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Jerome extends water service outside city

By Julie Pence
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - Last week, Jerome Mayor Dennis Moore said Jerome County had positioned itself in a leadership role to attract business. On Tuesday, the Jerome City Council went a step further by agreeing to extend city sewer and water services outside city limits. Customers will see the name

City officials hope to attract business

"Jerome County Water and Sewer District" on their bills from now on. Ongoing negotiations between Crossroads Ranch owner Arlen Crouch and the council resulted in what city leaders call "a great decision" to allow businesses and subdivisions to locate outside city limits - with the understanding that entities outside the city will

manufacturing operations.

But Crouch appealed the decision, and now Moore says that because of Crouch's renewed efforts with the council, both the city and the county will benefit. "I think this is going to bring economic strength, diversity and stability not only to the city of Jerome and Jerome County, but also to all of southern Idaho," Moore said. Please see JEROME, Page A2

Ag panel prepares for farm pay bill

Minimum-wage proponents criticize lawmaker's measure

By Michael Journe
Times-News writer

BOISE - One of the first issues taken up by the House Agricultural Affairs Committee this year promises to be among its most contentious. The farm worker minimum wage bill that committee chairman Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer, will introduce Thursday is being denounced by advocates of those it purports to protect. These critics call it a "cosmetic" measure that will do nothing. "It's a very incomplete bill," said Rep. Kenneth Robison, D-Boise, who has introduced an alternative bill along with two other House members. **More from Boise - B3, E3**

CLINIC PICKS SAINT AL'S



Dr. Robert Ward speaks during a press conference at Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital on Tuesday. Officials at the hospital announced they are opening exclusive negotiations with Saint Alphonus Regional Medical Center in Boise for an operating partnership.

TF, Boise hospitals will pursue partnership

By N.S. Nokkentved
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The long wait is over. But the exact details need to be worked out. Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital officials Tuesday afternoon announced their intention to pursue a partnership with Saint Alphonus Regional Medical Center in Boise, rejecting bids from Twin Falls County-owned Magic-Valley-Regional-Medical-Center. The details of that partnership were unclear, and are yet to be worked out, officials from both hospitals said. "One thing we have agreed on is this will be a partnership," said Sandra Bruce, CEO of Saint Al's. "Twin Falls Clinic has been considering its options for about

Details still need to be worked out; Magic Valley Regional loses out in bid

two years, and has had discussions with Saint Al's and Magic Valley Regional about collaboration, partnerships, lease agreements and outright sale. The clinic opted to go with Saint Al's, said Dr. Robert Ward, president of the clinic's board of trustees, because Saint Al's was the better choice to meet the clinic's goals to maintain its quality of health care and to improve medical technology available to patients. Magic Valley Regional CEO Jerry Hart was disappointed. The hospital has spent a lot of time working with the clinic over the past couple of years, he said. Magic Valley Regional made a similar offer of a partnership,

approved the decision

"It's definitely easier to work on this process knowing your employees are behind you," Lane said. But the change will bring intense competition to the Magic Valley, and Hart said that's not good for health care. Lane disagreed. "The competition is great," he said. "It breeds excellence." But the two local hospitals may wind up working together anyway. In a joint venture in 1999, the two hospitals teamed up to buy an MRI machine. They split the cost - \$700,000 to \$1 million - and share its revenue. That relationship would continue, Ward said. Times-News - writer - N.S. Nokkentved can be reached at 733-0931, Ext. 237, or by e-mail ntel@magicvalley.com

would not cover one single farm worker who is not presently covered." Precisely mirroring the federal Fair Labor Standards Act's provisions for agricultural workers, the measure was drafted by an interim study committee - made up of lawmakers, ag industry representatives and farm labor advocates - created by the Legislature last winter to study the issue. The committee's membership included Jones and Robison. It ensures that workers at operations employing 500 man-days of labor or more in a calendar quarter - the equivalent of seven full-time workers annually - receive a \$5.15-per-hour wage. The problem, Robison said, is federal law excludes about 40 percent of farm workers. Please see WORKERS, Page A2

Idaho chief justice urges court activism

The Associated Press BOISE - Idaho Supreme Court Chief Justice Linda Conrath Tuesday asked the Legislature on Tuesday to support a progressive social agenda aimed at helping the state's judicial system become a more nurturing organ of government. "As an institution which exerts tremendous authority over people's lives, we must be willing to use that authority in ways which can strengthen and empower people to take charge

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Attorney General-designate John Ashcroft prepares to testify Tuesday at his confirmation hearing on Capitol Hill. For more, please see page A4.

Clinton plans monument status today for Hunt Camp, other sites

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Trying to seal a legacy in environmental protection during his final week in office, President Clinton will create at least six new national monuments today, including the Hunt Camp, the World War II-era Japanese-American internment camp east of Jerome. Today's actions will provide new safeguards on more than 1 million acres of federal land in the West, the White House said Tuesday. The southern Idaho monument would preserve the Minidoka Relocation Center, a former World War II Japanese concentration camp in eastern Jerome County

Actions will affect about 1 million acres

also known as Hunt Camp. It was one of 10 such centers across the country where Japanese-Americans were gathered and held from 1942 through 1945. Idaho's congressional delegation - Republican Sens. Larry Craig and Mike Crapo and Rep. Mike Simpson - last week said they wanted to introduce legislation to protect the site, and establish a public process to preserve it. Such a move, in effect, would have superseded a Clinton administration bid to create a monument under the 1906

Antiquities Act within the next week. About 12,800 Japanese-Americans were kept at the camp near the tiny town of Hunt in Jerome County. The other monuments will be in California, Arizona, New Mexico and in Montana, which has a 150-foot pillar of sandstone called Pompeys Pillar near Billings, where explorer William Clark carved his name in 1805 during his historic westward trek with Meriwether Lewis. The president is to make the announcement today in the East Room of the White House, where President Jefferson and Lewis laid out maps and planned the expedition.



Christopher Ochoa, 34, hugs his mother, Dora, after he was ordered freed in Austin, Texas, Tuesday.

DNA evidence clears another inmate of sentence

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - A man who confessed to a murder 13 years ago was freed from prison Tuesday after being cleared by DNA evidence gathered by a group of law students.

Christopher Ochoa, 34, was ordered released by state District Judge Bob Perkins, who said the case was "a fundamental miscarriage of justice." Ochoa was serving a life sentence.

"I had given up on the system," Ochoa said after embracing his weeping mother. "We have to fix it because I came close to losing my life."

Ochoa, 34, confessed to killing Nancy DePriest at a Pizza Hut in Austin in 1988, but later said he was coerced by homicide detectives.

At his request, students at the Wisconsin Innocence Project at

the University of Wisconsin-Madison studied the case and found DNA evidence they said proved someone else shot DePriest. The second- and third-year law students investigate possible wrongful convictions.

Authorities said the new evidence points to Achim Joseph Marino, a Texas inmate who confessed to DePriest's rape and murder in 1996 after a religious conversion and provided police with the gun and handcuffs he used to commit the crime.

Marino, who is serving three life sentences for other crimes, also provided mouth swabbings carrying his DNA, which was matched by the law students to evidence taken from DePriest's body.

Jeanette Popp, the mother of the 20-year-old victim, sharply criticized police.

Court sets execution date for Oklahoma City bomber

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - The government set a May 16 execution date Tuesday for Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh, who has dropped his appeals and is apparently pinning all his hopes on winning clemency from the president.

The execution date was set by the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Spokesman Dan Dunne said the agency will try to meet the needs

of victims' relatives and survivors, some of whom have expressed interest in watching McVeigh die by lethal injection.

McVeigh, 32, who is on death row at a federal prison in Terre Haute, Ind., has said he doesn't plan any more appeals and last Thursday allowed a deadline for resuming that process to expire. However, he has reserved the right to seek executive clemency.

Report: Holocaust reparations suffered

WASHINGTON (AP) - Jewelry, art and other property plundered by Nazi Germany were not returned to Holocaust victims because the United States and its allies had "more pressing" things to deal with at the end of World War II, a presidential commission reported Tuesday.

"Whether it was the need to rebuild shattered European economies, restore democracy to

Germany, wage the Cold War... the interests of individual Holocaust victims suffered," said Edgar M. Bronfman, the panel's chairman.

While the U.S. government "performed admirably" in trying to return looted property, the issue ended up on "the back burner," said the report by the Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the United States.

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NATO study: Cancer not tied to munitions

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) - An initial study of health records showed no connection between depleted uranium munitions and cancer among soldiers who served in the Balkans, NATO said Tuesday.

Based on data submitted by NATO members, experts did not find any increase in disease or mortality in Balkans veterans compared to other soldiers, said Maj. Gen. Roger Van Hoof of Belgium, head of NATO's Committee of the Chiefs of Military Medical Services.

"On the evidence available, a causal link cannot be identified between depleted uranium and the complaints or pathologies" of the Balkans veterans, Van Hoof said.

Nonetheless, a "timely investigation" was necessary to allay public fears, he said. NATO says there is no evidence that remains of depleted uranium rounds pose a health risk, and Col. David Lam, NATO's medical staff officer, said the concern was affected "more by political and emotional aspects" than medical ones.

Depleted uranium, a slightly radioactive heavy metal, is used in anti-armor munitions because of its high penetrating power. U.S. forces fired weapons containing depleted uranium in Bosnia in 1994 and 1995, and in 1999, NATO fired such weapons during its 78-day bombing campaign in Yugoslavia.

Teen accused of killing child faces trial

MIAMI (AP) - A teen-ager who says he accidentally killed a 6-year-old girl while imitating pro wrestlers kicked and shoved her repeatedly, inflicting injuries more severe than those seen in many car crashes, a prosecutor said Tuesday.

Lionel Tate, 13, smashed Tiffany Eunick's skull, pulverized her liver, broke a rib and caused numerous cuts and bruises, prosecutor Ken Padowitz said in opening statements at Tate's first-degree murder trial.

Tiffany Eunick was beaten to death, Padowitz told the jury.

Tate, who was 12 at the time and weighed 170 pounds, is being tried as an adult and faces a mandatory 25-year sentence with no parole if convicted.

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NATION

Powell may get a culture shock at State

WASHINGTON (AP) — Colin Powell found the culture of the State Department hard to get used to when he was a soldier sizing up diplomats.

The department seemed to exist in its own world, he observed, a place of naive expectations and bloody goals, along with anticrop words that "usually had amorphous consequences for the military."

Now it's to become his world. Powell is a cinch to win Senate confirmation in hearings that begin today. A Washington insider as well as an admired public figure, Powell has been treated like magic dust by leaders in both parties.

He was named as a Cabinet prospect by George W. Bush long before Bush won the presidency. He has courted for secretary of state by President Clinton back in 1994, when Powell was leading him and all Republican presiden-



Colin Powell

tial contenders in polls. Powell said no to the job offer, then, and to running for president later.

But while the country's senior military officer in the Persian Gulf War is a popular choice for secretary of state, that doesn't mean he won't get — or deliver — a culture shock at the State Department. Nor does it mean he'll get only easy questions on the way.

Powell's trademark reluctance to intervene in foreign crises without clear goals, public support and more than enough tools to do the job epitomizes the military mindset of the post-Vietnam

era but is not a natural fit with activist traditions at State.

Indeed, something of a role reversal between the Pentagon and the State Department was hinted at in the confirmation hearing of Donald Rumsfeld for defense secretary.

Rumsfeld said he was uncomfortable with the idea that the nation must always be rallied before military action.

"There are times when leaders have to act when the public's not there yet," he said.

Time after time in Powell's Washington career, which included stints as Ronald Reagan's national security adviser and Staff under George Bush and the early Clinton administration, Powell counseled caution.

He favored continued sanctions against Iraq when others had given up on them, resisted mass intervention in Bosnia and

Haiti, and passed up an early chance to intervene and perhaps help unseat Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega before U.S. forces eventually arrested him.

Outgoing Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, asked on the Army for almost a century ago, got posthumous Medals of Honor from President Clinton.

"I'm sure that a lot of people think it takes gall for a mere mortal female to argue with a general, but I truly do believe that, in this day and age, the role of the United States makes a difference, our engagement makes a difference, not just in terms of where we use our military but generally how we apply our influence," she said.

She added, "You have to have a choice between doing everything the way it happened in the Gulf War, or doing nothing."

Clinton gives Roosevelt posthumous medal

WASHINGTON (AP) — A former president best known for his charge up San Juan Hill during the Spanish-American War and a former slave whose courage during the Civil War was ignored by the Army for almost a century got posthumous Medals of Honor from President Clinton.

"May we continue to live up to the ideals for which both Andrew Jackson Smith and Theodore Roosevelt risked their lives," Clinton said Tuesday as he pre-

sented the medals to the Smith and Roosevelt families in a ceremony in the Roosevelt Room of the White House.

Before a painting of Theodore Roosevelt, in battle gear and on horseback, Clinton described in glowing terms the former president who, as a lieutenant colonel in the Spanish-American War, "changed the course of the battle and the Spanish-American War," Clinton said.

Ashcroft pledges to enforce laws despite his preference

WASHINGTON (AP) — With Senate Democrats throwing jobs at him over abortion and civil rights, Attorney General-designate John Ashcroft pledged Tuesday to serve "all the people" and enforce the nation's laws despite his "personal preferences."

