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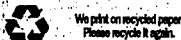
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WAIT AND SEE

By Michael Journee
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne will be in the Magic Valley Wednesday to sign four new dairy bills, but people are still unsure of exactly what effect the new statutes will have.

Those on either side of the issue, activists and dairy neighbors, say new state dairy industry regulations passed by the Legislature this winter are likely only the beginning. Those in the middle, the politicians, hope the air will settle enough to allow the new laws to work, if they can.

New dairy laws' effect uncertain

Despite being approved by the Legislature — but only after much gnashing of teeth and compromise — everyone agrees the four new laws are at least a step in the right direction.

The first steps to creating an effective open dairy were taken this year, said Stacy Butler, a Bliss resident who is embroiled in a lawsuit over a contaminated

well. Butler claims was spoiled by a dairy just uphill from her family's home.

Butler, a leader among a group of western-Magic Valley residents fighting to curb the side effects of large-scale dairy operations in the area, lobbied hard during the recently completed

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Expensive proposition?



Milker Rigoberto Cortez rounds up cows for milking at Smutny Holsteins Dairy, south of Twin Falls.

LOGAN CLAYTON/The Times-News

Proposed dairy regulations begin to spark debate

By John T. Huddy
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — One local dairyman says a proposed county livestock ordinance, which aims to regulate large dairy operations, would sock small dairy farmers with unwelcome costs.

"I'm not happy with it," Alvin Smutny said. "I think there's too much regulation on the people not causing the problems."

Smutny owns a 200-cow dairy. He served on the seven-member committee that wrote the new 21-page ordinance for Twin Falls County during the past six months.

If approved, the ordinance

More to come
Public hearings haven't yet been scheduled on a proposed Twin Falls County dairy ordinance. Read The Times-News for further developments.

would take the place of the county's current, 3-year-old livestock ordinance.

The new ordinance is being reviewed by county officials. It eventually will be the subject of public hearings in front of the county's planning and zoning commission and county commissioners, who ultimately will decide whether to enact it. Dates

have not been set.

Smutny also objects to a proposed rule in the new ordinance that requires every dairy — no matter the size — to have a nutrient management plan.

Although state law already requires every Idaho dairy to have a nutrient management plan by July 1, Smutny nevertheless regards the county's proposal as burdensome.

Smutny said he expects to spend at least several hundred dollars on a plan — which will merely detail what he is already doing on his dairy.

"The cost is going to be prohibitive, in my belief anyway," Smutny said. "I think we're trying

to regulate the small dairyman, 500 cows and under, out of existence."

Under the new ordinance, any dairy of 450 animal units (3,214 milk cows) or more would also be required to have a professionally designed and engineered odor management and waste system. The existing ordinance has no such rule.

Perhaps one of the stickiest points in the proposed ordinance is the public hearing process for a new dairy application.

The new ordinance would require that all new dairies of 1,000 animal units or more (714 milk cows) undergo public hearing. Please see **DAIRY**, Page A2

Oil technology helps minimize costs, damage

By Joseph B. Verrengia
The Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Stephen Lewis has struck oil. Again. He can do it a dozen times before lunch.

"If we extend along the shale cap and then take the well down through it," the BP Exploration geophysicist explains, zigzagging through 100 million years of geology beneath Alaska's North Slope, "we should hit more oil."

Energy hasn't always been so easy to find. In the old days — the 1930s — a typical wildcat driller, bundled in coveralls and reeking of crude, might celebrate a gusher once every 10 or 20 test wells. At Prudhoe Bay, they drilled 100 times before hitting "pay."

At \$4 million per, punching holes blindly into the Earth's crust is what makes the oil business more roulette than science. Then there is Lewis, with his carefully brushed mane of white hair and shiny loafers. Snug in a suburban office building 800 hundred miles from the frigid Arctic, he peers through distant ice and bedrock to find pockets of unex-

plotted hydrocarbons. Lewis doesn't have x-ray vision. Rather, he revs up a sophisticated imaging computer and dons a pair of boxy tan goggles.

The \$1 million Highly Immersive Visualization Environment, or HIVE, enables him to digitally "see" for miles underground, where grinding pressures bake rocks at 300 degrees Fahrenheit and make fluids fizz like soda pop.

The HIVE resembles a large home theater, minus the cup holders and popcorn.

A large curved screen embraces the audience. The room is painted black to eliminate glare and distractions. With the 3-D glasses to enhance the image, you plunge down the borehole and into the reservoir, angling past, around and through a maze of hidden faults, mountains, valleys, stream channels and other buried geologic features.

Complex software enables Lewis to unpeel layers of rock deposits for likely pockets of energy overlooked by conventional analysis. Often he's able to tap the reserves by extending existing wells.

"It's like guiding rockets," Lewis said. "The target might be 9,000 feet down and seven miles

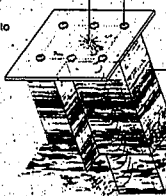
Drill with care

Hoping to prove that oil drilling is not incompatible with environmental concerns, many oil companies are using technology to lessen the impact of surveying and drilling on sensitive lands.

A better view of the invisible

To better assess prospective oil and natural gas wells deep beneath the surface of the earth, surveyors use a technique called 3-D seismic. This efficient imaging reduces the need for extensive sample drilling.

A blast of dynamite or a vibration machine drives sound waves into the earth.



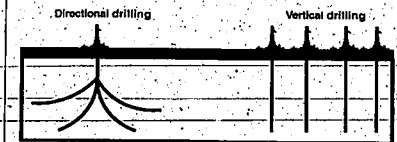
Arranged in a grid, seismometers detect the sound waves as they bounce rebound off of underground features.

Computers use algorithms to create a layer-by-layer view of the geology.

Brighter colors show quick changes in the sound wave. Quick changes can occur where rock types meet — or where petroleum pockets exist.

Drilling down ... and out

By drilling laterally as well as vertically from a central position to tap remote reservoirs, the "footprint" of the platform on the environment is reduced.



SOURCE: Central Energy Resources Team, United States Geological Survey

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Words of warning

U.S. offers 'sorrow,' coupled with strong caution to China

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — As the standoff with China entered its second week Sunday, the Bush administration offered its first expressions of "sorrow" but coupled them with warnings about the consequences of detaining the 24-member crew of a U.S. surveillance plane any longer.

The White House also revealed a letter to the widow of a missing Chinese pilot — Lt. Cmdr. Wang Wei — the Chinese navy, now presumed dead after his fighter jet collided with the U.S. plane April 1 — in response to a letter she wrote to Bush last week. The letter from Ruan Guoqing had charged that the president was "too cowardly" to express sorrow.

Bush's response was a personal communication through diplomatic channels. "humanitarian" gesture "in an American way" to a widow who is grieving.

Secretary of State Colin Powell

Military might. — A11

Powell said on "Fox News Sunday."

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said that the letter was "unrelated" to efforts to win release of the two dozen American detainees on China's southern island of Hainan, where their plane was forced to make an emergency landing after the midair collision. The letter was expected to be sent overnight through diplomatic channels.

But the letter came on the same day that Powell for the first time used the word "sorrow" to describe American reaction to Wang's apparent death.

"We've expressed our regrets, we've expressed our sorrow, and we are sorry that a life was lost. The only life lost at this point was that of a Chinese pilot. And so I think it's a very proper thing to express our regrets and sorrow over that," Powell said on the Fox News program.

Still, along with a string of other senior officials who appear on Sunday, Powell and Vice President Dick Cheney repeatedly deemed a formal apology for the collision by the Bush administration out of the question. The issue of apology is "something quite different" because it would mean accepting official responsibility for the accident, Powell said.

"We have not done, can't do, and therefore won't apologize for that," he added.

Meanwhile, the Liberation Army Daily, the official newspaper of China's military, restated in an editorial Beijing's assertion that it has a right to question the detained crew and inspect the hobbled EP-3, a sophisticated surveillance plane that could provide China with a bonanza of U.S. intelligence information.

Interest rate decline benefits U.S. consumers

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Alton Bradford is feeling good even though the news about the economy is gloomy. He has extra money to spend now, having taken advantage of lower interest rates and refinanced his home mortgage.

