and on weekends, she wrote one-act comedies for senior theater — plays based on themes that appeal to senior audiences, performed by mature actors.

Now, after retiring from her 22-year government career, Paiste has more time to write and is working on two new plays. "Being retired and getting a pension,"

she says, "is like getting your second chance in life. I love it."

Paiste so far has written about 20 plays of varying lengths that have been performed at theaters around the country.

"I love the experience of writing plays about people who are grown up," she says. "The actors and the members in the audience understand the play because of their own life experiences."

Paiste says her royalty checks have been small and infrequent. But, she laughs, "If I were doing it for money, I wouldn't be doing it."

Paiste spent four years in the Air Force as an education specialist. She earned a college degree while in the service, and another as a civilian. When she came to Washington to work at the FDIC, Paiste attended the University of Maryland at night and earned a master's degree in English language and literature. Her husband is a retired computer consultant with his own Web hosting business.

Paiste's first two-act play was "A Penny's Worth of Murder," a comic murder mystery about two sisters searching for their uncle's killer. She is now writing the script for a series of dramatic scenes to be performed in December at Northern Virginia Community College's Annandale campus in a Washington suburb.

"I think if you retire from a job that has been your entire identity and you don't have some kind of plan or goal, something you want to do, it is dangerous," she says. "It is unhealthy. I've seen people who have sunk into depression because they didn't have anything to do in retirement and their sense of self-worth was pulled out from under them."

A plan for the future

Retirement is still four to five years away for DeVance Walker Jr., chief of the division of small-

business services in the Department of Economic Development in the Washington suburb of Montgomery County.

But when the day finally comes, Walker, 53, will be ready to step into a new career as a college professor. Six years ago he went back to his alma mater, Howard University, to study at night for a doctorate in political economy and public administration. His degree, which was awarded in May, will make it possible for him to teach at the college level, and write books and articles in the field of business and public administration.

Walker, who earned master's and bachelor's degrees from Howard in the 1970s, has worked for the Montgomery County government for about 20 years. He strongly believes that people should develop a plan for after retirement.

"Find a profession that you love," he said. "You need to be able to make a transition from your current work environment to a new setting... You should be able to walk into a new setting in a short period of time."

Walker said he decided to plan for his second career after hearing friends who are nearing retirement say they had no idea what they would do. Despite their lack of planning, he added, it was obvious that some of them would need to work to supplement their incomes.

Working will also help him meet tuition bills for his children. He has a son in college and a son and a daughter who are headed for college in the next few years. Walker said he hopes to teach full time or part time at Bowie State College, Morgan State College or Howard, schools with heavily black enrollments.

Walker said he hopes to help African-American students go through, and I think I can help them," Walker said.

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SALES NEEDED Local Sales Manager to represent us at Twin Falls, television station. Send resumes to: P.O. Box 10249, Pocatello, ID. 83201.

SALES Oakwood Mobile Homes currently has openings at 30, Twin Falls, ID has a sales position opening. Home insurance benefits, 401k, stock options. Call for interview at 733-7755.

SALES Reliable, dependable, retail experience a must. All other benefits. Bring resume to: The Impagination Station 837 Poling Dr. Twin Falls, ID. 83301.

SALES Wanted immediately experienced parts person, parts sales, telephone skills, computer inventory, billing. Vehicle available. 208-324-5558.

SALES Expanding dairy equip. co. has only level positions available for service & installation. Mechanical aptitude req. Full benefit pkg. Call 208-738-7600.

SERVICE BRIZE Heating & Air Conditioning is looking for an experienced HVAC Service man. Salary depending on experience. Benefits include: paid vacation, health insurance, & 401k. Bring resume to: 400 Blk. Brackon St. West Twin Falls, ID.

SALES Position available in selling and service of lube & filter contracts. Experience required in mechanical maintenance. Selling personality a plus. Base salary + commission. Benefits include: Vacation, sick to ave. pension plan, health & life insurance. Respond to: Service Sales, P.O. Box 2775, Twin Falls, ID. 83303.

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SERVICE TECHNICIAN Jiffy Lube is now accepting applications for full time positions, some computer experience helpful. Apply in person between 10 am & 2 pm at: 947 Blue Lake Blvd. N. No phone calls please.

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JEROME (8) *****

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ROUTE 518 200-300 5th Ave. E 100-700 6th Ave. S 500 North Fillmore St.

ROUTE 519 100-600 3rd Ave. E 300-500 N. Fillmore 200-700 4th Ave. E.

ROUTE 524 100-200 Blk. 1st Ave. W 200-400 Blk. 2nd Ave. W 200-400 Blk. 3rd Ave. W

Alder Street Date Street

ROUTE 525 400 Blk. East Ave. A 400-500 S. Fillmore St. 100-800 Blk. East Ave D 200-400 Blk. East Ave E

ROUTE 526 100-400 Blk. 7th Ave. E 100-700 Blk. 8th Ave. E 700-900 Blk. Davis 800-1000 Blk. Fillmore North

ROUTE 535 100-500 Blk. East Ave D 100-800 Blk. East Ave H 700 Blk. Fillmore

If you live in this area & are interested in being a Newspaper Carrier, please contact District Manager, 733-0931, ext. 346.