Ashcroft acknowledged in his opening statement at his confirmation hearing that he believes the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision establishing a woman's right to an abortion was "wrongly decided." But he said he accepts it "as the settled law of the land." ... The Supreme Court's decisions on this have been multiple, ... recent ... and emphatic.

He insisted that, if confirmed, he would be "advancing the national interest, not advocating my personal interest."

He said he would enforce federal laws protecting women's access to abortion clinics. "No woman should fear being threatened or coerced in seeking constitutionally protected health services."

The Senate Judiciary Committee opened the hearings, which are expected to run at least through Thursday, amid onslaught of criticism from civil rights and women's groups not seen for any nominee since Clarence Thomas was named to the Supreme Court a decade ago.

"When I swear to uphold the law, I will keep my oath, so help me God," Ashcroft said, holding

his hand up as he completed his statement.

Four people in the hearing room crowd of 200 immediately began yelling, "Ashcroft kills!" Within seconds, they were surrounded by police officers and removed from the room.

Outside the building, the National Organization for Women, which opposed Ashcroft over his abortion views, demonstrated peacefully. A group of about 200 Ashcroft supporters also gathered. "Now that his political career depends on it, he says he accepts Roe as the law of the land, but there are many more questions yet to be asked," said Gloria Feldt, president of Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

Kate Michelman, president of the National Abortion Rights Action League, said, "The question is: Can we believe in this conversion and do we trust that as attorney general, a lifetime of work to try to undo the law that protects women will not come into play?"

Clinton warns against effect of steep tax cuts on economy

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a swipe at the Bushes bookending his presidency, President Clinton warned Tuesday against "expensive tax cuts" in a final budget outlook that boasted of transforming a struggling economy into a booming one invigorated by huge federal surpluses.

Firing back, President-elect Bush's spokesman accused Clinton of using artificially high growth estimates for the next two years, and projections for the distant future that are too low. Such figures could make it easier for Clinton to claim that he handed his successor a robust economy, while also making it harder for the government to afford the long-term costs of a tax cut.

"We will not be using these estimates. We'll be using more updated, more accurate estimates," said Ari Fleischer, Bush's spokesman.

Martin Baily, head of Clinton's Council of Economic Advisers, conceded last week that the 3.3 percent economic growth for 2001 the administration has projected should be closer to the 2.6 percent current consensus estimate of private forecasters. He said the higher figures were locked in last November, before the economy began showing signs of slowing.

Even so, just four days from handing over the White House to Bush, Clinton issued a document that amounted to a 235-page victory lap for his economic and budgetary achievements.

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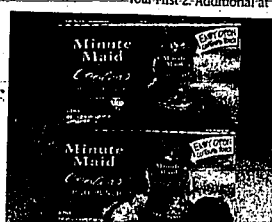
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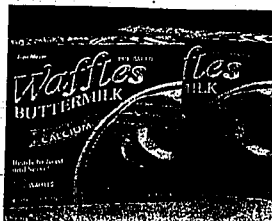
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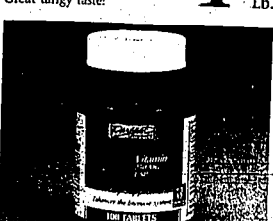
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EDITORIAL

Two weeks later, citizens still await shooting facts

Today, two weeks after a deadly gunfight in Eden, Magic Valley citizens still know little about how and why it happened. Taxpayers deserve to have authorities share more answers.

Something obviously went terribly, terribly awry on Jan. 3. Sheriff's deputies, serving a search warrant on a man with no known history of violence, suddenly found themselves in a shootout. Two deputies died, along with the suspect.

Local citizens have joined with the families of the two slain deputies, and with police officers around the state, in mourning the two fallen lawmen. The deaths of Cpls. James Moulson and Phillip Anderson are a loss to all citizens, and all citizens share their families' grief.

Yet many local people - including friends and acquaintances of the dead suspect - are perplexed and uneasy about authorities' skimpy explanations of the case. In an advertisement on the next page of today's paper, dozens of these people attest that George Timothy Williams was not the sort to shoot it out with police.

Meanwhile, rumors and suspicions swirl through the community. The number of questions about Jan. 3's events grows longer as time passes.

These questions include:

- Was either officer hit by friendly fire? Officials have not answered this question definitively.
- Officers found a negligible amount of marijuana in Williams' home - and no trace of harder drugs. On what grounds, and based on whose testimony, did authorities raid the house?
- Was the search warrant correctly drafted and properly issued?
- Did Williams - who reportedly was hard of hearing and fearful of his girlfriend's ex-lover - have reason to think someone other than sheriff's deputies was breaking into his home?
- Was Williams tipped off about the search warrant?
- Did the deputies identify themselves adequately?

• Does Williams' autopsy report show 22 gunshot wounds, as some family members have alleged? Does it also show, as they allege, that several shots

were fired by someone standing over Williams' body?

So far, Weaver and Jerome County Prosecutor John Nicholson have kept a tight lid on the case. The only civilian witness is sequestered and silenced. Even the affidavit of probable cause - a sworn statement justifying issuance of a search warrant - is being withheld. Such statements normally are public records.

The authorities' stated reason for silence is an ongoing investigation by the Idaho State Police. Such an investigation is an appropriate response to this tragic event, but it should not be used as an excuse for deferring public accountability.

This newspaper will go to court next week to request release of the affidavit. Our reason is simple and compelling: Documents supporting search warrants traditionally are open to public inspection so that citizens can assure themselves that law officers, prosecutors and judges are using their power legally and justly.

With the target of the search warrant now dead, and with no criminal case pending, there is no apparent reason to think releasing the affidavit would compromise the state's investigation. So why don't Jerome County authorities want citizens to know its contents? Put bluntly, what is being hidden?

The investigation by state police is a good step. Public disclosure of the affidavit would be another. Beyond that, further public review is in order.

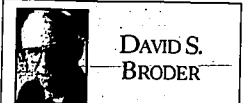
Coroner Gerald Ostler should convene an inquest, as he has said he might. Autopsy reports should be made public. State investigators should issue a public report on their findings, including the adequacy of the sheriff's office's preparation for the raid.

In the meantime, *The Times-News* will continue to publish whatever information we can verify about the case. We also will continue urging authorities to disclose more details.

We strongly support the crime-fighting efforts of police and prosecutors, and we grieve the deaths of the two deputies. At the same time, local citizens have a right to understand what happened that awful day in Eden. It is past time for the truth to be told.



Can bipartisanship be a reality?



DAVID S. BRODER

The confirmation hearings for members of President-elect Bush's Cabinet now under way in several Senate committees provide the first test of the bipartisanship everyone claims to be seeking this year.

Linda Chavez, Bush's first choice for labor secretary, disappeared so quickly in the wake of revelations about her illegal alien houseguest/maid that you couldn't tell whether she jumped or was pushed. But the hearings on John Ashcroft and Gale Norton as, respectively, attorney general and secretary of interior, provide serious opportunities to measure the partisan atmosphere in the wake of last year's extraordinarily close election.

The Senate is the vital crucible for this experiment - and not just because it is divided 50-50 between Republicans and Democrats. It alone is embarked on a real venture in power-sharing between the parties.

Bush, understandably, has made it clear that he does not intend to be hobbled in the exercise of presidential authority by the narrowness of his Electoral College victory, or his loss of the popular vote to Al Gore, or the continuing questions some Democrats are raising about the legitimacy of his claim to Florida.

He has made a minimal gesture toward bipartisanship by recruiting one of President Clinton's able Cabinet appointees, Norman Mineta, as his own secretary of transportation. But with all the other appointments, and on the critical question of his fiscal and policy agenda, Bush has declared he will try to govern as if he had won a clear victory.

Similarly in the House of Representatives, Republicans are ignoring the narrowness of their five-vote majority and preparing to run the House on their own. They denied Democrats proportional representation

on committees and adopted rules which let the GOP, as the majority party, control what comes to the floor.

Both Bush and House Speaker J. Dennis Hastert are fully within their rights in claiming the authority to run their parts of the government as they see fit. But the Senate made a different decision, when Republican Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi agreed with Democratic Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota to an equal division of seats and staff resources on every committee.

That was a huge concession on Lott's part because when Dick Cheney is sworn in as vice president on Saturday, he will have the power as the Senate's presiding officer to break any tie on behalf of the Republicans.

When Lott decided not to press that advantage by insisting that Republicans have a one-vote majority on every committee, he had to overcome serious resistance from some of his own committee chairmen. The Republicans who will lead three major committees - Armed Services, Budget and Banking - voiced their disagreement with the plan, even as they promised to try to make it work.

More significant was the public dissent of Sen. Don Nickles of Oklahoma, the deputy Republican leader. Nickles, who is ambitious to replace Lott as leader, said that he believed the agreement violated Senate precedent, adding: "It is difficult for me to see how two people can drive the car at the same time."

Lott did obtain significant conces-

sions from Daschle. Republicans will chair all the Senate committees, and any bill that receives a tie vote in committee will not be stopped there but can be called up on the Senate floor, where Cheney's vote will give the GOP the edge.

Nonetheless, Lott's neck is on the line in the unprecedented arrangement. If Democrats prove recalcitrant, or the scheme proves to be unworkable, Lott could well be toppled from the leadership by Nickles and the skeptical committee chairmen.

But the Democrats also face a test - first in these confirmation hearings and later when the legislating starts. Having demanded power-sharing in the Senate, they are not entirely free to say, as their House counterparts may, that they are simply "the loyal opposition." They now share responsibility for avoiding partisan gridlock on their side of the Capitol.

The first test comes with the hearings on Ashcroft and Norton. Democrats have solid policy grounds for challenging their qualifications for their politically sensitive Cabinet posts. Important Democratic interest groups are pressuring them to block their confirmations.

But it is a fact of political life that rejecting either of those nominees would be the worst possible start for cooperation within the Senate and between the Senate, Democrats and the Bush White House. It would, in fact, be a declaration of political war, inviting retaliation from the Republican side.

Many Democratic senators realize this - which is why these confirmation hearings are as big a hurdle for them as for the nominees.

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LETTERS

Dairies present health issues

For more than a year, we have been reading complaints of the sickening effects of dairy odors in this valley. One outspoken letter writer is Merle Stoddard, who has a master's degree in speech pathology and audiology.

In 1989, Merle started the Easter Seals program to educate both the public and doctors of the importance of working with children from birth to catch hearing and speech disorders. At that time, the medical profession was waiting until children were 5 to 6 years old before encouraging parents to send them to deaf and blind school. With tremendous effort, Merle succeeded. Today, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center boasts a staff of 11 that treats patients from birth to 21 years for the problems Merle detected.

Ms. Stoddard started her efforts 40 years ago, and once again, Merle is trying to wake up our medical community, this time to the health hazards of dairy air pollution. The laws are in place; our state's administrative rules define air pollution as "any air pollution... as would be injurious to human health or welfare or to property or to interfere unreasonably with the enjoyment of life and property."

How much longer must we wait for our local doctors or even our public health department to step up to the plate and authenticate these heart-breaking complaints to our county officials and the powers in Boise? We need concerned physicians, not "professional sniffers," to rid us of this new millennium plague.

MARY INMAN
Twin Falls

Say 'no' to new Cafo

It would be a serious mistake to allow the Acls hog factory, or any other hog factory, to be built in Idaho. Hog confined animal feeding operations have caused environmental and health problems in every state where they have been allowed. We should learn from the sad experiences of other states.

The terrible odor, which often makes neighbors and workers ill, is just the tip of the iceberg. Ruptured, overflowing and leaking manure lagoons have polluted groundwater, wells and streams. This has resulted in elevated nitrate levels, illness and even fish kills.

The Acls proposal is for 595,000 hogs, which would generate about 200 million pounds of feces and urine per month. This waste would go to 15 anaerobic digestion pits totaling about 58 acres and 15 evaporators "ponds" totaling about 224 acres.

Unfortunately, the anaerobic digestion systems would not work in winter months. The permit says the digesters would be heated. How? One would be interested in knowing how to heat the huge amount of corrosive slurry in 58 acres of holes in the ground in our Idaho winter, and how much it would cost if it could even be done? Perhaps we could use this method to heat swimming pools in the winter.

The facility would produce about 25,000 pounds of ammonia per day. Aside from the fact that ammonia is highly toxic, it also becomes an airborne pollutant that falls as rain and results in elevated soil nitrate levels.

This is not an agricultural operation - it is an industrial plant like, or even larger than, those which have put family farmers out of business elsewhere while inflicting serious pollution and social problems upon the communities they have invaded.

The Department of Environmental Quality permit would provide little protection from this disaster. That's because the permit is based upon the weak CAFO regulations which were developed largely by hog CAFO interests on the advisory committee, adopted by DEQ without improvement in spite of substantial public input pointing out the deficiencies, and approved by a complicit Legislature which apparently thought it was helping the people of Idaho.

So it is up to local governments to prevent this disaster now threatening us. Therefore the Idaho Environmental Council urges the Government of Cassia County to say no to the Acls hog CAFO.

JERRY JAYNE
Idaho Falls

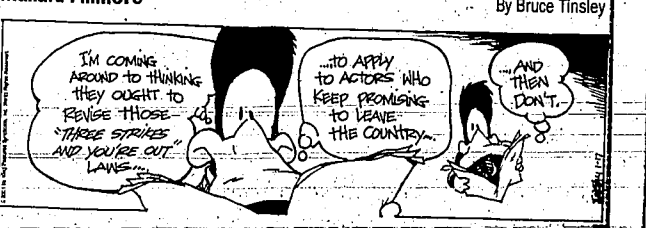
(Editor's note: Jerry Jayne is a member of the board of directors of the Idaho Environmental Council.)