"I'm able to pay bills and put some money in my business," says the retired federal worker who runs a shoe shop. "It just takes a big load off my mind."

Bradford estimates that swapping high-interest debt for lower

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Cheney: Bush won't hesitate to veto bills



Vice President Dick Cheney

WASHINGTON (AP) — With President Bush preparing to release the point-by-point details of how his \$1.95 trillion budget would rein in government spending, Vice President Dick Cheney said Sunday that Bush will not hesitate to veto spending bills he considers excessive.

Democrats, still celebrating an initial victory in trimming Bush's tax cut, awaited today's release of the full budget so they could see which

government programs were targeted for deep reductions.

They said opposition to those proposed cuts will help as they seek to hold the line on the administration's \$1.6 trillion, 10-year tax cut.

In Bush's first major defeat, the Senate last week voted to reduce the tax cut by one-quarter, to \$1.2 trillion, an action that must now be reconciled with a House resolution endorsing the president's request.

"When people see the budget,

they're going to say, 'Oh, my God, I wanted a tax cut, but I didn't know what you were going to do to health care and Medicare and national defense,'" Sen. John Breaux, D-La., said on ABC's "This Week."

Cheney defended the administration's budget decisions, arguing that spending has gotten out of control since 1998 when the first of a series of budget surpluses began.

The administration's budget is proposing to limit the growth in dis-

cretionary spending — everything outside of mandatory benefit programs such as Social Security — to a 4 percent increase this year, far below the 8.7 percent rise former President Clinton won in his last budget.

The new administration is proposing outright cuts or no increases in discretionary spending at 12 of the government's 25 major departments, with the sharpest reductions occurring at the departments of Agriculture and Transportation.

Those cuts are balanced against increases in priority areas, including education. A senior Education Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Sunday that the agency's proposed spending for 2002 would include \$375 million to support charter schools, including construction of new charter schools, and \$320 million for a new initiative to help states develop reading and math assessment programs. All are Bush campaign issues.

Rescuers recover 16 bodies from crash

Identities of victims haven't been released

THANH TRACH, Vietnam (AP) — Rescuers on Sunday recovered the bodies of nine Vietnamese and seven Americans who died in a helicopter crash while searching for the remains of U.S. soldiers missing in action from the Vietnam War.

Witnesses described the helicopter weaving in air before it plowed into a mountainside in central Vietnam on Saturday.

"I heard the helicopter flying very low. The engine made a big noise, and then we heard a big explosion. It was very foggy so we couldn't see very much," said Nguyen Van Minh, 45.



A Vietnamese security police officer guards the site of the wreckage of a Russian-made helicopter on the side of a mountain on the outskirts of the village Thanh Trach, Quang Binh, Vietnam on Sunday.

"It was like during the Vietnam War again when we ran to see if we could help anyone from the crash. There was only one man who was still alive. He told us he was with the MIA team," he said. That man, a Vietnamese, died shortly afterward.

Those killed were the advance team for a 95-member Hawaii-based American group that was scheduled to begin work at six MIA recovery sites in Vietnam in early May, said Army Lt. Col. Franklin Childress, spokesman for the MIA task force.

The bodies were carried down

on stretchers from the mountain in Bo Trach district in Quang Binh province, about 280 miles south of Hanoi.

The identities of the victims were not released pending notification of their families. Their bodies were driven in ambulances to Hanoi, and the Americans were to

be repatriated to Hawaii later this week.

Among those believed to be on board were the commanding officer of the MIA team in Hanoi, as well as the deputy commanding officer and the incoming head of the Hanoi team.

Officials were investigating

the cause of the accident. A local official said the team had called earlier Saturday to say they were canceling a stop in Dong Hoi, the capital of Quang Binh province, because of bad weather.

The helicopter — a chartered Vietnamese military aircraft — was on its way to the town of Hue instead when it smashed into the mountain. A tattered rotor blade jutting from the hillside served as a grim marker over a valley of emerald-green rice paddies.

Local police secured the area and confiscated the camera of an Associated Press photographer. Curious villagers watched from the valley as officials recovered wreckage from the mountain.

Childress said no decision has been made whether the MIA mission would go on. U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said the overall program of accounting for MIAs and recovering their remains will continue.

"We've been flying in this type of helicopter for a number of years, and this is the first accident," Childress said in Hawaii.

Vietnam's Foreign Ministry called the accident "a huge loss to Vietnam as well as to the United States" and sent condolences to the U.S. government, people and families of the victims.

Chairman: Delta deal within reach

CINCINNATI (AP) — The chairman of Delta Air Lines' pilots union says the two should be able to end nearly two years of contract negotiations with a couple more days of talks.

The airline has been negotiating with its pilots since May 1999.

Chuck Giambusso, chairman of the Master Executive Council of Delta's branch of the Air Line Pilots Association, told The Cincinnati Enquirer in a story published Sunday that the two sides are "48 hours — two long hard days of negotiation away from an agreement."

Delta chairman and chief executive Leo Mullin told reporters last week that he was confident a contract could be reached without a strike, which could come as early as 12:01 a.m. April 29.

That's the end of a 30-day cooling-off period, which was called after the pilots union rejected binding federal arbitration. If no agreement is reached by then and the National Mediation Board doesn't recommend that President Bush intervene, the pilots could walk out, shutting down the airline.

Panel probing police bias to hear from minorities

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — After six sessions that brought calls for the resignation of a state Supreme Court justice, a state Senate panel investigating racial profiling by the New Jersey State Police is turning its attention to black and Hispanic witnesses.

The committee plans at least two more hearings, said state Sen. William L. Gormley, the panel's chairman.

"They're going to tell us things we should know. We're going to listen," Gormley said.

Some lawmakers have called for Peter G. Verniero to step down from the New Jersey Supreme Court, saying evidence in the hearings so far showed that when he was attorney general he was aware that troopers targeted minority drivers at least three years before he admitted it publicly.

Acting Gov. Donald T. DiFrancesco also said Verniero would resign. One lawmaker said he was drafting an impeachment resolution.

Verniero admitted that state

police targeted minorities in an April 1999 report issued one year after two white troopers fired on a van stopped for speeding on the New Jersey Turnpike. Three black and Hispanic men were wounded.

He has denied withholding evidence of racial profiling from federal investigators.

Among the witnesses scheduled to appear is state police Sgt. Vincent Bellarain.

In 1998, a federal judge upheld Bellarain's complaint that he was subjected to racism and harassment as a member of the force.

Bellarain has outlined several incidents he said contributed to the hostile environment, including watching troopers force a black motorist to tap-dance to avoid an arrest, and an incident in which white officers wearing civilian clothes jumped on a black family's car, screaming racist threats.

Bellarain also said his superiors berated him with racial and ethnic slurs, that his formal complaints of racial discrimination were ignored, and that he was passed over for promotion.

Midwest storm causes floods, knocks out power

The Associated Press

Damaging wind gusts eased across the upper Midwest on Sunday in the aftermath of a storm that ripped down power lines and overturned tractor-trailer rigs, but flood preparations were underway as rivers started rising out of their banks.

Most power had been restored Sunday in hard-hit Wisconsin, where the wind had knocked out some 33,000 home and business customers on Saturday.

Fewer than 500 customers were still in the dark Sunday morning, utility representatives said.

"Some of these are kind of

messy. There's some trees and power lines that are pretty knotted up," said Chris Schoenherr,

spokesman for Alliant Energy Corp.

One woman was killed outside Chicago when the wind blew a tree onto her car, police reported.

Wind gusts to as high as 79 mph in parts of the Midwest on Saturday. Overturned tractor-trailer rigs blocked major highways in parts of Iowa and Wisconsin.

The storm also produced locally heavy rain that combined with melting snow to cause flooding.

About 30 members of the Minnesota National Guard were sent to help with sandbagging and other flood preparations at Breckenridge, where the Otter Tail and Bois de Sioux rivers combine to form the north-flowing Red River.

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Conference highlights rise of security issues

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Ten years ago, when most people still thought of computer hackers only as the nerdy henchmen to villains in science fiction movies, a group of less than 100 cryptographers got together in a Silicon Valley hotel to share ideas.

