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Saving the sage grouse

Land users, agencies try to increase numbers

By N.S. Nokkenved
Times-News writer

ROGERSON — One local effort to do something about the declining numbers of sage grouse went up in smoke this summer.

The land that burned in the 63,000-acre West Basin Fire east of Jackpot, Nev., this summer included private grazing lands managed as sage grouse habitat. Eden farmer and rancher Rob Rogerson is a member of the

No listing — yet — A2 About sage grouse — A6

Pleasant Valley Grazing Association. The association has been involved in the Shoshone Basin Sage Grouse Working Group, which is attempting to improve sage grouse habitat on the 10,000-acre Horse Creek Allotment in southern Twin Falls County.

The allotment is split evenly among Forest Service, Bureau of

Land Management and private land. But the bulk of the sage grouse habitat is on private land, and most of it burned, Rogerson said.

The incident underscores what sage grouse experts say is the main reason for the bird's decline.

Fire is the biggest threat to the West's declining sage grouse populations, said Jack Connelly, principal wildlife research biologist with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. He and other scientists are alarmed at the decline of the grouse, whose for-

tune is intimately tied to the sagebrush-grassland ecosystem covering much of southern Idaho. Sage grouse is the icon of the wide-open West, the cock of the plains that Lewis and Clark wrote about in their journals, Connelly said.

"It's a part of our Western heritage," he said. "We don't want them to disappear."

The sage grouse's struggles has sparked talk — so far, unofficial talk — of adding the bird to federal endangered species list. The effects of such a listing are Please see GROUSE, Page A6



A masked youth waves a pistol Saturday as he participates in a rally organized by Yasser Arafat's Fatah Movement on the outskirts of Gaza City.

Clinton will attend summit

Knight Ridder News Service

CAIRO — After a marathon diplomatic effort by world leaders, Israel and the Palestinians agreed on Saturday to meet face to face at a U.S.-sponsored emergency summit in Egypt designed to stop their worst violence in years.

President Clinton also plans to attend Monday's summit to the Red Sea resort town of Sharm el-Sheikh.

Palestinian fury

Our central objective must now be to stop the violence, to restore calm and safety, to agree on a first-finding mechanism concerning how this began and how we can prevent it from occurring again and to find a way back to dialogue and negotiations," Clinton told reporters in Washington.

Faced with pressure from world leaders, both Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat publicly appeared to have dropped certain demands that threatened to scuttle diplomatic efforts to bring them to the table.

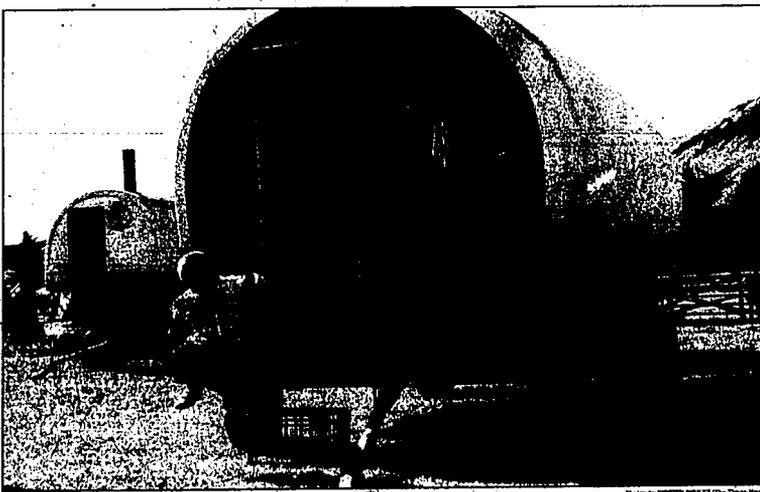
But as of late Saturday there were conflicting versions of whether the two sides had abandoned their prior conditions for a summit.

Most observers, Israeli and Palestinian, remained cautious about the what can be achieved at the summit given the tense atmosphere following more than two weeks of violence and bitter accusations by both sides. Much could still happen in the hours before the summit, said analysts.

Some of the key issues that will likely be discussed include an immediate cease-fire agreement, withdrawal of Israeli troops from Palestinian areas, the creation of an international committee to investigate the causes of the violence, and the re-arrest of dozens of Islamic militants released from Palestinian jails in the past two weeks.

There were sporadic gunfights on Saturday between Israelis and Palestinians, especially in Hebron, but overall the violence was lower than in the previous 16 days of clashes.

SHEEPWAGONS, HO!



Danny Graves leaps from a wagon built by Richfield farmer Allan Laudert Saturday at the Sheep Folklife Fair in Halley.

Sheep Folklife Fair is a slice of Americana

By Karen Bosalick
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Sam Jackson makes 200 appearances a year reclining sheepherder poetry. But Saturday he took on the appearance of an RV salesman as he yakked for six hours nonstop about American's first travel trailer — the sheepwagon.

"The cowboys weren't as smart as the sheepherders," he quipped. "They slept in small teepees that they hauled in their chukwagons."

The setting for Jackson's foray into the past was a park in Halley, which resembled an RV campground, thanks to an encampment of eight sheepwagons sporting characteristic green wooden slat bottoms and 16-oz. cotton canvas tops.

Hundreds of people clambered in and out of them, admiring hand-carved horseshoe-shaped headrests, Sheep Dip Whisky sit-



Tish, a border collie owned by Tish Lewis of Murphy, keeps a close eye on her flock during a herding demonstration at the Sheep Folklife Fair Saturday.

ting on the kitchen table and other personal touches provided by their owners as live bagpipe, fiddle and Peruvian music played in the background.

The slice of Americana was part of the Sheep Folklife Fair, a prelude to today's giant sheep parade down Main Street

Ketchum. The event was started four years ago to highlight a way of life that was important to the Wood River Valley long before ski lifts were erected on Baldy Mountain.

"As more and more people moved here and wondered what was going on, we decided to have

Governor plans visit

Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne is expected to join in the Trail of the Sheep Parade that starts today at noon.

Bagpipers, sheepwagons and the Oinkari Basque Dancers will also join the sheep down Main Street in Ketchum on their way to winter pastures in Gooding. Paratroopers are requested to leave dogs at home, as they could interfere with the working sheepdogs.

A sheepherder walk to view sheepherder carvings on trees will take place between 2 and 3:30 p.m. at the end of the Eagle Creek Road north of Ketchum.

a party and invite them to come out and find out about it," said Diane Josephy Peavey, who founded the celebration.

The celebration has grown far. Please see SHEEP, Page A2

USS Cole investigation grows

FBI agents, specialists joined upon probable terrorist scene

The Associated Press

ADEN, Yemen — With the wounded safe and the bodies of five of the 17 dead sailors back on American soil, dozens of investigators descended on this port city Saturday to determine whether it was terrorists who attacked the USS Cole as it sat in a Yemeni harbor.

Lt. Terrence Dudley, a U.S. Navy spokesman in Aden, said 40 FBI agents and Department of Defense specialists from Washington's Foreign Emergency Support Team arrived in the city Saturday,

Suspects — A13

joining a few experts already in place. Their mission: "advise, assist and assess" a probe that began almost immediately after Thursday's explosion, Dudley said.

"So far, investigators have worked to secure what U.S. officials increasingly believe is a terrorist crime scene. Divers were examining the hull."

More than 100 FBI evidence and explosives experts, including those in the group that

arrived Saturday, were expected in Aden by the end of the weekend.

Yemen almost immediately rejected U.S. claims that terrorism was behind Thursday's explosion, and the Foreign Ministry repeated Saturday that it "does not accept the presence of terrorists on its territories."

Nevertheless, U.S. officials believe it was suicide bombers who blew up a small boat next to the 8,600-ton destroyer, ripping a 40-by-40-foot hole at the water line. Seventeen sailors died, but

Please see COLE, Page A2



Pearl Harbor survivor Buck Weaver, listens to an invocation Saturday during the dedication of the U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation Florence Womack statue at Town Pointe Park in Norfolk, Va. The event was part of Fleet Week festivities but turned into a memorial for the dead and injured from the USS Cole.

FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

IDAHO

(Idaho Extremes Yesterday: High 85° Low 33° Stanley)

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Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday
 Temperature High/Low 50°/24°
 Normal high/low 64°/24°
 High/low last year 60°/18°
 Record high 82°
 Record low 22° in 1960

Precipitation 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday: trace
 Month to date 0.50
 Normal month to date 0.28
 Year to date 4.91
 Normal year to date 7.70

Humidity Yesterday at noon 74%
 Barometric Pressure Yesterday at 6 p.m. 30.16 in.

Pollen yesterday in Twin Falls
 Grass Absent Weak 1
 Trees Absent Mod
 Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho



Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and lows. All maps, forecasts and data provided by AccuWeather, Inc. 62000

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
A mixture of clouds and sunshine. ▲ 60° ▼ 38°	Partly to mostly cloudy. ▼ 38°	Variably cloudy; it may shower. ▲ 58° ▼ 38°	A few showers possible. ▲ 60° ▼ 40°	Mostly cloudy; chance for showers. ▲ 60° ▼ 40°	Clouds giving way to some sunshine. ▲ 64° ▼ 38°

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Breezy and pleasant today with a mixture of clouds and sunshine. Increasing clouds tonight, then times of clouds and some sunshine tomorrow; a shower cannot be ruled out.

Boise: Breezy and pleasant today with intervals of clouds and sunshine. Highs 60-65. Increasing cloudiness tonight. Lows 36-42. Times of clouds and some sunshine tomorrow. Highs again 60-68.

Northern Nevada: Clouds and a shower or two to start, then clouds giving way to afternoon sunshine. Partly cloudy tonight, then times of clouds and sunshine tomorrow; it may shower.

Northern Utah: Today will feature a mixture of clouds and sunshine. Partly cloudy tonight, then intervals of clouds and sunshine tomorrow; it may shower.

Northern Idaho: Clouds giving way to sunshine today; a breezy afternoon. Snow showers around 7,500 feet. Early to mostly cloudy tonight, then variably cloudy with showers possible tomorrow.

NATIONAL EXTREMES

High 90° in Death Valley, CA Low 15° in Altamora, CO

NATIONAL WEATHER

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are rights for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Mon.
Boise	62 40	60 40
Bonnerville Ferry	54 35	56 35
Burley	58 37	60 37
Coeur d'Alene	58 34	60 34
Eugene, OR	62 42	60 44
Grangeville	58 38	56 38
Hagerman	60 39	62 36
Idaho Falls	56 34	58 33
Kalispell, MT	62 44	60 44
Lewiston	58 34	61 32
Malad	58 32	61 37

City	Today	Mon.
McCain	62 29	60 34
Post Falls, MT	64 37	62 35
Portland, OR	66 48	62 48
Richland, WA	64 40	62 40
Salmon	48 31	50 35
Salt Lake City, UT	62 40	67 39
Seattle, WA	58 48	58 42
Spokane, WA	58 36	56 38
Stanley	58 28	54 15
Sun Valley	60 32	62 32
Yellowstone, MT	46 26	48 28

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Hawaiian wins pageant

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP)—Miss Hawaii Angela Perez Baraquio, an elementary school gym teacher, was crowned Miss America 2001 on Saturday night. The 24-year-old said she plans to promote character education during her year-long reign. Baraquio gasped when co-host Donny Osmond announced her name, and she hugged first runner-up Miss Louisiana Faith Jenkins before ducking down to receive the crown and begin the traditional runway walk. Miss California Rita Ng, the first Asian-American woman to win that state's title, was second runner-up, followed by Miss

Mississippi Christy May and Kentucky Whitney Kent. "I'm standing in the top five and I'm thinking of how they pick me out from 51 awesome, amazing, phenomenal wonderful girls who've become my best friends over the past three weeks?" a breathless Baraquio said after the crowning. "I'm very honored and very humbled."



Angela Perez Baraquio

Cole

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 only five bodies had been recovered. Those five arrived back in the United States on Saturday, landing at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware after a flight from Germany. Two bodies were still in the ship, visible but stuck in the twisted steel wreckage. Navy officials said the bodies of the 10 missing sailors were presumed to

also be amid the wreckage inside the ship. Western diplomats in Yemen said the explosion seemed to be the work of a well-organized group with good connections in the port of Aden. If terrorism is proven, it would be the deadliest such attack on the U.S. military since the bombing of an Air Force barracks in Saudi Arabia in 1996 that killed 19.

Sheep

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 beyond the locals, though. This year's roster of visitors includes a Welsh sheep rancher, a woman from Austin, Texas, and a woman from Brooklyn, N.Y., who said she knew how far from home she was when she heard Jackson recite his b-a-a-a poetry. Jackson, who tucks his gray wool shirt in between two red suspenders and his white hair underneath a straw-colored cowboy hat, lived in a sheep wagon for 30 years from the time he was 11. Sheep ranchers and lumber companies built thousands of sheep wagons during their heyday. Even Studebaker manufactured them between 1902 and 1913, selling them for \$115 each, he said. "No one knows where the design came from. Perhaps from a sailor who modeled them after a ship where they were used to putting a lot of things in a little space," said Jackson, who retired in 1996 from INEEL. Jackson, who now lives in a two-story stockade log home in the Lost River Valley, restored one for nostalgia's sake. He had scarcely tightened down the canvas top on that one than he had people clamoring for their own. He sells each for about \$14,000. Among his clients: Mohammed

al Fayed, who sips wine in the sheepwagon parked in the yard of his Sun Valley home and a Silicon Valley multi-millionaire who bought seven to give away as Christmas presents. While Jackson talked, Richfield caterer Allen Laudert had no trouble luring festival-goers to the "roomier" sheepwagon he built from scratch. Not with the aroma of four Dutch oven sourdough loaves and a plump rack of lamb seasoned with rosemary baking over the coals. "That's the biggest biscuits I've ever seen," said Ketchum resident Jim Vaisey, as he helped himself to a sample. Jackson said he ate mutton and biscuits every day while herding. He'd kill a sheep, hang it out at night, slice off what he needed for the day and wrap the rest in a quilt and stick it in his bed to keep it cool during the day. "It would keep for a good 20 days," he said. "There's no comparison between fresh cut lamb like that and the New Zealand lamb people buy in the supermarkets that's been frozen for half a year."

Officials don't plan for sage grouse listing - yet

By N.S. Nakkattved Times-News writer
 TWIN FALLS — Early in the morning in the spring, they gather in the clearing among the sagebrush. The weird plopping sound comes from olive-green air sacs on the front of the puffed-up males. It is part of the mating dance of the male sage grouse — their spiked tail feathers fanned in a fan — trying to attract females. This was once a common occurrence throughout southern Idaho's sagebrush grasslands. But since the 1980s, the gray-brown bird has been in decline. If the numbers continue to decline, the sage grouse could wind up on the endangered species list. That could affect a range of activity on public lands, bring federal money to states for grouse recovery — and, as with spotted owl and salmon protection, thrust public land users into the unknown. Environmentalists already have petitioned the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to list sage grouse in Washington and the Gunnison sage grouse in Colorado. In Canada, sage grouse are listed as endangered in Alberta and Saskatchewan. Talk of listing the sage grouse has been looming for several years. But no listing has yet been petitioned in Idaho. The problem, says Mark Salvo of the American Lands Alliance in Portland, Ore., is that federal land managers have largely ignored sage grouse in land management plans. "You really have to change the management scheme, sometimes dramatically," he said. The spotted owl of Pacific Northwest old growth forests, the sage grouse is an indicator of the condition of the sagebrush-grassland ecosystem. "It's what we are doing to the habitat," Salvo said. Agriculture, herbicides, pesticides, grazing, mining, off-road vehicles, urban sprawl, road utility corridors, fences and fires have fragmented and degraded the habitat that sage grouse and other species depend on. As many as 2 million sage grouse are estimated to have inhabited the West when Lewis and Clark first saw them: The population now is estimated at about 140,000.

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NATION

Ship bombing freezes campaign

Bush, Gore add foreign policy to campaign issues

DETROIT (AP) — With sad eyes, Kathy Jackson gazes at a bank of newspapers, books and their screaming headlines. Detroit Free Press: "Day of Violence." Detroit News: "U.S. vows to end act of terrorism."

The Lansing store clerk points to the murderous row of headlines and says, "That is what I'm thinking about today. Not politics, for God's sake."

Dramatic news overflows from the presidential campaign, if only briefly, as Democrat Al Gore and Republican George W. Bush struggled to incorporate these events into campaign strategy typically reserved for domestic issues.

Jackson's stunned sentiment was echoed by two dozen undecided voters in Michigan, a state so important in the presidential race that Bush visited Thursday and Friday while Vice President Gore campaigned here Saturday and planned to return Wednesday.

The suicide bombing of the USS Cole in Yemen and tensions between Israel and Palestinians captured the attention of voters just as the candidates tried to gain momentum from the second of three debates. The final face-off is Tuesday in St. Louis, where the twin crises and a town hall format are expected to mute the candidates' attacks. "The events overtook the race," said Bush strategist Karl Rove, whose candidate had been gaining on Gore in



Democratic presidential candidate Vice President Al Gore rallies supporters in Detroit Saturday.

several key states, including this one. The popular vote has been close in the national polls. One poll out Saturday showed the race close, another gave Bush an edge.

With less than a month until Election Day, the candidates and their strategists are obliged to plug away whether the public is glued to the race or not. Bush and Gore stuck dutifully to their campaign messages while layering a foreign policy theme into each day's activities, knowing that was the only way to get attention.

Bush discussed cancer research in Grand Rapids and energy policy in Pontiac, warning auto workers that a Gore administration would cost them jobs. The vice president tried to gain traction with attacks on Bush's record as Texas governor.

"You can see my opponent's priorities by what he has done in five-and-a-half years as governor of Texas," Gore said Saturday, telling several thousand supporters in an outdoor rally in Detroit that one in 10 uninsured children in America live in Texas.

Behind the scenes, Bush tweaked his electoral strategy and Gore overhauled his. The vice president has lowered his sights, citing a stiffer-than-expected challenge from Bush and the GOP's huge spending advantage.

Gore's original electoral map blueprint print had him competing in nearly two dozen states, giving his campaign a comfort zone that would put him well past the 270 electoral votes needed to win. But now he's shifting resources from some of the second-tier tar-

gets to the must-win states, giving him less room for error.

Gore is reducing his ad spending by about one third in Ohio and nearly half in Louisiana, where his campaign has spent millions of dollars but which are not vital to his plan to win the White House. The Democratic National Committee pulled its ads out of both states.

The shift allows Gore to pump up spending in a swath of his top-tier states, including Michigan, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Washington, Maine and Iowa, as he increases his overall ad spending to more than \$5 million next week.

Clinton heads West as Mideast heats up

DENVER (AP) — President Clinton took a brief break from intense Middle East problems Saturday to head for the Rockies and on to the West Coast, campaigning for Vice President Al Gore and raising dollars for the

Democratic party at western political events in Denver and Seattle.

Clinton also kept the government running for another week to give Congress more time to work on passage of a new budget.

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Gore camp succumbs to GOP attacks

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Caught by surprise by the effectiveness of Republican attacks, Vice President Al Gore's top strategists in recent days have engaged in sharp disputes over how to better position the candidate and to counter allegations that Gore is an untrustworthy, big-government liberal.

The strength of Texas Gov. George W. Bush's challenges to Gore's character and ideological leanings have angered Gore and his campaign chairman, William Daley. Both have voiced discontent with the team of top-dollar consultants and advisers, questioning why Gore has been forced to defend his personal credibility and centrist credentials this late in the contest, according to sources.

The conflicts among the consultants and advisers have turned into occasional shouting matches and some backbiting as they struggle to develop a coherent strategy in the face of criticism from prominent Democrats outside the campaign.

Daley played down the controversies. He contended that they were a normal and essential part of a campaign when the race is close and the election is less than a month away. "We want these people to be differing and debating," he said. "This has not risen to the level of dissention or disagreement. It's the typical differences that go on in a campaign."

The disputes, according to sources familiar with them, have focused whether the campaign should stress Gore's targeted tax

Bush shows Teflon - A-5

cut initiatives or focus on the potential problems in Bush's much larger tax cut, whether Gore should be restrained or aggressive in his debate style and whether the campaign's response to Bush attacks has been fast enough and adequately coordinated with other Democratic officials and candidates.

These issues have pitted pollster-strategist Stan Greenberg

against debate adviser Paul Begala and media consultant Bob Shrum. After one blowup, Greenberg and Shrum, who are partners in various overseas political consulting activities, made peace by taking a long walk and smoking cigars, according to a campaign aide.

Begala, in turn, angrily fought those pushing Gore to apologize for alleged exaggerations and inaccuracies, contending that Gore had done nothing to warrant an apology.

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NATION

A short circuit causes a delay in space

Astronauts install space station segment despite problems

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle Discovery's astronauts successfully attached a new segment to the international space station on Saturday despite a short circuit that knocked out critical visual equipment.

The shuttle's robot arm operator, Japanese astronaut Koichi Wakata, installed the girderlike truss after more than three hours of anxious delay.

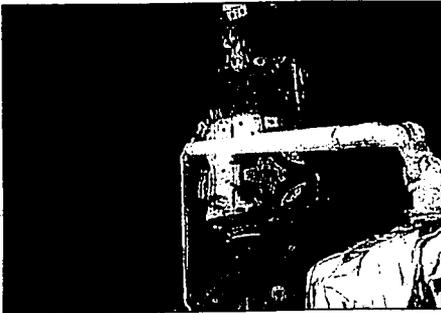
Flight controllers applauded when the pieces finally came together. "Good work," Mission Control said.

The electrical short not only dragged out the first construction job of the mission, it made it more difficult.

The short occurred as Wakata was preparing to latch onto the truss in the shuttle cargo bay and lift it into the space station.

"What timing, huh?" observed commander Brian Duffy.

It was the second equipment problem to strike the mission. The shuttle's main antenna broke without warning last week and forced Duffy to dock with the space station Friday without the benefit of radar, a



In this view from television, the space shuttle Discovery's robot arm prepares to lift the truss component from the shuttle's cargo bay after a successful grapple Saturday. The truss will serve as the base for a solar-powered electrical generator once it is attached to the International space station.

space shuttle first. "Unbelievable," Duffy said following Saturday's trouble. The short disabled a computerized vision system and a camera in the shuttle cargo bay.

Per Mission Control's instructions, the astronauts quickly replaced electronic components for the vision system. There was nothing they could do, however, about the lost camera.

Once the vision system was restored, Wakata grappled the boxy 18,000-pound truss with the shuttle robot arm.

He raised the truss out of the cargo bay and, after a long series of checks, deftly attached it to the space station's Unity module.

The computerized vision system was crucial since Wakata did not have a direct line of

sight from the shuttle cockpit for precise alignment. It's essentially a connect-the-dots system.

Even before Saturday's trouble, astronaut Michael Lopez-Alegria had planned to observe the installation of the truss through a space station port-hole.

The lost camera made his eyes all the more valuable. He had to use a flashlight to see out the window in the darkness. The truss, an aluminum framework about 15 feet square, contains four motion-control gyroscopes and two antennas.

It will serve as the mount for an electricity-generating solar panel that will be installed in December by the next shuttle crew.

On Sunday, two spacewalking astronauts will go out to connect the cables between the truss and the Unity module. It is the first of four spacewalks planned for the mission.

And on Monday, a docking port will be attached to the space station, to be used for future shuttle visits.

This is NASA's first space station construction mission since the initial components were launched in 1998.

It must be completed before the station's first permanent crew can lift off aboard a Russian rocket on Oct. 30.

Americans' pills cost less money in Europe

'Reimportation bill' may ease the crunch

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mary Lanphear is pinning her hopes on a soon-to-be-enacted law that allows U.S.-made drugs sold cheaper overseas to be brought back to the United States for resale. At 76, she spends hundreds of dollars each month for the 11 medications she needs.

"I sure hope that it does something for us people," Lanphear said. "It seems kind of ridiculous that we have to go to Canada to buy medication."

Lanphear, who lives in Johnson, Vt., is among scores of older Americans who have headed across the border by the busload to buy cheaper medicines. A drug she takes to lower cholesterol, Zocor, is just \$60 for a month's supply in Canada. At home she pays \$101. This week, she went to her local drug store and learned that the price of one of her drugs had risen \$1.14 for a 30-day supply.

"I was kind of peeved off," Lanphear said. "How come ... I'm paying more every time I get a prescription filled?"

Congress has advertised its "reimportation bill" as a way to ease the prescription price crunch. The legislation also offers election-year cover for lawmakers unable to agree on a prescription drug benefit for older people.

As the measure moves toward final passage in the Senate this week — and President Clinton's promised approval, despite reservations — many involved are unsure how, or whether, it will work.

"You just have to wonder who even thought this up," said Ronald Streick, president of the National Wholesale Druggists' Association. "It's just flawed."

Still, pharmacists are interested.

John Rector, counsel for the National Community Pharmacists Association, said his members have buying groups in place that are eager to participate.

He accused wholesalers of opposing the proposal out of fear of competition. Their claims seem to say that "somehow pharmacists importing makes it dangerous," Rector said.

The plan would allow drug wholesalers or pharmacists to buy U.S.-made drugs overseas for resale in this country, presumably so consumers can take advantage of cheaper prices abroad.

Democrats, who originally supported the measure, have accused Republicans of watering it down at the behest of major pharmaceutical companies. Republicans have said the measure is a first step and they must tread slowly or risk violating trade and patent laws.

Apart from the political backdrop, many affected by the legislation are expressing serious misgivings.

Wholesale drug distributors say the program is costly and they worry they will be blamed if counterfeit products enter the country. Canadians fret about the United States raiding their medicine supplies.

"It's a piece of legislation that allows the American government to push its problems onto other countries without looking at the impact it may have on those other countries," said Noelle Dominique Willems, spokeswoman for the Canadian Pharmacists Association.

Advocates push exploration of Pluto

Los Angeles Times

Advocates of the tiny planet Pluto now have a new mission: getting NASA to restore a suspended trip to the smallest and most distant member of the solar system — the only one that remains unexplored.

Citing ballooning costs for space missions, NASA officials ordered an immediate work stoppage last month on the Pluto-Kuiper Express mission being planned at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

Originally scheduled to be launched in 2004 and to reach the icy planet by 2012, a space-

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— Louis Friedman

Director of the Planetary Society

craft is now not expected to reach Pluto until 2020 — a date some scientists say will be too late to probe the planet's vanishing atmosphere.

But that decision is stirring up something of a public revolt. In just two weeks, the Planetary Society, a Pasadena-based group of space exploration enthusiasts, has received 10,000

letters protesting the suspension of the mission. And a Web petition created by a Pennsylvania teen-ager has gathered hundreds of signatures in just days.

"Pluto is the only planet in our solar system that has not been explored," said Louis Friedman, executive director of the Planetary Society. "We ought to finish the job we started in 1960."

Though studied extensively from Earth, Pluto remains mysterious. It hasn't even been photographed clearly. An image by the world's best space telescope, the Hubble, reveals only faint blurs of dark and light on the

surface of the planet, which is usually the farthest from the sun.

"A lot of Americans have a lot of faith in the space program. It really lets people down when they cancel a mission," said Ted Nichols II, a 17-year-old high school senior and amateur astronomer from near Harrisburg, Pa., who created the <http://www.plutomission.com> Web site.

Those signing on to the petition site come from all over this planet. "Vamos a Plutonium!" reads a note from Argentina. "I want to be alive when the information comes back," pleads a woman from Albuquerque, N.M.

World War II women workers gain memorial

RICHMOND, Calif. (AP) — Phyllis Gould rarely thinks of the years she spent welding troop ship decks in the shipyards of the San Francisco Bay. Fifty-five years have passed since then, decades of marriage, divorce, child rearing and the myriad distractions of home life.

But a whiff of the hot breath of the melting metal and, suddenly, it's all right there — the frightening, exciting days of waging war with a blowtorch.

"It just zaps me back. I can see and hear everything," she says.

On Saturday, Gould and millions of other World War II women workers will be honored with the dedication of a Rosie the Riveter memorial in Richmond, the shorefront city that launched many of the ships that kept American sailors afloat.

The memorial, at 441 feet the same length as the Liberty ships the women helped build, includes a walk with a timeline of facts and memories from women workers.

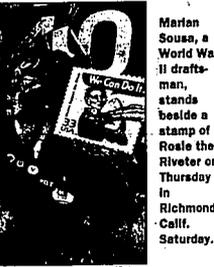
Congress has approved the site, now a city park honoring women's war work, as a national historic park. The legislation awaits.



President Clinton's signature.

"We never expected to be recognized," said Gould's sister, Marian Sousa, a World War II draftsman. "Everybody worked. They did what they could."

Gould was the first in her family to find war work. When her husband and his friends announced they were going to learn welding to get jobs building ships, "I piped up, 'Me, too!'"



She studied from 4 a.m. to 8 a.m., but failed her first few job interviews in 1942 — running into the brick wall of a boilermaker's union man who flatly told her, "No women and no blacks."

The third time she was turned down, "I started crying."

And as I walked back to the room, there was a man sitting at the desk and he said, 'What's wrong?' and I told him and he said, 'Go back up there,' and I did and I got a job."

Gould called on her embroidery skills to get the welds placed just so, working her way up to \$1.20 an hour. "Oh boy, yeah, it was money."

The work was hot and dirty, but Gould had her little vanities.

Behind her heavy mask her lips were lipstickied.

Her hair was tied up in a kerchief, but she made sure her bandanna matched the color of the shirt collar poking from beneath her sweats.

Gould did run into problems with one co-worker, a would-be "ladies man" who made the mistake of shining a flashlight on her, blinding her.

She swung a fist, knocking the supervisor's shiny hard hat off his head. He lunged back, crumpling her welding mask below her ears.

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Bush campaign develops Teflon image

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — At 6 a.m. on Oct. 4, Bush campaign spokesman Ari Ressler called a producer in the "Good Morning America" control room to push the notion that Vice President Gore had made an important blunder in the previous night's debate.

"An hour later, anchor Charles Gibson was telling Gore that Bush aides 'are already indicating that they're going to go after you today ... questioning whether you actually went with James Lee Witt down to Texas to go to those fires and floods.'" Gore had to concede he "got that wrong" in saying that the federal disaster chief had accompanied him, and questions about his tendency to exaggerate dominated the news for a week.

After Wednesday's second



Texas Governor George W. Bush

debate, when Bush made some arguably more serious mistakes, Gore campaign chairman William Daley challenged the media to hold the Texas governor to the same standard as his man. But while Bush's misstatements on a death penalty case in Texas and the former prime minister of Russia were widely reported, they did not mushroom into the kind of front-page controversy that keeps a candidate on the defensive.

"There would appear to be something of a double standard,"

a Gore campaign official said. That may overstate the case, but the candidates' personal histories and sharply differing strategies have made the vice president more vulnerable to charges of stretching the truth. Gore's knack for inserting himself into overblown anecdotes has also made his missteps easier to ridicule. And the media have played an important role, fostering images of each man that play up questions about Gore's veracity, while casting Bush's intelligence as his Achilles' heel.

Bush planted the seeds of his strategy in March, suggesting in an interview that the vice president had a "major credibility problem" and vowing that "I'm going to keep the pressure on. . . . If I'm not, who will?" In daily assaults on Gore's honesty during

the spring and summer, Bush often charged that Gore will "say anything to get elected." His staff regularly sends the press e-mail messages headlined "The Core Detector: A Regular Report on Al Gore's Adventures With the Truth."

"P.R. 101 is define your opponent before he tries to define himself," said GOP consultant Greg Mueller. "The Bush campaign has been a great success at that, and Gore is his own worst enemy. Every time Gore tries to humanize his campaign with an example, it turns into a fairy tale."

As it nears adjournment, Congress begins to roll out the pork barrel

By Peter Nicholas and Jackie Kozzuck Knight Rider News Service

WASHINGTON — As this year's congressional session grinds toward a close, the once grand proposals to cut taxes, raise wages or improve health care are dead or bogged down.

Instead, Congress is busy approving whopping amounts of new spending, dumping money into projects that, in many cases, are important only to special interests, small communities and narrow constituencies.

national first ladies. But some lawmakers and watchdog groups have another word for such spending: Pork. And they contend that the 106th Congress has seen lots of it.

A rare confluence of big budget surpluses and election-year politics has driven spending to new levels.

No one has been more critical of the White House's spending habits than Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, the third-ranking Republican in the House, who has said that Clinton is 'addicted to spending.' But DeLay may need a little rehab himself. While condemning Clinton publicly, DeLay has worked quietly to secure millions of federal dollars for projects for his suburban Houston district.

With no deficit to serve as a natural brake, members are spending in ways that Republican Sen. John McCain of Arizona described as "shameful."

While Republicans in both houses have often complained of Bill Clinton's lack of fiscal discipline, their own spending practices in this session bear the image of the GOP as the party of fiscal restraint.

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From his seat on the Appropriations Committee this year, DeLay secured \$3 million for a highway project and \$14.5 million for airports back home. The latter sum included \$12 million for improved air traffic control at Houston's airport, \$2 million for a small airport in Sugar Land, population 47,000, and another \$500,000 for the Brazoria County Airport to keep it "fast, modern and safe," according to a DeLay press release.

In a floor statement earlier this month, McCain told his colleagues that members of spending committees "have employed every side-stepping method in the book to circumvent Senate rules and common budget principles that are supposed to strictly guide the appropriations process."

The excessive fodder and trickery have never been greater, resulting in the shameful waste of millions of taxpayer dollars.

If Congress continues spending at this clip, it will bust the federal budget by tens of billions of dollars, analysts say.

When they finish their work this week, Republicans will have probably spent at least \$660 billion for discretionary programs, which are those items not specifically mandated by law such as Social Security and Medicare payments.

Police arrest man in Oscar theft case

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Police continued their hunt for three missing Oscars on Saturday after arresting the brother of a salvage man credited with finding 52 of the 55 stolen statuettes last spring, authorities said.

"I'm sure detectives will look into all possibilities that would lead them to ... the missing statues," Officer Guillermo Campos said Saturday.

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Grouse

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 uncertain, but could be far-reaching. So agencies, and groups such as Rogerson's, are trying to head off a listing before it happens.

Fighting fire

Rogerson's group is one of several working in southern Idaho to try to improve the lot of the distinctive bird - the size of a small turkey. The reason for the bird's decline is easy to see.

"We've burned up a lot of our sagebrush," said Stu Murrell, retired Fish and Game spokesman in Jerome.

Natural wildfires, human-caused accidental fires and intentional fires set by land managers and ranchers to improve livestock forage on rangelands have burned up wide stretches of sagebrush. Sage grouse grew up with the wide open sagebrush grasslands that cover much of the West. They depend on large expanses made up of 15 to 25 percent sagebrush cover with an understory of grasses and small flowering plants.

They need open areas near nesting habitat for their distinctive mating displays. In the winter they depend on big sagebrush for food and cover, and in the summer chicks depend on insects to supplement their diet.

A long-term decline that began in the 1950s turned precipitous in the early- to mid-1980s, with a long dry spell and a series of large wildfires, Connelly said.

Since the 1950s the birds have declined by up to 80 percent in some areas.

The eradication of sagebrush began with the first settlers who cleared land for irrigated farms. Since then, fires, herbicides and bulldozers have further reduced sagebrush.

About 400,000 acres of sagebrush have been burned at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, a federal nuclear research site in eastern Idaho.

In the BLM's 1.5 million-acre Jarbidge Resource Area, west of Salmon Falls Creek, fire rehabilitation has transformed more than 700,000 acres of sagebrush to crested wheatgrass seedlings. The imported grass has been seeded in burned areas because it can out-compete cheatgrass and other invasive weeds, but it does little

for sage grouse.

Another 45,000 acres of sagebrush burned in the area this summer, said Jim Klott, a biologist in the BLM's Twin Falls office.

It's not just fire, but its frequency, Connelly said. It can take up to 30 years for a sagebrush stand to recover after a fire.

And more people means more chances for people-caused fires. The increase of cheatgrass across the rangeland also contributes. Cheatgrass matures early, burns readily and makes for more frequent fires.

"The best thing we can do is give Mother Nature a hand, and keep the exotics out," Connelly said.

Though fire remains the biggest threat to sage grouse, in some areas the population is dropping without any visible habitat degradation. The chicks just aren't surviving, but Connelly isn't sure why.

One possible factor is the development of roads, fences and utility corridors. Development such as the proposed Arco-to-Mindokoa Road might not seem like much, but the cumulative effect breaks habitat into unconnected pieces.

"You may have areas that look great, but it's the stuff in between," Connelly said.

Helping the habitat

There are two ways to halt the decline, he said. Protect what's left, and fix what's broken.

And that's where Rogerson's sage grouse working group and others like it come in. The Shoshone Basin group was started in 1996, and others followed under Fish and Game's 1997 sage grouse plan.

Three groups are active in the Magic Valley, with others in Owyhee County, Oneida and Power counties and Idaho Falls. The groups include ranchers, sportsmen, environmentalists, state and federal officials and anyone else interested.

The Shoshone Basin group's management plan splits the Horse Creek Allotment into six pastures, with a different pasture rested each year. The lightest use is on the private lands managed for sage grouse habitat, and the heaviest use is on crested wheat seedlings managed for cattle.

Ranchers, with the BLM's help, have fenced off sensitive riparian

areas, including Horse Creek Reservoir.

"We've got a very fine piece of sage grouse habitat protected," said Randy Smith, regional wildlife manager for Fish and Game's Jerome office.

But it took time just to gain trust among group members, Rogerson said. The group has been meeting regularly for 4 1/2 years.

Rogerson has been running cattle in the Shoshone Basin for 15 or 16 years, and this year was the first time he's had to deal with fire. The perennial grasses appear to have survived, but much of the sagebrush is gone - he knows the grass will come back better, but the sagebrush will take a long time.

He is not sure just what that means for the group's efforts. But the group plans to reseed the burned area with sagebrush.

"How many ranchers like the idea of planting sagebrush?" Rogerson said.

To the west, the Jarbidge Sage Grouse Working Group was started about 1 1/2 years ago by ranchers also concerned about the continuing loss of sage grouse habitat, Klott said.

Efforts to reintroduce sagebrush in the vast seedings of the Jarbidge Area are a start, but it's not enough. To reestablish sage grouse habitat the area also needs native grasses and small flowering plants, he said.

And seed is hard to get - some of it costs \$8 to \$10 per pound.

The group has bitten off a fairly-sized chunk - 800,000 acres, Klott said.

"The bulk of that which we have a chance to do something with," he said.

The group also is considering restoring wet meadows and asking for halt to hunting and for predator control to help bring the birds back. The effort also includes changes in grazing management to rest sage grouse nesting areas in the spring, and looking for ways to accomplish the changes without reducing cattle numbers.

For sagebrush means less grass, Klott said.

But in some parts of the Jarbidge Area, there is lots of forage left at the end of the season. Most years, the BLM grants additional grazing to take advantage

of the additional forage.

The working groups need political and public support if they're going to work, said Kent Christopher of the North American Grouse Partnership Inc. The recently formed nationwide group is a clearinghouse for information on all grouse issues. The group aims to generate the support needed to get federal, state and local land managers and private land owners working together across jurisdictional boundaries.

The decline of sage grouse is indicative of the state of the high desert ecosystem - half to two-thirds already is gone and the rest is seriously degraded, Christopher said. It's the biggest environmental problem in North America, he says - bigger even than high-profile wildlife issues, such as spotted owl or salmon.



About sage grouse - *Centrocercus urophasianus*

Size: Males, up to eight pounds. Females three to four pounds.

Longevity: Six to eight years.

Mating habits: They gather at strutting grounds - called a lek - in the spring. Males perform a mating dance. At a small lek one male would dominate, at larger leks several males may be dominant.

Nesting: About 80 percent of mature females nest - about half are successful. Nesting females lay six to eight eggs. Females rarely re-nest if eggs are destroyed or eaten.

Survival: In the past, three or four chicks reached adulthood. Today two or more survive in a good year.

Habitat: Survival depends on habitat quality, and habitat needs change with the season.

• Winter: Sage grouse feed almost exclusively on sagebrush leaves and buds. If adequate big sagebrush is available for food and cover, severe weather seldom affects sage grouse.

• Spring: Sagebrush, with an understory of grasses and flowering plants, provides nesting and early brood rearing habitat. The vegetation in the understory provides cover that can reduce nest predation. The young are vulnerable to wet, cold weather.

• Summer: Wet meadows, riparian areas, alfalfa fields and other moist areas provide important range.

• Fall: A flock's home range can vary

from a few miles to more than 50 miles. Winter range may not be near leks, nesting or brood rearing habitat. In general, sage grouse require habitat with 15 to 25 percent sagebrush cover with understory of grasses and flowering plants.

Diet: In the winter, sage grouse eat sagebrush leaves and buds - they often gain weight in the winter, unlike most other species. In spring, summer and fall they also eat flower heads and leaves, and a high-protein diet of insects is necessary for chick survival. Sage grouse get most of their water from vegetation. They may feed on different kinds of sagebrush during different times of the year. They appear to select sagebrush for their protein content.

Range: The bird is declining across its present range in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, California and the Dakotas. It was once found also in Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska and British Columbia.

Hunting: In some parts of southern Idaho, including the Magic Valley, the sage grouse season is one week in September. In other parts of southern Idaho the season is three weeks in September and early October. The northern part of the state and an area on the Snake River Plain centered on Butte County are closed to hunting.

Sage grouse are hunted in nine Western states.

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 October 25 - The Community School, Sun Valley
 October 26 - Wood River High School, Halley

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) are beginning the environmental studies for Highway 75 from the Timmerman Junction to Ketchum. Ongoing concerns in this corridor have led ITD and FHWA to commit to preparation of a comprehensive environmental analysis under the National environmental analyses in the Federal Register.

ITD has retained the services of Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas, Inc. (PB) from their Salt Lake City, Utah office to head this effort. PB is a national transportation planning and engineering firm with offices throughout the United States (see website at pbworld.com). Assisting PB will be Landmark Design Inc., a community planning, landscape architecture and public outreach firm based in Salt Lake City. Shapiro & Associates Environmental will conduct the natural resource studies needed under the NEPA process. Staff from their Boise office will lead this effort.

The NEPA process will involve several phases over the next 18 to 24 months:

- **Public and Agency Scoping:** Identification of community and regulatory agency issues and concerns.
- **Purpose and Need:** definition of the need for and purpose of any transportation improvements that might be considered.
- **Definition of Alternatives:** Identification of alternative ways to meet the purpose and need.
- **Impact Analysis:** analysis of the impacts of the alternatives on natural resources, manmade resources and the communities in the Wood River Valley.
- **Environmental Document:** preparation of the comprehensive environmental document.
- **Public Hearing:** public review of the NEPA document and public hearing.

Throughout this period of time; FHWA, ITD and PB will develop a number of technical studies and work with the communities in a variety of ways. The process begins, however, with public and agency scoping meetings to provide interested parties with the opportunity to help identify issues and concerns.

To provide opportunities for as many people as possible to participate in the meetings, FHWA, ITD and PB will be sponsoring two sets of public meetings. The goal of these meetings is to identify the issues and concerns within the Wood River Valley so that they can be addressed through the environmental process. To facilitate this process, the meeting agenda will begin with a brief introduction by the PB staff, followed by breakout sessions. Attendees will be asked to break into groups each with a facilitator and recorder. PB staff will record all comments on flip charts; these comments will be shared with all participants through a subsequent mailing.

These meetings will be held as follows:

4:00 to 6:00pm 7:00 to 9:00pm Wednesday, October 25, 2000 The Community School Theater 181 Dollar Road Sun Valley, Idaho	4:00 to 6:00pm 7:00 to 9:00pm Thursday, October 26, 2000 Wood River High School 1050 Fox Acres Road Halley, Idaho
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FHWA, ITD and PB encourage your participation in any one of these four opportunities. The presentation and format will be the same for each meeting.

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Hispanic priorities are national ones

Knights Ridder News Service

Like many Americans, the nation's Hispanic voters worry about education and health care, but they are far more likely to worry about crime than the rest of the country. And despite their immigrant past, they favor tough border policies but have little interest in foreign affairs.

Such are the findings of a comprehensive Knight Ridder Newspapers poll of Hispanic voters. The data offer an in-depth look at a segment of the population that is growing throughout the country and becoming a major political force that can swing Republican despite most Hispanics' Democratic leanings.

Courted widely during the primaries and in the early days of the general-election contest, Hispanics have since become less of a factor, because states such as California, Texas and New York, which have the nation's largest Hispanic populations, are no longer decisive in this election. Still, Hispanics could be influential in such key swing states as Florida, Pennsylvania and Illinois.

While Hispanic voters share many concerns with the rest of the country, their sentiments are more pronounced. Less affluent than the general population, they tend to embrace government solutions to problems and often view the country through the eyes of



Senate candidates Rep. Rick Lazio, R-N.Y., right, and U.S. first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton campaign for the Hispanic vote at the Hispanic Day Parade in New York Sunday.

the afflicted. For instance, they favor government-guaranteed health insurance for all citizens by larger margins than the rest of the country. They support continuing or expanding affirmative action programs, even though most said they had not experienced discrimination recently. They place gun control far higher on their list of national priorities.

Economically, Hispanics are more likely to live in poverty. They are less likely to have health insurance, though a majority has medical coverage.

The Knight Ridder poll, conducted by International Communications Research of

Media, Pa., consisted of interviews with 2,721 Hispanic likely voters, the largest sample of Latino voters in this election season.

The sample included 611 respondents in California, 600 in Texas, 608 in Florida and 600 in New York, the states with the largest populations of Latino voters. An additional 302 respondents were from New Jersey, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Connecticut. The 12 states include 90 percent of Hispanic registered voters.

The poll, conducted in June, has a margin of error of 1.9 percentage points. International

2000 ELECTION

2000 ELECTION
Daily Hispanic voters were asked:

Are you satisfied with the quality of public school education?
Yes 51%
No 43%
Don't know 4%

Should government spend money to help build substantial private or religious schools?
Yes 32%
No 58%
Don't know 11%

no answer
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SOURCE: Knight Ridder poll by International Communications Research of 2,700 likely Hispanic voters, June 7-13, 2000, 1.9% error margin. Research/ALFRED EUCIERTO

Communications Research also conducted a national poll of overall voters. That poll of 1,000 likely voters, with a margin of error of 3.1 percentage points, provided data with which to contrast the responses of Hispanic voters.

Crime, drugs among top Hispanic concerns

Knights Ridder News Service

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Crime is down nationwide, but Hispanic voters put concerns about crime, drugs and gun control near the top of their list.

A Knight Ridder poll shows that the issue of fighting crime and drugs is second only to improving education for Hispanics, while voters nationwide rank crime and drugs as their third priority. For Hispanics, gun control tops such perennial issues as taxes, the economy and moral values - issues that voters nationwide rank higher than gun control.

And Hispanics, slightly more than voters nationwide, favor strict controls on handguns. More than 80 percent want to require safety courses, trigger locks and handgun licenses.

"You have to realize the type of areas many of them are residing in," said Peggy Salazar, 47, a teacher's assistant in south Chicago and a longtime Democrat. "Sure, their utmost concerns would be crime and guns, because that is what they are going to encounter more often." Eighty-four percent of Hispanic voters ranked controlling crime and drugs among their top priorities, and 68 percent ranked gun control a top issue.

Crime and gun control are particular concerns among immigrants and Spanish-speaking voters, as well as low-income and older voters.

"It makes sense. Most of the service calls we get come from neighborhoods with large populations of minorities, whether Hispanic or Asian," said Rubens Dalaison, spokesman for the San Jose police department. Dalaison said many immigrants and first-generation Americans live in neighborhoods where crime is rising.

No group of Hispanics is more

2000 ELECTION

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Daily Hispanic voters were asked:

Do you own a handgun?
Yes 16%
No 83%

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SOURCE: Knight Ridder poll by International Communications Research of 2,700 likely Hispanic voters, June 7-13, 2000, 1.9% error margin. Research/ALFRED EUCIERTO

concerned about crime than women.

As Martha Estrella explains it, women are forced to deal with the problems surrounding these issues differently from men.

"Depending on the type of relationship they are in, women may fear domestic violence and they may fear their partners," said Estrella, 41, a prenatal and health educator at a Union City health center that caters largely to Hispanics in the San Francisco Bay area.

The idea of regulating handguns is popular among Hispanics, with support strongest among younger voters, voters with higher incomes and those who describe themselves as liberal.

Eighty-nine percent want mandatory safety courses, 82 percent want trigger locks sold with handguns and 80 percent want handgun owners to carry licenses. Only a slim majority, 54 percent, supports a ban on carrying concealed weapons.

Just 16 percent of Hispanic voters own handguns. Those who do are less supportive of regulations, but most of them back safety courses, trigger locks and licenses.

Poll shows Hispanics favor improved health-care

Knights Ridder News service

AUSTIN, Texas - Hispanic voters overwhelmingly say that health-care access warrants serious government attention, and Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore gets higher marks on the issue than Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush, according to a Fort Worth Star-Telegram/Knight Ridder nationwide poll.

