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Clinton expands Craters of Moon

National monument grows by 661,000 acres

By N.S. Nolkentved Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — President Clinton Thursday signed a proclamation expanding Craters of the Moon National Monument by 661,000 acres. "Today I am pleased to sign proclamations extending greater protection to two irreplaceable pieces of America's natural and cultural heritage, the Vermilion

Cliffs in northern Arizona and the Craters of the Moon in central Idaho," Clinton said in a prepared statement. The proclamation adds 661,000 acres of volcanic craters, cones, lava flows, caves and fissures of the 65-mile-long Great Rift, a geological feature comparable to the rift zones of Iceland and Hawaii. President Coolidge created the existing 54,440-acre Craters of

the Moon in 1924. With Thursday's action, nearly 1 million acres of unique natural and historic resources already in public ownership are fully protected, Clinton said. Reaction to the news broke along partisan lines. "The area deserves that kind of federal designation and that kind of acknowledgment," said former U.S. Rep. Richard Stallings, now of Pocatello, a

New Colorado wilderness

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Democrat who introduced unsuccessful legislation in 1989 to expand the monument. Sen. Larry Craig's office was not surprised by the announcement late Thursday, spokesman Mike Tracy said. Nor was Tracy surprised that the White House didn't notify Craig, R-Idaho, or his office. "Most of our input was ignored

anyway," Tracy said. Despite three public meetings held in Idaho by Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, the administration paid only lip service to the public process, Tracy said. Babbitt in August recommended expanding Craters of the Moon to Clinton. Thursday's proclamation was made under the 1906 Antiquities Act, in which Congress gave the president the authority to establish monuments on federal land to protect objects of scientific interest. Please see CRATERS, Page A5

Bush's lead shrinks

Gore camp asks for help from courts

The Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — George W. Bush's lead over Al Gore in crucial Florida shrank to fewer than 300 votes by unofficial count Thursday with allegations of irregularities swirling and ballots from overseas residents still to be counted. Recount results from 66 of the state's 67 counties gave Republican Bush a lead of 229 votes out of nearly 6 million cast, according to an unofficial tally by The Associated Press. The original "final" margin had been reported at 1,784.

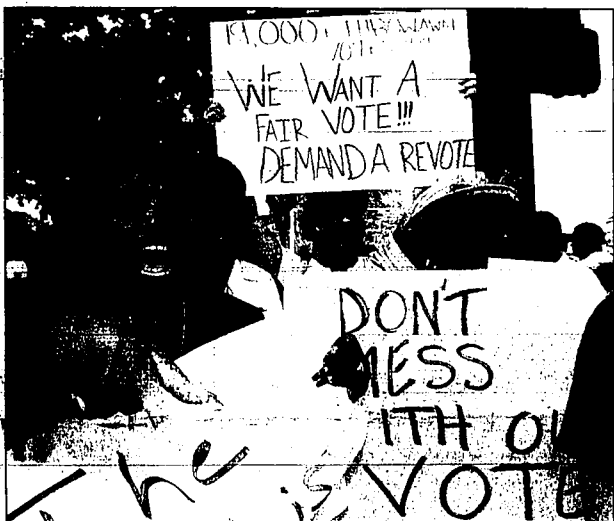
AP called each county election official to get the final recount total for each candidate in their counties.

The official recount lagged behind, and Secretary of State Katherine Harris told an early evening news conference that it could be as late as next Tuesday — a week after the election — before the state has certified ballot results from all 67 counties. She also pointed out that it would take even longer — at least until Nov. 17 — to tabulate ballots cast by thousands of "borderlands" overseas and postmarked by Election Day.

Harris said Bush had 2,909,661 votes to 2,907,877 for Gore, a difference of 1,784. This was the same margin the state reported Wednesday morning, and her office said it might have been a coincidence. "Sure that's a possibility," Harris chief of staff Ben McKay said. "Will these numbers be looked again? Of course."

One election board member, Agriculture Commissioner Bob Crawford, defended the pace of the recount. "Nobody ever said that democracy was simple or efficient," he said. "But this is democracy in

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Supporters of Democratic presidential candidate Vice President Al Gore chant anti-Bush slogans Thursday in West Palm Beach, Fla. Many of them have demanded a revote.

Florida's secretary of state said the state may not certify ballot results from all 67 counties until Tuesday. Tabulating votes from overseas Floridians could take until Nov. 17. Eight lawsuits have been filed to challenge the Florida results, though one has been withdrawn. Two cases in Tallahassee allege racial discrimination. Suits by Palm Beach County voters say a confusing ballot caused Gore supporters to vote for Pat Buchanan. More than 19,000 ballots



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Where things stand

were not counted because they were punched twice. The Gore camp wants a more thorough follow-up recount in four Florida counties, and perhaps a new election in the Palm Beach area. Nearly 48 hours after the polls closed, Bush had won 29 states for 246 electoral votes. Gore had won 18 states plus the District of Columbia for 255. New Mexico and Oregon were too close to call. It takes 270 to win. Hedging their bets, Bush officials were scrutinizing close vote states

other than Florida for possible recounts. High on the list were Iowa and Wisconsin, with a combined 18 electoral votes. With a few precincts still unreported, the national popular vote stood at 49,059,936 votes for Gore, 48,859,335 for Bush. With just 201,601 votes separating them, it's the tightest election since 1960, when John F. Kennedy defeated Richard Nixon by 118,574 votes. Attorney General Janet Reno said she saw no reason for federal authorities to intervene. On Wall Street, stocks plunged when investors realized there might be no quick resolution.

Data raises concerns about accidental nuke reaction

Information comes from INEEL probes

By N.S. Nolkentved Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Data gathered from a radioactive waste disposal pit in eastern Idaho suggests that

some barrels might contain enough plutonium to sustain a spontaneous nuclear reaction — but not trigger an explosion. The data comes from probes into plutonium-contaminated waste buried in the controversial Pit 9 at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.



"We do have concerns," said Wayne Pierre of the Seattle office of the Environmental Protection Agency, the agency's project manager for INEEL cleanup. INEEL officials are confident that the plutonium is spread out throughout the waste and doesn't present a risk of starting a spontaneous, uncontrolled nuclear

reaction — known as a criticality. "We just don't see a criticality as a credible event," INEEL spokesman Nick Nichols said Thursday. But that assertion is based on data from electronic probes sunk into Pit 9. That data is open to interpretation, Pierre said. Please see INEEL, Page A2

Kempthorne targets math, science for Idaho students

The Associated Press

BOISE — Reaffirming his overriding commitment to education, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on Thursday signaled that he is formulating an initiative in mathematics and science similar to the one launched 16 months ago in reading.



"I will continue to seek the resources I think are necessary for our public schools so we can keep moving forward."

— Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne

es in January "will not be status quo." He has previously said he intends to invest a significant portion of the record \$280 million state surplus in education and other high-profile programs. "I will continue to seek the resources I think are necessary for our public schools so we can

keep moving forward," the governor promised the local school board members. "Education is a priority." He declined to provide any specifics about the math initiative. "I'm still working on it," Kempthorne said. "I don't know what the final outcome will be." But he left the impression that it could be similar to the \$4 million reading initiative approved by the 1999 Legislature. It established teacher education and certification requirements, set standards and mandated semiannual evaluations of kindergarten

Park plans hit snag

By John T. Huddy Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A city skate park project could be hung up, after construction bids came in higher than city leaders expected Thursday.

"We're in trouble," City Engineer Gary Young said. City officials and skateboard organization members were hoping to have the park ready by the summer of 2001.

Both bids for the project — \$172,556 and \$180,650 — exceeded the \$135,000 city leaders and members of the Magic Valley Skateboarders' Association had hoped to pay for. The 10,000-square-foot concrete skate park Monday to discuss a new skate park in the city.

What's next?

Members of the Skateboarders' Association and city leaders will meet Monday to discuss a new skate park in the city.

neering fees and donated materials such as rebar and steel. And the bids do not include in-kind donations.

The city agreed to put in \$90,000, if the Magic Valley Skateboarders' Association could match it. The organization has raised about \$94,000 in cash and in-kind donations.

It was unclear Thursday how much cash the skateboarders' association has raised. Association members Thursday referred questions about cash donations to members Kate Lopez and John Pohlman, who could not be reached for comment Thursday.

If the skateboarders' association does not have the cash on hand to pay for the project, two things could happen. The skate park plans could get scrapped, or city leaders could seek another set of bids.

About \$2,000 has been spent on architectural fees for the project's design, said Dennis Bowyer, the city's parks and recreation department superintendent. The city picked up \$11,000, while the skateboarders' association footed the rest.

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FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

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Idaho Extremes Yesterday:
 High 51°
 Low 11°
 Snowfall 1.1"
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High/Low: 35/24°
Normal high/low: 51/22°
Record high/low: 85° in 1967 / 15° in 1993

Record low: 15° in 1993

24 hours ending 8 p.m. yesterday:
 Month to date: 0.12"
 Normal month to date: 0.36"
 Year to date: 2.27"
 Normal year to date: 6.51"

Humidity: 75%

Barometric Pressure: Yesterday at 8 p.m.: 29.71 in.

Pollen yesterday in Twin Falls:
 Grass: Absent
 Weeds: Absent
 Trees: Absent
 Mold: Absent

Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

Shown in black: weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Cold with occasional sun; a few flurries.	Cold with some clouds; a stray flurry.	Partly sunny and cold; a stray snow flurry.	Partly sunny and cold.	Partly sunny.	A mixture of clouds and sunshine.
▲ 36°	▼ 20°	▲ 38° ▼ 20°	▲ 38° ▼ 18°	▲ 40° ▼ 22°	▲ 40° ▼ 22°

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Cold again today with clouds, breaks of sunshine and a few snow showers. Cold tonight with patchy clouds and a couple of snow showers. Partly sunny and cold tomorrow; a snow flurry in spots.

Boise: Cold again today with clouds and peeks of sunshine; also a couple of snow showers in the area. Partly cloudy and cold tonight and tomorrow with a few stray snow flurries.

Northern Nevada: A large upper-level trough will keep it cold across northern Nevada today with clouds, some sunshine and a couple of random snow showers. Partly cloudy and cold tonight with snow shower in a few spots.

Northern Utah: Brisk and cold across northern Utah today; a few snow showers in the west with occasional sun, while accumulating snow continues to fall across the mountains of the east. Snow showers tonight, mainly east.

Northern Idaho: Cold to partly sunny, brisk and cold today; a few snow showers, mainly across mountains. Partly cloudy and cold tonight with a snow shower in a few spots. A stray snow shower tomorrow; still cold.

NATIONAL EXTREMES

High 86° in Opa Locka, FL Low -10° in Tarry, MT

NATIONAL WEATHER

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

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today			Sat.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Boise	38	22	af	38	22	pc
Bonnerville	29	15	pc	31	18	pc
Burley	35	21	af	37	18	pc
Coeur d'Alene	40	28	pc	32	20	s
Eugene, OR	48	38	pc	44	28	s
Grangeville	38	24	pc	32	18	pc
Hagerman	34	21	af	35	17	pc
Idaho Falls	29	14	af	29	13	pc
Kalispell, MT	24	9	af	27	10	pc
Lewiston	36	24	pc	38	20	pc
Malden	31	19	af	29	9	af
Mila	11	6	pc	22	7	pc

bobcat
Barry equipment

Latest cancer drug might not help some

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — Eagerly awaited test results on a much-publicized new cancer drug designed to stop tumors by cutting off their blood supply indicate the medication is safe and show promising signs it may help control the disease.

However, the results released Thursday suggest the drug endostatin is unlikely to be the kind of across-the-board cancer cure that many had hoped for.

The drug was tested on terminally ill cancer patients largely to assess its safety.

While dramatic recoveries have so far been seen among the 61 patients studied.

"Some patients benefited, but many did not," said one of the chief investigators, Dr. Roy Herbst, an assistant professor of medicine at the M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

"These patients were very

sick. Most of their tumors are going to grow no matter what you do."

The best results were seen in a 59-year-old man with cancer in his jaw. His tumor shrank by 62 percent in eight weeks.

A tumor in the pancreas of another patient shrank by 19 percent after he had been taking the drug for a year.

In five other cases, the disease remained stable, with the tumor neither progressing nor shrinking.

Despite the lack of cures, the testing provided some evidence the drug may cut off a tumor's blood supply, as intended, offering hope the approach could work better in patients who are less desperately ill.

Blood flow through the tumors became less robust and chemicals involved in blood vessel creation diminished as patients were given increasingly higher doses of endostatin.

Bush

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action." He said anyone wanting simplicity should look to the south, to Cuba, a reference to the dictatorship of Fidel Castro.

The Gore campaign criticized the ballots in use in Palm Beach County as confusing, and asked for a hand count of votes cast there and in three other counties. Palm Beach County agreed to hand-count ballots in three precincts on Saturday.

In the meantime a circuit judge issued a preliminary injunction barring the canvassing commission in the county from certifying the final recount results until a hearing is held Tuesday.

That was in response to a legal challenge filed with the support of Democrats who say a poor ballot design in the county led some Gore supporters to inadvertently mark their ballots for Pat Buchanan.

The court order said the ballot was designed and printed in such a way that voters were deprived of their right to freely express their will.

"We expect legal challenges," said Clay Roberts of the Department of Elections, refusing

A Bush supporter displayed this sign as a rebuttal to some voters in West Palm Beach, Fla., who are upset over the design of a ballot used in Tuesday's election.

to comment further.

Harris said that those 53 of Florida's 67 counties have forwarded recount materials to the state. She said the board count was behind the AP tally because the board is only reporting "those that are unofficially certified."

It was unclear how many ballots from Floridians living overseas were still uncounted — in fact still

unreceived. An informal survey of 28 of the 67 election supervisors found that they had mailed just over 7,000, that a little less than half had been returned and no information was available on how many had been counted. That tally did not include some of the state's largest counties, including Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach.

In addition, a partial recount-by-hand in Palm Beach County, the board in Broward County arranged a meeting for Friday to discuss the Gore campaign's request for a manual recount there.

With the outcome of the presidential race in the balance, allegations on both sides were becoming increasingly heated.

Gore campaign manager William Daley said courts may find the Florida result "an injustice unparalleled in our history."

Bush chairman Don Evans countered, "The Democrats who are politicizing and distorting these events risk doing so at the expense of our democracy."

More than a thousand Gore supporters demonstrated outside a government building in downtown West Palm Beach, demanding another election in the county. They said the confusing configuration of their ballot had cost the vice president votes.

"Gore got more," they chanted.

The Gore campaign contended the ballots in Palm Beach County were illegal. Reform Party candidate Buchanan said "inequity"

in ballot design may have caused many Democrats to vote for him inadvertently.

James A. Baker III, the former secretary of state brought in by Bush to represent his interests in Florida, said, "That ballot was posted, as required by Florida law, in newspapers and public places all over the state of Florida. And we haven't heard one gripe about that ballot until after the voting took place."

Across the state, other allegations of voting improprieties ranged from missing ballots to problems with tabulations and intimidation of black voters. The Gore campaign requested that some 1.78 million ballots be hand-counted in Palm Beach, Volusia, Broward and Miami-Dade counties.

Eight lawsuits challenging the results were filed in state or federal court, including six in Palm Beach County and two in Tallahassee, where race discrimination was alleged.

The first case to reach a judge was dropped by the plaintiff in federal court in West Palm Beach.

In one of the other cases, Palm Beach voter Kenneth Horowitz, owner of the Miami Fusion soccer team and a registered independent, filed a lawsuit along with two other people. The suit contended poll workers told voters they had only five minutes to cast their ballots and anyone who took longer would have his ballot tossed out.

INEEL

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Energy Department assertions about the waste are based on supposition, not on physical data, and the department has been reluctant to take actual physical samples, he said.

Nichols said INEEL officials have looked at the EPA's report on the issue, and are confident their ongoing investigation will bear out the assertion that a critically ill man died.

The one-acre pit was used from 1967 to 1969 for disposal of waste from the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons factory in Colorado. Most of the waste consists of barrels of organic solvents contaminated with plutonium. Experts estimate the pit contains 250,000 cubic feet of waste and contaminated soil that need to be treated.

A former INEEL subcontractor was fired over a failed attempt to demonstrate the cleanup of buried waste at Pit 9.

The Energy Department took over the site in 1998. As part of that ongoing effort, 20 electronic probes were sunk into the pit.

The data suggests some barrels buried could contain 20 grams of plutonium and some higher than 1,000 grams, or a kilogram, Pierre said.

The possibility of a spontaneous uncontrolled nuclear reaction becomes a regulatory concern when a barrel of waste contains 267 grams of plutonium.

But in addition to the right amount of plutonium in a small area, sufficient water also is necessary to start a nuclear reaction, said Jerry Paulson, director of criticality safety at the INEEL.

Water concentrates a nuclear reaction and increases its effectiveness. Without the water, small amounts of plutonium are not likely to sustain a nuclear reaction, Paulson said.

If reaction were to start, it would emit a lot of heat, possibly set other buried waste on fire, but the heat also would boil off any water, thus stopping the runaway reaction.

The soil over the buried waste forms a barrier to most radioactive materials that would be released in an accidental reaction. Some radioactive gases might seep through the soil. But the distance of INEEL from populated areas would give a safety barrier, Paulson said.

During a critically accident at INEEL in 1978, radiation levels were barely above detection levels at the INEEL boundaries, he said.

Historical data suggests the amount of plutonium in the waste dumped in pits and trenches at INEEL between 1967 and 1970 could be higher than first expected. A report released by the Energy Department this summer showed that the amount of plutonium in buried waste could be up to 10 times higher than earlier estimates.