Now the Internet is a pervasive part of life, a platform where \$657 billion worth of commerce was transacted last year, according to Forrester Research. With that figure expected to increase 10 times by 2004, online security has become a mainstream concern.

And that small cryptographers' gathering has exploded into a trade show and conference that is bringing more than 10,000 people to a San Francisco convention center this week. They will peruse exhibits by 250 security companies, chatter at a "cryptographers' gala" and gather for a ceremony featuring comedian Dana Carvey.

Lecture topics range from arcane — one is titled "On the Strength of Simply Iterated Feistel Ciphers with Whitening Keys" — to the straightforward, like "Authenticity in e-Business."

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Medical center board to discuss status

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center board of directors will get an update tonight on plans to possibly change the legal status of the hospital.

An advisory committee has yet to hand the board its recommendation to change the hospital from a county-owned nonprofit to a private nonprofit entity.

The board will also review February's financial report and will hear about the hospital's recent designation as "an America's Promise hospital."

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the Sage Room of the medical center campus behind the hospital.

City Council to consider grant for airport plan

TWIN FALLS - The City Council today will consider a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration to complete a master plan for the T. Allen E. Maguire Valley Regional Airport.

The meeting will begin at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

The \$183,240 FAA grant could be spent on the airport's master plan - which includes a water system plan and an update of the pavement condition index survey, a report from Riedesel Engineering says.

The FAA gave the city more than \$1 million dollars last year to upgrade the airport's runway. The runway was repaved.

Also on Monday's agenda:

- The council will consider waiving green fees for a College of Southern Idaho golf tournament at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course on Grandview Drive.
- The tournament will benefit some of the school's sports programs.
- The council will discuss operating guidelines for the city's cross-connection control of the city's drinking water.

Kemphorne asks agency for disaster declarations

BOISE - Gov. Dirk Kemphorne asked U.S. Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman to declare Butte and Cassia counties as disaster areas so farmers and ranchers can qualify for emergency aid.

Citing severe drought during the 2000 crop year, Kemphorne told Veneman in a letter that "the crop and grazing losses have caused an immense hardship for the agricultural community."

Butte and Cassia counties requested the Agriculture Department's assistance.

If it is approved, farmers and ranchers will be able to apply for Farm Service Agency Emergency Loans Assistance to cover production and physical loss.

School Board to discuss use of R-rated movies

TWIN FALLS - The Shoshone School Board will discuss R-rated movies at its meeting today.

The movie discussion is scheduled for 8:30 p.m. Parents are expected to ask the School Board not to allow any R-rated movies be shown in school. The issue resulted over the showing of "Frankenstein" to supplement study of the novel.

Commission slips to view the movie were sent home with students.

Other items on the agenda include sale of the old high school and rental to the Bureau of Land Management's summer fire protection crews of a portion of the old high school property the district does not plan to sell.

A presentation on a status offender program is scheduled for 8 p.m.

The board's meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in the district office conference room, 409 N. Apple St.

Compiled from staff reports

Conference to focus on victims

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

SUN VALLEY - The growing problem of home-brewed methamphetamine - and the young victims it leaves behind - will be the focus of a unique conference this week.

The prime topic of experts will be how to provide protection of children living in meth homes and how to clean up severe toxic environmental dangers of meth residue after police shut down

After the Bust

Responding to Meth Lab Victims

The three-day conference (featuring experts discussing child victims of methamphetamine labs and the toxic environmental aftermath of police raids) begins at 8 a.m. Wednesday and continues until noon.

Friday at the Sun Valley Inn in Sun Valley.

The cost is \$35 for the three days. Fees will be waived for those who would like to attend just one or two sessions.

For more information on conference registration, call Kristi McKown in Boise at 334-1211.

Betty H. Richardson and co-sponsored by the state of Idaho, the

Association of Idaho Cities and the Drug Enforcement Administration, "After the Bust: Responding to Meth Lab Victims" will feature three days of workshops beginning Wednesday and continuing through Friday in the Limelight Room of the Sun Valley Inn.

"Out of this meeting we hope to develop some standard procedures for ensuring children found in meth lab homes are taken out of that toxic environment," said Jean McNeil, spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Speakers from throughout the western states will converge on the conference, which McNeil described as the first in the western states and one of the first of its type in the nation. Idaho Gov. Dirk Kemphorne will kick off the conference with a welcome at 8 a.m. Wednesday.

One speaker, Maj. R. Dan Charboneau of the Idaho State Police, said police are discovering more meth labs.

LOW-COST RIDE



Larry Fullmer helps Lauvonia Totman out of his cab at her apartment in Twin Falls. When a federal program to provide seniors with cab fare ran out of money, Fullmer found a way to continue giving low-cost rides to his clients.

Taxi driver extends services to the elderly

By Kelly Bryant
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Taxi driver Larry Fullmer reminisced about one of his passengers.

"This man was living in a retirement center in Twin Falls," he said. "Paralyzed on one side, he wanted to go to Burley but couldn't drive himself there. He was determined

to go - determined to buy a car. Well, he didn't have enough money for the ride to Burley let alone enough money to buy a car. We were able to talk him out of both. I've been picking him up for a long time now. I'll pick him up and take him downtown, or to wherever he wants to go."

Fullmer owns Magic Valley Checker Cab and he meets people

who are unable to drive themselves everyday. Some are senior citizens and some are people with disabilities. Fullmer works with two Twin Falls service providers - The Area Agency on Aging and Living Independently Network (LINC).

LINC refers people to Fullmer who have disabilities that keep them from driving, said Melva Heinrich, said, LINC's resource

director. The transportation program is partly funded by a \$5,000 grant from Idaho Transportation Department.

Lynn Hughes, contract manager with the Area Office on Aging, said his agency received a \$40,200 grant from the Idaho Department of Transportation for the program which is limited to seniors 60 and over. Both serve

Resident remembers the art of animation

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - If and when television and movie animation studios flee California's mounting urban problems and set up shop in the more tranquil Wood River Valley, Ken Mundie is here to spread the welcome mat - and maybe even get back into the profession.

Mundie, 75, was a familiar name and face around the top animation studios off and on for the better part of the past 50 years, and his handwork lives

on in films that pop up on television now and then.

But something happened along the way that dethroned Mundie and led to his split from the craft he began in 1949 with the Walt Disney studio at \$21.35 a week.

Put simply, Mundie said computers became the tool of choice for animation work, rather than hand-drawn artistic images that were his specialty and that Disney pioneered so successfully.

Make no mistake, Mundie is



Cartoonist Ken Mundie has worked for the top animation studios off and on for the better part of the past 50 years. His credits include Walt Disney's "Alice in Wonderland," "Peter Pan," and "The Lady and the Tramp."

Sheriff's department wants to loan cell phones to seniors

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Even a short trip to Twin Falls can be scary for some people.

When a person is elderly and has health problems, having a cell phone in the car could save a home-attack victim.

The Cassia County Sheriff's Department already loans what few old cell phones it has to domestic violence victims, who may not have access to a phone in a crisis. Now, officials want to

Loan-A-Phone

The Cassia County Sheriff's Department is looking for old cell phones and chargers for its Loan-A-Phone program. The department wants to loan out cell phones on

expand that service to senior citizens.

Even when cell phones are not connected to a carrier, most of them can still be used to dial 911 at no cost, Sheriff Jim Hignens said. A senior going out of town for a few days could borrow a

phone from the sheriff's office.

Hignens came up with the idea after a senior citizen heard about the phones being offered to domestic violence victims. The man and his wife had a doctor's appointment in another city and wondered if seniors could bor-

row phones, too.

And a recent visit to the Golden Heritage senior citizen's center in Burley showed Hignens the demand was there.

"I think it's an excellent idea," said Sharon Mills, manager of Golden Heritage. "We had some (seniors) really stressed about going to the doctor in Boise, Pocatello, even Twin Falls."

It would even be a relief for the family members of seniors whose health necessitates out-of-town trips, Mills said. And it would keep seniors from relying

on the good will of the next passerby, she said.