TWIN FALLS (6) *****

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

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

ROUTE 821 100-700 Blk 2nd Ave. E

ROUTE 822 100-600 Blk 3rd Ave E 200-800 4th Ave E

ROUTE 852 700-800 Blk. Carson 10-40 Robbins Ave. 700 Washington St. N.

ROUTE 861 100-400 Blk. DuBois

ROUTE 862 500 Blk. Bolton St. 200-500 Blk. Filer Ave. W 100-200 Blk. Wirsching

ROUTE 865 400 Blk. Addison Ave. W 100-200 Blk. Carey Casa Grande Court 500 Blk. Shoup Ave. W

ROUTE 866 400-500 Blk. Borah Ave. West 300-400 Blk. Brackon St. North 400 Blk. Rosa St. N.

ROUTE 872 900 Blk. Blake St. North 200-300 Blk. Elaine Ave. West 100-400 Blk. Robbins Ave. 700-800 Blk. Sparks St.

ROUTE 876 500 Blk. Brackon N. 800 Blk. Braneocd 400-500 Blk. Fells W. Rosawood Dr.

ROUTE 881 Firebird Circle Imperial St. Monaco 100-200 Parkway 1100-1200 Starfire Washington St. N.

ROUTE 882 1000-1200 Blako St. N. 300-bk Rigway 1100-1200 Sunburst

ROUTE 882 500 Blk. Meadows Circle 1000-1100 Park Meadows 400-500 Blk Parkway Cir 1000-bk Parkway Dr 1000-1100 Twin Parks Dr

ROUTE 888 100-300 Blk Crestview 900 Blk Sparks N.

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EARN EXTRA CASH!

Wanted: Kids who want to make immediate cash selling for the Times News in the Burley or Rupert area.
Ages 10-17
Come join our sales team and have fun working for extra cash and prizes.
Contact: Tammi 677-4042 ext. 114

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TWIN FALLS (7)

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

ROUTE 713
1200-1400 Hills
1100-1200 Juniper St N
1100-1300 Locust St N

ROUTE 719
1100-1200 Blk 11th Ave. East
1000-1200 Blk 10th Ave. East
900-1000 Blk Blue Lakes Blvd.
1000-1400 Blk Poplar Ave.

ROUTE 741
2476 Blk of 4th Ave E
400-2660 Eastgate Dr.
230-2691 Paintbrush Dr.
300-400 Wildbush Cr.
200-500 Carriage

ROUTE 746
1800 Blk of 4th Ave E
400-500 Blk of Madrona
200-400 Morningside Dr
400 Blk of Wakefield

ROUTE 820
100-400 Madison Street

ROUTE 831
200-400 Monroe Street

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GOODING (5)

THE TIMES-NEWS IS CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR INDEPENDENT JR ROUTES AVAILABLE IN THE GOODING AREA.

ROUTE 505
600 Pine St.
1000 California
1000-1300 Utah St.
1000 Nevada
1000 Colorado
100-200 13th Ave. W.

ROUTE 506
1400 Idaho Street
2000 Blk. Main St.
100-600 14th Ave. W.
200-400 Orchard Dr.
1000-2200 Blk. of California
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REMEMBER

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KIMBERLY (5)

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ROUTE 558
300-500 Blk. Adams Street
200-400 Ash St.
200-300 Blk. Birch St.
100-600 Lincoln St.
400-600 Blk. Washington Street

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Mini-Cassia Motor Routes

The Times-News is accepting applications for independent Motor route carrier in the Mini-Cassia area. These Contracted positions are 7-Day early morning delivery routes. The Times-News is also looking for substitute Motor route carriers in the Mini-Cassia area. If you are interested in being an independent Motor Route carrier or substitute please stop by

The Times-News Burley office at 325 1/2 E 5th North (next to Wal-Mart) and fill out a contract sheet or call 777-4042 Ext. 111.

The Times-News

is accepting applications for Independent Motor Route carriers in all areas of its distribution system. These contracted positions are 7 day early morning delivery positions and can earn \$1,000 - \$2,000 every 4 weeks, depending on the route.

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301 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

INVENTOR needs \$30,000 for production & packaging of new Patent Pending product. Will repay \$45,000 in 1 yr. 100% risk free, fully secured by real estate in I.F. Bankruptcy 2 yrs ago sells conventional loan. Could be 3 investors at \$15,000 ea. would repay \$15,000 ea. Call 738-7337.

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302 MONEY TO LOAN

\$5 TOP DOLLAR PAIDS Receiving payments on real estate sold? MERIDIAN now buys mortgages, contracts and notes Direct from the Public! Call 1-800-901-9301 for an immediate quote. (Brokers still welcome to call)

304 INVESTMENTS

PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE Big profits usually mean big risk. Before you do business with a company, check it out with the Better Business Bureau. For free information about avoiding investment scams, write to the Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580, or call the National Fraud Information Center, 1-800-878-7060.

WANTED 82k, for Real Estate Investment, 400K collateral. 208-644-1111.

305 CONTRACTS & MORTGAGES

DRACO INVESTMENT CORP. Mortgage? Contract? Deeds of trust? You want to sell? We want to buy! Prompt & cash offers. We are local & competitive. Call 208-733-8821. R. Todd Blass, President Richard B. Silvers, V.P. T.W. Silvers, Sec./Treas.