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

OPINION

Will a crash crush Bush?

What George W. Bush ought to fear is Japan—not as a threat, but as a warning. A bit more than a decade ago, Japan was enjoying a phenomenal economic boom. Hardly anyone imagined that Japan would soon begin a decade of economic stagnation.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

There are some eerie parallels between Japan then and the United States now—but none more striking than a smug sense of invulnerability. The early signs of a slowdown (or a recession) have stirred only modest anxiety that the slowing of economic growth will be anything more than a temporary inconvenience. This complacency may well be vindicated. But Japan's experience suggests another lesson: Exceptional booms sometimes cause unpleasant busts.

This is the tidal wave that could overwhelm the Bush presidency. A deep recession or prolonged slowdown could take control of the new administration. It would hurt Bush's popularity, destroy his budget projections, compromise his domestic agenda, intensify pressures for trade protectionism and complicate his foreign policy with messy trade and economic conflicts—with Europe, Japan, China and Mexico.

For the record, few economists yet believe that Bush is condemned to such a dire fate. Most expect nothing more than a slowdown. Even if there is a recession, the consensus is that it can be handled easily. "We've gotten out of every U.S. recession since World War II with monetary policy (cuts in interest rates) or fiscal policy (tax cuts on increases in government spending)," says economist Rudiger Dornbusch of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Interest rates "have a long distance between here and zero. As for fiscal policy, we have huge (budget) surpluses. In the past, no one would have would have blinked at a tax cut. Where's the problem?"

Maybe nowhere. The Federal Reserve has already cut its interest rates. Bush and congressional

Republicans are already talking up a tax cut as a way to protect the economy. Not to worry.

But the case for complacency isn't airtight. There's scattered evidence that the few economists who expect a recession could be right. Railroad freight car loadings, a traditional business cycle indicator, fell in both November (3.9 percent from a year earlier) and December (3.6 percent). What's more worrisome is that America's longest boom has created economic conditions that have rarely, if ever, existed before.

Consider: The consumer spending spree has reduced the personal savings rate (savings as a percentage of disposable income) to zero. People have borrowed, cashed in stock profits or stopped saving. But if consumers suddenly retrenched—because their stocks are down, their credit is strained or their jobs are threatened—the effect could be fearsome. Consumer spending represents two-thirds of the economy, or gross domestic product (GDP).

Many stocks, despite recent declines, remain well above historic price ranges. In 1995 the value of stocks (the market's "capitalization") hit 100 percent of GDP—a level reached only once before, in 1929. In early 2000 capitalization exceeded 180 percent of GDP. By year-end, the figure was about 150 percent of GDP. Still, this was triple the 1990 level (about 55 percent of GDP). No one knows the "right" relationship, but the gap suggests the market could drop further.

Since 1995 a growing share of business investment has been financed by high-risk capital—from venture capitalists and new sales of stock. In 1995 these sources provided \$86 billion, estimates Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. By the first half of 2000 the amount had increased to \$350 billion (at an annual rate).

Investors were enticed by soaring prices for technology stocks. Now, falling prices for tech stocks are drying up this source of funds.

The U.S. trade and current account deficits have entered unexplored territory. In 2000 the current account deficit hit an estimated \$43 billion. It is now approaching a record 5 percent of GDP. In the 1980s the high point was 3.4 percent of GDP in 1987. (The current account includes trade and other overseas spending, such as travel.) For years, the U.S. appetite for imports has sided other economies. If the U.S. deficits subside, an American slump might spread worldwide.

The dangers are hard to gauge, precisely because they're fairly novel. Most post-World War II recessions have stemmed from rising inflation and interest rates. Although the Fed increased interest rates in 1999, the trigger for this slowdown seems to lie in new technology (computers and the Internet) and the stock market—along with the spending effects on consumer spending and business investment. "This is a classic form of business cycle that was more common in the 19th century with railroads and canals," says economist John Mankin of the American Enterprise Institute. "There's innovation, excitement, over-investment, a (temporary) stock market bubble—and a 'new era' proclaimed. Then: Oops! We overdid it."

So the economy Bush inherits is an enigma. There is a delicious irony in the rival efforts of the Bush and Clinton camps to establish that any slump began on the other's watch. Speaking to The Wall Street Journal, Bush said he was "relatively pessimistic" about the outlook. Meanwhile, Martin N. Baily—the outgoing chairman of the White House's Council of Economic Advisors—stated flatly: "We don't think we're going into a recession." The Bush people must secretly hope that the Clinton people are right.

Robert J. Samuelson is a Newsweek columnist.

A TRIBUTE TO TIM WILLIAMS

This is regarding my very good friend Tim Williams. I have known Tim for 22 years. He was one of my best friends and like a brother to me. We lived together for 8 years and I can say without a doubt that he was one of the kindest, gentlest people I have ever known. When I heard about his death, the way he died and the circumstances surrounding the event, I was in total shock and disbelief. I do not believe Tim could do a thing like this. It does not make sense at all. He was not the kind of person who would shoot and kill anyone! He was not a murderer, but anyone who did not know him was led to believe, exactly that by the way the media portrayed him and the whole situation. The media may have been doing their job, but to his family and friends it seemed like they were condemning him as a drug dealing cop killer. The whole thing is just too unbelievable and out of character for the friend I have known half my life.

I have sympathy for the families and friends of the officers who died. I know they are grieving in their loss and I wish to offer my condolences. No one deserves to die like that. It seems so unnecessary. But Tim has family and friends too! And that fact seemed to escape the media's attention, quite unfairly I might add. Tim left behind a mother, sister, 2 nieces and a nephew. And hundreds of friends who like myself cannot and will not believe he was capable of such a terrible crime. He was not a violent man. He was a truly good man. To really know Tim was to love him. I loved my friend and brother. I hope and pray that somehow, some way, someday the truth of what really happened that terrible night will come out and the name of my friend will be cleared. My prayers go out to Tim's family and friends as well as to the family and friends of the two officers. To die this way was so unnecessary and so unfair. But so was the way the media portrayed Tim! It was unfair, and I hope that Tim and his family get more respect in future articles written on this matter. We may never know what truly happened on that night, but the media should not be so one-sided when reporting it.

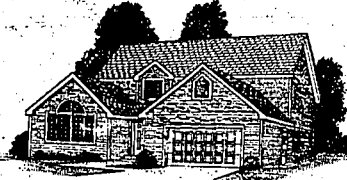
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Accident near Filer leaves one man dead

FILER - A Kimberly man was killed at about 11 a.m. Tuesday after he ran a stop sign near Filer and his car was struck by a pickup leaving the driver of the pickup critically injured, said Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office spokesman Nadey Howell.

Joshua Jones, 38, of Kimberly, was driving a 1994 Plymouth Laser west on 4200 North when he ran a stop sign in front of a 1997 GMC pickup owned by Kelly Garden Center & Landscaping on Twin Falls and driven north on 2200 East by Jason Kelly, 34, of Filer.

Kelly's truck struck the car, left the road, rolled once and Kelly was ejected, Howell said. Jones' car also left the road and ended in a field. Jones was pronounced dead at the scene, Howell said.

Kelly was taken by LifeFlight to St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise where he was listed in critical condition in the hospital's intensive care unit Tuesday, according to a hospital spokeswoman.

Jones was wearing a seat belt when the crash occurred and Kelly was not, Howell said. There was no evidence that alcohol was involved in the accident, she said.

ARTEC school reps travel to South Carolina

TWIN FALLS - Representatives from six area school districts will travel to Charleston, S.C., today for a three-day leadership training conference.

The 28 local educators - school board members, administrators and school staff members - are traveling with the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition. The cost of the trip was not available from ARTEC Tuesday, but it is expected to start-up grant from the Kathryn Albertson Foundation. The 34-month Albertson grant includes more than \$500,000 for technical development.

CSI offers weekend registration hours

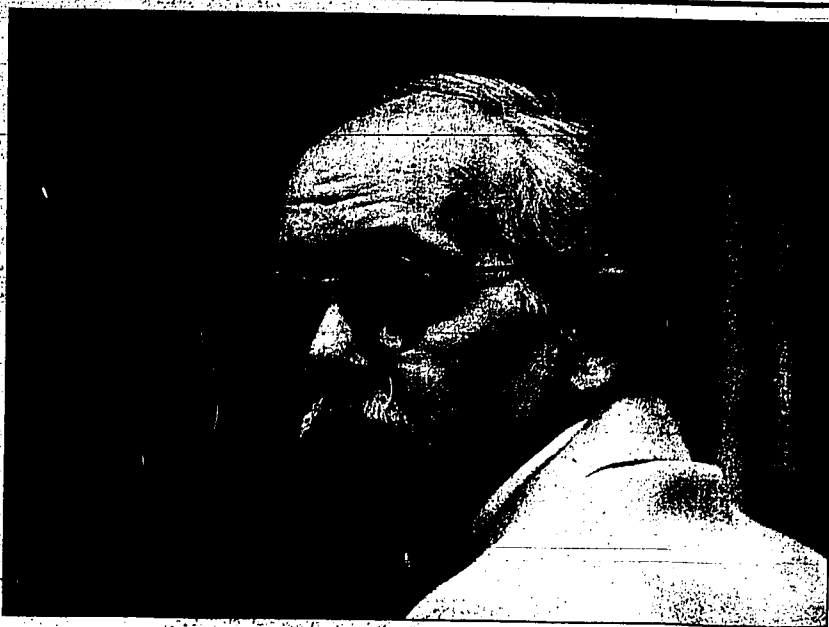
TWIN FALLS - To help students with last minute needs for spring semester registration, the College of Southern Idaho's business office and bookstore will be open this weekend.

Account technician Dawn Orr said students who need to take care of tuition or housing payments may visit the business office between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday, or from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday.

School Board approves payment to coalition

BLISS - On the request of Superintendent Kevin Lancaster, the School Board Monday approved a \$2,400 payment to the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition.

Compiled from staff reports



Twin Falls resident Michael Guelker pleaded guilty Tuesday to forgery and offering counseling without a license.

Twin Falls man pleads guilty

No sentencing date set yet in false psychology case

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Spreading quietly and at times fighting tears, a Twin Falls man charged with falsely representing himself as a psychologist pleaded guilty Tuesday to two of the nine felony charges brought against him.

No sentencing date was set Tuesday for Michael Guelker, 49, who pleaded guilty in October 2000 was charged with seven counts of forgery, one count of practicing psychology without a license and a count of offering professional counseling without a license. The charges were filed by the Idaho attorney general's office.

In a civil court action that same month, 5th District Judge

Roger Burdick handed down an injunction barring Guelker from practicing psychology or representing himself as a psychologist. He gets a 15-day probation period. Guelker waived his right to a preliminary hearing in the criminal case, so he faced an arraignment Tuesday before 5th District Judge Daniel Meehl. Guelker pleaded guilty to the first forgery charge and the charge of offering counseling without a license.

Deputy Attorney General

Ronald Howan said he and Guelker's attorney, William J. Hollifield of Twin Falls, had agreed that the other seven charges could be dismissed.

Meehl released Guelker on his own recognizance. Guelker declined to comment after the hearing.

The charges and Burdick's injunction stem from allegations that between 1996 and 2000, Guelker submitted falsified certificates of qualification and other false documents to the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, Canyonview Hospital in

Twin Falls and other agencies and businesses.

The forgery count that Guelker pleaded guilty to alleges that Guelker in September 1996 sent to Canyonview Hospital a certificate falsely showing that he held a counselor's license approved by the Idaho State Counselor Licensing Board, court documents say.

The other count Guelker pleaded guilty to alleges that on Jan. 1, 2000, he began falsely representing himself as a professional counselor in Twin Falls County.

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Council approves cell ordinance, ends moratorium

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A new city ordinance to regulate cell towers took effect Tuesday, ending a moratorium on new towers and paving the way for more companies to come into the area.

The City Council unanimously approved the new ordinance after a public hearing Tuesday - a hearing attended only by the media.

The new ordinance prohibits towers in residential zones unless

they are attached to utility poles or sit on rooftops.

The ordinance also suggests cellular companies use existing towers and place towers on public property when possible.

City officials and leaders helped draft the ordinance, with help from other cities with ordinances already in place.

Representatives from cellular service and personal carrier system companies helped draft the ordinance, and support it.

The council's approval of the new ordinance will end a local

moratorium on cell towers.

City leaders enacted the moratorium in September 2000, while a new ordinance was drafted.

Cell phone towers have been a contentious issue, as more companies have been trying to expand operations in the area.

While the ordinance was being reviewed, city officials approved several tower requests, submitted before the council imposed the moratorium on towers.

LaMar Orton, the city's planning and zoning director, said he does not have any pending cellu-

lar company applications, but several companies have expressed an interest in coming into the area.

That alarms several local residents who have expressed their concern about the possible health risks associated with cell towers.

Critics have said the towers emit radiation waves that can lead to brain damage - a claim industry officials dismiss as unwarranted.

In other city business Tuesday, Earl Williamson will move forward on a plan to construct stor-

age units on 5.3 acres at 2770 Addison Ave. E.

The city's Planning and Zoning Commission had denied Williamson's special-use permit request last year.