"That's scary," Mills said.

In a survey by the American Association for Retired Persons Public Policy Institute, only 51 percent of people 50 and over were polled say they subscribe to a wireless phone service. Only 46 percent of 18- to 49-year-olds do.

And older users clearly don't have as much need. Those who are 65 and older make about two phone calls a week, compared

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CSI TODAY

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Golden Eagle Booster luncheon,
noon, Taylor 277.
CSI Diversity Club meeting, 1
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Bilingual Education Club meet-
ing, 1 p.m., Shields 114.
"The Dinosaur Chronicles," 7
p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
Student annual art show (dis-
played until 5 p.m.), Herrett
Center, Jean B. King Gallery.
High Desert Buckcountry
Horsemanship membership and busi-
ness meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 256.
Student Bible study group, 7
p.m.; Shields 208.

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Advanced Regional Technical
Education Coalition board meet-
ing, 7 a.m., Taylor 170.
Business career fair and schol-
arship competition, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.,
Fine Arts and other buildings.
Armed Services aptitude test-
ing, 5:30 p.m., Shields 208.

Magic Valley Amateur Radio
Club monthly meeting, 7 p.m.,
Shields 107.

Thursday
Volunteer Income Tax
Assistance (VITA) program, free
income tax help for elderly and
low income, 2 to 6 p.m., Shields
101.

CSI Equestrian Team donkey
basketball fund-raiser, 7 p.m.,
gymnasium.
The Standards concert, 7:30
p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium, \$12
general admission.

Friday
Bench, bar and media luncheon,
noon, Taylor 276.
Latinos Unidos Club meeting,
noon, Shields 103.

CSI Student Senate/Interclub
Easter Egg Hunt, 4 p.m., at the
tower, Public 17, welcome, ages 0-3,
4-6, 7-9 and 10-12.
Golden Eagle baseball against
North Idaho College, 4 p.m.,
Frontier Field.

Native American dance exhibi-
tion, 6 to 10 p.m., gymnasium.
"The Dinosaur Chronicles," 7
p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Saturday
Collision repair workshop, 8
a.m. to 5 p.m., Canyon 130A.
Carnet Certified Nursing Assistant
testing, 8 a.m. to noon, Aspen 108.

Canyon Rim Dance Classic
"Dancers for Cancer," 8:30 a.m.,
Fine Arts Auditorium.
Golden Eagle baseball against
North Idaho College, noon,
Frontier Field.
"The Dinosaur Chronicles," 2, 4
and 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
Magic Valley Astronomical
Society monthly meeting, 7 p.m.,
Herrett Center, Frost classroom.
Herrett Center monthly star
party (free telescope viewing), 9
p.m., Herrett Center, front lawn.

Sunday
Magic Valley Bible Church, 9
a.m. to noon, Shields 117 and 118.
Church of Christ, 10:30 a.m.,
Evergreen A05.

Today
Blaine County commissioners, 8:45
a.m., courthouse.
Buhl City Council, 7 p.m., council
chambers.
Cassia County commissioners, 9
a.m., courthouse.

Camas County School Board, 7
p.m., high school.
Cassia County commissioners, 9
a.m., courthouse.

Eden City Council, 7:30 p.m., City
Hall.
Elmore County commissioners, 9
a.m., courthouse.

Gooding County commissioners, 9
a.m., courthouse.
Hailey City Council, 5 p.m., Hailey
Town Center.

Jerome City Planning and Zoning
Commission, 7 p.m., council cham-
bers.
Jerome County commissioners, 9
a.m., courthouse.

Ketchum Planning and Zoning
Commission, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.
Lincoln County commissioners, 10
a.m., courthouse.

Today
Twin Falls County commissioners,
8:30 a.m., courthouse.
Twin Falls Public Library Board,
P.O. Box 1000, room 100.
Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City
Hall.

Wendell School Board, 7 p.m., high
school.
Thursday
Bellevue City Council, 7 p.m., City
Hall.

Cassia County School Board, 7
p.m., central office, 237 19th St.
Burley.
Hagerman Chamber of Commerce,
noon, Hagerman Senior Center.
Jackpot Advisory Board, 6 p.m.,
Jackpot Recreation Center.
Mini-Cassia Chamber of

Commerce, noon, Rupert Elks Lodge.
Mindenok City Council, 7:30 p.m.,
City Hall.
Murrumbidgee Highway District, 7 p.m.,
district office.
Twin Falls County commissioners,
8:30 a.m., courthouse.

Twin Falls County Planning and
Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., 240
Third Ave. E.

Friday
Twin Falls County commissioners,
8:30 a.m., courthouse.

This list is compiled from advance
schedules. The Times-News suggests
that you confirm the information by
calling the appropriate clerk's office
before attending.

SERVICES

Bernard Feltman Gergen of
Twin Falls, service at 10 a.m.
today at White Mortuary; burial
will follow at Hazelton Cemetery.

Wilma Carman of Burley, ser-
vice at 11 a.m. today at the
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-
day Saints Unit 1st and 2nd
Ward Chapel, 275 S. 250 E.
Burley; burial will follow at
Pleasant View Cemetery; friends
may call from 10-10:45 a.m.
before the funeral at the church
(Payne Mortuary).

Calvin Steele Prestwich of
Wendell, service at 1 p.m. today
at the Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter-day Saints in Wendell;
burial will follow at the Wendell
Cemetery; family and friends
may call from noon-12:45 p.m.
today at the church (Demary's
Wendell Chapel).

Earl Lewis Hoffman of Twin
Falls, graveside memorial service
at 1:30 p.m. today at Sunset
Memorial Park (Parke's Magic
Valley Funeral Home in Twin
Falls).

Betty Jane Sessions Jensen of
Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m.
today in the LDS 3rd Ward
Chapel on Caswell Avenue West.

viewing will be held from 1 p.m.
until time of service today at the
church (Parke's Magic Valley
Funeral Home).

Douglas John Gould of Twin
Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m.
Tuesday at Rock Creek Veterans
Cemetery (White Mortuary).

Arthur 'Art' E. Fine of Glenns
Ferry, memorial service at noon
Tuesday at the VFW Hall in
Glenns Ferry (Summers Funeral
Homes, McMurtrey Chapel).

Wilford H. Wilcox of Twin
Falls, service at 2 p.m. Tuesday
at the Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter-day Saints 3rd Ward
Chapel on Elizabeth Boulevard
in Twin Falls.
Interment will follow at
Riverview Cemetery in

Heyburn; friends may call from
5-7 p.m. today at White
Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Dana Davis Finney, infant
daughter of Shandria Davis and
Lance Finney of Buhl, graveside
service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at
West End Cemetery in Buhl
(Parke's Magic Valley Funeral
Home in Twin Falls).

Roger Henry Fleener of
Fairfield, memorial service at 11
a.m. Wednesday at First United
Methodist Church, Cathedral
of the Rockies, 11th and Hays St.,
Boise (Summers Funeral Homes,
Boise Chapel).

Vicki Chandler of Abu-
querque, N.M., memorial gather-
ing at 1 p.m. Saturday at the
Eighth Street Center in Buhl.

DEATH NOTICES

Edwin J. Becker
GOODING - Edwin J. Becker
III, 19, of Gooding, died
Saturday, April 7, 2001 in
Oregon from injuries sustained
in an automobile accident.

Funeral services are pending
under the direction of Demary's

Gooding Chapel.
Edna Jones
WENDELL - Edna Jones, 76,
of Wendell died Saturday, April
7, 2001. Services are pending and
will be announced by the Farmer
Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

OBITUARIES

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

RAFT RIVER

lar Nolla Child of Roy, Utah; and
three sister-in-laws Virginia
Ruth Burton, and Ann Anderson all
of Ogden, Utah.
She was preceded in death by
her husband and parents, four
brothers, one sister, one grand-
child, six great grandchildren,
and one son-in-law.
Funeral services will be held 1
p.m., Wednesday April 11, 2001 at
the Kaneville LDS 1st Ward, 4555
West 4000 South with Bishop Mark
Webb officiating.
A viewing for friends and family
will be Monday evening from 6:30
p.m. until 8 p.m. at the Raft River
LDS Church. Another viewing will
also be held in Ogden at Lindquist
Mortuary 3408 Washington Blvd.,
and one hour prior to the service at
the Kaneville LDS 1st Ward. Burial
will follow at the Ogden City
Cemetery. Service are under the
direction of Hansen Mortuary
Burley Chapel.