Eighty-one percent of Hispanic voters said that improving access to health care should be a top priority or an important priority, and another 16 percent described it as an important priority. By comparison, less than 2 percent said improving access either shouldn't be a priority or shouldn't even be attempted.

"I think it's a very important issue, with our population aging and more people needing care," said Daniel Rocha, an urban planner from Arlington, Texas. "I think catastrophic health care ought to be a priority for any country that is industrialized."

Slightly more than 50 percent responded that Gore would do a better job on health care access. Bush was identified by 32.8 percent as the better man on health care.

The poll of 2,700 likely Hispanic voters was conducted in both English and Spanish on May 26 and on June 15. It has a margin of error of 1.9 percentage points.

A high proportion of Hispanic voters of all political leanings and age groups identified access

to health care as a priority.

For example, 98.7 percent of Democrats and 93.3 percent of Republicans told pollsters that improving access to health care should be a top priority, or an important priority. Likewise, 98.1 percent of those ages 18-34 and 97.4 percent of those ages 55 and above identified medical access as a top or an important priority.

Democrats, in general, received higher ratings on the

issue than Republicans.

Slightly more than 67 percent of respondents said Democrats in Congress would do a better job improving health care accessibility; 14.7 percent said congressional Republicans would do the better job.

"Historically, this has just been more of a Democratic issue," said Rocha. "I think the Republicans are moving more on that issue, but Democrats have a history of dealing with it."

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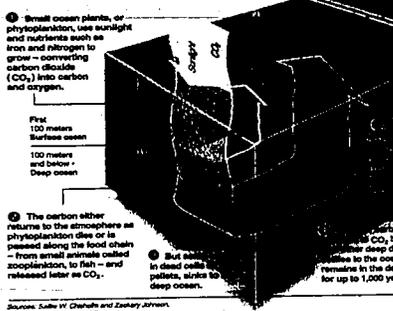
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NATION

Sowing the sea with iron

In a new strategy to deal down harmful greenhouse gas, researchers are putting ocean plants to work sopping up carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and sending it to the ocean depths.



Nourishing plant life

In the waters off Antarctica, a lack of iron limits phytoplankton growth. Researchers have started the experiment of "fertilizing" the water - injecting slight doses of iron that have a 6-mile-wide patch.



Study targets greenhouse gases

The Associated Press
An experiment off the coast of Antarctica has lent support to the notion that scientists could stimulate algae to act like a giant sponge and sop up greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. In the study, reported in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature, a relatively small amount of iron was pumped into the ocean as fertilizer, sparking algae growth in an otherwise lifeless area. The algae in turn consumed hundreds of tons of carbon dioxide from the ocean's surface waters. Then, in theory at least, the ocean would draw in atmospheric gases to replenish the carbon dioxide. The idea is that algae could someday be used to absorb emissions belched from factories, cars and other fossil fuel burners believed responsible for global warming. When the organisms died, the carbon they contained would fall to the bottom of the sea. Though the latest studies support parts of the theory, researchers could not determine whether the carbon sinks or returns to the atmosphere. And some fear that manipulating

nutrients in the sea could cause greater damage to the environment. "I don't think it's a feasible solution to global warming," said Edward Abraham, a study author and oceanographer at New Zealand's National Institute for Water and Atmospheric Research. "Even if you could fertilize the entire Southern Ocean and even if all that carbon sank out of the system, it would only use a small fraction of the carbon dioxide that people will pump into the atmosphere over the next 50 years." Researchers are exploring ways to trap at least some of the 7 billion tons of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases spewed into the atmosphere each year. Some ideas include pumping it underground or piping it to the deep ocean. At least three patents have been issued related to ocean fertilization. Researchers have focused on ocean plant life because half of all carbon dioxide-consuming photosynthesis on Earth takes place at sea. In 1990, oceanographer John Martin suggested a lack of iron limited the growth of phytoplankton in the equatorial Pacific and Southern Ocean. If more iron were added, the popu-

lations might explode and ease global warming. In the latest research, eight tons of an iron slurry were distributed across a five-mile-wide patch of the Southern Ocean about 1,200 miles southwest of Hobart, Tasmania. **VOTE JERRY MARTINEZ JEROME COUNTY SHERIFF** LEADERSHIP INTERNATIONAL

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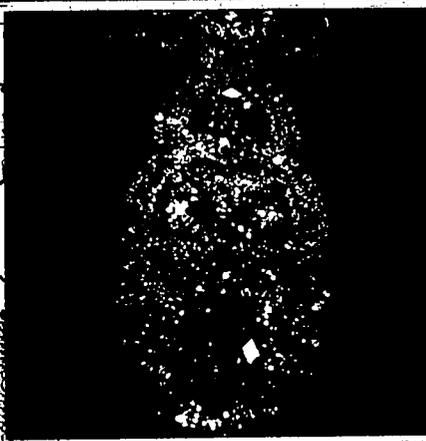
SPRINGFIELD, Va. (AP) - The federal government shut down Virginia's horseshoe crab fishery after the state refused to accept a quota to protect the crab from overfishing.

U.S. Commerce Secretary Norman Mineta announced Thursday that the moratorium will take effect Oct. 23.

Earlier this year, the 15-state Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission voted to adopt horseshoe crab quotas. Virginia was the only state to oppose the quotas, which would have required the state to cut its take from 710,000 to 152,495.

Virginia agreed to cut its take, but only to 355,000.

Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources John Paul Woodley requested a delay from the Commerce Department so the commission could consider a proposal at its meeting next week to allow Virginia to swap with other states that don't use their entire quota.



The Dresden Green Diamond is shown on display at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History in Washington Thursday. The 41-carat diamond is the world's largest and finest natural green diamond, often considered the 'big gem' of the Hope Diamond.

Smithsonian displays two famous diamonds

WASHINGTON (AP) - Two of the world's most famous diamonds can now be seen together.

The 41-carat Dresden Green diamond went on display Thursday, joining the blue 45-carat Hope diamond at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History.

It's the first trip to the United States for the stone from the famous Green Vault Museum in Dresden, Germany. It will remain on show until late January.

"It's rare, very rare, that you see two diamonds like this together. In fact it's probably the one and only time it will happen," said Museum Director Robert Fri.

New York jeweler Ronald Winston arranged the visit of the Dresden Green. Winston's father, Harry, donated the Hope diamond to the museum.

Both stones have brilliant color, became known in Europe at about the same time, share somewhat similar histories and both are believed to originate in India's Golconda Mines.

While boron included in the Hope stone produces its blue color, the green tone of the Dresden is the result of exposure to natural radiation.

First reports of the Dresden Green occur in London in 1725. It was purchased by Friedrich Augustus II, Elector of Saxony and King of Poland, in 1741.

In 1742 Augustus had it mounted in a special badge of the Order of the Golden Fleece, an organization founded in 1429 to encourage virtue and faith among nobility.

Six years later King Louis XV of France had a blue gem, believed to be the one now known as the Hope Diamond, set in his own badge of the Order of the Golden Fleece.

In the intervening years, the Hope Diamond has been recut and moved from owner to owner, developing a legend of bad luck along the way.

Not so the Dresden Green. It has spent most of its time in safekeeping at the Konigsstein Castle in wartime and the Green Vault in peace. However, after Saxony lost in the Seven Years War the stone was pawned in Warsaw, Poland, being redeemed in 1764.

World War II bombing destroyed the original Green Vault Museum but the stone was safe in the nearby castle.

After the war it left Saxony - now a state in southeastern Germany - carted off by the Soviet Trophies Commission. It was returned in 1958.

Today, surrounded by 350 white diamonds in a hat ornament, it is kept in the Green Vault section of Dresden's Albertinum Museum.

While it hasn't developed the sinister reputation some attribute to the Hope Diamond, the Dresden Green may not be all that lucky either.

A letter written by Frederick the Great, King of Prussia, recalls an incident when Augustus was asked to supply heavy artillery for a siege and refused due to the scarcity of money, having spent a large sum to buy the green diamond.



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NATION

For better or worse, the rich are changing a poor Georgia town

GREENSBORO, Ga. (AP) — A decade ago, this was just another poor, rural Southern town, and no one seemed to care much about the broken-down tractors and the junk along the side of the road. Then the "lake people" moved

Lured by the beauty of Lake Conroe, they built enormous homes, drive stylish new cars and eat fancy foods from supermarkets the size of airport terminals. They also pay most of the property taxes in Greene County, which used to be one of Georgia's poorest and least-populated.

Some old-timers say the well-to-do newcomers are robbing the town of its rural character, trying to pretty it up with restrictive zoning rules and turning the community into just another place with too much traffic, shopping centers and residents who don't really know each other.

"It was a rural area when they came down here," said Andrew Boswell, Greensboro's mayor and a dairy farmer. "Well, if it's true because it's a rural area,



Farmer L.G. Boswell says he doesn't mind newcomers if they don't meddle with those who choose a more rustic lifestyle. AP Photo

three subdivisions and a new \$82 million Ritz-Carlton resort scheduled to open next year next to an 18-hole golf course.

New roads and utilities are planned to handle the mix of out-of-state retirees, people with second homes and commuters with jobs in Atlanta and Augusta, each 75 miles away. There are 14,000 residents in the county, some 2,300 more than a decade ago.

Mary and Don Bradford moved to the lake from suburban Atlanta in 1996 to escape the traffic, sprawl and crime. A pilot for Delta Air Lines, Bradford has to commute to work only a few times per month.

The county stands to benefit enormously from the influx of wealth, Mary Bradford said, even if officials are struggling to achieve a balance between tradition and development.

"They don't know what to do with us either," she said of county leaders. "They were just a little town and now all of this is happening."

Longtime residents — they have dubbed themselves "cave people" for their resistance to change — unsuccessfully fought recent zon-

ing changes that restrict satellite dishes in front yards and require fences around junkyards. The new rules also require tractors and other equipment to be behind buildings, not beside the road.

The "cave people" say county commissioners are coddling the newcomers.

"That's part of making it look like Hilton Head," said L.G. "Rooster" Boswell, the mayor's brother who has lived in the county for all of his 66 years. "They don't want to see poverty."

Many longtime residents make their living on dairy and hog farms or work at small-scale manufacturing plants. Others commute to jobs around bigger towns such as Athens, Augusta and the eastern suburbs of Atlanta.

County leaders are eager for an economic boost in an area where the per capita income is less than \$20,000 and nearly a quarter of the population lives below the poverty line. The Ritz-Carlton alone is expected to contribute a third of the county's tax revenue and bring 400 to 450 jobs.

Family seeks to reveal sex offenders

OILTON, Okla. (AP) — Kristi Blevins' inquisitiveness at the grocery store across the street from the abandoned home where she lived.

The 7-year-old beams from a wallet-sized photograph taped to petitions at two registers. She smiles, too, at people getting fill-ups at gas stations down the road. Even in a grocery store in the next county, Kristi's wide-eyed grin stops customers who add their names to a growing list of signatures under her photo.

Since early this month, Rhonda Blevins has counted more than 2,000 signatures on petitions backing a law she thinks could have saved her youngest child.

Blevins wants juvenile sex offenders included in an Oklahoma law that alerts the public to adult sex offenders in their midst. On a rented computer and the \$50 printer she bought last week, she has cranked out more than 1,000 petitions and taped a photo of Kristi to each one.

"The kids come home, mom's sitting there working petitions. They go to bed, I'm working on petitions. If I didn't," says the 34-year-old mother of three other children. "I would probably be crying all the time."

On Aug. 19, she and her husband discovered that Kristi and a 12-year-old friend, who had been playing outside, were missing from their Oilton home.

Searchers found the two in an abandoned home. The 12-year-old had been raped. Kristi had been strangled. With them, police found Robert Rotramel, a

19-year-old with a juvenile record of detention for forcible sodomy.

State lawmakers say Blevins' petitions won't be the determining factor if juvenile violators are added to the state's Sex Offenders Registration Act.

Rep. Larry Ferguson said House staff members have already begun to investigate such laws in other states and that legislation to change Oklahoma's law likely will be introduced. But the petitions add impetus to that effort, he said.

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Zoran Andjelkovic, ally of the ousted Yugoslav strongman Slobodan Milosevic, address the media after talks with pro-democracy negotiators on a transitional government in Belgrade early Saturday.

Yugoslav strongman still plots a comeback

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Ousted strongman Slobodan Milosevic is still plotting a comeback despite losing control over much of his security forces and even parts of his own political movement, pro-democracy and foreign officials say.

More than a week after Vojislav Kostunica took office as president, Milosevic and his wife, Mirjana Markovic, remain holed up in a government villa in Belgrade's Dedinje district, consulting their remaining loyalists within the secret service, the army and police, the officials say.

A senior Socialist Party official, Nikola Sainovic, told reporters Friday that Milosevic is still in Belgrade "and we are in daily contact," meaning the former president still wields considerable influence within his political movement.

No move has been made by the new government to arrest Milosevic, despite his indictment by the U.N. war crimes tribunal and allegations of extensive corruption at home.

"Milosevic is desperately trying to stabilize his ranks, conducting very high activity," said Dusan Mihajlovic, the former president's ally now turned political foe. "He is trying to create obstruction, chaos and anarchy."

Analysts believe Milosevic is hoping to find a way to use remain-

ing loyal security troops to arrest political opponents or seize facilities of the state-run broadcast media that he lost during the popular uprising against his autocratic rule.

"Milosevic is pulling the strings from behind the scenes, consulting his generals, trying to create havoc," prominent analyst Bratislav Grubacic said.

"He hopes that instead of foreign aid, the country will plunge into darkness and hunger with no functioning government, and then people would turn against the democrats and 'beg' for his return." A key pro-democracy leader, Zoran Djindjic, agreed with that assessment. "Milosevic must be isolated from any politics," Djindjic said.

It remains unclear whether the new government can really sideline Milosevic as long as he is allowed to remain relatively free inside the country.

Grubacic said the government should arrest Milosevic and, if it won't turn him over to the U.N. tribunal, put him on trial in a Yugoslav court for corruption and other charges stemming from his 13 years in power.

"If he remains in Serbia, the infection, the diseases, the malevolence of Milosevic must never be underestimated, nor should his capacity to be able to make mischief," said Paddy Ashdown.

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Heading into summit, Palestinian fury mounts

HEBRON, West Bank (AP) — Quinric verses wafted from the minaret, black-hooded gunmen fired their AK-47s into the air — and the crowd of mourners at the funeral for a young Palestinian man slain by Israeli troops roared approval when the eulogy became a cry for vengeance.

After 2 1/2 weeks of bloody battles in the West Bank and Gaza Strip — and scores of Palestinian funerals like this one in the West Bank town of Hebron — the question is not so much whether Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat will call for an end to the violence, but whether his people will pay any heed if he does.

Israeli officials call it "riding the tiger" — bitter shorthand for their contention that Arafat has unleashed forces he may now be unable to control.

As the Palestinian leader heads into Monday's summit with President Clinton and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak in the Egyptian Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh, many on both sides wonder whether any call for calm will simply be too late.

"I don't think Arafat can rein things in to the extent needed in order to continue the peace process," said Ami Ayalon, the former head of Israel's domestic Shin Bet security service.

"The uprising has gathered its own momentum — it's not easy for Arafat to take the decision to stop it," said Palestinian political analyst Ziad Abu Amr.

At Saturday's funeral in Hebron for 22-year-old Monsour Sid Ahmed, fatally shot a day earlier in a clash that raged in the narrow streets of the city center between Palestinian rioters and Israeli troops, the dead man's uncle delivered a fiery eulogy promising he would not go unavenged.

"This martyr gave his blood for Jerusalem!" he cried out. "The mother and children and wife of the murderers should be very afraid. ... Our path is jihad to expel the occupier."

Many of the young mourners — fired up and chanting "Allahu akbar (God is great)" — hurried straight from the cemetery to the city center to face off with Israeli troops yet again.

But it is not only young hot-heads who are eager to continue the battle. Mourners Wael Sharif, a soft-spoken 40-year-old office manager, shook his head when asked whether Arafat could damp a lid on the clashes, as he has often proved able to do in the past.

"It makes no difference now what Arafat says," said Sharif. "If the enemy keeps killing us, we will surely strike back. We must strike back."

The carnage of the past 17 days has left the Palestinian leader in a quandary. As long as he is seen as standing in solidari-



Fatal gunman Majed Al Bazbaz 26, teaches two of his eight children how to fire an M-16 as part of a training course offered in the outskirts of the Palestinian refugee camp of Balata near the West Bank town of Nablus Saturday.



Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat at the Gaza hospital Thursday, for a visit to Palestinians wounded during recent clashes with Israeli forces in the Gaza Strip.



Pausing before one injured man, he embraced him repeatedly, even bending over to shower kisses on the bandage covering the man's wounded leg. "Our

people...don't hesitate to continue their march to Jerusalem, their capital of the Palestinian independent state," he said defiantly while taunting areas targeted in the rocket strikes.

Still an open question is when Arafat will declare Palestinian statehood — something Israel has warned him not to do unilaterally, but as part of an overall peace treaty. Abu Amr, the political analyst, said if the peace process collapses, Arafat may have no choice but to move ahead.

"If think if the intefadah continues, escalates, and there is no point in going back to negotiations, or if the negotiations reach a dead end, or if the peace process collapses — all these are likely circumstances for him to declare the state," he said.

In the meantime, it's a tricky balancing act for Arafat. He has taken steps to appease Hamas, which vehemently opposes any peace accord with Israel. Hamas last week participated for the first time in a Palestinian Cabinet meeting, and scores of prisoners from the radical Islamic movement were freed from Palestinian jails, though 14 were back in jail in the West Bank town of Nablus Saturday.

In a gesture of unity, Hamas and Arafat's Fatah faction now march together at rallies, some-

Saudi plane with hostages freed after hijack

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Hijackers who commandeered a Saudi plane and took it to Baghdad were arrested late Saturday, Iraqi state television reported, ending a daylong ordeal for 105 people on board when the attackers seized the plane over the Mediterranean Sea. Details on how the hijacking was resolved were not immediately available, but state television said all the passengers were safe and would be taken to a Baghdad hotel. The hijackers asked for political asylum, the television reported.

The Boeing 777 had landed at Baghdad's Saddam International Airport about 8 p.m. local time, the official Iraqi News Agency reported.

Speaking before the release, an Iraqi official in military uniform said the hijackers, who appeared to number four, said they seized the plane because they were upset over an investigation into the human rights situation in Saudi Arabia that was too favorable to the government.

They also said they ordered Saudi Arabian Airlines Flight 115 to fly to Baghdad because Iraq rejects "U.S. hegemony," said the official, who was shown speaking on state television but not identified. Security at the Baghdad airport was tight, with guards turning away journalists. Ambulances, buses, a fire engine and a fuel tanker went into the airport as reporters watched.

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Bombing suspects linked to U.S.-backed soldiers

ADEN, Yemen (AP) — The Islamic militant movements under suspicion in the bombing of the USS Cole can be traced to the U.S.-backed fighters who battled the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan in the 1980s.

Their lineage — from a Cold War battleground to the current Middle East tensions reaching even remote Yemen — offers a synopsis of the ever-shifting alliances in the region and the political upheavals that nourish radical Muslim cells.

And always in the background is the son of a Yemen-born immigration tycoon: Osama bin Laden, who is accused of organizing attacks including the 1998 bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania that killed 224 people.

So far, there has been no believable claim of responsibility for the bombing of the Cole, which killed 17 sailors. The U.S. administration believes the blast was the work of suicide bombers in a small, explosives-packed boat.

At one time, bin Laden was part of the U.S.-aided militia factions organized in Afghanistan in 1979. Using his family background and the promise of steady pay, bin Laden recruited thousands of Yemeni mercenaries. Some became part of the inner circle.

After the Soviet withdrawal, the Yemeni veterans returned home energized by the Islamic crusade. Their influence was soon felt in the increasingly politicized structure of then North

Yemen — the sister state of the strongly Marxist People's Democratic Republic of Yemen in the south.

Their guerrilla experience also gave them an important role in the power struggle with southern Yemen following unification in 1990. The defeat of the Marxist forces solidified the control of President Ali Abdullah Saleh, a former military commander who relied on the former "mujahedeen," or holy warriors.

But the end of civil conflict brought another battle for the Afghanistan veterans — this time against the symbols of Western and secular practices across the once-communist south.

In Aden, the former South Yemen capital, offices of the former communist party were razed and schools were forced to adopt a fundamentalist curriculum. People considered loyal to the old regime were jailed or harassed. A beer factory was destroyed and alcohol was banned, although now the controls have loosened.

The southerners, however, resisted the edicts. To prevent another civil uprising, the government began to turn against the same militiamen who helped it consolidate control over the rugged country of about 16 million people.

In some cases, it persuaded fundamentalists to compromise. One member of bin Laden's Afghan group, Tariq Al-Fadhli, joined the president's council of advisers.

Flooding hits Vietnamese families hard

The Associated Press

CAO LANH, Vietnam (AP) — She recounts it numbly: Nguyen Thi Hop's one-room hut had filled chest-high with water, so she went to get tree trunks to build a bridge to the road. She called her 16-year-old daughter, who was minding the baby, to come help for a moment.

When Hop ran back into the house, the baby had disappeared — fallen into the murky water beneath the raised wooden bed.

"I don't know why I wasn't more careful," said Hop, 39, weeping as she recalled the death of her 1-year-old daughter, Bui Thi Diem. "Normally I watch over her with special care. I don't know why I didn't that day."

The tragedy has been repeated over and over in Vietnam's Mekong Delta, hit by the worst flooding in four decades. An astounding 75 percent of the fatalities — 236 of 319 so far — have been children, most under age 3.

"The situation is tragic — the more so because there is very little we can do to help," said U.N. Children's Fund spokesman Damien Personnaz.

Heavy monsoon rains in July triggered massive flooding along the Mekong River, which cuts through Laos, Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam. An estimated 6.5 million people have been affected, especially in the southern delta regions of Cambodia and Vietnam.

In Vietnam, 45,000 families have been displaced, many to cramped makeshift shelters atop crumbling earth dikes or along



Nguyen Thi Hop, 39, weeps Saturday by her makeshift shelter as she talks about the death of her 1-year-old daughter, Bui Thi Diem, who died in their flooded house in Cao Lanh in Vietnam's Dong Thap province in the Mekong Delta.

side highways. Others have remained in their flooded homes, their possessions stacked on bamboo platforms inches above the water.

In the worst-hit provinces of Dong Thap, An Giang and Long An, acres of lush rice paddies have been swallowed by muddy brown waters that have swamped lowlying rural roads. Water levels have peaked but won't recede until mid-November — if heavy storms stay away in the mean-

time. Forty percent of the child deaths have been in Dong Thap, where about 95 percent of the province is under water, said Dang Ngoc Loi, director of the local disaster coordination center.

In most cases, parents were forced to leave home to find work, firewood or food, leaving children unattended, Loi said. Some young children also have rolled off their beds into the

water at night. "We've tried to spread information through TV and radio, warning parents to be more careful," Loi said.

But, he conceded, most parents have little choice but to leave to find work and food.

In the provincial capital of Cao Lanh, about 100 miles west of Ho Chi Minh City, where most families raise rice or fruit trees, all the city's seven flood casualties were children.

Officials fear virus caused African deaths

The Washington Post

GULU, Uganda — At least 30 people in this northern Ugandan town have died in recent weeks of a hemorrhagic fever that authorities fear may be caused by the Ebola or Marburg virus.

Blood samples from victims of the outbreak, which has produced telltale bleeding from every bodily orifice in many patients here, are being flown to high-security laboratories in South Africa and at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

Medical investigators who rushed here this week said tests may identify the fever's cause by early next week, and said several elements of the outbreak suggest a filovirus such as Ebola, including the infection of medical personnel.

Three of the 10 people who died of the virus since Sept. 30 in one Gulu hospital were nursing students who presumably contracted the disease by caring for infected patients.

Uganda health officials said at least 20 others have perished with similar symptoms at a second hospital or at home.

In one cluster of huts not far from the center of town, eight people have died since Sept. 20.

"Now we are fearing," said Jessica Ochire, who cared for a neighbor who later died.

Officials from the Uganda Ministry of Health and World Health Organization told residents to avoid direct contact with the ill and to rush them to local hospitals, where local doctors have done their best to establish isolation wards.

"We wish that somebody who knows exactly what to do will come and help us," said Matthew Lukwya, medical superintendent of the 500-bed St. Mary's Hospital Lacor, where the nurses died.

Ebola and Marburg are the most lethal of the hemorrhagic fever viruses that have emerged in recent decades, mostly in Africa.

Ebola was first identified in 1976 in Congo and Sudan, both of which border Uganda, and has flared at several sites since.

The first sustained outbreak of either virus continues in north-east Congo, where local men working an abandoned gold mine have suffered a steady stream of Marburg infections since mid-1998.

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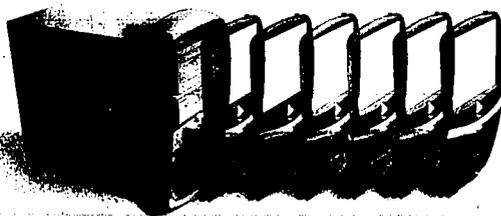
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EDITORIAL

Chamber committee has hit on a good strategy for MV economy

The way to create a strong local economy is to lure new businesses to town and to help existing ones grow. The former - with ground-breaking and ribbon-cutting ceremonies - is likely to make the 6 o'clock news, but the latter often goes unnoticed.

Helping local businesses flourish isn't as exciting as bringing a major new employer to town, but it is a wise long-term path to follow. It's the business equivalent of concentrating on base hits, rather than trying to smack a home run.

The Business Plus II committee of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce (on which the publisher of this newspaper sits) has been quietly focusing on the needs of local businesses in recent months. The results clearly show that a little seed money up front can yield a bountiful economic harvest down the road.

For example, Seastrom Manufacturing Co. Inc. accepted \$30,000 from Business Plus II in exchange for creating at least 30 new jobs. Seastrom had two years to deliver on its promise, but it only needed about a year.

These jobs will inject new money into the Twin Falls economy. Some of it will inevitably find its way into local real estate offices, car dealerships, clothing stores and restaurants.

The Seastrom story is being played out in other local businesses.

Last week, the SMI Joist Co., the newly arrived drafting arm of a metals fabrication company, accepted \$10,000 in exchange for making its first 10 hires in the next two years. And Watco Companies Inc. - which owns the Eastern Idaho Railroad - has accepted a \$12,000 check to create 12 new jobs.

All of these are good positions in a core sector of the local economy. Instead of stirring around money that's already here, they are generating products for distant markets - thus capturing money from afar. That's the way to expand the local economy.

In a related vein, Lamb Weston Inc. has taken an innovative approach to filling some of its employee vacancies. The local French fry manufacturer has recruited more than a dozen wood-products workers from the North Idaho community of Pierce, where the local sawmill closed down earlier this fall.

Hiring that many workers in one fell swoop is a coup for an employer in the Magic Valley, where low unemployment has created a shortage of workers. Instead of hanging out a "Help Wanted" sign, Lamb Weston went to the far end of the state looking for idle workers. This kind of resourcefulness, coupled with the efforts of the Business Plus II committee, is what it takes to remain competitive in today's new economy.

Helping existing businesses to expand, rather than trying to lure new businesses to town, is a sound way to strengthen the local economy.

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LETTERS

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KEN CARPENTER
Buhl

Beware of endangered species act

I read an article in our local newspaper where the Idaho Fish and Game Department was speaking to anglers at the Eastern Idaho Outdoor Expo in Blackfoot. They were raising the subject of the Yellowstone cutthroat becoming "an endangered species" due to the numbers of rainbow trout becoming so numerous.

If there is a serious angler in Idaho, I would certainly be keeping a close watch on the attempts to have the cutthroat placed on the endangered species list.

Here in Washington state, in the Puget Sound region, we are suffering the consequences of having native chinook and chum salmon added to the endangered species list.

This not only is affecting salmon fishing but it is also affecting stormwater run-off, property improvements and, more importantly, the rights of the property owner.

In my opinion, it makes no difference to the angler whether he catches a native salmon or a hatchery salmon. However, government can now use the Endangered Species Act to make local rules and laws without Legislature approval. In football, it's called the end around.

I would caution Idahoans to be very wary of this smoke screen.

DAVE DAHLKE
Port Orchard, Wash.

Public education is doing its job

In response to Mr. Farris and Mr. Pierce (Oct. 8):

First, I wonder if your homeschooled really scored 20 to 30 percent higher than our young lady at Rochester University in New York, or our Rhodes Scholar from the University of Idaho, or our Pepperdine students in California, or our young woman presently attending Princeton.

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HUNT



Cheney breaks ranks with stance on gays

MARJORIE WILLIAMS

The question didn't mention his daughter, and neither did his answer, but you knew, listening to Dick Cheney address the first serious inquiry of the campaign and lesbians, that his response had everything to do with Mary.

He answered in the same unflinching engineer's tone that moderates everything he says, with the same reliance on muscular Washington cliché ("This is a tough one, Bernie... That's not a slunk"). Cheney has never been the kind of politician - or the kind of man - who is much inclined to wrestle with the messy human issues that weaken their irrational argument about throw-weights or force posture; give him a good procedural question to unsnarl in a room full of other respectable men.

But that is precisely what made his statement an oddly moving one. Both Cheney and his Democratic counterpart, Joe Lieberman, gave answers strikingly more compassionate, more uncertain and thinking-out-loud, than Cheney had in the past, marking a signal moment - a tipping point - in America's gradual acceptance of homosexuality.

And Cheney's was the more remarkable response, because it represented a real day for the anger of the Republican right to boil over at his apostasy in calling on Americans "to do everything we can to tolerate and accommodate whatever kind of relationships people want to enter into," and in affirming that states have the right to pass laws sanctioning some form of gay union. But it was already clear, or should have been, that Cheney's answer to that question was the biggest news of the vice presidential debate.

George W. Bush's reassertion, during Wednesday's presidential debate, of his party's hard line on a range of issues affecting gays and lesbians did nothing to change the symbolic importance of his unannounced answer.

"A-mazing," says David Smith, communications director for the Human Rights Campaign, a gay advocacy group. "(Cheney) basically broke ranks with Bush and the extreme right by saying that he recognized that gay and lesbian families have a place in America, and that their relationships should be respected."

It wasn't a ringing endorsement, but it certainly was a stark departure from his past position on this issue.

Until that moment, Cheney and his formidable wife, Lynne, had refused to answer any questions about the apparent conflict between the Republican platform and their support of their younger daughter, who has been quite open about her sexual orientation. Mary Cheney, 31, who now accompanies her father everywhere as the "body" aide on his campaign, worked until recently as a liaison to the gay and lesbian community for the Coors Brewing Co. She has lived for years with a female partner, and wears a gold band on the ring finger of her left hand. Yet the press has been largely frightened off the issue by the Cheney's claims of privacy, and gay activists have expressed huge frustration at what they saw as the muzzling of Mary Cheney.

But moderator Bernard Shaw was smart enough to couch the question as a simple matter of public policy rather than as a

veiled charge of hypocrisy; Cheney could hardly refuse to answer. And, faced with a choice, he chose a response that honored his love for his child.

It is still possible, if you're so inclined, to call Dick Cheney a hypocrite. As Smith notes, it is noisier though Cheney has gone out of his way to denounce his party's official intolerance of gays. He is still running on a platform that calls for a federal ban on any form of gay union, as the running mate of a man who believes homosexuals should be ineligible to adopt children. Asked in the days after the debate to defend his remarks there, Cheney reverted to plegmatic form, saying that he had answered the question "truthfully and accurately," but that if elected he would support his president's more conservative policies.

But gay activists have wisely decided to take yes for an answer, saluting Cheney for the fact that, when asked a direct question, he spoke with integrity and decency. Under most circumstances, this question, the center of the debate, would see the light on some policy issue because of its sudden application to a member of his family. But public policy toward gays and lesbians is quintessentially an issue - often by its very nature - that more and more straight Americans come to know that people they love are gay.

Thus Cheney's partial, almost grudging call for acceptance makes him a fitting model for this moment on this question. The center is shifting because millions of Dick Cheney's people in the middle who might prefer not to think about the rights of gays and lesbians, one day see the issue indelibly stamped with the faces of their daughters, sons, neighbors and friends.

Marjorie Williams wrote this commentary for The Washington Post.

On the path to our first billion dollars

B. MEREDITH BURKE

China did not set out to be the first nation to top 1 billion people. It merely got that way because its leaders refused to consider the long-term effects of short-sighted policies.

This month Congress has already taken action to bring the U.S. closer to membership in the unenviable "one billion plus club." First the Senate passed 96-1, a bill to increase to 195,000 the annual number of visas available to workers whose skills are (allegedly) in short supply. A day later, House members adopted by voice vote their version of the Senate bill.

Now 145 members of the House of Representatives and 40 members of the U.S. Senate have signed a letter backing President Clinton on a proposed amnesty for illegal aliens. Forget the fact that in 1986 supporters of IRCA (the Immigration Reform and Control Act) promised their votes would be a one-time amnesty. Forget the fact that most intended beneficiaries have already received temporary protected status after entering illegally. Far more important is our legislators' thumbing their noses at last January's warning by the U.S. Census Bureau.

Belatedly agreeing with academic demographers, our Census Bureau projected massive 21st-century population growth unless immigration is checked. With unchanged immigration policies the U.S. will add 300 million to its current 275 million. The larger part of that will represent not the foreign-born but their decent children who have already swollen national births by 25 percent. But with expanding quotas the bureau's high-end projections reach as high as 1.2 billion Americans by 2100. Congress' unaccountable views on immigration quotas would appall both the Earth Day 1970 activists and members of the President's Commission on Population

Growth and the American Future. The former called for "Zero Population Growth" at an already unsustainable 200 million. In 1972 the latter urged Congress to adopt a population stabilization policy "with all life as amnesty by their families back home; say, 1.2 million people. It would do the same for 220 million Haitians and 40,000 Liberians. It would grant legal permanent residence to 1.9 million illegal aliens who have arrived since the close date for IRCA amnesty.

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Ironically, many of the legislators who support this bill consider themselves environmentalists and protectors of our phys-

ical fabric. They just cannot reconcile demographic and environmental sustainability.

According to ecologists Anne and Paul Ehrlich of Stanford University, Garrett Hardin of UC Santa Barbara and David Pimentel of Cornell, the maximum sustainable U.S. population does not exceed 150 million, our 1950 level. Pimentel posts that California, the main immigrant destination, could support 10 million long-term - if energy and water consumption per capita were reduced by a half and its soil conserved. If legislators stay their course, today's 35 million Californians will grow to 55 million in 20 or so years.

It's time to belatedly adopt a national sustainable population policy. Just as the Congressional Budget Office calculates the monetary costs of proposed legislation, a parallel office should calculate the demographic costs of proposed legislation. It could chart a demographic "thermometer" showing movement from the sustainable ceiling of 150 million.

Second, set serious targets for reducing our use of both renewable and non-renewable resources, including horsepower taxes that will do away with gas-guzzling vehicles.

Third, fully fund international family planning efforts and give generously to Third World female literacy programs. We need a national scoreboard to identify those legislators who are pulling us back from the precipice of 1 billion people - and those who mistakenly believe that "their little legislative increment" will never be felt. Must we wait to take action until we resemble present-day China?

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OPINION

Don't be too quick to judge our children

I left Sydney, Australia, with my Olympic record still standing 32 years later. Being there made me think back to 1968, the year my life changed forever.

BOB BEAMON

I went from being Bob Beamon, former juvenile delinquent, to Bob Beamon, Olympic champion and an Olympic and world-record holder.

I am also reminded of another anniversary this year that helped me realize my dream. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the juvenile court, which established the time-honored principle that delinquent youths can — and should — be rehabilitated.

Today I worry that troubled youths won't get a second chance. And that would be a shame — for them and for us.

When I was in middle school, I belonged to a gang and soon got in trouble with the law. I remember fear clenching at my stomach as I stood before the judge.

I was lucky. The judge decided that I deserved a second chance, and instead of hauling me off to jail, released me to my grandmother's care. That judge didn't know I was a future Olympian.

He recognized me for what I was: a mixed-up kid who could get his act together with some guidance from a caring adult. When he gave me a break, I vowed to use it. The rest, as they say, is history.

My place in the record books is secure, but I'm concerned about kids in the next generation who started out just like me. Our country has started a trend of trying more kids, at younger and younger ages, as adults. I can't understand why we're pursuing this approach. Children who are tried as adults go on to commit more crimes — and more serious offenses — than those who go

through the juvenile system, according to juvenile-justice scholar Charles Frizler.

In this way, we're manufacturing crimes, not stopping them. Young people who get involved in criminal activities usually need an adult mentor to help them find their way forward, to teach respect for themselves and others and to show them there's a world out there that's full of opportunities.

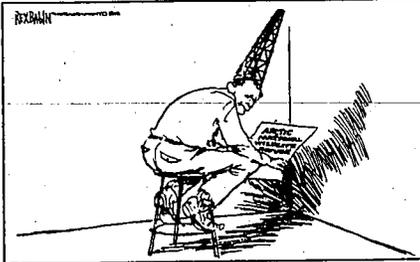
But in adult prisons, young people are exposed to hardened criminals and, all too often, to abuse, drugs and sexual assault. It's no surprise that according to a study published in the academic journal *Juvenile and Family Court*, kids who are sent to adult institutions are eight times more likely to attempt suicide than those who are tried as youths.

Kids today aren't as bad as the media paint them. In fact, according to a recent study, juvenile crime is dropping all across the country — and it's going down more quickly in cities that don't try lots of kids as adults than in cities that do.

We cannot give up on our youth. They have much to offer us if we only give them the opportunity.

Instead of locking up these teenagers, let's help them jump into the record books.

Bob Beamon won the gold medal in the long jump competition at the 1968 Mexico City Olympics with a jump of 29 feet, 4.3 inches, a world record that wasn't exceeded for 23 years.



LETTER

MV politics gone sour

Poor ol' Ralph Peters, former mayor and city councilman, thinks Gina Mulder misquoted him in *The Times-News*. It is hard to quote somebody who talks out of both sides of his mouth. How come he doesn't complain about the unethical journalistic manipulation at the North Side News. Somebody should.

Weeks ago, the council voted down water and sewer Crossroads Ranch. Lot of money and power at stake there. Why, I think I read where WestFarm Foods was wanting to buy part of Ralph's farm when they were considering a new plant at Crossroads. Did these negotiations go on while Ralph was on the City Council? What about the Days Inn at Crossroads set to go on the auction block, owned by FWC Crossroads LLC, being sued by Jerome Associates LLC. Who are they? Is any other of the city and county fathers involved with business ventures that conflict with their oath to serve the public? I remember Mayor Dennis Moore was employed by Jerome Cheese when they were negotiating with the city about being annexed.

They said that they had a verbal agreement with a city official that they were not going to be annexed. Which city official was that? Moore said that would be a case for the Supreme Court, but then he had to step down from the council when they voted to annex Jerome Cheese.

So all this petty finger-pointing about Joe Skaug and Marge Schmidt making different reservations up in Coeur d'Alene at the Association of Idaho Cities conference for councilmen is just a ploy that they made some tough decisions in the best interests of the public they serve and now they've fallen out of favor with the bad of boys. That's a shame.

I sure don't like being harassed again by the police in Jerome. I pulled over twice trying to get one officer to quit harassing me. Twice he pulled over so that he could harass me some more. It was at about 8:45 a.m. on Oct. 6. I guess he's a part-time cop, part-time man of God not doing a good job of either. This is all going to end horribly, I'm afraid, but at least this report won't turn up missing.

CHERI MARTIN
Jerome

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Section B

Drop that tool belt and nobody gets hurt

I'm here this morning to confess that I just after hardware in my heart. Also plumbing fixtures, all manner of epoxies and solvents, hand tools, power tools, potting soil and bulbs - electric and otherwise.

I've been seduced by the vast explosion of home improvement emporiums that has besotted our little corner of the world recently, and while that may be not be remarkable for some guys, it's absolutely astonishing for me.

See, I have 10 thumbs, and they're all black and blue.

I can barely tell a ballpen hammer from a ballpoint pen, and I never make one trip to the hardware store when I will do.

That's right: If you look up "feckless" in your "Time-Life Do-It-Yourself Guide for Not-So-Handy Homeowners," you'll find my photograph.

And I know I'm not alone. Home improvement mega-marts have made obsolete the Priesthood of Competence - those aproned, weathered, worn souls with bent fingers who've stood between hardware and trouble for 100 years.

Used to be, if you walked into one of their stores, you had to pass a basic quiz before you got your hands on the goods: What are you looking for? What's its name? What are you planning to use it for?

These folks could spot a phony before he got out of his GMC Pacer. Tool-belt cowboys were made aware, in ways subtle yet sublime, that you can't fake adequacy in the manly arts.

No more. All manner of inventory is out in the open, and if I want a power-stapler - or an even generator muscular enough to jump-start Al Gore - I can walk right in and put my sweaty, trembling, uncalloused hands on it. No questions asked.

That's just wrong. A checkbook should not be the arbiter of competence with a scroll saw.

And the danger goes well beyond the occasional visit to the E.R.: We're filling up our garages with the detritus of failed initiatives.

No man - women are smarter, I suspect - undertakes a significant home-improvement project unless hope has triumphed over experience - and left it bound and gagged in the rain gutter.

For complete tyros with power tools, enthusiasm is like a case of beer and a half-liter of Jack Daniels: They know in their hearts that this will be a one-time thing, but they just don't care.

So when, on Monday morning, the new garden gate hangs crooked, or the dock lists to starboard, or hole in the wall is bigger than the window cutout to fill it, comes a hard disillusionment.

That's why Black & Decker has grown prosperous on the underused contents of our overstuffed garages: Nobody cuts his off his pinkie fingers. And yet there is a naive imperative to tinkler that never quite goes away. A friend of mine, a physician with the means to hire professionals to do a home-improvement job right, assist at handiwork with increasing dispiriting results until his wife remind him that he had solemnly vowed otherwise when he took the Hippocratic Oath:

"First, do no harm."

Home-improvement hypermarkets do nothing but encourage the darker angels of our mechanical malfeasance. I was standing in the electrical department of one of these stores recently, fantasizing about installing a ceiling fan myself, when a nearby conversation scared me straight.

A fellow about my age was examining a breaker box, and he turned over and over in his hands, while his wife looked on skeptically.

"It's easy, Alice," he explained. "See, all these wires are color-coded so you don't get confused when you connect them: Black to white, red to blue."

I went home and opened a window. The place, I decided, is plenty cool enough without a ceiling fan. And if I change my mind, it's sitting in the garage.

Steve "Three Fingers" Crump is the Times-News features editor.

Where candidates land on land

By Michael Joumeo
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Exactly what effect the presidential election will have on federal land management policy isn't really clear to some specialists.

But at least two people intimately involved in the issue see little chance of the clock turning back to the days of unchecked commercial use of western public lands.

Bill LeVerre, supervisor of the Sawtooth National Forest, and Jon Marvel, of the Idaho Watersheds Project, told mem-

Land use watchers don't see difference between Bush, Gore

bers of the Idaho Press Club Saturday that no matter who wins the White House on Nov. 7, the trend toward more restricted use of public land isn't likely to retreat.

Even if Texas Gov. George W. Bush, the Republican nominee for president, beats Democratic Vice President Al Gore in the presidential election and the GOP holds on to its slim majority in Congress, things will not

likely change.

"They will try to roll things back but I'm afraid they will fail," said Marvel, a Hailey architect who has led a campaign to secure state grazing leases to show that areas along streams damaged by livestock grazing can recover to provide healthier wildlife habitat and improved water quality.

However, Marvel said that if the Democrats are successful in

capturing both the presidency and Congress, the nation's steady movement toward more stringent management of public land will continue.

But LeVerre said while both candidates talk strongly about their intentions for public lands, there is little that a Republican or Democratic victory will mean for land management specialists in the field.

Using the U.S. Forest Service's 44-foot-thick land management manual as an example, LeVerre said the growing number of regulations and environ-

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Painters gather to share detailing talent

By Mark Holzn
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A quick glimpse into the world of Mike Lavallee and his peers can change an observer's view of sheet metal.

With his years of experience and basic tools of the trade, he recently brought an otherwise mundane Dodge pickup tailgate to life. In about three hours, he painted a stunning lifelike run that looks as if its charging right through the tailgate, rendering the metal as it goes. Even in a small color snapshot of the tailgate, Lavallee's work appears to be three-dimensional.

Lavallee was modest Saturday while describing his work.

"All I painted on (the tailgate) was basically shadows," he said.

Lavallee, who lives outside Seattle, was one of many sign-painters, vehicle artists and other graphic experts who gathered this weekend at a Twin Falls shop owned by Jeff and Joyce Devey. Called "Jamming at Jeff's," the three-day gathering is the type auto and sign painters try to hold at least once a year, Jeff Devey said.

The Deveys turned their shop, Jeff's Graphics, into a studio where painters could work on small sample "plates." Participants were encouraged to use their imaginations and examine each other's work.

"The idea is to get together socially and inspire each other," he said. "We make some lifelong friendships out of this, as well as sharing our craft."

Professional sign and graphics painter Vick Middleton spent a year planning to come to the event from her home in Australia. "I get all my inspiration from America," she said, explaining that she's diligently read trade magazines since taking up her craft 11 years ago.

"This is a really big deal for me," she said of coming to the Deveys' gathering. "I finally get to meet all these people I've been reading about since I was a much smaller sign writer."

Artists also came from Canada and several states, Jeff Devey said.

Misty Hollingsworth of Jackson, Wis., makes a living painting wooden signs. She was eager to try her hand at working with metal.

"I can incorporate a lot of what I learn here into what I do," she said.

Jeff Devey said the event was about more than trading tricks of the trade. It was about keeping



Jon Wolf of Missoula, Mont., and Ben Hampton of Twin Falls demonstrate their artistry Saturday at a gathering at Jeff's Graphics.

his craft alive.

Computer-aided design and other technological leaps have taken some of the painstaking craftsmanship out of sign and vehicle graphics, he said.

"You used to have to be able to take a hand brush and run a line one-sixteenth of an inch wide dead straight down the side of a pickup."

Though computers make it pos-

sible for even clumsy hands to make a straight line, it still takes a trained artist give the finished product a soul, Jeff Devey said.

"Computers are just another tool - it all depends on the person behind the tool," he said.

Jeff Devey showed off numerous photographs of his and others' work.

Lavallee was able to make the gas tank and fenders of an Indian

motorcycle look as though they were wrapped in leather, while the Deveys' shop has added zing to drag racers, crash helmets and many other vehicles and accessories.

Jeff Devey said he hopes he and his peers can make the world a better place to look at.

"We want to see nicer signs and logos. We want people to get out and use their talent."

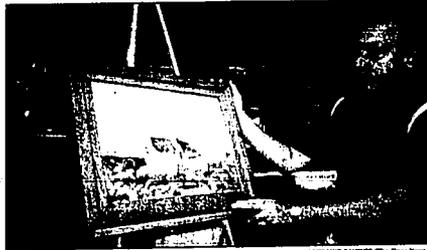
Painting provides POW camp reminder

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News correspondent

PAUL - A German farmhouse, with a white-thatched roof and two cows drinking from a stream, sits in the foreground of the oil painting. In the background are haystacks, with a blue sea in the distance.

The painting, recently acquired by the Minidoka County Historical Society Museum, depicts a memory of a German prisoner of war. It was painted at Camp Rupert sometime in 1944 or 1945, on what appears to be a piece of tent canvas. The painting is framed with oak hardwood flooring scraps.

The 300-acre Camp Rupert was located five miles west of Paul, where A & B Irrigation District offices are now. One of 24 prisoner of war camps built in Idaho, Montana and Oregon and one of 666 built in the United States, it housed as



Minidoka County Historical Society president Gary Schorzman shows a painting recently acquired by the museum. The painting was made by a World War II prisoner at Camp Rupert, five miles west of Paul.

He acquired the painting in 1954 from G.M. Decker, the chief electrician for the prison camp, who was married to

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Sun Valley conference focuses on fathers

By Karen Bossack
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - Father's Day comes only once a year. But James May puts in a plug for Dads every day.

"When you talk about fatherhood, the first thing men often talk of is guilt. But many are learning the joy of fatherhood, too." May told a few hundred educators at the Council for Exceptional Children conference held this week in Sun Valley.

Statistically, the United States flunks when it comes to fatherhood, says May, who is program director of the Washington State Fathers Network and former director of

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the National Fathers Network. There are 1.3 million single Dads in this country and far more absentee fathers than in any other country in the world.

Thank fear for that, he said. Men don't know how to be fathers. They've been taught to be competitors, protectors, problem-solvers and macho men who hold their feelings in, said May.

He said men don't know how to lead balanced lives - just consider that 70 percent of suicides and drug addicts are men, 80 percent of those who commit suicide are men and 90 percent of the homeless are men. Men also have a 10 percent shorter life span than women, living on average about eight years less.

Thankfully, that may be changing, May said. There is a whole new generation of men writing new rules because they themselves grew up in homes where there wasn't a lot of nurturing and they know how painful that can be. These men are exploring uncharted territory as they learn to balance work and family and become caretakers and nurturers, he said.