Since public outcry halted the burial of plutonium-contaminated waste in 1970, waste from Rocky Flats was stored above the ground. The federal government has been working to try to ship that waste to a disposal site in New Mexico. This site will not store the INEEL buried waste.

More than 2 million cubic feet of the plutonium-contaminated waste lies in rusting barrels and cardboard boxes buried in pits and trenches 50 feet above the Snake River Plain Aquifer, which supplies drinking and irrigated water to more than 200,000 people in southern Idaho.

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Clouds drift over the Spanish peaks near La Veta, Colo., in this April file photo. President Clinton signed legislation creating an 18,000-acre wilderness area on Tuesday that includes the Spanish Peaks, which rise more than 13,000 feet.

Clinton signs wilderness designation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two volcanic peaks that rise abruptly from the plains in southern Colorado are now the state's newest wilderness area.

President Clinton on Tuesday signed legislation creating an 18,000-acre wilderness area containing the Spanish Peaks near La Veta, Colo., which rise more than 13,000 feet to become the Rocky Mountains' easternmost promontory. The designation bans mining, logging and building in the area, reserving the peaks for hiking, camping and similar uses.

"Now that President Clinton has signed this important bill into

law, we are assured that the beauty and splendor of the Spanish Peaks will be protected for future generations to come," said Sen. Wayne Allard, R-Colo., a backer of the wilderness plan.

The Spanish Peaks area becomes the first new wilderness in Colorado since 1953. The U.S. Forest Service first proposed the peaks as wilderness in 1979, and Rep. Scott McInnis, R-Colo., first introduced a Spanish Peaks wilderness bill six years ago.

Republicans like McInnis and Allard have opposed other restrictions on federal land use but supported the Spanish Peaks wilder-

ness as a way to preserve a dramatic area and boost tourism in the region.

The protected area, in San Isabel National Forest, would surround East and West Spanish Peaks. The area includes more than 250 freestanding volcanic dikes that extend as much as 14 miles from the mountains.

The wilderness proposal had been stalled as commercial interests objected to bans on timber cutting and mining and environmental groups worried about exempting a rugged mountain road from the wilderness restrictions.

White House celebrates 200th birthday

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the nation awaited word on its next chief executive, three former presidents were joining President Clinton at the White House on Thursday night to celebrate the mansion's two centuries as a symbol of leadership and continuity.

The formal dinner honors the building's history and the 40 presidents who have lived there, but much of the attention was focused on three of its recent occupants.

Hillary Rodham Clinton, New York's senator-elect and the only first lady to win high elected office. She used the occasion to show off a new, 300-page setting of Lenox china, the first to feature the White House itself in the center of a gold-edged plate.

George and Barbara Bush, who have a keen family interest in the outcome of the still unsettled 2000 presidential election. Their eldest son, Texas Gov. George W. Bush, and Vice President Al Gore, are locked in an unpredictable Florida recount for the final votes needed to decide the next White House tenant.

Other honored dinner guests include former President Gerald R. Ford and his wife, Betty, former President Jimmy Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, and former first lady Lady Bird Johnson. Of the nation's living former presidents, only Ronald Reagan, afflicted with Alzheimer's disease, was unable to attend.

Study: Some women can put off Pap smears

ATLANTA (AP) — Women who have normal Pap smear exams may be able to safely wait up to three years between follow-up screenings instead of having them annually, the government reported Thursday.

A study showed that such women run a very low risk of cervical cancer whether they wait nine months or three years between Pap tests, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said. The study involved 128,805 women.

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists recommends annual screenings for most women, while the American Cancer Society says less frequent tests are OK for women with three consecutive normal Pap tests.

Women should talk with their doctors before deciding to wait longer between screenings, said Dr. George Sawaya, the study's main author and a gynecologist who teaches at the University of California at San Francisco.

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NATION

Private education vouchers flunk yet another test of public support

WASHINGTON (AP) — Stagnant test scores, schoolyard violence, frustrated parents.

Yet the nation's public schools still aren't bad enough for American voters to approve paying their tax dollars for private tuitions, even after 30 years of attempts. Voters in Michigan and California proved it again this week.

"By and large, it's the weakest link of society we have to help," said John Hangartner, a 68-year-old retiree in Livonia, Mich., after his vote Tuesday for pro-voucher Bush and against financing \$3,300 vouchers for pupils in the state's least-successful public schools. "Vouchers aren't going to help them."

The well-financed Michigan measure was soundly defeated by a 2-1 margin. California's sweeping plan to provide any child, rich or poor, with a \$4,000 voucher got just 30 percent of the vote, despite a \$30 million-plus campaign led by Silicon Valley venture capitalist Tim Draper.

Government funds or tax credits for private education have appeared on statewide ballots 10 times in recent years. Voters have rejected every one. A handful of programs, in Wisconsin, Ohio and Florida, were created by legislators, not the electorate.

"The thorough thrashing of vouchers in California and Michigan should be a death knell to a bad idea," declared Bob Chase, president of the 2.5



Lillie Campbell of the Association of California School Administrators hugs California Teachers Association President Wayne Johnson during a 'No on Proposition 38' victory party in a downtown Los Angeles hotel Tuesday. Proposition 38, which would give parents \$4,000 in state money per child to help pay for private school tuition, failed despite a \$30 million-plus 'yes' campaign.

million-teacher National Education Association, which spent \$7.2 million fighting vouchers.

This year's infusion of cash aside, the classic rivalry remains between status quo education groups like teachers' unions and education reformers with a conservative bent. With voucher programs still alive despite court

battles, neither side is ready to back down.

"More than a third of the population is shouting school vouchers," Draper said Tuesday night as defeat of his California Proposition 38 became apparent. "This is decades of bureaucracy that's been built up. It was unlikely we would be able to vaporize it in one fell swoop."

Oregon, New Mexico results remain undecided

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Even as all eyes remained on Florida, ballot counters in Oregon and New Mexico were also working to establish which presidential candidate won in their states.

Vice President Al Gore held a slender lead over Texas Gov. George W. Bush in both states with counting unfinished, but victories for either candidate would be largely symbolic

because the states together have only a dozen electoral votes.

Bush needs 24 electoral votes to reach the required 270, and Gore needs 15, so neither Oregon, with 7 votes, or New Mexico, with 5, would decide the outcome. Whoever wins Florida's 25 votes will move into the White House next January.

Because of a last-minute rush of ballots, final unofficial results in Oregon's nationally unique

all-mail vote weren't available until late Thursday, at the earliest. In New Mexico, the problem was technical glitches.

With 96 percent of the vote counted in Oregon, Gore had 662,155 votes, or 47 percent, to Bush's 658,123 votes, also 47 percent. Green Party contender Ralph Nader, viewed as a spoiler to Gore's chances of winning Oregon, drew 63,284 votes, or 5 percent.

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Constitutional confrontation looms

By Walter R. Mears
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Step by incredible step, the overtime struggle for the presidency is inching toward the constitutional confrontation both sides declare they do not want. But stopping short of one will become increasingly difficult should the struggle go to court as the Democrats intend.

The rhetoric is hardening, by proxy now as Gov. George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore wait for the verdict the voters did not clearly deliver. The Florida recount probably won't suffice, with the Gore campaign planning to wait at least until Nov. 17, the deadline for counting of overseas absentee ballots mailed back to Florida.

"We don't think we're on the edge of a constitutional crisis and we don't intend to try and provoke a constitutional crisis," said Warren Christopher, the former secretary of state representing Gore in the Florida recount.

James A. Baker III, also a former secretary of state, there for Bush, said the impasse should be settled without delay. He said it is "important that we complete this, because the presidential election, of course, is on hold, and that affects the position of the United States in a number of ways, particularly internationally."

Christopher called that a self-serving myth. "The presidency goes on until Jan. 20 in a vigorous way and none of our allies are in any doubt as to who's in charge of the government until Jan. 20," President Clinton is.

The two former diplomats were not sounding very diplomatic Thursday in the tense standoff over the 25 Florida electoral votes that will award the White House.

For the present, the uncertainty is unsettling, but no crisis. The stock market dropped sharply on Thursday, perhaps because of it, but then largely bounced back.

"We do not want delay," said William Daley, Gore's campaign chairman. "What we want, however, is democracy fulfilled."

He said that means Gore. The Republicans say it means Bush. "Neither party is going to yield to anything short of decisive numbers, and getting to them will be a challenge. Bush's Florida edge had dwindled to only about 350

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votes out of nearly 6 million cast as the recounting continued Thursday.

But if it vanishes, the Republicans surely would raise their own challenges. Daley said the Gore campaign already is working "in support of legal actions" in Florida focusing on what they insist was a flawed and illegal ballot in Palm Beach County that led to invalidation of the votes of about 19,000 people there. He said the confusing ballot also led many voters to punch in votes for Pat Buchanan when they were trying to vote for Gore, and contended that cost the vice president about 2,000 votes.

"I would assume the courts will take a serious look at what may be an injustice unparalleled in our history," Daley said.

Once begun, a court struggle would mean appeals by the losing side, and the process could escalate to the Supreme Court. That would engage the judicial branch at the center of a case to settle who would head the executive branch.

Even then, the point of real crisis wouldn't come until Inauguration Day, when Clinton is out at noon, Jan. 20, 2001, and a new president must be in. There is no reasonable way this impasse can take that long, especially given the fact that all parties know the deadline. But reason has not prevailed yet.

Daley said it should be resolved well before then. Baker said it should be resolved now. "They put a demand for finality ahead of the pursuit of fairness," Daley said.

But there are Democratic and Republican versions of fairness. Daley said the Democrats were collecting accounts of other irregularities in Florida, and were demanding a hand count of ballots in four counties.

In Iowa, where Bush lost by fewer than 5,000 votes, Republicans were considering seeking a recount. Spokesman Ari Fleischer said they might also seek a recount in Wisconsin, Gore's by just over 6,000 votes.

Not since 1876 had a presidential election been so contested after the votes were cast. Republican Rutherford B. Hayes won that only after an electoral commission set up by Congress

and tilted his political way—awarded him the White House by one electoral vote. Democrat Samuel Tilden was counted out in three disputed Southern states—one of them Florida, where a Republican election board overturned his narrow lead.

All that was settled only two days before what was then Inauguration Day, March 4.

Hayes was one of the three presidents who lost the popular vote but won in the Electoral College. It last happened in 1888. This time, Gore was leading the popular vote by just over 200,000 out of more than 100 million ballots cast Tuesday.

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and historic interest. Craig and Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, opposed the designation. They criticized Babbitt's process and called the recommendation a top-down decision.

The idea of expanding Craters of the Moon to include the 62-mile string of volcanic features of the Great Rift is not new, and it was not Babbitt's own.

The current proposal to expand Craters came from residents in Burley, Arco and Carey, who took their idea to Stallings in the 1980s. That proposal would have included almost twice as much land as the current proposal.

At the urging of former Govs. John Evans and Cecil Andrus, Babbitt rekindled Stallings' proposal and recommended the expansion to Clinton.

On three visits to Idaho this summer, Babbitt met with geologists, local ranchers and elected officials, and staff from the Idaho congressional delegation. Three public meetings were conducted in nearby communities.

Some ranchers opposed the designation, while others helped Babbitt set the boundaries.

Under the expansion, the National Park Service will manage the most recent exposed lava flows, about 410,512 acres. The Bureau of Land Management would continue to manage grasslands within the expansion historically used for grazing, about 250,775 acres.

The BLM's lands would be managed to protect the geological and other features for which the monument has been created. Currently permitted livestock grazing, hunting, fishing and other activities would continue.

The expansion would not affect private property within the boundaries, or any existing rights such as water rights or access.

Environmentalists lauded the expansion. But Clinton has come under intense criticism from Western lawmakers for his use of the Antiquities Act. Clinton has used the act to put more than a million acres in Arizona and California under national

monument protection this year.

Four years ago, the Clinton administration drew criticism for using the act to preserve 3.9 million acres in southern Utah as the Grand Staircase-Escalante federal monument.

Today, more than 100 monuments in 24 states and the Virgin Islands cover about 70 million acres. In the lower 48 states, Clinton has put more land into national monuments than any other president, including Teddy Roosevelt, the first to use the act.

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EDITORIAL

Don't let the election turn on malfeasance

Bill Clinton never let ethics interfere, with getting elected, which is why America should remain vigilant lest he manipulate the system to win election for his loyal No. 2, Al Gore.

The stage is set for malfeasance in Florida, and the ballot recount is a backdrop for the *sub rosa* machinations of political power. The Sunshine State is already clouded with Democratic complaints about voter confusion and 19,000 disqualified ballots. Then there are the Rev. Jesse Jackson, and Kwesi Mfume, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, who are alleging voter intimidation. When those two show up, watch out, folks.

Worse still, a scrum of liberal lawyers is about to take the field. Gore's Republican rival, George W. Bush, had better watch the football carefully. By the same token, it's worth noting that Bush's younger brother, Jeb, is the governor of Florida. He wields considerable power in the state where George W. Bush's presidential ambitions hang in the balance. Their father is an ex-president and former CIA director. The Bush clan can flex a lot of

political muscle. But members of the Bush family have conducted their public lives with unimpeachable ethical rigor. That's something the Clintons can't claim, or even hint at. Their tawdry list of lies and obfuscations is long. Conjuring up a few thousand votes for Al isn't such a far-fetched idea.

Nor is it without precedent. In the tight 1960 presidential election between Richard Nixon and John F.

Kennedy, Chicago Mayor Richard Daley's political alliance with a Chicago Democratic voter from people who were, in fact, dead.

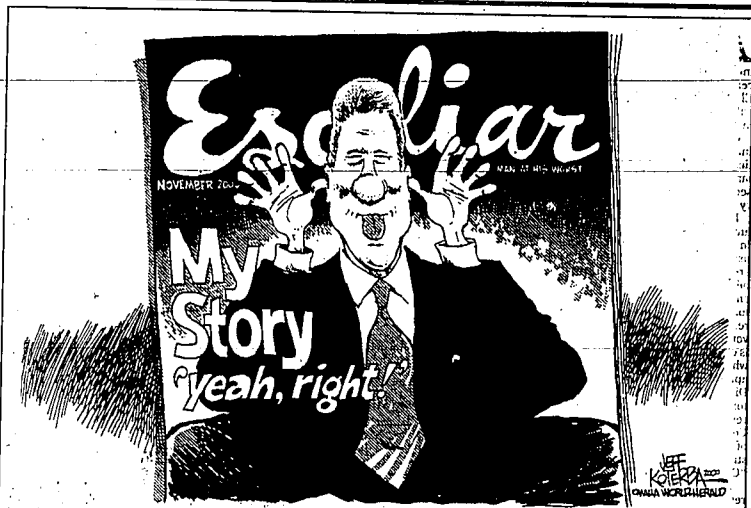
And now Richard Daley's son is Gore's campaign manager. Hmmm. Did the apple fall close to the tree?

Now that Bush appears to be the man to beat in Florida, the opportunity is there for the other side to hijack the outcome. Beyond the realm of possibility? Hardly. Remember, this is a candidate who conveniently "forgot" that he attended a fund-raiser at a Buddhist monastery.

Al Gore, as has been said many times this fall, would do anything to become president. Just about anything. Be vigilant, America.

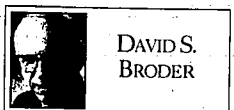


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Time for partisan wounds to heal

On Thursday, while the nation still awaited the results of the bitterly contested presidential race, Gov. Tom Carper of Delaware, a Democrat, climbed into a carriage with the Republican senator he had defeated in Tuesday's voting, William Roth, for the "Return Day" ceremonies in Georgetown, Del. At the end of the day, the rival party chairmen literally buried a hatchet in a box of sand. All of them were honoring a tradition that goes back two centuries. But they were also invoking a spirit that is desperately needed these days—a sense that our common bonds are stronger than our differences.



DAVID S. BRODER

This nation has rarely appeared more divided than it does right now, even though no single issue dominates the political debate, as slavery did in the first half of the 19th century or the welfare state did for a half century after 1930. Both the House and Senate are split down the middle, with mathematical precision. The presidential vote was about as close as it could be. Even at the grass-roots level, there is parity between Republicans and Democrats in the legit events. However you sliced the election returns, you saw division. Men voted one way; women, the other. The races divided in their partisan preferences. The cities went Democratic, the small towns and rural areas, Republican. The suburbs, the buffer zone of politics, split evenly between Al Gore and George Bush—a phenomenon you could see with your eyes as neighbors planted lawn signs for the opposing candidates.

As Benjamin Barber, the Rutgers University student of American politics and society, said, "There are two Americas, and when you look at the electoral map, the division has never been clearer." Barber said that a cultural divide underlies the geographic. "One is an old-

fashioned America of traditional values. The other wants a much more open, diverse society, less judgmental of people. One America wanted to impeach and remove (President) Clinton; the other wanted to exonerate him." His reference to impeachment is significant. Even though the Clinton scandals never became an explicit issue in the presidential race, their shadow loomed large. Almost half the voters—44 percent—told exit-poll interviewers that those scandals were very important or somewhat important to them in this election, even though Clinton's name was not on the ballot. They voted overwhelmingly for Bush, who had closed every speech with a promise to restore honor and dignity to the White House. Those who minimized the importance of the Clinton scandals went for Gore.

Governing a nation so evenly divided in its partisan preferences will be an enormous challenge. But it is one that must be met—for the world's sake as well as our own. This nation has responsibilities it cannot shirk. And there are good reasons to believe that the challenge can be met. As Michael Sandel, the Harvard sociologist, told me, "The election returns show us a country that is evenly divided, but not deeply divided." On the central question of the campaign, the proper role of government in relation to the economy, "the candidates crowded the center, while protesting that their positions were very distinct," Sandel said.