But the City Council Tuesday approved his request on a 5-2 vote. Council members Trip Craig and Gloria Galan dissented.

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Hog farm proposal goes to hearings

Big Sky Farms focus of public meetings

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Hogs will be the topic of discussion at two public hearings and a public meeting at Burley High School's Little Theater this week.

The meetings kick off tonight at 7 p.m. with a state Department of Environmental Quality public meeting at which the public can ask questions about the Big Sky Farms LLC hog farm proposal for eastern Cassia County.

Following presentations by the DEQ and Big Sky Farms, a panel of representatives from Burley and the developer will field questions.

Questions and comments must be related to the proposal's technical aspects, not planning and zoning concerns, said Mike McMasters with the DEQ.

Comments sought

The Times-News is asking readers who have prepared written testimony for this week's public hearings on Big Sky Farms to submit that testimony by Thursday for a story being prepared for this weekend. Submissions can be faxed to the paper's Miss Cassie Burley at 677-4543, e-mailed to mtrout@magicalvalley.com, or hand-delivered to the paper's bureau at 325 1/2 E. Fifth N. in Burley.

Please include your name, address and phone number. The person's name and town will be printed; but we need phone numbers for verification purposes.

Those who favor the proposal will then be given 45 minutes to speak, and those who oppose the proposal will have another 45 minutes.

Big Sky Farms will then have 15 minutes for rebuttal. The hearing will conclude with a 15-minute question-and-answer period.

If approved, the application - which has been on the table for more than a year - would bring the largest swine-producing facility in Idaho to a site 24 miles east of Burley.

Big Sky Farms is proposing five units, each with a maximum capacity of 11,000 sows, and 10 finishing units that can each sustain up to 54,000 animals. The operation is proposed

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Ketchum looks into parking stickers for business owners

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - The city of Ketchum will look into providing parking stickers to some business owners in an attempt to crack down on parking violators.

The issue may be put on the agenda of the next City Council meeting in February.

Scott Karterman, who owns the Crystal Gallery, told the City Council Tuesday night that he needed his car handy to run to the bank, post office and on other errands.

To park three or four blocks away would necessitate walking a mile and a half a day to do business, he said.

Karterman's plan came in the midst of the City Council's hearing on a proposed ordinance designed to crack down on repeat parking violators who fail to pay their fines.

A violator would get a warning for the first violation, a \$10 fine for the second, a \$20 fine for the third and a \$40 fine for the fourth within a 12-month

period. Any person who receives a fifth citation within a 12-month period and has a parking ticket that is 90 days in arrears would have their vehicle towed.

They would then have to cough up a \$90 tow charge, \$25 administrative fees, the fine plus a 55 late fee for each late fine.

The purpose of the "scoff law" is not to enforce parking regulations but to make people pay their tickets, said Ketchum Police Chief Cal Nevland. Those who pay their fines will not have their vehicles towed, but they will pay higher fines than the \$10 fines they're currently paying.

The higher fines would discourage what Nevland calls "the two-way shuffle" - the practice of business owners and their employees running out every two hours to move their cars to avoid tickets. The idea is to free up parking for tourists and shoppers.

Ninety vehicles have been cited four or more times in a year's time. The No. 1 offender

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Gemini - Attention revolves around family

IF JAN. 17 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... when pressure is on you are up to it. You enjoy responsibility, have natural executive ability. You are romantic to degree of passion. Capricorn, Cancer persons play dramatic roles in your life.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Check behind scenes; secret is revealed, you might wonder why it took so long. Upset apple cart, step in during middle of controversy.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Lie, low, play waiting game. What you want or need will be granted if you put it in writing. Romantic liaison gets too-hot not to cool down.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Attention revolves around home, family, sound of your voice. March to your own tune, be firm but make intelligent concession. Libra plays role.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Define terms, get promises in writing. Avoid self-deception. Family member tells you what is already known.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Focus on business, career, added responsibility, pressure previously unknown. Property value estimated, worth more than expected. Capricorn figures prominently.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Strive for universal appeal. Short trip involves relative in search of legal document. Burden lifted; you'll be happier as result. Aries is in picture.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Lost article retrieved; find new ways of increasing income. Don't follow others, imprint your own style. Romantic tryst with Leo individ-

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Change, variety of experiences, ability to write, teach is accented. Personal magnetism translates to sex appeal. Avoid breaking hearts. Sagittarian involved.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You win easily with help of family. Focus on beauty, romance, music. Relationship exciting, could prove expensive. Libra plays dynamic role.

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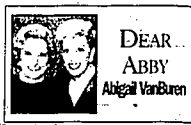
Portrait will be back in time for Valentine's Day. Expires Feb. 14, 2001.

Amorous family friend backs wife into corner

DEAR ABBY: I am 20 years old and happily married with one child. A longtime family friend has a huge crush on me. "Mr. Jones" is in his late 40s and is always buying me gifts - items of jewelry, etc.

He keeps trying to persuade me to go to bed with him. He has even asked me to leave my husband, saying he would treat me better. Abby, I'm scared to tell my husband. He is protective of me, and I'm afraid he'll kill Mr. Jones. I also am reluctant to ruin a long-time family friendship, but I'm tired of being scared to be around him alone - afraid he'll do something to me.

What should I do? Should I tell my husband? Should I confront Mr. Jones? Help!



DEAR ABBY: Yes, many an unsuspecting woman (or man) has "fallen in love" in this manner, but I'll bet you won't find a single couple who have met this way, married, and are still together.

It is a scam, used to get the new, weak and uninformed inmate to send mail or money. The overwhelming majority of these toilet talkers are already married or tied up with someone else. Oh, the lies and schemes we've heard.

If "Bowled" has a brain in her head, she will run away from this so-called relationship as fast as she can.

Think about it: Would you want to strike up a relationship with a person who may be locked up for many months or years (or a lifetime)? Or would you rather marry a fine, upstanding citizen who will be by your side, especially in times of need?

Most of these guys are ex-cons or have been through the system many times. They know how to manipulate.

When they get out of prison, poor "Bowled Over" gets used and abused and taken to the cleaners before she's dropped like a hot potato and finds herself alone, pregnant and hooked on drugs, with no place to go and no one to turn to.

Please forgive the length of this letter; I could go on and on. If even ONE new, unsuspecting inmate turns her life around because of my letter, then it has been worth my time and effort.

-DISGUSTED DEPUTY IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR DISGUSTED: Thank you for the warning. I hope that those who need it will heed it. A real prince would communicate FROM his throne, not THROUGH it.

-ON THE SPOT, SIDNEY, OHIO

DEAR ON: Stop being passive and tell Mr. Jones in no uncertain terms that you're happy with the husband you've got, have no desire to "trade up," and his intentions are insulting.

Return the jewelry and inform him that if he propositions you again, you will inform your husband and the rest of your family.

Curtail the amount of time this intimidating "friend" can spend alone with you, and if it happens again, keep your word.

DEAR ABBY: Although I'm a longtime reader, I've never felt compelled to write until I read the letter from "Bowled Over in California."

It's the one from the prisoner who communicated with another prisoner by talking through the toilet bowl.

The letter disgusted me. I am a female deputy in a county jail in California (probably the same one in which the writer is incarcerated).

We call that method of communication "toilet talking," and it goes on daily in our jail. If we catch inmates communicating that way, we give them a "major write-up" because it's a violation of the rules.



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Forest Service slashes lowest bid to help animals

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — The Forest Service has slashed the minimum bid on all timber sales in Montana and northern Idaho by 40 percent in an effort to keep the region's family-owned sawmills operating.

But the rollback may be too late for some, and won't mean anything if the agency doesn't offer significantly more timber for sale in coming months, said Jim Hurst, who operates a sawmill in Eureka, Mont. He already intends to layoff 40 employees next month.

Hurst said the Kootenai National Forest asked more for timber cut and stacked along firelines last fall than his sawmill could pay logging truck drivers on delivery. Seven sales went without bidders.

"It's Economics 101," said

Hurst, who owns Owens and Hurst Lumber Co. "Those logs were priced too high. There was quite a racket raised."

Forest Service announced the 40 percent cut across the region only a day after Eureka residents challenged the local forest supervisor about the high prices.

The fire-line sales were preferred at a lower price and all eventually were sold and found their way into Hurst's log yard. However, Hurst said there was only about a week's worth of timber, not enough to reverse the layoffs at his mill.

Workforce in the lumber market is oversupplied and prices are down 30 percent and more, said Steve Thompson, an environmentalist and natural resources consultant in Whitefish.

Wolf enthusiasts criticize deaths at sanctuary

WINCHESTER (AP) — An attempt to treat captive animals as if they were wild caused the early deaths of wolves, critics charge.

Eight members remain in Idaho's Sawtooth pack. They roam a 20-acre enclosure at the nonprofit Wolf Education and Research Center near Winchester.

Two have died, one escaped and one has been segregated after nearly fatal attacks by other pack members.

"We don't know when the next tragedy is going to occur, when the same people are making the

same decision or lack of decisions," said Tom Beno, who is campaigning for change at the wolf center.

The pack's managers say that they, like their critics, have the best interest of the individual animals and the species at heart.

Mitch Silvers, the consultant who oversees the center, agrees that the original approach of managing the wolves as a wild pack failed. It is likely that more animals will be separated from the pack.

When the organization was founded and ownership of the wolves was transferred from film-

maker Jim Dutcher to the nonprofit foundation, the goal was to operate like no other captive wolf facility in the country. That meant a policy of minimal intervention from the staff.

Last September, under pressure from Beno and other member supporters, the board of directors reversed the policy that prohibited intervention in the animals' lives, which meant ignoring illnesses and most injuries.

When the first of the original 11 animals died in October 1999, supporters were upset.

They became outraged when they learned that the "natural

cases" were actually a treatable case of constipation that had likely caused Weyekin great pain before her body shut down.

But board members supporting nonintervention did not back down after Weyekin died, Silvers said. When younger pack members began harassing the alpha or dominant, male named Kamots, two board members instructed staff members not to intervene.

Kamots' scattered remains were discovered in June 2000. There was not enough left of his body to conduct a necropsy, Beno said.

Judge nears decision on Idaho school fund issues

BOISE — A judge's decision could come by month's end on whether the state is meeting its constitutional responsibility to ensure public schools provide safe, learning-conducive environments.

Fourth District Judge Deborah Bail said she has been waiting for an overdue report on heavy metal contamination in Silver Valley schools. Bail ordered testing last June and expected to have the report by November.

But the state Department of Environmental Quality now does not expect to have the report done until at least March, said Rob Hanson, mine waste program manager for the agency.

Lawmakers are in session now, but typically wrap up their business and go home by the end of March. Bail said she had hoped to give the Legislature "a reasonable amount of time to address the court's ruling."

Lawmakers and state officials who long have held that buildings are local taxpayers' responsibility have fought the suit at every turn. It has bounced up to the state Supreme Court, which ruled that the state indeed had a constitutional responsibility to ensure students a safe environment, conducive to learning, then back to 4th District Court for a decision on whether that responsibility was being met.

Tribe will announce donation recipients

LEWISTON — For the seventh year, the Coeur d'Alene Tribe plans to donate money to the University of Idaho, Troy School District and other northern Idaho school districts.

The tribe will announce the recipients of its nearly \$1 million gift on Friday in Coeur d'Alene. The money comes from gaming revenues.

Daryl Bertelsen, superintendent of the Troy district, said patrons applied earlier this year for the award to put toward the district's building fund. Troy was part of the former Whitepine School District that voters dissolved in December.

Reports identify skydivers who died in Utah crash

TOOELE, Utah — When Salt Lake's weather was bad, a group of area skydivers would fly to Monticute, Nev., to enjoy their sport.

They did so this weekend and flew back. While attempting to land in a driving snowstorm, their

West in brief

plane spiraled into Great Salt Lake, killing all nine aboard.

Searchers found seven bodies washed up on shore early Monday and the two other victims floating in the lake.

Pilot John T. Cashman, 41, of Sandy, died. Among the skydivers killed were Mike C. Hurren, 51, Midvale, a co-owner of Skydive Salt Lake, and his wife, Gayle Hurren, 45. Others were Lisa K. Ellis, 34, Nathan B. Hall, 28, Denise Helen Stott, 26, all of Salt Lake City; Merriah M. Hutson, 25, Sandy; Charles T. Wilson, 31, hometown unknown; and Jay Donald Johnson, 24, of Providence.

Johnson traveled the world filming skydivers and base jumpers for Johnson Productions, a company he started and ran, according to his mother, Jane Johnson.

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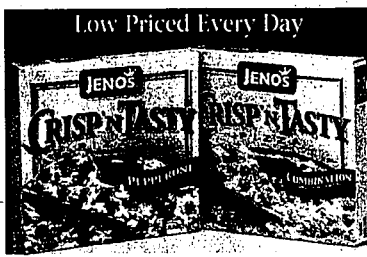
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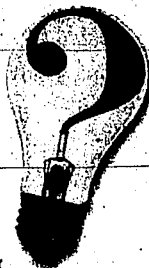
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WORLD

Congolese president dies in coup

KINSHASA, Congo (AP) — President Laurent Kabila, the onetime rebel who seized power and then fought to rule over this vast and troubled nation, died Tuesday after being shot at his Kinshasa residence, Kabila's U.S. spokesman said.

The shooting occurred during an attempted coup to topple Kabila's government, which has been battling a number of rebel movements for more than two years, officials in Kinshasa said.