"It's really the most exciting time in the world to be a man. We have more choices than ever in how we choose to run our lives," May said. "But let's not delude ourselves. Such change is frequently highly suspect and often, seen as unnatural."

Society needs to create conditions that allow Dads to be as competent as Moms, May said. Society needs to allow men to take time from work for their kids, just like Moms do. He said society needs to insist that there are more images of Dads holding their kids than sacked out on the couch holding a beer.

Instead of focusing on what your child can't do, reward them with love for what they can do, May said. Instead of isolating them from the world, create adventures for them.

Know, too, that it's not important to always have the answers when it comes to your kids, he said.

"What is important is being a good listener."

Ordinance puts guidelines on adult entertainment

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

HEYBURN - There are no nude dancing clubs in Heyburn. Not even a shady downtown nightclub.

City officials would like to keep it that way 'nd they're looking at adopting a strict ordinance to regulate adult entertainment.

An outright ban could be considered unconstitutional. So the ordinance allows adult businesses to locate where they do not affect "the public health, safety and moral climate of the community as a whole."

"It is not the intent nor effect of this ordinance to restrict or deny access by adults to sexually oriented materials protected by the First Amendment, or to deny access by the distributors and exhibitors of sexually oriented

entertainment to their intended market," the ordinance says.

Mayor Cleo Cheney expects the measure to ruffle some feathers, but he thinks the ordinance is necessary because it wouldn't offend too highly.

City officials believe Heyburn's position along Interstate 84 makes it a preferred location. And with anticipated economic growth in the future, Cheney said he wants to address a potential problem before it becomes one.

"For the protection of our young people's minds, I think something like this needs to go into effect," Cheney said.

The 37-page ordinance restricts such businesses to areas zoned for industrial use. It requires a 2,500-foot setback from churches, youth organizations, public areas or property

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Blue Cross of Idaho CEO to retire this year

MERIDIAN (AP) — The president and chief executive officer of Blue Cross of Idaho has announced that he will retire at the end of the year.

David L. Barnett will be succeeded by Texan Ray Flachbart, the Meridian-based mutual insurance company reported.

A 20-year veteran of Blue Cross of Idaho, Barnett has led

the company since 1990, overseeing its transformation from a regulated hospital and professional service organization to a mutual insurance company. The company serves 300,000 Idaho customers.

"I am extremely proud of this organization and its accomplishments," Barnett said.

Flachbart hails from Houston,

where he was senior vice president and general manager for AmeriHealth of Texas.

He also served for 11 years as president of Prudential Insurance Co. of America in positions ranging from director of health-care management and director of group marketing to vice president in New York, Connecticut and Texas.

DEATH NOTICES

Edna L. Wells

EDEN — Edna Louise Wells, 76, of Eden, died Friday, Oct. 13, 2000, at Twin Falls Care Center.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls with the Rev. Jeff Potter officiating. Graveside services with her daughter, Landa "Cheedee" Ross, will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral chapel. A complete obituary will appear at a later date.

Landa Ross

POCATELLO — Landa "Cheedee" Ross, 55, of Pocatello and formerly of Eden, died Thursday, Oct. 12, 2000, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 12:30 p.m. Monday at Colonial Funeral Home, 2005 S. 4th Ave. in Pocatello. The family will greet friends one hour before the service on Monday at the funeral home.

Graveside services will be held with her mother, Edna Wells, on Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Instead of flowers, a memorial fund has been established in Landa's memory at FMC Credit Union.

Zylpha M. Wade

GOODING — Zylpha May Wade, 85, of Gooding, died Saturday, Oct. 14, 2000, at the Gooding Rehabilitation and Living Center in Gooding.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Ashlynd M. Smith

KIMBERLY — Ashlynd Michelle Smith, 2-month-old daughter of Justin and Aleesha Smith of Kimberly, died Friday, Oct. 13, 2000, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

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

Makayla Spencer

TWIN FALLS — Makayla Spencer, infant daughter of Frank and Nycole Spencer of Buhl, died Friday, Oct. 13, 2000.

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

at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Service will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Monday at the funeral chapel.

Ruth Knighton

BOISE — Ruth Knighton, 74, of Boise, died 11 Thursday, Oct. 12, 2000, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise. Inurnment will follow at Dry Creek Cemetery.

Helen J. Lakey

BOISE — Helen Josephine Lakey, 93, of Boise, died Friday, Oct. 13, 2000, at a Boise care center.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel.

SERVICES

LaVintz Milton Hatmaker of Shoshone, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church in Shoshone. The family will greet friends from 4-6 p.m. today at the family home at 412 W. B St. (Demaray's Shoshone Chapel).

Danny Joe Peak of Carey, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Calvary Bible Church in Hays.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the Wood River Chapel in Hays.

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Some names have been omitted at patients' request.

OBITUARIES

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TWIN FALLS



Gradus G. Heeling

Gradus G. Heeling, of Twin Falls, died Friday, October 13, 2000, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center from work related injuries.

Gradus was born on March 5, 1924, in Bellefleur-Dronthe, the Netherlands. He was the son of Gradus G. and Johanna Berends Heeling. He grew up in the Netherlands and received his education there, which included his apprenticeship as a builder. During WW II, he was active in the Dutch resistance. He married his lifelong sweetheart, Aaltje "Alice" Hegen on October 28, 1949, in the Dutch Reformed Church in Bollen. They had two sons, Gradus G. Heeling, Jr. and Henk Heeling. The family moved to Idaho in March of 1960. They lived in Jerome and then later residing in Twin Falls. In 1962, Gradus started Heeling Construction in which he was still active with his son, Henk.

He was an avid music lover and enjoyed playing his accordion for relaxation. He liked all sports but soccer was his main love and had a lifelong admiration for the sport. He played and was captain of the "Fil Boys," the local town soccer team. He played soccer in Holland from the age of 36 prior to moving to the States. He had a passion for the sport and when the Magic Valley Youth Soccer Association formed he was able to watch his grandson, Hans, play. No matter how busy he was he would always find time to watch a good soccer game.

He is survived by his wife, Alice of Twin Falls; two sons, Gradus G.

Heeling, Jr. of Soda Springs, Idaho, and Henk Heeling and his sister, Kathy (Gordon) Gibson of Caldwell; and a sister and brother in Holland. He was preceded in death by his parents, Gradus G. and Johanna Berends Heeling, and five brothers, all in Holland.

Funeral services for Gradus G. Heeling will be held Tuesday, October 17, 2000, at 11 a.m. at White Mortuary with Pastor Brian Vesneska officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary Monday from 4 to 6 p.m. The family suggests memorials be given in Gradus' memory to the Magic Valley Youth Soccer Association. These may be mailed or left at White Mortuary, P.O. Box 945, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

RUPERT



Jessie R. Holdaway

Jessie R. Holdaway, 74-year-old Pocatello resident, died Friday, October 13, 2000, in the Idaho State Veterans Home.

He was born September 30, 1926, in Devonport, Oklahoma, to John and Mabel Plaster Holdaway. He attended schools in Oklahoma graduating from high school, and attended college in Texas. He was in the service in World War II. After returning from the war, he worked as a Sismic engineer/pump man in the oil fields of Oklahoma. He then went to work for Western Nuclear in Wyoming as surveyor for several years. He also was a Certified Public Accountant. Jessie moved to Idaho in 1994 and had lived in Pocatello in the Veterans Home since 1997.

He loved to teach a variety of music including piano, guitar and drums. He was handy with his hands doing different kinds of leatherwork. Jessie liked to talk religion with people, as he had a degree in theology.

He is survived by his children, Jessie Holdaway, Casper, Wyoming; Stephen (Ethel) Holdaway, Riverton, Wyoming; John (Colosia) Holdaway, Lander, Wyoming; Marie (Jim) McDougal-Ponca, Oklahoma; one daughter, Elizabeth Holdaway of Paul, Idaho; one sister, Minerva Pearce, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one brother, J. E. Holdaway of Pampa, Texas; twelve grandchildren; and eleven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, three sisters and one grandson.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, October 16, 2000, at the Paul Cemetery with Pastor L.G. Metzner officiating. Memorials may be made to the Idaho State Veterans Home, 1057 Alvin Ricken Drive, Pocatello, Idaho 83201. Arrangements are under the direction of Hanson Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

SHOSHONE

Roger L. Davis

Roger Leo Davis, 51, of Shoshone, died Thursday, October 12, 2000, at his job.

He was born Aug. 3, 1949, in Wendell. He was raised and educated in Jerome. He went to work at the Big Wood Canal Co. as a maintenance person, moved up to foreman, and was currently working as assistant manager.

Survivors include his wife, Corinne Davis of Shoshone; a son, Lane Davis; and a daughter, Michelle Chitwood, both of Jerome; and four sisters, Patty Kiser, Betty Hadlock and Helen Cox, all of Jerome, and Roberta Tubbs of Caldwell. He was preceded in death by his parents, step-parents, grandparents, one brother and one sister.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, Oct. 16, 2000, at 3 p.m. at the Shoshone Assembly of God Church. Burial will follow at the Shoshone Cemetery. Friends may call at Summers from 4 to 6 p.m. at Demaray's Shoshone Chapel.

Pickup strikes cop; man charged

BOISE (AP) — A Boise man was charged with drunken driving after a pickup truck hit Boise Police bicyclist officer Kent Lippie and then left the scene.

Moshe P. Oswald, 36, Boise, was charged with leaving the scene of an accident, driving while intoxicated, aggravated battery and driving without privileges.

He was being held at the Ada County Jail on \$50,000 bond. Lippie was taken to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center after the Thursday night incident. He was treated for an arm injury and released.

The officer was riding his bike and attempting to stop a vehicle when he was hit by a truck, according to reports.

The impact knocked Lippie from his bike, according to police. The truck then left the scene, according to reports. A witness got

the license plate number and called police with the information.

Before officers located the truck, a report of a fight at a Japanese restaurant was called in.

Officers responding to the call determined that Oswald and his brother, Dominic, who were at the restaurant, were in the truck that had hit Lippie earlier.

Both men were arrested.

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Agreement keeps post office open

SALMON (AP) — An 11th-hour agreement between the U.S. Postal Service and Shop Store owner Chuck Muellem has saved the 117-year-old post office in the remote Salmon River Canyon.

The tiny office was scheduled to close Friday, after Muellem told the agency he could not afford to keep it open anymore.

"I like the post office there; I think it's part of the history and part of the place," Muellem said. According to his contract, Muellem would have had to keep the office open six days a week, six hours a day, year-round. To do that, the Postal Service paid Muellem \$191 per month, he said. The Postal Service has now offered a deal where he can close the office from Dec. 1 to Feb. 28, when business dries up for the winter. The rest of the year, the office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

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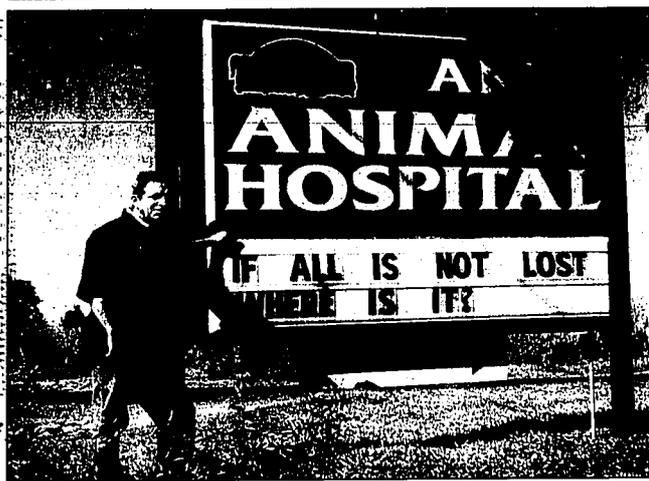
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Ark Animal Hospital owner and veterinarian Bill Fülcher stands beside one of the trademark witticisms that has turned his billboard into a Heyburn landmark.

Billboard brings Heyburn humor

By Aaron Brock
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — "If you smell an odorless gas, it's carbon monoxide."
"That's just one of the puns, jokes and sayings that have appeared on the billboard in front of the Ark Animal Hospital in Heyburn for the past three years."
"It cheers people up. There's enough dreary news in the world," said Ark Animal Hospital owner and veterinarian Bill Fülcher.
Like most billboards, the veterinarian's billboard sometimes offers actual information, but it most always includes a little humor.
"Just about everything we put

out there is a joke," Fülcher said. "It's not to be taken seriously. We try really hard not to offend anyone."
Fülcher, who opened the hospital's doors 11 years ago, said business has increased in the three years since the billboard went up.
"Now we're a landmark," he said. "People know where the funny sign on Alfredo Road is."
Sterling Anderson, a senior at Declo High School who has worked part-time at the clinic for about a year, usually has the duty of changing the message on the sign.
The jokes come from many different sources, Anderson said. Many of the sayings are found on the Internet or in joke books. People also e-mail jokes that

sometimes end up on the billboard, he said.
Local high school students have occasionally used the billboard to ask someone to the prom. The students will set up the billboard and then drive past it with their potential dates.
"People have come to look forward to seeing the latest message on the billboard."
"Any time they have the right sayings out there and it makes people smile, it's good for business and it's good for the community," Heyburn Mayor Cleo Cheney said.
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mental laws will not be overruled or enhanced dramatically enough by the next president to make a difference.
"If you think the presidential election is going to change that 44-foot-thick manual, you're wrong," LeVeré said.
LeVeré, Marvel and Sara Braasch, of the Idaho Cartleman's Association, said the enforcement of environmental law is now being done in the courts.
Braasch lamented the continued defensive her ICA clients have been on for at least four decades and said cartlemen simply want "common sense, to be

treated fairly, and to tell our side."
She said some kind of balance between environmental groups and ranchers needs to be struck and that "it's a sad day" that the judicial branch has become "the basis of land management policies."
"Granted, I guess we need a judicial system," she said.
"LeVeré and Marvel said federal land management policy is too reaction-based, leaving the potential for severe situations, like this summer's fire season, to catch land managers flat-footed."
For example, LeVeré said President Clinton signed into law

a 40 percent increase — from \$3.1 billion this year to \$4.4 billion in 2001 — in Forest Service funding for next year.
"Almost all of that is related to fires and fuel treatment in one way or another," LeVeré said.
In fact, such crises is what the Idaho Watersheds Project and similar groups rely on to advance their agenda, Marvel said.
"One of our goals is to create crises in order to throw the door open to change," Marvel said.
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for residential use. Storefronts must either be part of an enclosed mall or isolated from the direct view of those facilities.
A 1,000-foot setback from other businesses is required.
"Applicants must go through a stringent approval process to obtain a permit, renewable every year for \$850. A permit can be denied for a variety of reasons, including unpaid taxes or fines assessed in relation to an already operating adult establishment, or an applicant recently convicted of a sex crime.
"Violations of the ordinance would be misdemeanors. The ordinance would be enforced by city police and the City Council could have the right to suspend or revoke a permit if the terms of the ordinance were violated.

The city has a number of concerns. Sexually-oriented businesses are believed to cause an increase in crime, lower property values, attract less desirable businesses and contribute to urban blight, according to the ordinance.
Such businesses also "adversely impact and threaten to impact the public health, safety and welfare by providing: a) an atmosphere conducive to violence, sexual harassment, public intoxication, prostitution, the spread of sexually transmitted disease and other deleterious effects."
While the state has obscenity laws, the ordinance targets conduct or materials considered "indecent."
Targeted businesses include adult arcades and retail stores, adult clubs and movie houses,

adult motels, theaters, escort agencies and other sexually-oriented establishments.
The ordinance is adopted from Idaho Falls, which held its fourth public hearing Thursday. The city has a couple existing establishments, but receives about four requests a year for new ones, said Todd Meyers, assistant planning director for Idaho Falls.
The city Planning and Zoning Commission will hold the first public hearing on the ordinance and a second hearing will be held before the City Council. Those hearings have not yet been scheduled.
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Painting

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Watson's cousin. The prisoner had given Decker the painting at the end of August 1945, just before a train took prisoners to the East Coast for their return to Germany.
Decker, now deceased, had given Watson some history of the man who painted the picture.
The painter had been assigned by the Nazis to allow himself to be captured and brought to the United States to learn American advanced technology, Watson said. The Nazi knew they were losing the war, but their philosophy was the Third Reich would rise again, Watson said.
"Mindoka museum records show the prisoners helped in the fields and had a major impact on the agricultural economy. They

helped fill the gap created when local men went from the farm fields to the battlefield.
Farm labor service associations in Mindoka and Cassia counties hired POWs. The Mindoka association purchased 14,000 "mandays" of POW labor from the U.S. military for \$21,000. The contract ran from May 10 through July 26 and called for workers to thin and hoe beets and clean irrigation ditches, records say. A contract for Cassia County was similar.
Workers were required to work 10-hour days, but evidence had some leisure time that some used to paint.
One of those painters was Karl Hoffmeister, who gave a painting of Mt. Hood, painted from a post card — to Forrest Badger, the head carpenter at the camp. Badger is now deceased, and his son, Lester

Badger, has the painting.
"There were some real craftsmen in that camp," Lester Badger said.
Watson marvels at the craftsmanship that went into the paintings. But he had no descendants to pass the painting on to.
"I felt it belonged in the country where it was created," he said.
Mindoka County Historical Society president Gary Schorzman was excited for the museum to receive the painting, because very little was saved from the POW camp. It's one of the few artifacts the museum has from the camp.
Times-News correspondent Lorraine Caverer can be reached through the Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4042.

Friends shop for Aryan Nations leader's new home

SANDPOINT (AP) — Friends are putting out feelers for a new home for Aryan Nations founder Richard Butler, who is about to lose his 20-acre compound in a \$6.3 million civil judgment, a newspaper reports.
Vincent Bertolini, a self-described evangelist for 11th Hour Remnant, a racist and anti-Semitic organization based in Sandpoint, recently inquired about renting or leasing a house for Butler near Sagle, The Spokesman-Review reported in Saturday editions.
The owner of the \$180,000 house, who provided information under the condition he wasn't publicly identified, confirmed this week that he was contacted by Bertolini.
"He asked about renting the house for a third party," the owner said. "I told him the house would be sold and whoever rented it would have to let it be shown."
"Bertolini then asked about a lease for three months," the

owner said. "I asked who the third party was, and he told me Richard Butler."
Bertolini had no comment when asked about his attempts to find housing in Bonner County for Butler, who has lived in Kootenai County since 1972.
The recently built "secluded cedar home" is located on five acres, "surrounded by trees and adjoining several large acreages," a real estate listing says.
"I then told him that if I was to rent the house to Butler that it would ruin my chances of selling it," the seller said. "Bertolini said he understood and that I didn't need the hassle."
If a new home is acquired for Butler, it apparently would have to be put in a third party's name to prevent the property from being seized to satisfy the Sept. 7 judgment.
Kootenai County jury found Butler and the Aryan Nations grossly negligent in hiring security guards who assaulted a woman

and her son. The jury awarded \$6.3 million in compensatory and punitive damages to Victoria and Jason Keenan stemming from the 1998 attack.
To begin collecting that judgment, attorneys for the plaintiffs took action to seize the Aryan compound and assets. The property, including an old farm house, a guard tower and church building, is estimated at worth more than \$250,000.
Butler's attorney and the plaintiffs agreed to a plan for him to surrender his property if Kootenai County District Judge Charles Hosack doesn't grant a new trial.
If the judge denies Butler's request for a new trial, the Aryan Nations property and assets, its Web site domain name and the Aryan Nations name will be decreed to the Keenans.
That is scheduled to take place either Oct. 25 or one week after the judge's ruling, whichever occurs later.

Controversial expert tells Silver Valley residents of arsenic risk

KELLOGG (AP) — A controversial lead health expert says arsenic from mining pollution at risk of cancer.
Shoshone County residents reported about twice the normal number of lung, kidney, rectal and female larynx cancer cases, according to state statistics.
"To me, these statistics are remarkable for a county this size," Dr. John Rosen told a small group of supporters in Kellogg Friday. "Arsenic contributes in part to the very high presence of cancer in the county."
Rosen, a pediatric lead health expert from New York, presented a report on the health effects of arsenic and lead during a daylong conference sponsored by the Silver Valley People's Action Coalition.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's national ombudsman asked Rosen for the report during an August hearing in Coeur d'Alene, Ombudsman Robert Martin is investigating EPA's cleanup at the Bunker Hill Superfund site, as requested by the coalition and U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho.
Rosen has ranked many valley residents and others with biting

criticism of mining companies and cleanup efforts. Locals still remember his comment that he would not allow a child near Lake Coeur d'Alene — a crown jewel of Idaho tourism — because of mining pollution.
No one representing Martin's office or EPA attended the conference.
Only about a dozen people did. One of them, 20-year-old Karmen Killebrew, says the filaromatygia diagnosed by her local physician is the result of lingering contamination. Killebrew, a Page resident, says she also sees the effects of lead kids.
State health officials say it is impossible to say what — if any — role arsenic and other contaminants play in the valley's cancer rates.
Shoshone County's cancer rates are higher than normal, they say. But so are Kootenai County's, for certain kinds of cancer.
About one-third of the adults in Shoshone County smoke cigarettes, which causes lung cancer, according to Stacey Carson, director of the Cancer Data Register, which tracks cancer rates for the state.

"That's one of the problems with cancer, going from the end

point to the cause," said Dick Schultz, administrator of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. "That's not to say arsenic or any other carcinogen may not be a consideration."
There are people in Silver Valley who face higher cancer risk due to contaminated soil and drinking water at scattered private wells, according to a state and EPA draft study of human health risks from toxic metals.
The study predicted that the risk of cancer from arsenic is within a safe range for most other resources could face increased cancer risks.
But the study predicted that eight of 10,000 Coeur d'Alene tribal members who rely more on locally grown and caught food sources could face increased cancer risks.
Officials say a sweeping cleanup plan due next spring will address arsenic. Arsenic tends to show up in the same places lead does, according to EPA's Marianne Deppman.
State and federal reviewers mentioned arsenic in a list of cleanup deficiencies at Bunker Hill, according to Jerry Cobb, with the Panhandle Health District.

A wet Olympics? Mayor, organizer may yet decide to serve beer at games

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — After another round of talks Friday, Mayor Rocky Anderson and Olympic organizing boss Mitt Romney are closer to an agreement about offering beer to spectators at downtown celebrations during the 2002 Winter Olympics.
After a 90-minute afternoon session covering several Olympic-related issues, both men said they were "working collaboratively on how best to stage community celebrations."
Romney's plan to have an alcohol-free medals plaza, as outlined in a memo to Salt Lake Organizing Committee trustees, shouldn't meet objections from Anderson.
"We have reached agreement on our objectives and we think we can accomplish those objectives without conflict. We can't do that work," said Romney, president of the Salt Lake Organizing Committee.
The mayor said Romney assured him there will be an area near the medals plaza with a large television screen. It will be within sight of a beer garden where beer, and perhaps wine, can be consumed.
"Although those who drink will not be where the live event is taking place, they will be close to it and will have the large screen," Anderson said.
Romney said discussions about liquor didn't dominate the discussions. More time was spent on the overall layout of the medals plaza, downtown decorations, transportation and city services.
Romney triggered what his memo characterized as a "firestorm" with comments at the Sydney Olympics that he did not want alcoholic beverages at or around the medals plaza.
The site is to be developed on a parking lot owned by The

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which is letting SLOC use the area for the Olympics.
The church also will pay up to \$5 million to convert it into a public celebration site, with nightly concerts surrounding the presentation of medals to the day's victorious athletes.
Anderson had said he saw no reason why people shouldn't be allowed to consume alcoholic beverages in or around that plaza, or at any other community celebration site.
Sydney had success with "Olympic Live Sites" at a half-dozen parks in the city, where people could watch the action on big screens and listen to live music.
Romney has suggested SLOC not seek beer permits for the medals plaza or the University of Utah's Rice-Eccles Stadium, site of opening and closing ceremonies.

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Syl Cheney-Coker sits in his Las Vegas townhouse Friday. Cheney-Coker, a writer from Sierra Leone whose home was threatened by terrorist rebels, has sought asylum in Las Vegas.

Exiled writer finds refuge in Nevada

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Syl Cheney-Coker stepped out onto his porch, lit a pipe and glanced at the sea of neon casinos in the distance. His sixth novel and a book of poems waited on his laptop computer to be finished.

This is what he has come to Las Vegas for — the quiet, the freedom, the escape from killing. It seems a bizarre combination — a Sierra Leone writer seeking asylum and a gambling city whose culture, if there is any, is neon, not literature. But Cheney-Coker has found refuge here in a city longing to expand its identity.

"In an ironic way, because of its presumed unwelcoming, it's just the right place for a writer to define what humanity is all about," Cheney-Coker, 55, said Friday from his new town house. "It's a fascinating study about humanity."

But Las Vegas, City of Asylum? That's exactly what University of Nevada, Las Vegas, English professor Richard Wiley thought

at first. He was having dinner in November with longtime friend Wole Soyinka, a Nigerian author and president of the International Parliament of Writers, when Soyinka mentioned that no U.S. city had expressed interest in hosting persecuted writers.

About 60 writers have found shelter in two dozen Cities of Asylum, a program begun by the writers' group in response to death threats by Middle Eastern extremists against author Salman Rushdie.

"So, we made a kind of joke about wouldn't it be funny if Las Vegas did it because it's so counterintuitive," Wiley recalled. "It's not what you might think of Las Vegas doing."

But, sometime during the dinner, the joking stopped and, Wiley said, "it seemed like a perfect fit."

Wiley took the idea to Mandalay Resort Group President Glenn Schaeffer, another longtime friend. He knew Schaeffer, a writer himself, could provide the

funding the project needed. Schaeffer agreed and the city's colorful mayor, Oscar Goodman, a former mob defense attorney, was in, too.

"It's not bizarre at all. This is the new Las Vegas," Goodman said.

"Just the fact that he's here gives the city a dimension that it didn't have before," Wiley said. "The city really ... wants to have a well-roundedness."

Cheney-Coker fled Sierra Leone, on the west coast of Africa, in 1997 after rebels tried to smash the gates to his home in suburban Freetown. He has been a critic of military rule.

Terrorist rebels in Sierra Leone have killed tens of thousands of innocent civilians and mutilated many more since the country's civil war began in 1991.

Cheney-Coker arrived in Las Vegas last week with five novels and three books of poetry to his credit, an internationally acclaimed writer.

that service would continue until December.

Nelson said the company has been open to the possibility of selling the line to another buyer since last January.

ment reads. "They will now pause in disassembling the railroad until the end of November."

Whited calls himself chairman of the board of Corporate Benefits of America, Inc., and The Virtual Chamber of Commerce.com.

Since moving to Idaho County a year ago, Whited has founded Citizens for Honest and Responsible Government and is the pastor of Harvest Rock Home Fellowship Church in Kooxsia.

Roger Nelson, an executive with North American RailNet of Texas, which owns the rail line, Friday confirmed his company has been negotiating with Whited, but said it was agreed upon with the shippers earlier

Candidate says incumbent's jail practices pushed him out of race

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The Democratic challenger for Kootenai County sheriff essentially gave up, accusing the incumbent of blocking jail calls to local bail bond businesses to deny him campaign money.

David Perry, 68, said his business has fallen off and he has thrown his support behind independent candidate Ted Pulver. "Perry thinks Republican Sheriff Rocky Watson has deliberately blocked calls from the newly arrested."

"Though I'd like to put on a campaign against him, he's fixed it so I can't, and that's pretty smart I guess," Perry said Friday.

The accusation against Watson is at the center of current court action against the sheriff by Allied Bail Bonds.

Watson replied an Oct. 23 hearing will prove he is doing no such thing.

"If the issue is blocking phone calls, we've got the documents to

prove we never did it," Watson said.

Perry, a former bounty hunter now running EZ Out Bail Bonds, cannot drop out of the race. He did not file financial reports Tuesday as required and his campaign appears to be a mess.

"It doesn't mean he's out of the race, but it does mean he's running the risk of being fined," said county elections supervisor Deedie Beard. "It's too late for him to withdraw."

Allied owner Steve Glynn goes before 1st District Judge James Judd Oct. 23 to ask for a restraining order against the sheriff, to stop him from preventing calls to Allied and other bonding companies.

Pulver said he thinks the sheriff is interfering with the calls. Watson replied bondsmen have given \$2,200 to Pulver's campaign.

The sheriff thinks his policy of accepting credit cards at the jail

— offering booked inmates a way to avoid a bail bonding fee — has prompted all the accusations.

"We're taking credit cards. It's hurting his business, and Pulver's trying to seize on that issue for his campaign," Watson said.

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Paramedics leave man's body in his driveway

ASHFORD, Wash. (AP) — The body of a 76-year-old man who died from a heart attack on route to a hospital was returned to his home near Mount Rainier and left in the driveway by paramedics.

Charles Bardsley was being transported to a hospital in Puyallup, about 50 miles away, when he died on Oct. 2. The paramedics backtracked and deposited his body in the driveway, where it remained for eight hours.

The paramedics said they didn't want to take the body inside because Bardsley's wife, 73-year-old Eileen, suffers from Alzheimer's disease and appeared confused.

"We expected to find an ambulance there. But he was lying right in the driveway where someone could have run over him," said Bardsley's daughter-in-law, Cindy Bardsley, who arrived at the home with her husband, Dennis, about three hours after Charles Bardsley's body had been left.

Lewis County Coroner Terry Wilson said the handling of the body left him mystified. "We had had people die on the way to the hospital before, and they were always taken to the hospital until local enforcement could arrive," he said.

"Then, the body would be released to the funeral home. The body is never, ever taken back to the house. That is totally unacceptable."

The paramedics from Parkland, just south of Tacoma, were employed by Pierce County.

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Words cannot express the appreciation we feel as a family for the outpouring of love given to us in Bobby's name. Thanks to everyone who shared through flowers, cards, food, loving words and thoughts. We will never forget the honor and respect shown for Bobby.
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Minister says he stopped rail line closure

GRANGEVILLE (AP) — A local minister claims credit for stopping the closure of the Camas Prairie RailNet, while the railroad owners hope he succeeds in preserving service for grain growers and others.

Earl Whited, 62, of Kooxsia, issued a news release saying three executives of Camas Prairie RailNet called him on Thursday to solidify an agreement keeping the 67-mile rail line between Spalding and Grangeville open.

"It was high drama, touch-and-go for some time, but after nearly an hour of intense negotiations, they finally agreed not to shut down the Grangeville to Lewiston line on Sunday," Whited's state-

ment reads. "They will now pause in disassembling the railroad until the end of November."

Whited calls himself chairman of the board of Corporate Benefits of America, Inc., and The Virtual Chamber of Commerce.com.

Since moving to Idaho County a year ago, Whited has founded Citizens for Honest and Responsible Government and is the pastor of Harvest Rock Home Fellowship Church in Kooxsia.

Roger Nelson, an executive with North American RailNet of Texas, which owns the rail line, Friday confirmed his company has been negotiating with Whited, but said it was agreed upon with the shippers earlier

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Jerome County commissioners race

Veronica Lierman and Lee Halper, both from Jerome, will square off in the race for the two-year Jerome County District 1 commissioner seat in the Nov. 7 election. Lierman defeated incumbent John Toolson in the May 23 Republican primary. All commissioner seats are now part-time. Before Oct. 1, one seat was full-time. New commissioners will decide whether to keep all seats part-time, or keep a full-time position.

	About the candidates	Do you think the city of Jerome should extend sewer service to the Crossroads Ranch development?	What are your views regarding CAFOs in Jerome County?	Where do you stand on Jerome Cheese Co.'s efforts to remove itself from Jerome water and sewer?	What are your feelings about property taxes in Jerome?	Do you think a full-time county commissioner is necessary?
	Veronica Lierman, Republican Age: 53 Occupation: Administrative assistant to a financial planner, secretary-treasurer to the joint board of SIRCCHM Education: Graduated from high school Political experience: Served on Jerome County Republican Central Committee for 10 years; was appointed in 1987 to the Jerome County Commission, where she served for eight years; served on Mid-Snake River Study Commission, joint board, Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center, regional juvenile detention board; Region IV Development Corp. board; air quality advisory board; industrial revenue bond board.	"If there's no opposition, I don't see why not. Obviously, that's something the city will have to decide. I certainly think Crossroads could benefit Jerome County."	"CAFOs are very important to the economy of Jerome County. It's an ongoing situation and things need to be improved. With CAFOs we must consider private rights of ownership, impact on rural residents and impact on the economy. Jerome County was the first county in the Magic Valley to have a CAFO ordinance, so we've been proactive and we'll continue to be."	"I think they should have the right to do that. I realize they are paying quite a bit of money to Jerome, but they should have the same rights as everyone else. That would be like if I lived in the city and was cited for using less water. If the money's such an issue, the city should have put that in their contract."	"Taxpayers get the biggest bang for the buck at the local level. People complain about property taxes, but they are needed to serve the people directly. I certainly want to keep a tight rein on taxes, but I'd rather see tax cuts on a higher level than the local level. I'll provide oversight to see that taxpayers are spent wisely."	"I wasn't in favor of a full-time commissioner. Commissioners need to share responsibilities equally. I think three part-time commissioners can take care of the necessary business. Three people are elected to represent the people, so they should represent equally."
	Lee Halper, Independent Age: 53 Occupation: Cabinet maker Education: Culver Military Academy, Bates College (3 years) Political Experience: Jerome County building inspector; Jerome County Livestock Confinement Operation Ordinance Committee, 1988-90; Chairman of Jerome County Impact Ordinance Committee, 1993-99; Planning and Zoning Commission, 1996-98; Association of Idaho Counties CAFO Taskforce Committee; legislative lobbyist for Idaho Rural Council; helped pass a senate bill which made daily pollution fines go to county general funds.	"Possibly, it depends on the terms and if it's worked out to everybody's benefit. Everybody has to be satisfied with the arrangement. Crossroads could benefit Jerome County, but it depends on what goes in there. There's nothing written in stone as to what's going in there."	"Right now, we need an inventory of land and cows and review that with the arrangement management plan to see if there's room for growth, or if we're at our limit. I tend to think Jerome County is full up of cows."	"I'm 125 percent against it. I was involved in the first and second water protests, and I asked the commissioners to protest because it's drying up land and taking money away from the county. This is drying up ag land and isn't good for the citizens of the community."	"We need to look at diversifying the local economy so property taxes aren't the basis for funding everything in the county. We need impact fees for people wanting to move into the county to help lessen property taxes."	"I'm fully in favor of three part-time commissioners. If three part-time commissioners can't handle all the work that has to be done, and would require one full-time and two part-time seats, then that should be documented and go before the people. They're the ones paying for it."

Utah sewage spill spurs inquiry

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Central Weber Sewer Improvement District's dumping of 25 million gallons of raw sewage last week into the lower Weber River has prompted a federal inquiry.

Sewage flowed into the river for about 18 hours Wednesday as the district upgraded its sewage treatment plant south of Plain City in Weber County.

Construction required that the plant be shut down so sewage bypassed the normal treatment process. The district had a permit from the Utah Division of Water Quality, but U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service officials questioned whether it was appropriate.

"We are not really too happy with the way the spill occurred," said Fish and Wildlife Service

field coordinator Reed Harris, whose agents were trying to learn more about the incident.

The district was required to notify various health departments and natural-resources agencies, but the Fish and Wildlife Service wasn't notified until Tuesday and had no time for review.

Harris said he plans to bring the matter to the attention of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

"It seems strange in this day and age that we couldn't have come up with a better alternative than dumping raw sewage directly into the river," he said.

The Weber River feeds into the Great Salt Lake's Ogden Bay, a popular area for waterfowl hunting.

Fred Pehrson, assistant director

for the Division of Water Quality, characterized the sewage bypass as a "routine" occurrence for sewage treatment plants in need of repair.

For the Weber district, it was the first time in at least eight years that raw sewage had been routed directly into the river, said district board chairman George Goodell.

Pehrson acknowledged that 25 million gallons is a larger-than-usual amount of effluent. Still, he said he didn't feel any harm was done to the environment because of the dilution from the river's inflows and the filtering effect of the bay's wetlands.

"We don't expect there was significant impact to fish or any waterfowl, and we're not anticipating any," he said.

Investigators determined the surface garbage appeared when holes were trench for utility lines and filled back in with dug-up garbage mixed with dirt.

City officials and residents are awaiting further studies by Provo-based RB&C Engineering to determine whether the landfill was correctly capped in 1991. The report is due in two weeks.

"As soon as we get that report, we can continue with our investigations into the actual development," Oyer said.

Family and strangers pay respects to flight attendant

GARDEN CITY (AP) — Area residents, flight attendants and a former governor — most of whom had never met Lynn Henneman — paid their respects to the woman whose body was found in the Boise River on Oct. 7.

Henneman, 38, a flight attendant with United Airlines, was found nearly two weeks after walking along the Boise River and eating at a local restaurant.

More than 80 people squeezed into the Riverside Funeral Service Chapel for the memorial service Friday.

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Study finds ranch's methane levels unhealthy

SPANISH FORK, Utah (AP) — A Utah County health expert told residents and city officials that methane-gas levels at Spanish Fork Ranch are making people sick.

The county health department was asked several weeks ago to investigate complaints by families living on an old landfill about surfacing garbage, odors, hazardous chemicals and disease.

"Right now, our biggest concern is the gas," Ron Tobler of the county health department said Friday. "That's what they're being exposed to."

Tobler said he measured levels of methane gas throughout the area. He said methane levels at Spanish Fork Ranch won't kill anybody or explode.

"But the gas makes people's heads hurt and their stomachs ache, and no one should have to live like that," Tobler said.

The city agreed to purchase and install ventilation systems in crawl spaces under inhabited

homes and methane monitoring systems inside each home that would alert residents to unacceptable levels.

City Manager David Oyer said the indoor monitors cost around \$80-\$90 and the blowers for outdoor ventilation cost about \$200 each.

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Nevada's suicide rate soars

Researchers look for reasons why most occur in rural areas

PAHRUMP, Nev. (AP) - The black smudges around David Jennings' mouth were just a hint of the pain in his life he wanted to leave. Odd, his wife thought, but she wasn't quite sure what to do when David said he had wrapped his mouth around his car's exhaust pipe.

Another time, David poured gasoline all over his body and planned to set himself on fire.

So when she saw the note slipped into the family's front door, Kandi Jennings knew.

Eight weeks later, authorities found David's body lying against a tree in an empty lot where the family used to ride bicycles. He had shot himself under the chin, his bicycle nearby.

His death marked the end to a tormented life Kandi had struggled to understand for years.

David's death in rural Nye County also contributed to a puzzling national statistic - rural residents kill themselves at a higher rate than those in urban areas. And the West leads the nation in the rate of suicide.

But why? In Nevada, home of the nation's highest suicide rate, the majority of people either live in the Las Vegas or Reno areas. Beyond that, lonely highways lead to isolated towns surrounded by miles of desert dotted with sagebrush and an occasional brothel.

Minus the brothels, the scene is similar in many Western states. That's part of the appeal of the West and at the same time, perhaps part of the reason for suicide.

"It has a lot to do with how isolated everything is," said Stacy Holybee, of the state's Crisis Call Center, a suicide prevention agency in Reno.

"There's not a lot of community resources available. It's hard to keep anonymous. If you have any kind of problem that you're facing, you have to go and face people that you see in the grocery store."

Nationally, the suicide rate of adults in rural areas was 17.94 per 100,000 people in 1995, the most recent numbers from the National Center for Health Statistics. In urban areas, the rate was 14.91.

In Nevada, it's not Las Vegas, the state's gambling mecca, that drives the highest suicide rate in the nation. It's the rural counties. Two-thirds of Nevada's population lives in Clark County, which includes Las Vegas. Yet, the county's suicide rate last year was 18.91 per 100,000 people compared with the rural rate of 25.63, state figures show.

Nevada's overall rate last year was 20.18 per 100,000 people. That's almost double the national rate of 11.31 in 1998, the most recent statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

And in the West, the numbers are higher than in any other part of the country - 12.95 deaths per 100,000 people in 1998, the CDC said.

The South was second with a rate of 12.12, followed by the Midwest with a 10.51 rate. The Northeast was the lowest with a rate of 8.89.

Last year, six people in Nye County - where David Jennings lived and died - committed suicide. The year before, 13 people killed themselves there. Ten peo-



Kandi Jennings sits in her living room in Pahrump, Nev., Aug. Her husband, David, killed himself in January, leaving Kandi and their three daughters. David's death contributed to a puzzling national statistic - rural residents kill themselves at a higher rate than those in urban areas. The West leads the nation in the rate of suicide.

ple in Elko County killed themselves in 1999. They aren't large numbers, but compared with county population totals, the rate is drastically high.

Fewer than 30,000 people live in Nye County, the second-largest county in the United States with 11.6 million acres. Elko County, in Northern Nevada, only has about 45,500 people. By comparison, Clark County has about 1.2 million people.

Nevada has long had the nation's highest suicide rate, but researchers are just beginning to explore the reasons and why life in rural areas leads to more suicides.

Some suspect a link between suicide and the type of people who are attracted to the West and its isolated areas.

"There is a thought that the frontier personality may be more accepting of suicide," said Dr. John Fildes, one of the leaders of Nevada's suicide prevention effort.

University of Nevada, Reno associate professor Bill Evans calls the Western lifestyle "rugged individualism." The rural resident may have easy

access to firearms, is a more private person and enjoys the isolation.

Two years ago, the CDC set up the Suicide Prevention and Research Center in Las Vegas at the University of Nevada School of Medicine. It made sense to the CDC to conduct suicide research in the state that is ground zero to the problem.

Fildes and other researchers there have been concentrating on Nevada's rate and other Western states.

Answers are few. "We really just don't know," said Evans, who teaches human development and family studies.

That's the feeling U.S. Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., has, too. Reid grew up in rural Searchlight, Nev., a town of about 200 people 50 miles southeast of Las Vegas. His father killed himself almost 30 years ago.

"It took me a while to talk about it and to become public about it," Reid said. "I feel better about it, and I know I've made some progress for others."

Reid drafted the 1997 Senate resolution that called for a national suicide prevention strategy and was instrumental

in establishing the suicide center in Las Vegas.

"Obviously the facts are pointing toward this rural living not being all it's cracked up to be," he said.

The isolated nature of the region brings more problems - setting up clinics in rural areas, attracting counselors to lonely towns and getting enough money to keep the clinics running.

"Serious shortages of mental health personnel and services are probably what characterizes rural mental health the most," said Peter Beeson, president of the National Association for Rural Mental Health in St. Cloud, Minn.

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 wishes to express their heartfelt thanks to everyone for the phone calls, food, flowers, prayers, memorial donations, and other kindnesses extended to our family.
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The king of tax crusaders is on the move

An anti-tax crusader pushes proposals in the West

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Lawmakers sometimes hide when they see him coming down the halls. Mention his name to taxpayers, and more than a few pat their wallets and smile. Some even send thank-you notes.

Not since Alferd Packer was accused of eating five of Hinsdale County's seven registered Democrats in the last century has one man angered so many Colorado politicians in so little time.

When it comes to state tax-limitation laws, Doug Bruce is king. Government officials have even coined the phrase, "de-Bruicing," for the process of getting voter approval to exceed tax-and-spend limits in a law Bruce crafted nearly a decade ago.

"He's very bright and he's a step or two ahead of us, and if his goal is to make government unworkable, he's been somewhat successful," said state Senate Minority Leader Mike Feeley, D-Lakewood.

Bruce is one of a handful of political gadflies, who spend their waking hours pushing anti-tax proposals in the West. The West became the epicenter of the tax-limitation movement after California voters approved Proposition 13 in 1978. Eleven of 27 states with tax and revenue limitation laws on the books are in the West.

This year, Bruce has proposed Amendment 21, a plan to cut utility, vehicle, income and property taxes by \$25 each year.

Opponents claim it will force crucial cuts in services in special districts. Bruce responded by marching around with a man in a chicken suit clucking and muttering the sky is falling.

Republican Gov. Bill Owens supports tax cuts, but said Bruce's proposal would cut taxes with "a bludgeon, not with a scalpel."

A poll released Monday



Doug Bruce, shown in this September photo, talks about revenue limitation proposals during an interview in his home in Colorado Springs, Colo. 11 of 27 states with tax-limitation proposals on the Nov. 7 ballot are in the West.

showed support for Bruce's amendment dropped from 65 percent in June to a statistical dead heat, with 42 percent in favor and 41 percent opposed. The poll by Talmey-Drake Research and Strategy of Boulder for the Denver Rocky Mountain News and News4 was conducted last week. It had a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

In Oregon, crusader Bill Sizemore has proposed six measures, including one that would cut state income taxes by \$1 billion a year.

Sizemore, a former gubernatorial candidate who heads an anti-tax organization, campaigns to keep government under control by cutting taxes, limiting its size and promoting citizen initiatives.

Washington's Tim Eyman, a watch salesman who doesn't even wear his own watches, pushed through the I-695 initiative last year that sought to replace value-based car-taxes with a flat \$30 fee and to require voter approval of all

tax and fee increases at the state and local level.

This year, he has proposed the "Son of I-695" initiative to close some loopholes in last year's law.

Like Sizemore and Bruce, Eyman says his goal is to keep citizens in control of government. Eyman, who heads a group called Permanent Offense, has fended off criticism and even a pie, which was tossed into his face by protesters in June.

"I've been called every name in the book, but I have never been insulted by anyone I respected," he said.

Eight years ago, Bruce was responsible for Colorado's TABOR Amendment, which limits the growth of state and local government budgets to 6 percent per year. This year, the state government is refunding nearly \$1 billion to taxpayers under Bruce's law, which has not made him very popular with lawmakers.

Bruce, who grew up in California, got his start in anti-

tax campaigns by voting for Proposition 13, which limited property taxes. He became an assistant district attorney, but became disillusioned with the legal system and resigned.

He moved to Colorado Springs in 1986, bought some rental properties and became embroiled in his first attempt to limit taxes, which failed. Undaunted, Bruce came back again and again until voters approved the TABOR Amendment — the taxpayer's Bill of Rights — in 1992.

Sitting next to a computer chess game in his modest home, Bruce, 51, spends a lot of time going over government budgets, looking for attempts to get around his tax and spending limits.

Chess is his favorite game, he said, because your opponent can grind you down to two pieces, a king and a lowly pawn, and you can still win.

"People have this idea you'll win an election by whispering in a closet. I'm not an anarchist, not anti-government, just against waste," he said.

As for "de-Bruicing," Bruce says, "It's disparaging. It's as though I am a pestilent, just came into the state, as if they are delousing."

Bruce has his followers, including a 91-year-old woman who sent him a note of thanks after she got her \$142 tax refund. "I know it was through your efforts I have this money," she wrote.

Lawmakers accused Bruce of abusing the initiative process, coming back 186 times with drafts before it was finally approved for the ballot. They tried and failed to pass laws to make it more difficult for Bruce to introduce initiatives, citing the huge expense of holding hearings.

A Utah girl recounts her recent abduction

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — With her hands tied behind her back and her face wrapped in duct tape, the 11-year-old girl who was abducted, molested and packed into a travel trunk last week thought about her mother being worried.

"I was thinking about my mom; about how I told her I would be home by 7 p.m., and that I was late and going to get in trouble," the girl said. "But then I just kept praying to God that he would let her know I was OK and not to worry about me."

Arthur Ray "Bubba" Martinez, 32, was arrested Oct. 4 in Mesquite, Nev., the day after the 11-year-old Ogden girl was abducted. Martinez had been free on \$40,000 bail at the time pending trial on charges that he kidnapped and raped a 14-year-old girl who was supposed to babysit for him.

The 11-year-old girl told her story Wednesday to the Standard-Examiner, which reported it in a copyright story. The girl contacted the newspaper and asked if she could be interviewed, and her mother was present during the interview, the newspaper said.

After returning from school on Oct. 3, she asked her mother if she could go play and was told to be home no later than 7 p.m.

She knocked on the door of her friend's house, and was invited in by her friend's uncle, who told her the friend was taking a shower and should be out in a while, the girl said.

But the girl's friend wasn't there, and when she said she wanted to leave, the man asked her to go downstairs to play a video game.

The girl made her way downstairs to a room where a pornographic video was playing. She told the man she didn't want to see that and tried to leave, but

was grabbed from behind and forced into a bedroom.

She said the man put tape over her mouth and tied her down and molested her after downing a handful of pills and a couple of swigs of beer.

She said the man eventually untied her and took the tape off. She tried to run but he grabbed her by the hair and took her back to the basement where he forced her to take off her clothes.

She said she was molested again and then the man forced a sock in her mouth and wrapped her head in duct tape, with slits near her nose so she could breathe. Then he tied her up again, further molesting her.

"I couldn't talk, but I kept thinking, 'Please stop, it feels disgusting,'" she said.

Around that time, the man heard his nephew and sister coming home. The girl said she was wrapped up in some plastic and taken to another room, possibly the garage, where he covered her with garbage and told her not to make a sound or he would kill her.