Vin Weber, the former Republican congressman from Minnesota, made a parallel point. "There are big arguments," he said, "but also big areas of agreement. No, one wants to bring back the old welfare system. No one but Pat Buchanan is arguing for isolationism. Both major candidates agree on monetary policy, on trade policy, on paying down the debt, stabilizing Social Security and providing some kind of tax cuts. In the past, any one of these issues would have been the basis for the whole campaign."

The question, then, is whether the new government in Washington will move ahead on those areas of agreement—or waste its energy in partisan disputes. The answer will come from the bottom up, more than from the top down.

Two years ago, meeting the newly elected House members for the first time, I was struck by their tone. These were not the ideologues of 1994. Republicans and Democrats alike, they had watched with their constituents the bitter House impeachment debate—and wanted no more of it.

By themselves, they were not enough to change the tone. But there are more like them among the freshman senators and representatives I have met—Democrats like Carper, a notably effective and non-partisan leader in his state and in the National Governors Association, and Republicans like Mark Kirk of Illinois, the Navy Reserve officer and former congressional staffer who shares the temperament of his retiring boss, Rep. John Edward Porter, admired and trusted on both sides of the aisle.

Carper and Kirk are of different parties, but both are classic suburban moderates. They and their counterparts can make this thing work.

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Associations appreciate teachers

I am writing in response to your editorial of Oct. 24. You wrote, "Merit-based rewards run counter to the interests of teacher's unions, which prefer to turn a blind eye to the strengths and weaknesses of individual teachers."

Both sides of the table this year recognized the excellence of our Twin Falls teachers that have become nationally board certified. Both sides of the table agreed to give these teachers a grant to reward their excellence in education. To ratify a contract, only members of the TFEA can vote. The contract was ratified by a 75 percent margin, which leads me to believe that the association does not turn a blind eye to the strengths of individual teachers.

As an association, we also look to help out local students. The Idaho Education Association raised \$52,958 for its Children's Fund this past year. This money is used for children with special financial needs. Money was used to assist a student here in Twin Falls this past year. A raffle that was sponsored by the TFEA raised nearly \$1,200. This money will be used to give three \$400 scholarships to Twin Falls seniors who plan to major in education. I would say that this shows that we don't have to rely on the kindness of strangers to recognize excellence but on our own local teachers, cooks, custodians, aides, secretaries and administrators.

STEVE HOY
Twin Falls

Public schools are essential

According to some, school vouchers are the answers to the parents, who by their own choice send their children to

private facilities of learning yet do not want to pay twice for their child's education.

Are these parents of choice the people who persistently vote public school bonds? Should these parents receive special privileges in tax cut vouchers while everyone else in a community pays the public school levee bill? If any body should be entitled to a tax exemption, it would be the married without children couples paying the largest tax. Historically, private schools have had a place and a purpose in America being on the free-market system. If one desires a better or different choice, than one must be willing to pay for that choice.

On the other hand, public schools, like the public land on which they sit, are by implication, in congress to competition and capitalism. Never has the Northwest Ordinance been rescinded.

A republic, not a democracy, was established by the founding fathers because it was considered superior, the most productive and least encumbering form of government for and by its citizens. Public education is the very epitome of a republic.

Teachers of public schools are representatives of public service, securing education for all, not just for the elite. "It is safer to have the whole people respectably enlightened," said Thomas Jefferson on education, "than a few in a high state of science and the many in ignorance. This last is the most dangerous state in which a nation can be."

Public schools are providential and essential to the republic of the United States and should be of one's spontaneous pledge of "sacred honor" to one another—not cast impudently asunder or perceived as inferior by uncaring and selfish members of a community. Is one's moral vision larger than one's own self interests?

JOHN O'CONNOR
Jerome

Programs don't turn kids away

I received a flyer that inspired me to write.

I teach elementary physical education at Gooding Elementary. My job puts me in the position to know the facts about how children are signed up in Gooding Recreation District activities. Flyers are sent to every student in kindergarten through sixth grade that are eligible for the particular program. For summer softball and baseball, the flyers are given out through ninth grade. Some programs are for particular levels based on maturation, interest and occasionally gender. Example: boy's basketball, girl's basketball, fifth and sixth grade tackle football.

In the 10 years we have run our youth programs through the Gooding Recreation District, to my knowledge the only children turned down for an activity were three girls whose parents brought in softball forms four weeks after the deadline and two weeks after the regular season games had started. For the last two summers, my nephew

was unable to play baseball due to lack of numbers in his age group, certainly not because someone was turned away or others got "special" treatment. It is impossible to create a baseball team from seven players no matter how you work your lineup. Kent called every boy in that age group that had ever played baseball in the recreation district to try to fill the team.

I, too, have coached in this program, as have many of my peers, parents of my students and my student athletes.

As far as Mr. Dye's "parade concern" about equal playing time, I have to ask if his first-hand experience as a coach saw injustice here, he is the one making the lineup add the substitutions. The parents and the taxpayers are the coaches.

Mr. Dye, I have seen the forms as they are returned and that boy that says I can coach or I can help are seldom checked by the parent. Like so many programs, the same few seem to be the workhorses. Workhorses that we are all thankful are willing and able to donate their time.

I know how many forms I deliver to Kent Seifert after the given deadline, and he has always gotten those kids on a team. I have even watched him recruit new coaches to give a group of youngsters a chance to play baseball. I wonder if you have a better source of information and are running up the wrong path.

JENNIFER KOSKI
Gooding

A thought about unemployment

If the unemployment rate in this country is so low, why do we need a minimum wage?

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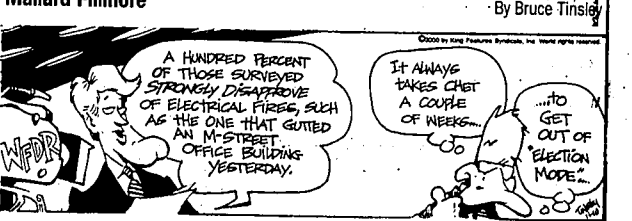
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Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

Some states are more equal than others

A Gore may well be wondering what happened to 4 percent of his votes. George W. Bush isn't likely asking any questions about percent surplus. What is going on? Election fraud? No, this election will likely turn on a political deal made in 1787.

Gore faces the possibility of losing in the electoral college. Despite triumphing in the popular vote. This would be only the second time in our nation's history such an anomaly has occurred. How could this happen? The answer, superficially at least, lies in the electoral college system we use to elect our president. Votes are tallied by state, with the winner of each state taking the entire state's allotment of electors. That system alone would result in the popular electoral vote mismatch. But the problem is compounded by the manner in which electoral college votes are apportioned. Each state and the District of Columbia receive electoral votes according to their representation in both houses of Congress. Thus the composition of the electoral college bears the strong mark of the celebrated "Connecticut compromise." The Connecticut compromise resolved disagreement between representatives at the Constitutional convention in Philadelphia. Delegates from small-population states wanted congressional representation to be equal for each state, while delegates from large-population states wanted congressional representation proportional to population. The compromise split the difference by having two houses of Congress, with one house based on the "small state" sys-

JONATHAN G. S. KOPPELL

tem and one house based on the "large state" system. The compromise helped gain the Constitution the support necessary for ratification but it also institutionalized disproportionate representation in the Senate.

Today we see the more profound consequence of the Connecticut compromise in the context of presidential elections. If representation in the electoral college were based only on population, Gore would win the presidential election. But this is not the case, of course.

Instead, several small-population states have disproportionate influence in the presidential election. Wyoming, for example, has 0.18 percent of the U.S. population and 0.83 percent of the votes in the electoral college. These numbers suggest that Wyoming enjoys 412 percent more representation in the electoral college than it would under a proportional system. Other Bush states that are overrepresented include Alaska (152 percent) and South Dakota (99 percent). Gore benefits in some cases as well. Vermont (146 percent) and Delaware (108 percent) are all overrepresented in Gore's favor.

In the aggregate, however, Bush benefited considerably while Gore suffered. Overall, Bush received 5 percent more

votes in the electoral college than he would have if electoral votes were proportional to population. In contrast, Gore received 4 percent fewer electoral votes than he would have under a proportional system. This can be explained by Gore's success in large population states that are underrepresented in the electoral college.

Perhaps Gore will squeak out a narrow victory in Florida, thus capturing the White House. If not, Bush will ascend to the presidency due in part to an electoral

system that awards inordinate influence to some citizens based on accidents of geography and political history. It is time to rethink a system that was designed to satisfy the political exigencies of the late 18th century.

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LETTER

Homosexuality is a sin

In response to Roxey Owens' and Michelle Chavez's recent letters, homosexuality is a choice. The issue is just that. I do agree with Ms. Owens that "what they do behind closed doors is no one's business." That is exactly correct. Anyone's sexual preference is a private, not public, choice. Homosexuals have no right to publicly proclaim their sexual preference any more than you and I do to publicly proclaim how we act in our bedrooms. That is the issue - not what they do in private but how they want to press their belief on an unwilling public.

I chose to accept Christ, then I was required to make a public statement by being baptized. That is the only private choice that should be made public. I also have had great and lasting friendships with many people of all colors, stripes and preferences. I always pray for all of the ones who are lost to Christ to come to know him alone! That's the only relevant issue for what all our society.

God says sin is sin. There are bad people in every walk of life. You, Roxey and Michelle, join me in praying they will find God, not tolerance, Jesus, not public opinion or popular agents. That if you are truly a child of Christ, then you must exercise your responsibility to vote. God says life is more important than any other creation in his sight. If a candidate believes in abortion, then we as Christians cannot support that candidate no matter how many other good points they have. God also says homosexuality is sin and, therefore, Christians cannot support any candidate or party platform that supports homosexuality because God says it is against his word, his will.

Yes, I do love and pray for the lost souls. Anyone continuing to act in sin is lost. I know, Michelle, Roxey, I was lost but now I'm found. I don't hate anyone, only sin.

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(Editor's note: Jerry Hughen is a minister with Christ Our King Fellowship in Declo.)

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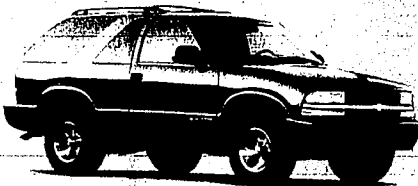
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Ada	150	150	40,650	75,050	5,019	17	17	698	4,238	148	
Adams	6	6	336	1,476	97	15	15	1,346	4,376	261	
Bannock	56	56	10,856	18,178	811	14	14	1,282	3,502	187	
Boise	16	16	517	2,296	166	28	28	1,188	5,715	457	
Boise-Lake	15	15	895	2,606	71	18	18	1,100	6,480	256	
Bonanza	11	11	895	2,606	71	13	13	1,360	4,418	205	
Bingham	22	22	3,310	10,828	453	53	53	13,488	28,162	1,079	
Blaine	15	15	3,748	8,945	382	34	34	9,861	8,161	1,416	
Bolso	7	7	745	2,019	168	14	14	638	2,785	217	
Bonanza	30	30	4,328	8,945	382	14	14	638	1,295	64	
Bonneville	49	49	7,107	24,701	1,317	6	6	404	1,049	88	
Boundary	7	7	832	2,797	107	15	15	816	7,941	176	
Butte	4	4	354	1,054	52	13	13	1,344	4,907	237	
Camas	2	2	113	359	35	37	37	4,995	10,577	308	
Canyon	53	53	10,588	30,560	1,264	6	6	307	1,426	65	
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Clark	3	3	63	311	7	7	7	755	1,872	73	
Clearwater	15	15	841	2,885	170	19	19	2,225	2,879	281	
Custer	10	10	416	1,794	115	4	4	720	1,745	206	
Elmore	19	19	1,794	4,812	133	47	47	5,728	15,699	975	
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Hispanics rush to polls in record numbers

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The nation's Hispanic voters showed they have become a political force to be reckoned with, turning out for this year's election in record numbers after months of courting by Democrats and Republicans.

The biggest beneficiary, at least in the short term, appeared to be the Democratic party. Hispanics voted about 2-1 in favor of its candidates, while helping Vice President Al Gore secure several key states in his run for president.

But Hispanics also cast enough ballots Tuesday for Gore's opponent, Texas Gov. George W. Bush, to convince political analysts that they can be tapped as a potent force for Republican candidates in the future.

Still, the biggest longtime beneficiary of the surge in Hispanic voting may have been the electorate itself.

"Talk about a night-and-day approach to Latinos, 1996 compared to 2000," said Arturo Vargas, executive director of the National Association of Latino Elected Officials. "What this election does, on a national level, is show Latinos are a permanent element of a winning strategy."

Hispanics, excluding residents of Puerto Rico, accounted for 31.7 million U.S. residents in March 1999 or 11.7 percent of the gener-

al population, according to the Census Bureau's most recent estimate.

Running up to the election, both major parties ran ads in Spanish and conducted aggressive voter outreach drives that included using Spanish-speaking relatives of the candidates.

On Wednesday, figures were not available on Hispanic voter turnout. But exit polls showed Hispanics accounting for about 7 percent of the vote, up from about 5 percent in 1996.

Andy Hernandez, senior adviser of the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute in Chicago, attributed the upsurge to get-out-the-vote efforts. He also credited the particular attention paid by campaigns to Hispanic communities.

Both parties targeted Hispanics early on, pouring money into ad campaigns, showcasing Hispanic speakers at their conventions and appearing at meetings of Hispanic groups and peppering speeches with Spanish phrases.

George W. Bush, for instance, sometimes referred to himself as "Doble V," Spanish for "W."

His nephew, George P. Bush, whose mother is from Mexico, warmed up Spanish-speaking

crowds. Karenna Gore Schiff drew on a year spent in Spain to drum up support for her father.

The efforts bore fruit for Gore, analysts said, ensuring his victory in California and New York and helping push him over the top in harder-fought battleground states not typically associated with a Hispanic population, such as Pennsylvania, Michigan and Wisconsin.

According to exit polls, Gore won among Hispanics nationwide, 62 percent to 35 percent, and in Bush's home state of Texas, 54 percent to 43 percent.

Gore won among Hispanics in every state except Florida, where Republicans traditionally secure the vote of Cuban-Americans, who account for 4.3 percent of U.S. Hispanics. The candidates nearly split the Hispanic vote in Florida, with Gore at 48 percent and Bush at 49 percent, according to exit polls.

Some analysts said they were expecting a stronger overall showing by Bush because of his campaign's strong push for the Hispanic vote, along with his relative popularity among Hispanics in Texas.

Even so, Bush's showing was far stronger than that of 1996 GOP

presidential nominee Bob Dole, who won just 21 percent of the Hispanic vote. The Federal Election Commission reports that 4.9 million out of 18.4 million voting-age Hispanics cast ballots in that race.

Bush's limited successes were attributed to his distancing himself from Republican-backed anti-immigrant initiatives of the past. Most notable among them were efforts in California during the 1990s to deny social services to illegal immigrants and to end most forms of bilingual education in public schools.

"For too long one party was addressing Latino issues, one party was courting the Latino vote," said Robert Aguinaga, research coordinator at the William C. Velasquez Institute in San Antonio, Texas. "What we're seeing now is a Republican strategy, spearheaded by the Bush camp, that hey, maybe we shouldn't concede this community."

Election 2000

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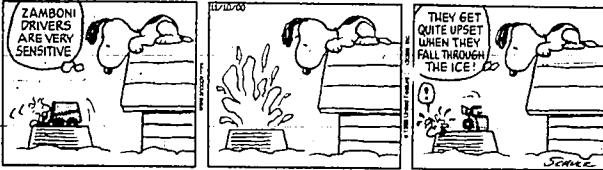
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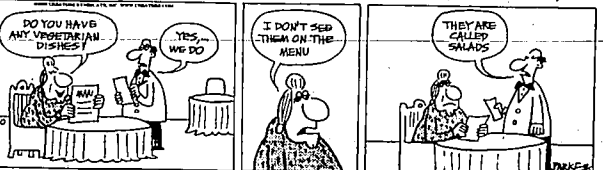
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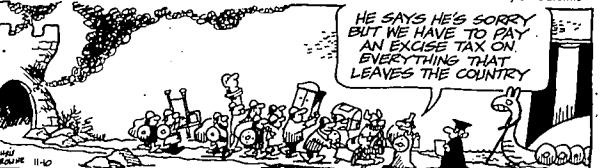
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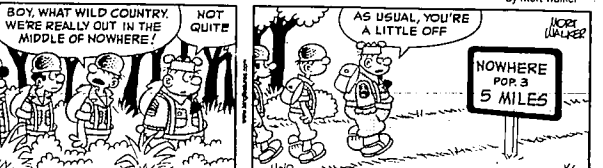
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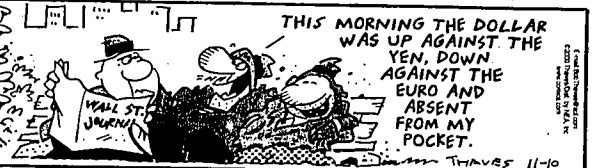
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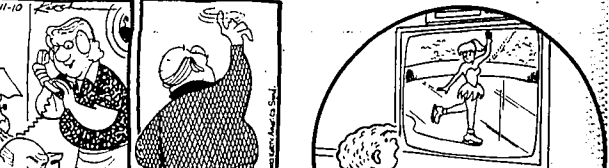


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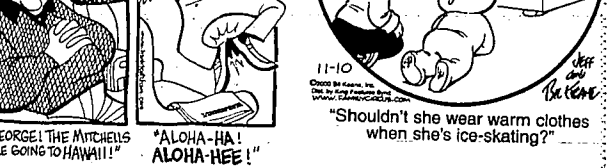
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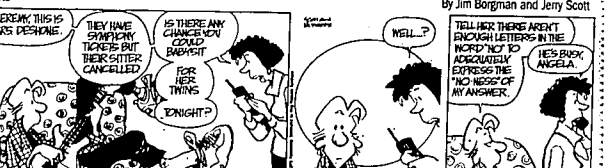
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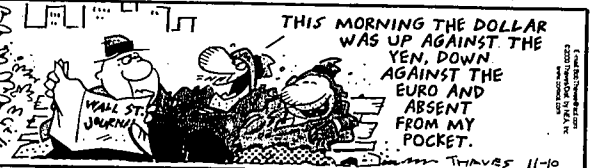
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Israelis kill Palestinian gunman

BEIT SAHOUR, West Bank (AP) - Israeli helicopters swooped down on a pickup truck Thursday and fired rockets at a Palestinian gunman the army had been tracking for days, an attack Israel said signals a new policy targeting organizers of recent violence.