Melba Ruth Anderson
Melba Ruth Anderson, 93, of Raft
River and a former Ogden, Utah,
resident, passed away April 7,
2001, at Park View Care and
Rehabilitation Center.

Melba was born September 21,
1907, in Ogden, Utah, a daughter
of Nephthi Albert Burton, and Mary
Nettea Flinders Burton. She mar-
ried Alvin B. Anderson on Decem-
ber 18, 1930, in the Salt
Lake City Temple. She worked as a
seamstress making dresses. She
also helped her husband on the
dairy farm by milking the cows for
several years. She enjoyed quilting,
crocheting, and sewing. She was a
member of the Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter Day Saints, Kaneville
1st Ward; in Hooper,
Utah, and the last two years in Raft
River. She had served in the
Primary, Relief Society, and was a
Visiting Teacher, and a member of
the Raft River Home Evening
group. Melba was also a member
of the Utah Daughters of Pioneer
Camp 43.

She is survived by her six chil-
dren Melba Rabalais, Betty of
Raft River, A. Bennett Anderson
of Jerome, Vance Burton Anderson
of Nyssa, Oregon; Harold Beni
Anderson of Kaneville, Utah;
Margaret Ruth (Ned) Hensra of
Mountain View, Wyoming; Connie
Dance Shipp of Roy, Utah; 42
grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren,
4 step great-grandchildren,
4 step great-grandchildren and 28
step great-grandchildren. One sis-

TWIN FALLS

Wilford H. Wilcox, 82, of Twin
Falls, died Saturday, April 7, 2001,
in Twin Falls.
He was born May 7, 1918, in
Clearfield, Utah, the son of Paul W.
and Sarah Hannah Wilcox. The family
moved to Heyburn when he was
an infant. He was educated in
Heyburn and graduated from
Heyburn High School. Wilcox was
married to Lillian Lee in the Salt
Lake City Temple of June 23,
1937. He farmed and worked as a
heavy equipment operator for

many years, and was the shop
manager and part owner of
Bunting Tractor Company.
Burial will follow at the temple
block Christmas decorations for
the next 8 1/2 years. Dad was an
active member of the Church of
Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints,
and held positions in the Elder's,
Seventies, and High Priest
Quorums, also serving in the
Bishopric while living in Heyburn.
After moving from St. George to
Twin Falls, he was among family,
he was active in the Twin Falls Third
Ward. Wilcox was a man of many
talents and hobbies. He loved to
fly, a passion developed while
serving in the Civil Air Patrol dur-
ing World War II. His other inter-
ests were his hunting, camping
and fishing, but his love was to
be among family. He had a unique
gift for land surveying, and leveling
ground.
Wilcox is survived by his wife,
Lillian of Twin Falls; by six children:
W. LeRoy (Ursula) Wilcox of
Hobbs, New Mexico; Arlene
(Alan) Heworth of Kaysville, Utah;
Richard L. (Connie) Wilcox of Twin
Oaks, Maryland; Francis (Margaret)
Wilcox of Phoenix, Arizona; Jay
L. (Natalia) Wilcox of Boise; by 32
grandchildren, and many great
grandchildren; two brothers,
LaVaur Wilcox of Heyburn and
Howard (Opal) Wilcox of Twin
Falls; two sisters, Margaret Bosch
of Logan, Utah, and Ruth (Caleb)
Heiner of Burley. He was pre-
ceded in death by his two infant
children: Lillian Esther Wilcox and
Gene L. Wilcox, and by one brother,
Gladye Wilcox.
Funeral services for Wilcox will
be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday,
April 10, 2001, at the Third Ward
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-
day Saints on Elizabeth
Boulevard, Twin Falls with Bp.
Glen W. Wilcox, officiating. Friends
may call at White Mortuary
Monday, April 9, 2001 from 5-7
p.m. or at the church on Tuesday,
April 10, 2001 from 10-11 a.m. Interment will
follow the funeral. Riverview
Cemetery in Heyburn.

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US AUCTION

MAINLINE RANCH AUCTION

Wednesday, April 11, 2001
Located: 950 North 900 East, Hwy 24, Mindenok, Idaho
From I-84 Exit 211 north to Rupert, then take Hwy 24 to
Mindenok. Watch for US Auction Signs.