She said she wanted to make noise to draw attention, but fear of her friends seeing her tied up naked kept her from making a sound.

"I wanted to scream for (her friend), but I had no clothing on to protect or cover my areas," she said. "But I know if he would have found me he would have ran and got the cops. I know he would have."

After a while, the girl's friend left and the assailant stuffed her into an old green travel trunk.

She said he took her to several places, taking her out each time to molest her. The girl said she "distinctly remembers being placed in the trunk of a car, because I could hear it close."

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SPORTSQUOTE

“That should be about as effective as rotating the Firestone tires on an Explorer.”

—Alex Kasberg to the *San Francisco Chronicle* on the Chargers' announcement that they are going to play two quarterbacks, Jim Harbaugh and Moses Moreno, in the first half today against Buffalo

TRIVIA

Who holds the NFL record for pass receptions in a season?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Golf

TFHS Golf Team Benefit, at TF Muni

IN BRIEF

Roper becomes third NASCAR casualty

FORT WORTH, Texas — Trucks series driver Tony Roper died Saturday, hours after a fiery crash in a race at Texas Motor Speedway, becoming the third on-track fatality this year in NASCAR.

The 35-year-old driver had a severe neck injury which prevented blood from flowing to his brain, said Dr. John LaNoue, a trauma surgeon at Farkland Hospital. LaNoue said the injury Friday night left Roper without any brain function.

Roper was one of two drivers to die Saturday from injuries in touring series events. Drag racer Wayne Bailey died hours after crashing during qualifying Friday night for the IHRA World Finals at Red River Raceway in Gilliam, La.

First Lady, Lazio draw Subway battle lines

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Hillary Rodham Clinton left little doubt Saturday that if the Yankees and Mets make it into a "Subway Series," she and her Senate opponent Rick Lazio will be on opposite sides.

Reminded that Lazio was a big-time Mets fan, Clinton said, "And as a Yankees fan, I've been a Yankees fan since I was a little girl." She noted that "when I was a little girl there weren't any Mets." Clinton said it would be "fascinating" to have a Subway Series and that she might be open to a wager with Lazio on the outcome.

The Illinois-born Clinton was the subject of much derision last year when she announced that while she had always been a Chicago Cubs fan, she also was a Yankees fan. She explained that with the Cubs being a National League team, she needed an American League team to root for.

Jerome Ladies announce awards, new officers

JEROME — The Jerome Country Club Ladies Golf Association held its fall banquet on Oct. 14, and announced the following newly elected officers: Carol Festnik, president; Carolyn Smith, vice president; Bev Pickering, secretary, and Leona Watson, treasurer.

Golfers of the year were also announced: first flight gross, Joy Aallett; first flight net, Justine Messermerth; second flight gross, Eunice Bankhead; second flight net, Helen Likely; third flight gross, Leona Watson; third flight net, June Reed. Most improved golfer was Janet Robinson.

Helen Likely and Annie Thomason share the club championship trophy for the year. Norma Fritzel will be leader of the Twilight League and Vi Crosshatch was voted to be a director on the board for the year 2001.

Ladies Day play will continue on Wednesday at 10 a.m. as long as the weather permits.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Herman Moore of Detroit, 123 in 1995.

All aboard

Subway Series looms thanks to Clemens' one-hitter

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — Roger Clemens brushed back Alex Rodriguez, then brought the New York Yankees to the brink of another World Series trip.

Pitching the greatest game of his flawed postseason career, Clemens threw a one-hitter and struck out a

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record-setting 15 to give the Yankees a 5-0 win Saturday night and a 3-1 lead in the AL championship series.

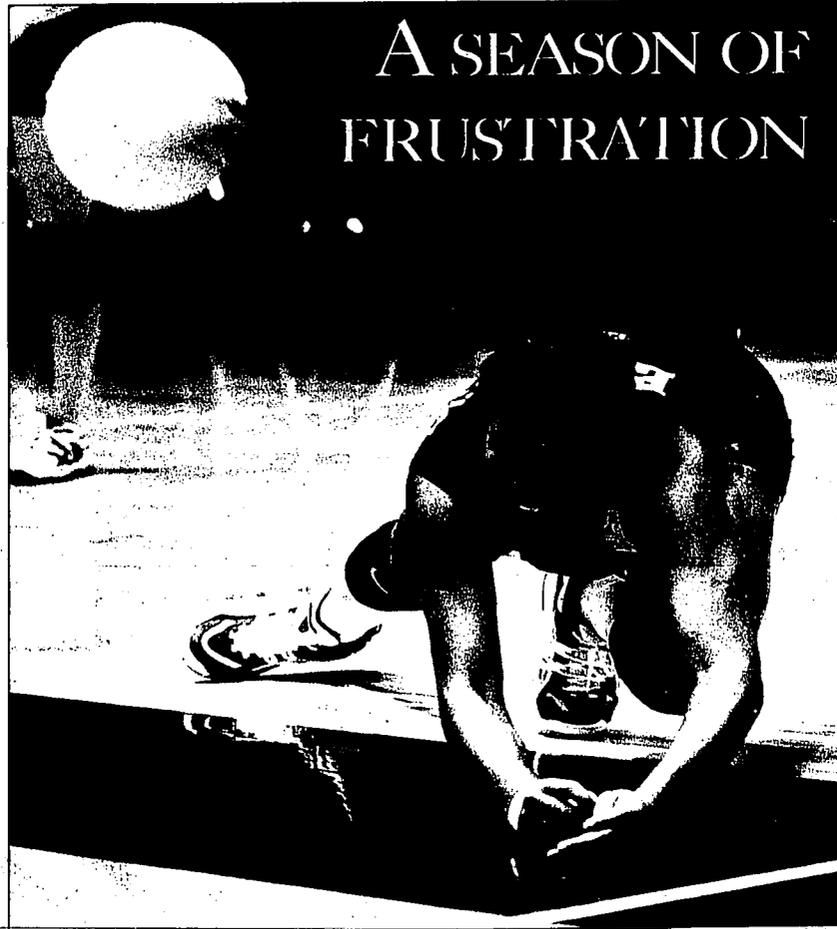
"Tonight was special," Clemens said. "The ball was jumping out of my hand."

In a testy, tense affair that saw Mariners manager Lou Piniella shout a string of profanities toward Yankees counterpart Joe Torre after some early brushbacks, the Yankees won with power pitching and power hitting.

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New York Yankees pitcher Roger Clemens delivers in the first inning against the Seattle Mariners in Game 4 of the ALCS Saturday.



College of Southern Idaho middle blocker Tamskia Moore hopes to salvage a season limited by injuries.

Series of injuries have slowed CSI hitter

By Joe Sunnen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — This was supposed to be Tamskia Moore's time to shine.

All the pieces were in place for the College of Southern Idaho sophomore to have the type of season that makes Division I volleyball scouts drool in their notebooks. With a little luck and hard work, schools from around the country would be coming to see her do what she does best —

play volleyball.

They would see her explosive athleticism — Moore can touch the rim of a basketball hoop and easily gets head and shoulders above a volleyball net. They would see her ability to stop an opponent's spike dead in the air — she ranked second in the Scenic West Athletic Conference in blocks as a freshman, collecting an average of 1.24 every game.

And finally, this would be the year that showcased the giant arm swing

that produced 273 kills last season in one of the nation's most potent offenses.

So far, however, things haven't worked out as planned. "This season has been frustrating as hell," Moore said. "I think my sophomore year is more important than my freshman year because my performance makes or breaks where I am going. And so far I have been sitting on the bench half the time

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Burley leads strong soccer showing

By Matt Peterson
Times-News writer

IDAHO FALLS — One team is in the championship game. Another is out of the tournament.

And two more are fighting for their soccer lives after Saturday's first round of the Class A-1, Division II District IV-V-VI Tournament in Idaho Falls.

Of the four local squads involved, the Burley High boys' team fared the best, winning an overtime, penalty-kick thriller over Bonneville to advance to the tournament's championship game against top-ranked Century on Wednesday in Pocatello.

On the other side, stands the Jerome High girls' team, which dropped a pair of games Saturday and was eliminated from the tournament.

The Jerome boys' team and Burley girls' team both kept their state dreams alive by rebounding from morning losses with afternoon victories.

All of Saturday's games were at Idaho Falls. The remaining tournament games, however, will be played on the higher-seeded team's home field.

Boys' Tournament

Bonneville 2, Jerome 1
No. 4-seeded Bonneville scored twice in the first half,

including a penalty-kick goal by goalkeeper Tyler Rutz in the 25th minute, then wristed a late Jerome rally to hold on for the win.

The No. 3-ranked Tigers, who played the entire game with the minimum 11 players, got on the board in the 72nd minute on a goal from junior Daniel Casterjon.

But the late goal proved too little too late. "I'm happy with the way things went," said Jerome coach Vince Gibson. "I'd rather come this way around (the bracket).... These guys are tired, and we're tired and I'd rather play another tired team (in the second round)."

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Saturday's scores

Boys' Tournament

Century 20, Blackfoot 0
Bonneville 2, Jerome 1
Burley 1, Bonneville 1
(Burley 3-2 in penalty kicks)
Jerome 3, Blackfoot 2 (2OT)

Girls' Tournament

Century 6, Jerome 0
Bonneville 1, Burley 0
Burley 4, Jerome 0
Blackfoot 2, Bonneville 1 (2OT)

Next up

Boys' Tournament

—Both games are Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. on the higher-seeded team's home field.
No. 2 Burley at No. 1 Century
No. 4 Bonneville at No. 3 Jerome (loser out)

Girls' Tournament

Both games at Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. on the higher-seeded team's home field.
No. 2 Blackfoot at No. 1 Century
No. 4 Bonneville at No. 3 Burley (loser out)

Bruins advance to final

By Holly Keyt
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School boys' soccer team advanced to the Class A-1, Div. 1 regional championship game with a close win over Highland Saturday.

The Bruins (13-3) fell behind the Highland Rams in the first minute of play, but went on the attack in the second half for a commanding 3-1 win.

"It was our best game of the season," said Twin Falls coach Trent Felton.

But it was not a game easily won.

Highland, coming off a double-overtime win over Pocatello, was rough on the Bruins, collecting three yellow cards throughout the game — two for reckless charges and one given to the coach for unsportsmanlike conduct — and numerous fouls.

"We came down here with tired legs, but that's no excuse," Highland coach Randy Bosh said. "Twin Falls took it to us the entire game."

The Rams (9-4-3) jumped out to a 1-0 lead less than a minute into action. A Bruin player was caught tripping in the box, and Ram Nick Box took the penalty kick. Box's shot went past Twin Falls goalie Darren Van Hoven's hands for Highland's only goal of the game.

But that didn't get the Bruins down.

"I would've been more nervous if they had gotten it at the end," Felton said. "I knew that we would have plenty of chances to level it as long as we kept playing our game."

Twin Falls had several chances to score throughout the half, but each time the Ram keeper got a hand on it.

"We had twice as many chances — maybe three times," said Bruin coach Harshina Foye.

Twin Falls finally got its retribution about 15 minutes into the second half. Forward Matt McFarlin went down after the Bruins took a shot at a penalty kick.

Cory Sayre kicked the ball past the Ram goalie, evening the score at 1-1.

That goal switched the Rams' style of play as they no longer were just protecting their goal.

"When Highland was ahead, they were just defending," Felton said. "Once we got a goal, they had to come out and attack, and that opened up some opportunities for us to score."

Within five minutes of the Bruin penalty kick, Twin Falls scored, going ahead 2-1.

McFarlin dribbled to the side of the goal, and when the Ram goalie followed, he passed to teammate Brock Cooper, who knocked it in.

"I saw the keeper coming out and I knew that Brock was in the middle," McFarlin said. "So I slide-tackled him and Brock put it in."

With seven minutes remaining, senior Joey Machala put the game out of reach on a corner kick — the first the Bruins had seen go in all season.

"It was kind of lucky," Felton said. "The goal keeper helped the ball in. We'll have to thank him."

With the win, the Bruins advance to the championship game Wednesday, but will not know who they face until after Tuesday's tournament results. Highland will play Pocatello, a 3-1 winner over Minico in the Gate City Saturday, on Tuesday for a shot at the Bruins.

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SPORTS

KILLER SWINGS

Hagerman, Murtaugh advance

By Kevin Hall Times-News writer

HAGERMAN - What began as a night of upsets ended with top seeds Hagerman and Murtaugh setting up for a showdown.

Closing out the first day of play at the Magic Valley Conference Volleyball Tournament Saturday inside Hagerman High's Prince Memorial Gymnasium, the top-seeded Lady Pirates (15-2) dispatched upset-minded Castleford 15-7, 15-8, while No. 2 Murtaugh (13-4) easily disposed of Oakley 15-0, 15-7.

Earlier, the No. 5 Lady Wolves advanced for the match against Hagerman with a 16-14, 15-7 win over fourth-seeded Raft River, while No. 6 Oakley shocked No. 3 Hansen 15-8, 15-6.

The wins by Hagerman and Murtaugh pair the top conference rivals, who split on the regular season, in the tournament championship Monday at 8 p.m.

Both coaches said that match should be determined at the net.

"I think the key is we have to block," said Red Devils coach Amber Hadden.

Hagerman coach Susie Choules echoed Hadden's words.

"We really need to block," Choules said. "We also have to pass very well and have good serve-receive. It's kind of where we struggled when we lost to them."

Other matches Monday see a loser-out affair between Raft River and Oakley at 6 p.m.; Hansen faces Castleford at 7 p.m.

Hagerman won the Magic Valley Conference junior varsity tournament Saturday, with Oakley in second, Raft River placing third and Hansen finishing fourth.

Murtaugh def. Oakley 15-0, 15-7
The Lady Red Devils made quick work of the Hornets.

Senior Ashley Ward served six aces and 11 points and slammed six kills, and teammate Bethany Gunnell had 14 service points to go along with six kills.

"I thought we had excellent passing," Hadden said. "I like that we came out a little pumped up. It was a pretty solid hitting night."

Red Devils middle blocker Stephanie Tolman chipped in two kills. Oakley was led by the seven kills of Sarah Lloyd.

Hagerman def. Castleford 15-7, 15-8
"Nobody comes into our house and pushes



LOAN CARTER/The Times-News

Castleford High's LoriAnn Wiersma, a junior middle blocker, hits the ball Saturday against Raft River at the Magic Valley Conference Volleyball Tournament.

Wiersma and the Wolves beat Raft River in two games to open the tourney, which continues on Monday and wraps up Tuesday.

"We've kind of been struggling in our middle position," Choules said, "but we played good defense and passed well when they came after us."

Junior Teresa Oswley led the Lady Pirates with eight kills and teammates Drew Choules and Melissa Wise added three kills apiece.

Upcoming tourneys

- A-4 M.V. Conference, continues Tuesday in Hagerman
- A-4 Northside Conference, starts Monday in Gooding
- A-2 SICU tourney, starts Monday in Filer
- A-1, Div. I tourney, starts Tuesday at Twin Falls H.S.
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- A-3 Canyon Conference, starts Tuesday in Hazelton

Oakley def. Hansen 15-8, 15-6

Oakley grabbed an early 5-2 advantage as mistake-prone Hansen had trouble returning the ball on serve-receive. Sarah Lloyd delivered three early points for the early Hornets' lead.

The girls in Red extended the lead to 13-8 on four service points by Stephanie Mitton. Then, after weathering two Husky sideouts, Oakley put Game 1 away with a Hansen hitting error and a kill by Lloyd.

"We're starting to talk better and working as a team," Lloyd said.

It was only Oakley's third win of the season. "They came ready to win," said Hornets coach Rosaleen Lear.

Castleford def. Raft River 16-14, 15-7

It was the Wolves' first win this season over the Trojans (11-7), and for Castleford coach Randy Maves, it couldn't have come at a better time.

"This is great," he said. "We tried taking them out of their rotation and practiced (close) situations to get ready."

Castleford was led by the strong serving of BreAnn Farnsworth (11 points) and Macey Snelson (six points). After falling behind 3-1 to start the match, Castleford ran off 11 consecutive points to take a 12-3 lead in the first game of Farnsworth's service. Raft River fought back to tie it at 13 before the Wolves pulled away.

The absence of key player Kari Ward, who was out due to a family illness, hurt the Trojans' attack, said coach Dara Gardiner.

"We missed her," he said. "But Castleford is really good. They played hard."

Bruin girls fall to Pocatello in soccer

The Times-News

POCATELLO - The Lady Indians didn't earn that No. 1 seed into the Class A-1 Division I tournament by accident, a fact they seemed bent on proving Saturday afternoon.

Pocatello scored early and often on their home turf in the second round of the tourney, routing the third-seeded Twin Falls Bruins by a lopsided 8-1 margin.

The visitors' only goals came courtesy of senior scoring machine Debbie Dodds.

In Saturday's other girls' A-1, Div. I playoff contest, Highland beat Pocatello 4-0, knocking the Spartans out of the postseason.

The Twin Falls loss, coupled with Highland's victory, sets up a must-win situation for the Bruins on Tuesday. Twin Falls will face the Rams for the third time in a week in a match that will likely start at 4:30 p.m. at Ascension Field.

Highland beat Twin Falls here last week to secure the second

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seed into the tourney, but the Bruins returned the favor in the Gate City Friday, edging the Rams 1-0.

Late Friday results:

Cross country
Highland runs away with meet

ALBION - Highland ran away with the boys' victory in cross country Friday at the Rams placed six individuals in the top 10. Jerome also made an impressive showing, taking second with two in the top five.

"Our kids are getting better every week," said Jerome coach Tim Dunn. "Craig Paulin is running really well. I hope we have the same type of results at regional's next week."

Regionals for A-1, Div. I are next Friday at the College of Southern Idaho. Six schools, including Jerome, Burley, Century, Blackfoot and

moving early on the initial attempt. On that first kick, Sanders dove to his right to make an outstanding save.

"This game was Sanders' early on the penalty in the second half," said Burley coach Wes Nyblade. "He came off the line... But then the guy snuffed it completely to the left. That would win the game for them, I feel."

With the loss, Bonneville will play at Jerome on Wednesday.

Jerome 3, Blackfoot 2 (20T)
Daniel Casterjon scored four minutes into the second sudden death overtime period to keep Jerome's hopes of a state berth alive.

"As soon as (Daniel) had it, he didn't shoot it. He looked up, saw what was opening, faked to his right, pushed to his left and shot the left," said Jerome coach Vince Gibson, adding that he had been trying to get his team to be more patient with its shot selection throughout the game.

"Before (we) were just killing and killing."

The Tigers led 2-0 at halftime, but the Broncos clawed their way back into the game with two second-half goals. The loss eliminated Blackfoot from the tournament. With the win, Jerome earned a home rematch with

Bonneville, will race to place as many runners into the state meet as possible.

"No team in our region has beat us," Dunn said. "We're probably favored."

Josh Burgess led Burley, finishing eighth at 18:13.

Noter: No girls' results from Friday's meet were furnished to The Times-News.

Football

Camas Co. 56, Sho-Ban 0

FORT HALL - Playing in a FORT HALL - Playing in a downpour until halftime Friday night, the Musers fumbled the ball away to Sho-Ban the first two times they touched the ball.

But as the rain abated, the tide turned. Tony Krahn intercepted a screen pass and went 70 yards for a touchdown to open the floodgates, and Josh Ivey scored on the

next Camas possession from 30 yards out, a carry which ran him over 1,000 yards for the season. Ivey also led the defense with 12 tackles.

Junior fullback Eric McGuire then rumbled 27 yards for Camas' second score. Ivey touched the ball two more times for touchdowns of 60 and 15 yards, and the rout was on.

"It was great to see Josh hit a masonite with the 1,000," said Musers coach Randy Jewett. "We were hoping to get the younger kids game experience, and it did work out that way."

Sophomore Jesse Lemons had touchdowns of 75 and 45 yards and fellow 10th grader Richie Dukes ended the game on the mercy rule with a 68-yard touchdown in the third quarter.

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sluggish in the first half before picking up their intensity level in the final 40 minutes.

"It was a slow start," said Burley coach Don Fringle. "The midfield was slow so (Bonneville) just dominated the game... But hard the second half. They did a good job that second half."

The loss dropped Burley into the loser's bracket and set up its afternoon contest with Jerome. Bonneville advanced to play Blackfoot. The Bees lost that game 2-1 in overtime and will play Burley in a loser-out contest Tuesday in Burley.

Burley 4, Jerome 0
Sophomore Mollie Stoddard's hat trick powered the Bobcats to an easy victory over Jerome.

Emily Young also scored for the Bobcats, by winning, knocked Jerome from the tournament and earned a home rematch with Bonneville Tuesday.

"Absolutely (a good way to finish)," said Burley coach Don Fringle. "Mollie had a great game. Some of the girls are a little flat and we're going to have a discussion with them, but overall, the girls played great and I'm proud of them."

Jerome finished its season with a 2-9 overall record.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Albert is great in \$1 million Gold Cup

NEW YORK - Trainer Nick Zito got a Gold Cup for his Champagne. One race after Zito won his third straight Champagne for 2-year-olds with A P Valentine, he won the \$1 million Jockey Club Gold Cup with 3-year-old Albert the Great on Saturday at Belmont Park.

Albert the Great took the lead on the backstretch, gave it up to Gander, then regained it with a quarter-mile remaining. Albert the Great finished the 1.4 miles in 1:59.5, six lengths ahead of Gander.

Favored Lemon Drop Kid, seeking his fifth straight graded stakes win and third straight Grade I triumph, was last most of the way and finished fifth in a seven-horse field. The 4-year-old colt was bumped hard leaving the gate.

Mutombo urges players to pray for Zo

ALBANY, Ga. - Adanna Hawks center Dikembe Mutombo has made an emotional plea for prayers on behalf of Miami Heat center Alonzo Mourning, who is sidelined with a kidney ailment.

Mutombo and Mourning, former teammates at Georgetown, are close friends. Mutombo hopes that if a transplant is necessary, Mourning's supporters will organize a "great campaign around the world" - maybe find someone who will match with him.

Goodyear earns pole for Excite 500

FORT WORTH, Texas - Scott Goodyear, one of three drivers sent to contention for the Indy Racing League season title, will start on the front row Sunday for the season-ending Excite 500.

Goodyear had the second-best qualifying time Saturday at Texas Motor Speedway, with a lap of 214.391 mph. He starts in the front row alongside Greg Ray, the defending IRL season champ who earned the pole at 215.352.

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Injuries

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with injuries." That Moore ever returned to CSI for her sophomore year was a surprise. After emerging last season as one of the nation's top junior college volleyball prospects, she signed a letter of intent to play at Baylor University, but just missed the SAT score requirement for acceptance into the private school.

By the time she found out, it was too late to pursue any other offers. She was left with a big decision. Should she stay or should she go?

"I signed my intent to go before I took my SAT," Moore said. "So once I found out I didn't get a high enough score, it was late July and the school was already practicing."

Moore spent the summer trying to decide whether or not to come back to Southern Idaho to continue her education and once again attract the eyes of the college scouts.

After some soul searching, she called CSI coach Ben Stroud on the eve of the first day of practice to inform him of her intentions.

She was on a plane almost immediately after hanging up the phone.

The bad luck blues
Things were going smoothly until three weeks ago, just before the team left to play in the Valley National Tourney in Arizona.

After taking a break to gather balls for her teammates during a practice drill, she found herself face-to-face with a wild line. Moore instinctively put her hands up for protection and the ball struck her right thumb, bending it backwards and tearing ligaments.

"I wasn't even hitting. I was just swinging balls," Moore said. "I was picking up a ball, and when I raised my head there was another ball coming at me. My first reaction was to stic my hand out so the ball wouldn't hit me in the face, and it hit my thumb. It hurt so bad."

Moore finished the day of practice, but the pain proved to be too much to play through. She stayed in the CSI campus nursing her thumb while the team flew to Arizona for the tournament.

The Eagles dropped two matches without Moore in the lineup, including an important contest with the No. 1 team in the nation, Miami-Dade Community College.

It was her first time in seven years that CSI had dropped two matches in a row.

"When they went to Phoenix and I didn't go, everyone told me that there was no life on the team," Moore said. "I try to make everyone act like every pain is mine."

Moore returned to the floor a week later with her thumb wrapped but her spirit still intact as the team prepared to battle Utah Valley State College on Sept. 29. The Eagles started slowly in the match, trailing 2-1 going into the fourth game. CSI pulled ahead and appeared to be on its way to sweeping the match when Moore went up to block a shot and landed awkwardly on her ankle.

The injury sent Moore to the bench, and the Eagles dropped the match.

"If she hadn't got hurt, who knows where we would be right now," Stroud said. "We may have got the win at Utah Valley. I don't know. All I know is she was starting to play like she could dominate matches."

The ankle sprain was so severe that Moore has been told she would have been better off breaking the ankle because then it would have healed cleanly. As it is, the ligaments may never be as strong as before the injury.

Another problem for Moore has been simply trying to regain confidence in the ankle that betrayed her.

"Just knowing that it can happen again," Moore said with a shudder. "I probably should just quit thinking about it, but it's hard not to when it hurts so bad. I have tons of tape on it and an ankle brace on top of that, so it's not going anywhere. But I have the pain reminding me that I better watch out."

In what has become a common goal for Moore this year, she again hoped that a week of rest would leave her healthy enough to play in a must-win meeting with Ricks College last weekend.

Moore not only played, but fought through the pain to gather seven kills and four blocks.

"She fires us up all the time," sophomore Stephanie Martin said. "When she isn't playing or when she doesn't come on time, she'll just leave her. There isn't as much enthusiasm as there usually is."

Perhaps no individual is as affected when Moore isn't in the lineup as Martin. The two have learned to complement each other's abilities after almost two years on the court together. Moore is the lightning in the middle and Martin is the thunder on the outside.

A silver lining
The season hasn't been a total loss for Moore. She has knocked down 191 kills and gathered 78 blocks in only 91 matches. And her 2.10 kills-per-game average is better than she earned last season when she was named second team All-Region 18.

But something still seems to be missing, and warranted or not, she is worried that her career at CSI might not be enough to convince the right college to take a chance on a 6-foot-middle blocker from Temple, Texas.

"I know what she can do," Stroud said. "I know how good she is and what kind of an athlete she is. UCLA was interested in her last year - that is the kind of talent she is."

With only seven matches left before the regional tournament, Moore still has time to write a storybook ending to a season that has been more nightmare than fairy tale.

"I think I have cried at least four days this week," Moore said. "Now that I'm back on the court, my timing is terrible. The thing is that it took me so long to get my timing down, then I sit out for three weeks and it is like starting from scratch. It's been hard."

If the Eagles can make it to the national tournament and the season's accomplishments of the year will no doubt be forgotten.

For now though, the grim reality of daily ice treatments and physical therapy says "ave it to Moore of what might have been."

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Soccer

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Bonneville's Beano Kluge accounted for the game's only other goal. He scored in the ninth minute to give the Bees an early 1-0 lead.

The loss set up Jerome's afternoon contest with No. 5-seeded Blackfoot, a 10-0 loser to Century Saturday morning. Meanwhile, Bonneville advanced to play No. 2-ranked Burley.

Burley 1, Bonneville 1
Burley 3, Bonneville 2 (in penalty kicks)
Junior Nicolas Fignini beat Bonneville keeper Tyler Rutz high and left on Burley's last penalty kick opportunity and the No. 2-ranked Bobcats escaped an upset bid from A. 4 Bonneville.

The win put Burley into Wednesday's district championship game with top-ranked Century.

"I already knew where I wanted to shoot the ball," Fignini said. "A strong shot to the left corner and it went up, but not over the goal, so I went up."

Bonneville missed a perfect opportunity to take the lead in regulation when Rutz snuffed a penalty kick low and left in the 62nd minute. The kick was Rutz's second in a row as Burley keeper Brennan Sanders was called for

moving early on the initial attempt. On that first kick, Sanders dove to his right to make an outstanding save.

"This game was Sanders' early on the penalty in the second half," said Burley coach Wes Nyblade. "He came off the line... But then the guy snuffed it completely to the left. That would win the game for them, I feel."

With the loss, Bonneville will play at Jerome on Wednesday.

Jerome 3, Blackfoot 2 (20T)
Daniel Casterjon scored four minutes into the second sudden death overtime period to keep Jerome's hopes of a state berth alive.

"As soon as (Daniel) had it, he didn't shoot it. He looked up, saw what was opening, faked to his right, pushed to his left and shot the left," said Jerome coach Vince Gibson, adding that he had been trying to get his team to be more patient with its shot selection throughout the game.

"Before (we) were just killing and killing."

The Tigers led 2-0 at halftime, but the Broncos clawed their way back into the game with two second-half goals. The loss eliminated Blackfoot from the tournament. With the win, Jerome earned a home rematch with

Bonneville on Wednesday.

Girls' Tournament

Century 6, Jerome 0
Jerome held top-ranked Century to a 2-0 halftime lead, but yielded four goals in the second half and fell to the Diamondbacks. Three Tigers were injured in the game and five players were missing from Saturday's lineup.

"Considering the hurdles we had to jump over, they did a fantastic job," said Jerome coach Baldwin Camin. "The technique we played with was sloppy, but the heart they had this game was so much more than what they had against Century before."

With the win, Century advanced to the tournament's championship game against No. 2-ranked Blackfoot. The loss bumped Jerome to the loser's bracket and set up the afternoon meeting with Burley.

Bonneville 1, Burley 0
Bonneville's Heather Welker scored in the 30th minute on a breakaway on the right side to give the No. 4-seeded Bees a victory over No. 3-ranked Burley.

On a cold, windy morning, the Bobcats started slow, playing

sluggish in the first half before picking up their intensity level in the final 40 minutes.

"It was a slow start," said Burley coach Don Fringle. "The midfield was slow so (Bonneville) just dominated the game... But hard the second half. They did a good job that second half."

The loss dropped Burley into the loser's bracket and set up its afternoon contest with Jerome. Bonneville advanced to play Blackfoot. The Bees lost that game 2-1 in overtime and will play Burley in a loser-out contest Tuesday in Burley.

Burley 4, Jerome 0
Sophomore Mollie Stoddard's hat trick powered the Bobcats to an easy victory over Jerome.

Emily Young also scored for the Bobcats, by winning, knocked Jerome from the tournament and earned a home rematch with Bonneville Tuesday.

"Absolutely (a good way to finish)," said Burley coach Don Fringle. "Mollie had a great game. Some of the girls are a little flat and we're going to have a discussion with them, but overall, the girls played great and I'm proud of them."

Jerome finished its season with a 2-9 overall record.

SPORTS

Andrade, Byrum set pace in Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Billy Andrade and Jim Byrum moved into a share of the lead with Tom Byrum at 24 under through four rounds of the 90-hole Invensys Classic.

Byrum, who had 65s in each of the first three rounds, slipped with bogeys on the final two holes for a fourth-round 69.

McCarren shot his third straight 66 and was at 23 under, while Michael tied the low round of the day with seven birdies and an eagle for a 63 that put him at 22 under.

Phil Mickelson shot a 66 to get to 21 under, three shots off the lead.

Thorpe's record round leads Gold Rush

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Jim Thorpe shot a tournament-record 10-under par 62 to take a two-shot lead after two rounds at the

Golf

Senior PGA Gold Rush Classic. Thorpe, coming off his first Senior tour victory last week at the Transamerica Championship, birdied seven straight holes at Serrano Country Club.

Ed Dougherty, one of five first-round co-leaders, shot a 65 and trails Thorpe by two strokes. Mike McCullough also shot a 66 and is three shots off the lead.

Inkster hangs tough at LPGA Championship

VALLEJO, Calif. — Juli Inkster fired an adventurous 3-lead through three rounds of the Sam Snead World Championship.

Inkster's round on the long and hilly Hiddenbrooke Golf Course included seven birdies, four bogeys, a double bogey and an eagle. Inkster, shooting for her 25th career victory, won the World Championship in four

years, is four strokes ahead of Annika Sorenstam. Sorenstam recovered from a second-round 74 with a tournament-low 66 that put her at 7 under.

Pat Hart was the only other player under par. She fired a 72 and was at 5 under 211, six strokes behind Inkster.

Dunhill Cup rolls on, U.S. avoids humiliation

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Defending champion Spain, two-time winner South Africa and long shots Argentina and Wales reached the semifinals of the last Alfred Dunhill Cup.

The 16-year-old event is being replaced by a championship with a different format and name next year, so Sunday will be the final Dunhill Cup. Spain, Argentina in three matches, meets Argentina, and South Africa faces Wales for a place in Sunday's final.

The United States avoided the humiliation of finishing last in its group for the second straight year with a 2-1 victory over Japan. Americans Tom Lehman and Larry Mize were winners.

Roy skates into NHL immortality

DENVER (AP) — The chase is over. Patrick Roy is second to none among NHL goalies.

Roy tied Terry Sawchuk's career victory record Saturday night, making 14 saves for his 447th shutout with the Colorado Avalanche beat the expansion Columbus Blue Jackets 3-1.

Roy was 19 when he won his first NHL name for Montreal on Feb. 23, 1985.

Playing his 16th season, Roy reached 447 victories considerably faster than Sawchuk, who retired in 1970. Roy reached the mark in his 846th game, while Sawchuk needed 968. Roy also has the NHL record with 121 career playoff victories.

Penguins 6, Rangers 6

PITTSBURGH — Jaromir Jagr had his first career four-goal game as Pittsburgh scored four times in the third period against New York and earned their third consecutive victory.

The Rangers lost for the first time this season and missed a chance at their first 3-0 start since 1989-90. Mark Messier and Theo Fleury each scored twice in the third period, and Patrick Brisebois scored at 2:39 of overtime as Montreal rallied past Chicago.



Colorado Avalanche goalie Patrick Roy stops a shot during the team's shutout before the Avalanche's home-opening game.

Canadiens 5, Blackhawks 4, OT

MONTREAL — Dainius Zubrus completed his first career hat trick by scoring the game-winning goal with 24 seconds left in the third period, and Patrick Brisebois scored at 2:39 of overtime as Montreal rallied past Chicago.

Brisebois' overtime goal raised Montreal's record to 2-3, including two wins at home.

Devils 4, Mighty Ducks 2

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Randy McKay and Bobby Holik Devils used their power-play performance to beat Anaheim.

New Jersey's power play came alive against the Mighty Ducks, going 3-for-5.

Flames 2, Islanders 0

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Cory Stillman had a goal and an assist, and Fred Brathwaite stopped 25 shots as Calgary won for the first time this season.

Edery also scored for the Flames, who were helped by Brathwaite's seventh career shutout.

Senators 4, Maple Leafs 0

TORONTO — Patrick Lalime stopped 26 shots for Ottawa against Toronto.

Ottawa has three straight wins over Stanley Cup contenders, defeating the St. Louis Blues, the New Jersey Devils 3-1 Friday night, along with a victory over the Dallas Stars, last season's Western Conference champions.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Sooners say 'later' to Kansas State

The Associated Press

Josh Heupel was 29-of-37 for 374 yards and two touchdowns, and Oklahoma bolted to a 17-point halftime lead and then held on for a 41-31 victory over second-ranked Kansas State on Saturday.

While probably knocking the Wildcats (6-1, 2-1 Big 12) out of the national title chase, the Sooners (6-0, 3-0) jumped into contention themselves.

In back-to-back games, Oklahoma routed then-No. 11 Texas 63-14 and handed the Wildcats their first loss in 26 games. The Sooners will have a week to rest before facing top-ranked Nebraska at home Oct. 28.

"I couldn't be happier," said second-year coach Bob Stoops, who was once an assistant at Kansas State. "We'll take a week off and get ready to play Nebraska."

J.T. Thatcher broke a 93-yard kickoff return to set up the go-ahead touchdown in the first quarter for Oklahoma, which had lost five in a row to Kansas State.

The Wildcats are 1-18 against Top 10 teams under coach Bill Snyder.

No. 1 Nebraska 56, Texas Tech 3 LUBBOCK, Texas - Eric Crouch ran for two touchdowns and Alex Hedley tied a Clemson record with three interceptions.

Nebraska (6-0, 3-0 Big 12) had its first 49er since a 49-13 victory over San Jose State last week. In the last three games, the Huskers needed overtime to beat Notre Dame, played a close first half against Missouri and led Iowa State by only a point in the third quarter. It was the worst loss in Red Raiders history.

No. 5 Clemson 35, Maryland 14 CLEMSON, S.C. - Woody Dantzler ran for two touchdowns and Alex Hedley tied a Clemson record with three interceptions. Dantzler was 10-of-19 for 186 yards, and ran for a career-high 151 yards rushing.

Minnesota 29, No. 6 Ohio St 17 COLUMBUS, Ohio - Ron Johnson caught a TD pass and came up with big catches on three other scoring drives as Minnesota ended a half-century of frustration.

Johnson finished with eight catches for 163 yards and a 3-yard TD catch, while Redmon had 30 carries for 118 yards for



Oklahoma quarterback Josh Heupel, right, unloads a pass while in the arms of Kansas State defender Milton Proctor during the second half Saturday.

No. 21 Purdue 41, No. 17 Northwestern 28

EVANSTON, Ill. - Drew Brees threw for 239 yards and five touchdowns and rushed for another 56 yards as Purdue (5-2, 3-1 Big Ten) beat Northwestern (5-2, 3-1).

Montrell Lowe rushed for 174 yards run on the first series of the game.

No. 18 Michigan 58, Indiana 0 ANN ARBOR, Mich. - Anthony Thomas ran for two touchdowns and Drew Henson threw two scoring passes to David Terrell. Thomas finished with 95 yards rushing and tied Tyrone Wheatley (1991-94) on the school's career rushing touchdowns list with 47.

No. 20 Notre Dame 45, Navy 14 ORLANDO, Fla. - Matt Leocchicchio threw for 183 yards and two touchdowns and Tony Driver scored twice on fumble returns.

Notre Dame (4-2) has 37 straight victories in college football's longest continuous inter-sectional rivalry. Navy is 0-6 for the first time since 1992.

No. 23 Oregon 38, Stanford 6 CORVALLIS, Ore. - Jonathan Smith passed for 324 yards, including a school-record 97-yard touchdown strike to Chad Johnson. Smith also had a 76-yard scoring pass to T.J. Houshmandzadeh as the Beavers (5-1, 2-1 Pac-10) put up 471 yards of offense.

No. 24 South Carolina 27, Arkansas 7

COLUMBIA, S.C. - Phil Petty threw two touchdowns passes as South Carolina kept alive coach Lou Holtz's remarkable streak of turning broken programs into bowl teams.

Behind Petty's passing and a defense that held Arkansas to 89 yards in the first half, the 63-year-old Holtz and the Gamecocks (6-1, 4-1 SEC) qualified for the postseason.

No. 25 Texas 28, Colorado 14

BOULDER, Colo. - Major Applewhite threw three touchdowns, two of them to freshman Roy Williams. Rebounding from a humiliating 63-14 loss to Oklahoma last week, the Longhorns (4-2, 2-1 Big 12) got two scoring passes from Applewhite in the second half.

Saturday's Stars

Drew Brees threw for 239 yards and five touchdowns and added 56 yards rushing as No. 21 Purdue beat No. 17 Northwestern 41-28.

Georgia Godsey passed for 333 yards and four first-half touchdowns as Georgia Tech beat Wake Forest 52-20.

Joey Harrington was 28-for-42 for 382 yards and four touchdowns as No. 9 Oregon beat Southern Cal 28-17.

Rex Grossman was 14-for-23 for 243 yards and five touchdowns as No. 10 Florida beat No. 19 Auburn 38-7.

Sophomore Tony Romo threw for 283 yards and six touchdowns to lead Eastern Illinois to a 48-7 victory over Missouri.

Joe Schmidt completed 21 of 22 passes for 366 yards and five touchdowns as St. Ambrose beat Trinity International 58-0.

Robert Keat threw for 337 yards and six touchdowns as Jackson State amassed 603 yards of total offense in a 64-20 win over Mississippi Valley State.

Mason Hicks rushed for 236 yards and two touchdowns as North Carolina A&T beat Florida A&M 30-10.

Mike Caroleo was 29-for-49 for 410 yards and three touchdowns to lead Fairfield to a 24-10 win over St. Peter's.

Dan Pinnell passed for 420 yards and six touchdowns to lead Hartwick to a 67-19 win over Alfred.

Minnesota (5-2, 3-1).

No. 7 Florida St. 63, Duke 14

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - Chris Weinke passed for five touchdowns and a school-record 536 yards as Florida State bounced back from last week's loss at Miami.

Weinke, who has passed for 1,032 yards in the last two games, passed for 446 yards and four touchdowns in the second half as the Seminoles (6-1, 4-0 ACC) built a 42-0 first-half lead.

No. 9 Oregon 28, USC 17

LOS ANGELES - Joey Harrington picked the Southern Cal defense apart, throwing for 382 yards and four touchdowns.

The loss also was the third in as many weeks for USC (3-3, 0-3), which was ranked eighth after a 3-0 start.

No. 10 Florida 38, No. 19 Auburn 7 GAINESVILLE, Fla. - Rex

Grossman threw five touchdown passes as Florida scored on its first five drives.

Grossman finished 14-for-23 for 232 yards for the Gators (6-1, 4-1 SEC). Freshman Jabar Gaffney caught three touchdown passes, including a leaping grab in the back of the end zone.

Auburn (5-2, 3-2) has lost two straight.

California 46, No. 13 UCLA 38, 30T BERKELEY, Calif. - Tabor ran 3 yards for a touchdown in the third overtime for California.

After the TD run by Igber, who caught two touchdown passes earlier in the game, Kyle Keller hit Geoff McMillan with a 2-point conversion pass to put Cal up by eight points.

UCLA (4-2, 1-2 Pac-10) had a last chance, but cornerback Jameel Powell intercepted a pass by Cory Paus.

Boller threw for 252 yards and three touchdowns for the Golden Bears (2-4, 1-2), who snapped a

four-game losing streak.

No. 14 Georgia 29, Vanderbilt 19

ATHENS, Ga. - Cornerback Tim Wansley scored on a blocked extra point and a 62-yard interception return.

The Bulldogs (5-1, 3-1 SEC) struggled on offense and lost quarterback Quincy Carter to a sprained left shoulder in the fourth quarter. Carter threw a 67-yard touchdown pass to Terrence Edwards, and scored on an 8-yard run.

No. 18 Southern Miss 56, Tulane 24

NEW ORLEANS - Dawayne Woods ran for 143 yards and three touchdowns in Southern Miss's fifth straight victory.

Tulane's Kris Coleman scored on a 3-yard run with 11:00 left in the game, the first rushing touchdown allowed by the Golden Eagles (5-1, 2 Conference USA) in 36 quarters dating to last season.

HAPPY HOMECOMING Hendricks leads Broncos to rout

BOISE (AP) - Senior quarterback Bart Hendricks threw for 312 yards and four touchdowns - two coming in the final 35 seconds of the first half to break open a close game - led Boise State to a 41-23 non-conference Homecoming win over Eastern Washington on Saturday.

Hendricks continued his assault on the Eastern State record books as the Broncos improved to 4-2. Eastern Washington, of the Big Sky Conference, fell to 4-3.

Led by the running of Jesse Chatman, the Eagles stayed close

and trailed only 20-13 with 1:37 remaining in the second quarter on a 43 yard field goal by Troy Griggs.

But Hendricks putted the Broncos offense 73 yards in less than a minute, hitting wide receiver Jeb Puzler with a 20-yard touchdown pass, increasing Boise State's lead to 27-13.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Eagles' Mario Sweet fumbled the

No. 2 Portland State crushes ISU Bengals

By Mark Ryan Idaho State Journal

PORTLAND, Ore. - Second-ranked Portland State isn't looking for the Division I-AA in total offense by accident - a fact Idaho State was made well aware of Saturday.

The Vikings rolled up 340 yards of total offense in the first half and 661 for the game, waiting for a 21-21 victory over the 25th-ranked Bengals in front of 7,041 fans at the Astoria Stadium. The victory was Portland State's fourth straight over a ranked opponent.

"No doubt this was the best we've played offensively," said Portland State head coach Tim Walsh. "It's the first time we've put both parts of the game together."

The Viking offense scored on its first four possessions and nine of 13 drives with awe-inspiring speed and efficiency. PSU's five first-half scoring drives averaged 1:38, with none lasting longer than 2:08. Portland State's longest march of the first half was its last. Up 10 points, the Vikings took over on their own 20 and wasted no time moving downfield. Nine plays and 80 yards later, Charles Dunn burst into the end zone with the third of his four touchdowns to put PSU up 31-14.

ISU would get closer than 17 at the remainder of the game. "That drive before halftime was crucial," said junior free safety Josh Robinson. "They just executed well." They went to 17 at the end of the game.

Dunn, the nation's rushing leader, was pulled early in the third quarter so he could nurse a week-old sprained ankle. Before he left, however, the senior ran for 115 yards on 16 carries. Amad Robinson and Hashim Hall added 182 yards between them.

Montana squeaks past Northridge

LOS ANGELES (AP) - John Edwards and Drew Miller combined for 436 yards passing as Montana beat Cal State Northridge 34-30 on Saturday.

Edwards scored the winning touchdown for Montana (5-1, 3-0 Big Sky) on an a-yard sneak with 1:50 left. He was 21-of-30 for 206 yards and one touchdown.

Edwards was forced into the lineup in the second quarter when Northridge safety Issac Gardner sacked and injured Miller, who was 19-for-27 for 230 yards and one TD. Cal State Northridge (1-5, 0-4) couldn't advance past midfield on its final possession, which ended on downs.

Montana ended the game with only 1 yard rushing.

Weber St. 12, N. Arizona 10 FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. - Cole Cooper threw two touchdowns passes and linebacker Rickey Seale sealed the victory with a late-game interception as Weber State beat Northern Arizona 12-10 Saturday night.

Despite being held to 184 yards of offense, Weber State (4-3, 2-2 Big Sky) handed the Lumberjacks (2-4, 1-3) their fourth straight loss.

Cooper flipped a 4-yard scoring pass to fullback Scott Dillard with 53 seconds left in the first half

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- Linfield 43, E. Oregon 28
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- Montana Tech 63.
- Idaho State-Northern 21
- Nebraska-Kearney 69.
- Fort Lewis 20.
- New Mexico St. 42, Tulsa 26
- North Dakota 54, N. Colorado 24
- Oregon 28, Southern Cal 17
- Ryegate College 10
- Puget Sound 17, Pomona-Pitzer 7
- Idaho 22, Lavigne 10
- Rockey Mountain 20.
- W. Montana 13.
- St. Mary's, Cal. 71, Menlo 34
- Texas 63, Colorado 14
- UC Davis 56, S. Utah 20
- Utah 21, San Diego St. 7
- Weber St. 12, N. Arizona 10
- Whitworth 9, Willamette 0

benched starting quarterback Preston Parsons, who was 10-of-21 for 78 yards.

Freshman Carson Bradley took over and threw an 11-yard touchdown pass to Jeremy Cooper with 11:20 to play.

Ty Dondelinger's 27-yard field goal with 6:03 remaining cut Northern Arizona's deficit to 12-10.

But Rekuc intercepted Bradley's pass at the Lumberjacks' 5-yard line with 3:30 left and Weber State got two first downs to run out the clock.

UC Davis 56, S. Utah 20 DAVIS, Calif. - J.T. O'Sullivan passed for a career-high 439 yards and five touchdowns as undefeated UC Davis beat Southern Utah 56-20 on Saturday.

Matt Brown scored four touchdowns and ran for 110 yards, Michael Ojha caught seven passes for 108 yards and a pair of TDs, and Omere Ojo had three receptions for 103 yards and a score.

Clay Denton rushed for 79 yards for Southern Utah (2-4), including a 68-yard run in the first quarter that set up a 1-yard run by Rod Madsen that tied the score at 7.

Southern Utah's Matt Cannon threw a 64-yard TD pass to Denton in the second quarter.



Players on the Navy football team wore a black anchor on their helmets during their game with Notre Dame Saturday to honor the sailors who were killed or injured aboard the USS Cole last week.

Navy team honors USS Cole

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - The Navy football team wore black anchors on the back of their helmets against Notre Dame on Saturday in memory of the sailors who were killed aboard the USS Cole in the Arabian Peninsula.

The Navy coaching staff wore black ribbons to show their support, and a moment of silence was observed before the game at the Florida Citrus Bowl.

An explosion Thursday morning killed 17 sailors as the USS Cole docked in Yeman.

Vandals grab Big West opener

The Times-News

MOSCOW - Idaho's Willie Alderson scored on touchdown runs of 1, 17, 2 and 5 yards Saturday night, leading the Vandals to a 42-25 Homecoming thumping of Arkansas State in the Big West opener for both schools.

Indians (0-7) scored before the end of the game on a Nick Gatto field goal in the first quarter, but Idaho (3-4) wasn't long in answering. Zach Carter scampered in on a 2-yard run late in the opening period, and Alderson dove three times before the half as Idaho grabbed a 35-6 lead at intermission.