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Real Estate Sales

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502 HOMES FOR SALE

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Buy the Guaranteed package and The Times News guarantees to sell merchandise or automotive items in 7 days and real estate in 15 days or we will return the ad an additional 7 days. There is a \$3 extra charge for the guaranteed package. Ads may be cancelled early for customer convenience but the charge will remain the same.

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| 2000 FORD EXPLORER SPORT | Was - \$30,495 Now - \$23,993 Sale price after rebate + Tax, Title & Dealer Doc. Fee of \$119. | YOU SAVE \$6,502 |
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| 2000 Excursion XLT | Was - \$38,825 Now - \$32,243 Sale price after rebate + Tax, Title & Dealer Doc. Fee of \$119. 0.9% APR - OAC, 36 mo. term | YOU SAVE \$4,381 |
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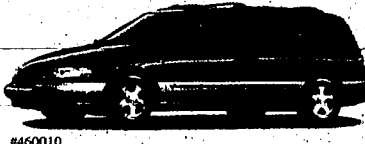


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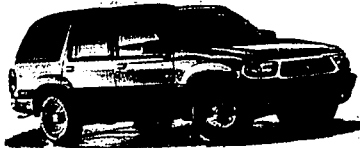


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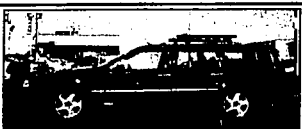
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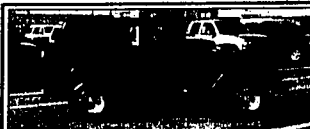
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Grupo Deseo plays in Burley this weekend

BURLEY - Grupo Deseo from Michoacan, Mexico will play at El Dorado 2000 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.
Cost is \$10, but women will be admitted free between 9-10 p.m.
El Dorado 2000 is located at 200 East Main. For more information, call 678-8175.

Bands schedule music at Jerome Fairgrounds

JEROME - Kriska of Jerome, Miller of Idaho Falls and Procyto Musical of Glenns Ferry will play at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Jerome Fairgrounds.

Correspondents needed for Comunidad pages

TWIN FALLS - Correspondents are needed to cover stories for and about the Latino community for Comunidad.

Writers are especially needed in the Twin Falls and Northside and should have good writing and grammar skills. Bilingual is helpful, but not necessary.

For more information, call Pat Marcantonio at 733-0931, Ext. 285 or e-mail at patm@magivalley.com

Social Security office has job opportunities

BOISE - The Social Security Administration is recruiting for several jobs in the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska.

Maria Gonzalez Mabbutt, public affairs specialist in Region X, can provide information.

One of Mabbutt's responsibilities is to assist with the recruitment of bilingual individuals (English and Spanish) who are interested in working for Social Security Administration.

For more information, call



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Fund-raiser set for injured son of Burley family

BURLEY - A taco dinner and raffle will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 7 at the Snake River Plaza in Burley to raise a benefit for Arturo Bernal Junior and family.

Bernal, the son of Arturo and Maria Bernal of Burley, was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident in Camp Pendleton, Calif. on Aug. 4, organizers say. The taco plate dinner is \$4 and includes two tacos, beans and rice. Organizers will also deliver to job sites by calling 678-7571 (evenings) or 678-2224 by Oct. 6.

The raffle will be held at 4 p.m. Oct. 7.

Prizes include gift certificates for meals, clothing, food, as well as movie passes, compact discs, hair products, phone cards, pocket watch, hand-made afghan, movie rentals, pizzas and car washes.

Tickets are \$1 or 65¢.
 - compiled from staff reports

Birthing class set in Spanish

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - St. Benedict's Family Medical Center has offered birthing classes for years. But the Spanish-speaking population in the area is growing and so is the need for a birthing class in Spanish, said Yolanda Macias, a registered nurse and teacher of the class. The birthing class for Spanish-speaking patients at St. Benedict's is a first of its kind in the Magic Valley. And anyone who is Spanish-speaking is encouraged to sign up, she said.

The class covers all phases of pregnancy, including child birth, nutrition, exercise for the expectant mother, exercises during delivery, danger signs, what to pack to take to the hospital, the role of the partner and cesarean sections.

Macias said she uses a lot of hand-outs, visual aids and videos, all in Spanish. She gives the



Yolanda Macias, a registered nurse, is the teacher of a birthing class taught in Spanish at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center.

expectant mother and her partner a tour of the hospital and explains the various pieces of equipment they might encounter during the birth of their child and stay at the hospital.

Interested?

A Spanish-language birthing class is being offered at 7 p.m. Tuesday at St. Benedict's Education Building on 5th Avenue West (just across from the hospital parking lot) in Jerome. If the patient delivers at St. Benedict's, the class is free. Otherwise, the class costs \$6 for the five-week session. For information, call Yolanda Macias at 324-1122, Ext. 3301.

The expectant parents also learn infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Macias gives class participants forms to fill out and take with them when they go to the hospital.

These forms include a fact sheet with their addresses, insurance information, blood types and other medical details as well as common questions they might encounter at the hospital. These forms are designed to help the patient communicate with the hospital staff, she said.