SALE TIME: 10:00 AM LUNCH AVAILABLE

Sliger Panther 3125 Tractor - 16-38 Rubber w/ Duals - John Deere
8500 - 4 Wheel Drive - SN: P001169 - 12 Speed Transmission - Power
Shift - 12-24-36-48-60-72-84-96-108-120-132-144-156-168-180-192-204-216-228-240-252-264-276-288-300-312-324-336-348-360-372-384-396-408-420-432-444-456-468-480-492-504-516-528-540-552-564-576-588-600-612-624-636-648-660-672-684-696-708-720-732-744-756-768-780-792-804-816-828-840-852-864-876-888-900-912-924-936-948-960-972-984-996-1008-1020-1032-1044-1056-1068-1080-1092-1104-1116-1128-1140-1152-1164-1176-1188-1200-1212-1224-1236-1248-1260-1272-1284-1296-1308-1320-1332-1344-1356-1368-1380-1392-1404-1416-1428-1440-1452-1464-1476-1488-1500-1512-1524-1536-1548-1560-1572-1584-1596-1608-1620-1632-1644-1656-1668-1680-1692-1704-1716-1728-1740-1752-1764-1776-1788-1800-1812-1824-1836-1848-1860-1872-1884-1896-1908-1920-1932-1944-1956-1968-1980-1992-2004-2016-2028-2040-2052-2064-2076-2088-2100-2112-2124-2136-2148-2160-2172-2184-2196-2208-2220-2232-2244-2256-2268-2280-2292-2304-2316-2328-2340-2352-2364-2376-2388-2400-2412-2424-2436-2448-2460-2472-2484-2496-2508-2520-2532-2544-2556-2568-2580-2592-2604-2616-2628-2640-2652-2664-2676-2688-2700-2712-2724-2736-2748-2760-2772-2784-2796-2808-2820-2832-2844-2856-2868-2880-2892-2904-2916-2928-2940-2952-2964-2976-2988-3000-3012-3024-3036-3048-3060-3072-3084-3096-3108-3120-3132-3144-3156-3168-3180-3192-3204-3216-3228-3240-3252-3264-3276-3288-3300-3312-3324-3336-3348-3360-3372-3384-3396-3408-3420-3432-3444-3456-3468-3480-3492-3504-3516-3528-3540-3552-3564-3576-3588-3600-3612-3624-3636-3648-3660-3672-3684-3696-3708-3720-3732-3744-3756-3768-3780-3792-3804-3816-3828-3840-3852-3864-3876-3888-3900-3912-3924-3936-3948-3960-3972-3984-3996-4008-4020-4032-4044-4056-4068-4080-4092-4104-4116-4128-4140-4152-4164-4176-4188-4200-4212-4224-4236-4248-4260-4272-4284-4296-4308-4320-4332-4344-4356-4368-4380-4392-4404-4416-4428-4440-4452-4464-4476-4488-4500-4512-4524-4536-4548-4560-4572-4584-4596-4608-4620-4632-4644-4656-4668-4680-4692-4704-4716-4728-4740-4752-4764-4776-4788-4800-4812-4824-4836-4848-4860-4872-4884-4896-4908-4920-4932-4944-4956-4968-4980-4992-5004-5016-5028-5040-5052-5064-5076-5088-5100-5112-5124-5136-5148-5160-5172-5184-5196-5208-5220-5232-5244-5256-5268-5280-5292-5304-5316-5328-5340-5352-5364-5376-5388-5400-5412-5424-5436-5448-5460-5472-5484-5496-5508-5520-5532-5544-5556-5568-5580-5592-5604-5616-5628-5640-5652-5664-5676-5688-5700-5712-5724-5736-5748-5760-5772-5784-5796-5808-5820-5832-5844-5856-5868-5880-5892-5904-5916-5928-5940-5952-5964-5976-5988-6000-6012-6024-6036-6048-6060-6072-6084-6096-6108-6120-6132-6144-6156-6168-6180-6192-6204-6216-6228-6240-6252-6264-6276-6288-6300-6312-6324-6336-6348-6360-6372-6384-6396-6408-6420-6432-6444-6456-6468-6480-6492-6504-6516-6528-6540-6552-6564-6576-6588-6600-6612-6624-6636-6648-6660-6672-6684-6696-6708-6720-6732-6744-6756-6768-6780-6792-6804-6816-6828-6840-6852-6864-6876-6888-6900-6912-6924-6936-6948-6960-6972-6984-6996-7008-7020-7032-7044-7056-7068-7080-7092-7104-7116-7128-7140-7152-7164-7176-7188-7200-7212-7224-7236-7248-7260-7272-7284-7296-7308-7320-7332-7344-7356-7368-7380-7392-7404-7416-7428-7440-7452-7464-7476-7488-7500-7512-7524-7536-7548-7560-7572-7584-7596-7608-7620-7632-7644-7656-7668-7680-7692-7704-7716-7728-7740-7752-7764-7776-7788-7800-7812-7824-7836-7848-7860-7872-7884-7896-7908-7920-7932-7944-7956-7968-7980-7992-8004-8016-8028-8040-8052-8064-8076-8088-8100-8112-8124-8136-8148-8160-8172-8184-8196-8208-8220-8232-8244-8256-8268-8280-8292-8304-8316-8328-8340-8352-8364-8376-8388-8400-8412-8424-8436-8448-8460-8472-8484-8496-8508-8520-8532-8544-8556-8568-8580-8592-8604-8616-8628-8640-8652-8664-8676-8688-8700-8712-8724-8736-8748-8760-8772-8784-8796-8808-8820-8832-8844-8856-8868-8880-8892-8904-8916-8928-8940-8952-8964-8976-8988-9000-9012-9024-9036-9048-9060-9072-9084-9096-9108-9120-9132-9144-9156-9168-9180-9192-9204-9216-9228-9240-9252-9264-9276-9288-9300-9312-9324-9336-9348-9360-9372-9384-9396-9408-9420-9432-9444-9456-9468-9480-9492-9504-9516-9528-9540-9552-9564-9576-9588-9600-9612-9624-9636-9648-9660-9672-9684-9696-9708-9720-9732-9744-9756-9768-9780-9792-9804-9816-9828-9840-9852-9864-9876-9888-9900-9912-9924-9936-9948-9960-9972-9984-9996-10000-10012-10024-10036-10048-10060-10072-10084-10096-10108-10120-10132-10144-10156-10168-10180-10192-10204-10216-10228-10240-10252-10264-10276-10288-10300-10312-10324-10336-10348-10360-10372-10384-10396-10408-10420-10432-10444-10456-10468-10480-10492-10504-10516-10528-10540-10552-10564-10576-10588-10600-10612-10624-10636-10648-10660-10672-10684-10696-10708-10720-10732-10744-10756-10768-10780-10792-10804-10816-10828-10840-10852-10864-10876-10888-10900-10912-10924-10936-10948-10960-10972-10984-10996-11000-11012-11024-11036-11048-11060-11072-11084-11096-11108-11120-11132-11144-11156-11168-11180-11192-11204-11216-11228-11240-11252-11264-11276-11288-11300-11312-11324-11336-11348-11360-11372-11384-11396-11408-11420-11432-11444-11456-11468-11480-11492-11504-11516-11528-11540-11552-11564-11576-11588-11600-11612-11624-11636-11648-11660-11672-11684-11696-11708-11720-11732-11744-11756-11768-11780-11792-11804-11816-11828-11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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“Some of the golfing gods are looking down on me the right way.”

”

—Tiger Woods after winning the 65th Masters Tournament

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Which player has finished second the most times without winning the Masters?

...answer below.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High school golf

Buhl Invitational (girls), Clear Lakes CC 9 a.m.
Jerome at Boise, Crane Creek, noon

Joshua, Kintner, Deco, Oakley, Buhl, at 93 Golf Ranch, 1 p.m.

High school softball

Buhl at Glenn's Ferry, 4:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Minidoka Babe Ruth holds signups today

RUPERT — The Minidoka Babe Ruth League is registering players and hosting a parents meeting at East Minico Junior High School today at 7 p.m.

Signups are Thursday at 4 p.m. at Blake Field in Rupert, Cost. \$40 or \$44 for a fitted hat. Players aged 13-15 are eligible, born between Aug. 1, 1985 and July 31, 1988. For more information call Mike Gault at 436-3832, or Diana Warburton at 436-3326.

TF Muni holds golf equipment swap

TWIN FALLS — The local Idaho Junior Golf Association will be holding its inaugural golf equipment swap at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course on April 14.

Equipment for the swap will be accepted from March 15 through April 12. A 10 percent commission will be charged for consignment items. Donations of used items would be appreciated.

All proceeds benefit local programs for the Idaho Junior Golf Association. For more information contact Mike Hamblin at 733-3326 or Kaylynn Rolig at 731-3092.

Brown records ace

at Vineyard Greens

GLENN'S FERRY — Gordon Brown recorded his third career ace on Saturday on the first hole at Vineyard Greens. Brown used an 8-iron to ace the par-three 116-yard hole. All of Brown's aces have occurred on the same hole. The shot was witnessed by Lewis Young and Lerry Heath.

2001 doubles tourney

headline is April 16

TWIN FALLS — The 2001 Doubles Tennis Tournament presented by Hallows Realty will be April 22-29 at the Magic Valley indoor tennis courts.

The week-long, round-robin style tourney starts at 9 a.m. Monday with matches during the evenings throughout the week. Playoffs and championships will be played April 29.

The cost is \$20 dollars for Twin Falls residents and \$25 for non-residents and \$25 for non-members. The deadline for signups are April 16. All teams are guaranteed two matches.

For more information contact Barbara Holliday at 734-6517. Those interested may also sign up on the web at www.twinfalls.com.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Tom Weiskopf, four runner-up finishes — 1969, 1972, 1974 and 1975.

The Master

A grand finale for Woods at the Masters

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Slam or not, Tiger Woods was simply grand.

With a heart-stopper at Augusta National punctuated with a birdie at the end, Tiger Woods claimed the greatest feat in modern golf Sunday by winning the Masters, giving him a clean sweep of the four professional majors in a span of 254 days.

When that 18-foot birdie putt disappeared into the hole, Woods raised both arms in triumph as the massive gallery roared its approval.

He doffed his cap to cover his tears as he left the green and walked into the arms of his father, Earl, who trained him to be a champion, and his mother, Kulida.

"I've never had that feeling before," Woods said. "I finally realized I had no more to play, I'm done."

Woods closed, with a 68, steady down the haunting back-nine of Augusta National as David Duval and Phil Mickelson failed to harness the magic that has carried Woods to five of the last six majors.

The only thing left to debate is what to call this remarkable feat. Purists argue that a Grand Slam is accomplished in a calendar year. Woods, emotionally drained after a relentless battle from start to finish, stayed out of the argument.

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Tiger Tales
Winner Tiger Woods, with a 272 total that was two shots better than David Duval and gave him his fourth straight major championship. Phil Mickelson was another shot back at 275.
Big shot: Woods, hitting a short iron 149 yards on No. 11 that came within an inch of going into the hole. Woods would make birdie to extend his lead.
Missed opportunities: David Duval and Phil Mickelson on No. 16. Both made bogey on the par-3 to hurt their chances of catching Woods.

haunting back-nine of Augusta National as David Duval and Phil Mickelson failed to harness the magic that has carried Woods to five of the last six majors.

The only thing left to debate is what to call this remarkable feat. Purists argue that a Grand Slam is accomplished in a calendar year. Woods, emotionally drained after a relentless battle from start to finish, stayed out of the argument.