The killing of Hussein Abayat, described by Israel as the "terrorist mastermind" responsible for the deaths of three of its soldiers, came on the day President Clinton launched his latest attempt to salvage the peace process, meeting with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in Washington.

Two women passing by were killed in the attack in this bucolic village bordering Bethlehem and 11 people were wounded, including another well-known Palestinian gunman.

Despite Prime Minister Ehud Barak's earlier pledges not to take pre-emptive actions - a policy he had said would destroy prospects for a return to the negotiating table - the move was a concession to army chiefs who have been bickering with the Palestinians with greater force.

Clinton was meeting with Arafat on Thursday and with Barak on Sunday, probably his final effort to salvage a peace process he cultivated so carefully for seven years.

The president's national security adviser, Sandy Berger, declined to discuss the specifics of the incident Thursday but said: "Violence breeds violence and we must find a way to break this cycle. It's important for people on both sides to do all they can to try to achieve that."

Senior Israeli military staff appeared almost eager to share details of the attack - a sign that it was intended as a warning. "We have been watching him for quite a long time, looking for a good opportunity, whenever he is preparing some new attack," Maj. Gen. Giora Eiland, the

army's operations chief, told the AP. Eiland said Israeli forces watched Abayat observe an Israeli position, then walk over to his parked truck with two colleagues and get in. He said the army believed Abayat was transporting weapons to conduct an attack. "This is the moment that we chose in order to shoot him," he said.

Another army official, Maj. Gen. Yitzhak Eitan, said intelligence showed Abayat was on his way to attack an Israeli military camp in the area.

MUNICH, Germany (AP) - A stowaway was found hidden inside the undercarriage of a passenger jet that was forced to return to Munich after the pilot couldn't retract the landing gear, police said Thursday.

The 27-year-old was unconscious and suffering from hypothermia when he was found Wednesday evening by a mechanic under the Berlin-bound Deutsche BA Boeing 737 jet.

The man told investigators he "just wanted to fly," said Helmut Kober, a prosecutor in the Bavarian town of Landshtat. He climbed over a security fence at Munich airport and hid in the landing gear compartment of the closest plane, Kober said. The man endured temperatures

Mechanic finds stowaway in German jet

that dropped to below freezing for the 22 minutes before the plane landed again, but suffered no serious injuries.

He was arrested after being examined. Prosecutors were considering charges of endangering

air traffic, police spokesman Hans Peter Kammerer said. The jet turned back after the flying crew realized they could not pull up the landing gear, Deutsche BA spokeswoman Stefanie Koall said.



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Officials report divers salvaged Kursk's log

MOSCOW (AP) - In the latest grim find from the sunken submarine Kursk, Russian officials said Thursday they were studying fragments of a ship's log recovered by the divers who pulled 12 bodies from the wreck.

"We recovered what we could - certain notes and the log book from the fourth compartment of the Kursk," the Interfax news agency quoted Deputy Prime Minister Ilya Klebanov as saying.

He didn't give any details about the log or the notes. The divers earlier recovered two other notes written by sailors trapped in an intact compartment after explosions tore the sub apart and sank it Aug. 12.

One note, from an as-yet unidentified sailor, described 23 crew members as suffering from carbon monoxide poisoning from a fire and despairing of reaching the surface due to the crushing water pressure at a depth of more than 330 feet. The other note, by Lt. Dmitry Kolesnikov, was similar and described writing by feel in the dark.

Klebanov's spokeswoman said the divers found only "unreadable" fragments of the log. "There was nothing related to the accident," Omsichenko said.

The log was retrieved by divers who cut holes in the hull in a risky 18-day operation on the bottom of the Barents Sea.

Activist takes up battle for prisoners

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) - A prominent Kosovo Albanian human rights activist crossed cordons of Serb inmates Thursday to reach ethnic Albanians stranded by prison riots that have engulfed five prisons and threatened to undermine Yugoslavia's new government.

Flora Brovina, who had been Kosovo's most prominent political prisoner before being freed last week by new Yugoslav President Vojislav Kostunica, walked into a central Belgrade detention center to talk to Kosovo Albanian prisoners.

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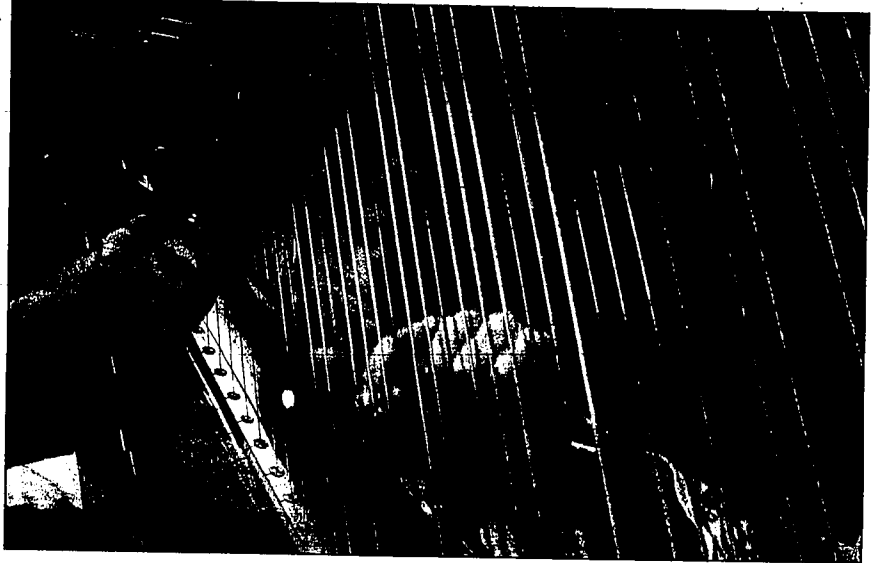
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CHRISTMAS IN NOVEMBER



Laura Allen plucks the strings of her harp during a rehearsal for the Magic Valley Symphony's concert next week.

MV Symphony anticipates the season with handbell choir and Holiday Prelude Concert

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Symphony needs a little Christmas, right this very minute.

So bells will be ringing at the symphony's concert Tuesday night, provided by the First Presbyterian Church Handbell Choir.

"Bells have a Christmas-type of sound, so generally people think of bells in the Christmas context," choir director Sarah Jackson said. "The music is so beautiful, it just adds to the spirit of the holiday."

This is the first time the choir has performed with the orchestra. Jackson, who has been the handbell choir director since September, said she was "thrilled" at the chance to stretch the choir's musical talents by performing in a new venue.

"When I was interviewed for the position of choir director, I wanted to know if there were other opportunities in which the choir could play outside of the church," she said. "This is the type of opportunity I was hoping for. Having the opportunity to

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play with the symphony is such an honor and a thrill."

Handbells are believed to have originated centuries ago in England and were used as musical instruments in religious ceremonies. They were introduced to this country in the early part of the last century and are still found in many churches around the country. Jackson says the First Presbyterian Church



James H. Bonnett chimes a note on a bell. Tuesday's symphony performance will feature a bell choir from Twin Falls First Presbyterian Church.

Handbell Choir started about 40 years ago. Magic Valley Symphony Music

cert, said inviting the handbell choir would add a special element to the festive program.

"For years I've wanted to play some of the standard and special Christmas music available for symphonic orchestra," he said.

"There's something special about holiday music that is found in no other music genre - it evokes special feelings and memories that no other music conjures. The handbell choir will be a welcome addition to this very special program."

The concert will include the string section performing Arcangelo Corelli's "Christmas Concerto," and the winds and percussion will be featured in "March of the Little Tin Soldiers" and the traditional English carol, "Here We Come A' Wassailing." The full orchestra will play Irving Berlin's "White Christmas," "Froika," and LeRoy Anderson's "Steigh Ride."

The full forces of orchestra and handbell choir, with an audience sing-along, will end the evening with "Christmas Music for Orchestra" arranged by John Cavacas.

Director and Conductor Ted Hadley, who is billing Tuesday's event as a "holiday prelude" con-

CSI schedules Magic Mud fund-raiser

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Department has scheduled its Magic Mud fund-raiser for the week before Thanksgiving to give shoppers a head start on finding unique gifts.

The annual event features the works of many student and commercial level potters from throughout southern Idaho.

The event has also been extended to a full week from the traditional two or three-day weekend. Magic Mud will start at the Herrett Center on Tuesday night and run through Nov. 21. The Herrett Center is closed on Sunday and Monday.

CSI art professor and Magic Mud organizer Bill West said more students will be involved in this year's show. In addition to having more items for sale, the additional student works will also expand the price range so that there should be gift items for every budget. Veteran area



potters, jugs, candleholders, lamps, casserole, bean pots, goblets, cups, decorative and sculpted items in all price ranges. The free public reception on Tuesday will feature a raku demonstration starting at 7:30 p.m.

Raku is a Japanese ceramic technique in which raku items are fired in a kiln and then quickly cooled in a separate container for a unique decorative effect. A small, makeshift kiln will be set up in the Herrett Center driveway where people can watch and even make their own raku items to take home. Inside, a reception will be held that evening from 7 to 9 p.m. for all the artists whose works will be in Magic Mud.

The Herrett Center and Magic Mud sale hours will be Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Nov. 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Nov. 18 from 1 to 9 p.m., and Nov. 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. For information, call 733-9554, Ext. 2655.

Magichords to perform 35th annual barbershop show

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - It's sort of a Greek chorus without the tears. The Magichords, the Twin Falls-based barbershop harmony ensemble which will hold its annual show on Saturday, plans to recreate a mythical newlywed couple as it cruises down a make-believe river. It's a musical playlet called "Honeymoon on the River."

"It's something a little bit different this year," said Paul Bowman, the chorus director. "We're going to divide our show into two parts. The second part will be a salute to veterans for Veterans' Day. The first part will be the play, with a quartet part of the story as it re-creates the couple."

Songs will include "Let's Get Away from It All," "Zippity-Go-Dah" and other upbeat standards. It's all part of the 35th annual Barbershop Harmony Showcase for the Magichords, the Twin Falls

If you go ...

- **What:** The Magichords will present their 35th Annual Barbershop Harmony Show.
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** Saturday, 2 and 7:30 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$8 for general admission and \$6 for students and seniors, are available at Andrew's Hallmark, Best Western Cavanaugh's Canyon Spring Hotel, Everybody's Business, The Music Center, Bingham's State Farm Insurance, SawMor Drug and Welch's Music in Twin Falls, at SawMor Drug and Smith's Dairy in Buhl, and at Washington Federal Savings in Jerome.

chapter of the Society for the Please see MAGICHORDS, Page C6

WEEKEND

Vertical Horizon takes act to E Center in West Valley City

ROCK 'N' ROLL

Tonight - Utah
Vertical Horizon will perform at the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 S. Decker Lake Drive.

Tonight and Saturday
Marcus Eaton and the Lobby will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Muggers Brewpub, 516 Second St. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$2.

Tuesday - Utah
Widespread Panic will play the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$26, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 S. Decker Lake Drive.

Tuesday - Pocatello
FenixTX will perform at Sixth and Main at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the Music Exchange in Twin Falls, by calling (800) 965-4827, or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>

Thursday
Armageddon will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Thursday - Utah
AI DiMeola will play Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Thursday - Utah
Caroline's Spine will perform at Liquid Joe's in Salt Lake City. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Liquid Joe's is located at 3300 South 1249 East.

Nov. 18



311 will perform at Roper Auditorium

311 will perform at the Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$28, are available at the Music Exchange, by phoning 734-2758, or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>

Nov. 18 - Utah
Kool and the Gang's J.T. Taylor, Jamaica Jam, Norm, Tahi, the Aiono Sisters, The Wileys and One Foundation at 8 p.m. on the campus of Salt Lake Community College. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning Smith Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The SLCC campus is located at 4600 South Redwood Road.

Nov. 20 - Utah
311 will play Saltair Resort in Magna, Utah, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be



reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saitair is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City; take Interstate 180 west to Exit 104.

Nov. 21 - Utah
Jakob Dylan and The Wallflowers will play Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$29.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX.

Nov. 22 - Utah
Dio will play Saitair Resort in Magna, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. Saitair is located 30 miles west of Salt Lake City. Take Interstate 180 west to Exit 104.

Nov. 27 - Utah
The Offspring and Cypress Hill will play the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$30.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 S. Decker Lake Drive.

Dec. 11 - Boise
Bloodhound Gang and Goldfinger will play at 7 p.m. at the Western Idaho Fairgrounds in Garden City. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766 or (800) 965-4827.

COUNTRY

Tonight, Saturday and Sunday
Dean Simmons and Michelle Rohl will present their Tribute to Garth and Shania at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the nightly 8 o'clock dinner show are \$14.99 on weeknights and Sunday, and \$19.99 on Saturday. The cover charge for the 11 p.m. cocktail show is \$7.50 on weeknights and Sunday and



Michelle Rohl will perform at Jackpot

\$10 on Saturday. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

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

Saturday
Sweet Country Air will play for the Jerome Firman's Ball from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at El Sombrero, 143 W. Main, Jerome.

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

Sunday
The Gamblers will play from 7-11 p.m. at the Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Tuesday
Country dance lessons will be given from 7-9 p.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Lessons are free.

Nov. 25
A Rockin' Country Holiday, featuring Renegade and Nightfire, will be held from 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls. The bands will play rock and country music. Cover charge is \$3. No host bar; must be 21 or older to attend. Tickets are available at the Music Exchange or the Music Center in Twin Falls.

COMEDY

Nov. 17 - Utah
Jeff Foxworthy and Bill Engvall will play the E Center in West Valley City, Utah, at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$31 and \$38, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The E Center is located at 3200 S. Decker Lake Drive.

BARBERSHOP

Tonight and Saturday
The Echos will play from 8:30

Saturday
The Magichords will present their 35th annual Barbershop Harmony Show at 2 and 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, featuring the quartet Nightlife. Tickets, which are \$8 for general admission and \$6 for students and seniors, are available at Andrew's Hallmark, Best Western Cavanaugh's Canyon Spring Hotel, Everybody's Business, The Music Center, Bingham's State Farm Insurance, SawMor Drug and Welch's Music in Twin Falls, at SawMor Drug and Smith's Dairy in Buhl, and at Washington Federal Savings in Jerome.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tonight
Desert Rain will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:45 a.m. at the 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave., Burley. No cover charge.

Tonight
Nightfire will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Moon Bar, 306 Main St., Filer. No cover charge.

Tonight
A drum circle will be held from 7-9 p.m. at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth, Buhl.

Participants can bring hand-drums or rhythm instruments to work on techniques and multi-rhythms. The event is free and all ages are welcome. For more information, call the Buhl Arts Council at 543-2888.

Tonight
Jan Olsen will play from 6-8 p.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

Tonight and Saturday
The Echos will play from 8:30

p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the Lantern Lounge at Weston Plaza, 1950 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.

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

Tonight and Saturday
C&R Express will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Salmon River Inn in Salmon.

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Events

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Saturday
Mixed Emotions will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at George K's Restaurant, 325 E. 3rd N., Burley. Cover charge is \$2.

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

Saturday
Dynamite Entertainment will play at 9 p.m. at the G10 Club, 1054 Overland Ave., Burley. No cover charge.

Sunday
The Echos will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls.

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

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

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

Tuesday through Thursday
The Echos will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the Lantern Lounge at Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls.

Wednesday
A disc jockey will play for ladies night from 8 p.m. to midnight at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Wednesday
A guest band will play for ladies night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Honker's Place, 121 Fourth Ave. S., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

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

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

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



BB King will Perform in the Pavilion

Tonight - Boise
BB King will perform in the Pavilion on the campus of Boise State University at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$19.50, \$27.50 and \$32.50. For reservations and information, call (206) 426-1766.

Nov. 23 and 25 - Utah
Coco Montoya will perform at Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

Nov. 24 - Utah
Johnny Winter and Coco Montoya will play Salt Lake City's Zephyr Club at 10 p.m. Tickets, which are \$27.50, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Zephyr Club is located at 301 South West Temple.

JAZZ MUSIC

Monday - Caldwell
The seventh annual Invitational Vocal Jazz Festival will be held from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Jewett Auditorium on the campus of the Albertson College. Area vocal jazz groups performing include high school students from Buhl High School and the Carey School. The Camas County High School jazz group will observe the festival. Free admission. For more information, call (208) 459-5877.