The class will start when enough people sign up.

Try something tasty from Venezuela

I was 8 or 10 when I went to visit my Venezuelan godfather, Don Elias, in Caracas.

I am not quite sure how it was become such good friends; I have a vague recollection that they met in prep school in the States and had renewed their friendship when Elias came to Havana for a visit.

Driving from the airport to the city, I remember going right through the clouds and how I wanted to catch a little piece in a bottle to send back to my Mom. I remember how much I hated that glass of milk Dona Angelina made me drink at each meal. And I remember being lonely and more than a little sad, missing my parents and our lively household.

The neighborhood kids in Caracas were not very friendly, and on a dare I had to walk for a bottle to send back to my Mom. I remember how much I hated that glass of milk Dona Angelina made me drink at each meal. And I remember being lonely and more than a little sad, missing my parents and our lively household.

But no one had to dare me to eat "hallacas" (a type of tamale) and arepas (corn flour patties); one bite and I was ready to for-



Mucho Gusto Viviana Carballo

sake bread forever. Dona Angelina served them for breakfast, and I could have as many as I wished. I loved her for her indulgences that made my time away from my family tolerable. And it made me love arepas to this day. Here is a recipe from a Venezuelan friend.

- Arepas
- Arepa flour or masa harina (cornmeal made of cooked corn) is available at many supermarkets.
- 2 cups arepa flour (or masa harina)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 5 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 cup grated Mozzarella cheese
- 25 cup butter, melted

- 2-5 to 2.75 cups boiling water
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 tablespoons butter and 1 tablespoon oil for frying
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

In a large bowl combine arepa flour, salt and cheeses. Stir in melted butter and 2.5 cups of boiling water. Knead with your hands to obtain a pliable dough. Add more water if necessary; dough should have the consistency of soft mashed potatoes. Divide dough equally into 16 pieces. With wet hands, roll each into a ball and flatten from the center out to make a patty about 5 inch thick.

Heat butter and oil in a large cast iron skillet over medium heat. Fry arepas until light golden on each side. Place in the oven for about 10 minutes, turning once, to finish cooking. Serve right away, topped with sour cream. Makes 16.

Per arepa: 162 calories, 5 grams protein, 12 grams carbohydrate, 11 grams fat (6 grams saturated), 61 percent calories as fat, 0.8 gram fiber, 26 milligrams cholesterol, 270 milligrams sodium.

Viviana Carballo is the restaurant critic for The Miami Herald.

Cuba, U.S. swap cultures

The Washington Ballet will perform in Cuba this month, the men's event in a cultural exchange akin to last year's Cuba-Orleans baseball series.

The appearance at Ballet Nacional de Cuba's 17th International Festival is the brainchild of Washington Ballet Artistic Director Septimio Weber, whose Cuban-born mother moved here in 1959. Septimio decided it was time to swap what the troupe will perform.

New album showcases talent of singer Venegas

She pens intimate songs, expressing fragile sentiments and delivers them forcefully. She is hip, young and self-assured and her latest work has intoxicated the pens of music critics from New York to Los Angeles.

Julietta Venegas' new album "Buenaventura" is an accomplished work that showcases the songwriter's international influences alongside her decidedly Mexican instincts.

She grew up in Tijuana and learned English by watching American cartoons on television.

The after-school funnies instilled in her sense of humor, but they did not change the way she relates to the world. So Venegas writes and sings only in Spanish.

- compiled from wire reports

Billboard lists Hot Latin Tracks for the week

- "Cuando," Ricardo Arjona (Sony Discs)
- "Imaginate Sln Tl (Imagine Me Without You)," Luis Fonsi (Universal Latino)
- "Ven Conmigo (Solamente Tu) (Come On Over Baby (All I Want Is You))," Christina Aguilera (RCA)
- "A Puro Dolor," Son By Four (Sony Discos)
- "Como Me Duele Perders," Gloria Estefan (Epic)
- "She Bangs," Ricky Martin (Columbia)
- "Cuando Una Mujer," Melina Leon (Sony Discos)
- "Por Amarte (Esp)," Christian Castro (Ariola)
- "Secreto De Amor," Joan Sebastian (Musart)
- "Yo Se Que Tu Acordaras," Banda El Recodo (Fonovisa)

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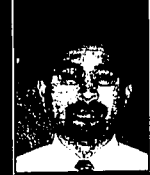
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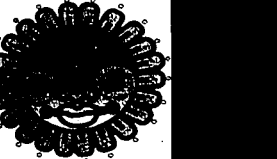
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Kemphorne appoints locals to positions

TWIN FALLS - Gov. Dirk Kemphorne has appointed several Magic Valley people to positions on statewide, business-related groups:

- Robert Erickson of Hailey to the Board of Environmental Health Specialists.
- Thorson of Kimberly to the State Barber Board.
- Greg Sturtevant of Kerchum to the Board of Landscape Architects.
- Stephanie Martin of Glenns Ferry to the Grape Growers and Wine Producers Commission.

Sun Valley Resort owner pays \$80,000 in fines

SUN VALLEY - Sinclair Oil Corp., owner of the Sun Valley Ski Resort, has agreed to pay \$80,000 in fines for failure to report hazardous substances stored at the resort.