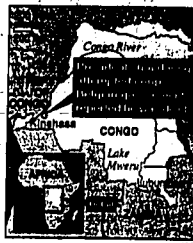
"He's died," said John Aycoth, a lobbyist and public relations consultant who acts as Kabila's spokesman in the United States.

Aycoth, speaking by telephone from Durham, N.C., said he had spoken to top level Congolese officials in Kinshasa, who had confirmed Kabila's death. He said the Congolese government would make an announcement on what had happened at 6 a.m. Wednesday

Congo time (Tuesday midnight EST).

Belgium is Congo's former colonial ruler and remains close ties with the nation, formerly named Zaire.

A member of Kabila's security entourage said on condition of anonymity that the bodyguard had shot the president in the back and right leg during a coup attempt. Kabila was alive and was being treated by doctors, he said without elaborating.



D-Day pipet donates instrument to museum

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) — Bagpipes that stirred Allied troops on D-Day landed Tuesday in the National War Museum in Scotland, a donation from the man who played them under intense enemy fire.

Pvt. Bill Millin, the only man in the invasion wearing a kilt, bravely played the pipes during the 1st Commando Brigade's landing at Sword Beach. It became one of the enduring images of the Normandy invasion.

Authorities find no signs of life after earthquake

SANTA TECLA, El Salvador (AP) — Bulldozers plowed through the wreckage of an earthquake-driven landslide Tuesday after sniffer dogs and heartbeat detectors failed in a final, desperate attempt to locate any more survivors in this Salvadoran town.

The only one pulled alive from the rubble was a German shepherd mix named Bobby. His owner, who lost his mother and brother in the quake, led the dog away with what few belongings he could salvage before the earth movers trampled in.

The death toll reached 672 and was expected to rise as authorities reach communities isolated by landslides. Officials said more than 2,500 people were injured by Saturday's quake, and nearly 45,000 had to be evacuated.

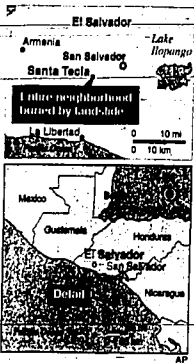
Comasagua, a city 17 miles west of the capital that was rendered inaccessible by landslides, had been reduced to a jumble of mangled houses, although only six people were reported dead there.

"Hungry" residents swarmed around U.S. Army helicopters bringing food, water and medicine.

"All we have is God and the helicopter that brings food," said Fideiua Guardao.

The soldiers loaded the food onto trucks, which rumbled into the destroyed downtown where makeshift kitchens awaited the corn, rice and canned fish.

"We're doing things to help people out," said Sgt. Bill Cagle



of Carson, Calif. "I love this stuff."

There was little hope that anyone would be found alive in the Las Colinas neighborhood just outside the capital, where the magnitude-7.6 quake buried hundreds of houses.

Still, Taiwanese rescuers combed the partially excavated area with equipment designed to detect heartbeats, and Spanish and Mexican volunteers followed dogs sniffing for signs of life buried in the mounds. After a few hours, the search ended unsuccessfully.

Earlier vote for Philippines president sparks uproar

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Prosecutors in Joseph Estrada's impeachment trial said a Senate vote Tuesday denying them access to crucial evidence fore-shadowed the president's acquittal, and the entire team resigned — propelling the proceedings into chaos.

Two Senate officials also quit and protests erupted in major cities early Wednesday after the 11-10 vote keeping prosecutors from bank account records they say would be the most damaging evidence yet that Estrada grew rich off corruption during 18 months in office.

Senate President Aquilino Pimentel and Senate Secretary Lugarido Barbo angrily resigned, followed by all the House prosecutors.

"We will tender our irrevocable letter of resignation as prosecutors," said Rep. Sergio Apostol. "To us, prosecuting is already a sham. The impeachment court is already tainted with bias."

Estrada, a former action movie star, was accused by a provincial governor of taking more than \$7.7 million in bribes from illegal gambling lords and \$2.5 million in tobacco tax kickbacks.

The president, who denies all wrongdoing, faces charges of corruption, bribery, betrayal of public trust and violation of the constitution.

Rep. Joker Arroyo, one of the congressmen who was serving as a prosecutor, said the bank account records the senators

voted to keep sealed would have proved that Estrada amassed \$63.5 million in bribes and kickbacks under four aliases.

But senators are also the impeachment trial judges, and a two-thirds-vote is needed for a conviction.

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A: Never put shoes away immediately after removing them; let them air out first. Store them on racks or in acid-free boxes to keep them from molding up and scuffing or denting one another. The inside of leather shoes should be stuffed with tissue paper. Other shoes, particularly leather ones, are best placed on cedar-wood shoe trees.

• If you're packing shoes for travel, do not use plastic bags. Instead, invest in a few cotton flannel shoe bags; use one for each pair, and pack them toe to heel. If you're putting your shoes away for any length of time, make sure they are clean.

Leather shoes can be cleaned of dirt and mud with a soft brush, lightly sponged, then stuffed with paper and allowed to dry thoroughly. Use a rubber, nylon or brass wire brush to remove dirt from suede, then sponge with a suede shampoo. To raise the nap on suede, steam it lightly by holding it a hand's length over a kettle. Give patent leather a gentle cleaning with a soft cloth sprayed with an ammonia-based glass cleaner. If any cracks are visible, apply a leather conditioner to the shoes after they are stretched onto shoe trees.



ASK
MARtha Stewart

Q: My ponycakes never brown evenly. What could be causing this?

SHELLY BLAKE, WINTERSVILLE, OHIO

A: Use a properly prepared cooking surface. The surface should be flat, and it should distribute heat very evenly. The best choices are a griddle or a large cast-iron skillet; a large nonstick frying pan will do.

Make sure the surface has reached the right temperature before you ladle on your batter. Heat the pan to medium-high (or 375 F.), and test to see by flicking a few drops of water onto the surface with your fingers. If it's hot enough, the drops will bounce, sizzle and evaporate in a second or so.

Be sure you have just the right amount of fat on the griddle. Too much melted butter or oil is the most common reason for the spotty, uneven pancakes. To avoid this, add a small amount of fat to the pan, then wipe the surface gently with a folded paper towel before you begin cooking. This will remove any excess fat, leaving behind a thin film that will yield a perfectly browned pancake.

Q: How do you determine whether oil- or latex-based paint has been used on a surface?

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A: Oil paint, especially glossy varieties, tend to have a smooth, hard feel to them, while latex (or "water based") paints feel more rubbery to the touch. Of course, the difference is subtle. If you're repainting the walls or another surface in your house, it's very important that you know what you're painting over before you start.

The easiest test is to apply a small amount of denatured alcohol (at hardware and paint-supply stores) to a cotton ball or clean cloth, then rub an area of the painted surface. (Choose an inconspicuous location unless you've committed to repainting right away.) Latex paint is dissolved by alcohol, so if the paint softens, becomes tacky to the touch or comes off onto the cloth, it is latex. If there is no change to the surface, it is oil based.

You can paint over an old oil surface with oil paint, or an old latex surface with latex paint, but if you want to apply latex over oil or vice versa, you'll have to do some prep work first. Lightly sand the entire surface (especially if the old paint has a gloss finish), then apply a primer that has the same composition (oil or latex) as the new paint you plan to use.

Questions should be addressed to Martha Stewart in care of The New York Times Syndication Sales Corp., 122 E. 42nd St., New York, N.Y. 10168. Or visit Martha Stewart at www.marthastewart.com. Questions of general interest will be answered in this column; Martha Stewart regrets that unpublished letters cannot be answered individually. "Martha Stewart Living" is on KSAW-TV at 9 a.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. Sunday

School cooks learn new techniques at association meetings

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - The lunchroom cooks in Twin Falls develop their professional skills as a group, in the Twin Falls School Food Service Association. The group meets monthly, said Debbie Straubhaar, association president. Local meetings offer workshops on topics like cake decorating, lifting techniques, garnishing, food safety and even self-esteem and humor in the workplace. At state conventions, classes are offered on sanitation, nutrition, leadership and management.

Every food service employee in the Twin Falls School District could join the association, but this is not a requirement. Currently, there are about 30 members in the association and more than 100 members statewide.

Straubhaar has worked in food service in the Twin Falls district for nine years and has been a member of the food service association for eight years. At Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School, where Straubhaar works, the staff serves lunch to 800 students in just about two hours. Staffers run two lines and a salad bar every day. The salad bar alternates to potato and soup bars on selected days.

There are 10 schools in the district, and that adds up to a lot of lunches. The Twin Falls School Food Service Association sells cookies, cinnamon rolls, specialty breads and cookie mixes at craft fairs around the valley to help finance trips to state conventions. They also do catering at select events.

Here, Straubhaar shares the secrets to some old-time lunchroom favorites.

CINNAMON ROLLS

- 1 3/4 ounces yeast
 - 1 3/8 cups water
 - 3/4 ounce salt
 - 3 1/2 ounces dry milk
 - 6 1/4 ounces sugar
 - 2 tablespoons salt
 - 7/8 cup oil
 - 2-2/3 cup water
 - Mixture of 1/4 cup cinnamon and 5/8 cups sugar
- Mix the yeast in warm water. Allow to work for about 5 minutes. Mix the dry ingredients together and add the oil and the water. Use a dough hook. Mix for 1 minute. Add the yeast mixture and mix for 2 minutes on low. Then mix for 8 minutes on medium, until smooth and elastic. Roll out on a lightly floured surface into a rectangle. Butter and sprinkle with the cinnamon-sugar mixture. Add raisins and nuts if desired. Roll up and cut at

What's for lunch



A member of the Twin Falls School Food Service Association, Debbie Straubhaar, helps to prepare lunch Friday morning at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School. The lunchroom cooks meet monthly to attend workshops and share cooking tips.

- about 1-inch intervals. Place on a greased cookie sheet. Allow to rise till double in size. Bake at 350 degrees for 18 to 20 minutes. (They will be a light golden brown when done.) Frost with your favorite frosting, if desired.

LUNCHROOM CHILI

- 1-1/2 pounds ground beef, cooked and drained
 - 17 ounces cooked pinto beans
 - 2/3 cup tomato paste
 - 1 1/4 cup tomato, diced
 - 2 2/3 tablespoons chili powder
 - 1 1/2 tablespoons brown sugar
 - 1 3/8 teaspoon salt
 - 3 tablespoons dehydrated onion
 - 1 3/8 teaspoon oregano
- Mix together and add enough water to get the consistency you like. Bring to a boil and cook till everything is cooked and well blended. Serve with the cinnamon rolls.

RANCHERO COOKIES

- 1 cube margarine
 - 1 1/8 cups brown sugar
 - 1 1/8 cups sugar
 - 2 eggs
 - 2 cups oatmeal
 - 2 1/8 cups flour
 - 7/8 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 3/4 cup coconut
 - 5 2/3 ounces chocolate chips
- Blend margarine, sugars, egg. Add the rest of the ingredients and mix till well blended. Bake at 350 for 8 to 10 minutes till done.

CHEESY CHAMPION ROAST TURKEY

- 1 7/8 teaspoons dehydrated onion
- 1 7/8 teaspoons freeze-dried green pepper

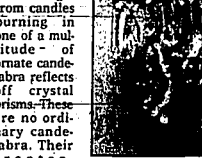
- 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon water
 - 1 ounce margarine
 - 1 1/4 cups milk
 - 7/8 ounces flour
 - 1 7/8 tablespoons chicken base
 - 4 ounces cream of mushroom soup
 - 2 7/8 ounces American cheese
 - 2 7/8 ounces mozzarella cheese
 - 1 pound roasted turkey meat
 - 1 7/8 teaspoons chopped red pepper
- Place onion and green pepper in water to hydrate. Melt the margarine, and add water/onion mixture. Stir in the flour. Cook till bubbly. Add the milk, chicken base and soup and cook till thick. Stir constantly. Place turkey in the sauce and heat well. Set aside. Add the red pepper to the cheeses and heat well. Place turkey and sauce mixture in pan. Pour cheese mixture over the top of everything. Serve over your favorite noodles.

Mood lighting

Busy Californian reworks old chandeliers

By Beverly Beyette
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES - The squawking of a parrot named Moshe echoes through the 1930s Beverly Hills house.

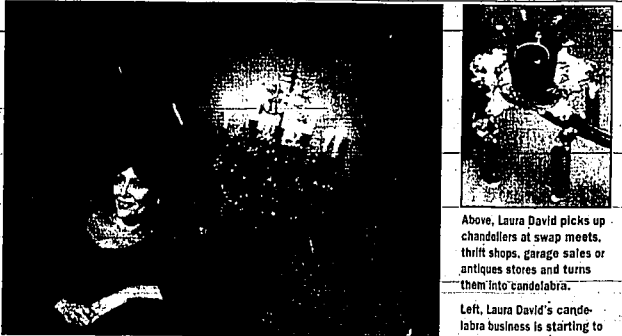


Laura David, calls them "candelabras," a nod to herself as the artist.

hammer - lie scattered about. Out of this workshop have come creations with names such as "Anastasia" and "Valentino". David gives each of her candelabras a name. "Desdemona" is named for one of her twin daughters, who was named for the wife of Shakespeare's Othello. And there is "Diana," named for the late Princess of Wales.

Each work began life as a chandelier picked up at a swap meet, thrift shop, garage sale or antique store.