Kansas State rattled off a pair of quick scores to open the third quarter, but then it was all Vandals. The home team held the visitors scoreless until a minute before the end of the game, when Jerry Pegues caught a 9-yard toss from Andy Shatley for the Indians' final score.

Alderson's final touchdown came in the fourth quarter, as well. The win makes Idaho 1-0 in conference entering next weekend's game at Utah State.

Air Force grounds Wyoming

Knight Ridder News Service

LARAMIE, Wyo. - In a series recently defined by defense, Air Force threw just about everything it could at Wyoming on this bitter Saturday afternoon.

Screen passes, fullback plunges, halfback punts, Quarterback rushes.

It all worked. Air Force rediscovers its offense, sorely missing since the season opened and held off stubborn Wyoming to win, 51-34, before 15,452 spectators at War Memorial Stadium.

First-year Wyoming coach WE Koenig, whose young team dropped to 1-6 for the first time since 1985, hit his disappointment long enough to shake Air Force coach Fisher DeBerry's hand and say, "You guys were awesome. We learned a lot from you today."

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Week 7 matchups

11 a.m.
Cowboys (2-3)
at
Giants (4-2)

Key elements: Cowboy RB Emmitt Smith is a giant killer. In his past 15 games vs. New York, Smith has carried 324 times for 1,454 yards and 13 touchdowns while catching 60 passes for 350 yards and three touchdowns. After rushing for 562 yards in their first three games (3-0), the Giants have been limited to 221 in their past three (1-2).
The L.A. Times pick: Giants. Defenses look forward to facing Cowboys.

11 a.m.
Falcons (2-4)
at
Rams (5-0)

Key elements: The Falcon offense isn't firing on any cylinders. Atlanta has gone eight consecutive quarters without a TD. St. Louis has scored 30 or more points in an NFL-record 11 consecutive games. The Rams have given up 145 points (29.0) after giving up only 135 points (13.5) in their first 10 games of 1999.
The L.A. Times pick: St. Louis. But can Falcons hold Rams to 41 again?

11 a.m.
Chargers (0-6)
at
Bills (2-3)

Key elements: The Bills have been limited to 16 points or fewer in four games. The Chargers are 0-6 for the first time since 1975, when they finished 0-2. Freddie Jones has been in the Chargers line offensive bright spot, topping NFL tight end with 30 catches and 311 yards receiving.
The L.A. Times pick: Buffalo. Is paper or torn plastic? Is new grocery store dilemma. Wet river or torn plastic?

11 a.m.
Ravens (5-1)
at
Redskins (4-2)

Key elements: Matt Stover's nine field goals are all the Ravens have managed in their past two games (2-0). They are 5-1 for the first time in their five-year history. The Redskins have limited to 10 points or fewer in seven of their last 100 yards rushing in three consecutive games.
The L.A. Times pick: Washington. Would like to pick Ravens, but touchdowns matter.

11 a.m.
Raiders (4-1)
at
Chiefs (3-2)

Key elements: The Raiders are 3-13 in their past 16 trips to Arrowhead Stadium (including playoffs) dating to 1985. Oakland WR Tim Brown (796) needs four catches to become the eighth player in NFL history to reach 1,000 career receptions. The Chiefs rookie LB Sebastian Janikowski is 0-for-4 from 40-plus yards.
The L.A. Times pick: Oakland. Chiefs rank 25th against the run, and Raiders are solid.

11 a.m.
Panthers (2-3)
at
Saints (2-3)

Key elements: The Saint defense has given up only six touchdowns. The Carolina defense has yielded 17 points or fewer in three consecutive games. St. Louis RB Deuce McAllister has 100 yards rushing in three consecutive games, surpassing his total of 70 for 1999.
The L.A. Times pick: New Orleans. Saints are making progress, and they beat Panthers once last season too.

11 a.m.
Bengals (0-5)
at
Steelers (2-3)

Key elements: The Bengals have given up 150 or more yards rushing in three consecutive games. Cincinnati's worst offense in NFL history has 100 or more yards rushing in three consecutive games for the fourth time in the past 10 seasons.
The L.A. Times pick: Pittsburgh. Jerome Bettis could start at quarterback and Steelers would win this one.

2:05 p.m.
Broncos (3-3)
at
Browns (2-4)

Key elements: Drafting DE Courtney Brown No. 1 overall has paid off, as his sack in 1999. Denver has lost its past two games at Mile High Stadium. Bronco kicker Jason Elam has converted on 274 consecutive PATs, second-longest streak in NFL history.
The L.A. Times pick: Denver. Another injury? No problem. Browns have endless supply of running backs.

2:05 p.m.
Colts (3-1)
at
Seahawks (2-4)

Key elements: Colt RB Edgerrin James has been held to fewer than 100 yards rushing in each of the past four games, the longest such streak in his career. Including the playoffs, the Seahawks have turned over the ball 32 times in their past 13 games (3-10). Seattle quarterbacks have been sacked three or more times in the past six meetings.
The L.A. Times pick: Indianapolis. Huard was 11-4 at Husky Stadium for Washington. Make it 0-1 for Seahawks.

2:05 p.m.
Jets (4-1)
at
Patriots (2-4)

Key elements: The Jets have yielded only seven sacks in their past nine games. Patriot QB Drew Bledsoe has not been quite as fortunate, as his banged-up offensive line has given up 72 sacks in the past 18 games (6-12). The Jets are aiming for a third straight victory at New England for the first time since 1989-91.
The L.A. Times pick: New England. Road back from 0-4 continues. Won't blow 19-7 lead against Jets again.

2:15 p.m.
Eagles (3-3)
at
Cardinals (2-3)

Key elements: Philadelphia is 1-6 in its past seven trips to Sun Devil Stadium. The Eagles are 3-23 in their past 27 regular season road games. Cardinal RB Michael Pittman has 428 yards from scrimmage, compared to 485 in 1999.
The L.A. Times pick: Philadelphia. Eagles almost beat Washington without Duce Staley, so ought to be able to handle Cardinals.

2:15 p.m.
49ers (2-4)
at
Packers (2-4)

Key elements: Including the playoffs, San Francisco has lost three in a row at Lambeau Field dating to 1996. Niner QB Jeff Garcia has thrown nine interceptions in the past seven games. Green Bay RB Brian Urlacher leads team with 60 tackles and has 1 sack in each of the past four games.
The L.A. Times pick: San Francisco. It's a mild upset. Just remember: The Packers lost to the Bears.

6:20 p.m.
Vikings (5-0)
at
Bears (1-5)

Key elements: The Vikings are 7-1 in their past eight trips to the Windy City. Minnesota QB Daunte Culpepper has three consecutive games to take over the NFL lead with 15. Packer quarterback Brett Favre is 6-1 vs. the 49ers, throwing for 1,812 yards and 12 touchdowns.
The L.A. Times pick: Minnesota. Vikings have been winning close ones. This one won't be.

Monday 7 p.m.
Jaguars (2-4)
at
Titans (4-1)

Key elements: After committing an NFL-low 18 turnovers in 1999, the Jaguars have 15 this season. Including playoffs, the Titans have won 11 consecutive games at home.
The L.A. Times pick: Tennessee. Next time he pulls Brunell, let Tom Coughlin take snaps for team that has allowed 27 sacks.

The Survivor: Often attacked, Green just keeps hanging on

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP) — An off-season critic of the Minnesota Vikings coach Dennis Green. Neither is a winning season.

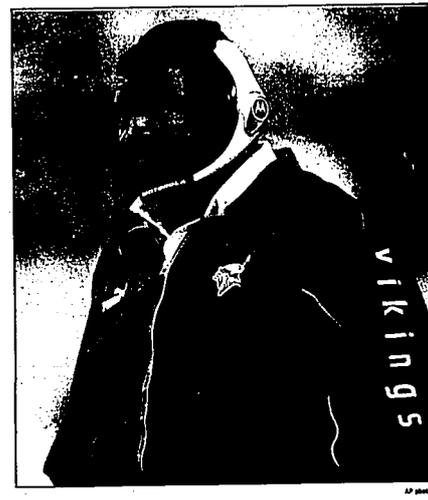
This one is turning out no different. Green entrusted the team to a raw quarterback, turned over much of his coaching staff and released a Pro Bowl offensive lineman for starters, yet the Vikings are 5-0 going into today's game.

"The sent's hot," said Vikings defensive line coach Fred vonAppen, "and he's willing to sit in it."
Things were perceived to be so bad for Green, the dean of NFL coaches in his ninth season, that his job was believed in jeopardy. He had won but twice in the postseason, never reaching a Super Bowl.

Then there's his differences with some members of the Twin Cities media, which have become irreconcilable. For every Daunte Culpepper ahead of Jevon Kearse in the 1999 draft appears to have panned out, they could point out that end Danarius Underwood was a bust in the same draft. The coach on a hot seat was given a three-year contract extension after three games this season.

"It's amazing, when things turn out right, the people who kind of forget that," said Baltimore Ravens coach Brian Billick, a former Vikings and Stanford assistant under Green. "The sad part about it is you make one decision and it turns out right. You make another decision, and it turns out right. Then, as luck would have it, you make one wrong decision and they say, 'See, he is a bad coach.'"
The recipe for survival is a fairly simple one: He finds the right players. Then he keeps as many of them as the salary cap will allow.

"Denny may be the best coach in the NFL when it comes to sizing up personnel," Billick said. "I'm talking about coaching and playing personnel."
"Everybody is all giggles over Daunte Culpepper, but look up and down that roster. Nobody thought Robert Tate could make the switch from receiver to cornerback. (Starting safety) Robert Griffith was supposed to be strictly a special teams player. Matt Birk wasn't ready to start on the



Minnesota Vikings head coach Dennis Green watches the clock during a game against the Chicago Bears in Minneapolis. The off-season moves that led to second-guessing are paying off Green and his team.

offensive line. There's example after example after example."

Many of them involved quarterbacks, those lightning rods of controversy.
"When we signed Randall Cunningham back four years ago, very few people thought Randall could pull play," Green said. "We believed it, and we were correct. Then when we signed Jeff George, we believed he would fit into our program. We were correct in that regard, too."
"And we also didn't hesitate in the other decision we had to make (on Culpepper). You analyze things, you try to be clear-cut about it, and then you have to be decisive."
The Vikings are on their fourth quarterback in as many seasons. Yet they went 57 behind Brad Johnson in 1997, 15-1 with Cunningham in 1998, 10-6 with George last season and are unbeaten behind end Culpepper, the

NFL Rankings

- 1. St. Louis, (5-0), 400-meter relay with faster runners.
- 2. Minnesota, (5-0), Green gave Culpepper a year to look and learn.
- 3. Tennessee, (4-1), Quiet, but Titans around for long haul.
- 4. Miami, (5-1), Defense is Miami Vice.
- 5. Baltimore, (5-1), Ravens would like to buy a touchdown.
- 6. Washington, (4-1), Looks like Vinny and the Jets, once more.
- 7. Indianapolis, (3-2), This is some fade pattern.
- 8. Washington, (4-2), Redskins know money can't buy everything.
- 9. Oakland, (4-1), Got Janikowski to win the close ones.
- 10. Kansas City, (3-2), Just don't take a 17-0 lead vs. Raiders.
- 11. Tampa Bay, (3-3), "Key" to life: Play it before you say it.
- 12. Denver, (3-3), Monday night duel with Rams a distant memory.
- 13. Detroit, (4-2), Herman Moore back in the mix after CeeDee's injury.
- 14. New York Giants, (4-2), Knocked Chandler out of game. Aikman can't.
- 15. Buffalo, (2-3), Three losses in division are devastating.
- 16. Philadelphia, (3-3), McNabb still wants pass against Redskins back.
- 17. New England, (2-4), Yet they went 0-4 was a big hole.
- 18. Pittsburgh, (2-3), Clamoring for Kordell: Who'd have thought?
- 19. Jacksonville, (2-4), PR people can file those "best record" stats.
- 20. San Francisco, (2-4), Season looking a bit better than 4-12.
- 21. Dallas, (2-3), Week off only means the Cowboys are older.
- 22. Green Bay, (2-4), Remember Brett Favre?
- 23. Carolina, (2-3), Don't think Seattle means Panthers are well.
- 24. New Orleans, (2-3), No. 1 in NFL in total defense.
- 25. Atlanta, (2-4), This could be second burning of Atlanta.
- 26. Seattle, (2-4), Huard no improvement over Kitna.
- 27. Chicago, (1-5), Not the kind of back and blue Bears had in mind.
- 28. Arizona, (2-3), Plummer is progressing.
- 29. Cleveland, (2-4), Looking forward to Cincinnati again Oct. 29.
- 30. San Diego, (0-6), There's no "win" in Buffalo.
- 31. Cincinnati, (0-5), Dillon not only one who wanted trade.

—Los Angeles Times

Rison returns to Arrowhead

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — In this age of free agency, it's not unusual for a player to come back and have a chance to prove a point to a team that gave up on him.

Andre Rison is an unusual person. His old teammates in Kansas City were as intrigued as any fan at the prospect of an angry Andre taking the field for the Oakland Raiders today in Arrowhead Stadium.

"Andre felt when he left here he had something to prove," said free safety Jerome Woods. "I'm sure he'll be up to his old tricks. He'll be at the top of his game."

Rison, who had five catches for 83 yards last week in Oakland's 34-28 overtime victory over San Francisco, tried to downplay his return.

"Just another game, baby," he said. "I just know that when you're in first place all the games are big games."

Rison came to camp last summer as an endgame and well conditioned as any player in sight. Spinning tales of dawn-to-dusk workouts in a remote fitness camp in Central America, the trouble-prone wide receiver seemed determined to make, at 33, what would amount to a third career comeback. But then, unexpectedly, the Chiefs cut him. They said it was simply because they wanted to get younger at the position, and he pointed to rookie Sylvester Morris.

"But others wondered if Rison's off-field problems had something to do with it. He was involved in a barroom scuffle just before training camp ended. And in



Andre Rison

Rison insisted he's not concerned what kind of reception he might get.

"I don't care," he said. "I've got a job to do. That's what I'm going to do. I worked so hard in the off-season, and got my head right, got to put all this hogwash behind me, and concentrate on going to do and that's what I'm doing."

If they can stop Rison and the rest of the Raiders, including quarterback Rich Gannon, another former Kansas Cityan, the Chiefs will win their fourth in a row and move into a first-place tie with the Raiders.

Besides, it's Raiders week in Kansas City. The long and heated rivalry did not cool down one bit when Chiefs head coach, Dan Reeves, Oakland assistant, he left the Raiders after clashing with owner Al Davis.

"Gun always make a big point about it every time we play," said Chiefs linebacker Donnie Edwards. "It's very personal to him and to this organization."
Adding even more fuel to the fire is the overtime victory the Raiders pulled off in Kansas City last year, coming back from a 17-point deficit to knock the Chiefs out of the playoffs.

For both teams, the trick may be to cool the passions.

"I'm sure Andre doesn't want to go in there and flop around and not play well," said Gannon. "He's got a great deal of pride. But we don't want to put any pressure on him."

The class of '99 is doing nicely, thank you

The Associated Press

For quarterbacks not named Dan Marino or Peyton Manning, it takes their first four years to become comfortable in the NFL. And even they had some setbacks — Manning threw three interceptions in New England last week and took his share of criticism from fans.

All things considered, however, the quarterback class of '99 is doing quite well in its second season.

Here's a look, in order of success, six weeks in:

- 1. Daunte Culpepper, Minnesota (11th overall). Didn't throw a pass last season, but has a good fortune to be chosen by a good team.
- While he wasn't Dennis Green's first choice to start this year (Green tried to entice Manning to unretire and offered Jeff George a one-year deal), he's done more than anyone could have envisioned. The Vikings are 5-0. Culpepper has run for 244 yards and four touchdowns, has completed 64 percent of his passes and has a very good quarterback rating of 94.1.
- Helps, of course, to have

NFL notes

- Randy Moss and Cris Carter as targets.
- 2. Donovan McNabb, Philadelphia. (second overall). He's been up-and-down on a young, up-and-down team. He made a huge mistake last week when a ball he tried to throw away was intercepted by Darrell Green to set up Washington's winning field goal.
- Live and learn.
- "I think he has the biggest upside of the whole group," says St. Louis coach Mike Martz, who was not high on Culpepper when the season began, but has modified his opinion since.
- 3. Tim Couch, Cleveland (first overall). Had to endure on-the-job training on an expansion team.
- The only conventional drop-back passer of the bunch, he lacks Manning's flair, arm and supporting cast, but most personnel people think he'll develop into a solid NFL quarterback as long as the team improves.
- 4. Shaun King, Tampa Bay (50th overall). Lack of height

(he's listed at 6-feet, but is more like 5-10.75) is a factor in a conservative offense, but he shows a knack for coming through in the clutch. He led two drives that brought the Buccaneers to 10 points down and into overtime against the Redskins (they lost), and came close to tying last Monday night's 30-23 loss in Minnesota with a well-run drive in the final minutes.

5. Curtis Taylor, Chicago (12th overall). He's shown promise. But he's been through early on a team that lacks a running game and that's lost talent but the boogie doesn't help.

One personnel analyst who's seen him a lot thinks McNown will develop, but still has a problem with Taylor's young quarterback. The game is a little too fast for his right now.

6. Akili Smith, Cincinnati (third overall). A lot of talent but a simple problem — location. His best receiver, Peter Warrick, is a rookie, and running back Corey Dillon will probably leave after this season. Like most players drafted by the Bengals, he probably won't reach his potential until he escapes.

MAJOR LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

Cards fly high

Upstart St. Louis shows New York the door early

NEW YORK (AP) - The St. Louis Cardinals sent a clear message from the start: Don't stock up on those subway tokens just yet.

Left for dead after losing the first two games in St. Louis, the Cardinals jumped on Rick Reed and the Mets early and delayed New York's Subway Series planning with an 8-2 win Saturday in Game 3 of the NL championship series.

Andy Benes pitched eight strong innings for his first postseason win. Edgar Renteria had two RBIs and two runs scored, and all nine Cardinals starters had hits as St. Louis' offense broke out after being held to seven runs at Shea Stadium.

History is still on the Mets' side: Only three teams have won a best-of-seven series after dropping the first two games at home.



St. Louis' Edgar Renteria singles in the fourth inning, driving in a run during Game 3 of the NLCS against the New York Mets Saturday at Shea Stadium.

Game 4 is today at Shea Stadium, with David Kile starting on three days' rest for St. Louis against Bobby J. Jones. Mark McGwire finally got a chance to swing the bat for St. Louis. Mighty Mac, reduced to pinch-hitting duties by tendinitis

in his right knee, was limited to an intentional walk in the first two games. Manager Tony La Russa didn't wait long to use his biggest weapon, pinch hitting McGwire for Ray Lankford with the bases loaded and two outs in the fourth

against Glendon Rusch. With the fans on their feet waving white towels, McGwire skied a fly ball to left field that Benny Agbayani caught well in front of the warning track, keeping St. Louis' lead at 5-1. That was about all the crowd of 55,693 had to cheer about.

With the Yankees and Mets both moving within two wins of the World Series, talk around New York has centered on the possibility of the city's first Subway Series in 44 years.

The Cardinals dampened that quickly. After trailing 2-0 before even batting in the first two games, St. Louis returned the favor at Shea Stadium.

Fernando Val led a leadoff single to left and Renteria reached when third baseman Robin Ventura misplayed his sacrifice bunt for an error.

Jim Edmonds, held in check by the Mets' top left-handers in St. Louis, lined a two-run double to left field off the right-handed Reed to make it 2-0 just eight pitches into the game.

It was a rare clutch hit in the series for the Cardinals. They went 3-for-28 with runners in scoring position in St. Louis, before going 7-for-16 in Game 3.

Time ticks for Tino

Commentary Larry Stone

SEATTLE - Tino Martinez's days as a Yankee could be winding down. It's hardly a secret. When the club picked up his 2001 option in spring training, it pointedly got him to drop the no-trade clause in his contract. In July, the Yankees were said to have investigated a deal that would have sent Martinez to Baltimore for B.J. Surhoff and Jeff Conine.

Mo Vaughn, who might be always fascinating Yankee owner George Steinbrenner, and he's a much sexier first-base option. Tino's offensive production this year was in noticeable decline - his 16 home runs were his lowest total since his first full year with the Mariners in 1992, his 91 runs batted in marked the first time he hasn't surpassed 100 since 1994.

And yet, what Martinez has been doing since the season ended - what he did again Friday night, in the Yankees' 8-2 win over the Mariners at Safeco Field - is strongly state his case for another year in the Bronx.

So much of the Yankee decision-making is based on the money games. Last October, David Cone probably earned himself another year with his two strong starts in the postseason. And now Martinez is sending his own message to Steinbrenner and Brian Cashman and Joe Torre that he, too, belongs on this most special of teams, a team that he has done so much to make special.

Martinez has been the Yankees' best hitter since the playoffs began, and Friday, again, he was in the middle of the action. His home run off Aaron Sele in the second inning, directly after a homer by Bernie Williams, gave the Yankees a 2-1 lead they wouldn't give back. And his nuber for a single in the fifth allowed the Yankees to score an extra run that seemed like it would be huge, at least until they broke the game open with four more in the ninth.

Martinez has now hit safely in all eight of the Yankees' postseason games for a .438 average, and he's batting .462 in this series after entering with a .171 lifetime ALCS average.

He couldn't have found a better time to find his groove," said Derek Jeter. "He's intense, a battler, and he expects a lot out of himself. Obviously, he has a lot of pride in the way he plays, and he didn't have the year he wanted to. But he's having a huge postseason, and that's what people will remember."

Martinez has said that if the Yankees win another World Series, he expects to be back, that

he deserves to be back in that case. All the Yankees he's done since the Mariners reluctantly traded him, along with Jeff Nelson, after the 1995 madness - his win three world championships. That should account for something, he believes, and for Steinbrenner, it always has.

Torre has said in recent days that Tino appears more relaxed at the plate. It's an interesting choice of words. In June, Torre caused the normally placid Martinez to bridle when he told reporters that his first baseman seemed to be pressing.

"I'm battling my own beliefs and I'm battling my manager," Martinez said when Torre's remarks were relayed.

He said the quote was taken out of context, that he had no rift with his manager. Now that everything seems to have come back, the clutch hitting, Tino is as reluctant to analyze the recovery as he was to examine the troubles that preceded it. He laughed Friday when the reporters kept asking him what had turned it around for him.

"If I knew, I would have hit well all season," he said. "I'm serious. I wish I had the answers. It was the same thing when I was struggling. If I knew why I wasn't hitting, I would have fixed it."

He seemed surprised when asked if he flashed back to that series at any time this weekend: "Not at all," he said. "Maybe if we were at the Kingdom. It's a totally different team. I only played with three or four of those guys."

Tino is a Yankee now. He's acting like he wants to keep it that way.

Larry Stone is a sportswriter with The Seattle Times.

Cardinals were quick to figure out Reed

NEW YORK (AP) - Maybe Rick Reed's video library needs to be updated.

The New York Mets right-hander did some homework by looking at St. Louis Cardinals tapes in preparation for his start Saturday in Game 3 of the National League championship series. He could not have learned very much.

The Cardinals, handcuffed by lefties Mike Hampton and Al Leiter in the first two games of the series, maulled Reed for five runs on eight hits in less than four innings and beat the Mets 8-2. St. Louis trails the best-of-seven series 2-1.

Reed, 31-5 in the regular season, had struggled in two starts against the Cardinals' predominantly left-handed lineup, giving up eight runs on 13 hits in nine innings.

That trend continued Saturday when the right-hander lasted just 3 1-3 innings, allowing five runs and eight hits. The Cardinals scored two runs

Playoff notebook

In the first before Reed retired a batter and after he had thrown just eight pitches. All five of the lefties in the St. Louis lineup contributed to the 14-hit attack as the Cardinals went 7-for-16 with runners in scoring position.

The Cardinals get to see another right-hander, Bobby Jones, in Game 4 today before the lefties return. Jones may be tougher, considering he is 1-0 with a 3.86 ERA in two starts against St. Louis, holding them to a .216 average, and is coming off a one-hitter that clinched the Mets' first-round series victory over the Giants.

Neagle vs. Garcia: Round 2 today SEATTLE - Denny Neagle isn't just another goofy lefty.

He talks a mile a minute and, if he's not interrupted, he still would be discussing his last start.

Neagle wasn't even sure New York Yankees manager Joe Torre would pick him to start today's fifth game of the AL championship series against Seattle, even though he pitched well while losing to the opener.

"Joe offically told me after he game yesterday," Neagle said Saturday. "There was a little bit of concern, yes, that maybe I might not get the nod again, just because of the fact of, again, that I didn't finish strong down the stretch. I was bypassed in the first round. So I knew there was a possibility that they might want to bring El Duque (Orlando Hernandez) back on three days' rest if we were down in the series."

But after the Yankees beat the Mariners 8-2 Friday night, Torre decided on Neagle, acquired from Cincinnati at the All-Star break to shore up a pitching staff weakened by David Cone's demise.

Torre admitted he held off his decision until after learning whether the Yankees led 2-1 or trailed 2-1.

"If there is a Game 6 and Game 7, I would rather have El Duque and (Andy) Pettitte at full strength in those two games," Torre said. "I'm not sure what I would have done if we were down 3-1. I'm not saying it would not have been Neagle, but I can't tell you for sure."

Freddy Garcia, the Game 1 winner, starts for Seattle. He allowed just three hits in 6 2-3 innings and struck out eight in the Mariners' 2-0 win, which seemed to send most of Subway Series-obsessed New York into a panic.

"I'll try to do the same approach I did the last time," Garcia said. "Just try and work it ahead in the count every time. I'm not doing anything. Throw the first pitch for a strike."

Neagle, in contrast, went to 3-0 on six batters.

Rivera's way: No gimmicks, no runs

SEATTLE (AP) - A smug smile spreads from Yankee to Yankee when Mariano Rivera enters the game.

In the stands, Seattle Mariners fans begin packing their stuff to go home. In New York, fans watching on television start getting ready for bed.

Everyone knows it's over, even if there are two innings left. "He's been just so automatic in the play-offs that you get spoiled," Paul O'Neill says.

Going into Game 4 of the American League Championship Series on Saturday night, Rivera was riding a record 33 1-3 inning scoreless streak in postseason play.

Best ever, as a matter of fact. "It's not like he's normal,"



New York Yankees closer Mariano Rivera pitches in the eighth inning against the Seattle Mariners in Game 3 of the ALCS Friday. The Yankees won 8-2.

Seattle's Al Martin said. "Nothing comes the same out of his hand. He has that fastball, the cutter, and it comes at you at about 100 mph. That cutter, it's like he has a joystick in his hand and he decides to move it in on your hands just two feet before it gets to you.

"It's almost like we're in a panic in the dugout, knowing we have to get these guys before the eighth inning because he's coming in. It's not right."

When Rivera worked the ninth with his cut fastball nibbling the corners on both sides of the plate, it was three up and three

down, and the game was over 8-2. New York had a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven series, and Rivera had a very special record.

Yankee Hall of Famer Whitey Ford held the record at 33 innings, set in 1960-62 World Series, and another Yankee by the name of Babe Ruth had held it before that, even though he did it when he pitched for the Boston Red Sox.

Not to diminish the achievements of Ford and Ruth, but they did it over a course of only a few games as starters. Rivera hasn't allowed a run in 23 consecutive outings while pitching in the most pressure-packed parts of games.

And while we're doing the numbers, Rivera had 17 postseason saves heading into Saturday night, two more than the previous record holder, Dennis Eckersley.

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Derek Jeter hit a three-run homer in the fifth and David Justice launched a two-run shot in the eighth. That was plenty for Clemens, who used 37 mph fastballs to set a nine-inning ALCS record for strikeouts.

"It was total dominance," Torre said. The Yankees can wrap up their 37th AL pennant and a chance at their third straight World Series title - possibly in a Subway Series - when Denny Neagle starts against Freddy Garcia in Game 5 today.

And suddenly, all those white towels Mariners fans have been waving at Safeco Field might wind up being flags of surrender.

I could jump," Martinez said. Coming off two losses to Oakland in the division series that dropped his postseason record to 3-5, Clemens had become the symbol of what was wrong with the Yankees. At 38, some thought the five-time Cy Young winner and his teammates were too old and broken down to keep their run going.

The Rocket showed otherwise from the start - and with a vengeance. After striking out Stan Javier and Martin to start the bottom of the first, he buzzed Rodriguez with two fastballs. Rodriguez eventually walked, making him the only Mariners hitter to reach until the seventh.

In the top of the second, losing pitcher Paul Abbott threw a fastball near Jorge Posada's head, and that's when the shouting started.

From the Mariners' first-base dugout, Piniella started screaming across the way toward Torre.

Fans in the front row - including the world's richest man - Bill Gates - could certainly hear the world-class tirade, with Piniella vowing his team would not back down.

"He wants to throw at our guys, said after the game. "I was just trying to let him know we'll protect our hitters, period."

Said Torre: "It was animated. I can understand Lou's a fiery guy."

Before the bottom of the second, umpire crew chief John Hirschbeck walked in from second base to talk with Clemens on the mound.

In the fourth, Martin was retired on a play in which Clemens covered first base. The two players bumped shoulders after crossing the bag and Clemens raised an elbow.

But in the seventh, Martin hit back with a liner that prevented Clemens from throwing only the second no-hitter in postseason history. Don Larsen threw a perfect game for the Yankees against Brooklyn in the 1956 World Series.

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SPORTS

Bulgarian wildcard stokes Fire

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's the No. 1 offense vs. the No. 1 defense for the MLS championship. Throw in a flamboyant world superstar — one of the most famous players outside the United States — and the math becomes a little fuzzy.

"The one who should be worried is the defender, because I know my potential," said Chicago Fire forward Hristo Stoitchkov. "They're the best defense in the league, but we have the best offense. So the ones that have to be worried are them."

Stoitchkov has conquered America before — his six goals made him the leading scorer in the 1994 World Cup in the United States. The 34-year-old Bulgarian now has a chance to add to his countless haul of titles and trophies when the Fire plays the Kansas City Wizards in today's MLS Cup at RFK Stadium.



Hristo Stoitchkov

He brings a passion for the game and it shows in all our players," said Chicago coach Bob Bradley. "He's the first one in every day. He's always talking about what's going on in the game. When I'm watching different games, he loves to sit down and talk about them."

Stoitchkov was one of the world's best players in the 1990s, which is why he's playing in the United States. He's still better than almost anybody in MLS, and his presence helps bring credibility to the league.

That's not to say Stoitchkov has lost any of the blunt edge that has led to clashes with coaches, referees and the Bulgarian soccer federation. These were some of his thoughts, spoken through an interpreter, leading up to today's game:

- Asked about a red card he received in an MLS game earlier this year, he said: "The quality of the referee when it comes to refereeing is not as high, because I don't think I deserved that card."
- Asked how winning the MLS title would rank with his other accomplishments, he shrugged: "Just one more."
- Asked why he mimed reeling in a fish after scoring a goal in last week's playoff game against New York-New Jersey, he said: "I want to grab the MetroStars coach and bring him into the field to show him how to play the game."
- Stoitchkov wouldn't comment on whether he'll return next season, saying he's concentrating only on the MLS Cup for now.

Byrd flies to WBO crown

COLOGNE, Germany (AP) — Wladimir Klitschko outpointed Chris Byrd to win the WBO heavyweight title on Saturday.

Klitschko, of the Ukraine, won almost every round and sent Byrd to the canvas twice. He dropped the American with a left in the ninth round, and then with a stiff right and a barrage of punches to drop him again in the 11th.

Klitschko, ranked No. 3 by both the WBA and WBC, improved his record to 35-1 with 32 knockouts and gained revenge for the loss of his older brother Vitali, whom Byrd won the title from in April.

The judges ruled it 120-105, 118-108 and 119-107 as Byrd's record fell to 31-2.

Byrd was punished by Klitschko throughout the fight. His right eye was closed shut after the fifth round, and his left eye was only half open by the end of the fight.

But after Byrd was dropped in the ninth, and was behind on all the cards, he told his corner: "I don't quit."

The 6-foot-7 Klitschko proved quick and mobile enough to have Byrd in a corner Olympic silver medalist as a middleweight, known for his slippery unorthodox style.

When Klitschko, the 1996 Olympic super-heavyweight champion, dropped him again in the 11th, Byrd's father and trainer were ready to throw in the towel but was restrained by the fighter's brother.

Hingis, Davenport reach Swisscom final

ZURICH, Switzerland (AP) — Top-ranked Martina Hingis, trying to win a singles title for the first time in her home country, faces No. 2 Lindsay Davenport, making a comeback from a foot injury, in the final of the Swisscom Challenge today.

"I've won tournaments before but I guess it's a little different here," said Hingis, winner of 32 singles titles. "But I keep thinking I've done this before, I won a title just last week."

"I've been taking this tournament very relaxed and I think it's been my best year here so far."

Davenport leads their series 11-8, but Hingis won their most recent meeting. After losing five straight matches to Davenport,

Hingis beat her in the final at Miami in March.

"We've never played each other in Switzerland, but she'll be fired up because it's in her backyard and she's never won here," Davenport said. "She wants to win here and I'm trying not to lose here."

Hingis and Davenport advanced to the final with straight-set victories Saturday.

Hingis defeated sixth-seeded Jennifer Capriati 6-3, 6-2, and Davenport, seeking her third title in Zurich, beat Austria's Barbara Schett 6-2, 6-1.

Lapentti, Schalken to tangle in Tokyo in final-round action Sunday

TOKYO — Mixing up his shots and getting a few lucky breaks, top remaining men's seed Nicholas Lapentti of Ecuador moved past Slovenian Dominik Hrbaty 6-3, 6-4 in semifinal action Saturday at the Japan Open tennis tournament.

Twelfth seed Sjeng Schalken of the Netherlands will play the fourth-seeded Lapentti for the men's singles title today, outlasting eighth seed Hicham Arazi of Morocco 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7) in the other semifinal.

In the women's competition, top seed

Julia Halard-Decugis of France overcame Thailand's Tamarine Tanasugarn 7-6 (5), 6-0 to set the stage for a showdown with defending American champion Amy Frazier.

Germany's Tommy Haas, Britain's Tim Henman advance to CA final

VIENNA, Austria — Germany's Tommy Haas defeated France's Cedric Pioline 6-7 (5-7), 6-2, 6-2 Saturday to advance to the finals of the CA Trophy tennis tournament.

Britain's Tim Henman also advanced to the finals of the \$500,000 event, beating Switzerland's Roger Federer 2-6, 7-6 (4), 6-3.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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Please apply in person at 640 Filer Ave. W. Twin Falls or call (208) 734-8845. EOE.

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 The Times-News is looking for an individual with graphic design experience to work in our Twin Falls office. Qualified applicants will have experience in QuarkXpress. The successful candidate will be designing creative advertisements on light. Send resume to P.O. Box 458 Gooding, Idaho 83303.

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 Full charge Bookkeeper preferable with previous trucking company experience. Salary negotiable DOE. FAX resume to (208) 302-4377 or mail to P.O. Box 485 Gooding, Idaho 83303.

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 Seeking dedicated, multi-task detail oriented person for busy office, must have knowledge of MS Office, and accounting software needed. Must be personable. Benefits include: 401k, health ins., cafeteria plan, pd. vacation after probationary period. Send resume to P.O. Box 96980 #2, The Times News, P.O. Box 546, Twin Falls, ID 83303

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 South Central Community Action Agency's LINEAP Fuel Assistance Program has openings for 2 Seasonal Full-Time Intake Aides in the Heyburn Office. The Twin Falls Office has 4 positions, 1 Seasonal Full-Time, Data Entry Clerk, 2 Seasonal Full-Time, Intake Aides, and 1 Seasonal Part Time, Intake Aide. All positions are \$6.45/hr. and 40 hrs/wk. Job applications and descriptions are available at SCCAA Office: 728 Shoshone St. W., Basement, Jerome, 1800 J. St., Heyburn, ID. Closing date October 20, 2000 at 5:00 pm. In House applications given preference. All available positions contingent upon funding. EOE.

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 Nannies wanted. East Coast (N.Y., N.J.) Save \$5 while watching kids. Top salaries. Paid airfare, vacations & holidays. Use of car. TSN 800-549-2132.

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 The Farm Service Agency in Shoshone, is now accepting applications for a clerical position. This is a Full-time Temporary position. Computer & office skills are necessary. Inquire at: 217 West F. Shoshone, ID or call 898-2258 ext. 2. Application deadline is October 28, 2000. FSA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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 Experienced backhoe operator. General laborers Call 733-1017-Corky

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 Post-frame construction company seeking foreman for year-round work. Benefit package includes: 401k, medical and dental insurance, and unlimited over-time. Wages commensurate with experience, with a thirty-day review. We will train the right applicant. Please apply at: CLEARY BUILDING CORP. 2281 East 1010 South Hazelton, ID 83335

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 Cafe Ole is now taking applications for FT cook. Apply within.

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 Cosmetologist needed in established Twin Falls Salon. Call 733-4461.

CUSTOMER SERVICE
 FT or PT driver/guard. Customer service position. Day time hours, background check, polygraph, good driving record & work history. Nik at 241-2727 or Bob at 420-9389.

CUSTOMER SERVICE
 Magic Valley Mall is now hiring FT seasonal. Must be flexible and weekends required. Please contact customer service in person if interested.

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DAIRY
 Milker needed, \$2000/mo. +housing to qualified person. Apply 3/4 miles South of Kimberly.

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 Delivery - Class A CDL required. Duties include making deliveries within northwestern region, 2 to 4 days out at a time. Work in team operation. Best applicant must be able to work well with others with minimum lift 50 lbs. Must have mechanical skills and be able to lift 100 pounds. Emergency call out after 90 days. Paid vacation and sick leave after 90 days. Based on experience. Please apply at 2470 Weirton Avenue, Twin Falls, Idaho.

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 YEAR AROUND POSITION. SYSCO Food Service. Starting salary a Delivery Route Driver for the Magic Valley. Route Drivers must have a CDL Class A, and T. All drivers will have an accident free driving record. Must be able to lift 60# regularly & 100# occasionally. Starting salary commensurate with experience. Integrity to be a good problem solver. Must have minimum of 1-year experience in all weather conditions, a HS diploma or GED. Complete benefit package for you & your family. Applications will be accepted on Tuesday, 10/24/00 at the Twin Falls Job Service Office between the hours of 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. EEO/AA

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EDUCATION: DO YOU HAVE A H.S. DIPLOMA?? BLAINE COUNTY SCHOOLS NEED SUBSTITUTES

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Call Jesse at (208) 736-2296, ext. 16 or Send e-mail to jesse@twfnad.com

EDUCATION: Gooding J. School District is looking for a part-time secondary English teacher at the Gooding-J. School Center. For information, call Mrs. Owen at 934-4214. For an application, call Pam at 934-3211 or apply at the district office, 507 Idaho St., Gooding, ID 83303.

ELECTRICIAN: The Amalgamated Sugar Company, LLC in Twin Falls is accepting applications for electricians. \$15-17 per hour. Inquiries now or experience required. Background in instrumentation and control a plus. Applications available at: Job Service, 771 North Center Road, Twin Falls, ID 83301. E.O.E. - Drug Free Workplace.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST: The Nature Conservancy is accepting applications for the position of Executive Assistant/Receptionist. Duties include providing administrative support, scheduling and coordination support for the State Director, knowledge of databases and control of a plus. Applications available at: Job Service, 771 North Center Road, Twin Falls, ID 83301. E.O.E. - Drug Free Workplace.

GENERAL: Cowboy on Rider. Job opening available at Interstate Feeders in Malta. Full benefits, 401K plan, insurance. Please call 208-645-2221.

ELECTRICIAN: Licensed Journeymen & apprentice needed. 735-2409

GENERAL: LOAN-COLLECTION person needed. local auto title and used car check company seeking positive, dependable person for loan collection. No experience necessary. Will train the right person. Fax resume to: PERSONNEL PLUS, 735-8555 Mon & Tues.

GENERAL: Needed: People to set up & maintain a maintenance equipment. Starting pay is \$1600 + 735-8555 Mon & Tues.

GENERAL: Trinidad Benham has immediate openings for a: Mill Operator. One year exp. preferred. Electric Eye Operator. Forklift operator preferred. General Warehouse. Please send resume to person. Trinidad Benham 515 East Main Hansen, Idaho Falls, ID 83402. EEO and M/F/D/V.

GOLDSMITH APPLICANT: Position available with jewelry store. You will train qualified applicant. Send resume: Jewelry Jewelers Attm Jim A. P.O. 1296 Twin Falls, ID 83303

GRAPHIC DESIGNER: for commercial printing and newspaper. Insurance a definite plus. Salary commensurate with experience. Excellent pay for those with benefits. resume: Mike Magney, EKO Daily Free Press 735-3970 or 733-5453

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HAIRBY Todd: in the Magic Valley Mall is hiring a STYLIST. \$6.00 an hour. Call Todd at 443-4897 or 328-4084.

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New position. Minimum of two years of clinical exp. preferred. Must have, or be eligible for Physical Therapy state registration. Current CPR. Full time 7-on-7-off position.

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Bannock Regional Medical Center
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Sign on bonus
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- Competitive salary
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Stop by for an application or call for more information.
Twin Falls Care Center
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LPNs needed for Private Duty Nursing for children and adults. Call SFC Barlow 734-9171 or 1-800-90-GUARD.

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e-mail: chris@elkodaily.com Fax: 775-738-2215 EOE

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South Central Community Action Agency, a private, non-profit organization dedicated to reducing hunger, poverty and homelessness in Magic Valley, has a position for a VISTA Housing Assessor. This is a 10-week, 40 hours per week program, based out of Twin Falls. Activities include: make recommendations to a long-term low-income housing plan, updating for education and rental data bases; and investigating options and viability for a transportation program. Must have experience with public relations and written communication, be computer literate, have ability to complete reports and work independently, and have reliable transportation. Previous sales experience not necessary.

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The Times-News Burley office at 325 E. 6th North (next to Wal-Mart) and fill out a contact sheet at call 677-4042 Ext.111.

***** TWIN FALLS (8)

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

ROUTE 810 400 Bk. Caldwell Ave. W. Paradise Plaza Rose Street North

ROUTE 821 100-700 Bk 2nd Ave. E.

ROUTE 822 100-600 Bk 3rd Ave. E. 200-500 4th Ave. E

ROUTE 822 700-800 Meadows Dr. 10-40 Robbins Ave. 700 Washington St. N.

ROUTE 821 100-400 Bk. DuBois

ROUTE 822 500 Bk. Bolton St. 200-500 Bk. Filer Ave. W. 100-200 Bk. Wirsching Circle

ROUTE 825 400 Bk. Addison Ave. W. 100-200 Bk. Camoy Casa Grande Court 500 Bk. Shoup Ave. W.

ROUTE 828 400-500 Bk. Borah Ave. West 300-400 Bk. Bracken St. North 400 Bk. Rose St. N.

ROUTE 822 900 Bk. Blake St. North 200-500 Bk. Elaine Ave. 200-400 Bk. Falls Ave. West 100-400 Bk. Robbins Ave. 700-800 Bk. Sparks St.

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ROUTE 821 Fimbird Circle Imperial St. Morlaco 100-200 Ridgeway 1100-1200 Starline Washington St. N.

ROUTE 822 1000-1200 Blako St. N. 300-Bk Ridgway 1100-1200 Sunburst

ROUTE 827 500 Bk Park Meadows Circle 1000-1100 Park Meadows Dr. 400-500 Bk Parkway Cir 300-Bk Parkway Dr. 1000-1100 Twin Parks Dr.

ROUTE 822 100-300 Bk Crestview 800 Bk Sparks N.

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ROUTE 710 1200-1400 Hwy 1100-1300 Wilmer St N 1100-1300 Locust St N

ROUTE 712 1100-1200 Bk 11th Ave. East 1000-1200 Bk 10th Ave. East 900-1000 Bk Blue Lakes Road 1000-1400 Bk Poplar Ave.

ROUTE 733 1000-1200 Brundage Circle 1000-1300 Galena 1200-1300 Locust St. North 1700-1800 Pomarell Drive 1300 Bk of Stoney Brook Circle

ROUTE 741 2472 Bk of 4th Ave E 400-2680 Eastgate Dr. 200-2681 Palmbush 300-400 Wildbush Cr. 200-500 Camargo

ROUTE 746 1800 Bk of 4th Ave E 400-500 Bk of Machine 200-400 Morningside Dr 400 Bk of Wakefield

ROUTE 811 200-400 Madison Street

ROUTE 831 200-400 Monroe Street

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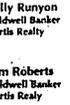
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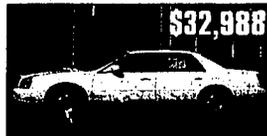
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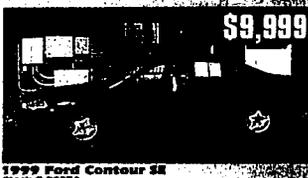
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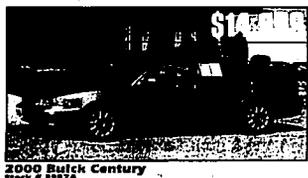
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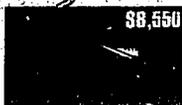
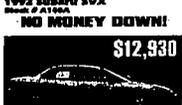
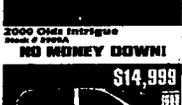
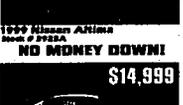
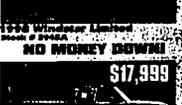
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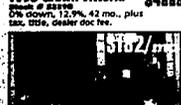
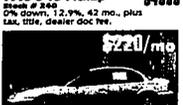
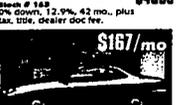
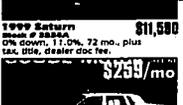
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THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

Dear Mr. Wolff:
At duplicate, RHO opens one spade, two passes follow, and a no-trump bid on the next round. After partner passes, what should I bid with A-J-4-3, Q-4-3-2, J-9-8, A-5-4?

ANSWER: You should do neither. With invitational values (11-12 HCP), you should choose the invitational bid (2NT) over the bidding two spades, while not a felony, will imply a longer heart suit than you possess and is forcing to game (partner's reverse).

ANSWER: On this bidding, you have a clear-cut pass. Partner's one-no-trump bid in the pass-out position is a "balancing bid," promising approximately 9-14 HCP. He is bidding, in part, to show the values you have to hold. With values for a normal one-no-trump opening, he would have doubled to show his strength. Had his partner opened one spade, a no-trump overcall in this position would promise full values (15-17 or 18-18 HCP).

Dear Mr. Wolff:
I open one spade and partner responds two hearts. I rebid two spades with A-J-10-6-3, ♥ 6, ♠ 5-3, ♠ A-K-9-5, and partner forces with three diamonds. What should I bid now?

Dear Mr. Wolff:
At duplicate, only our side vulnerable, RHO opens a weak two-spade bid in third seat. What is my best choice? ♠ A-K-Q-10-5, ♥ Q-5, ♠ A-K-Q-7-4-3, ♣ 2-2-2-2.

ANSWER: I favor a cue-bid of two diamonds. If partner bids three no-trump, you can bid five clubs, implying at least four hearts, long clubs and a very fine hand. If partner bids four diamonds, a gamble to six clubs will be a long shot. If partner chooses one spade, you can cue-bid again in spades, hoping to hear a diamond cue-bid from partner.

ANSWER: Since you cannot take a preference to hearts and should not raise diamonds, your only reasonable action is three no-trump. There is no reason to rebid spades again or to introduce the club suit.

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Dear Mr. Wolff:
I open one spade and partner opens one heart with A-J-9-5, ♠ A-Q-8-2, ♠ 8-7-2, ♠ 10-3. After he bids two clubs, should I take a preference to diamonds, or bid two spades?

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PROFIT in FLEA MARKETS



Don and Thelma Knopp found their avocation of 30-plus years turned into their vocation after they retired from farming. Thelma Knopp has a variety of glassware to offer customers at the weekend market in Filer, while her husband offers refurbished antique furniture.

Treasure hunt yields full-time work

By Julie Pence
Times-News correspondent

FILER — The lust for the hunt has reaped unexpected bounty for some Magic Valley treasure seekers. Every other Saturday and Sunday during the fall and winter months, folks with a penchant for collectibles arrive at the Filer fairgrounds hoping to hit upon that one special find of a lifetime.

Steady streams of young mothers with small children, couples, grandmas and grandpas peruse the aisles of a well-established flea market, stopping here and there to examine a piece of crystal or china, study a book collection or haggle with a vendor.

Patience and staying power are required to take it all in — the lamps, glassware, furniture and other myriad effects. But in sorting through the profusion of odds and ends to separate out the true prizes, some have discovered their fun has developed into full-time work.

From collecting to commandeering

Norland resident Dana Cameron especially likes collecting Depression glass and primitives such as old coffee grinders and wagon wheels. About four years ago she realized she had so much that it was time to clear out the clutter. That's when she started selling some of those collectibles at the Filer flea market.

But her desire to collect had not subsided. She used her profits of about \$150 a month to buy more. "It was my hobby," she said.