The Environmental Protection Agency said Sinclair Oil illegally kept more than 4,000 pounds of ammonia, 37,000 pounds of gasoline and 400,000 pounds of diesel fuel at the Sun Valley Ski Resort.

Failure to report known hazardous substances violates the federal law intended to protect communities from releases of dangerous chemicals.

EPA officials said Sinclair Oil did not respond to compliance letters and also did not report the presence of hazardous chemicals from 1994 to 1998.

Sinclair Oil agreed to pay the fine after negotiations with EPA.

Small high-tech firms can find help at conferences

TWIN FALLS - Organizers are inviting Idaho small businesses involved in innovative high-tech research and development to the National Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Conference Oct. 29 through Nov. 2 in Bellevue, Wash.

Conference goers can attend workshops and meet representatives of leading corporations, federal agencies that offer research-and-development grants, and federal research centers and investors.

Pre-registration must be completed by Oct. 15. Registration information is available online.

Workshop topics include proposal writing; intellectual property and other legal issues; financing options; how to manage federal grants and contracts; project planning, costing and control; and commercialization strategies.

The conference will be held concurrently with the Technology 2000 conference, sponsored by NASA and Boeing, and the Small Business Tech Expo. All events will be held at the Maydenbauer Center.

The Technology 2000 conference will offer workshops on topics such as strategic partnerships and opportunities for R&D, emerging and future federal R&D initiatives, and bringing technology to market. The Small Business Tech Expo is a trade show for small private and public high-tech companies and public companies interested in exhibiting at the show can purchase booth space by contacting DeLaBarre & Associates online.

Burt Knudsen, with the Idaho Small Business Development Center at Boise State University, is the Idaho representative for SBIR, a program that helps qualified small businesses obtain federal grants for innovative ideas that meet the specific research and development needs of the federal government.

For more information, call Knudsen at 426-3870.

Former Micron worker gets sentenced to prison

BOISE - A woman who admitted stealing from her employer, Micron Electronics Inc., will serve four months in prison and four months in home detention.

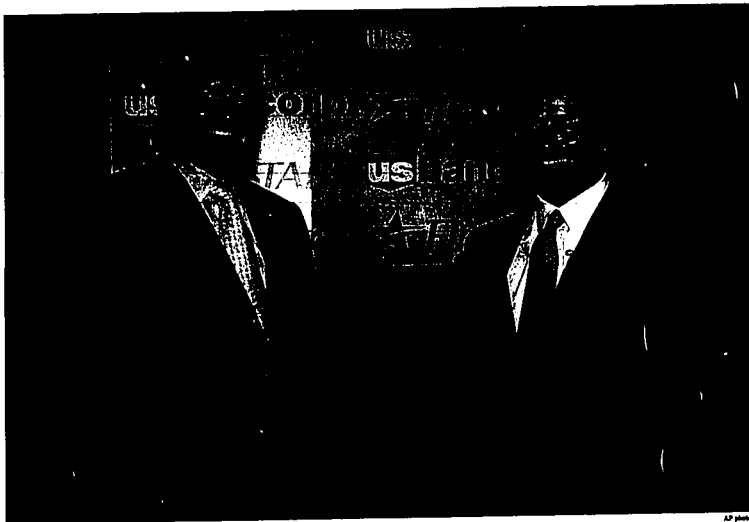
Terra Michelle Yenter, 22, pleaded guilty in July to defrauding the company of about \$116,070. Yenter worked as an accounts-receivable specialist and generated false credit memos that caused wire transfers to be made to her personal bank account and that of a friend.

Chief U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnill also sentenced Yenter to three years' supervised release following her prison term and 200 hours of community service.

Yenter agreed prior to sentencing to forfeit property she purchased with the stolen money. That property included a 1999 Ford Explorer and about \$25,000 kept in several bank accounts.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

All in the family



John Grundhofer, chairman, president and CEO of U.S. Bancorp, left, and his brother Jerry Grundhofer, CEO of Firststar Corp., announced that Firststar Corp. is buying U.S. Bancorp for about \$21 billion in stock. The combined company will do business under the U.S. Bancorp name and be headquartered in Minneapolis.

Firststar plans to buy U.S. Bancorp for \$19 billion

The Times-News
and Knight Ridder News Service

Jerry Grundhofer, the head of Firststar Corp. in Milwaukee, once joked that if his bank and his older brother's U.S. Bancorp ever merged, their mom would be CEO.

Grundhofer, 56, unveiled plans Wednesday to acquire the troubled Minneapolis-based U.S. Bancorp, which is run by John "Jack" Grundhofer, 61 - and Jerry gets to be chief executive.

The \$19 billion acquisition, if approved by shareholders and regulators, would cre-

ate the country's eighth-largest bank, with \$160.6 billion in assets and 2,200 branches in 24 states from California to Ohio to Florida.

U.S. Bank has Magic Valley branches in Bellevue, Buhl, Burley, Filer, Hagerman, Hazelton, Jerome, Ketchum, Rupert, Twin Falls and Wendell. But Firststar has no banking offices nor ATM locations in Idaho.

Although Firststar is the acquiring company, the combined bank would keep the U.S. Bancorp name and Minneapolis headquarters. Jack - who earned the nickname "Jack the Ripper" for his job-slashing and

cost-cutting techniques - would stay as chairman until he retires at the end of 2002.