"I buy a chandelier and strip it down," David explains, a process that includes removing the electrical wiring and harvesting spare parts. It all started five years ago



when David - who will never be accused of contributing to the energy crisis - looked about her house and decided she'd gone a little candle-crazy. Hundreds of candles.

"I wanted something that had a chandelier feel, but not electric," she says.

Inspiration struck when she spotted a castoff chandelier in her mother's garage. A friend saw her first creation and wanted one. To date, David has created 20 candelabras, including one work-in-progress, and sold 13 of them.



Above, Laura David picks up chandeliers at swap meets, thrift shops, garage sales or antique stores and turns them into 'candelabras.'

Left, Laura David's candelabra business is starting to take off.

The creating takes place evenings and weekends, as David has a day job, as estimator for Martin's House of Printing in Vernon.

"Do you have any broken-down chandeliers? I get some pretty good deals!"

"We did Brad Pitt's Christmas cards," as well as announcements for two celebrity weddings, now both off-Roseanne and Ben Thomas and Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley.

David thumbs through a stack of color photos of her creations, which sell in the \$500-to-\$800 range. She has never paid more than \$60 for a chandelier that will become a candelabra. "I'll go to antique stores and

FOOD & HOME

Infested trees can be saved

Last-year-the spruce-needles turned brown and dropped. Only the new needles were green. Spruce aphids had come and gone, leaving the tree bare and shriveled. By the time we saw the damage, it was too late to do anything about the spruce aphids. Only now can we effectively deal with the critters.

Spruce aphids are terribly destructive to spruce. They appear in very early spring, sometimes as early as February. Once they've arrived, they increase in number until they build up to large enough populations that they can just about kill a tree by March or April.

Early detection is crucial if you're going to save your tree from spruce aphid damage. Spruce aphids suck the juice from spruce needles until the needle is almost ready to drop. By the time the needles turn brown and the damage is noticeable, the insects are gone. Damaged trees can take years to recover.

If we see thawing weather in February, take a white sheet of paper outside with you. Hold the paper under a spruce branch and



GREEN THUMBPRINTS Cathy Walworth

thump the branch soundly. Specks will land on the paper. The ones that move are aphids. The rest is just dirt.

Spray-the entire-tree-with acephate. Respray 10 days later. That should take care of spruce aphids before they get a chance to do damage to your trees.

DEAR CATHY: When can I prune my trees and shrubs?

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DEAR ITCHY: You can prune most trees as long as it isn't too cold. I wait till the temperatures are above freezing, then prune my fruit and ornamental trees. Don't get carried away and prune back the spring-blooming shrubs, however, or you'll take off this year's flowers.

Wait till the spring-blooming

trees and shrubs have finished showing off, then cut them back. If you're having trouble waiting for those spring blooms, though, you can cheat a little: Cut a branch or two of forsythia, blooming cherry or whatever you've got. Bring it inside and put it in a vase of warm water. You should see spring arrive in a couple of days.

TIP OF THE WEEK: Want to accent your pre-spring flower arrangements? Try taking in a small branch or two of birch, oak or red maple. Here's how: Cut some branches that have a lot of buds on them and put them in a container of warm water. Put the container in a cool spot—a steady 60-65 degrees is optimum. Change the water every three or four days, and cut an inch off the stems once a week, until the leaves or flowers unfurl. Before long, you have a nice addition to those flowering shrubs you forced into bloom!

What's bugging your garden? Write to Cathy in care of this newspaper or e-mail her at: cwto@pmt.org.

Nibble your way around the web

By Sylvia Rector
Detroit Free Press

January has barely begun and everyone I know is already sick of snowdrifts, ice dams and salt-stained boots. But pleasant diversions are as near as the Internet and its thousands of food-oriented Web sites.

Here are some recent discoveries, many of them suggested by readers:

One of the most entertaining and interesting food sites I've found is www.inquisitivecook.com. Subtitled "The Science of Cooking Made Simple," the site was created by Anne Gardiner and Sue Wilson, who teach culinary science at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada. You won't find recipes here, but you will find answers to hundreds of practical culinary problems and mysteries.

Another site "well worth looking up" is www.cyberkitchen.com/index/, says Rosalind Grand of West Bloomfield, Mich. With thousands of recipes and links to more than 4,000 other sites, you could spend days there. Through the cyber-kitchen site, I found several good sources of healthy recipes, including www.deliciousdecisions.com by the American Heart Association and www.healthylife.com from Prevention magazine. Also, check out www.blonz.com, the site of

Ed Blonz, a PhD author and columnist who writes about nutrition, foods, food science, health and wellness.

And if you wonder about the quality of all the nutrition, wellness and fitness information on the Web, you'll want to know about the Tufts University Nutrition Navigator, the first on-line rating

and review guide of Internet health- and nutrition-related sites. The site is at www.nutritionnavigator.tufts.edu/index.html.

One site that Tufts rates highly is the Mayo Clinic's www.mayoclinic.org. If you submit a favorite recipe to the Mayo nutritionists, they can retweak it to be healthier.

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All in good time: Nostalgia fuels latest interest in slow cookers

By Susan Selasky
Detroit Free Press

There's something downright comforting about cooking foods in a slow cooker.

Besides the easy cleanup, there's the old-fashioned homogeneity that comes from doing things the way they used to be done—at least in the 1970s.

And there's the aroma. Nostalgia is fueling the comeback of slow cookers, with baby boomers revisiting the contraptions of their youth. Adding to the appeal, many used to be household looking for time-saving ways to make homemade meals and Americans' love affair with gadgets.

The benefits of slow cookers are many. You can put raw or partially cooked ingredients in the ceramic or crockery bowl insert, turn it on, leave home for several hours and come back to a prepared meal.

Cheaper (and often tougher) cuts of meat require less cooking to soften or tenderize them. Longer, slower cooking times translate into a better mingling of food flavors and seasonings.

You can simplify make-ahead meals by adding all the ingredients in the bowl of the cooker and chill (don't freeze) until ready to cook.

There are different philosophies regarding slow-cooking techniques. Some advocate simplicity—just throw it in and cook—while others require that vegetables be sautéed and that meats be browned before adding them to the pot.

Sautéing vegetables will add dimension to foods cooked in any way in a slow cooker, in other words. And browning meats before cooking them can add to the appearance and texture of slow-cooked foods.

Some foods, including recipes made with ground meats, require

precooking before adding them to a slow cooker. Ground meats, for example, should be browned when cooked raw in a slow cooker. Precooking ground meats helps keep them loose while they cook in foods like chili and allows you to skim extra fat from the completed recipe.

Another potential problem that occurs with slow cooking has to do with consistency. Stews and soups can become watery or lack the creamy thickness that comes with evaporation of cooking liquids. One option is to dredge ingredients, especially meats, before adding them to the cooker. Another cure comes near the end of the cooking period and involves making a thin paste of flour and water, whisking in some of the hot liquid from the slow cooker and adding this to the pot and cooking until the consistency is to your liking.

HERITAGE PORK ROAST
1/2 cup apple juice or apple cider
2 1/2 pounds sweet potatoes, peeled and sliced 1/2 inch thick
3 medium onions, peeled, sliced and separated into rings
4 medium apples, peeled and sliced

2 pound center-cut boneless pork roast, trimmed of fat
1/2 teaspoon Dijon mustard
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
4 fresh sage leaves, snipped or 1/8 teaspoon dried sage
1/4 cup cold water
1 teaspoon brown sugar
2 tablespoons cornstarch
Four cups apple juice into slow cooker. Then layer the sweet potatoes, onions and apples. In a large nonstick skillet, over medium-high heat, brown the pork on all sides. Place the pork on top of the potato and apples slices. Brush the mustard over the roast and sprinkle the roast with the pepper and sage. Cover and cook on low until the roast is done and registers 165 degrees on an instant thermometer, about 7 to 9

hours. Transfer the roast to a platter and keep it warm. Using a slotted spoon, transfer the apple-sweet potatoes mixture to a bowl and keep it warm. In a small bowl or glass measure, combine the water, sugar and cornstarch. Stir the cornstarch mixture into the juice in the cooker, and cook, stirring often, until thickened, about 1 to 2 minutes. Serve the sauce with the roast and apple-potato mixture. Makes 6 servings.

—From "Smart Crockery Cooking: Over 100 Delicious Recipes" by Carol Hedding Munson

FRUIT CRISP
Nonstick cooking spray
6 cups peeled, cored and sliced Golden Delicious apples
6 cups peeled, cored and sliced pears
1 cup dried cherries
1/2 cup sugar
1 tablespoon ground orange peel
3 teaspoons grated cinnamon, divided
1 cup flour
1 cup dried oats, quick or regular

3/4 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon dried ginger
1/4 teaspoon mace
3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter, softened
Spray the bowl of a slow cooker with nonstick cooking spray. In a large bowl, combine the apples, pears, dried cherries, sugar, orange peel and 1 teaspoon cinnamon and toss well. Mix together flour, oats, brown sugar, remaining 2 teaspoons cinnamon, ginger and mace in a bowl and stir to combine. Crumble the butter with your fingers, add to the flour mixture and knead the mixture to incorporate the butter. Sprinkle this mixture over the fruit, patting it down lightly. Cook the mixture on high for 4 hours, until the fruit is bubbly. Serve warm with fresh whipped cream or ice cream. Makes 12 servings.

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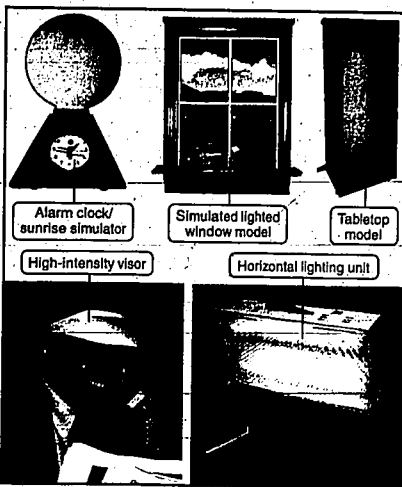
DEAR JIM: I see ads for home-use high-intensity light therapy kits to help reduce the winter blues. Our local hospital uses them. Do these high-intensity lights use a lot of electricity and do they really work?

-ALF.

DEAR AL: My neighborhood hospital also has a light therapy room for which they charge a fee to use for a 30-minute session. The "winter blues" are referred to as Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) by physicians.

"I am not a doctor, but some doctors suspect that millions of people suffer from SAD-related problems. Some typical reported symptoms are fatigue, craving sweets, weight gain, difficulty waking, irritability, etc. Before attempting any self-cures like this, always consult your physician first. The brightness from SAD light kits is fairly intense to create the desired effect on your body. A brightness level of about 10,000 lux for 15 to 30 minutes is often considered to be the threshold for beneficial results. NEVER use sun tanning or infrared heat lamps for this purpose. Most home-use SAD light kits use efficient fluorescent tubes. To produce 10,000 lux brightness, some models use less than 100 watts. Even today's high-utility-rates-it-users-less-than-a-penny's-worth-of-electricity-per-session. This is much cheaper than using the SAD lights at the hospital.

You do not have to stare at the light box when you use it. Set it on your kitchen table while you have breakfast, read the newspaper, etc. You can then turn off other lights and have overall on your electricity bills. A brightness of 10,000 lux sounds intense, but it really isn't. At noon on a sunny day, the brightness outdoors is over 10,000 lux. The lux level drops as you move further from the light source, so you should sit fairly



Efficient light devices reduce the winter blues.

close to the light. A kit that provides 10,000 lux at 24 inches is ideal.

There are some other interesting light-related, low-electricity-use devices designed to minimize SAD. Dawn simulator lights allow you to wake slowly to the rising sun in the winter just like you do in the summer.

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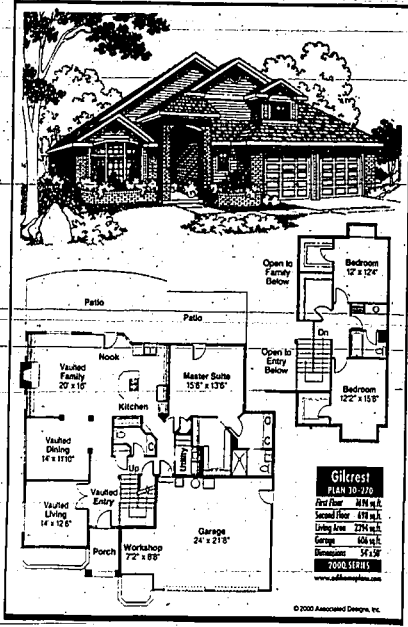
Gilcrest: Gracious, spacious

There's a lot to notice about the Gilcrest's front facade. Four gables, varying in size, draw eyes upward. Raised brick trim crowns the soaring arched entry—echoing the gently curved arch of the stacked, multipaned windows. Blooms spill over the edges of raised-brick planters on both sides of the arch. More panes of glass overarch the door, and sparkling sidelights flank it, adding to the exterior visual appeal, while naturally illuminating the vaulted entry.

Vaulted ceilings expand the sense of volume in gathering spaces that fill the left side, front to back. Double doors open into a living room that can become completely private by closing them. Square posts mark the passageways into the dining room from the entry and family room. The family room is large, bright and completely open to the kitchen. Cabinets, with windows above, fill the wall on both sides of the fireplace. These are designed to house a television and entertainment center. More light washes in through two sets of windows at the rear. One set, the nook's atrium doors, swing open to provide patio access.