THEATER

Tonight and Saturday
Magic Valley Little Theater will present "Nancrackers," a Christmas musical, at The Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls. Doors will open for the dinner theater at 6:30 p.m. today and Saturday with the show at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$20 for dinner and show, are available at Everybody's Business, Classic Cutting and Gifts and Decor in Twin Falls, at

Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, at Sav-Mor Drug in Buhl, or from any member of the cast.



Oakley Valley Arts Council Performs 'Nuncense II'

Tonight, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

The Oakley Valley Arts Council will perform Dan Goggin's "Nuncense II" 8 p.m., Howells Opera House, Oakley. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 677-ARTS from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays. The production continues Nov. 17-18.

Tuesday and Wednesday - Boise
The Theater League of Idaho will present the Broadway musical, "Man of La Mancha," at 8 p.m. at the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University. Tickets, which are \$25, \$35 and \$42.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

CLASSICAL

Friday and Saturday - Utah
The Utah Symphony will play Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, plus a program of Brahms and Mozart, at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$24, \$31 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

BALLROOM DANCING

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Tuesday
Magic Valley Symphony concert will be held at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls. Tickets, which are \$7 for regular admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, and they're available at the CSI Bookstore, Crowley's Soda

Fountain and General Store, Everybody's Business, and Blip Printers in Twin Falls and at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome.

Tuesday
The Arden Trio will perform. Dmitri Shostakovich's Piano Trio in E Minor in a free concert at 7 p.m. at St. Charles Church,

Hailey.
Nov. 18
The Magic Philharmonic Orchestra will open its season at 7:30 p.m. in the King Fine Arts Center in Burley, with soprano Margo Watson as featured soloists. Tickets, which are \$6. Please see SPOTLIGHT, Page C4

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WEEKEND Spotlight

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for students, \$5 for seniors and \$3 for students, can be reserved by phoning 678-1558, 678-3803 or 436-9435.

Nov. 24-25 - Utah
The Utah Symphony will perform a program of Wagner, Schumann and Brahms at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$24, \$31 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Nov. 28 - Utah
Acclaimed cellist Mstislav Rostropovich will perform with the Utah Symphony at 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$22, \$32, \$39 and \$49, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Dec. 1-2 - Utah
Violinist Vadim Guzman will perform with the Utah Symphony at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$15, \$20, \$24, \$31 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Dec. 3-4 - Utah
A 3,000-voice choir, including the Utah Symphony Chorus, will perform Handel's "Messiah" at 7 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$5 and \$10, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Dec. 15-16 - Utah
The Utah Symphony will play a program of holiday music at 8 p.m. in Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$20, \$25, \$31 and \$39, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

The second annual Turkey Trot Dance at 8:30 p.m. at the Marsh Creek Event Center, 895 S. Highway 77, Albion. Cover charge is \$5. Drawings will be held for free turkeys. Must be 21 or older to attend.

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

Sunday
The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance with music from 2-5 p.m. at the center, 616 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls.

Nov. 17
Canyonside Jazz Orchestra will play for ballroom dancing at 8 p.m. at the Ballroom, 205 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls. Tickets are \$5 and will be available at the door.



Peter Tchaikovsky

Dec. 8-9, 13-17, 19-23, 26-30 - Utah
Ballet West will perform Peter Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker," choreographed by William Christensen, in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Performances are scheduled for 7 p.m. on Dec. 8-9, 13-16, 19-23 and 26-30 and for 2 p.m. on Dec. 9, 16-17, 23, 26 and 30. Tickets, which range from \$10-\$55, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

tured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room, 613 Fremont, Rupert.

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

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

Saturday
Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Moon Bar, 306 Main St., Filer. No cover charge.

Sunday and Tuesday
Full Moon Music Madness will play from 5-11 p.m. at the Riverside Bar and Resort, west of Burley.

Monday through Thursday
Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Oasis, 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

Wednesday
Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at 610 Club, 1054 Overland Ave., Burley.

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

MAGIC

Dec. 20 - Boise
David Copperfield will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 6 and 9 p.m. Tickets, which are \$22.50, \$30.50 and \$37.50 for children and \$27.50, \$35.50 and \$42.50 for adults, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1766.

HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

Dec. 6-10
The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation will sponsor its Festival of Trees in

the old Calvary Chapel building on Main Avenue, Twin Falls. The opening-night gala is scheduled for Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person. Trees and holiday decorations will be exhibited from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 7-8, from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. on Dec. 9 and from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. on Dec. 10. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors and \$1 for children under 12.

ART SHOW

Monday through Nov. 17
Clay Mask Workshop with artist Chris Bolton will be held from 3:45-5:15 p.m. at the Twin Falls Creative Arts Center, 249 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls. Children in the Art Club program at the creative arts center will work on a special project during the week. Bolton will present a workshop in creating clay masks and will fire the masks using the Raku fire technique. The masks will be on display from Dec. 18-21 at the center.

Cost is \$10. The workshop, for children in first through sixth grades, will be held each day and students will attend one day they choose. Space is limited. Children who are not Art Club students may register by calling Karen Fothergill at 737-9111.

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Through Dec. 8 - Caldwell

"West of Eden, East of Bliss" an exhibit of paintings, sculptures and ceramics by College of Southern Idaho art faculty, will be displayed in the Rosenthal Gallery of Art at Blatchley Hall on the campus of Albertson College. The artists include Michael Green, Bill West, Russell Hepworth and Mike Youngman. The gallery is open from 1 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays or by appointment. For more information, call Stephen Fisher at (208) 459-5684.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Nov. 17-18, 21

The Magic Mud art show and fundraiser by the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts department will be held in the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the CSI campus in Twin Falls. A reception will open the event from 7-9 p.m. on Tuesday. The Herrett Center and Magic Mud sale hours will be Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Nov. 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Nov. 18 from 1 to 9 p.m., and Nov. 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Free. For information, call 733-9554, Ext.

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The Times-News:
Your guide to WeekEnd fun in the Magic Valley

Tonya Harding skates back to man she once attacked

CAMAS, Wash. - Tonya Harding reunited with the man she once attacked with a hubcap.
Harding said she's undergone anger management treatment and quit drinking since the attack on Darren Silver. Now, she said, she likes to be "the woman at home."

"Darren and I have worked out all of our problems," she told the tabloid TV show "Inside Edition."
"When I was apart from him, and not being able to see him, I realized how much I really, truly loved this man - and my heart was truly broken."

In May, she pleaded guilty in to disorderly conduct and malicious mischief for fighting with Silver outside her home after drinking. She was ordered to serve three days in jail and perform community service.

Harding is writing a book about her experiences with the working title, "To Hell and Back."
She first gained notoriety for her role in the 1994 knee-clubbing attack on rival skater Nancy Kerrigan.

Wayne Newton, Tony Orlando try to settle suits

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Wayne Newton and Tony Orlando met to see if they could settle lawsuits against each other without going to trial.

The two once shared a theater in Branson, the country music mecca in southwest Missouri. Orlando sued Newton in April 1999 for more than \$15 million, accusing him of wrongly throwing him out of the business in 1998 and damaging his reputation.
Newton countersued for \$20 million, saying Orlando had dis-

People in the news

seminated false information about him.
The case is scheduled to go to trial next spring, but the federal judge handling it ordered the singers to explore a settlement.

No settlement was reported from the Wednesday meeting.

Acclaimed author joins faculty of Boston University
ATLANTA - National Book Award winner Ha Jin is leaving Emory University at the end of the academic year to join the fac-

ulty of Boston University.
Jin and his family are moving to be close to his son, who will attend college in the Boston-area next year, said Emory spokeswoman Deb Hammacher.
Jin, 44, has taught creative writing courses at Emory since 1993.
"We're very thankful for the time he's been here," Hammacher

said. Jin vaulted from anonymity to win the National Book Award and the Pen/Faulkner Award for Fiction for his 1999 novel "Waiting," which tells the story of an army doctor who is in love with a nurse but can't divorce the peasant woman with whom he has an arranged marriage.
- compiled from wire reports

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Cuba Gooding Jr. stars as the persevering Brashear in 'Men of Honor'

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

'Flashdance' Sweet-faced Piper Perabo is a New Jersey naïf who comes to the big city to be a songwriter, only to end up playing sex bomb in the nightly, beer-soaked fantasia at Coyote Ugly. The movie is as fake and contrived as the bar's rundown decor, which isn't likely to bother anyone seduced by it. Rated PG-13; sexual situations, language, excessive leering and alcohol consumption. 1 hour, 34 minutes.

'Dr. T & the Women'
 Sparkling and wise romantic comedy from Robert Altman and his 'Cookie's Fortune' screenwriter Anne Rapp in part which Richard Gere, in a part that suits him to a T, as the most popular gynecologist in Dallas whose undoing is, ironically, putting women on a pedestal. Helen Hunt, Farrah Fawcett, Laura Dern, Kate Hudson, Tara Reid and Shelley Long are the key women in his life. The film is also an affectionate satire of nouveau riche Dallas taste (or lack of same). (2.0). R, for graphic nudity and some sexuality.

'The Exorcist'
 William Peter Blatty's pungent, slightly hysterical tale of the devil, who spends most of his energy bedeviling and possessing one little girl. With Ellen Burstyn, Lee J. Cobb, Max Von Sydow, Jason Miller and the teen-ager Linda Blair. William Friedkin directs. (R)

'The Ladies Man'
 Tim Meadows' cognac-sipping, sweet-talking, Afro-wearing 'love machine' is the latest of 'Saturday Night Live's' stable of overreaching dimwits to get his own movie. With Karyn Parsons, Will Ferrell, Tiffany Thiesen and Billy Dee Williams. Directed by Reginald Hudlin from a script by Meadows, Dennis McNicholas and Andrew Steele. (1.25). R, for sexual content and language.

'The Legend of Bagger Vance'
 A highly polished genteel fantasy about the game of golf and its relation to, yes, the game of life, this Robert Redford-directed film is so earnest in its storytelling it negates a charismatic dead snort work that characterize the Asian action superstar. (1.47). R, for violent content.

'The Legend of Drunken Master'
 A newly dubbed and reedited print of 1994's 'Drunken Master 2' lets recently minted fans experience one of the films that made Jackie Chan Jackie Chan, filled with the kinds of boyish comedy and absolutely dropping-dead snort work that characterize the Asian action superstar. (1.47). R, for violent content.

'Little Nicky'
 Watching this latest Adam Sandler movie is like spending 84 minutes in hell, and not because the underworld is its setting. Sandler plays Nicky, the youngest son of Satan (Harvey Keitel), who must go to New York City and fetch his evil older brothers, who are wreak-

ing havoc. A naughty talking bulldog serves as his guide. Lots of big-name stars make cameos, including Quentin Tarantino, whose presence is baffling. The talking dog is cute, and the effects are impressive, but don't be fooled, this is not a movie for children. PG-13, for crude sexual humor, some drug content, language and thematic material. 84 min.

'The Little Vampire'
 Jonathan Lipnicki has a serious attack of the cutes as an American boy who befriends a Scottish boy vampire. A fitfully amusing fantasy for the 10 and under set. With Richard E. Grant, Rollo Weeks. Directed by Uli Edel. (1.30). PG, for some mild peril.

'Lucky Numbers'
 John Travolta plays an ebullient Harrisburg, Pa., TV weatherman whose poor investments spell financial ruin and whose desperate involvement in a lottery rigging scheme triggers a dark comedy of errors filled with comically greedy types, starting with Lisa Kudrow, Tim Roth and Ed O'Neill. (1.45). R, for language, sexuality, some drug use and brief violence.

'Meet the Parents'
 Ben Stiller and Robert De Niro star as prospective son-in-law and father-in-law from hell in one of the most fun mainstream comedies in years, a film that gets its laughs from shrewd casting, well-timed line readings and gags that are worked out to a remarkable degree. (1.48). PG-13, for sexual content, drug references and language.

'Men of Honor'
 The true story of black Navy diver Carl Brashear, who endured the bigotry of the U.S. Navy and the perils of the sea to achieve his longtime ambition. 'Men of Honor' is a gripping film, marred only by a melodramatic finale. Cuba Gooding Jr. stars as the persevering Brashear, in a performance full of valor and heartbreak. Robert De Niro is impressive as Brashear's Navy trainer.

Charlize Theron and Anjanette Ellis figure importantly as the two men's wives. A commendable achievement for newcomers George Tillman Jr. as director and Scott Marshall Smith as writer. R, mostly for language. 128 minutes.

'Pay It Forward'
 Strong acting by Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt and the remarkable Haley Joel Osment and restrained writing and direction from Leslie Dixon and Mimi Leder win us over, much against our better judgment, to this sentimental, inspirational fantasy about the difficulty and the rewards of doing good in an uncaring world. (2.0). PG-13, for mature thematic elements, including substance abuse/recovery, some sexual situations, language and brief violence.

'Red Planet'
 Space movies have become a familiar fixture, but 'Red Planet' offers some new wrinkles. The year is 2050 and Earth is facing extinction because of overpopulation and pollution. Why not form a colony on Mars? Algae has been spread on the Martian landscape to create oxygen, but communication with the planet has broken down. A crew is sent to make repairs. Carrie-Anne Moss ('The Matrix') is the commander. The explorers, headed by Val Kilmer and Tom Sizemore, encounter a variety of dangers, including some nasty Mars beasties. The film is passable adventure, enhanced by stunning photography and first-rate effects. TV commercial director Antony Hoffman, in his first feature, handles the complex film admirably. PG-13, mild swearing and intense excitement. 110 minutes.

'Remember the Titans'
 Producer Jerry Bruckheimer in a serious mood is still Jerry Bruckheimer. An earnest look, based on a true story, at how two football coaches, one black, one white, brought racial harmony to a divided community, all old with the usual energy, shrewdness, and ability to reduce things to the simplest terms. (1.51). PG, for thematic elements and some

What's Playing

'Dr. Strangelove,' Liberty Theater
 "The Exorcist," Magic Lantern
 "The Legend of Bagger Vance," SkitTime Cinemas
 "Little Nicky," Magic Lantern
 "Men of Honor," SkitTime Cinemas
 "Red Planet," SkitTime Cinemas
 "Starry Night," Sun Valley Opera House
 "The Testimony of Tallies Jones," Sun Valley Opera House

Burley
 "Charlie's Angels," Century Cinema
 "Coyote Ugly," Burley Theater
 "Little Nicky," Century Cinema
 "Meet the Parents," Century Cinema
 "Red Planet," Century Cinema
 "Remember the Titans," Century Cinema

Jerome
 "What Lies Beneath," Odyssey Theater
 "Woman on Top," Lamphouse Theater

Jerome
 "Charlie's Angels," Jerome Cinema
 "Little Nicky," Jerome Cinema
 "Lucky Numbers," Jerome Cinema
 "Remember the Titans," Jerome Cinema

Haley, Sun Valley
 "Bary Lyndon," Liberty Theater
 "Best in Show," Magic Lantern
 "Charlie's Angels," Magic Lantern

Gooding
 "Remember the Titans," Gooding Cinema

Halley, Sun Valley
 "Bary Lyndon," Liberty Theater
 "Best in Show," Magic Lantern
 "Charlie's Angels," Magic Lantern

Gooding
 "Remember the Titans," Gooding Cinema

language.) — for an allegory of evolution. But what seems wondrous under the big tent seems ponderous, pretentious and tacky on the big screen. It will take a dihard New Ager or a nearly newborn to choke this kitsch down. Rated G; nothing objectionable. 38 minutes.

'Woman on Top'
 Spain's Penelope Cruz ('All About My Mother') is about to be a nearly newborn to choke this kitsch down. Rated G; nothing objectionable. 38 minutes.

watchable. Cruz is a gifted Brazilian chef who leaves her philanthropic husband but can't forget him, even when she becomes a sensation as the host of a sexy cooking show in San Francisco. What wants to be a spicier 'Like Water for Chocolate' has all the heat and authenticity of a Taco Bell value meal, but the combination of Cruz and bossa nova is like meringue on a meatball. Rated R; brief nudity, sexual situations, language. 1 hour, 25 minutes.

'Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2'
 A fake spawned by a more successful fake, this conventional scare-fare sequel to the highly successful independent film was doomed to be inconsequential and forgettable, and it is. (1.30). R, for violence, language, sexuality and drug use.)

'Bring It On'
 A smart and sassy high school movie that's fun for all ages, starring Kirsten Dunst as the scapting of a cheerleading team at an affluent San Diego area high school that has won the national cheerleading competition five years in a row. To her chagrin she discovers that their current hip-hop routine was ripped off by her predecessor from a Compton high school. (1.35). PG-13, for sex-related material and language.)

'Charlie's Angels'
 This reworking of the 1970s TV series is a potato chip of a movie. Tasty and lightweight, it's fine for a cinematic snack, but making it an entire meal really isn't advisable. Cameron Diaz, Drew Barrymore, Lucy Liu and Bill Murray star. (1.32). PG-13 for action violence, innuendos and some sensuality.)

'Coyote Ugly'
 One of Manhattan's faux roadhouses, where rowdy women sling shots and 'spontaneously' spout the bar to work up the overamped crowd, is the setting for this post-Madonna, post-femi-

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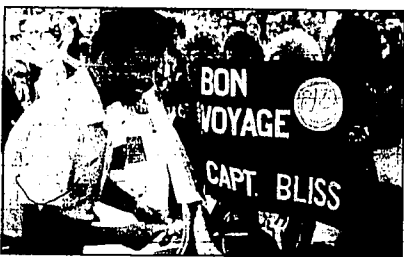
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WEEKEND



POW Capt. Ron Bliss is seen in this released news film clipping from February 1973 with crowds at Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines as he heads home to join his wife in Texas. Bliss is one of 20 former Vietnam POWs whose stories are told in a compelling documentary titled 'Return With Honor.'