The stock deal came as an unpleasant surprise to some analysts, who consider the banks a good match but think they should have waited to merge. Others thought the marriage had been rumored for so long that the timing almost didn't matter.

Although Firststar is considered a strong bank with good management and an ability to execute mergers, it has a lot on its

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Micron Technology posts record profits

The Associated Press

BOISE - Computer-chip maker Micron Technology Inc. on Wednesday reported record sales and earnings for its fourth quarter and the entire fiscal year, far exceeding already high Wall Street expectations.

But the quarter that capped a dramatic recovery from the two previous years of red ink did not sway investors, who have driven the stock price from over \$95 a share last summer to under \$50 in the past two weeks. It closed up nearly \$4 Wednesday at \$47.

"The stock price has nothing to do with the earnings," said analyst David Wu of ABN AMRO Inc. in San Francisco. "The stock price has to do with emotions. People weren't feeling very confident the last two months."

The company reported net income for the three months through August of \$726.7 million, or \$1.20 cents per diluted share of common stock, on nearly \$2.6 billion in

revenue. That performance pushed profits for the fiscal year to just over \$1.5 billion, or \$2.56 per diluted share, on more than \$7.3 billion in revenue.

Per-share earnings for the quarter and the year exceeded industry analyst expectations by 20 cents.

"This was a strong quarter and an exceptional year for Micron Technology," Chairman Steve Appleton said in a statement.

A year ago, the Boise-based company suffered a net loss of \$69 million, or 13 cents a share, on revenue of less than \$3.8 billion.

Appleton credited enhanced semiconductor capacity utilization and increased manufacturing efficiencies for the turnaround. The gross margin doubled to 51 percent as a result of reduced costs per megabit for memory products.

Personal computer operations accounted for only 15 percent of Micron's net sales during the year, down from 33 percent the previous year.

And analyst Eric Ross of Thomas Weisel Partners in San Francisco said investor concern about personal computer sales for the rest of the fall were to blame for the near freefall in Micron stock.

"Investors are trying to figure out what Ross said. They're wondering where the market is going. They're very wary about PC demand."

But while concern that the euro's weakness against the dollar and spiraling oil prices will dampen overall consumer demand, including demand for personal computers, Ross said Micron has been aggressively ramping up sales to the communications market so that they could double their contribution to total sales to 20 percent in a few quarters.

"Micron has clearly shown itself to be the market leader, the most profitable in the D-RAM industry," he said. "And yet the investors don't really care if they think the end market is weak. ... I think they're wrong."

Wal-Mart closes its Web site for revamp

Knight Ridder News Service

SPRINGDALE, Ark. - Jeanne Jackson raised more questions than she answered this week.

Jackson, chief executive of Walmart.com, told securities analysts gathered in Springdale the retailer had decided to close its four-year-old Internet shopping site for several weeks.

Jackson, a former Gap Inc. executive, made it clear Wal-Mart Stores Inc. plans to improve the site. What she didn't explain is why it isn't working.

The changes mark the second major overhaul for Walmart.com in the past year.

Last fall, Wal-Mart - which has brick-and-mortar stores in Burley and Jerome - closed the Internet

site and didn't reopen it until January.

Jackson said the revamped Wal-Mart sites offer better reliability and easy navigation. Wal-Mart also wants to be sure it has the right assortment of products available online, she said.

About 23 million Wal-Mart customers had Internet access at the end of last year.

Walmart.com had a little more than 1 million visitors in August according to Nielsen/Net Ratings. That was well behind Amazon.com, which led with 17 million visitors, and was behind retailers - J.C. Penney Co., Sears Roebuck & Co., Target Corp. and Kmart Corp.'s bluelight.com. All

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Utah is worst in nation for pirated software, industry alliance claims

Idaho ranks in top 10

The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY - In the home and at the office, Utah folk lead the nation in using pirated business software, the Business Software Alliance claims, while Idaho logged in at seventh on its list.

The industry group estimates 33.7 percent of the business software users in Utah is illegal, compared with a nationwide average of 25.1 percent.

Utah's rate is the highest of all states, followed by Mississippi at 32.1 percent and Wyoming, New Mexico and Nevada at 31 percent, according to the alliance's number-crunching. Hawaii, Idaho, Florida, Arkansas and

West Virginia, in that order, rounded out its list of the 10 worst for piracy.

The group figured Virginia had the lowest piracy rate, at 16.2 percent.

"One conclusion we have come to ... is that we need to redouble our education and enforcement in the Utah market," said Bob Kruger, BSA vice president of enforcement. He did not know why Utah had such a high rate of alleged piracy.

The piracy rates were computed by comparing the number of computers purchased in each state in 1999 with the number of licensed software programs purchased, said David Fay of International Planning & Research Group, which conducted the study for BSA.

Comparing actual computer and software sales to industry norms is the only way to gauge the extent of the problem, Fay said.

"You can't really survey people and ask them how much of the software they use is illegal," he said.

He said computer games were not included in the study. Only business-related programs such as word processing, spreadsheet or scheduling software were taken into account.