A raised eating bar marks the kitchen. This way island has a built-in cooktop, and on one side, a stack of bookshelves. Other kitchen features include a telephone desk, a wide pantry and built-in appliances. Utilities are nearby—hidden behind pocket doors in the passageway to the garage.

The Gilcrest's master suite has a two-section bathroom and a huge walk-in closet with a pull-down ironing board. The upper bedrooms share a skylit



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Eat, drink and be merry, but then get back to basics

By Laura Resner
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

I have been eating continuously since Thanksgiving. It was great while it lasted, but now it is a new month, a new year, and some purists say a new millennium, and so it is time to go back to work, back to school and back to a normal diet.

I know from all the other New Years in my life that resolving to eat salad (vinegar dressing only, no oil) every meal will set me up for failure and that I'll feel cranky and deprived and blow it all in a fit of cupcakes and chocolate bars.

But what to eat? I'm craving simplicity, but with a little zest to it.

What I'm craving is my roast chicken with apples and raisins, just like I have been making for more than 10 years. I always come back to it when I want something homey and delicious—it has the added benefit of needing no fat beyond what the chicken brings naturally. The apples and raisins are so flavorful that I don't feel deprived of dessert. My husband, John, who has been eating this as long as I have been making it, likes to take the leftovers to work the next day for lunch; they are tasty cold or reheated in the microwave.

- 2 teaspoons plus 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 2 teaspoons plus 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon plus 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 whole chicken (4-1/2 to 6 pounds)

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Put 3 cups of the apple cider or juice and all the lemon juice in a medium-sized bowl. Add the raisins. Wash apples under warm water to get the skins as clean as possible. Cut each apple in half (north to south); remove the core (a melon baller makes this easy), and then cut each half into three half-moon shapes. Cut the half-moons into three equal-size chunks. As you cut each apple, place the pieces in the bowl with the juices and the raisins. Add 1 teaspoon salt, 1 1/2 tablespoons cinnamon, 2 teaspoons ginger, 2 teaspoons nutmeg and 1 teaspoon cloves to the bowl containing the apples and juice. Stir to mix the spices. Put the remaining ground spices into a small bowl. Add 2 tablespoons of the apple juice to the bowl with the spices and stir to mix.

Cut away the excess fat, wash chicken inside and out, and pat dry with paper towels. Place chicken breast-side up in a roasting pan. Rub the inside of the chicken with 1 teaspoon salt. Rub the outside of the chicken with the ground spices and juice in the small bowl. Pour the remaining apple juice in the bottom of the roasting pan holding the chicken. Stuff body cavity and neck cavity of the chicken with some of the apple-raisin stuffing. Pack it loosely, as it will expand. There will be plenty of remaining stuffing; place it in another small roasting pan and cover it with aluminum foil.

chicken (hold the legs in place using butcher's twine), although I am usually lazy and don't do it. Trussing helps keep the drumsticks from drying out and can keep the stuffing from falling out of the bird. Roast the chicken for at least 1 1/2 hours (bigger birds take longer). Set your timer for every 10 minutes and baste the chicken with the apple juice in the bottom of the roasting pan. After half an hour of roasting, put the pan of extra stuffing in the oven. The chicken is done when a meat thermometer (get yourself an instant-read one) inserted in the thickest part of the thigh reads 165 to 170 degrees. Remove the two roasting pans from the oven when the chicken is done.

Let the chicken rest 5 to 10 minutes after you remove it from the oven, as this will allow the juices freed by the heat to return into the meat, and the chicken will taste moister. Serve stuffing on the side, and divide the meat with some of the pan juices. I usually serve steamed green beans with this.

Nutritional analysis per serving: calories, grams fat, grams carbohydrates, grams protein, milligrams cholesterol, milligrams sodium, percent of calories from fat.

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Buttermilk candy boasts sinful richness

By Ellen Hawkins
The Baltimore Sun

V. Hartman of Baltimore is seeking a recipe for Buttermilk Candy, which she calls "a sinfully rich treat." Beth Hunter of Timonium, Md., responded. "Here is the recipe that V. Hartman wanted," she wrote. "It comes from 'Southern Heritage's Gift Recipes Cookbook 1985.' Pay special attention to the temperature of the soft-ball stage; too low and the candy won't harden, too high and the candy will be too hard. And be careful when you add the butter and vanilla.

Recipe finder

The mixture bubbles up fiercely before you stir it to combine.

- BUTTERMILK CANDY**
3 cups granulated sugar
1 cup buttermilk
1 teaspoon cream of tartar
3 tablespoons butter
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
2 cups coarsely chopped pecans or walnuts, if desired

Combine sugar and buttermilk in a medium saucepan, mixing well. Slowly bring to a boil, stir-

ring constantly, until sugar dissolves. Cover and cook 2 to 3 minutes to wash down sugar crystals from sides of pan. Uncover and cook, stirring occasionally, until mixture reaches the soft-ball stage, 234 degrees. Stir in cream of tartar. Remove from heat; stir in butter and vanilla. Beat by hand with a spoon 2 to 3 minutes or until mixture is creamy and begins to thicken. Stir in nuts (optional). Working rapidly, drop mixture by rounded tablespoons onto waxed paper; let cool. Remove from waxed paper and store in an airtight container. Makes about 20 pieces.

ROAST CHICKEN WITH APPLES AND RAISINS
Serves 6-8
5 cups apple cider or apple juice, divided (unfiltered is good)
2 teaspoons lemon juice
1 to 1 1/2 cups raisins
6 apples (I like at least half to be Granny Smiths; the others can be any other firm apple, such as Golden Delicious)
2 teaspoons salt (I like kosher salt)
1 1/2 tablespoons plus 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

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Holiday spirit sticks around with seasonal fare

By Liz Atwood
The Baltimore Sun

A BERRY SPICY RUB: The holiday decorations may be coming down, but there are still ways to use juniper. Vanns Spices of Baltimore sells Italian juniper berries that can add spice to game meats, stews and stuffing. One suggestion: Grind 2 tablespoons of juniper berries and 1 teaspoon of black peppercorns finely with 1/2 teaspoon of salt. Mix with 1 teaspoon of ground allspice and 1/2 tablespoon soft brown sugar. Rub onto beef, venison or duck.

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Here is help with New Year's resolution to lose weight

By Joe Stump
The Wichita Eagle

This just in: Diets don't work. Of course, this won't come as news to the estimated 50 percent of Americans (or more by some accounts) who are overweight. Year after year, losing pounds and keeping them off top the list of New Year's resolutions.

What's replacing diets are strategies for eating and living that emphasize broad principles. For instance, two sentences into "The Smart Diet," the new cookbook from Better Homes and Gardens, the editors acknowledge that what they're really pushing is tuning in to the body's natural hunger and fullness signals, enjoying a wide variety of well-prepared foods (which satisfy with smaller portions) and regular exercise.

Here are some ideas:

- Avoid fast food. This is the first piece of advice that Linda Myers, a personal trainer at Genesis Health Clubs, gives to clients. If you have no other option, look for something healthy on the menu.
- When cooking yourself, substitute lower-fat ingredients whenever possible: ground turkey for beef, reduced-fat cheese for the regular kind, etc. Or simply use less than what the

recipe calls for.

- Use equipment and techniques that reduce fat intake. A nonstick skillet is essential. And when Myers browns hamburger for use in spaghetti sauce, she rinses the cooked meat under running water to remove fat that regular draining would miss.
- Fill up on fruits and vegetables. Following the government's recommendation to eat at least five servings of these a day not only ensures that you'll get the necessary vitamins and other nutrients, it also leaves less room for less healthful foods. Consider adding a salad with low-fat dressing often.
- To flavor food, use herbs, spices, flavored vinegars and vegetable-based sauces instead of butter, cream and cheese.
- For lunch, try a diet drink such as SlimFast or a low-calorie frozen dinner. The key is that they're prepackaged meals are portion-controlled.
- Try eating five small meals a day - three light meals and two snacks - instead of three larger ones.
- Make sure one of the meals you eat is breakfast.
- Avoid late-night eating binges. Food that the body can't work off tends to get stored as fat.
- Stock your refrigerator with

natural convenience foods such as apples and carrots.

- When you're craving something crunchy, try fresh broccoli or another vegetable with a low-fat dip rather than potato chips.

CHICKEN BURRITOS

1 tablespoon olive oil
2 onions, chopped
3 cloves garlic, minced
2 (16-ounce) cans salt-free tomatoes, coarsely chopped
1 (4-ounce) can green chiles
1 to 3 teaspoons chili powder (to taste)
1/2 teaspoon cumin
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 cups chopped cooked chicken (white-meat preferred)
1/2 cup flour tortillas
Shredded romaine lettuce
Diced tomatoes
Chopped red onion
Salsa

Heat oil in a large skillet. Sauté onions and garlic until onions are soft. Add tomatoes, green chiles, chili powder, cumin, oregano and salt. Simmer, stirring often, until most of liquid evaporates. Add chicken, mix well and transfer to a serving bowl. Wrap tortillas in foil and warm in oven at 400 degrees for 5 to 7 minutes. Place about 1/3 cup chicken mixture on a tortilla and roll up. Place on a plate

and garnish with remaining ingredients. Makes 8 servings.

Nutrients per serving: 226 calories; 4 grams fat; 25 mg cholesterol; 3 grams fiber; 336 mg sodium.

RASPBERRY CAKE

1 cup fresh or frozen raspberries
1 cup all-purpose flour
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 cup margarine or butter, melted
1/2 cup refrigerated or frozen egg product, thawed
2 teaspoons vanilla
1 (8-ounce) container plain fat-free yogurt
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoons finely shredded lemon peel

Spray a 9-inch springform pan with nonstick coating; set aside. Thaw frozen raspberries, if using, at room temperature for 15 minutes. Drain thawed berries. In a medium bowl combine the 1 cup flour, 1/2 cup of

the sugar and baking powder. Add melted margarine or butter, 1/4 cup of the egg product and 1 teaspoon of the vanilla; stir until combined. Spread onto bottom of prepared pan; sprinkle with raspberries. In a medium bowl combine the yogurt, remaining 1/2 cup sugar, remaining 1/4 cup egg product, 2 tablespoons flour, lemon peel and the remaining 1/2 teaspoon vanilla. Stir until smooth; pour over berries. Bake in a 350-degree oven about 35

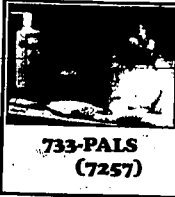
minutes or until center appears set when shaken gently. Cool in pan on a wire rack for 15 minutes. Loosen and remove sides of pan; cool completely. Cover and chill for 2 to 24 hours before serving.

Nutrients per serving: 164 calories; 8 grams fat (1 gram saturated fat); 1 mg cholesterol; 107 mg sodium; 28 grams carbohydrates; 1 gram fiber; 4 grams protein.

—Source: "The Smart Diet" (Better Homes and Gardens)

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Chili provides dinner in minutes

By Linda Gassenheimer
Knight Ridder News Service

Try this quick black bean chili for a weeknight meal or Super Bowl weekend. If your group is large, increase the ingredient amounts as needed. You can make the chili a day ahead and refrigerate it, or make it even earlier and freeze it.

For a casual dinner with friends, leave the pot of chili on the stove and let everyone help themselves. A basket of warm bread and a washed ready-to-eat salad will complete this quick dinner. If you're pressed for time, use a packaged minute rice.

BLACK BEAN CHILI

1 teaspoon olive oil
1 medium red onion, diced (1 cup)
2 medium cloves garlic, crushed
1 small red pepper, diced (1/2 cup)
1 16-ounce can black beans, rinsed and drained (1 1/2 cups)
1 medium tomato cut into 2-inch pieces (1 cup)

1 cup frozen corn
1 1/2 tablespoons chili powder
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1 tablespoon tomato paste
1 cup fat-free, low-salt chicken broth
1 cup broccoli florets
4 ounces low-fat, honey-roasted ham, diced
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
1/2 loaf crusty sour-dough bread

For garnish:
1/2 cup grated Monterey Jack cheese (2 tablespoons)
2 scallions, chopped (1/2 cup)
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Heat oil in a large nonstick skillet on medium high. Add onion and saute 3 minutes. Add garlic and red pepper. Saute more 3 minutes. Add black beans, tomatoes, corn, chili powder and cumin. Mix tomato paste into chicken broth and mix into chili. Simmer, covered, 10 minutes. Add broccoli and ham and simmer 5 more minutes. Add salt and pepper to taste. Adjust seasonings as desired. Warm bread in oven for 5 minutes. Slice and

serve with chili. Serve chili over Ten Minute Rice and pass cheese and scallions to sprinkle on top. Makes 2 servings.

Ten Minute Rice:
1/2 cup long grain white rice
2 teaspoons olive oil
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

In a large pot, bring 2 to 3 quarts of water to a boil. Add rice and boil, uncovered, about 10 minutes. Test a grain; rice should be cooked through, but not soft. Drain into a colander. Run hot water through rice and stir with a fork. Mix in oil and salt and pepper to taste.

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It's never too late for holiday shortbreads

By Linda Cicero
The Miami Herald

QUESTION: When I started making my Christmas cookies this year, I realized I'd somehow lost my very favorite recipe - for Chocolate Nut Shortbread Cookies. I know it's too late for this year's baking, but I'd really like to have that recipe again.