Duval, Mickelson born in the wrong era

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Maybe if they were born in a different era, David Duval and Phil Mickelson would have that major championship by now.

Unfortunately, they came along at the same time as Tiger Woods. What a tortuous curse for a golfer, one that was endured by the players who chased Jones, Hogan and Nicklaus.

Once again, Woods was holding against Jack Nicklaus, and they beat him," Duval said, managing a bit of bravado amid the obvious anguish. "That's kind of where we are. We've got a player who is certainly the best player in the game right now. I think what it will do is make my victories in these majors that much more special."

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player ever to be champion of the Masters, U.S. Open, British Open and PGA Championship by now.

A Tiger Slam, if you will.

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Duval and Mickelson have combined for 30 PGA Tour victories, but they've never reached the promised land of a major championship.

"If I'm going to win with Tiger in the field, I cannot make the mistakes I've been making," said Mickelson, who missed four

putts inside 10 feet on a warm, sunny afternoon at Augusta National, "I just can't afford to keep throwing shot after shot away. All in all, I don't feel as though I'm that far off. I just think that mentally, I'm not there for all 72 holes."

Duval is only 29, Mickelson a year older. Neither has reached an age where they'll concede to the very real possibility that their physical skills and mental acumen will never be quite good enough for this generation.

"No, not really," Mickelson said, when asked if he feels cursed to come along at this point in history. "Not yet."

Duval, who began the day three shots behind Woods, briefly held the lead after birdies on seven of the first 10 holes.

Merely needing a par, Woods finished with his usual flourish, sinking an 18-footer for birdie to win with a 16-under 272 total.

"He seems to do just what's required," Mickelson said. "I think that if I was making a run, he may have followed suit."



Tiger Woods celebrates on the 18th hole after winning the 2001 Masters at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., Sunday. Woods captured his second Masters title, defeating David Duval by two strokes. He also won his fourth major title in four events and his sixth career major title.

Best-Ball tourney crowns champions

By Joe Sumner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — After eagling the third hole in the first round of the Cove-Pepsi Best-Ball Tournament at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course on Saturday, Linda Lathrop thought she'd already played her best golf of the tourney.

Too bad for the rest of the competition she was wrong. Lathrop and partner Reta Detweiler easily outdistanced the competition in the final round Sunday, walking away with a gross score of 149 and a four-stroke win in the ladies championship flight. The win, good enough for \$500, was Lathrop's first title after finishing second last year.

"It was exciting to get the eagle," said Lathrop before teeing off Sunday. "We could win this thing but I wouldn't bet the house on it."

Lynne Cooper and Wilma Thode won the net championship with a 172.

Roger Harris of Twin Falls and Jeff Burnham of Jerome shot a 129 to win the men's championship flight. The team came back from a stroke down at the start of the day to beat Steve Call and Mark Lee by two strokes. Roger and Harris had three birdies on the day.

"Seventeen played tough into the wind," said Burnham. "It's probably the toughest hole out there. We played it even for the tourney, we bogeyed yesterday and birdied it today."

Call and Lee bogeyed the tenth hole while Harris and Rogers parred the hole to pull even. From there, the two started to pull away. "Seventeen and 10 are probably the key holes," Burnham said. "If you can get through those even you're happy."

On the net side, Duane Shneberger and Norm Thomas held off Dennis Bruer and Norm Lancaster for a two-stroke win.

In men's first flight play, Curly Federico and Paul Holbrook stormed through the last nine holes to grab a two-stroke win over Mike Eckert and Craig Kelly and Ryan Watson and Dewey Watson.

Federico and Holbrook started the day with a double-bogey but recovered with three net eagles in the final nine holes for the win. It was the first tournament the two had teamed up for.

"We just had fun," said Federico. "(Holbrook) told me the holes were as big as a plate. Everything was going in."

Chori Freeman and Rae Nae Reece narrowly edged out Billie Mason and Barbara Frith to win the ladies' first flight title by one stroke, shooting a 158. Randy Gentry and Dave Lyle took a one-stroke win in the men's second flight with a 142.

"This is a fun tournament," Burnham said. "The course was in great shape and it's really well organized tournament."

Jarrett races to win at Virginia 500

The Associated Press

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Dale Jarrett debunked the superstition strategy with five laps to go Sunday, using fresher rubber to pass teammate Ricky Rudd and win the Virginia 500 Winston Cup race.

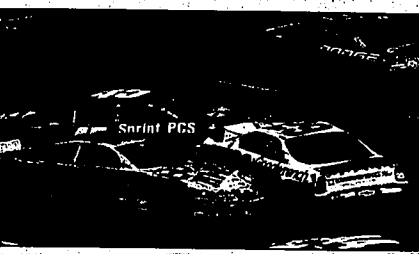
Jarrett, who never led until sneaking his Ford inside that of Rudd entering the first turn, won for the third time this season and for the first time in 30 career starts at tight, nasty Martinsville Speedway.

On the day after Scott Riggs drove the final 151 laps on the same tires to victory in the Craftsman Truck Series race, the thinking that teams wouldn't need to pay as much attention to tires proved false.

"Tires won the race," Jeff Burton said. "There was a lot said about not needing tires today, but anytime I can get them, I want them."

Rudd, who had led for 50 laps, hung on for second, followed by Burton's Ford, Bobby Hamilton's Chevrolet and Sterling Marlin's Dodge.

Jarrett and most everyone else pitted for four tires and gas with



Kevin Harvick (20) runs into the back of Kyle Petty (48) as Ken Schrader (36) spins out during the running of the Virginia 500 at the Martinsville Speedway in Martinsville, Va., Sunday.

135 laps to go, but when a caution flew again on lap 413, Jarrett abandoned his sixth-place position and headed back-in-for-four more new tires.

Rudd and most of the leaders stayed out.

"Todd Parrott made a great call to come in and get tires to adjust the car," Jarrett said. "We weren't good enough to win the way we were."

"The car just wasn't sticking very good. It was pushing in the center and I knew it wasn't going to come in and do any better, so we knew that we could come in and make the car better. It had been better than that."

The victory enabled Jarrett to increase his championship points lead to 123 over Gordon, who faded in the final laps and finished 12th.

Pedro powers Red Sox past Tampa Bay

The Associated Press

BOSTON — Pedro Martinez struck out 16 in eight innings for his first win in the season, leading the Boston Red Sox to a 3-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Sunday.

MLB Martinez (1-0) recorded his first six outs on strikeouts and brought a no-hitter into the sixth before Felix Martinez, the No. 9 hitter, lined a sharp single to center to lead off the inning. Martinez allowed three hits overall.

Indians 4, Orioles 3
CLEVELAND — C.C. Sabathia handled everyone in Baltimore's lineup except Jeff Conine to get a no-decision in his major-league debut Sunday and Juan Gonzalez had two RBIs for Cleveland.

The 20-year-old Sabathia gave up a three-run homer to Conine in the first inning, but later showed off his 99 mph fastball and lived up to the hype. He allowed three



Boston pitcher Pedro Martinez pitched 8 innings, striking out 16 batters, in the Red Sox 3-0 win over Tampa Bay.

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SPORTS

Kings win battle of the Pacific, beat Portland

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Vladie Divac scored 8 of his 13 points in the final seven minutes, and Peja Stojakovic hit a big jumper over Scottie Pippen with 27 seconds left as the Sacramento Kings beat the Portland Trail Blazers 98-89 Sunday.

Sacramento, led by Chris Webber and Stojakovic with 20 points apiece, maintained lead in the Pacific Division by winning its third straight overall and 31st home game, the franchise's most home wins since the Kings moved to Sacramento.

Pippen had 21 to lead the Blazers, who lost for the fourth time in five games while slipping 1.5 games behind Dallas for the West's fifth seed.

NBA

Raptors 100, Bulls 88

TORONTO — Vince Carter scored 33 points as Toronto extended its winning streak to four games. The Raptors have won eight of their last nine and are fifth in the Eastern Conference.

Eltan Brand had 28 for the Bulls, who have lost 24 straight road games and eight overall.