"The findings of the study are a bit of a surprise because it hasn't been our experience that the piracy issue is any worse here than it is anywhere else in the United States," said Nathan Gage, manager of anti-piracy programs for Novell's U.S. and Canadian operations.

Qwest to scale back spending

Phone company says service won't suffer

The Associated Press

DENVER - Qwest Communications International plans to cut capital spending on its telephone network by more than 36 percent next year, but a company official insisted customer service would not suffer.

Denver-based Qwest, which provides local phone service to much of the Magic Valley, plans to spend \$2.4 billion to \$2.85 billion on its telephone network in 2001, compared with \$4.2 billion to \$4.5 billion this year, according to documents filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Qwest said it still will spend more than U.S. West did in 1999. Qwest acquired the Bell operating company June 30. Qwest officials repeatedly criticized U.S. West for under-investing in the telephone network.

"We are on the right glide path (to improve service quality)," said Afshin Mohebbi, Qwest's president of worldwide operations.

Mohebbi said the financial breakdowns on file with the SEC don't adequately reflect all the money Qwest is devoting to the network and service quality. He also said Qwest's capital dollars would go further because the company is reducing inefficiencies and getting better prices on equipment than U.S. West did.

"If anyone asks 'Am I spending more money on (equipment) than the answer is yes. Am I getting more trucks and people on the road (to install and repair phones)? The answer is yes," Mohebbi said.

Last month, Qwest announced it will cut 12,800 permanent and contract jobs from its 71,000-person work force during the next 15 months.

But Mohebbi said the company is committed to improving customer service and can do this despite the job cuts and spending reductions.

Early indications show Qwest may be improving service quality, according to the Colorado Public Utilities Commission. The number of complaints from Coloradans who have waited more than a month for new phone service dropped to 47 in August, from 139 the year before, said commission spokeswoman Barbara Fernandez.

Qwest made an issue of U.S. West's service when it was seeking regulatory approval of the merger, and promised regulators throughout U.S. West's 14-state region, which includes Idaho, that it would pay tens of millions of dollars in fines if it fails to meet tough new service standards.

Consumer advocate Ken Reif, director of the Colorado consumer council's office, said it was too early to tell whether Qwest's capital investment strategy will help or hinder customer service.

"Tracking capital investments in voice networks is tricky," he said. "But as regulators, we've said 'Here are the standards. How you meet them is your business.'"

Overall, Qwest plans to spend \$9.5 billion next year on such things as Web hosting, its broadband network, wireless phones, data services and the telephone network.

Most of that will be spent on faster-growing segments such as Web hosting and other Internet services.

Stock prices close higher, despite angst Family

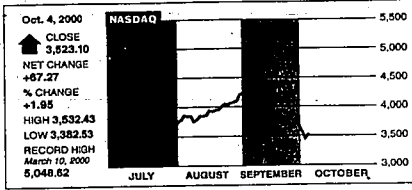
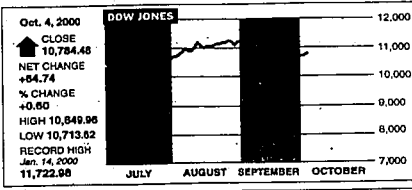
NEW YORK (AP) — Blue chips led Wall Street higher Wednesday, lifting the Nasdaq composite index to its first positive finish this week despite a continuing slide in technology stocks.

Lower oil prices made chemical companies and airlines especially attractive buys to investors looking for less risky investments. However, a profit warning from Dell Computer after the market closed raised the likelihood of a return to the market's losing streak on Thursday.

Dell fell \$2.38 in after-hours trading after warning that it, like other high-profile tech companies, expected to report disappointing earnings. Dell fell 38 cents to \$28.19 in regular trading.

During the regular session, the Dow Jones industrial average rose 64.74 to 10,784.48, giving up ground after gaining more than 120 points during the previous day.

The tech-focused Nasdaq rose 67.27 to 3,523.10 after spending much of the day in negative territory. The gain erased some of



Tuesday's 113-point loss, which left the index at its lowest close since late May.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 7.86 at 1,434.32.

rebound from the overall levels of yesterday's trading in tech stocks," said Bob Streed, portfolio manager for the Northern Select Equity Fund. "This is just a bounce you're getting in some stocks. I don't think these gains are sustainable."

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planned — and history has shown that big bank mergers frequently fail to live up to their promises.

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very profitable bank, sluggish revenue growth and high turnover of senior management in recent years have put it in a vulnerable position and its stock price has fallen.

What's more, the bank has grown so large that its list of potential buyers was limited, said Felice Gelman, managing partner of the New York financial services hedge fund NuNova Capital LP.

In fact, with assets of \$86.2 billion, U.S. Bancorp is larger than Firstar, whose healthy stock price enabled it to negotiate the acquisition.

Unlike some other big-bank chief executive officers, Jerry Grundhofer insists having a bigger bank is not his aim. He wants a bank that will succeed and has assiduously chosen deals where there is very little market overlap.

"This deal is very important because that, layoffs will be minimal," Firstar officials said. "We're going to get this deal right, I promise you," Jerry said during the Wednesday conference call.

If they don't, Jack added, "My mom would be very disappointed." Firstar and U.S. Bancorp said they expect by the end of 2003 to reduce their combined expense levels by \$266 million per year, pre-tax.