Documentary captures spirit of Vietnam POWs

DENVER (AP) — A grainy, black-and-white image appears of a young, barefoot American escorted through a Vietnam village, his head sloppily bandaged.

Later, there's a shot of rusted leg irons on a board bed in the hellish POW camp nicknamed the Hanoi Hilton.

Ron Bliss, with 34 more years on his frame, leans back a bit in his chair, solemnly describing the torturous prison. "You could look at this place and understand of about 50 years," he said.

Bliss, who was an Air Force lieutenant, is one of 20 former Vietnam POWs whose stories are told in the compelling documentary "Return With Honor," a two-hour special that will air Monday, Nov. 13, at 9 p.m. EST on PBS as part of the "American Experience" series.

Unlike countless films and TV specials about the Vietnam War, this documentary sets aside the political tug of war over U.S. involvement and instead focuses on the indomitable human spirit that nourished the prisoners' will to survive, despite life-threatening wounds, torture and starvation.

"It's our full accounting. It's not 'Hollywooded' up at all," said retired Air Force Col. Bill Butler, who was in the Hanoi Hilton for six years in five POW camps, including the Hanoi Hilton. "You know how Hollywood wants to make something better out of something that wasn't much fun."

The idea for the documentary grew out of a project coordinated by members of the Air Force Academy's class of 1965. The alumni recorded oral histories of graduates who were prisoners of war, producing 39 bound volumes that became the basis for the film.

They approached award-winning producers Freida Lee Mock and Terry Sanders and obtained a grant from the Boeing-McDonnell Foundation to underwrite the production.

The film skips between past and present, intertwining Vietnamese film footage and U.S. newsreels with the recollections of the men and their wives.

Crews shot in part on location in Vietnam, where they borrowed newsreels from the Vietnamese archives, including some taken by North Vietnamese camera-

men. Other shots portray the Hanoi Hilton, the Hanoi power plant and Truc Bac Lake, where Navy Lt. Cmdr. John McCain, now a senator from Arizona, was shot down.

The film also displays drawings that depicted prison life and torture that were done by Navy Lt. Mike McGrath, who used his own blood to draw pictures on his cell walls.

The men who narrate the documentary keep their emotions just beneath the surface as they describe their capture, beatings, starvation and endless hours in dark, dank cells. There are no harsh words for the government or lingering bitterness about their ordeals.

Lessons learned? "You aren't as strong as you think you are," said Baugh, who lives within a few miles of McGrath. "You aren't John Wayne and you soon learn that and accept that."

The men include McCain, retired Navy Cmdr. James Stockdale and retired Navy Cmdr. Jeremiah Denton, who blinks "torure" in Morse code when he was blindfolded before newsmen during the war.

Navy fighter pilot Everett Alvarez Jr. was 26 when he was ordered to take off from a carrier off the coast of Vietnam on Aug. 4, 1964. "My knees started to shake," he said. "As we were leaving the area, I was hit. I said, 'I gotta get out. I'll see you guys later.'"

It was 8.5 years before Alvarez was freed, the longest period of captivity of any American war prisoner.

When Air Force Capt. Pete Peterson was shot down on Sept. 10, 1966, he held a .38-caliber weapon to his head, trying to decide whether to live or die. "I opted not to pull the trigger and frankly, it would have been easy to do," said Peterson, who became the first postwar ambassador to Vietnam in 1997.

As one Christmas followed another, the men set up a communications network using a block formation of the alphabet, five rows and five columns.

They also formed the 4th Allied POW Wing and took up the battle cry: "Return with honor."

"It was a matter of dignity," Bliss said. "All we had left of who we were is our name and our honor."

Billy Joel, Elton John work on joint-American tour

NEW YORK (AP) — The Piano Man and the Rocket Man may tour again.

Billy Joel and Elton John are trying to set tour dates and places for a joint-American cities tour beginning in February, the New York Daily News reported Wednesday. Joel, who was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame last year, and British rocker John toured

together several years ago. Joel has spent the last couple of years composing classical music.

His hits include "Piano Man" and "Uptown Girl," a love song to one-time wife Christie Brinkley.

John's hits include "Rocket Man" and "Can You Feel the Love Tonight?" He also did the music for "Aida," the current Broadway hit by Disney.

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UP College of Southern Idaho CLOSE

By Joe Sunnen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Slow and steady - that has been the way College of Southern Idaho freshman outside hitter Tiffany Bird has improved this season on the volleyball court.

Focus on



Tiffany Bird

At 6 feet tall, with a big arm swing and an even bigger heart, Bird cuts an imposing figure at the college level. And her work ethic and enthusiasm in practice have also helped the team succeed this season. "I'm having a lot of fun," Bird said. "It's good just practicing and getting the starters to reach their peak. I was a key player in high school and now I'm a key player in practice. That was one of the biggest changes, but it was a good change because we all have to experience different things."

Bird has progressed from a low second-year All-region III performer at Pocatello High to a more controlled attacker at CSI.

She has found her way into 14 matches for the Eagles this year and gathered 14 kills and 4 blocks.

"It's fun to improve but it's even better when you know you are improving," Bird said. "I don't think I had a lot of control at the beginning of the season. I am getting experience and my overall game is just getting better."

Bird also played basketball and ran track at Pocatello but she knew that her future was in volleyball.

"I love volleyball," Bird said. "It's fast-paced and you have to do a lot of stuff out of reaction. There is nothing like the thrill you get after a hard hit."

Choosing to attend CSI was an easy decision.

Becoming a Golden Eagle was something she has wanted to do for as long as she can remember.

"I have always wanted to come here," Bird said. "I have always thought coming here would be awesome - and it has been. Playing with the No. 1 or No. 2-ranked team in the nation for most of the year has been a good learning experience. I knew there would be hard practices and that is what I was looking forward to."

The learning that Bird has done in her apprentice season translates into increased minutes as a sophomore.

She has contributed in each game and continues to impress as she becomes more confident in her abilities.

"I like being cocky," Bird said. "You have to have confidence. I don't know where I get it from, I guess I just pull it out of thin air."

Question and Answer

1. What's the deal with your nickname?
It's Poof. My dad made it up because my brothers and sisters all have nicknames. He has a story behind it but I can't remember what it is. That was just my nickname around my house and at high school but it hasn't really caught on around here too much.
2. Did you vote?
No, I was too lazy. I wasn't registered - it would have taken too long to do - so I just skipped it this year.
3. What kind of music do you like?
My favorite singer is Garth Brooks and I love the Dixie Chicks. I am just an old-fashioned country girl.
4. What do you like to do besides play volleyball?
I like to sleep and play basketball.
5. What else do you like to do?
I love to sew.

Fierce front



Size and ferocity have helped the Castleford Wolves offensive line dominate defenses and outscore opponents by a margin of 470-138. Trevor Merrill, left, Lee Taylor, center, Jon Bobango, Eric Brubaker and Ben Rodgers, right, as well as quarterback Elvis Medina, hope to ride that intensity to a state championship.

Unbeaten Castleford puts championship dreams on the line

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

CASTLEFORD - The barren fields of corn and alfalfa are dusted over with snow now, but one field remains very much alive here in dairy country.

The Castleford High football field.

One of four 8-man football teams still playing in the state, the Wolves (10-0) host powerful Idaho City (8-1) tonight at 6 p.m. in one of two Class A-4, 8-man semifinals.

And for the 24 members of the

Castleford vs. Idaho City

Kickoff: Today, 6 p.m.
Where: CHS
At stake: Winner advances to Class A-4, 8-man state championship next weekend.
Pre-game: Gathering at the Red Bar, 4:30 p.m.

Castleford red white and blue who still recall the sting of last year's 53-6 state semifinal lashing by eventual state champion Salmon River; they aren't about to waste this opportunity.

"We have a really good opportunity of winning a state championship," said sophomore quarterback Elvis Medina. "Two



Coach Shawn Scow

hard weeks left."

Backfield mate and junior Ryan Bliek said the team is focused and ready.

"We're mentally prepared. This is one game we want to get back compared to last year," said Bliek, who's returning from midseason knee surgery. "We just hope we can get to the championship."

To do so, Castleford will have to stop Wildcats running back Mone' Hicks, who tallied 377 yards on 29 carries and five touchdowns in Idaho City's 58-38 quarterfinal demolition of

Snohorne. In eight games, the shifty tailback has compiled an impressive 2,847 yards on just 159 carries and scored 44 touchdowns.

"We put in a little bit of a different wrinkle in our defense," said second-year Castleford coach Shawn Scow. "But it's like trying to stop Michael Jordan; you can only hope to slow him down."

"It's probably going to be a shootout."

But a brash Medina wasn't so

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New look A-1

Change rules big-school hoops

By Holly Ketter
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Changes have arrived since the last time the Magic Valley saw Class A-1 girls' basketball.

For starters, the region has been split into divisions. Twin Falls, Minico, Highland and Pocatello will play in Division I, while Division II teams Burley, Jerome, Bonneville, Blackfoot and Century.

Last year, Burley, Jerome, Minico, Twin Falls and the Pocatello schools all played in one conference, Region III.

And the area also has some

new faces to get used to in the form of players and coaches.

But for Twin Falls, with seven returning lettermen, lack of experience shouldn't be a problem. The Bruins return three-year varsity players Kent Coats and Marci Danielson to lead the team. Last season, Coats averaged 10.2 points per game and nine rebounds per outing, while Danielson clipped in 3.7 ppg and 4 rpg.

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Williams guides No. 7 Jayhawks past UCLA

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Roy Williams' 13th season as coach at Kansas got off to a good start, then came yet another question about what he did last summer.

No sooner had the seventh-ranked Jayhawks beaten No. 17 UCLA 99-98 in the opener of the Coaches Vs. Cancer Classic on Thursday night than Williams faced another question about his decision to stay at Kansas rather than move to North Carolina, his alma mater where he worked for 10 seasons as an assistant to Dean Smith.

"This summer got too emotional," said Williams, who announced his decision to remain at Kansas in front of media and fans at the football stadium. "It was my dream to coach at North Carolina but now it's over with. The kids are the reason I stayed." Most of those kids came up big on the offensive end early as the Jayhawks led by as many as 16 points in the first half. Kenny Gregory scored 24 points and Kirk Hinrich added 21 for Kansas, which shot 65 percent



AP Photo

from the field in the first half but had to hold off the Bruins down the stretch with offensive rebounding and free-throw shooting.

"We were fortunate to win this one our defense was not good," Williams said.

The Jayhawks will meet St. John's in the championship game

Kansas' Drew Gooden grabs a rebound as UCLA's Matt Barnes reaches in during the second half of their Coaches vs. Cancer Ikon Classic game Thursday at Madison Square Garden.

tonight at Madison Square Garden. St. John's beat No. 12 Kentucky 62-61.

Gregory, Kansas' leading returning scorer at 12.8 points per game, had 15 as the Jayhawks built a 57-51 halftime lead. While Gregory's scoring was expected that wasn't the case

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Price rising in Spain

Birdie binge nets American Express lead

The Associated Press

SOTOGRADE, Spain - Nick Price fired fearlessly at every flag and counted up 11 birdies at the end of the day. Those were two good signs he was living out some happy memories Thursday in the American Express Championship.

Other signs: He had no idea Tiger Woods was eight strokes behind after the first round, nor did he care.

"When I played my best golf, that's what I did very well," Price said after his round of 8-under 63 at surprisingly serene Valderrama Golf Club. "I didn't worry about what anyone else was doing. I just tried to do my very best on each hole, on each shot."

With only five pars on his card, Price built a three-stroke lead over Padraig Harrington of Ireland in the final 55 million World Golf Championships event of the year.

Price and Harrington played in the same twosome and accounted for an amazing round - 18 birdies, a best-ball score of 58.

"We just got into a nice roll," Harrington said. "It was like two-balls, lovely to play."

Woods did not look back on his first-round 71 with much affection. Trying to become the first player in 50 years to win 10 times in one PGA Tour season, Woods made birdie on three of his first four holes and appeared to be rolling along until the par-3 sixth not only halted momentum but offered an omen for the rest of the round.

He three-putted from about 6 feet for bogey.

Valderrama leaderboard

A few top scores Thursday after the first round of the \$5 million 2000 WGC American Express Championship at Valderrama Golf Club (more results on Page D3):

Player	Score	Par
Nick Price	21-63	-6
Padraig Harrington	22-64	-5
Scott Verplank	23-65	-4
Tommy Alton	24-66	-3
Lee Westwood	24-66	-3
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Woods also had a short birdie putt on No. 12 that looped around the hole and came 4 feet back, leading to another three-putt bogey. It's easy to understand what was going through his mind as he stood over a 12-foot birdie putt on the final hole.

"I hate to think negative, but as I hit the putt, I said, 'Well, I'm just waiting for this one to pop out,'" he said.

Gravity was finally on his side.

Woods made birdie and stretched his worldwide streak to 48 rounds at par or better, and was not the least bit discouraged about his chances.

"You can still win if you're over par," he said "If you get the right wind out here, you can shoot 4 or 5 under and make up a lot of ground."

The players for whom 11 million first-place check means something weren't as optimistic. While Woods clinched the PGA Tour money title nearly three months ago, the European Tour's Order of Merit hangs in the balance this week.

It was hard to tell by their scores. Darren Clarke, who has a slim lead over Lee Westwood, made only one birdie in his round of 74. Westwood hit a 2-iron into the drink on the par-5 17th for a bogey in his round of 72.

"I'm not completely out of it," Westwood said. "I think I'll go back to the hotel and forget about it because it was an absolute pile of rubbish."



Nick Price

scouting report

Big-school Best Team-by-team preview Class A-1, Div. II Class A-1, Div. I

A few Class A-1, Div. I and II girls' basketball players from the Magic Valley to watch this season:

A-1, Div. II

Alissa Sorenson, Burley (sr.)

— Good size as a 6-foot-1 post who grabbed 4.2 rpg a night in 1999-00. Also a key scoring threat — she averaged 7.3 points per outing last year too.

Alisha Wilkinson, Burley (sr.)

The 5-6 senior guard steps in to run the Bobcat offense this winter. Averaged nearly 3.0 assists and 2.9 boards a contest last winter.

Kendra West, Jerome (sr.)

A solid 6-foot post, BCI All-American West is a lethal scoring machine — she had 12.45 ppg, 6.85 rpg and two steals a night last season for the Tigers.

Dusty Schvaneveldt, Jerome (sr.)

Made All-District (VAVI) first team in cross country this year after a top-10 state finish last month. Bottom line: Not the tallest at 5-2, but she's a fast point guard who can hit the 3 at will. Had 3.9 ppg, 3.8 assists and 2.6 steals in 1999-00.

Brandi Escover, Jerome (sr.)

As a 5-3 guard, she'll be counted on to score. That should not be a problem, since she put up 10.75 ppg and nearly 2.0 assists per game as a junior last year.

Keeley Osborn, Jerome (sr.)

As a 5-8 guard/forward, Osborn is a third-year starter who can help inside and out.

A-1, Div. I

Clare Bodensteler, Minico (jr.)

Maybe the best guard in the region. Another BCI All-American, the 5-8 Bodensteler averaged 12.0 ppg, 5.9 rpg, 3.4 assists and a whopping 4.2 steals a game last year.

Lisa Patterson, Minico (sr.)

The Spartans' team leader from her guard position at 5-8, Patterson's forte is defense — she had 5.15 boards and two steals a contest as a junior in 1999-00.

Ashley Jolley, Minico (sr.)

Minico's 5-6 point guard completes the Spartans' leadership trio. A super shooter with decent size, she averaged 9.3 ppg, 3.1 rpg and 2.1 assists last winter.

Keri Coats, Twin Falls (sr.)

A towering 6-4 post who keyed the Bruins' march to the state volleyball tourney two weeks ago, Coats can score and bang under the bucket. One of the top A-1 centers in the state, she had 10.2 ppg and 9.0 boards an outing in 1999-00.

Marci Danielson, Twin Falls (sr.)

The 5-9 wing had 3.7 ppg and 4.0 rpg last season for the Bruins, and is not afraid to mix it up inside.

Kim Strunk, Twin Falls (jr.)

Versatile as a 5-9 guard/forward, Strunk was a key offensive weapon for Twin Falls with 8.1 ppg as a sophomore. Also good for 4.0 boards per game last winter.

Danielle Maloney, Twin Falls (so.)

Put up promising numbers as a freshman starter last season: 4.0 ppg and 3.0 assists a contest. Handles the ball with smarts — solid decision-making belies her youth.

Blackfoot Broncos

Coach: Gerald Humphreys
1999-00 record: 23-4 overall (11-1 in league)
Key returners: Krystal Keller, 5-5 sr. G; Angie Layton, 5-11 jr. O
Outlook: Blackfoot is a perennial power, but was hit hard by graduation. Keller and Layton return to pick up the pieces, and the Broncos could do average 16.3 ppg last year. Both are shooters who will take up to 20 attempts per outing. Layton was 17-of-55 from the 3-point line, and Keller hit 34 percent. The overwhelming sentiment of the A-1 teams Blackfoot played last year is good riddance — along with Madison, the Broncos had ruled their region for years.

Bonneville Bees

Coach: Tracy Peterson
1999-00 record: 5-17
Outlook: Not so good. The Bees are young this year, with few players back from 1999-00. If Bonneville's youth develops as Peterson hopes, though, east-central Idaho's other A-1, Div. II team could be a force to contend with come tourney time.