Little did she know that soon the humble sum would turn into 10 times that amount. A year passed, then the proprietor of the show turned the twice-a-month affair over to Cameron. That marked a beginning of a round of hectic but exhilarating events that made Cameron a full-time businesswoman.

It didn't take her long to learn how to run the market, and soon

Flea market

- Where: Filer fairgrounds.
- When: This weekend and alternate weekends.
- Admission: Free.
- Time: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays.
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she was promoting Magic Valley flea markets pretty much year-round by increasing the number of shows at Filer and holding charity flea markets throughout the summer in Twin Falls. She also expanded into antique shows in both the Magic and Wood River valleys.

Then, she earned an appraiser's license, which qualifies her to conduct estate sales. All the while, she kept selling her collectibles at the flea market and her home.

Cameron had stumbled upon her true talent. "I guess I'm a born salesman," Cameron said.

And the work has other benefits. "I'm my own boss," she said. "It's my own business that I've built and strung along."

Though her newfound vocation suits her well, she doesn't kid herself about the hours — or the pay.

"I work about 65 hours a week. I'm on the road a lot. I'm the janitor and the bookkeeper. I have to do all the advertising, make sure the insurance is taken care of and keep everybody happy," she said. "Everybody" amounts to between 40 and 50 vendors at each show.

Netting \$1,500 on an average month might not pencil out as the greatest hourly wage, but Cameron figures she is still making more than she would after taxes at the bank job she once had.

Cleaning house and cashing in

Retired farmers Don and Thelma Knopp, who live south of Burley, say



Rupert resident Gloria Adams says she spends every spare minute in search of or selling treasures that are usually more valuable in terms of meaning than of money.

they have been collecting for more than 30 years. Thelma Knopp's favorite collections are of antique head vases and silhouette pictures. Don Knopp finds and refinishes antique furniture.

"I gathered so much I had to do something about it," said Thelma Knopp, a grandmother who laughs a bit sheepishly when she admits the house was overflowing with found treasures.

Six years ago the two moved some of their collectibles to Snow's Antiques & Sleigh Works at 136 Main Ave. N. in Twin Falls. They worked out a deal so they would run the shop on Mondays and during the shop owner's vacations. Though Twin Falls is farther to travel to than Burley, they said they see more shoppers in Twin Falls.

In addition to marketing their wares at the flea market and the



During fall and winter, Dana Cameron will be found on alternating weekends greeting customers at a well-attended flea market in Filer. Her husband, Greg Cameron, left, often helps her supervise, set up and clean up after the show that she took over almost three years ago.

antique shop, they also sell from home. And they say they make more money at this business than they receive from Social Security.

During winter the couple travels to Arizona and San Diego, to spend the better part of three months buying more collectibles to bring back to Idaho.

"We're busier now than when we both worked full time," Don Knopp, 70, said half-seriously.

It's clear the only rocking chairs in this couple's future will be the ones they sell. They said they plan on doing this work as long as it is physically possible.

Hooked on the hunt

Self-proclaimed "junk lady" Gloria Adams said she has been into collecting for about 15 years.

"I just started buying for my own pleasure," she said. "You know, I like it all."

Adams said she is most passionate about finding things that symbolize deep meaning.

"I'm not necessarily looking for the well-known, expensive piece. There are certain old things that represent attachment to soul," she said. "You just know somebody loved it."

Today, she said, those are the kinds of things people are looking for to lend character to their home decor.

Adams said she spends her 60- to 70-hour work weeks going to auctions, estate sales and garage sales. When she isn't searching for treasure, she is "packing, unpacking, cleaning, sorting, shelving and pricing — then starting it all over again."

She displays at Goodfellow's Antiques & Collectibles in Twin Falls and Hoggan's Leather & Canvas in Rupert. She also sells through the Internet on auction site eBay.

At this point, though, her work is panning out more as a labor of love.

"I'm still just hanging in there," Adams said, referring to her monthly average of around \$1,000 after expenses.

She said she continues because she is consumed with the lifestyle.

"I have met the most wonderful people," she said. "But the most exciting thing is the treasure hunt."

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YOUR BUSINESS

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Firm lauds Washington Federal for service

SEATTLE — Washington Federal Savings of Seattle, having earned Baster Financial's five-star superior rating for 48 consecutive periods, was given an Exceptional Performance Award for long-term superior banking.

Baster Financial Reports Inc. is a leading bank research firm. Washington Federal Savings has bank branches in Jerome and Twin Falls.

The award is based on analysis of current financial data filed by Washington Federal Savings with federal regulators, supplemented by historical data.

Paul A. Bauer, president of the research firm, said Washington Federal Savings exemplifies the best in banking. It is well-capitalized, profitable and committed to serving its community and customers and has the track record to prove it.

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Jack in the Box expects more record-breaking years

SAN DIEGO — There's a fast-food chain with four consecutive years of record net earnings, increased market share and room for more growth.

Officials at Jack in the Box Inc., which has a Twin Falls restaurant, hope for more of the same as the company preps for its 50th anniversary in fiscal 2001. With its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended Oct. 1, the company expects to report its 23rd consecutive quarter of same-store sales growth and another record year of net earnings for 2000.

"Even as we close the books on another record-setting performance, our sights are set on the future, and our resources are committed to innovations that we believe will keep us at the forefront of our industry for what we hope will be another 50 years," said Robert Nugent, president and chief executive officer.

The company won't reveal its plans for its golden anniversary celebration. But Nugent said the year-long Jackfest, which began Oct. 2, will involve employees, guests, investors and communities where the restaurants operate.

Founded in 1951, Jack in the Box has more than 1,600 company-owned or franchised quick-serve restaurants in 15 states.

Headquartered in San Diego, it has about 42,000 employees and reported system-wide sales of nearly \$1.8 billion in fiscal 1999.

TWIN FALLS — The Institute of Certified Management Accountants

announced Nathan E. Batchelor has earned the Certified Management Accountant designation.

Accountants who earn the CMA have displayed proficiency in many facets of accounting and financial management. This is demonstrated by completing a comprehensive examination on accounting and related subjects, meeting a two-year management accounting experience requirement and agreeing to comply with the ethics standards for management accountants, the institute said.

The Institute of Certified Management Accountants, which administers the CMA Examination, was established in 1972 by the Montvale, N.J.-based Institute of Management Accountants.

BURLEY — Mr. Gas announced two new managers at Mr. Gas stores in the Burley area.

Dawn Richards is now the manager at the store at 855 Overland. She has been with Mr. Gas for more than six years. She is the mother of a 5-year-old daughter.

Amy Wadsworth is the new manager at the store at 650 N. Overland. She has been with Mr. Gas for more than two years. She is married to Tom Wadsworth and is the mother of four children.

TWIN FALLS — Paula Woody has joined the sales staff at

CAREER MOVES

Auto Outlet, at 664 Main Ave. S. and 6504 Second Ave. S. Woody was previously employed as the office manager at The Car Store and its manager of Gary's Westland Motors/Auto Pride, both in Twin Falls.

Paula Woody

CODY, Wyo. — Dave LaMure Jr. of Dave LaMure Jr. Art Studio in Kimberly exhibited his Western-influenced vessels at the Western Design Conference in Cody, Wyo., which celebrates the best in Western fashion, furnishings and architecture.

This year, almost 3,500 people attended the exhibits, seminars and fashion show Sept. 20/21 in the Cody Auditorium and Buffalo Bill Historical Center. More than 100 artisans vied for the 60 juried positions offered at the eighth annual conference. Western Design Conference award winners include Doug and Janis Tedrow of Wood River Rustics in Ketchum, Best of Show.

TWIN FALLS — Gloria Brown recently was named president of the Magic Valley Medical Association.

Brown is a 1994 graduate of the College of Southern Idaho's medical assistant program. She is a certified medical assistant at Ashura and Allergy of Idaho.

The organization will hold its first meeting of the fall at 7 p.m. Oct. 17 at Family Physical Therapy. Marie Rasch will give a presentation on women's health issues. The education session is approved by the American Association of Medical Assistants for a certain amount of continuing education credit. For information, call Brown at 734-6091.

BURLE — Black Rock Clothiers

announced two recent promotions at its new Bühl fashion store.

Stacie Novacek was named store manager. She will oversee Black Rock's inventory, sales and marketing. She has had 18 years in retail sales.

Anita Lara was named assistant manager. Her primary duties will include sales, computer implementation and window displays. She has had six years in retail sales and five years of computer education.

Novacek and Lara can be reached at 543-2500, Black Rock Clothiers, at 918 Main St. in Bühl, is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Regional Medical Center announced the hiring of Kyla Kelly as the new director of Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition.

After more than 11 years working in broadcasting in Washington, northern Idaho and the Magic and Wood River valleys, Kelly joined MVRMC to work toward making Magic Valley "the healthiest place to live in America," the hospital said. Most recently, Kelly was producer and anchor on KMYT-TV's News at Five and handled the station's community service projects.

Tragic accidents involving children in the community over the past few months show the need for continued vigilance. Kelly is a member of the Ready, Willing and Able Kids Coalition, the hospital said. Kelly and the rest of the staff at Safe Kids will

continue to provide education and safety programs.

Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition began in 1988 after the death of a 4-year-old. Since then, the coalition has grown from an in-house education program to a community-based effort to reduce unintentional injuries for youngsters from birth to age 18. The program coordinates programs with emergency responders across the Magic Valley, local businesses and schools, focusing on bicycle safety, seat-belt education, car-seat safety, fire safety, poison control, accident prevention and other potential injury risks to children.

The coalition is affiliated with MVRMC and is funded in part by grants from the MVRMC Foundation. The remainder of its funding comes from donations.

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Regional Medical Center announced the addition of a family practice physician to their staff.

Dr. Mary Beth Curtis is now accepting new patients at the Magic Valley Center, at 630 Addison Ave. W., Suite 100. Curtis will do full family practice for patients of all ages. She also has a special interest in geriatrics.

Curtis holds her doctor of medicine degree from Louisiana State University School of Medicine in New Orleans. She completed her residency in family practice at Central Washington Family Medicine in Yakima, Wash. Curtis is certified in advanced cardiac life support and neonatal advanced life support. She is also board-certified by the American Board of Family Physicians.

Curtis also earned a doctoral degree in biology from Tulane University. She taught at the university level for five years before completing her medical training.

"My past experience in teaching helps me be a better physician," Curtis said. "Once you're a teacher, you never stop being one. Now, my patients are my students. They constantly challenge me to learn new things." Curtis is a Twin Falls native, will begin seeing patients at Physician Center Monday. Call 733-4343.

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Application and payment are due April 16. Complete applications and full fee payment received before April 1 will qualify for a \$100 discount.

The Elkhorn Resort features a health center with hot tub and sauna and outdoor activities such as golf, tennis, bicycling, inline skating, ice skating and hiking. Participants may wish to bring recreational and sports apparel and equipment.

A 360-degree leadership inventory will be conducted as a special feature of the Management/Leadership Skills Assessment session. A survey requesting feedback from participants, their bosses, subordinates and peers will be sent out as soon as participants are accepted for the PMD. The surveys are due April 16.

For a full brochure or registration information, call the Center for Management Development at (208) 425-3861 or send e-mail to cmddinfo@boisestate.edu.

Old idea is a new solution for dairies

JEROME — Dairies aren't going away — nor is the controversy surrounding them.

With that in mind, Jerome dairyman Ben Heidemann, who is starting a new facility, is taking advantage of technology that subdues odors and flies as well as improves the appearance of his dairy.

By being proactive, he said, he can help improve the dairy image by incorporating solutions to industry problems.

The technology isn't new, though it has been updated. And it is simpler windbreaks — or shelter belts — comprised of a variety of bushes and coniferous and deciduous trees. Hearty new hybrid poplars, weed mats, modern irrigation systems, and transfer systems distributing waste water from lagoons to the trees are aspects of these updated windbreaks that appeal to busy dairymen.

Less prone than older varieties to the diseases and iron-deficiency problems common to the Idaho high desert, the new poplars can be especially useful in sucking up offensive lagoon waste ordinarily sprinkled on fields, said Julie Thomas of the USDA Resource, Conservation and Development in Twin Falls.

"It's a win-win situation," Thomas said. "Poplars take up every bit of that water, which helps cut down on odor and flies."

The windbreaks provide other advantages. Flies are reduced around the neighborhood because they are attracted to the windbreak.

"The flies like the shade," Thomas said.

U.S. grain stocks show signs of decreasing

BOISE — Lower yields in the Wheat Belt means less grain in the bin across much of the United States.

The U.S. Agriculture Department estimates that 2.37 billion bushels of wheat are in



This new windbreak between Rupert and Minidoka, which was added last year to an existing windbreak, demonstrates an ideal combination of bushes, conifers and deciduous trees. The federal government is currently providing assistance to dairymen and farmers interested in planting windbreaks.

Farmbeat

Highlights of this week's Magic Valley Ag Weekly, The Times-News' weekly report on agriculture.

storage across the nation, down 3 percent from a year ago. Fewer farmers are storing wheat this year, on-farm storage is down 7 percent to an estimated 823 million bushels. Off-farm stocks — those at elevators, warehouses, mills and processors — totaled 1.54 billion bushels, down 1 percent from 1999.

Nationally wheat production is also down about 3 percent — a result of lower yields and fewer harvested acres. Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas led the decline in winter wheat production.

While other regions had poor growing conditions, the Palouse region of Idaho was blessed with great conditions for winter wheat.

With yields setting a new record of 90 bushels per acre Idaho wheat farmers are storing more wheat at elevators this fall.

Off-farm storage is estimated at 49.1 million bushels, up 12 percent from last year. On-farm storage is down 7 percent to 43 million bushels.

Overall, wheat stored in the state is up 92.1 million bushels, up 2 percent over 1999, according to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service.

2000 sugar beet crop looks good to excellent

TWIN FALLS — The 2000 early dig is stacking up nicely against the '99 season, which beat all records for sugar content and also had high tonnage

in fields that hadn't been hit by a frost.

But it's no surprise. Almagamated Ag Manager Leonard Kerbs was predicting an excellent crop after he verified the core temperatures for 2000 were almost the same as those of '99.

Dietrich has been finished with early dig for over a week and saw tonnage in the mid-20s with sugar content in the mid-16s, fieldman Dave Chestnut said.

The upper-Snake River area around Aberdeen averaged in the high 20s with sugar content in the mid-16s, fieldman Carl Lux said.

The area was hit by some hard frost a few weeks ago in the low 20s — an event that might have stopped the development of more sugar content.

"It was low enough to hurt some beets — in certain fields where the water was going that night," Lux said. "There were a few cold spots cold enough to affect sugar content, but for the most part, I think we're OK," Lux said.

The Treasure Valley, on the west end of Almagamated territory, early dig didn't start until Oct. 2.

Clark Millard, ag manager for the Elwyns and Nampa districts, said the tonnage is coming out on average between 31 and 32 tons with good sugar content.

"Sugar looks pretty darn good," Millard said.

"Looks like we're better than '99."

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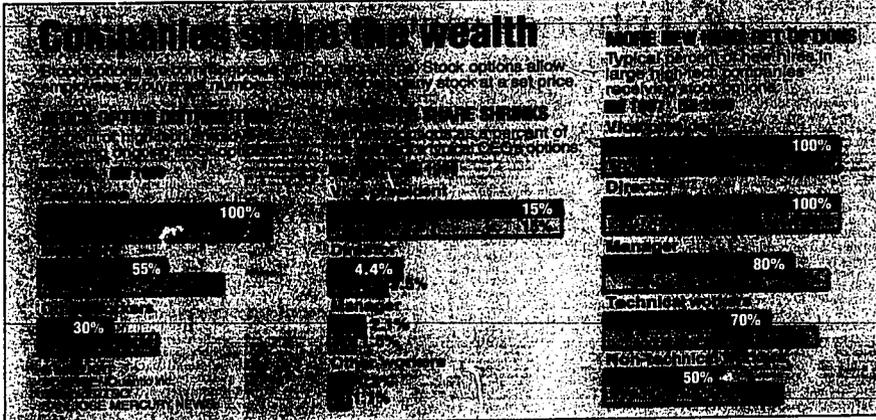
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Stock options become standard

High-tech industry leads in offering options

By Margaret Sloan
Knight Ridder News Service

Only a few years ago, stock options were a perk that everyone talked about but only a lucky few actually received. But a recent survey confirms that in the high-tech industry, at least, options have now become the standard, not the exception.

Other industries are following high-tech's lead in what amounts to a huge experiment in compensation. The survey, by compensation consulting firm (Quantec Inc., focused on more than 200 technology companies whose stock is publicly traded. But it predicts that in three to five years, general industry will use stock options almost as much as the high-tech industry does today.

By offering stock options to large numbers of employees, companies open the door to greater financial rewards than salary alone can offer, but they also give workers a form of compensation that is often confusing and always uncertain.

Stock options allow employees to buy a set number of shares of the company's stock at a set price. The options become effective over time, usually four years, a process called vesting. If the company's stock price goes up, the employees make money. If it goes down, the options are

worthless. Employees aren't required to buy the stock at all, so if it goes down, they don't lose money. But gains from options are much less certain than other forms of compensation.

The National Center for Employee Ownership in Oakland, Calif., which will release its own 2000 survey of stock option practices in November, estimates that between 7 million and 10 million employees nationwide now receive stock options, up from fewer than 1 million in 1992. Corey Rosen, the center's executive director, said that despite the publicity given to workers who took a risk by working for a start-up and got rich when the company went public, most options are held by employees of large, public companies. The potential rewards are not as great, but neither is the chance that the options will end up worthless.

Quantec's survey found several ways in which options have taken hold in the past several years as a standard part of high-tech compensation.

More new hires are getting options. Almost all technical and managerial new hires in large high-tech companies now receive options, as do a majority of their other employees. This percentage has increased significantly in the past several years, especially for non-managerial workers.

More current employees are getting options. High-tech companies are now giving ongoing option grants to 80 percent of managers and 51 percent of non-managers, in not cases an increase of more than 20 percentage points

since 1996. Companies are giving a larger percentage of their total shares to employees as options. The percentage has more than doubled since 1996 for high-tech companies.

The prevalence of options makes some workers feel that they are missing out if they don't have them.

"Particularly in California, so many of us struggle with the issue of 'Will I ever be able to buy a house or get ahead?'" said Lisa North, an interactive brands consultant at Landor Associates in San Francisco. "Options are not a major factor in her job decisions," she added. "I do think about the fact that just making a salary won't get you there."

The vast majority of American workers, like North, do not receive stock options, and some probably never will. For example, privately held companies with no plans to go public have no reason to offer options. Companies that are based in other countries often face legal and cultural barriers to offering options, although that is changing.

Still, options are moving into the mainstream, and as they do, they are becoming more pedestrian. Some worry that options to buy stock in a large company can't be as effective at achieving one of options' main goals: to give employees an incentive to work hard so the company succeeds. After all, the link between one employee's work and a large company's stock price can be tenuous.

"To me, it's very empty, although it's a good benefit for the employees who receive it," said Salim Virji, a software engineer at a pre-IPO start-up in San Francisco. "As more companies offer options, it becomes less of an interesting benefit."

With both large and small companies offering options, it can be difficult for job-seekers to compare them. For example, an employee who has options to buy 3,000 shares of stock in a large, public company may be tempted to move to a small, private company that will offer 50,000 shares.

"You're giving up 3,000 units of equity in a company where there is liquid value for 50,000 lottery tickets," said Ted Buyniak, principal at IQuantec, which is based in San Francisco.

With a pre-IPO company, it's either going to be worth a good bit of money, or it's going to be worthless. If you're fortunate, you've joined the next Yahoo. If you're unfortunate, you've joined one of the hundreds of pre-IPO companies that six months to a year after they're formed slip out of the building at night to avoid the landlord.

Even options in a large, stable public company do not come with a guarantee that they will be worth anything, of course. And despite options' growing popularity, there are many unanswered questions about how options will work as a recruiting, retention and motivational tool once they become commonplace. Another concern is that despite the market's April downturn, stock options' appeal hasn't been tested on a wide scale during truly tough times in the market.

"If we had a major market sell-off, for example, you could find yourself in a situation where we've given employees a lot of equity that is worthless," Buyniak said.

Keefe cited several advantages to owning a high-yield bond fund. "First, despite their reputation, junk bonds are actually less risky than most stocks," Keefe said. So investors who have made a bundle in the stock market in recent years may want to shield some money in safer investments—such as high-yield bonds—that still provide high returns.

And high-yield bonds are less vulnerable to interest-rate fluctuations than more traditional bonds. That's because the value of a junk bond is tied more directly to the company that issued it than an interest rate, Keefe explained.

"The Silicon Valley technology sector has affected the others, because technology has to hire people from other sectors."

—J. Richard, senior manager director, J. Richard & Co.

By Dunstan Prial
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A year ago when Pax World Fund Family introduced the first socially responsible junk-bond fund, it was a first that sprang to mind was "oxymoron."

The seemingly rhetorical question was, "How could a company issuing risky junk bonds ever be considered socially responsible?" But a year later, Pax's fund is outperforming most other funds in its niche and living up to its mission of supporting companies that are deemed an asset to the community.

Junk bonds — high-risk, high-yield bonds — became notorious in the 1980s when the market was monopolized and manipulated by Wall Street financier Michael Milken and his colleagues at now-defunct Drexel Burnham Lambert.

It took a decade to reconstitute their image, but junk bonds are now more popular than ever and the stigma is all but forgotten. High-yield bonds are attractive to investors willing to take a risk because they offer bigger returns than standard government bonds.

The notes are commonly referred to as "junk bonds" because they are primarily issued

by young companies with uncertain futures. Investment banks are usually leery of underwriting stock offerings for these types of companies, so the companies turn to the junk bond market instead.

All these factors made it possible for Pax World to introduce its High Yield Fund last October. The fund remains the only junk-bond fund that bars investments in companies that its managers consider socially irresponsible.

Since its inception, the fund is down 0.17 percent. Year-to-date, however, it has risen 2.35 percent. Junk-bond funds on average, meanwhile, have fallen an average of 3 percent this year, according to Lipper Inc., a New York company that tracks mutual fund performance.

"At least for this year, screening out corporate bad guys and screening in the corporate good guys has been a good thing," said Diane Keefe, portfolio manager of Pax's High Yield Fund.

Pax World Funds introduced the first socially responsible mutual fund in 1971 and now manages more than \$1-billion

across four socially conscious funds.

The handful of socially responsible fund companies tend to forego investments in alcohol, tobacco, gambling and firearms-related companies, as well as those with histories of discrimination, harsh working conditions or questionable records.

Keefe said an important benefit to being a socially responsible investor in high-yield bonds is that the junk-bond market is still small enough that corporate executives seeking your business are more likely to be attentive to your concerns than would executives seeking to sell stock into the vast U.S. stock markets.

"You have an opportunity to influence the president and the chief financial officer because you are in a dialogue with them about trying to raise funds," she said.

The list of companies whose junk bonds Pax has invested in includes Interface Inc., a carpet



Market lull also slows online trading activity

By Kathy Bergen
Chicago Tribune

Before tech stocks bit the dust this spring, computer consultant Marco Chou made about 10 online stock trades a week. Now he trades maybe two.

Put off by the stock market's volatility, the 46-year-old Glenview, Ill., resident has decided to wait for a market upturn before trying to sell some of his stocks, about half of which took a hit in the spring.

Tom VanBooven, a 34-year-old software salesman, not only has canceled up to sell some of his stocks, but he has hooked up with a stockbroker.

"As technology languished, it seemed like a good time to get professional advice," said VanBooven, who lives in Chicago.

The pullback by wary investors such as Chou and VanBooven is translating into something of a lull for the online brokerage business, which had grown like gangbusters when the stock market was charging ahead in the late 1990s and at the start of this year. In those heady times, many investors, which could make their own moves with virtually no risk.

And while no one is predicting impending doom for the growing industry, there are definite signs the stock market continues the dispiriting sideways shuffle that began after this spring's explosive rise.

Online trading volume, which was off by 23 percent in the rocky second quarter, should be down 5 to 10 percent this quarter, predicted James Marks, director, equity research at Credit Suisse First Boston Corp., in San Francisco.

"We've definitely seen some slowness in the business over the summer," said Tracey Escherich, executive vice president of the online brokerage group for Fidelity Investments in Boston.

"The dropoff has been pretty much across the board as the markets have gone sideways since late June," Escherich said. "Other major brokerages reported similar slowing."

Customer assets at online brokers declined by 3.9 in the second quarter, Marks found, noting that was flat relative to a 13 percent drop in the tech-heavy Nasdaq composite index.

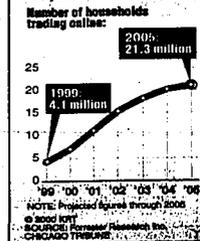
Speaking before the end of the third quarter, he predicted asset levels "should be flat, at best, and probably down a bit."

Meanwhile, concerns about the online brokers' profitability have depressed their stock prices, said Scott Appleby, senior analyst at analyst firm Stephens in San Francisco. Many online brokerage stocks are well off their 52-week highs. Still, analysts and industry observers see reasons to be optimistic about the industry's ability of the online brokerage business, particularly for businesses that broaden their palate of services and their methods of delivering those services.

"As far as the (equity) markets being bad enough to threaten a

Trading on the Net

The number of households trading online is expected to climb dramatically over the next five years.



company's existence, or stress its business structure, we're nowhere close to that now," Marks said.

Companies still are adding new accounts at a decent pace, and at a reasonable cost, he said. And if the stock market should head into a sustained downturn, online brokerages could trim a number of variable expenses, including marketing, he said.

Even if the potential for long-term growth remains strong, Appleby said.

By 2005, more than 21 million U.S. households, or two-thirds of all individual investors, will be trading online, up from 6.8 million households this year, according to Forrester Research in Cambridge, Mass.

But riding that wave successfully will be no easy task, observers said.

For starters, firms should aim their services at Main Street investors, not active traders, because that's where the new account growth will come from, according to Jaime Pundlich, senior research analyst with Forrester.

"It's not a shift that all these guys understand," he said. "They don't get it."

To survive, online brokers will need to provide more customer service, financial advice and guidance, and help with all aspects of a person's phone and Internet service.

"Mainstream investors will want more than fast transactions and cheap costs," he said.

Fidelity, Charles Schwab and TD Waterhouse already have these pieces in place, he said, while ETrade and Datek are moving in the right direction by opening investor service centers.

But ETrade's moves toward providing advice as a step in the right direction.

Offering a broad range of services also helps a brokerage to be less sensitive to the ebb and flow of commission revenue.

Schwab, for instance, has made a concerted effort to diversify its revenue streams, and now just 48 percent of its revenue comes from trading, down from 70 percent five years ago, according to spokesman Daniel Hubbard.

Kids surf Web at will

As debate over how to protect children from the sex and violence pervading mass media rages on in Washington, nearly half of children ages 8 to 17 report having no parental rules governing their Internet use.

Forty-six percent of children in this age group say they have no guidelines for watching television and some 40 percent say they are surfing the Web at will, according to a nationwide telephone survey by Statistical Research Inc., based in Westfield, N.J.

MBA's for women

Women with graduate degrees from business schools say a lack of female role models discour-

Around the water cooler

ages many other woman from pursuing MBAs.

Other significant obstacles include not enough encouragement by employers and the incompatibility of balancing work and family with their education, according to a survey conducted by the University of Michigan and Catalyst, a New York-based organization that promotes women in industry.

But women business school graduates say overcoming these deterrents was well worth the effort.

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Swank new Seattle hotel goes to the dogs

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — There's a swank new hotel in Seattle, offering massages, stunning views, VCRs, individual rooms and even escorted walks.

It doesn't cater to people, though. Only to their dogs. Central Bark Productions Inc. is one of the latest, and one of the plushest, entries into Seattle's dog care market. The 7-month-old company caters to generous dog owners, offering everything from pet boarding — complete with a fireplace and movies — to dog grooming and day care.

A number of Seattle businesses are hoping to tap the consciences and wallets of local pet owners. The hopes are based, in part, on the belief that many owners are willing to spend money to ensure their four-legged companions are happy and safe while they're at work or away, according to industry professionals.

"People are taking a more full-fledged interest in their pets," said Kathryn Eddy, assistant director at the American Boarding Kennels Association. That "has changed how the business is perceived and what services the public demands. And I think that has made it more lucrative."

Another reason is likely the healthy U.S. economy, which is currently chugging through a record ninth year of expansion. A healthy economy gives consumers the confidence and the cash to shell out up to \$37 for a night at Central Bark.

So far, Central Bark owner Marie Martin and other pet entrepreneurs say demand is strong for their services, which include full-service and do-it-yourself grooming facilities.

"We haven't really even touched the market," Martin said.

In 1990, the United States contained roughly 7,000 pet



Sarlya Chulasavok, a dog wrangler for Central Bark Productions Inc. in Seattle, gives the day care dogs their morning treats. The new hotel for dogs offers massages, stunning views, VCRs, individual rooms and walks.

kennels, according to the American Boarding Kennels Association's Eddy. Today, that number has risen to between 9,800 and 10,000 pet facilities, offering a wider range services, she said.

So, Central Bark is far from alone in reaching for the hearts and wallets of Seattle pet owners. Internet service firms mylackey.com and ServiceStop both target harried pet owners by offering to babysit, walk or deliver food and treats to their lonely pets.

"Certainly, the need was there," said Melinda Hinson, vice president of marketing at mylackey.com. "People are busy and working harder and longer hours."

For example, you can pay a mylackey.com employee \$16 to take your dog for a 30-minute spin around the neighborhood or \$25 to bring your pooch for a romp at an off-leash park.

Some corporations are taking notice. A few companies offer to pick up part of the tab for a dog walk, according to an official at ServiceStop, a Seattle-based

company offering a wide variety of services.

"They don't want them taking a three-hour lunch to walk their dog," said Jonathan Clemens, who founded ServiceStop. It's "a great way to hold on to the employees that they have."

So far, the number of companies willing to support pet care is relatively small, but it's growing,

according to Clemens. But, what happens if the U.S. economy sours? While some dog and cat owners may trim their pet budgets, providers expect a healthy core will continue paying for their services.

Currently, pet entrepreneurs say they are finding plenty of guilt-ridden pet owners prepared to pay \$15 to \$28 to ensure that Fido and Felix get some exercise.

"We cannot believe the demand we have," said John Bridger-Lewis, who recently opened Urban Pet, a multi-service pet company, offering everything from pet grooming to cat sitting — on the top of Queen Anne Hill in Seattle.

That's what Central Bark is banking on. Tucked into an industrial neighborhood, Central Bark has received a steady stream of clients since opening its doors on Feb. 15, according to Martin.

Small packs of dogs roam freely through the play area, complete with a handpainted mural of the Seattle skyline, snow-capped mountains, lakes and a multileveled climbing area.

Not every visitor is forced to roam. Martin created quiet rooms for less rambunctious guests and a television room with a couch for quiet and aging canines.

One thing was obviously missing, though: the smell of dogs. Martin has installed surprisingly effective air filters.

To launch the business, Martin dipped into her savings and landed some personal loans. Central Bark charges customers \$37 for one night and \$32 for two more nights. She also offers discounts for older pets and groups of dogs from the same home.

Now, Martin is planning to install yet another perk for people who can't stand to be separated from their dogs: a 24-hour Webcam.

As Asian economy resurges, its consumption of oil grows

The Washington Post

HONG KONG — In Hong Kong, Cathay Pacific Airlines is adding flights to accommodate extra passengers. In China, cars and trucks are logging more miles. And in South Korea, the nation's steel mills are boosting production in response to stronger demand.

Asia's economies are shaking off the effects of the 1997 financial crisis more rapidly than almost anyone expected. But as it rumbles back to life, this region is gulping oil again, boosting worldwide demand for energy and making it much easier for petting nations to maintain higher prices.

Just as the implosion of booming Asian economies three years ago triggered a production cut that drove the price of crude oil down to around \$10 a barrel, the region's comeback has played a key role in pushing prices to above \$37 a barrel last month.

These gyrations, however, may have obscured what many economists consider a more important, long-term trend: As it pushes forward along the path of industrialization, Asia is developing a mighty thirst for oil. Asia now consumes 21 million barrels — or 27 percent — of the 77 million barrels of oil the world burns every day. Oil consumption was rising faster in Asia than in any other region in the world before the crisis; and demand has snapped back quickly as the crisis has receded.

All the global-healing opoies and all the Asian bulls are right, and the world continues to grow, with Asia fully recovering, then oil demand is likely to explode over the next two years. Hong Kong-based fund manager Mark Faber warned in a recent report to clients.

Andy Xie, an economist at Morgan Stanley Dean Witter in Hong Kong, estimates that the region's 10 key economies, including Japan, will use 7.6 percent more oil this year than in 1999. In the nine economies other than still-sluggish Japan, Xie predicts oil consumption will climb nearly 11 percent this year. Economic recovery in Asia, he contends, is the "primary cause" of the global surge in oil prices.

Asia now quaffs roughly the same amount of oil as the United States. But this region has 3 bil-

lion people, while the United States has only 265 million. Total oil consumption per person is only two barrels in Asia, compared with four barrels in Latin America and 24 barrels in the United States. Even modest gains in Asian living standards — more cars, more washers and dryers, more homes with air conditioning — could translate into big increases in the global demand for oil.

Economies in North America and Western Europe are using less energy per dollar of economic output as they mature and shift from manufacturing to services and information technologies. In Asia, Japan and Hong Kong have followed suit. But most of this region's economies are moving in exactly the opposite direction — becoming less energy-efficient as they concentrate on heavy manufacturing.

In South Korea, which must import every drop of oil it uses and is already the world's sixth-largest buyer of crude oil, manufacturing now accounts for about 33 percent of overall economic output, up from 29 percent before the crisis.

More worrisome is China, already the region's least energy-efficient economy even though its industrialization drive has yet to hit high gear.

China trails only the United States and Japan in total oil consumption. Although it can meet some of its energy needs from domestic sources, domestic wells aren't pumping nearly as fast as they need to keep pace with needs of China's fast-growing economy.

Meanwhile, health and environmental concerns have prompted Beijing to scale back the nation's long dependence on coal, which now accounts for more than 70 percent of China's total energy needs. The result: China is shelling out hard currency for foreign oil. Oil imports accounted for one of every five barrels China consumed last year. The ratio is expected to rise to one in three by the end of the decade. "Demand from China alone is a big reason oil prices have surged" this past year, argues TIM Condon, regional economist at ING Barings Securities in Hong Kong.

Analysts at Massachusetts-based Cambridge Energy Research Associates expect China's appetite for oil to increase dramatically over the next two

decades, rising from 4.4 million barrels per day now to 7.2 million barrels per day in 2010 and 10.7 million in 2020.

Of course, the recovery in Asia wasn't the only factor boosting oil prices. The unexpected strength of the U.S. expansion also played a role, as did the failure of the world's major oil producers to accurately forecast global demand.

Experts differ on how much continued growth in Asia will push up global oil prices in the future. Many analysts anticipate a fall in oil prices late next year, as oil companies boost exploration budgets and if the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries makes good on its promise to raise production by 800,000 barrels per day.

In the longer term, however, the picture is hard to read. Alarms have warned since the first global-oil shock in the late-1970s that the world is within 130 years of exhausting its supply of fossil fuels, only to see estimated reserves rise with the advance of technologies for finding and extracting oil.

But Asia's return to growth is sure to test the resourcefulness of oil producers — particularly if the region's economies continue to outpace "r" expectations.

Few analysts think Asia's economies can match the spectacular growth rates they managed before the crisis. Consumer confidence is shaky. In most countries, banks are still struggling to clear bad loans. Throughout the region, government leaders have moved slowly to dismantle the clubby business practices that many say provoked the crisis in the first place.

Start slowly to develop good credit

By William Patlan III
The Baltimore Sun

"In many ways, your credit history is just as important as your reputation. You must do all you can to protect it because once sullied, it is not easily repaired."

"It acts as a character reference," said Patricia Reed-Finch, an extension educator with the Baltimore office of the Maryland Cooperative Extension, part of the University System of Maryland. Consumers "put down their signature, and people (sell) their goods and services on the basis of that signature. That signature is a promise on our part to pay. Whether we pay or not, that says something about our character."

Landlords can check on credit histories before renting an apartment. And potential employers — especially those in financial services — may factor in one's credit record in deciding whether to offer a job.

So why take the credit risk at all? It's simple: Credit is a necessary evil in today's world.

"Out in the real world of these days, it's difficult for any of us to function without credit," said Linus Campbell, director of education for the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Maryland and Delaware.

"You want to rent a car, you need a credit card to hold it. You run around on business on an expense account, you need a credit card. You want to travel, you need a credit card, since they won't hold a hotel room just on your word."

But there are so many types of credit available: Even a young adult eventually will be dealing with credit cards, consumer loans, car loans and school loans. So what's the best way to start?

One leading credit expert says it pays to start small, proceed with caution and — most important — seek advice from a parent, mentor or other adult who has experience in credit matters.

"Too many times, we see young consumers who don't even understand the basics about credit," said Steve Rhode, president and co-founder of Myvestora.org, the Silver Spring, Md.-based organization formerly known as Debt Counselors of America. "I've actually had people say to me, 'What do you mean, I have to pay this back?'"

For some young adults, landing that first credit card is a Catch-22: To have a credit rating, you first need to get credit; but to get credit, you first need to have a credit rating. That's why it's best to proceed methodically, constructing a sturdy foundation. Open savings and checking accounts, making sure to always keep a balance in each, Reed-Finch said. Credit-card companies require an applicant to have a bank account — particularly one that's been established.

When it comes to applying for that first charge card, consider opening an account with a retail store, such as Sears or Target. Because those cards can be used only at the issuer's stores, they tend to be a little easier than a Visa, MasterCard or Discover card to get for someone with no credit history, Campbell said. Retail cards tend to carry lower credit limits — but higher interest rates — than bank charge cards, experts say.

Before breaking out the plastic for its trial run, work up a budget that details your living expenses. By determining how much "free cash"

you have — that is, the piece of your take-home pay not destined for savings bills — you'll know how much you can afford to charge and repay.

Start by making small purchases — items you really need — and pay them off right away. That helps establish a good credit record that makes it easier to get more credit when you need it later.

Conversely, a record of errant payments will make it more difficult to land future credit, experts say.

There are two big mistakes consumers usually make with credit cards. Too many consumers — especially young ones — use credit cards to live beyond their means, spending more than they make. Others use credit cards for all their purchases — instead of cash — which makes it far too easy to break their budget.

Ultimately, these practices run up huge debt that's nearly impossible to pay off out of your current income. Consumers often make things worse, hoping to stave off judgment day, by getting another credit card, and then another and another until there's so much debt that bankruptcy becomes a real possibility.

A poor credit record haunts people for about seven years, while bankruptcy stays with them for about a decade, industry insiders say.

Credit problems "are the kiss of death for future credit," said Campbell.

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Companies find new markets for castoff trash

The Associated Press

KENT, Wash. — Don Freas thrusts his hand into a stream of tan, granular material flowing out from a series of crushers in his Kent warehouse.

It feels and looks like warm beach sand. It is, in fact, the reincarnation of recycled bottles from several Puget Sound counties.

Freas hopes that eventually, the recycled glass will make its way back to South Sound cities as blasting sand that will be used to strip the old paint off buildings, the rust off bridges or the graffiti off walls.

While the idea of using fine glass, instead of sand, to clean surfaces has caught on in the East, it's still struggling to find its foothold in the Northwest.

Freas' Kent company, TriViro Corp., is believed to be the only one on the West Coast marketing such a product.

As such, the 4-year-old company was having trouble breaking into the local construction market, said Erv Sandlin, manager of LinkUp, a new program in King County that tries to help recycling businesses find new markets.

"The local construction firms just weren't used to the idea of using glass," Sandlin said of LinkUp, which began in April.

"They were used to using sand instead."

To help TriViro's visibility, Sandlin set up a demonstration of TriViro's product for the local construction industry in July.

Interest in the product, which sells for about \$4 for a 50-pound bag, seems to be growing, Freas said, as he strolled through a



Christopher Freas, marketing manager of TriViro Corp., with some of the glass products his company sells in Kent, Wash. Freas hopes that eventually the recycled glass will make its way back to South Sound cities as blasting sand that will be used to strip the old paint off buildings, the rust off bridges or graffiti off walls.

warehouse Monday filled with 50-, 100- and 3,000-pound bags of crushed or tumbled glass of various colors.

Although the bread and butter

of the company is the sand-like blasting material, other recycled glass products TriViro produces are catching on here, Freas said.

A coarser-ground glass, which looks

like colored sugar, is being used by local swimming pools, including the King County Aquatics Center in Federal Way, as part of their filtration systems, Freas said.

And because of the resurgence of terrazzo and mosaic tiles recently, larger pieces of broken glass are finding a larger market, said Freas' son, Christopher.

In fact, some of TriViro's glass ended up in the Mariners compass that was poured into the ground behind home plate at Safeco Field in Seattle.

"That's probably our biggest job so far where (our) glass was used in the design," Chris Freas said.

Other Sound Sound companies have benefited from LinkUp, too. Recovery 1, a Tacoma company that recycles construction debris, needed help in finding a new market for used nylon carpet, much of which ends up in the landfill, Sandlin said.

LinkUp helped Recovery 1 officials find a company in California that does recycle some types of nylon carpet, Sandlin said.

Over at another Tacoma company, Recycled Plastics Marketing, LinkUp helped find a market for plastic wood and lumber products, made from recycled plastic.

"Originally, they were buying recycled lumber from companies in the Midwest and selling it here," Sandlin said. "Eventually, they decided to make it themselves."

Demand for the new product grew so quickly, LinkUp stepped in again to help RPM expand that part of its operation.

Eventually, LinkUp, which is connected with the King County Department of Natural Resources, hopes to recruit up to a dozen businesses into the program region-wide.

"This is just not confined to King County," Sandlin said. "You have to approach the recycling business on a regional basis. A market in Tacoma, Everett or Portland is as important to us as one in Seattle."

Financial planning crucial when planning a family

By Robert Little
The Baltimore Sun

Surely you remembered the car seat. And clothes. And if you didn't remember diapers, you will. ... Before you bring home the new 8-pound newborn, you probably should plan on needing more than just some fresh wallpaper and a drawer full of jammies.

You need \$236,600. Not counting college.

That's the average, inflation-adjusted cost of raising a child in the United States from birth to age 18, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

And if that's not a little intimidating, it should be, financial planners say.

"People don't glide in here and say, 'What do you want to do? Can you afford it?' But they should," said Kevin Condon, a financial adviser for Baltimore-Washington Financial Advisers Inc. in Ellicott City, Md.

"At the point that you're pregnant in a couple's life, they need financial advice probably even before then."

Financial advisers such as Condon say the transitional periods of life — marriage, divorce, graduation, retirement — typically demand the most financial planning.

And if you're about to have a child, or thinking of having one, you're staring down a transition that is as financially demanding as they come.

First, the good news: With a baby, you get a tax break on your tax return, and you could reap a \$500 credit per child if your family makes less than \$110,000 a year.

This means you can change the amount of taxes withheld from your paycheck and increase your take-home pay — probably enough to offset the increased health insurance cost.

And before you blow your windfall on a new minivan, you might want to think about a few baby-related expenses that financial planners say should be high on your priority list.

• **Insurance.** The top advice from nearly every financial planner is to get adequate insurance before having a baby.

Life insurance is important, but so is disability insurance. The idea is to guarantee your child a certain lifestyle even if you're not around — or healthy enough — to provide it.

And women should get life and disability insurance before they get pregnant, whenever possible, because some policies are difficult to buy afterward.

• **Estate planning.** You need a

will. Even if you're broke, you want to name a guardian and a trustee.

The actual cost of having a will drawn up and recorded shouldn't be more than a few hundred dollars, but it should be among the first lines drawn as you sketch out your financial future.

• **Tax planning.** No more E-Z forms for you. Now you need some real help.

Especially if a new house is part of the lifestyle change you're undergoing, advice from a tax expert could pay off. Besides getting a tax exemption for the new dependent, you also can deduct some child-care expenses and avoid some taxes by investing in your child's name.

• **Start saving.** All babies are different, but one thing's fairly certain: They get bigger. That means more clothes, larger furniture, maybe even another room or a new house. You'll also have more incidental expenses with children than without — doctors' bills, birthday presents, safety features for your home. You'll be better prepared if you pay down your high-interest credit cards and build a cushion of cash in the bank.

• **Start investing.** Maybe your baby doesn't have any teeth yet, but braces aren't so far off as you think. Neither is college. Nor the first car. But your child has a friend when it comes to investing: compound interest. The younger the child, the better.

If you were to invest \$250 a month into a portfolio returning 10 percent a year, you could build an account worth nearly \$150,000 by the time your child is ready for college. Most advisers recommend ditching those \$25 savings bonds from granddad in favor of

some stock-based mutual funds. Raising a child to age 18 will cost between \$117,390 and \$233,850 depending on family income, according to the USDA, which tracks child-rearing costs because of the prominent role that food plays in hiking up those costs.

Factor in inflation, and the cost ranges from \$174,090 to \$344,800.

"When people talk about having a child, they don't think so much about the costs. They just know they're going to have to make sacrifices," said Peg Downey, a financial planner for Money Plans in Silver Spring, Md.

There are obvious ways to save money raising a child — cloth diapers and homemade baby food, for instance. But the expense might not be as drastic as young couples often think, experts say. Quite often, money simply shifts from the old priorities to the new one.

"More toys for the baby, less for the parents," said Downey. She tells couples to keep track of their spending to identify trends and see how it's likely to change.

"They find out they're spending \$3,000 a year on vacations, but they know they're only going to grandmom's once a year now," she said. "They can allocate the rest for the child."

Certainly some advanced planning is warranted, Downey said. For most new parents fumbling with diapers, financial matters are equally mysterious.

"Most people who are about to have a child aren't getting financial advice from anyone but their parents," said Condon. "But it's a good time to get some professional advice. The level of complexity in their lives is only about to begin."

As parents age, discussions of money have increasing urgency

The Baltimore Sun

For older generations of Americans, discussions of finances just wasn't done, especially with their children.

But with people living longer, decisions about finances and health often fall to adult children in their 40s and 50s.

Still, parents and children typically delay such talks until it's too late.

Elder-law specialists and financial planners encourage middle-age children to start broaching the tough topics with their parents while they're still in good health.

"Work with your parents, and make it a process where you're involved," in decisions regarding long-term planning and care, said Neal E. Cutler, director of survey research for the National Council of the Aging, in Washington.

"Don't wait until it's a crisis. Don't wait for an emergency."

Adult children are typically afraid of prying or appearing inbred-hungry.

Experts suggest sensitive ways of opening such dialogue, including offering reading materials or mentioning one's own long-term planning or the plight of a friend or neighbor.

As for timing, it's never too early to establish rapport, said Deborah Voso, a certified financial planner with Voso Associates in Frederick, Md.

"Have a general conversation about what they're doing," she said, for instance, "I have a will. Do you and Dad have that?" It's kind of a delicate balance.

The children should get involved. It's likely they will need to assume some responsibility, Cutler said.

It's important for a middle-age

child to make sure the proper tools are in place before illness strikes, said Michael C. Hodes, an attorney with the Baltimore firm of Hodes, Ulman, Pessin & Kutz P.A.

First, parents need estate-planning documents, including a will, durable power of attorney, medical power of attorney or advance medical directive and living will.

A will spells out how assets will be distributed after death. A durable power of attorney gives the designee the authority to step in and oversee day-to-day, non-health-related matters. This may include anything from taking care of pets or writing checks to selling a home or making gifts to reduce the size of the estate, while the parent is still alive.

Planners view it as a better alternative to putting assets in an adult child's name, which could have costly tax consequences.

A medical advance directive, or medical power of attorney, designates someone to make medical decisions on the parent's behalf if he or she can't do so. A living will allows a parent to state wishes about life-sustaining procedures if he or she becomes permanently incompetent and physically dependent with no chance of recovery.

Families also need to make decisions about long-term care, experts say. Families with few assets will qualify for long-term care through Medicaid.

Middle- to upper-class seniors

with greater assets need to consider other alternatives, such as long-term care insurance or continuing-care retirement communities. In such communities, a resident pays for room and board to assisted living or nursing care as needed.

One question Voso hears frequently is, "What if I need to go in a nursing home? If everything is in my name, I will use all of my assets ... and my kids won't get anything."

To avoid that, it's a good idea to transfer assets to help children at a rate of up to \$10,000 per year, per parent. There are no tax consequences because such gifts do not exceed the maximum allowable \$10,000 gift, Voso said.

Someone who wants to give more could do so by using all or portions of his unified tax credit of \$675,000. It can be used to pay for a child's education, or in any amount not to exceed the total while alive to give gifts in excess of the \$10,000 per year, per parent.

But it's probably more important for middle-age children to make sure their parents consider long-term insurance, which will protect their parents' assets if they need home health, assisted living or nursing home care.