Half of Americans expect online mortgages by 2005

WASHINGTON (AP) — About half of Americans believe most home mortgages will be handled over the Internet by 2005, and more consumers have become willing to consider applying for a home loan online, according to a survey released Wednesday.

Despite a continued lack of confidence in Internet security, 28 percent of those surveyed said they would definitely or probably use the Internet to apply for a mortgage, up from 20 percent four years ago, according

to the survey from Fannie Mae, which buys home loans from banks and other lenders to supply cash to the mortgage market.

The survey indicated a "positive shift in people's view of the Internet and their willingness to use it to purchase a home," Franklin Ruines, Fannie Mae's chief economist and chief executive officer, said in a statement. "This is good news as the mortgage industry reinvents itself in the Internet age."

The survey found that many consumers currently view the Internet mainly as a source of information on getting mortgages rather than a channel for applying for one, but 51 percent said most mortgages would be handled over the Internet five years from now.

The growing familiarity with the Internet comes at a time when obstacles to home ownership, such as problems saving for a down payment and racial discrimination, have been crum-

bling, the company said. The booming economy helped push the nation's home ownership rate to an all-time high of 67.1 percent in the first quarter of this year, surpassing the previous record of 67 percent set in the third quarter of 1999.

Fannie Mae's nationwide survey covered 590 adults who recently bought a home and 450 renters. They were interviewed between July 5 and July 11. The survey's margin of error is about 3 percentage points.

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Stocks and mutual fund listings appearing in yesterday's paper contained incorrect information. Today's listings provide the latest data. The Times-News regrets the error.

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Continued from D2. Those businesses also have physical stores in the Magic Valley. "It's ironic to me that they would shut down the site because Wal-Mart is one of those stores you can always find," said David Cooperstein, director of research for Forrester Research Inc., a technology research firm that would close the doors of a physical store for remodeling.

Wal-Mart bought the technology assets of HomeWarehouse.com this week, Cooperstein said. This HomeWarehouse.com's technology is proprietary, adaptable and economical for Wal-Mart, she said. "Hopefully someday it will provide us with a competitive advantage because we can build the functionality we want for our customers," Jackson said. Cooperstein speculated Wal-Mart.com's revamped technology, or the technology licensing it has been using may have expired. Either of those reasons could cause Wal-Mart to shut down the site.

Jackson said the revamped site will be plain, patterned in ways that are easy to find merchandise by looking at signs over different departments. "You will know where to go, how to navigate," Jackson said. "It will be instinctive. You will know exactly, in three clicks, how to buy an item from the toy department, for example." There will be no pretty graphics or high-tech features, Jackson said. For instance, Penney's offers a virtual model that allows women to see how clothes would look on them. Penney's estimates that more than 100,000 women have created models of themselves on its JustMePlus.com site for larger women. Jackson also said Wal-Mart will eventually handle its own fulfillment of Internet orders. Until it can do that, it will continue to use Fingerhut Inc., a Federated Department Stores Inc. subsidiary, and Airborne Express Co.'s Airborne Logistics division to take orders and deliver products.

Wal-Mart.com is building a warehouse in Carrollton, Ga., that will begin to handle Internet orders in August 2001. "We've made the decision to start with one facility and make the thing work," Jackson said. Scott Silverman, vice president for Internet retailing for the National Retail Federation in Washington, D.C., said closing Wal-Mart.com for a few weeks won't have as big an impact on Wal-Mart as it would on a retailer that does business solely over the Internet, such as Amazon.com. "In that case, shutting down your Web site would be catastrophic," Silverman said. The timing of the shutdown wasn't critical for Wal-Mart. He said most Internet shopping probably won't start until about a week or so before Thanksgiving.

Jackson said Wal-Mart will promote its Web site before the holiday season in a newspaper circular that will reach a million households. The circular also will be sent by e-mail to Wal-Mart.com's customers, she said. Angela Aucher of Federated Investors Inc. in Pittsburgh, said sometimes e-mail is the most important way to do next. "But they don't have to be reactive because they're so big and in such a good position," Aucher said. Total sales totaled only about \$5 billion during the Christmas season last year, Silverman said. That is small in comparison to the overall size of Wal-Mart, which had more than \$160 billion in sales in 1999. "We're still really early into the evolution in the growth of the Internet as a sales channel," Silverman said. "I think it's important to keep that in mind when you're evaluating how major retailers, like Wal-Mart, are approaching the Internet. I think they do have the luxury of some time."

Factory orders rise 2 percent in August after record drop

WASHINGTON (AP) - Stronger demand for airplanes and other defense-related products in August after a record plunge. Economists said the report is further evidence the economy is recovering at a slower but still healthy pace. Factory orders rose a surprising 2 percent in August to a seasonally adjusted \$382.5 billion, the third increase in four months, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday. "The pace of manufacturing activity is sure but slowing," said

National Association of Manufacturers' economist Gordon Richards. August's increase came on top of a record 8.1 percent drop in factory orders in July. That government report was the most important since the government previously estimated. The Federal Reserve has raised interest rates six times since June 1999 with the goal of preventing inflation, but not raise rates so high they push the country into a recession. Economists have described this as trying to engineer a soft landing for the high-flying economy.

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