Burley Bobcats

Coach: Gordon Kerbs, ninth year
Assistant: Troy Wilkins, Robert Davis, Sara Young
1999-00 record: 4-18
Key returners: Alissa Sorenson, 6-1 sr. P (7.3 ppg, 4.2 rpg); Alisha Wilkinson, 5-6 sr. G (2.9 rpg, 2.9 apg)
Others to watch: Tiffany Wind, 5-7 sr. W; Megan Bradley, 5-10 jr. P; Nicole Piekup, 6-0 jr. P; Tiffany Anderson, 5-7 jr. G; Haley Fletcher, 5-6 jr. G; Kaitlee Hodson, 5-4 jr. G; Anyelle Peterson, 5-9, jr. P; Liz Britz, 5-7 so. G
Outlook: With just two returning starters, the Bobcats lack experience going into the season, but they hope to make up in rebounding what they lack in minutes played.
Coach Kerbs says: "I think we'll have good chemistry this year. Lack of experience is a huge concern early and we need someone to step up and knock some shots down on the perimeter."
Opener: at Obedia, Saturday

Century Diamondbacks

Coach: Delon Hise, second year
1999-00 record: 6-17
Key returners: Bryan Rydman, 6-1 sr. P; Lindsey Lewis, 6-4 jr. P
Others to watch: Jerilyn Bailey, sr. P; Angela Bates, sr. P; Kim Boler, sr. G; Paige Knudson, sr. G; Sarah Ward, jr. G; Ashley Alley, jr. G
Outlook: Hise calls Jerome the conference favorite, but likes his team's look too. However, the development of Knudson, Boler, Ward and Alley will be pivotal to the Dbacks' success. They'll need to get the lead down low to their four-court teammates. Century's dedication over the summer (30 games at various camps) should pay dividends and net an improved record.
Coach Hise says: "I'm real comfortable with these kids. The confidence, their chemistry and their intensity level have improved a bunch... If we handle the ball, we'll be an excellent team."
Opener: at Obedia, Saturday

Jerome Tigers

Coach: Michelle Skyles, seventh year
Assistant: Ken Wright, Elmer Musgrave, Vince Gibson, Terry Waitley
1999-00 record: 20-4
Key returners: Kendra West, 6-0 sr. P (12.45 ppg, 6.85 rpg, 2.0 steals, All-American RCL); Dusty Schvaneveldt, 5-2 sr. PG (3.9 ppg, 3.8 rpg, 2.6 steals, two-year starter); Brandi Escover, 5-3 sr. G (10.75 ppg, 1.6 apkg); Keeley Osborn, 5-8 sr. GF (third year on varsity); Nicole Pukos, 5-11 sr. P
Others to watch: Amber Davis, 5-7 sr. G; Tracy Lee, 5-6 jr. G (transfer from Nampa); Jennifer Pund, 6-0 so. P (leading scorer on JV last year); Cortni Ford, 5-4 jr. G
Outlook: The Tigers are senior-led with a wealth of playing experience. With the addition of several new players, they should be well balanced inside and out. The junior varsity is strong as well, adding depth to the varsity team, which consists of just nine players.
Coach Skyles says: "We lost a lot of height and powerful players last season."
Opener: Rigby at home, Friday

Highland Rams

Coach: Scott Hansen
1999-00 record: 18-12, Region III champ
Key returners: Becky Tinney, 5-7 sr. P
Others to watch: April Guldinger, sr. P; Heidi Harding, sr. G; Rebecca Adamson, 6-0 jr. P; Kelsey Flansburg, 6-0 jr. P; Chelsea Jackson, sr. PG
Outlook: Highland has been to three state tourneys in four years. But the Rams lost sharpshooter Angela Williams to graduation (that was Twin Falls' gain, really, since she's now at the College of Southern Idaho). Hansen's plan is to rely on his inside game this season, thanks to the development of Adamson and Flansburg. They comprise more size than the Rams have had in three years. Yet to say Highland is a favorite to repeat as champs in the new four-team conference would be a stretch, unless they can score like last year.
Coach Hansen says: "We'll probably be the sleeper. We've got good quickness and we'll play good defense."
Opener: at Idaho Falls, Saturday

Minico Spartans

Coach: Clint Strattman, first year
Assistant: Nikl Walker, Dan Poutson, Rhonda Dudley
1999-00 record: 11-12
Key returners: Lisa Patterson, 5-8 sr. G (5.15 ppg, 2.0 steals); Ashley Jolley, 5-6 sr. G (9.3 ppg, 3.1 rpg, 2.1 apg); Clare Bodensteler, 5-8 jr. G (4.2 steals, 12 ppg, 3.4 rpg, BCI All-American)
Others to watch: Kay Story, 5-11 sr. F (4.8 ppg, 5.3 rpg, 2.2 apg); 5-11 Kim Child, jr. P; 5-8 Whitney Martin, so. PG (2.0 steals)
Outlook: Lisa Patterson should lead the Spartans this season with good shooting and defense. Ashley Jolley runs the team from the point guard position. BCI All-American Clare Bodensteler will round out the experience of the returning varsity players. She's super fast (played select soccer in Europe last summer). In his first year at the helm of the Minico squad, coach Clint Strattman finds his team aggressive on defense. The line on Strattman? He's an ISU grad who came over from Aberdeen, and used to coach in Richfield.
Coach Strattman says: "We have great shooters that can read defense and take good shots. However, we must become a good rebounding team... Our small team will have a tough time against the taller teams in our conference."
Opener: Idaho Falls at home, Saturday

Pocatello Indians

Coach: Geno Mariani
1999-00 record: 14-11
Key returners: Merilee Caldwell, 5-3 jr. G; Jenna Jones, sr. PG; Becky Dybee, sr. G; Stephanie Skunkup, sr. P; Naupaka Uperesa, sr. G; 6-3 C
Others to watch: Blaire Zirkler, 5-11 so. GF; Abby Baird, 5-10 sr. P; Rachelle Denroy, 5-7 sr. F; Ricci Reavis, sr. F
Outlook: The Indians are loaded with seniors — 10, to be exact, to go along with one junior and one sophomore. Caldwell, the junior, hit a school-record 57 three-pointers as a sophomore last year, and played for Idaho's national-championship BCI team last summer with several Magic Valley standouts. Zirkler, the sophomore, got the varsity call up late last season and made the most of it. Uperesa can control a game with her rebounding and shot-blocking. The Indians should be much stronger than last year when they lost the Region III title game to cross-town foe Highland, thanks to their depth.
Coach Mariani says: "We're excited to see what we can do... We don't have to do a lot of explanation in practice. We get right after it and iron out our mistakes and put in some new things."
Opener: at Idaho Falls, Friday

Twin Falls Bruins

Coach: Lawrence Pfeifferle, ninth year
Assistant: Steve Irons, Kelly Youree
1999-00 record: 12-8
Key returners: Keri Coats, 6-4 sr. P (10.2 ppg, 9 rpg); Marci Danielson, 5-9 sr. W (3.7 ppg, 4 rpg); Kim Strunk, 5-9 jr. GW (8.1 ppg, 4 rpg); Danielle Maloney, 5-7 so. F (4 ppg, 3 rpg)
Others to watch: Mikkel McBride, 5-7 sr. WP; Paige Allen, 5-6 sr. GW; Ashlee Pfeifferle, 5-8 sr. WP; Rachel Welch, 5-7 sr. WP; Joel Benson, 5-7 jr. GW; Briana Allen, 5-9 jr. W; Kim Wiseman, 5-9 so. W
Outlook: Keri Coats returns to lead the Bruins again this season, and is joined by solid supporting cast in Marci Danielson, Kim Strunk and Danielle Maloney. The four returning starters should give the Bruins another competitive season.
Coach Pfeifferle says: "Most of our players play at least two sports, so they are used to competing. Our concerns are injuries and sickness. We hope that our players will step up quickly."
Opener: at Idaho Falls, Friday



FILE PHOTO
Jerome High senior Dusty Schvaneveldt, a two-year starter at the point, will be a key cog in coach Michelle Skyles' veteran-leden starting five — all are experienced seniors.



FILE PHOTO
Class A-1, Div. I girls' basketball fans can expect more under-the-basket skirmishes like this one last season between Twin Falls High's Keri Coats, left, and Minico's Kay Story. Both are now seniors and both are tougher than ever under the bucket.

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E-commerce talk slated for today

TWIN FALLS - A two-day statewide e-commerce conference, designed to help businesses and individuals make money using the Internet, will open today.

The conference, at the College of Southern Idaho's Evergreen Building, will feature 18 national speakers and panelists. The opening speaker is Frank Odasz, a recognized expert on new Internet technologies. Registration is \$75 per person at the door. There is an additional fee for the Friday night banquet. College credit is available for an extra \$66.50.

Admission is free to all students who pre-register and who have a high school or college identification card.

For more information, call CSI at (208) 733-9554, Ext. 2401 or 2419.

Downtown consultant to meet with merchants

TWIN FALLS - A consultant working on downtown and Old Towne revitalization will meet merchants Wednesday to discuss the future of Old Towne.

The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Obenchain Community Room, 264 Main Ave. S. Tom Hudson and his consulting firm, the Moscow-based Tom Hudson Co., is doing a comprehensive, \$55,000 study of the downtown and Old Towne areas. The city's Urban Renewal Agency has pledged \$25,000 to the six-month study; downtown and Old Towne will pay \$5,000, and the city of Twin Falls will pay the remaining \$25,000.

For more information, call the Historic Old Towne office at 733-3434.

Community bank hopes to raise money with IPO

COEUR D'ALENE - Another community bank expects to raise \$5 million through an initial public offering of stock. President Max Faller said the proposed bank would use the cash to open the new bank early next year. A maximum of 500,000 shares is being offered at \$10 a share. So far, response has been good, Faller said. Investors have already signaled their intention to buy about \$3 million of the offering. Raising the capital will trigger proceedings to finalize the bank's state charter and its insurance through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Logan food plant sets national safety standard

LOGAN, Utah - A Logan cheese plant has overtaken a Proctor & Gamble Pringles factory to become the safest food plant in the nation.

The Schreiber Foods, Inc. plant went more than 6 million hours without an accident causing an employee to miss work.

It's an "extraordinary achievement," said Larry Ferguson, Schreiber Foods' president and CEO. He said the company's 360 employees clearly proved that a team commitment to safety works.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Sweeter career

Disaster moves veteran rancher into the candy business

The Associated Press

VILAS, Colo. - The Halloween Eve blizzard of 1979, which killed hundreds of his sows and dozens of his cattle, ultimately led veteran high plains farmer and rancher Melvin Konkel to a cleaner, sweeter, more enlightening career.

"We had to make changes in our lifestyle," Konkel said of tallying \$850,000 in blizzard losses. He tried a few other jobs before starting a cottage industry with his wife, Kay.

Although Kay Konkel hadn't made candy before, except for some fudge, a friend encouraged her to try the lollipop business. Since she needed something to do, she did.

A couple of weeks after she started, Melvin Konkel happily gave up his interim job recycling aluminum, rolled up his sleeves and joined Kay in their farmhouse kitchen. The couple began filling tables and counters with a daily production of 2,800 suckers. They were used to much harder work.

Before the blizzard, he irrigated 1,500 acres of wheat, corn and milo. He also ran both a fertilizer business and a bulk oil and gas business and had 1,000 head of cattle and 600 sow hogs.

"That night we had 100 mile-an-hour winds," Konkel said, referring to the storm. "Two feet of snow were left on the ground."

He could see dozens of dead cattle from his kitchen window the next morning.

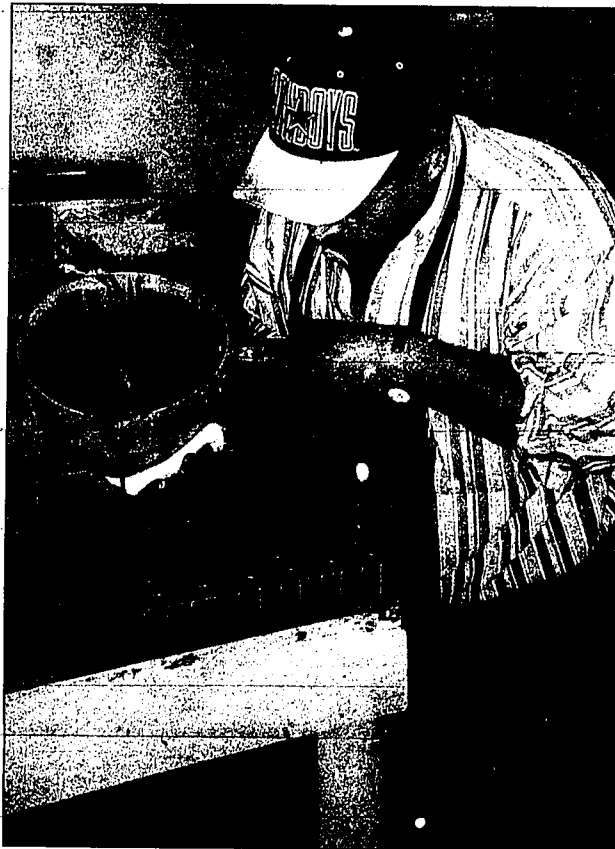
That was B.C. - before candy. Konkel, who relishes his sweet success, built a production plant behind his home, next to towering grain elevators and across the street from the farming hamlet of Vilas, population under 100.

Although his address is Vilas, the factory is on the townsite of the long-vanished community of Kliesen City, which he owns.

Why locate a lollipop factory, which employs 15 people and ships 5 million to 6 million suckers a year, in the middle of flat, parched, virtually treeless high plains in the remote southeastern corner of the state?

"Why not? We are right here in the heart of the United States," said Konkel, whose father moved to the area from Kansas in 1903.

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Tony Zatezka pours candy into a mold at Melvin Konkel's lollipop business in Vilas, Colo., Oct. 9. Konkel, a former rancher, started the business after The Halloween Eve Blizzard of 1979 killed hundreds of his sows and dozens of his cows.

Mill ready to reopen after hiatus

The Associated Press

COEUR D'ALENE - A Plummer mill will resume grinding up grass stubble to make particleboard material after a 2.5 month hiatus.

Managers at Pacific Northwest Fiber said they will begin pressing the grass into boards even though prices remain poor.

The mill, a \$5 million venture of Seeds Inc. and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, closing in August as board prices sank, its inventory failed to sell and equipment needed retooling.

About 40 workers were laid off, leaving three to find new markets, general manager David Bauermeister said. The mill will focus on boards for furniture and shelving, not just flooring underlayment. Its annual capacity is 22 million square feet with a 7/16-inch thickness. The mill went to work in 1999. Farmers had burned their fields until it was restricted in Washington state.

Unable to rid the fields of stubble, the new straw board plant was viewed as a model to use the leftover material. Pacific just reimburses farmers the baling costs. Otherwise farmers have to bale, store, market and ship the straw at their own expense - at a time they are struggling with poor food commodity prices, farmer Paul Stearns said.

In parts of eastern Washington and Idaho, growing Kentucky bluegrass has been a bright spot in an otherwise depressed agricultural economy. Farmers raise the perennial grass for seed.

Farmers faced the prospect of baling more than 200,000 tons of straw without a buyer. Although the board plant offers relief for about 10 percent of the material, farmers still must get rid of excess straw.

This year, some growers were able to sell some to drought-stricken Montana ranchers. Bluegrass straw, though, is a low-nutrient cattle feed and ranchers do not prefer it, Stearns said.

Friday's composite price for the plant's particleboard was \$190 to \$210 per thousand square feet, depending on panel size. Last year, the price was between \$190 and \$280, according to Round Lenghns, the industry's pricing publication.

Sears' new chief seeks to pare down home service

Knight Ridder News Service

NEW YORK - For Alan Lacy, Sears, Roebuck and Co.'s new chief executive, less is definitely more.

After only 39 days on the job, Lacy promised this week that the nation's second-largest retailer soon will be doing "fewer things better."

That means Sears will pare back its home-services offerings, which include everything from kitchen remodeling to pest control, making sure they are a good fit with the Sears brand, Lacy said.

It also will result in fewer Sears catalogs. Right now, the Hoffman Estates-based retailer has its name on 17 catalogs, only two of which are produced by Sears. Many of the catalogs, which are produced by licensees, sell merchandise that isn't even available in Sears stores.

"Rather than just lending our name, we want to make sure this effort supports our retail proposition," Lacy told retail analysts and bankers gathered in New York to hear his first presentation after his appointment to CEO was announced in September. He declined to speci-

fy what license relationships might be severed.

From the outset, Lacy said he would be offering no grand plans and no quick fixes. But the finance whiz promised to bring a sharper focus to Sears' portfolio of diverse businesses as he continues to get a better handle on the retail side of Sears.

To be sure, Sears investors are hoping Lacy's promotion represents a new era. Although Sears' hard-line businesses have remained strong performers in the 1990s, the retailer has been unable to fix its apparel business despite an eight-year effort by

Lacy's predecessor, Arthur Martinez. Meanwhile, Sears' stock price has fallen to the low 30s and its market capitalization has plunged.

Lacy didn't shy away from the sore spots, presenting a frank, sometimes harsh, assessment of Sears' ailing core retail business. And he vowed to redirect Sears' resources toward winners and away from losers, promising to "manage for growth and returns." One major trouble spot: Sears' rock-bottom profit margins. Its 3.3 percent retail operating margin is the lowest among its competitors, a tally even dis-

counters such as Kmart and Wal-Mart, Lacy said.

By comparison, Kohl's Corp., a fast-growing, aggressively priced apparel chain from Menomonee Falls, Wis., boasts a 9.9 percent operating margin.