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Question: My ex-wife and I financed a car during our marriage. We both signed the finance agreement on the loan. We later divorced. In the divorce my ex-wife took possession of the car and agreed to pay the loan balance and insure the vehicle. She allowed the insurance policy to lapse, failed to make the car payments and later totaled the car in an accident. The bank is now pursuing me for the loan balance. Can I be held responsible for my ex-wife's debt?

Answer: Potentially yes. Unfortunately because the vehicle was financed during the marriage, the loan is viewed as community debt. You and your ex-wife are jointly responsible under that contract. Your ex-wife's agreement to be responsible for the vehicle does not change your obligation to the bank. The bank may look to your property to satisfy that community obligation. While you could bring legal action against your ex-wife for breaching her obligation set forth in the divorce decree, you may nonetheless be responsible for the bank loan.

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Payback time

Which home improvements pay off when it's time to sell your home?

By Cathy Walworth
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS—You've got a budget—or a home-equity loan—but you can't afford to fix everything around the old homestead.

So where should you spend your money if you're expecting a return on your investment when it's time to sell the place?

Local real estate experts say it mostly boils down to the kitchen. If your kitchen and bathrooms aren't up to snuff, potential buyers are likely to shop elsewhere.

"Women have the biggest vote when a couple buys a house," said Twin Falls Realtor Shey Patterson. "If she doesn't like the kitchen, that's a real minus against that home."

But that doesn't mean that you need to rip a page out of House Beautiful before you call a contractor. While making improvements in an old kitchen will make your house more attractive, don't bank on getting your entire investment back when you sell.

Most local experts estimate that you can expect 85 cents on the dollar—maybe better—for kitchen remodeling.

"What you need to do on a home are the cosmetic things," said Steve Kohntopp, another Twin Falls Realtor.

"A can of paint, in my opinion, is worth \$1,000."

Especially on exterior surfaces. It also helps to spruce up the yard for "curb appeal" that will charm potential buyers into wanting to see more.

Do a little more homework. Better yet, get an inspection.

Have a professional look over the house to make sure everything is up to building code. Is the roof sound? How about the wiring? Better to have everything ship-shape before the house goes on the market.

A major kitchen remodel can cost up to \$30,000, and you're not going to get it all back, said Dick Irwin, another Twin Falls Realtor. It's a better idea to replace old, worn countertops or put in some new cupboard doors.

"Spiff it up enough to look nice, but don't go to a lot of expense," Irwin advised. And save one of those cans for paint for the kitchen.

"It's like walking through the kitchen when you're baking bread," Irwin said. There's an old Realtor's saying: "Put some bread in the oven" when you want to sell a home.

"Sometimes it's not a matter of getting your money back, but getting the house to sell," Irwin said. Make sure everything is clean and neat.

"You're never going to get a second chance to make a first impression," he said.

But a house is much more than a kitchen. More and bigger bathrooms and bedrooms are always in demand, and a luxurious—or at least large—master suite is all the rage.

It could set you back \$8,500 to remodel a bathroom and up to \$12,000 to add another one, according to the online MSN Home Advisor, a Microsoft Network service. But there again, you probably won't see all that cash come escrow time.

Open up the master bedroom with sliding doors leading to a patio, Kohntopp suggested. And if you can afford to install a private master bath—one that's unique to the bedroom—that



Homeowner Carl Skabronski checks out plumbing fixtures in Twin Falls' Franklin Building Supply last week. Local retailers are catering to a soaring demand for home improvement, much of it geared toward increasing the value of homes when it's time to sell them.

Investment vs. return: One list

Here is the online MSN Home Advisor's estimates of what particular home improvements pay off when it's time to sell your home. (You can visit the site at <http://homeadvisor.msn.com>)

Project	Cost	Average payback
Adding new heating or air conditioning system	\$2,000-\$4,500	100 percent for heating 75 percent for air conditioning
Minor kitchen remodel	\$2,000-\$8,500	94 to 102 percent
Major kitchen remodel	\$9,000-\$25,000	90 percent
Add bathroom	\$5,000-\$10,000	92 percent
Add a family room	\$30,000	88 percent
Remodel bathroom	\$8,500	77 percent
Add a fireplace	\$1,500-\$3,000	75 percent
Build a deck	\$6,000	73 percent
Remodel home office	\$8,000	69 percent
Replace windows	\$6,000	68-74 percent
Build a pool	\$10,000 and up	44 percent
Install or upgrade landscaping	\$1,500-\$15,000	30-60 percent
Finish basement	\$3,000-\$7,000	15 percent

—Source: MSN Home Advisor (homeadvisor.msn.com)

would turn some heads.

But not all homes are put together in a configuration that allow such a large addition gracefully. It makes more

sense to concentrate on practical improvements. "If the bathroom is kind of run down and you've been putting up with it for

Fix it if it needs fixing

The Times-News

What about some of the other stuff that needs improving? The short answer, say local experts, is that if it needs fixing, fix it to bring it up to snuff, not in the name of selling the house.

• **Heating and cooling:** Only if you make a huge difference. If the house had electric baseboard heating and you installed an electric furnace, that probably would not make much of an impression on a potential buyer. The buyer might take notice if you installed a new high-efficiency gas furnace, however. And, even though this is a desert environment, air conditioning doesn't seem to be all that important.

years, you better get it fixed," Patterson said.

"Make your house spotless," Kohntopp counseled. "Tend to the torn carpet or linoleum, the holes in the wall no animal odors."

That doesn't mean that you should spend a couple thousand dollars for new carpet, though.

While most buyers are instantly turned off by homes in disrepair, many would welcome the opportunity to choose their own new rugs. Offer an allowance in the sales agreement to make it easier for them to do that.

And by all means, pay attention to the outer house. "It's the inexpensive things that make a huge difference," said John

"I don't think an investment of a couple thousand dollars on air conditioning will increase the value of the home that much," said Twin Falls Realtor Shey Patterson. It seems that some people do ask for air conditioning, but new builders are not always putting it in, so it must not be valuable, Patterson said.

• **New windows:** Modern insulated windows installed in an older home are likely to impress buyers, said retired Twin Falls Realtor Dick Irwin. "I think people are more energy conscious now."

• **Don't bother to finish the basement.** Microsoft's Home Advisor says that it could cost you up to \$7,000, and you may see 15 percent of that come back.

Irwin, another Twin Falls Realtor.

Fresh bark and potted plants don't cost that much, but they make all the place look cheery and inviting. That's why Realtors say selling in the summer months works best, when the yard is in tip-top shape.

"There are a lot of home on the market to choose from," John Irwin said. It makes sense to freshen yours up on the outside. I can't say enough about how nice fresh bark makes the yard."

Add some fresh paint, mow the lawn and clean out the flower beds, and you've got curb appeal.

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HOME 2000

For many, duct tape is the end-all for repairs

Knights Ridder News Service

William Keller was pretty sure when he'd seen on his flight from Indianapolis to Atlanta.

But he asked the pilot just to make sure. As Keller's plane, he led the airman he thought he'd seen the crew repair the airplane's wing with a silver roll of duct tape just before take-off.

The pilot wasn't shy about telling him the truth: an air scoop had fallen off the plane and they couldn't take off without it. So the crew fixed it with duct tape.

"He said, 'Once you get in the cold air with it, it's stronger than steel,'" said Keller, 72.

The incident didn't surprise Keller all that much because he has known for years that duct tape is just, well, really good stuff. And he's not alone. When we went looking for fans of duct tape,

we found scores of people who are willing to use the sticky stuff in just about any situation and hesitant to leave without it.

In fact, duct tape devotees are eager to dandle with stories of their ingenuity.

Nothing makes them happier than to turn someone on to the silver standard of do-it-yourself repair.

"If you hold a party and pull out a roll of duct tape and just casually start talking, you'll start seeing this natural conversation ... and people start pulling it off the roll and playing with it," said Gary Medalls, vice president of advertising at Manco, a company that distributes the product under the brand name Duck Tape.

Manco has seized on the widespread popularity of the silver tape, often organizing promotions to encourage people to call in with their duct tape stories. The company has heard from people who duct-taped lacerations during a hike in the woods; someone who used the tape to repair a wounded duck and a man who duct-taped himself in a tree to a old being eaten by alligators in the Everglades, Medalls said.

"Duct tape brings everybody together. It doesn't matter if advertising person or newspaper reporter or stay-at-home mom," he said. "Everybody has a story about duct tape and how it saved their life."

Take John Huddleston, 73, for example.

When he was an Army flight engineer during the Vietnam War, he used duct tape to repair his Chinook, nicknamed "Easy Money." The helicopter's blades were regularly hit by gunfire when the crew took it out on a mission, which caused a loud whistling sound. That could be dangerous in a war zone, so crews patched-the-holes-with-duct-tape whenever they stopped to refuel.

"Everybody carried a roll of duct tape in Vietnam on the helicopters," said Huddleston, of Columbus, Ga.

Then there's Mike Stilson, 73, of Columbus, who used duct tape on

a mission of her own recently. When a heavy rainstorm broke the trunk of her slender, newly planted dogwood tree, Stilson took action.

"I went out there with my umbrella and my duct tape. I cut some duct tape, wound it round and round the tree trunk and fastened it up," she said.

A month later, the tree trunk is putting out new growth. "That stuff's strong and very, very handy. I wouldn't be without it. Noooo, it fixes all kind of stuff," Stilson said.

That's the way soldiers apparently felt about the tape when it first appeared on the battlefields of World War II. The U.S. government had commissioned Johnson and Johnson's Permacel Division to develop a waterproof tape to keep ammunition cases dry, but soldiers found it useful for all types of problems, says Tim Nyberg and Jim Berg, authors of four books about duct tape.

Soldiers named it "duck tape" because it was waterproof, the authors say. After the war, its name changed to duct tape and its color changed from army green to silver.

Known as "The Duct Tape Guys," Berg and Nyberg travel extensively in the United States and abroad doing duct-tape comedy, and also maintain a Web site, <http://www.ducttapeducks.com/>.

They aren't surprised by how popular the tape has become since its invention in World War II, Nyberg said in a telephone interview.

But it's not a worldwide phenomenon yet.

"It's pretty universal, but it's uniquely American, too," Nyberg said. "We kind of consider ourselves duct-tape evangelists."

And when it comes to duct-tape evangelism, there are no lack of testimonials.

Bill Rich, owner of RSL Theatrical in Columbus, Ga., uses duct-tape's cousin, gaffer tape, for anything that needs fixing backstage. So when his miniature pincher, Max, broke his leg and the bandage fell off, Rich used the tape to wrap the leg.

"It holds great and when it needs to let go, it knows it needs to let go," Rich said.

Jan Crawford, 48, of Columbus, takes it on vacation.

"I just came back from a cruise, and I took a roll of duct tape," she said. Crawford, an aerobics instructor, uses it to hem dresses and aerobics pants, to tape together hotel curtains that never quite close and to secure her garden gate so her 3-year-old won't run away.

Crawford even used it to secure her sister's cleavage when she couldn't wear a bra with a backless dress.

"I fixed her up. She was great," Crawford said. Then she added ruefully, "She took it off that

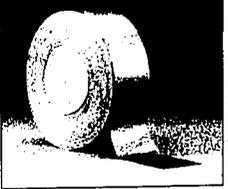
night and took off skin. She cusses me to this day."

Robin O'Dell, 38, of Waverly Hall, Ga., gives her father, Walter Chavers, duct tape as a gag gift at Christmas because he loves it so much. After O'Dell gave birth to her daughter, for instance, he used duct tape to upholster a foam doughnut with a flowered sheet so O'Dell would have something comfortable to sit on.

Sandra Peacock, 49, of Columbus uses duct tape to put plastic on her porch screens in the winter, hang pictures and fashion covers for her washer and dryer.

She also used it six months ago to reattach the vent hose to her dryer. It had come undone and was blowing lint all over the room.

"I do everything with duct tape. I am a duct tape fanatic," Peacock said.



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Remodeling booms along with U.S. economy

Knight Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA - So you think you've heard all the stories about home renovation - of being awakened by power tools on a Saturday morning, putting up with the noise of demolition, clearing off dust each night to prepare dinner - assuming, of course, that your kitchen still functions.

"Well, here's one you may not have heard - about a family that remained in its Philadelphia row-house after the facade was removed.



A room built around a Radbourne rug by Shaw used to be out of the reach of the typical homeowner, but the average cost of a professional home renovation is soaring in America.

"It was quite an adventure to see the whole front of the house off," recalled Susan Hagen, an artist, writer and woodworker. "It was like living in a dollhouse with the outdoors just inches away."

Susan's architect husband, Tom Buck, assured her that with the dust partition he built - a wood structure inside the house with plastic over it and, in rain, an extra tarp outside - the family would be just fine.

"We do this all the time" at work, he told her. But for Hagen, the nearly three weeks it took for reasons to rebuild the facade were disconcerting.

"We still ate at the dining room table," she said. "We just waded as they would go by."

Adventures like this are putting Americans to the test, as home renovations grow ever more ambitious.

Last year, a record \$142.9 billion was spent on home improvement and repair, a leap of 7 percent over the previous year, the Census Bureau reports. During the same period, the average cost of a professional renovation rose 9 percent, to \$42,370, although the median remained at \$22,000, a National Association of Home Builders survey shows.

"We cannot say all people are doing bigger jobs, but there are more bigger jobs," said Gopal Khulwalia, director of research for the home builders.

Have aspirations for our homes, and the money to realize them, been on a growth spurt?

"The size of projects has gotten enormous, and it has to do with expendable income," said Paul Teffenbaugh, editor-in-chief of remodeling magazine.

Competition for the remodel-

ing market is not food and clothing. It's a European vacation, a new car, and diamond earrings.

"A couple doing a \$75,000 project three years ago is taking on a \$200,000 project this year," he said, noting that jobs have also been funded largely through savings, refinancing and home-equity loans.

The Kristals of Wallingford just underwent a 4-month renovation of their first floor that included the creation of a beautiful 19-by-40-foot combination kitchen-family room, with an inlaid floor and Arts and Crafts-style cabinetry. The tab for the project was \$150,000, which they drew mostly from savings.

Within the next few years, they hope to redo their second floor.

Of course, not everyone takes on that much - and folks such as Hagen and Buck do a lot of the work themselves - but costs can extend beyond the financial.

"It takes an emotional toll," Hagen noted. "There's more room for disagreements as a couple."

The lack of privacy from having workers in your home from the early hours on can also be trying, Mary Kristal said.

And there always seem to be situations that take us back to more primitive living. While the facade was off their townhouse, Tom

Remodeling investments that pay

- Keep the value of your property within 15-20 percent of others in your neighborhood. If you live in an area of \$100,000 homes, buyers probably want a home close to that price. Buyers who can afford pricier homes will shop in more expensive neighborhoods.
- Style your remodeling for mass appeal. Buyers prefer neutral, mainstream design. Play it safe with colors, patterns and kitchen design. Consider local preferences too.
- Give buyers quality construction.

Use materials that look good and wear well. If you plan to do the work yourself, honestly evaluate your ability to do it right. A poor do-it-yourself job costs money in the long run.

• Keep your remodeling compatible with the existing house. Additions and improvements that look "tacked on" may detract from the home's appeal. Choose materials and design elements that match or blend with what's already there.

Source: Better Homes & Gardens Real Estate

Buck would sleep sentry with the dog on the couch near the front door.

"That way I could hear what was going on," he said.

"It was an insecure situation from the point of view of someone walking in. But we were only exposed on the ground floor a short time - it only took a day to fill in the ground level of brick."

"And you could hear someone if they were climbing the scaffolding," he added matter-of-factly.

Luckily, there were "no catastrophes of any type," his wife said.

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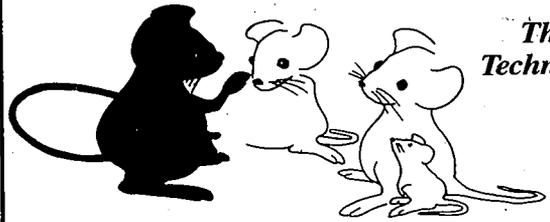
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and the couple's 5-year-old son, Henry, saw the whole experience as "a great adventure."

"It's a mixed bag," Hagen said of renovation, "but there are great rewards when you're done."

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PREPPING FOR PAINT

It pays to do it the correct way

Daily Press

With fall and cooler temperatures, it's time to think about sprucing up the house. It's time to get out the old paint bucket and brush.

If your home's exterior needs a fresh, new look, remember a top-quality paint job needs some proper preparation or your hard work will go to waste.

Before climbing the ladder to stroke on a few cans of your favorite color, use these tips from Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse - <http://www.lowes.com/> - to get your home prepped:

- **Power-wash the surface.** A power washer eliminates dirt and peeling or flaking paint from most types of exterior surfaces. Be sure to keep the spray wand at least 12 inches from the surface, and to prevent gouging, avoid spraying up under any flaps or too close to the surface. Use a good cleaning agent with the power washer; then rinse using water only.
- **Scrape off loose paint.** Scrape loose and flaking paint down to the bare exterior surface. If the flaking cannot be removed, it is probably bonded to the surface and can be painted over. After scraping, sand the edge between the scraped areas and the bare surface until it's smooth.
- **Fill in nicks and gouges.** Use an exterior-grade surfacing compound to fill in nicks and gouges so your wood looks professional when painted. Apply compound,



Illustration courtesy of Lowe's.com

- then sand it smooth with medium, 100-grit sandpaper.
- **Caulk joints and gaps.** To prevent water penetration and indoor drafts, caulk all joints where the siding meets the windows, door trim and other openings. Use a paintable acrylic latex or silicone acrylic caulk around outdoor electrical boxes, outdoor water faucets and exterior lights, as well as under thresholds and window sills.
- **Re-putty window glass.** Re-putty any windows where the glazing compound is cracked or

- missing. Remove old putty and try to get down to the exterior's bare surface. Use an artist's brush and an oil-based primer to prime the surface. After the primer dries, apply a new bead of glazing compound. Follow directions on the glazing compound for drying times.
- **Prime all bare wood.** New paint will not adhere or dry with an even finish without proper priming, so prime all bare surface, scraped or sanded areas, and fill all areas with surfacing compound.



Today's furniture shoppers know how to mix and match

Knight Ridder News Service

MIAMI - Bought a time when people bought furniture sofas with matching occasional chairs, identical end tables holding twin lamps.

Today's shoppers are more sophisticated. As one article in a recent issue of shelter magazines and home and garden TV shows, they're purchasing furniture by the piece, creating eclectic room settings over time.

...accommodate this trend, some furniture showrooms have changed their merchandising methods.

"We are putting furniture in a more natural setting," said Mike Nicotera, vice president of furniture for Burdines department stores. "Pieces from different collections are placed together to show a more natural way of furnishing a room. We try to show how you can mix new things with furniture people have inherited or collected."

"And we used to price complete suites. Now we are pricing pieces individually because that's how people are buying it," he said.

"When you have everything matching, it looks commercial," said Pepe Rodriguez, who owns Decor House with his father, Remberto Rodriguez. "All our customers, 100 percent, buy one piece at a time. People have fine things in their homes that they want to keep and just add something once in a while to freshen the look."

Young people may buy a whole room "because they need furniture, but older customers are looking at furniture as an investment," said Julio Estrades, store manager of Carls in Kendall, a Miami suburb. "It started with Ralph Lauren. He was the first to design individual pieces rather than collections. Because of the prices, customers could only afford one piece at a time."

Thomasville's "The Collection of a Lifetime," featuring pieces based on furniture that author Ernest Hemingway gathered during his worldwide travels, is one of Carls' hottest sellers, Estrades said.

"The collection is based on the same idea: buy one piece at a time," he said. "Wherever he went, Hemingway collected things, then mixed him in his Key West house. The collection includes rattan, wicker, wood, metal, leather and marble. This trend of mixing materials makes it much more interesting

for customers."

Thom West, Carls' showroom designer, said he arranges the furniture by collection to aid the sales staff, "but we place something nearby so they can show the customer how to mix. Furniture is placed at angles in order to get a lot on the floor, but it also shows customers how they can arrange it in their homes."

As long as you balance pieces by weight and size, you can do almost anything. Not all furniture shoppers feel confident enough to mix styles, however, so some stores continue to arrange pieces in matched groupings.

Jerry Baer said his family-owned Baer Furnitures Co. in South Florida is showing "mostly collections because our customers seem to like it that way. But with the broad selection we offer, we give people the opportunity to blend styles and finishes with the help of our designers."

El Dorado Furniture Showrooms finds its customers still prefer to buy sets, said Carlos Capo, president of the family-owned business. "With the financing available, there is a temptation to buy enough pieces to furnish a room. The economy is good and people are spending more money and buying better quality than 10, even five years ago."

Selling your home? Be sure to price it right

- **Abandon your personal point of view.** How much will a ready, willing and able buyer be willing to pay for your home? Buyers don't care how much you paid, how many memorable moments you and your family shared in the home, how much cash you need for the down payment on your next home or how much time and money you've invested in the home's hardwood floors, fresh paint, lush landscaping and other improvements.
- **Get a couple of CMAs.** Invite at least three real estate agents to visit your home and give you their opinion on its likely selling price. Ask for a "comparative market analysis" which shows the prices of comparable recently sold homes, on-the-market homes and homes that were on the market but weren't sold. Price recommendations based on CMAs aren't gospel. Some Realtors will tell you to under-price your home in hopes of sparking a bidding war. Others will suggest a flatteringly high price to "buy" your listing only to demand a price reduction a few weeks later.
- **Do your own market research.** Go to open houses in your neighborhood and try to make an impartial assessment of how those homes compare to yours in terms of location, size, amenities and condition. Assuming the asking prices were

the same, would you buy your home or someone else's?

• **Calculate the price per square foot.** The average price per square foot for homes in your neighborhood shouldn't be the sole determinant of the asking price for your home, but it can be a starting point. Keep in mind that various methodologies can be used to calculate square footage.

• **Consider market conditions.** Are home prices in your area trending upwards or downwards? Are homes selling quickly or languishing? Will your home be on the market in the spring home-buying season or the dead of winter? Are interest rates attractive? Is the economy hot or cold? Will you be selling in a buyer's market or a seller's market?

• **Sweeten the deal.** Some buyers need to go beyond the bottom line. If you're willing to close escrow quickly, you'll attract buyers who want to move in right away. If you can offer seller-financing, your home will appeal to buyers who need to stretch their financial resources. A lease-option can help first-timers who need down-payment assistance. The more creative and the more flexible you can be, the more success you'll have in pricing your home to sell.

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Internet impacts the way people shop for houses

Los Angeles Times

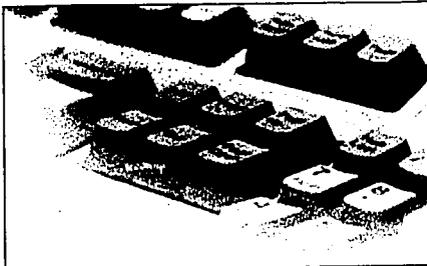
LOS ANGELES - When online real estate pioneer Homestore.com debuted 3 1/2 years ago, its flagship site, Realtor.com, was supported by a few PCs sitting in a tiny office in Westlake Village, Calif.

Today, more than 300 Dell work stations in Homestore's 80,000-square-foot headquarters power the fast-growing real estate hub, now one of the world's 50 largest Internet sites.

Homestore's tumultuous expansion underscores the Internet's growing influence on the nation's \$1.3-trillion real estate industry. The site, with help from the National Association of Realtors or NAR, made myriad home listings available to consumers for the first time.

The association "set the gauge for success for real estate Web sites the number of listings you have on your site," said David Clark, president and chief executive officer of Homebytes.com. "So in the past few years, everyone focused on replacing the multiple listing service."

Homestore's focus on listings - it has about 1.4 million entries - has made it the most popular real estate Web site. But its exclusive contracts with many of the country's largest residential property listings services raised questions at the U.S. Justice Department, which opened an investigation last spring into



possible anti-competitive business practices at the company.

Plenty of other sites are competing with Homestore for consumer attention. In fact, some analysts estimate that there are more than 500,000 real estate Web sites. And recent figures show that four out of 10 home buyers use the Internet, up from only 2 percent in 1995, according to NAR.

Certainly, the Internet made information that Realtors hoarded until a few years ago, like listings and comparables - prices for similar homes that sold within the same area in the last six months - available to consumers for the first time.

But the nascent online real estate category hasn't lived up to predictions that it would steer consumers away from agents, cut commissions and simplify the frustratingly complex home-buying process.

"The Web has hugely impacted the way people find a home," said Stuart Wolff, chairman and chief executive at Homestore. "But I don't think it's done much

to impact how people buy a home and how people own a home."

Until now, most real estate sites have focused on providing buyers with listings packaged with information on relocating, home improvement, schools, crime and financing. Some analysts say this deluge of information has cut the time it takes to shop for a home in half and saved buyers money.

"Based on our surveys, mortgage rates online versus local market rates are on average about half a percent cheaper," said Nick Karris, an Internet real estate analyst at Gomez Advisors, a Lincoln, Mass.-based market research company. "So on a \$200,000 loan we're talking about saving \$15,000 over the life of a mortgage."

But the majority of buyers still ultimately rely on real estate agents to help them find homes. In fact, only 4 percent of buyers eventually purchased a home they found online last year. And it's still tough to get all home listings in one location on the

Web. "The Internet is being used as a secondary information source like newspaper ads and yard signs," said Kevin Roth, a senior economist at NAR.

A recent association survey shows that consumers use newspaper ads more often than they do the Internet during a home search. And they rely on yard signs for information almost as much as on the global computer network, according to NAR's 2000 Profile of Home Buyers and Sellers.

But other surveys show consumers are pulling real estate information off the Internet, such as statistics on neighborhood schools and crime, that they can't necessarily get from other sources. And in some cases listings online have added features that save consumers time.

For instance, a recent report from a real estate agent says that they can't necessarily get from other sources. And in some cases listings online have added features that save consumers time.

Now that the market for sites that cater to buyers is maturing, new entrants are focusing on sellers and on trying to simplify transactions by putting them online. These sites are intended to decrease consumers' reliance on agents by promoting "menu-type" pricing.

But even as the Internet has aided in information gathering, it hasn't saved consumers much money. That may change soon.

Some analysts expect that the Web will ultimately cause real estate agents' commissions to drop and travel sites that sell discounted airline tick-

ets negatively affected travel agents' commissions.

For example, this spring Homebytes.com introduced a service for consumers who want to sell their homes themselves.

"One-third of homeowners in the U.S. are predisposed to want to sell their home by themselves," said Clark. Homebytes.com president and chief executive. "But they're at an ultimate disadvantage because they can't get exposure for their home in the listings."

(Only a real estate agent is allowed to place a home in the MLS, but Homebytes.com is licensed in all 50 states, giving it access to the MLS in each of its markets.)

In paying a onetime fee to Homebytes.com, sellers eliminate 3 percent of the 6 percent commission they might typically pay when a deal closes. And they're assigned an agent they can work with over the phone if they have questions, Clark said.

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Media-backed Web sites now include classified ads

Los Angeles Times

The newest online real estate hub hopes to set itself apart by combining a diverse family of Web sites with the online distribution network and classified listings held by the nation's largest media companies.

The Web site, HomeScape.com (<http://www.HomeScape.com>), is backed by Chicago-based Classified Ventures, a network of seven major media companies. These companies include the Los Angeles Times and its parent company, Tribune Co. The partnership also owns several sites featured on HomeScape.com.

Like other major real estate sites, HomeScape.com offers information on buying, selling, moving, renting and financing. It has access to about 900,000 home listings - covering about 70 percent of the nation - through HomeFinder.com.

These listings include classified and for-sale-by-owner listings that aren't available from multiple listing services and other major real estate Web sites, said Matt Wise, the site's vice president and general manager. The site also provides new home leads from

NewHomeNetwork.com (<http://www.newhomenetwork.com>) and rental information through Apartments.com (<http://www.apartments.com>).

HomeScape.com faces tough competition from veteran real estate portals like market leader Realtor.com (<http://www.realtor.com>), which dominates the online real estate category.

"We do have a little catch-up game to play," Wise said. Analysts say HomeScape.com will need to prove to consumers that it's providing a broader range of home listings than what's currently available on the Internet. Home listings have been the Holy Grail of successful online real estate ventures.

"There's a lot of overlap here. Listings are available in a lot of different places," said Robert Sterling, an analyst in financial services and real estate at Jupiter Communications in New York.

Realtor.com is currently the front-runner in the listings war, with 1.4 million listings. But the site does not have access to for-sale-by-owner and other exclusive listings. Microsoft-backed HomeAdvisor.com

(<http://www.homeadvisor.com>) has about 750,000 listings.

HomeScape.com is the latest addition to Classified Ventures' stable of Web sites, which include Auctions.com (<http://www.auctions.com>) and Cars.com (<http://www.cars.com>). Major media companies, including the Tribune Co. and the Washington Post Co., founded the network in late 1997 to protect the \$1.5-billion, classified-advertising market from erosion by online sources.

The network hopes to drive

consumers to HomeScape.com by linking the site with the hundreds of its 130 newspaper affiliates.

The new real estate site is currently available on about 100 of these sites and will be linked to the rest by the end of the year, Wise said.

"Newspapers are traditionally the No. 1 place people go to look for real estate information," Wise said. "So it's a natural extension for people to go online to look for information from them."

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How to organize your kitchen

• Step 1. Everything out of the cabinets. Now sort it into groups according to how it's used. While sorting, ask yourself, "Have I used this in the past two years?" If you answer 'no,' then move it out of your way. You don't have to toss it in the trash; give it someone, store it in a less accessible area or a different room.

• Step 2. Organize your pots and pans. Hang a decorative wrought iron rack on a kitchen wall or suspend one from the ceiling. Store your pot lids by adding shallow bins to the back of the cabinet compartments. Cookie trays and the like can be stored by adding a horizontal divider to a cabinet.

The key to cabinet storage is to avoid stacking and making everything inaccessible. Lazy Susans give you easy access to items all the time. Step shelving in cabinets will help your organize canned goods, different-sized dishes and small appliances and their accessories. Wire baskets on slides will make your deep cabinets easily accessible. Go to the store and look around.

• Step 3. To make working more convenient, locate the prep area between the refrigerator and the sink. Place any basic ingredients, mixing equipment, bowls and cups here.

• Step 4. Put pots, pans and cooking utensils near the range so they'll be handy when you're cooking.

• Step 5. Store silverware and tableware here so you don't have to run around all over the place when putting up dishes. Also, keep your cleaning utensils and dishes for leftovers here.

• Step 6. Set up a kitchen work triangle. The triangle connects the three work areas in your kitchen. The distance



General Electric's Real Life Design kitchen can accommodate everyone on a 6-footer to someone in a wheelchair. There's only one rule with kitchens: form always - without exception - must follow function.

Other tips

- Position dishwasher within 36 inches of the sink and leave about 21 inches standing space between the side of the dishwasher and cabinets.
- Leave space between the dishwasher for another dishwasher and the garbage disposal.
- Leave room for more than one person.
- When you install a sink, don't forget to install a pop-up drain.
- Leave a 12-inch gap between the sink and the countertop.
- Leave a 12-inch gap between the sink and the wall.
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between the areas should be no less than 4 feet and no more than 9 feet. Don't let the triangle total more than 26 feet.

Try not to let any traffic patterns violate the triangle. If two

people are going to be working in the kitchen at the same time, allow more than the usual 4 feet between opposite work centers.

- Source: lowes.com

Kitchen numbers to know

Preparation countertop:
36 inches minimum height

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15 inches minimum counter space

Refrigerator landing space:
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Countertop to wall cabinets:
15 to 18 inches minimum clearance

Microwave landing space:
15 inches below or adjacent

Cooktop clearance:
24 inches above the cooking surface (30 inches if the surface above the cooking units is unprotected)

Working counters:
132 usable linear inches of counter space minimum (working counters must be at least 16 inches deep)

Prep-center counters:
One 36-inch preparation center close to water source

Bar counter heights:
28 to 45 inches

Knee space at eating counters:
12 inches minimum depth (24 inches is typical)

Glassware shelves:
6-inch spacing, minimum, between shelves

Table-to-wall distance:
32 inches minimum (36 inches is better)

Storage area (for kitchens less than 150 square feet):
156 inches of base cabinets and 144 inches of easily accessible wall cabinets (minimum)

Storage area (for larger kitchens):
192 inches of base cabinets and 186 inches or easily accessible wall cabinets

Sink landing space:
24 inches on the dishwasher side and 18 inches on the other (minimums)

- Source: Better Homes & Gardens (bhg.com)

Patio heater can warm up cool nights

The Orange County Register

As the days get cooler, the urge to still spend more time outdoors comfortably can be realized with a patio heater such as the new Endless Summer from Uniflame. OK, so there's nothing new about a patio heater. But what about one that sells for \$200? That's right, this little beauty goes for a lot less than most patio heaters on the market. The manufacturer says it warms a circle up to 20 feet in diameter.

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The Baltimore Sun

Nature may abhor a vacuum, but Americans love them.

We love them more than toasters, more than fridges, more than irons. During the last year alone, we bought 18 million full-size vacuum cleaners, says Clifford Wood, executive vice president of the Vacuum Cleaner Manufacturers Association in North Canton, Ohio, and the only household appliances we bought more of were fans and hair dryers.

As a result, the multi-vac household is becoming the norm. But multi-vac doesn't mean a measly upright in the closet and DustBuster in the kitchen, says Bill McLoughlin, executive editor of HomeWorld Business magazine in Long Island, N.Y.; it means two or more full-size vacuum cleaners stashed away in different parts of the house, ready for whenever a vac attack strikes — plus that DustBuster, and don't forget the Shop-Vac in the basement and the stick vac for the kids' room.

Not only are we buying more vacuum cleaners, we're also willing to pay more for them, especially at the high end. Not so long ago, \$299 was the price ceiling for mass-market vacs, says Scott Wells, executive director of floor care for the Vacuum Dealers Trade Association in Des Moines, Iowa, but now that ceiling has moved up into the stratosphere around \$1,000.

"The economy in general has been great for a number of years," Wells says, "so people look at a \$600 or \$700 vacuum cleaner and say, 'Hey, I can afford that.'"

The cleaner boom is also driven by enormously revved-up advertising and innovation. The vac industry used to be "sleepy, slow-moving and not very competitive," until 1986, when Royal Appliances "threw a hand grenade in the swimming pool," says Jim Holcomb, vice president of marketing for Royal. The hand grenade was the advertising campaign for the then-new Dirt Devil, which challenged the DustBuster for primacy in the handheld market. The Dirt Devil ads were everywhere, which was very



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expensive — and very, very successful. "We were a \$20 million company prior to Dirt Devil, and now we're a \$400 million company," Holcomb says. Other companies took note, and since then, "advertising levels have climbed consistently," HomeWorld Business' McLoughlin says.

So has the rate of innovation. You can't fix a vac anymore by just changing the belt, says Joe Mansueti, owner of Bagdon's Vacuum Cleaner Sales and Service in Highlandtown and Parkville, Md. Bells and whistles are the order of the day, and people seem to love them. After all, what red-blooded, gadget-loving, cleanliness-is-next-to-godliness American consumer could resist these new clean machines, especially when they're advertised on the major networks?

Many full-size vacs, for example, now have electronic components or other refinements to tell you when there's a sock in the suction and even when you've picked up all the grime in a certain area and should move on to dustier pastures. And those handy attachments like the crevice tool are now

almost always "on-board," the term industry people use to mean that the tools fit inside the body of the cleaner like baby kangaroos in their mother's pouch. Even handhelds show their tiny tools on-board now.

Vacuum cleaners also are putting a premium on looking good. This may reflect the influence of high-end lines like the German-made Miele, which in the '90s managed to turn its Euro-styled vac into a status cult object — the BMW or Mercedes of the vac world, as Jeri Cuffley of M. Weiner's Service and Sales in Owings Mills, Md., calls it.

There's also the increasingly pervasive influence of fashion and style in all areas of mainstream American life. So it's not surprising that vac makers have left behind utilitarian designs and opted instead for snazzy futuristic shapes and gemlike colors. Translucent color, perhaps inspired by the iMac computer, is especially big.

But the biggest of all the recent innovations, says McLoughlin, is the cyclonic vac. "Cyclonic" is industry-speak for "bagless," so instead of a bag to

catch the dirt, the cyclonic cleaner has a translucent cup, in which the vacuum can work the fruits of his or her labor swirling busily as the dirt separates out.

An Englishman named James Dyson came up with a prototype for the bagless vac way back in the '60s, according to the Dyson Web site, but it didn't start catching on until about 10 years ago. Eventually it became such a big hit in England that Prime Minister Tony Blair declared it part of the Cool Britannia phenomenon.

A Canadian company, Fantom, brought baglessness to these shores and did so well with it that in the last two or three years other companies began jumping on the bandwagon, including, just last spring, Hoover, which holds the largest market share of the North American vacuum universe.

Most of these innovations promise to make cleaning easier and pleasanter, but the hard fact remains that you still have to do it — at least until the robot home vacuum cleaner turns up at a store near you. Eureka showed a prototype 1 1/2 years ago, says Kathy Luedke, public relations director for Eureka. It is a cute little character nicknamed the Trilobite that is about 15 inches across and 6 inches high, with gills on its sides and sonar-equipped bumpers to tell it where walls and furniture are.

Dyson of bagless fame has also produced a robot cleaner called the DC06. But, according to a July article in the London Financial Times, the DC06 is having "teething problems that have caused its launch to be postponed," and its proposed price of 2,500 pounds, or about \$3,600, would leave most consumers resigned to pushing their own vacs anyway.

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Vacuum's beginnings go back to British Isles

The Baltimore Sun

Just who built the first vacuum cleaner, and when, seems to be controversial, but a man named Booth or Boole in the early 1800s is credited with building the first vacuum in the British Isles. The machine, which was very heavy, had to be lugged through the streets, and the hose was run from it into the

houses of those who wanted vacuuming. His machine was used to clean the carpet in Westminster Abbey before Edward VII's coronation. The first truly portable vacuum cleaner was probably the one made in 1907 by an asthmatic Ohio inventor named Murray Spangler, who couldn't stand the dust raised when car-

pets were swept with a broom. In self-defense, using a tin soap box, a pillowcase, a fan and a broomstick, he devised a motorized gadget he called a suction sweeper. He took his "sweeper" to a cousin's husband for help in marketing and production. The husband's name was W.H. Hoover, and the rest is history.

Bidding for dummies

Orange County Register

Auctions can be fun, but they can also be expensive if you don't know what you're doing. So says Country Living magazine in its October issue. The magazine also offers the following tips to help you get the item of your dreams without ending up in nightmare of spending.

• Come equipped. Bring your home's room dimensions, a tape measure, a pad, pencil, price guide and packing materials for the trip home.

• Always attend previews. An attendance gives you a chance to examine and ask questions about pieces you like. Find out if all the parts are original, how old the piece is, and if there's ever been any damage.

• Don't get carried away by the excitement. Decide what a piece is worth to you and set a ceiling price on items before you start to bid.

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The Baltimore Sun

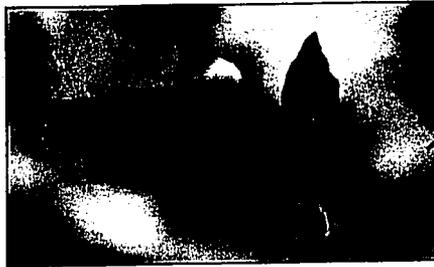
Each year, autumn's show is so very brief.

The trees blaze with rich, fiery hues of crimson and yellow for what seems like only moments before their leaves burn themselves out in a shower of color and get swept away.

But what a glorious few moments. Home designers and manufacturers have recognized this and captured some of fall's intensity in their wares, allowing you to preserve the splendor of the season indoors.

"This is a time of year when people go toward things that will give them a feeling of warmth inside as well as outside," says Bette Kahn, spokeswoman for Crate & Barrel's home collection, which includes all sorts of leaf-themed items. "There is a feeling associated with bringing nature into the house that is soothing. In the spring, people bring in the first flowers and blossoms from their garden, and now leaves from trees bring nature in."

Spend a day browsing through any home-furnishings store, and you might conclude she's right. Newly arrived plates and trivets are elaborately painted with oak or maple leaves at Williams-Sonoma. Sheets come splashed



Bring fall indoors by gathering clusters of colorful leaves and arranging them in a vase instead of fresh flowers.

with patterns of brick-colored foliage and wandering vines at Crate & Barrel. The catalogs of L.L. Bean list page after page of landscape-inspired wares such as picture frames made of leaves pressed between glass panels.

A new restaurant in London called Foliage has even gone so far as to set its entire theme around its name, bringing in tens of thousands of silk organza leaves and topping its tables with custom-made, leaf-shaped dinnerware.

"We all lead such frenetic lives," says Kahn. "Natural things in our homes make us feel a little calmer."

To get the look at home, Kahn

suggests simply gathering found objects from your backyard such as storm-loosened twigs, pine cones or brightly tinted autumn leaves and lining them up the middle of your dinner table as a seasonal centerpiece.

Arlene Critzos, founder of the Annapolis, Md.,-based design firm Interior Concepts Inc., says she's seeing people bring fall into their homes through "organic dried materials from their gardens." They're using them as elements for napkin rings and ornaments on place card holders.

Critzos says one of her window designers is adapted from nature. The vendor embosses acorn tops, shells and leaves right onto fab-

Autumn notions

Here's a few simple and inexpensive ideas for bringing the feel of autumn into your home:

• **Leafy accents:** They come in a variety of patterns and colors. Some the rich reds and burnt oranges of autumn — and are an easy way to change your decor without a major commitment. You can purchase bundles of colorful leaves and arrange them in a vase. Instead of fresh flowers, which have more of a spring and summer feel.

• **The message deck:** With messages from your friends, or your own dried flowers, send home. Create out little fancy travel pills in the shape of leaves or flowers. They play well for as long as a few days before they start to wilt. For a seasonal touch, use leaf-shaped paper to pack your letters with nature's sentiments.

• **Nature's leaves, acorns and dried flowers:** Use a leaf-shaped picture frame for a home-made picture. You can use leaves and dried flowers to make leaf and flower ornaments for your living room or bedroom. Wait for a romantic outdoor feel.

—Source: The Baltimore Sun

rics of wispy gauze and delicate sheers to "bring the outdoors in."

Don't overlook color, either, Critzos says. Painting is a simple and immediate way to drastically alter a room. She suggests drawing from the season's "bright reds, umbers and sunflower colors."

How often should you clean your carpet?

Knight Ridder News Service

Your carpet looks dirty. Does that mean it's time for the Rug Doctor?

According to Dave Barksstedt, president of the Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Institute, "By the time the carpet looks soiled, it is far beyond soiled. It is filthy."

One square-yard of carpet can hide a pound of soil before it looks dirty.

The dirt and particles in the carpet rub and scratch the fibers so badly that by the time the carpet is cleaned, the fiber of the traffic lanes are so badly damaged that they will continue to look soiled when cleaned.

There are several questions to consider when buying, installing or cleaning carpet:

- How much traffic will the carpet receive?
- Will it be in the carpeted area?

- How often will the traffic area be vacuumed? How often will furniture be moved and the entire area vacuumed?

- Will children play, eat or sleep in the carpeted area?
- Will adults be eating or drinking in the carpeted area?
- Will it be cleaned regularly?

The more foot-traffic there is, the more opportunity there is for

soil to be tracked in, and for friction on the ends of the surface fibers. Opening windows near a well-traveled street constantly brings in particles of dirt. Add a dropped potted plant, spilled powder and other spills, and you have a good start on a soiled carpet.

Carpet manufacturers have found that frequent cleaning reduces the cost of carpet replacement, and they suggest carpet be cleaned once a year to maintain the carpet's warranty.

With the abundance of indoor carpeting, and its ability to hold and hide dirt, frequent carpet cleaning may be one of the most critical criteria in maintaining a healthy indoor environment.

Start with a regular vacuuming. The efficiency of your vacuum is important.

Rather than having carpet cleaned before you sell the house or before the big holiday party, create a regular schedule of professional cleaning.

Problems with renting equipment and including the carpet yourself include: the condition and efficiency of the equipment, mixing too much or not enough cleaning solution, your ability to control moisture on carpet and capability to extract adequate moisture to avoid setting up a mold situation.

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British men slowly erase disparity

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Railing against upkeep

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Mr. Fix-its

Forget handymen; a recent study found that Generation X women make up more than 60 percent of those who spend 40 hours or more a month on home improvement and repair, Walking magazine reports. Only 17 percent of Generation X men spend that much time working at home. According to the director of trend forecasting for Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse, research shows that women are the initiators of more than 80 percent of home-improvement

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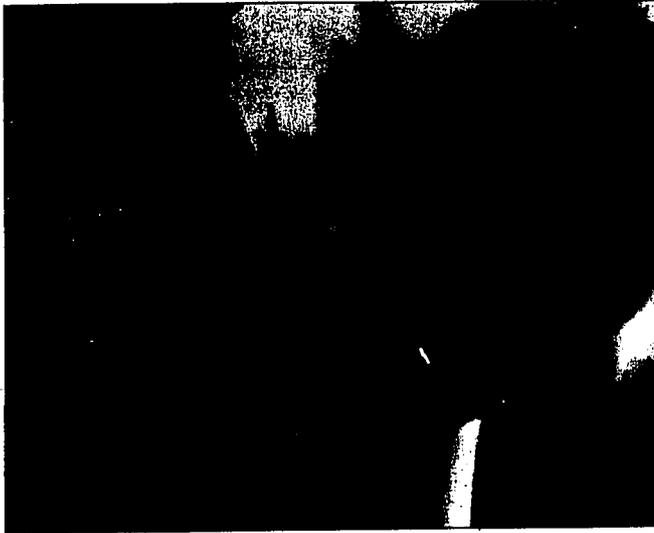
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- Cheap bulbs produce bad flowers — or no flowers at all. Buy bulbs that are large, firm and of good color.
- Choose a site that has good drainage and at least six hours of direct sunlight a day.
- To prepare planting beds, dig up 6 to 8 inches of soil. Add peat moss or other organic matter, then mix in fertilizer containing phosphorus such as rock phosphate, superphosphate, bone meal or special bulb fertilizer.
- Plant the bulbs in groups or clumps instead of rows. For a nice show of color, plant them in front of evergreen shrubs or among perennials with other flowers shrubs.
- Tulips look best planted in beds in symmetrical arrangements.
- Daffodils look best in "naturalized," or informal plantings.
- Plant bulbs upright (pointed end UP). As a rule of thumb, bulbs should be planted three times as deep as the bulb's dimension.
- Large bulbs — tulips and daffodils — should be planted no closer than 4 inches apart and no farther than 6 inches. Smaller bulbs — crocuses, snowdrops and scilla — should be planted 1 to 2 inches apart.
- When the plants emerge next spring, fertilize lightly with a handful of 5-10-5 fertilizer at least 2 inches from the plant.
- Once the flower petals fade,



Tulips are the most spectacular of spring flowers, but their first year is their best.



use scissors to remove the flower parts and stem before the plant produces seed pods.

- Let the leaves remain until they have turned yellow, so the bulbs get plenty of nourishment

- You can camouflage the bulb foliage by carefully planting summer annuals around the bulbs once all danger of frost is past.
- Although spring-flowering

Just what is a bulb?

The Gazette

- What is a bulb?
- Many plants are called bulbs, but not all are true bulbs. Bulb-like plants include corms, rhizomes, tubers and tuberous roots. The differences are primarily in the way they store food.
- All are small self-contained factories that contain everything needed to produce a plant and a flower. Each has a plant embryo surrounded by a substance that stores food for new growth each year. The bottom is known as the basal plate and contains the roots.
- True bulbs are short underground stems surrounded by modified fleshy leaves, called scales, that protect and store food for use by the plant embryo. The outer scales are dry and papery-like. New buds may form along the basal plate. True bulbs include daffodils, hyacinths, tulips, lilies, oxalis and allium.
- In corms, which are flatter in shape than round bulbs, the food is stored in an enlarged basal plate rather than scales. New corms form small buds on top of an old corm. Common corms include gladiolus and crocus.
- Rhizomes, which include iris and canna, are thickened, elongated stems that grow partially or entirely beneath the ground. Sprouts may grow from a single budpoint, or eye, but others may form along the rhizome's length. To divide, cut the rhizome into sections that each have visible growing points.
- A tuber is a swollen, underground stem base similar to a corm, but there is no basal plate, and roots grow from all sides. There also may be multiple growth points over the upper surface. It can be divided by cutting into sections that each have a growth bud. Tubers include anemone, cyclamen, caladium and potatoes.