**-ANNE MILKENS,
FORT LAUDERDALE**

ANSWER: I make these all the time because they are so delicious and easy. Sometimes I shake the warm cookies, about six at a time, in a plastic bag with a cup of confectioners' sugar mixed with a tablespoon of very finely ground Cuban espresso beans such as Cafe Pilon.

CHOCOLATE NUT SHORTBREAD COOKIES

1/2 cup butter, right from refrigerator
1/2 cup vegetable shortening or margarine

1 cup sugar
2 cups all-purpose flour
1/4 cup cocoa
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon vanilla
1 cup finely chopped pecans, macadamias or hazelnuts

Vegetable oil cooking spray
Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Chop the butter into chunks. Cream with the margarine and sugar until very fluffy, about 3 minutes with an electric mixer. Whisk the flour, cocoa and salt together in a bowl, then add to creamed mixture, beating just until well blended.

In a large, resealable plastic bag, combine orange juice concentrate, 2 tablespoons oil, soy sauce and garlic. Add chicken, seal bag and turn to coat. Refrigerate for 2-3 hours. Remove chicken; reserve marinade. In a skillet, cook chicken in remaining oil until juices run clear. Meanwhile, in a saucepan, saute walnuts in butter until lightly browned; remove and set aside. Set aside 1/4 cup green onions for garnish. Add remaining onions to saucepan; saute until tender. Add reserved marinade and the next eight ingredients. Bring to a rolling boil. Boil for 2 minutes. Reduce heat. Simmer, uncovered for 5-10 minutes or until sauce reaches desired consistency. Serve chicken over rice; top with sauce and reserved walnuts and onions. Makes 4 servings.

QUESTION: This Christmas I received a plate of cookies from a student that were a step up from the usual Rice Krispie treats. Though they were made from the cereal, they were not made with marshmallow, and tasted of lemon.

-LM, FORT LAUDERDALE

ANSWER: I encountered these treats at a cookie swap and begged the recipe from the baker.

LEMON KRISPIES

1 box lemon-flavor cake mix
1 stick butter, melted
1 egg, beaten
1 cup crisp rice cereal such as Rice Krispies
Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Stir together the dry cake mix, butter and egg in a mixing bowl. Stir in the cereal. Roll the dough into 1 1/2-inch balls. Place 2 inches apart on an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake 8 to 10 minutes, until edges are golden. Cool on cookie sheet for 1 minute before removing to a cooling rack. Makes about 30 cookies.

QUESTION: Can you tell me how to make red beans and rice like you get at Nicaraguan restaurants?

-ANA, MIAMI

ANSWER: Gallo pinto is a distant cousin of moros y cristianos, the Cuban black beans and rice dish. I learned how to make gallo pinto about a decade ago, with the help of Antonio Barquero of Los Ranchos restaurant. The Nicaraguan dish uses small red beans rather than the black turtle beans used in the Cuban dish, and you cook the rice and beans separately, then combine them. When you make moros, you traditionally cook the rice with precooked beans.

LOS RANCHOS GALLO PINTO

1 pound (2 1/2 cups, dried) small red beans
2 cloves garlic, crushed

1 pound (2 1/2 cups, raw) long-grain white rice
1/2 cup cooking oil
1 medium onion
Salt and pepper

Cook the beans in a large pot with water to cover by an inch. (These beans do not need to be soaked overnight.) Heat until the water boils, then add a pinch of salt and the garlic. Lower heat to simmer, cover and cook gently for 2 to 2 1/2 hours, or until beans are tender. There should be just enough liquid left that beans are not dry; add more water if necessary. About 20 minutes before the beans are ready, begin cooking the rice with about 3 1/2 cups of water, a few drops of the oil and 2 thick slices from the onion. Bring to a boil, cover and simmer until the rice is tender. When the rice and the beans are fully cooked in their separate pots, heat the oil with the remaining onion, chopped fine, in a large frying pan set over medium heat. Strain the cooked beans if necessary. When the onion begins to turn a light golden color, remove it from the frying pan with a slotted spoon. Add the strained beans to the hot pan. Fry over medium-high heat for about 5 minutes, turning frequently. Add the cooked rice to the pan, adding salt and pepper to taste. Mix the rice and beans together well, turn heat down to low, cover and let cook 5 minutes. Serve immediately. Makes 12 servings.

QUESTION: I have been trying for several months to find the recipe for Crocodile Killer Carrot Cake. I got it from one of the Pasadena newspapers in 1996 or 1997. The cake is absolutely scrumptious. Please, please try it for me. I'm 87 years old and would love to make that cake one more time. It is three layers and out of this world.

**-T.K. MCFALL,
ROSEMEAD, CALIF.**

ANSWER: I don't have the recipe for Crocodile Killer Carrot Cake, but can offer you this recipe from Dell Lane in South Miami for the best carrot cake I've ever tasted. You can, in a pinch, substitute canned pineapple, but be sure to drain it very well. If you want more than one layer, bake the cake first, then slice it horizontally.

DELL LANE'S CARROT CAKE

2 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 cups sugar
3 eggs
3/4 cup buttermilk
3/4 cup vegetable oil
1 cup fresh pineapple, diced
1 cup medium-grated carrots
1 cup fine-grated coconut
1 cup chopped walnuts

For the frosting:
1 stick (1/2 cup) butter, softened
1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
1/2 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup confectioners sugar
To make the cake: Place flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt in a bowl and mix with a wire whisk. Beat sugar, eggs, buttermilk, oil and vanilla into the flour mixture. Combine pineapple, carrots, coconut and walnuts; fold into the batter.

Grease and flour a 10-inch springform pan. Add batter to the pan. Place on cookie sheet in preheated 250-degree oven for about 1-hour-and-15 minutes, or until golden brown and a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Let cool completely on a wire rack before removing from pan.

To make frosting: Beat butter and cream cheese with an electric mixer until creamy and fluffy. Add vanilla and confectioners' sugar. Start mixer slowly and mix until well blended.



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Taste of Home

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"For an impressive main dish that's not tricky to prepare, try this tantalizing chicken," Moore says.

ORANGE WALNUT CHICKEN

3 tablespoons orange juice concentrate
3 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided
1 tablespoon soy sauce
1 garlic clove, minced
4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves
1/2 cup coarsely chopped walnuts
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
4 green onions, thinly sliced, divided
1/2 cup orange marmalade
1/2 cup orange juice
1/4 cup lemon juice
2 tablespoons honey
1 to 2 tablespoons grated

orange peel
2 to 3 tablespoons grated lemon peel
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
Hot cooked rice

In a large, resealable plastic bag, combine orange juice concentrate, 2 tablespoons oil, soy sauce and garlic. Add chicken, seal bag and turn to coat. Refrigerate for 2-3 hours. Remove chicken; reserve marinade. In a skillet, cook chicken in remaining oil until juices run clear. Meanwhile, in a saucepan, saute walnuts in butter until lightly browned; remove and set aside. Set aside 1/4 cup green onions for garnish. Add remaining onions to saucepan; saute until tender. Add reserved marinade and the next eight ingredients. Bring to a rolling boil. Boil for 2 minutes. Reduce heat. Simmer, uncovered for 5-10 minutes or until sauce reaches desired consistency. Serve chicken over rice; top with sauce and reserved walnuts and onions. Makes 4 servings.

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OPEC works toward consensus for supply cut

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — OPEC... Saudi Arabia, OPEC's largest producer, is among those vying for such a cut.

WestRock hit with lien from former engineering firm

CASCADE (AP) — Developers of the proposed WestRock resort said a lien filed against the company by its former engineering firm has everything to do with the sale of the Jack Johnson resort.

Hispanic

Continued from D4 "The No. 1 group going for home mortgages is the Hispanic market," he said. What that means for retailers is simple: "When you move into a new home, you need new things."

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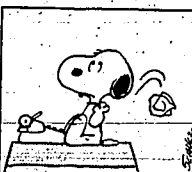
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HOW DO YOU INVITE YOUR OWN BROTHER TO AN "UGLY DOG" CONTEST? I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO BEGIN THE LETTER.



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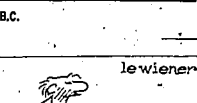
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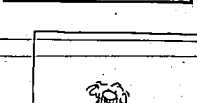
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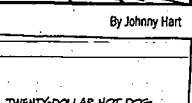
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THE STICK MAN RUNS THROUGH A TIRE FIRE AND GETS EATEN BY A GIANT WOLVERINE.



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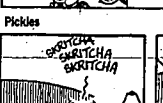
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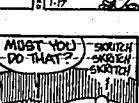
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Blonde

WHAT SHOULD BE DONE ABOUT THIS MEMO FROM THE BOSS?



LEAVE ME TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO WITH IT



THAT MUST BE MY MIND



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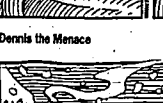
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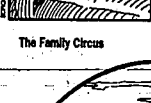
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MUST YOU DO THAT?



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Garfield

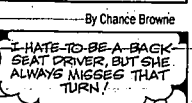
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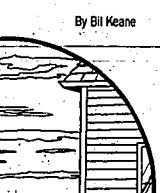
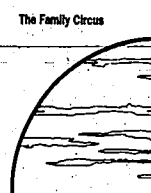


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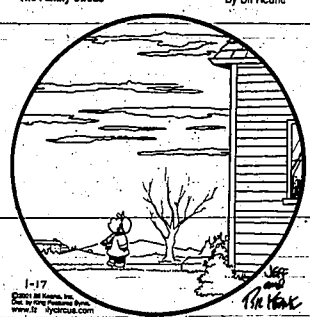
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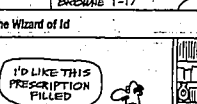
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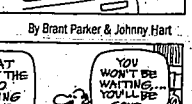
WAH! WHAT IS IT, TRIXIE?



NOW I'LL HAVE TO TURN AROUND!



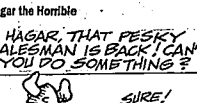
I HATE TO BE A BACK SEAT DRIVER, BUT SHE ALWAYS MISSES THAT TURN!



By Chance Brown

The Wizard of Id

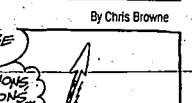
I'D LIKE THIS PRESCRIPTION FILLED



COME BACK IN FIVE HOURS



WHAT ABOUT THE NO WAITING SIGN?



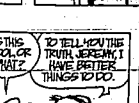
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Rose is Rose

SIT STILL AND VISIT WITH US, PEEKABOO!



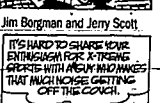
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By Pat Brady

Hagar the Horrible

HAGAR, THAT PESTY SALESMAN IS BACK! CAN'T YOU DO SOMETHING?



MY HUSBAND WILL BE RIGHT WITH YOU...
DECISIONS DECISIONS.



By Chris Browne

Zits

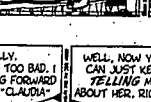
WHOA! DID YOU SEE THAT GUY WITH FLY WHEN HE HIT THAT CLIFF?



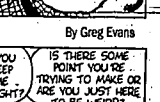
IS THIS COOL OR WHAT?



UNH! AARR! WUNPH!



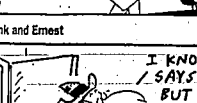
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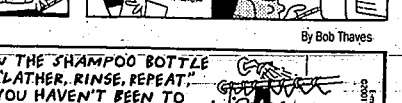
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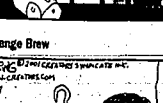
FIRST THE FIGHT, THEN THE CLUB.



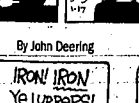
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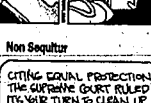
HI, AARON. HEY, SORRY I MISSED MEETING YOUR GIRLFRIEND WHEN SHE WAS HERE OVER THE HOLIDAYS. WHAT'S HER NAME AGAIN?



GLORIA? CALDA. SHE DIDN'T COME.



WELL, NOW YOU CAN JUST KEEP TELLING ME ABOUT HER, RIGHT?



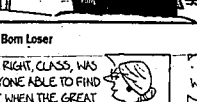
IS THERE SOME POINT YOU'RE TRYING TO MAKE OR ARE YOU JUST HERE TO BE WEIRD?



By Greg Evans

Frank and Ernest

I KNOW THE SHAMPOO BOTTLE SAYS "LATHER, RINSE, REPEAT," BUT YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TO WORK IN TWO WEEKS!



POP SAYS THAT WAS WHEN GRANDMA SPENT CHRISTMAS VACATION AT OUR HOUSE!



By Bob Thaves

Strange Brew

IRON! IRON! YE LUBBERS! PUT YOUR BACKS INTO IT!



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CITING EQUAL PROTECTION, THE SUPREME COURT RULED IT'S YOUR TURN TO CLEAN UP THE CAT PUKE.



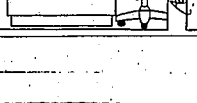
ACCEPT THEIR JUDGMENT.



By Wiley

The Bom Loser

ALL RIGHT, CLASS, WAS ANYONE ABLE TO FIND OUT WHEN THE GREAT DEPRESSION WAS?



YES, WILBERFORCE?



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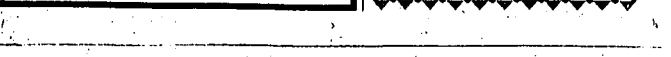
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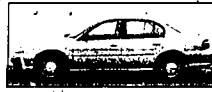
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