"We recognize we don't make enough money in the retail business," Lacy said. "We're not happy with the underlying financial performance."

To improve Sears' returns, Lacy will take a hard look at the company's off-the-main chains, which were touted by Martinez as the company's source of future growth.

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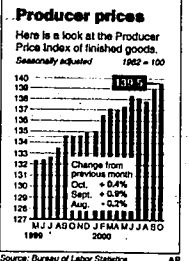
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MONEY

Wholesale prices edge up 0.4 percent, but 'core' inflation falls

WASHINGTON (AP) Wholesale inflation edged up in October as sharply higher costs for food and natural gas swamped the biggest drop in car prices in 10 years.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics AP

The Producer Price Index, which measures inflation pressures before they reach store shelves, was more subdued last month, climbing a seasonally adjusted 0.4 percent after jumping 0.9 percent in September, the Labor Department reported Thursday.

Prices for goods other than food and energy - which can swing widely from month to month - actually fell by 0.1 percent in October, following a 0.3 percent rise, suggesting that inflation was in check. It marked the first decline in the "core" inflation rate this year since January.

"Inflation at the producer price level is still tightly under wraps," said William Cheney, chief economist for John Hancock.

While economists believe that energy prices will moderate over the next six months, that may be of little comfort to consumers who are likely to face astronomical heating bills this winter.

The Federal Reserve boosted interest rates six times since June 1999 to slow the economy and keep inflation under control. Given signs that the Fed's rate hikes are working, many analysts believe the central bank will leave interest rates unchanged at its Nov. 15 meeting.

The 0.4 percent rise in the PPI was twice as big as many analysts expected, but the decline in the core rate was an even better showing than the slim 0.1 percent increase they anticipated.

In another report, new claims for state unemployment insurance jumped last week by a seasonally adjusted 15,000 to 344,000, its highest level since early January 1999, suggesting that the nation's red-hot labor market is cooling a bit.

In October, energy prices rose 1.4 percent after snapping 3.7 percent in September. Prices for other natural gas prices posted their biggest increase since June, rising 5.2 percent. Residential electricity prices rose 0.8 percent.

More expensive natural gas prices reflect tight supplies and extraordinarily high demand from consumers, said Mark Zandi, chief economist for the consulting firm Economy.com.

The pickup in electricity prices stems from more expensive natural gas and oil costs, which are used to fuel electric power plants, Zandi said. Those higher costs are being passed along to consumers in the form of higher prices, he added.

Crude-oil prices have risen sharply this year as the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development's OPEC nations limited production and U.S. supplies shrank.

But economists expect prices to moderate as oil-producing nations boost output. After soaring in September, prices for gasoline and heating oil fell last month by 1.8 percent and 3.4 percent, respectively.

Kmart posts loss as promotions, cooling economy take their toll

CHICAGO - A cooling economy took its toll on one of the nation's major retailers Thursday as Best Buy Co. warned that its second-half earnings would come in below Wall Street estimates and Kmart Corp. posted a bigger-than-expected loss for its third quarter.

Both companies said profit margins had been hit by increased spending on promotions. The slowing economy has produced a more cautious retail environment, forcing stores to compete harder for customers and retain market share.

Kmart Corp. said its third-quarter loss was larger than analysts had expected because of sluggish sales and a shrunken profit margin due to increased promotions.

The second-largest U.S. discount retailer said it was also hit by the cost of overhauling its operations to better compete with rivals such as Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and the trendy private-label goods sold at Target Corp.

The Troy, Mich.-based company posted a net loss of \$67 million, or 14 cents a share, compared with net income of \$27 million, or 5 cents in the year-ago quarter. Analysts polled by First Call/Thomson Financial had been expecting a loss of 10 cents.

Sales for the quarter ended Oct. 27 rose 3 percent to \$8.2 billion, while sales at stores open at least a year rose 1.4 percent.

The company's profit made on each item sold, fell 1 percentage point to 20.5 percent because "the sales mix shifted to clearance merchandise from regularly priced items," management said on a conference call.

That's because Kmart has been slashing prices to reduce excessive inventory as part of a major overhaul led by its new Chairman, Chuck Conway, who joined Kmart on May 31. He also pledged to reallocate personnel to improve customer service, better position stores, and spend \$2 billion to revamp technologies and distributions.

As a result of these moves, the retailer closed 69 stores and incurred a charge of \$463 million, or 96 cents a share. Excluding the charge, Kmart lost \$30 million, or 4 cents.

While analysts say the company has a long road of recovery ahead of it, Conway told investors on the call that "we are well on our way to meet or beat our goals."

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Here are the 625 most actively traded on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are listed by category.

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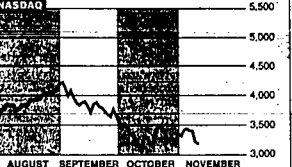
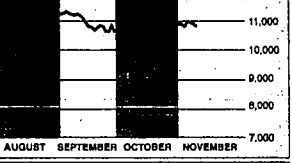
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NEW YORK (AP) - Investors

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Stocks recover after election-fueled plunge

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AlphaGraphics announces move to Salt Lake City

SALT LAKE CITY - Printshop AlphaGraphics plans to move its corporate headquarters and to at least 45 jobs from Tucson, Ariz., to Salt Lake City by July 2001.

CHICAGO (AP) - Futures trading on the Chicago Board of Trade

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Controversial Florida ballot

Some supporters of Al Gore in Palm Beach County, Fla., may have mistakenly voted for Pat Buchanan because of the ballot's design.

The Democrats were listed second on the left side of the ballot . . .

A voter who punched the second hole . . .

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19,120 voters punched two holes in the presidential ballot, invalidating their votes

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A different ballot design

This ballot was used in Miami-Dade and Broward County, Fla. . . .

Type is smaller than type used in Palm Beach County

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REPUBLICAN	GEORGE W. BUSH	8/6/42	NEWTON, MASS.
LIBERTARIAN	ROBERT B. BAYH	1/24/36	INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
GREEN	BARBARA BOXER	8/14/42	EMERYVILLE, CALIF.
OTHER	ANTHONY B. DIAMANTIS	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.
OTHER	PAUL DANIELS	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.
OTHER	PAUL LAURENCE	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.
OTHER	PAUL ROBERT	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.
OTHER	PAUL STEVEN	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.
OTHER	PAUL THOMAS	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.
OTHER	PAUL WALTER	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.
OTHER	PAUL YOUNG	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.
OTHER	PAUL ZACHARY	1/1/44	NEW YORK, N.Y.

Fuel controversy humbles speaker at polls

The Associated Press

PHOENIX — Arizona House Speaker Jeff Grosz resigned Wednesday, a day after his political career was demolished by a voter backlash over a runaway subsidy program for alternative-fuel vehicles that he shepherded to enactment.

Grosz's letter did not refer directly to the controversy but he said his district's voters "made a clear choice" that he respected. He said stepping down now as speaker gives his chosen successor, Rep. Jim Welers of Phoenix, a two-month head start on reorganizing the House.

Grosz, until this fall a rising star in the Arizona GOP, was a crusader for using alternative fuels to help clean the air. His sweetest victory came this spring when the Legislature, in its closing hours, approved his program to give people subsidies to buy cars burning alternative fuels.

But the relatively modest program, predicted to cost \$3 million to \$10 million, ballooned into a \$483 million debacle. The Legislature had to return in special session to stop it before it bankrupted the state.

In the finger-pointing that followed, lawmakers accused Grosz of withholding important information that could have clued them in to the program's potential costs. Grosz's relationship with the president of a conversion company that profited from the program also was called into question. The state attorney gener-



Arizona House Speaker Jeff Grosz takes a phone call during a House special session last month in Phoenix. Grosz, chief architect of a state program to give people subsidies to buy alternative-fuel cars, lost big at the polls after his program ballooned to a \$483 million debacle.

speaker. In the taxpayer backlash Tuesday, Grosz lost his race for the state Senate by a 2-to-1 margin to Democrat Jay Blanchard, who earlier this year admitted he would need a miracle to defeat Grosz.

Grosz's loss also cost Republicans their majority in the Arizona Senate, forcing the GOP into a 15-15 tie with Democrats. Senators say the likely result will be some sort of power-sharing coalition.

Blanchard and the incumbent senator in the district said Tuesday's vote was clearly a referendum on Grosz's role in the subsidy program.

The subsidy program was not Grosz's first brush with ethics troubles.

As a freshman representative, Maricopa County Attorney Rick Romley warned Grosz after the lawmaker listed a rental property as his primary residence to save nearly \$1,000 in property taxes. Grosz denied he owed the money.

In 1995, Grosz stepped down as Republican whip to avoid an ethics probe after he repeatedly failed to meet deadlines to file required state reports on campaign contributions and expenditures.

More recently, fellow lawmakers grumbled after Grosz made a procedural ruling that preserved a 1999 bill backed by a plumbing group which previously had paid him more than \$10,000 for consulting work. Grosz denied any conflict of interest.

Florida voters allege bad ballot

The Associated Press

Some Florida voters contend the confusing configuration of their ballot has cost the Vice President Al Gore votes.

Across the state, other allegations of voting improprieties ranged from missing ballots to problems with tabulations and intimidation of black voters.

Meanwhile, eight lawsuits challenging the results were filed in state or federal court, including six in Palm Beach County and two in Tallahassee, where race discrimination was alleged.

The first case to reach a judge was dropped by the plaintiff in federal court in West Palm Beach.

In one of the other cases, Palm Beach voter Kenneth Horowitz, owner of the Miami Fusion soccer team and a registered independent, filed a lawsuit along with two other people. The suit contended poll workers told voters they had only five minutes to cast their ballots and anyone who took longer would have his ballot tossed out.

Officials in the heavily Democratic county rejected 9,120 ballots on election night because more than one presidential candidate was selected. Gore supporters blamed the ballot design.

"Elsewhere in the U.S., we'd be so angry that the voting machine was broken, says Bridget Dickerson. But the polling place worker was downright infuriating. "She told me to come back later," Dickerson fumed Thursday.

"Ballot boxes that didn't work, lines that were hours long, employees who were surly, and a marauding bear that had to be shot."

Dickerson, a New Yorker who works in a chiropractor's office, went to cast her ballot at 7:30 a.m. at Public School 307 in Brooklyn.

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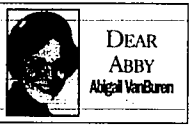
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MORNING BREAK

ACROSS crossword puzzle grid with clues and solutions. Includes 'Thursday's Puzzle Solved' section with a completed grid.

Groomsman's abuse knocks out wedding

DEAR ABBY: I'm planning my wedding for the spring of next year. My fiancé has lined up his groomsman. I still have two more bridesmaids to ask. Unfortunately, there is a problem. My fiancé's brother (who is one of his groomsmen) hit his wife in the face with his fist, breaking blood vessels and leaving terrible bruises around her eyes. I do not approve of this violent behavior and told my fiancé that I do not want his brother in our wedding. My fiancé is leaving it up to me to tell him because we're not supposed to know about this horrible "family secret." What should I do, Abby? Make up something - or let him be in the wedding anyway? I don't want to stop our marriage off with tension between me and my new-in-laws. - WANTS EVERYTHING PEACHY IN GEORGIA



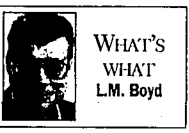
DEAR ABBY Aligail VarBuren

older man, I would like to comment: I speak from experience. I, too, am 52, and have been married to a 70-year-old man for 2 1/2 years. What happens? He is not old... he is "old enough." Old enough to appreciate and accommodate our differences, as well as our shared views and habits. Old enough to be truly patient with my faults. Old enough to lovingly accept my aging body. Old enough to manage our finances wisely. Old enough to encourage me to maintain contact with long-time friends. Old enough to never feel threatened by the independence he gives me. And caring enough to unselfishly prepare my meals almost daily because I must still work. (Oh, how I look forward to going home for lunch each day, and how precious to return to him after work each evening!) Abby, marrying him was the best decision I ever made. - B.M.P. IN OLATHE, KAN. DEAR B.M.P.: What a beautiful

tribute to your husband. I could not resist setting it up as the love poem that it is. May you enjoy many happy, healthy years together. DEAR ABBY: During my grandson's third birthday party last weekend, he became agitated and cranky. Some of the adult guests called him "monster," "brat" and "Satan." I have heard him called these names before under similar circumstances, but this time I lost it! I'm afraid I made a scene - partly because I feel that name-calling is verbal abuse, and it can have long-lasting effects on someone so young. Abby, was I wrong? I should add that 99 percent of the time, my grandson is extremely well-behaved and a happy, polite and well-adjusted child. - WISCONSIN GRANDMA DEAR WISCONSIN GRANDMA: You were not wrong to defend your grandson. However, you were wrong to have allowed yourself to have "lost it." There is now no doubt that the little boy takes after.

Getting 'the lion's share' means getting everything

Q. "The lion's share" means "most, right?" A. Means "all," actually. A lion doesn't leave any of whatever, not on purpose. Q. Did you say dolphins have names they call each other? A. Sort of. Each family for some-how assigned a "signature whistle." Others use it to call one so assigned. Aristotle lived and died believing men had more teeth than women. The male cook tends to be highly sensitive to criticism. As I mentioned, when King Louis XIV directed a footman to tell the chef the dinner wasn't quite right, the chef killed himself. Extreme. Not all male cooks should consider that option. A surgical incision on a fetus in the womb heals without scars. According to the occupational experts, it's in the United States



WHAT'S WHAT L.M. Boyd

Great Slave Lake at more than 2,000 feet as North America's deepest. It was in 650 B.C. that the Chinese licensed lady lovers, thought to have been history's first organized authorized prostitutes. Something else an singer shah has to be wary of - dry air in jet planes. It can ruin a subsequent performance. Or so says one such. Was a time in ancient Egypt

when a woman of class was thought to be indecent if her fingernails weren't painted red. A fluorescent light needs a lot of electric current to get started. Turning it off and on overmuch wears it out. Experts say you'd best leave such a light on if you expect to need it again within an hour. Nevada is the State that produces the most gold. California, a distant second. South Dakota, third.

Garth Brooks files for divorce, cites 'irreconcilable differences'

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - Country superstar Garth Brooks filed for divorce after nearly 14 years of marriage. Brooks, 38, cited irreconcilable differences with wife Sandy in a complaint filed Monday. According to court papers, the couple has been separated since March 1999. They have three daughters, ages 8, 6 and 4.

A spokeswoman at his record company acknowledged the couple filed for divorce last month, after Brooks told Billboard magazine he regrets his failed marriage. Brooks has sold more than 100 million albums, making him the best-selling artist in country music history. He recently announced he would retire after releasing an album next year to spend more time with his children.

Accent original thinking, Leo, do not follow others

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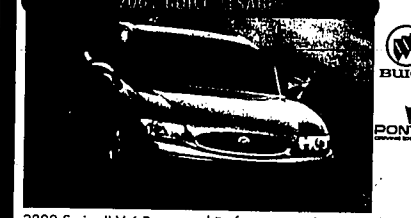
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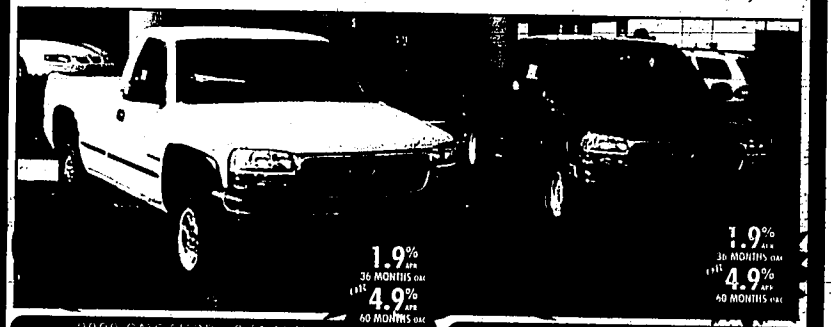
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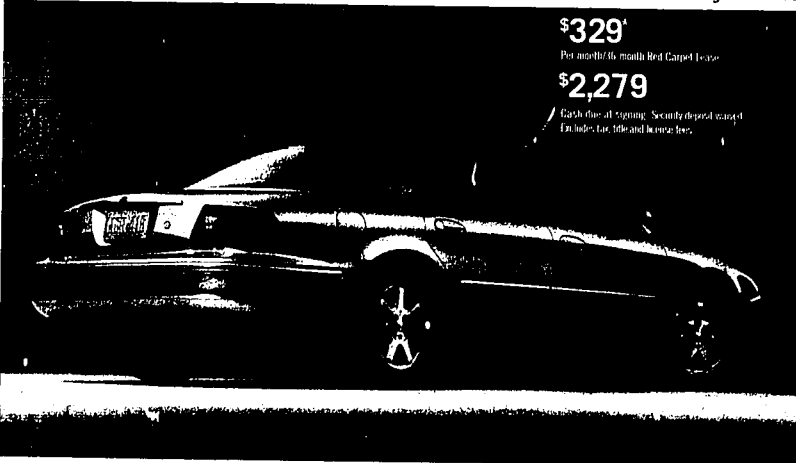
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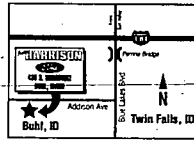
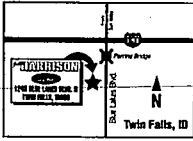
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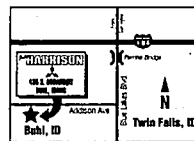
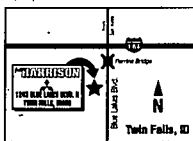
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