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- **NEWPORT NEWS, Va.** — From the first nodding snowdrops to the last bright tulips, spring-flowering bulbs announce winter's end, bringing back bright, bold colors to the landscape.
- They also bring something else: fragrance.
- Many spring bulbs also introduce the season's first sensational scents — something more and more people like in their gardens.
- "Fragrance is not only fashionable it's also fun and fundamental," says Sally Ferguson of the Netherlands Flower Bulb Information Center in New York City.
- When you're shopping for spring-flowering bulbs now, watch for bulb packets stamped "fragrant." That is the perfect time to plant and grow your own aromatherapy.
- "We've found that nice fragrances may not only relieve stress, but may also heal the mind, lower blood pressure and even attract the opposite sex," says Becky Heath of Brent and Becky's Bulbs in southeastern Virginia.
- "When aroma therapy is combined with a positive visual aspect of lovely flowers, it is what we call a 'no brainer' everyone feels better!"
- Bulb flowers vary in the type and degree of their fragrance. Hyacinths pack powerful perfume; daffodils also can provide a heady aroma. Even tulips not necessarily known for their fragrance offer many varieties with a honey-like scent.
- Triumph Tulip Salmon Pearl is a luscious carmine rose flower with highlights and overlays of butterscotch and coral, says Becky.
- "The combination of these colors plus the nasturtium orange of the inner heart of the flower gives a real glowing effect in the garden. The fragrance forces an extra breath to be taken when you say 'ah-h' and the 'aroma therapy' begins."
- Narcissus Curlew is a lovely American-bred jonquilla daffodil with several flowers per stem with creamy white petals and a long, trumpet-like, milk-white cup that matures to pure white. The fragrance is glorious, says Becky. It's effective in the evening garden because sometimes the fragrance is obvious at night.
- Muscari Valley Finnis is the soft, blue grape hyacinth available in color blends with any garden theme. It has a subtle scent reminiscent of grapes.
- Also try these:
 - Hyacinth Blue Jacket. It's deep blue with shades of purple flower that looks as rich as it smells in the spring garden; fresh, cool, outdoor fragrance.
 - Hyacinth Carnegie. This stately white flower adds layer of perfume to white-themed spring garden; sweet, spicy, robust smell.
 - Narcissus Bridal Crown. The fragrant double-flowered tazetta

- narcissus; relative to the paper-white, with creamy-white petals and golden-yellow cup; grows 12-16 inches tall; mid-spring bloomer with deep musky scent reminiscent of jasmine to some, tuberoserose to others.
- Narcissus Carlton. A large-cupped yellow daffodil that grows 12-20 inches tall, blooms early to mid-season and has a scent like jasmine or vanilla.
- Narcissus Tazetta Geranium. This cousin of the paperwhite grows indoors with no pre-chilling necessary; cheery white petals and bright orange cup; grows 6-14 inches tall; honey-like scent.
- Narcissus Triandrus Thalia. It's nicknamed angel's tears because of its bowed head; delicate looking in pure white; grows 10-12 inches tall; blooms late mid-season; fresh, fruity scent with touch of jasmine.
- Tulipa Angellique. It's peony-flowered; luscious bluish-pink; long-lasting bloom in garden or vase; double late tulip grows 18 inches tall; blooms late season; scent reminiscent of a rose.
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HOME 2000

This fall, rearrange your landscape for a fresh look

New varieties of plants bring a new change

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. — Think of the last time you rearranged your favorite furniture, then added a new lamp and hung some new window treatments. Suddenly, the room looked fresh and inviting. The same goes for your landscape. Treat gardens as your outdoor rooms.

They need to be updated — even totally renovated — at least every five to 10 years to keep your home current and attractive.

Now through November is the perfect time to replace old, declining plants with newer varieties that give you foliage, flower and berry color throughout the year.

Shrubs, trees and perennials fare better when they are planted in fall — not spring. They spend the winter budling added strength to endure summer's typical hot, dry weather.

"The plant — be it, tree, shrub, lawn — has stored its foods in the roots, and the roots continue to grow through fall and winter," says Jim Orland, extension agent in southeastern Virginia.



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Now through November is the perfect time to bring your landscape into the 21st century. Identify old, declining plants you want to replace with newer varieties that give you foliage, flower and berry color throughout the year.

"This growth that occurs in fall allows the roots to grow into the parent soil material. This allows the plant to have resources ready in spring to begin growth of shoots and leaves

Garden centers are now brimming with camellias, Hinoki cypresses, maples, azaleas, aucubas, viburnums, hollies, lardoptalum and many other evergreen and deciduous plants to breathe

Plant evergreens in fall

Although spring is preferred for planting, fall is a good time to plant many types of landscape shrubs, particularly evergreens.

"Fall planting is ideal for some landscape plants and shrubs because fall weather is wet and mild enough to allow the plants to get a good start before colder winter weather sets in," said Jan McNeilan, Oregon State University Horticulture Service consumer horticulture agent.

Mild fall weather helps prevent transplant shock. When shrubs are transplanted from the nursery to the home landscape, they may suffer from root loss (for field-grown plants) or the change in care practices (for container-grown plants). "The shock is mostly caused by the demand of the plant tops for water and the limited ability of the root system to supply it," McNeilan said. "The plant's

demand for water is less in cool and rainy fall weather, and the plant has a better chance of quick recovery."

Fall planting also gives the necessary root growth required to anchor it in the soil, and time to build up nutrient reserves needed for healthy growth next spring.

— Extension: Oregon State University

Other plant ideas

- **Mellow Yellow** spine bianches faced with tiny white flowers in late March.
- **Black mondo grass** is a striking ground cover growing on clump leaves. The mondo forms clumps that get 6 to 8 inches tall.
- **Oriental perianth** possesses delicate basebell-shaped fruits that appear in vivid shades of orange.
- **A native evergreen vine**, swamp jasmine blooms fall and spring. It's a close cousin of Carolina jessamine.
- **Salvia guaranitica** Black and Blue bears electric blue flowers with a black calyx on 4-inch black stems.
- **Narrow-leafed, Blue Star** artemisia herb that features the foliage that turns golden in fall. It produces sky blue flowers in spring.
- **The deciduous shrub** called sweet-spire grows 4 feet tall with its fall foliage turning red, orange and pink. It produces white blooms in spring.
- **Bordeaux holly** grows stunning when its new foliage appears in burgundy tones; its maximum size is 5 feet tall and wide.
- **Blue Star juniper** is a nice accent shrub that takes 10-12 years to grow 3 feet tall and wide.
- **Osmanthus Harding's Beauty** is an upright evergreen reaching 15-20 feet. It blooms with fragrant white flowers for many months.
- **The sweetheart tree** — *Enacaphis japonica* — grows 15 to 25 feet tall with leaves that turn mahogany purple in fall.

Daily Press of Newport News, Va.

green leaves turn golden and light red. The bark color even brightens in fall, intensifying with winter.

October Glory remains one of the best shade trees for orange-red fall color.

Another trouble-free, easy-to-grow shade tree is the fast-growing 'Autumn Blaze' with brilliant maroon-red fall color, says Bill McDonald's also suggests Encore repeat-blooming azaleas for spring and fall flowers. Confetti abella with white and green variegation, Yuletide camellia for Christmas red flowers. Chindo viburnum for hedges or privacy screens, evergreen false yews for deer-deterrenting needs and white-berried nandina for contrast with red-berried nandina.

fresh life into tired landscapes.

Here are some plants you may want to adopt:

Japanese maples are the perfect tree, says Bill Kidd at McDonald Garden Center in Virginia Beach, Va. They are easy to grow, require little care and come in enough shapes, sizes and colors to satisfy any gardener.

For starters, check out coral bark maple. As fall temperatures drop, the maple's bright

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Knight Ridder Newspapers

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Some tips on hiring a contractor

Finding them

- Call at least three contractors and set up appointments to go over a few basic questions.
- When you talk to a contractor, clearly communicate your ideas. Ask questions and listen to the responses given. Effective communication is very important for a customer/contractor relationship.
- Always give each contractor the same information on the project.

Questions to ask

- Can I have three references from customers in the past 12 months? Has three years?
- Can I have a banking or financial reference? (If the contractor has a track record of not paying for materials, labor and overhead costs, the job could go unfinished.)
- What insurance coverage do you have? (At a minimum, contractors should have worker's comp, general liability and automobile insurance. These policies help protect you and your property from potential legal problems should an accident occur. Call the insurance agency to confirm the effective dates of the insurance policies.)
- How long have you been in business? (A contractor with at least five years' experience usually has a stable business foundation and is reliable.)
- May I have an itemized estimate on the project that includes materials, labor, overhead and a time frame. (The estimate should be in writing.)

Choosing an estimate

- Once you receive the estimates, take time to compare them. Don't base your decision on price alone. Keep the following steps in mind before you make your decision:
- Be skeptical of a very low bid. Compare all the items in the bid.
- Check the cost of the materials. Some estimates may contain lower-quality materials, which reduce the cost of the project. Review any items you don't understand with the contractor.
- Time frame is an important factor. If one bid is higher in labor cost but the contractor can finish

the job in two weeks instead of two months, the additional cost is justified.

- Don't sign anything until you understand all aspects of the contract.
- Keep all documentation related to the project.

A contract must include ...

- Starting and estimated completion dates.
- Estimated cost of the work.
- Payment schedule (Never pay in cash; always write a check made out to the contractor's business).
- Release-of-lien clause. (So if subcontractors are not paid and the contractor has been paid, they can sue the contractor - but not

the homeowner- for payments).

- Dispute resolution. (If there's a dispute over quality of work, timetable or materials, how will it be handled? Mediation or arbitration are the best and least expensive ways to handle contract disputes).
- Right of rescission. (The Federal Trade Commission's three-day right to rescission allows a homeowner three days from the date of signing to void the contract legally with no repercussions. The homeowner is not liable for any service or finance charges.)
- Purchasing permits. (The contractor must agree to buy all required permits in his business name).
- Inspection failure. (If the work isn't up to building code, the contractor must agree to fix it at no

cost to the homeowner).

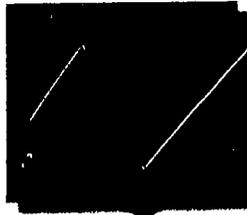
• Insurance. (Contractor must present proof of general and personal liability insurance).

- Duties clearly outlined. (Who will be responsible for what? Clean-up? Repairing damaged personal property?)
- Scope of work. (Exactly what work will be done, including a list of materials with brand names, sizes and colors and code requirements for materials such as lumber and electrical components. If blueprints are used, reference a dated set of plans.)

Change order. (A change order is needed whenever work is added, materials are substituted or changes are made, they should be in writing and include additional cost

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Have yourself a real nice doggie day

What's the name of the holiday that's coming up, on Oct. 31? If you're a pet owner, the name of the holiday is "Howl-o-ween."

That's the word from Petopia.com, a web site that offers safety tips, treats and costumes for your pet.

The costumes include Bat Cat, a two-piece black felt number and collar ("one size fits all") - and Pumpkin Patch Pooch, a pumpkin "body wrap" with a Jack O'Lantern face.

The treats are Spooky Sounding Pet Plush Toys - witches and ghosts that cackle or make scary sounds when squeezed.

I received some photos in the mail of dogs modeling the merchandise, and the stuff really is cute. I just wonder how you would talk your pets into wearing the capes and hats. I never could even get my infant children to wear their sunbonnets.

Of course, our ultra-contemporary pets are probably getting used to participating in the celebrations of life in a big way, what with all the new, sometimes luxurious options on the pet market today.

Last year, I read about several greeting card companies that offer holiday cards for veterinarians - from the pets. There are also cards for pets to send to each other (where are their mailboxes?), or to special people.

This year, I read about mood colors that help "insensitive owners" discern when their pets are having a bad doggie day. (Should the owners feel insulted?) I also got a news release a few days ago that announced a contest to honor the spiritual connection between humans and animals.

The contest is being sponsored by the Angel Animals Foundation (www.angelanimals.org) and it's to reward animals who have performed exceptional acts of courage or been part of a miraculous or mystical experience. The idea behind all of this is that animals can sometimes be "angels in disguise."

Not just at Halloween.

We've come a long way from the days when our pets feasted on table scraps or played with cast-off balls of twine. Now there's even a book on the market titled "Your Pet's Horoscope," by pet astrologer Diana Nilsen. "If your dog is extremely neat and clean with a



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Denise Turner

sensitive stomach, it's probably because she's a Virgo... if she's easily bored and always eager to go for a ride, she's probably a Sagittarius."

No joke. Diana Nilsen is a woman who will do your pet's chart.

In her book, she talks about the stubborn Taurus, the sociable Scorpio and the difficult-to-discipline Aries - all of the four-footed variety.

Amazing.

And there is more. On the Internet, there is a web site for disabled pets (with a tag on a wheelchair), and there are hospices for dying pets, too.

Some people have even established separate web sites for their animals, and some of those web sites have lists of the pets' own favorite links. Several of the sites have pictures of dogs with little tails wagging or fish swimming around in bowls or cats sleeping, with little zzz's moving around above their heads. The sites that advertise pet merchandise are just as numerous, with everything from travel seats for kitty to CDs of Rover's favorite tunes.

It's no wonder today's pets are expected to celebrate Halloween in high style.

When I was a kid, Halloween was easier, I think. My grandmother used to take out her teeth and put on a black dress to welcome the neighborhood children to her house. And my dad used to sit in the bushes by our front door wearing a glow-in-the-dark diemore mask. That and a couple of well-chosen words from the bushes were enough to scare trick-or-treaters into having the time of their lives. No one worried much about getting mugged or mistreated, because it hadn't happened yet.

As I remember, the family pets just stayed home and slept by the fire. And they seemed to be real happy.

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Tuesday: Donuts
Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy
Thursday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce
Friday: Corn, french fries
Lunch Menu
Sallad bar and milk served every day
Monday: Cold cut sandwich, chips, apples, oranges
Tuesday: French toast sticks, maple syrup, ham, tater tots, peas
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, french fries, pineapple, Rice Krispie Treats
Thursday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce green salad, ranch, french bread, cherry pie
Friday: Chef salad, crackers, carrot sticks, breadsticks, cherry shape ups

CASTLEFORD SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Monday: Doughnuts, cereal, juice, milk
Tuesday: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, juice, milk
Wednesday: Scopes, cereal, juice, milk
Thursday: Pancakes, cereal, juice, milk
Friday: Breakfast muffin, cereal, juice, milk
Lunch menu
Monday: Wolf Burgers
Tuesday: Nachos grande
Wednesday: Chicken burgers supreme
Thursday: Soft shell tacos
Friday: Corn dogs

FILER SCHOOL

Monday: Corn dogs
Tuesday: Pizza
Wednesday: Hamburgers
Thursday: Chicken nuggets
Friday: Chili

HANSEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Breakfast Menu
Monday: No school
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy, fruit
Wednesday: Quesadillas, fruit
Thursday: Cornmeal, toast, juice
Friday: Long Johns, cereal, juice
Lunch Menu
Monday: School
Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, tater tots, french fries
Wednesday: Pigs in a blanket, su grain potatoes, peas, fruit
Thursday: Pigs in a blanket, su grain potatoes, peas, fruit
Friday: Sloppy joe, corn, fruit

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Choice of milk every day
Monday: Breakfast burrito, salsa, cinnamon rolls, cheese sauce
Tuesday: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, green salad, garlic bread, peas
Wednesday: Cheese quesadilla, salsa, refried beans, Mexican corn, power gelatin, whipped topping

KIMBERLY SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Monday: Chicken nuggets, su grain potatoes, whole wheat rolls, celery sticks, apple sauce
Tuesday: Taco, salsa, corn, jalapeno
Wednesday: Potato bar, rolls, peas
Thursday: Chicken and noodles, potatoes, whole wheat rolls, carrot stick, chocolate cake
Friday: Chili, crackers, cinnamon rolls, peas
Lunch menu
Monday: Chicken nuggets, su grain potatoes, whole wheat rolls, celery sticks, apple sauce
Tuesday: Taco, salsa, corn, jalapeno
Wednesday: Potato bar, rolls, peas
Thursday: Chicken and noodles, potatoes, whole wheat rolls, carrot stick, chocolate cake
Friday: Chili, crackers, cinnamon rolls, peas

MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Choice of milk served every day
Monday: Corn dog, mustard, ketchup, french fries, chilled peas, chocolate pudding
Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, barbecue sauce, baked potato, tangerine, apple bliscuit w/ honey
Wednesday: Chef's salad w/ dried chicken, corn nuts, banana and strawberries, pecan pie
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, chicken gravy, cool fruit Jell-O, dinner roll
Friday: Taco Bell burrito, lettuce, tomatoes, crisp cut potatoes, sliced peaches, maple bar

MURTAUGH SCHOOL

Milk served every day
Monday: Tacos, corn, beef carrots, strawberries, chocolate, peas
Tuesday: Ham and cheese sandwich, peas
Wednesday: Sloppy joe, salad, baby carrots, applesauce, gingerbread
Thursday: Oven baked chicken, green beans, baby carrots, rolls w/ jelly, peas, oatmeal cookie
Friday: Baked potato, chili, broccoli, baby carrots, rolls w/ jelly, oranges, Teddy Graham

ROBERT STUART AND O'LEARY JUNIOR HIGH

Breakfast menu
Monday: Milk served every day
Tuesday: Corn dog, apple juice, toast w/ jelly
Wednesday: Pancakes w/ syrup, scrambled eggs, peas
Thursday: Cereal, orange quarters, blueberry muffin
Friday: Egg, ham and cheese sandwich, cherry sauce
Lunch menu
Monday: Corn dog or rib-buss or salad bar, mustard, ketchup, french fries, chilled peas, chocolate pudding
Tuesday: Chef's salad or Taco Bell taco or soup and sandwich bar, corn nuts, super pie

ST. EDWARD'S HIGH SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Monday: Bean and cheese burrito
Tuesday: Cheeseburgers
Wednesday: Taco salad
Thursday: Deli sandwich
Friday: Hot dogs
Breakfast menu
Monday: Milk served every day
Tuesday: Pancakes w/ syrup, scrambled eggs, peas
Wednesday: Cereal, orange quarters, blueberry muffin
Thursday: Egg, ham and cheese sandwich, cherry sauce
Friday: Corn dog, apple slices, warm bread
Lunch menu
Monday: Corn dog, mustard, ketchup, tater tots, chocolate pudding
Tuesday: Chef's salad, corn nuts, orange quarters, super pie
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, fried rice, cherry sauce, apple food cake
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, chicken gravy, cool fruit Jell-O, dinner roll
Friday: Beef and bean burrito, lettuce, tomatoes, salsa sauce, sliced peaches, orange roll

TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY

Breakfast menu
Monday: Milk served every day
Tuesday: Pancakes w/ syrup, scrambled eggs, peas
Wednesday: Cereal, orange quarters, blueberry muffin
Thursday: Egg, ham and cheese sandwich, cherry sauce
Friday: Corn dog, apple slices, warm bread
Lunch menu
Monday: Corn dog, mustard, ketchup, tater tots, chocolate pudding
Tuesday: Chef's salad, corn nuts, orange quarters, super pie
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, fried rice, cherry sauce, apple food cake
Thursday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, chicken gravy, cool fruit Jell-O, dinner roll
Friday: Beef and bean burrito, lettuce, tomatoes, salsa sauce, sliced peaches, orange roll

VALLEY SCHOOLS

Monday: Hamburger beef w/ bun, potato wedges, carrot sticks, applesauce, brownie
Tuesday: Pizza, bread sticks, salsa, green salad, fruit
Wednesday: Turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, ham, roll w/ butter, fruit
Thursday: Chicken burger w/ bun, lettuce, pickles, tater tots, cinnamon apple, cookies
Friday: Baked cheese sandwich, tomato soup, crackers, carrot sticks

TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

Lunch is served everyday.
Breakfast: The high school has a choice of menu items served with the menu in Sunday's paper, and the menu to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or call 734-5538, attention: Lunch Menu. Deadline is noon Wednesday for publication Sunday.

TWIN FALLS - Erin Detweiler, daughter of George and Cora Lee Detweiler, presented "Sayers", a yellow labrador, to Vickie Richardson during ceremonies on Aug. 26.

Erin Detweiler began raising "Sayers" as a guide dog when the dog was 2-months-old. The dogs are born at guide dog kennels and then given to raisers. The dog raisers then houstrain the dogs and teach them social skills. When the dogs reach 18 months, they are returned to the school to begin a four to five month program of advanced training with licensed instructors.

After the training is completed, the dogs are matched with blind people enrolled in the school. The new person-dog team then completes an in-resident course at the Guide Dog school. The course is finished with a graduation ceremony in which the raiser presents the dog to the new graduate.



Erin Detweiler, left, of Twin Falls presents Sayers to Vickie Richardson. Detweiler helped raise the dog, which later received training to be a guide dog for the blind.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Twin Falls resident rates honorable mention

Jonas Sherman of Twin Falls was listed on the honorable mention list for the second semester of the 1999-2000 school year for Mount St. Clare College in Clinton, Iowa. The honorable mention list recognizes students who have a grade-point average of 3.2 to 3.49.

National dean's list adds name of Buhl student

Jeffrey Zinn, son of Jerry and Kathie Zinn of Buhl, was listed on the 1999-2000 National Deans list of college students. Every year, deans and faculty members from 3,000 colleges nominate students for this award and only 0.5 percent of college students are awarded. Zinn is a Buhl High School graduate and a sophomore at New York University majoring in dramatic writing. At Buhl, Zinn was involved in soccer and was an honor student.

Twin Falls resident makes dean's list for Idaho State

Stephanie Freley of Twin Falls was listed on the Idaho State University Kaskasia College of Health Professions dean's list for the 2000 summer semester. To obtain this ranking, a student must maintain a grade-point average of 3.65 or higher and be a full-time student enrolled for a minimum of six credit hours during the semester.

Stanhope takes spot at Optimist president

Robyn Stanhope of Twin Falls is the 2000-2001 president of the Twin Falls Optimist Club.

Redman starts senior year at Hanover College

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Redman is a graduate of Twin Falls High School.

She is married to Wayne Stanhope and has one daughter, Sara.

Stanhope has been an active member, has held many chairmanship positions and has been secretary, treasurer, the club says.

She works at 4-Ways Travel.

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Times-News seeks charity news, craft show info

TWIN FALLS - On Oct. 27, the Times-News will publish a free list of area craft shows and bazaars. If you would like your bazaar included in the list, send in the time, date and place of your bazaar, along with some information about the items you will be selling. To Denise Turner, the Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548. Or send the information by e-mail to denise@magicvalley.com.

Please include your name, address and phone number. Deadline is Oct. 20. For more information, call 733-0931, Ext. 243.

On Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23, the Times-News will publish a free listing of charities and groups that help others at holiday time. The listing will include descriptions of items that the groups are asking people in the

community to donate. If you would like to have your holiday provider group included in the list, send your name, address and phone number, along with some information about the items you need for distribution, to Denise Turner, the Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548. Or fax the list to 734-5538. Or e-mail the list to denise@magicvalley.com.

Hagerman students seek books for hospital project

HAGERMAN - Students at Hagerman Elementary seek donations of children's books. Items include: coloring books, crayons, notebooks and stuffed animals for baskets they will take to area hospitals for sick and bedridden children. Donations needed by Oct. 28. The project is part of the Make-a-Difference-Day national Good Deeds Literacy Contest and the class will be competing for thousands of dollars in new books, a visit from the "Arthur" writer/illustrator Marc Brown and Pizza Hut parties for the school. The contest is sponsored by Book-It, Pizza Hut and Marc Brown. To donate, call 837-4777 and at home 536-2457 or drop off at the school.

Sons of Norway group meets Monday evening

TWIN FALLS - The Sons of Norway will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the Ballroom, 205 Telephone St. N. For more information, call 733-5944.

St. Benedict's sets foundation benefit

JACKPOT, Nev. - The 18th annual St. Benedict's Family Medical Center Foundation Benefit featuring The Animals will be held Nov. 2 at Cactus Petes in Jackpot, Nev. Tickets are \$30 per person and \$50 for two people and cover dinner, entertainment and transportation from Jerome. Door prizes will also be given away. Dinner will be served from 6-7 p.m. with the show to follow at 8

p.m. Buses will leave the Jerome High School parking lot at 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. A Twin Falls pickup will also be available.

Tickets are available in Jerome at the Chamber of Commerce, First Security Bank, Washington Federal Savings, D.L. Evans Bank, Farmer National Bank and US Bank. Tickets are also available from the St. Benedict's Family Medical Center by calling Gail Mann at 324-4301, Ext. 283 or Marj Mason at 324-4301, Ext. 352. Tickets are also available from foundation executive board members.

Mary Time Club holds meeting next month

TWIN FALLS - The Mary Time Club met Oct. 3 at the home of Florence Sheridan. Eleven members were present and roll call was "What do you like about fall?" The members thanked the secret pal for cards and the white elephant was won by Rose Marie Crawford. The Mary Time Club will meet Nov. 7. They will meet at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Irene Mai to go over to the home of Marie Webb. At the meeting, members will choose new officers and roll call will be "The first punishment in school."

Twin Falls Historical Society schedules meeting

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls County Historical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the County Courthouse in Twin Falls. The community center can be found by going east on Addison Avenue and turning left on Sycamore Street. James Crenney, College of Southern Idaho department head

and history professor, will present information from the book he is writing on the history of Twin Falls and about the Great Depression of the 1930s. Any interested person is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

School presents 'Kripples in the Kumbow' program

SUN VALLEY "Kripples in the Kumbow" program will be presented from 7-9 p.m. Friday at The Community School auditorium in Sun Valley. Admission is free.

Kripples in the Kumbow is the name of five disabled people and seven able-bodied people who trekked to the Base Camp of Mount Everest in April 1998, lead by a Pocatello resident. For more information, call Joan Davies at 788-2033 or 788-2348.

United Methodist Church schedules country store

FILER - The Filer United Methodist Church will hold its annual country store and cafe from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at the church at 5th and Union in Filer. The country store will have

crafts, garden produce, baked and canned goods and many Christmas gifts. There will also be a silent auction. The cafe will serve homemade soup, chili, pie and oven-fresh bread. For more information, call Marcia at 324-6865.

Free music workshop set at O'Leary Junior High

TWIN FALLS - A free music workshop for area junior high students will be held from 3:15-4:30 p.m. Tuesday at the O'Leary Junior High band room. Jean Kittrell and the Saint Louis Rivermen will give the workshop. There will be a short introduction and a musical workshop and practice riffs will follow. All area junior high students are welcome and should bring their instruments if possible.

The junior high workshop is being sponsored by Mike and Jan McBride and the Magic Valley Arts Council.

Twin Falls woman celebrates 103rd birthday

TWIN FALLS - Rebecca Dais will celebrate her 103rd birthday on Thursday.

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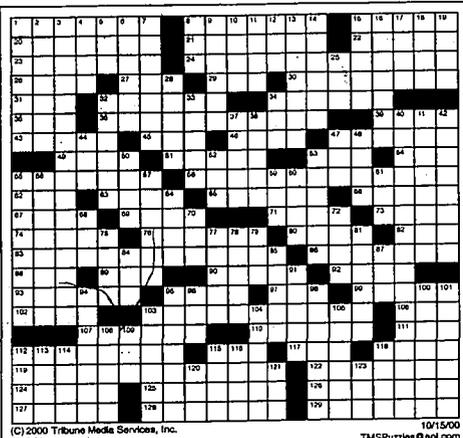
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THE Sunday Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams



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If you could see into the future

I doubt that there is a person on earth who has not, at one time or another, wished they could look into the future. Yet how fortunate we are that we cannot do that.

Of course, it would be fine if our futures were always perfectly wonderful, but, unfortunately, that is only the stuff of fiction. "Into each life some rain must fall," as the saying goes.

For some it is a minor pelting of rain, for others it turns into a flood, and for most it is a little of both. If we could see into the future would most of us be able to face either one? While we would like to see the happy and pleasant things, would it be able, if we knew ahead of time, to face a turn in fortune?

As it is, when bad things happen, we usually, gradually, adjust to them, and perhaps, that is the reason we have not been given the gift of prescience.

Now, the question becomes, how do we face the hard times? Do we become so depressed we can hardly face the day? Do we just get through one day at a time? Do we say to ourselves, "I certainly hope the future will be brighter, and that this too shall pass?"

Art Linkletter once said, "things



AFTER CLASS
Gay Peterson

turn out the best for people who make the best of the way things turn out." I use his quote because here is a man who knows of what he speaks. Those of you who remember the "Art Linkletter Show" remember him as a kind, warm, smiling man who had an excellent rapport with all people, but particularly with children. I don't remember ever seeing him without a smile on his face and a twinkle in his eye. And I always thought, "Why not? He has everything - all that money can buy and a very happy life." But that was before his beautiful daughter, having taken LSD and other things, jumped out of the window of a tall building, killing herself in the process.

It was almost more than he could bear, to hear him tell about it later, yet he did not turn inward and become embittered because of it.

he turned more than ever toward helping people, and, again, particularly children. He set a fine example for those who have faced such tragedies. Abraham Lincoln once said, "People are about as happy as they make up their minds to be." And though he had more than his share of tragedies, he remained upbeat and in control in extremely difficult situations.

We should have partial control as to what will happen to us on any particular day in any particular year. Both Art Linkletter and Abraham Lincoln have given us a challenge. The future may not always be to our liking, but facing it head-on and doing the best we can with it can only make us stronger, more able people - people who can use that strength for positive action. This is true, however, only if we choose that path.

We should vow to make the best of the way things turn out, not only for our own peace of mind, but also for the peace of mind of those who care about us.

Gay Peterson is a retired teacher who lives in Wendell. Write to her at petersonsmagiclink.com

If you don't want to be playmate, just quit

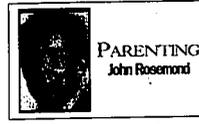
Q. I recently heard you speak in Wisconsin and realized that I have not made the transition from servanthood to leadership with my two girls, who are 6 and 4. Long past the time I should have taken control of my relationships with them, they still call many of the shots.

One of the first things I want to do now is stop being their playmate. At present, I play with each one of them at least 90 minutes every day, sometimes more. Should I continue to play with them at all or should I begin to expect them to entertain themselves without me?

In either case, how should I make the change? A. As I told that Wisconsin audience, our culture no longer supports a woman making the critical transition from servanthood to leadership. The "mother bar," as I term it, which women feel they must clear in order to validate that they are good mothers, has written on it messages like "The woman who spends the most time with her children is the best mom," "The woman who does the most for her children is the best mom," and "The woman who most successfully fixes the problem every time her kids get upset is the best mom," and so on.

Women who subscribe to this propaganda are locked into serving their children. Their children, in turn, take them for granted and do not "listen" well. Why should they? Servants are not supposed to give instruction, and when they do, well, they deserve to be ignored. Good for you that you have determined to liberate yourself from the box of parenting correctness (PC). I applaud you, but I need to also warn you that other mothers may be made uncomfortable by your liberation.

You need to know that there are negative social consequences to women who take charge of their children and refuse to play by the PC rules. It is nothing short of iron-



PARENTING
John Rosemond

ic that supposedly liberated women remain slaves to their kids. Do not like it when one of their daughters emancipates herself from this nonsense.

No longer serving as playmate to two children who are perfectly capable of entertaining themselves and one another is an excellent place for you to begin. In that regard, I would strongly recommend that you simply tell your daughters what the new program looks like.

"Girls, hear me clearly. I am no longer going to be your playmate. You are old enough to figure out how to occupy your own time. From now on, I expect you to play by yourselves or with one another. If you ask me to play with you, the answer will be no, and you are

invited to find that out for yourselves. I will probably make some exceptions to this because there want to be a child myself, but these occasions will be rare. I love you both! Any questions?"

I strongly recommend that you simply "flip the switch" and never turn it back on again. Do not gradually wean them off your willingness to play with them by, say, reducing your playmate time by five minutes a day. The likelihood under those circumstances is you will never finish the job.

Once the girls have adjusted to this - and there may be some whining, even crying, for a week or so - then identify another area of your prolonged servanthood and rectify it. In a few months, they should see you in a completely different light; to wit, as a powerful, formidable authority figure.

Repeat the following mantra at least ten times a day, while standing in front of a full-length mirror: "I am Mother, hear me roar!"

John Rosemond is a family psychologist.

Life-support system had four legs

Ruth, a 70-year-old widow, was locked alone in a cage 312 days a year. On Sundays, she attended church. After the service, fellowship time and an occasional meal out, she returned to her cage: a house with two bedrooms, one bath - typical of cages many elderly people live in across America.



THE BOND
Marty Becker

another pet." Moving right on to Plan B, I said, "Well, let's go look for me, then." Cut to another cage, this one much smaller. Ruth and I navigated the shelter's slick floors, our nostrils singed from the smell of disinfectant; our ears hurt from the mournful cries of animals sentenced to die simply because they weren't wanted; our eyes tried to focus on the pleading eyes of the animals as they tried to lock onto ours, hoping we'd help them make a break from the shelter's cages to our comfortable couches at home.

Cage after cage we looked. Ruth rejected cut puppies and kittens, instead focusing on canines with long, bushy manes, jutting hip bones and slow-motion movements. She wanted a dog that needed her as much as she needed it.

At last, her emotional radar zeroed in on an old mixed-breed mutt with huge upright ears. Ruth

and the dog stared at one another like duellists.

The dog didn't get up, didn't lift its head off the floor. But as its eyes peered deep into Ruth's heart, its tail swished left, right, left, right - right in an increasing tempo. I looked at Ruth. I looked at the dog. The red tag on the cage door said, "Last Day." A lump in my throat formed because I knew the loving hand of God was performing open-heart surgery on the three of us.

Indeed, it was a match made in heaven. match made in heaven.

Former Twin Falls veterinarian Marty Becker is a veterinary contributor to ABC-TV's "Good Morning America."

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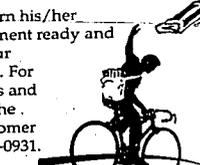
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LLOYD-IMES

JEROME - Mike and Terri Lloyd of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Chellis Ann Lloyd, to Matthew Gavin Imes, son of Roger and Sharon Imes of La Crosse, Wis.

Lloyd is a 1993 graduate of Jerome High School. She received a bachelor of science degree from Boise State University in 1998. She is employed by Pharmacia & Upjohn Pharmaceuticals in Corvallis, Ore.

Imes is a graduate of Central High School in La Crosse, Wis. He received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Wisconsin, Madison in 1994. He is assistant women's rowing coach for Oregon State University and is also on the coaching staff of the



Matthew Imes and Chellis Lloyd

U.S. National Rowing Team. The wedding is planned for Friday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church. A dinner reception will follow at the Turf Club in Twin Falls. The couple will reside in Corvallis, Ore.

NEWNEY-CHILD

RICHFIELD - David and Colleen Newey of Richfield announce the engagement of their daughter, DeeAnna Newey, to Farris Ray Child, son of Gary and Judy Child of Burley.

Newey is a 1996 graduate of Richfield High School and a 1998 graduate of Ricks College. She is attending Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

Child is a 1993 graduate of Burley High School and served in the Brazil Rio de Janeiro LDS Mission. He is attending Utah State University in Logan. The wedding is planned for Nov. 2 in the Logan LDS Temple.



Farris Child and DeeAnna Newey

A reception will be held from 7-9 p.m. Nov. 18 at the Unity LDS Ward in Burley. An open house will be held from 7-9 p.m. Nov. 25 at the Richfield LDS Ward.

BACKUS-ROMERO

TWIN FALLS - Sun and Tonya Backus of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Backus, to LeRoy Romero, son of LeRoy G. Romero of Twin Falls and LouAnn Malpass of Rocky Point, N.C.

Backus is a 1998 graduate of Twin Falls High School. She attended Boise State University and the Idaho School of Massage Therapy in Boise. She will continue her education at the Health Works Institute in Bozeman, Mont.

Romero is a 1996 graduate of Burley High School and attended BSU. He is employed at The Buckle in Bozeman.



Jennifer Backus and LeRoy Romero

The wedding is planned for Saturday at the Twin Falls Reformed Church with a reception following at the McFarland Building in Twin Falls.

WEDDING

HERNANDEZ-CEJA

RUPERT - Silvia Hernandez and Santiago Ceja were married Sept. 23 at St. Nicholas Church in Rupert.

Officiating was Rev. Henry Carmona. Music was performed by Familia de Cristo.

The bride is the daughter of Salvador and Maria Carmen Hernandez of Hansen.

Parents of the bridegroom are Augusto and Maria Ceja of San Pedro, Tacamrich, Mexico.

Myrna Gaxiola, friend of the bride, served as the bride's maid of honor.

Crystal Perez, niece of the bride, was the flower girl. Salvador Ceja served as best man.

Ofelio Hernandez, brother of the bride, was the ringbearer.

A reception was held following the ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Murtaugh High School. She is employed part-time at the Raft River Store.

The bridegroom attended high school in Michoacan, Mexico. He is employed at Webb Basin Dairy in Raft River.

The newlyweds reside in Raft River.

THE LEDBETTERS

KIMBERLY - Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Ledbetter of Kimberly celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their family on Oct. 7.

Ledbetter and Mildred Jenkins were married Oct. 11, 1950, in Clinton, Ark.

They moved to Idaho in February 1951 and have lived in Kimberly since that time.

He worked for several construction contractors before becoming a self-employed carpenter with his sons.

She worked for Dodd's Insurance and Dr. C.F. Worster.

They have three children, Gary (Ann) Ledbetter and Randy (Linda) Ledbetter, all of Kimberly, and Denny (Adrienne)



Mildred and Ruel Ledbetter

Ledbetter of Kennewick, Wash.

The couple has four grandchildren, one great-grandchild and several step great-grandchildren.

Friends may send cards to Box 562, Kimberly, ID 83341.



Robert and Maxine Iverson

THE IVERSONS

TWIN FALLS - Robert and Maxine Iverson of Twin Falls celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their two sons, Robert Johnson and Martin

Iverson and their families, at a gathering at the Iverson's home.

The couple was married Sept. 13, 1950, in Elko, Nev.

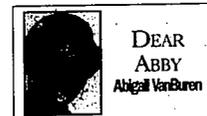
Marriage No. 12 awaits woman

DEAR ABBY: Is there any kind of legal limit or restriction on the number of times a person can be married and divorced?

I have three daughters, ages 30, 27 and 25. The oldest and youngest are both college graduates, have great careers and are still single. My middle daughter dropped out of high school when she was 16 to get married. We were opposed, but she was determined. "Lana" works as a waitress in a restaurant/bar. She has been married and divorced 11 times.

Lana and her newest boyfriend are going to get married. It has been only three months since she divorced her last husband. She has known this new boyfriend for only a few weeks. He is 38 years old and has a good business. This will be Lana's 12th marriage.

She says she wants all of our extended family to be invited, because it is her boyfriend's first wedding - and she claims it will be her last. (We've heard how many times before.) Her boyfriend is paying all the wedding expenses; however, neither I nor her sisters, who will have to travel a great distance, are eager to



DEAR ABBY

attend. I will - but I do not want to interrupt the lives of our extended family to have them attend another wedding that may end up in divorce sooner rather than later, as her 11 other marriages did. Your thoughts, please.P.S. During a wedding, when the preacher asks if there is anyone present who knows why this man and woman should not be united in holy matrimony, what does that mean? Is someone actually expected to stand up and object? I object, but I doubt it will do any good.

MOTHER OF THE "BRIDE" - **DEAR MOTHER:** Your daughter appears to be a super salesperson. It defies belief that someone with any degree of intelligence would marry a person with Lana's marital history after such a short engagement and no premarital counseling. There is either a suck-

er born every minute, or her fiancé is a terminal optimist.

Since your daughter's fiancé is paying for the wedding, they may invite whomever they wish. It's up to the relatives to decide whether or not to attend the 12th wedding. However, if they sent only their good wishes, I wouldn't blame them.

Unfortunately, there is no limit on the number of times a person can be married. Let's hope your daughter doesn't go for a baker's dozen.

To address the questions in your P.S.: Asking whether there is anyone present who knows why this man and woman should not be united in holy matrimony is a holdover from times when there were no phones, travel was difficult, and there was far less communication between communities than there has been in the last century. Its purpose was to reveal if there were any impediments to the union, such as the bride having been pledged to someone else, or the groom already being married.

Another impediment might be that they were close blood relatives. Today, no one is expected to voice an objection.

When to compromise - and when not to

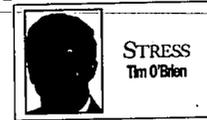
Compromise is a two-edged sword that can send good plans to hell. Political compromise is a result of it is often neutered, ineffectual laws that please and help no one. That observation, however, is consistent with the rest of this piece.

"He compromised his principles." We've heard it directed at someone who deviated from his or her normal code of ethics. He or she acted unethically to serve a purpose. Machiavelli openly espoused this behavior in his work, "The Prince." To him, the end you strive for justifies any means you use. These 5 "unational ethics have universal allure."

When looking at life in general, and specifically at our mental and physical health, situational ethics and compromise cause conflict and failure.

If you want to lose weight, you need a program that involves more calories burned than consumed. The foods eaten should be nutritious and a good balance of macro and micro nutrients. If you compromise your diet by eating foods not on your plan or in amounts greater than allowed, what happens? You either don't lose weight or, in many instances, you actually gain weight.

General medical consensus says that an effective exercise program entails four or more episodes of exercise of at least 30 minutes duration. What if you decided, since you didn't like to exercise at all, to compromise and exercise either four times weekly for 15 minutes, or two times weekly for 30 minutes? Would this compromise be better than nothing? Probably. Would it be as effective as four times for 30 minutes? No. Would it possibly be harmful? The twice-weekly-for-an-hour routine might be dangerous if the intensity of the



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hour is high.

If we compromise our morals or act hypocritically (which is a form of compromise), will we feel good about ourselves? Would this type of behavior enhance our sense of self-worth? If it did, there is probably a deeper, more serious psychological challenge that needs attention. When we act in ways that undermine our positive self-perception, problems follow.

In relationships, compromise is difficult. If two widely divergent opinions or points of view exist, compromise is seldom a good solution. Just like with politics, the forced blending of divergent viewpoints usually satisfies neither party.

In matters of principle, be certain of your position with no personal or moral code; then, be uncompromising. "What if the other person in the relationship believes the exact opposite that I believe?" That is possible, but not necessarily fatal. Again, there is more than one functional code of ethics that people can live by. Most of them overlap. However, there will be areas of apparent irreconcilable differences. Look at these areas honestly. Do they actually pose such a problem that the relationship can no longer work? Or are you upset because you think you are correct and can't see why the other person won't agree? Does his or her different stance threaten your sense of control, either over that person or the situation?

Compromise in small matters of little significance works. "Should we serve pumpernickel or rye?" Can't agree? Serve the swirled type of bread. That's an example where compromise even works better. Practice trying another person's idea rather than compromising. Also, stand firm on matters of principle, based on ethics, not ego. It isn't always easy or pleasant. However, it makes it easier to live with yourself knowing you followed Shakespeare's dictum: "It is above all, to your own self, be true."

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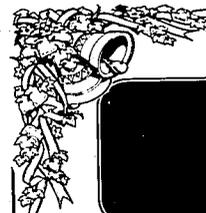
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FAMILY LIFE

Turner plans recital

The Times-News

BOISE — Soprano Rebecca Turner, formerly of Twin Falls, will perform her senior recital at 4 p.m. Oct. 21 in the Morrison Center Recital Hall at Boise State University.

Turner, the daughter of Revis and Denise Turner of Twin Falls, is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and the Golden Key National Honor Society. She sings with the BSU Meistersingers and is a member of MENC (music educators). She studies voice under Dr. Lynn Berg.

She was recently selected to sing in the Fall 2000 Dale Moore Vocal Workshop and in the Spring 2000 Power Performance Workshop with Shirlee Emmons and Alma Thomas.

She will also sing with the Meridian Symphony in November and December. She will also sing with the role of Marcelline in an excerpt of Beethoven's "Fidelio" in the BSU November Opera Theater Recital.

She won fourth place in the N.A.T.S. Vocal Competition in spring 1999 and third place in spring 2000. This year, she performed as the soprano soloist for the Magic Valley Chorale's production of Mendelssohn's "Elijah" in Twin Falls and played the lead role of Susanna in the BSU Music Department production of Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro." This summer, she portrayed the role of Hodel in the Music Theater of Idaho's "Fiddler on the Roof."

Turner graduated from Twin Falls High School as a co-valedictorian in 1995. She sang with the Madrigals and Chamber Singers and studied voice under Richard Smack and Camille Cox. She studied piano under Phyllis Van Nest. The recital is for the general public, and admission is free. Call 426-3980 for more information.

Author signs novel at Waldenbooks

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Bestselling author Richard Paul Evans will sign copies of his new novel, "The Caracasa," at Waldenbooks in the Magic Valley Mall on Wednesday.

Evans, a Utah resident who sold millions of copies of his "Christmas Box" trilogy, will be on hand from noon to 2 p.m. at Waldenbooks.

Buhl Arts Council receives two grants

The Times-News

BUHL — The Buhl Arts Council has recently received two grants from the Idaho Commission on the Arts.

The first grant is from the "Arts in Rural Towns" program which encourages the creation and growth of local arts councils in Idaho's rural communities. The funding, which will provide support for performances, residencies and exhibits, will be applied towards the arts council's winter performing arts events.

The second grant, in support of arts programs for creative alternatives for youth, is from the arts commission with funds from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Idaho Legislature. The funds will be used to develop the Eighth Street Center Art Projects Extreme program. On Wednesday afternoons, 15 students from Buhl High School will attend art classes instructed by artists and art educators. Five different programs will be held throughout the year.

LAMPHOUSE THEATRE

THE CUP 4:30 7:00 9:15 PM



Photo courtesy: Collection of the Magic Valley

Roger Vincent played Emile DeBeque in the Dilettantes' 1965 production of 'South Pacific.' At left is Margaret Mead, who played Ngana DeBeque, and at right is Kim Brumbaugh, who was Jerome DeBeque.

Dilettantes head to 'South Pacific'

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Dilettante Group of the Magic Valley has chosen Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein's "South Pacific" as their 43rd annual musical production.

Auditions are scheduled Oct. 22 from 3-9 p.m. and on Oct. 23 from 5-9 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran School.

The production is scheduled for next March. Everyone is welcome to try out for a part and should come prepared to sing a song. An accompanist will be provided. The musical will be directed by Lori Henson and choreographed by Heather Hacking. Sharon Warner will be the musical director.

For further information, call Henson at 736-7136.

Junior Club slates Millennium Sculpture Gala Saturday night

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Junior Club of Twin Falls will sponsor a Millennium Sculpture Gala Saturday night at the Magic Valley Arts Council office.

The event is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Mr. D.J. will provide dance music. Guests will be invited to a carriage ride to the sculpture sites.

A light dinner will be served.

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Jump Co. looks for director, choreographer, musical director

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TWIN FALLS — The Junior Musical Playhouse, a children's theater group, is seeking a director, a choreographer and a musical director for the production of "On Time."

Student auditions will be held in December and rehearsals will be in January and February. The performances are set for March 2 and 3. Those interested can send resumes to JUMP Co., P.O. Box 1030, Twin Falls 83303-1030. Applications will be accepted through Oct. 30.

Planning a Halloween event? Let us know

The Times-News will publish its annual Halloween event roundup in Friday's Weekend section, a comprehensive list of all the interesting and fright night festivities in south-central Idaho during the last 10 days in October.

If you'd like your event included, mail, fax or e-mail it to us by Thursday noon. The address is Features Department, The Times-News, P.O. Box 549, Twin Falls 83303, the fax number is 734-6538, and the e-mail address is crump@magvalley.com

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Kiwanis holds OktoberFest Wednesday

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TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Kiwanis plan their third annual OktoberFest on Wednesday.

The event is a fund-raiser for local children's programs and scholarships.

German cuisine will be served from 4:30-9 p.m. at the Turf Club, with music by an ompa band. Dinner will cost \$6 for seniors, \$7 for adults and \$25 for families. Beer will be available for \$1 a glass.

Proceeds go to help support the Hershey Track Meet, Reading is Fundamental, a wrestling tournament, a youth football team, scholarships and support for the Twin Falls and Kimberly high school Key Clubs.

The Kiwanians also take underprivileged youngsters to a College of Southern Idaho basketball game. For further information, call Mark Meini at 736-4276 or 733-6760.

The Turf Club is located at 734 Falls Ave.



The New Frankie Goes To Hollywood featuring Davey Johnson plays Tuesday night at The Ballroom.

Frankie plays dance party

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The New Frankie Goes to Hollywood Featuring Davey Johnson, the reincarnation of a high-profile British musical group of the mid-1980s, will play an '80s Retro Dance Party Tuesday night at The Ballroom.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m. DJ Kurt Krueiser will supply the music from 8-10 p.m., when Frankie will take the stage.

Frankie Goes to Hollywood borrowed heavily from the British INRG movement pop sensibility and production and a wildly suc-

cessful marketing campaign. Their sexually suggestive debut single, "Relax," was banned by the BBC — along with an accompanying video. The record shot to the top of the British charts, where it remained for five weeks. "Relax" reached No. 10 on the Billboard charts in the United States in 1985. Tickets for Tuesday's party are \$12 in advance at the Music Exchange and \$15 at the door. The event is sponsored by The Ballroom and by Mama Inez. The Ballroom is located at 205 Shoshone St. N.

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Now In It's 11th Week! Keanu Reeves Gene Hackman

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