Pacers 108, Nets 83

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Jalen Rose scored 19 of his 29 points in Indiana's 41-point third quarter as the Pacers improved their playoff chances. It was the

Pacers' third straight win and opened a 1.5-game lead over the Boston Celtics in the race for the final playoff berth in the Eastern Conference.

Johnny Newman led the Nets with 22 points.

Heat 81, Knicks 76

MIAMI — Tim Hardaway, held scoreless Friday for the first time in three years by Charlotte, scored 25 points to help Miami beat New York and take a one-game lead over the Knicks in the playoff race for the No. 3 seeding in the Eastern Conference.

Marcus Camby had 23 points and 16 rebounds for the Knicks, who were without swingman Latrell Sprewell, who missed the game

because of a stomach virus.

Lakers 104, Wolves 99

MINNEAPOLIS — Shaquille O'Neal had 34 points and 11 rebounds as the Lakers used a 17-4 fourth-quarter run down Minnesota and complete a 4-0 road trip without Kobe Bryant.

The Lakers stayed one game back of Sacramento in the Pacific Division and snapped the Timberwolves' three-game winning streak. Minnesota still needs two wins or Houston losses to clinch its fifth straight playoff berth.

Terrell Brandon led Minnesota with 23 points, but was scoreless in the fourth. The Timberwolves committed a season-high 20 turnovers.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Gooding golf tournament set for April 14-15

GOODING — The Gooding Golf Course will be holding a Two-Man Scramble event on Saturday and a Best Ball event on Sunday. Entries are now being accepted for men's teams. Entry deadline is Thursday at 5 p.m. For more information or to enter the tourney, please contact the Gooding Golf Course at 934-9977.

Register for 'Fly Like an Eagle' golf tourney

TWIN FALLS — Golfers can register for the fifth annual "Fly Like an Eagle" golf tournament April 28 at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

Entry fees are \$50 per person or \$250 per five-person team for the 18-hole scramble, which is limited to 30 teams and begins with a shotgun start at 2 p.m. Besides greens fees, the entry fee includes vest windbreaker and a steak and chicken barbecue.

Proceeds benefit the College of Southern Idaho athletic department. Middlekuff Motors is a major sponsor. For more information or for an entry form, call 733-8554, Ext. 2486, or stop by the CSI athletics office inside the CSI gymnasium.

Rapidis soccer play tryouts

TWIN FALLS — The 12-and-under Rapidis soccer team is holding supplemental player tryouts.

Players must have their 12th birthdays after December 31, 2000 and July 31, 2001. For more information, call Jim Jewell at 732-0933.

Bernstein wins NHRA Nationals

LAS VEGAS — Kenny Bernstein raced to his 54th NHRA victory Sunday, beating Andrew Cowin in the Top Fuel final in the SummitRacing.com Nationals at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Bernstein, who won the 2000 season, had a quarter-mile run of 4.533 seconds at a top speed of 325.53 mph. Cowin finished in 4.615 seconds at 320.73 mph.

Tommy Johnson Jr., Jég Coughlin and Bob Panella also won their divisions in the \$1.9 million event.

Johnson won the Funny Car title, covering the quarter-mile in 4.856 seconds at 310.77 mph in his Chevy Camaro to defeat Whit Bazemore (4.965, 291.07).

Coughlin won the Pro Stock final for the second consecutive season, finishing in 6.959 seconds at 197.62 mph to outrun Jim Yates (6.940, 197.71).

Panella also won for the second straight year, beating fellow Chevy S-10 driver Greg Stanfield in the Pro Stock Truck final with a run of 7.554 seconds at 178.19 mph.

Canada claims Women's World Hockey title

MINNEAPOLIS — Canada capped another perfect run through the Women's World Hockey Championships with a 3-2 victory over the United States in the title game Sunday night.

With Kim St. Pierre turning away 33 shots, Canada defeated the U.S. team in the final game for the seventh straight year and improved to 35-0 overall in world championship play.

The U.S. team outshot Canada, 35-18, but St. Pierre held her ground. She blocked three shots — and two others hit the pipes — during a second-period power play.

Canada's Tammy Shewchuk tapped in Kelly Bechard's assist for the go-ahead goal, 3-1, into the second period. Jennifer Botterill gave Canada a two-goal lead by tipping in a shot by Therese Brisson with 3:45 remaining in the game.

The U.S. team pulled its goalie and made the game interesting when A.J. Mieczko scored with 1:19 remaining, the Americans could not come up with another score.

Carla Zaban scored the first goal for the U.S., and Dana Antal scored for Canada in a 1-1 first period.

Enforcers grab final XFL playoff spot

CHICAGO — Kevin McDougal threw a touchdown pass and ran for another score as Chicago beat Orlando 23-6 on Sunday night to take the final XFL playoff spot.

The Enforcers, who overcame an 0-4 start to finish the regular season 5-5, will open the playoff in Los Angeles next Sunday against the Western Division champion Xtreme.

The Rage (8-2) will face San Francisco on Saturday night. The Eastern Conference champion had already clinched home-field advantage throughout the playoffs before the game.

McDougal, 13-of-20 for 182 yards, scored on a 2-yard run late in the second quarter and threw a 29-yard TD pass to Aaron Bailey to give Chicago a 20-0 lead in the third.

Chicago's John Avery, bothered by a sore hamstring, rushed for 41 yards. He led the league in rushing with 800 yards.

Andy Crosland kicked three field goals for Chicago.

Orlando's only score came on Brian Kucklick's 51-yard touchdown pass to Dwayne Burks.

Hitting blow by Charles Polster

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Thunder Pulster was 7-of-8 for 158 yards and two touchdowns as New York-New Jersey closed the XFL regular season with a 22-0 victory over Birmingham on Sunday.

New York-New Jersey (4-7) missed a spot in the playoffs last Sunday when Chicago beat Orlando. Birmingham lost its final seven games to finish 2-8.

Pulster, who replaced Corte McGuffey in the second quarter, connected with Zola Davis on a 3-yard scoring play late in the first half, and opened the third quarter with a 77-yard TD pass to Kirby Dar Dar.

Birmingham's Graham Leigh threw three interceptions, with the third in the last one, a 46-yard pass to a touchdown with 2:23 left in the third quarter. Joey Eloms intercepted the pass and pitched to Ronnie Caldwell, who raced to the end zone.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Penguins survive Hurricanes to hold onto playoff spot

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — The Pittsburgh Penguins didn't need Mario Lemieux or Jaromir Jagr to deny the Carolina Hurricanes a better playoff position Sunday.

Aleksey Morozov, Ian Moran and Martin Straka scored first-period goals as the Penguins, resting its two stars, beat the Hurricanes 6-4 in the regular-season final for both teams.

Pittsburgh, which avoided its first season sweep against Carolina since 1986-87, blew the three-goal lead in the first 14 minutes of the second period, but got the go-ahead goal from Jan Hrdina late in the second.

Avalanche 4, Wild 2

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Joe Sakic scored his 53rd and 54th goals, and Patrick Roy picked up his 40th victory.

Sakic and Roy both set career highs for Colorado (52-16-10), which finished the regular season with a franchise-best 118 points.

NHL

The team also set franchise marks for wins, home wins (28) and home points (63).

Wes Walz and Darby Hendrickson scored for Minnesota (25-39-13-5), which won just once in its last 14 games, set an expansion record by selling out all 41 regular-season games at the Xcel Energy Center for an average attendance of 18,402.

Ville Nieminen and Rob Blake also scored for the Avalanche.

Capitals 2, Lightning 1

WASHINGTON — Ulf Dahlen scored 32 seconds into the final period as Washington finished the regular season over Tampa Bay.

Dahlen's flipped his backhand deflection off Jeff Halpern's shot over goaltender Wade Flaherty for his 15th goal of the season. Steve Konowalchuk

scored a similar goal in the second period for the Capitals.

Adrian Aucoin scored for the Lightning, who missed a chance to move out of last place in the Southeast Division on the last day of the season.

Flyers 2, Sabres 1

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Roman Cechmanek stopped 35 shots to lead Philadelphia over the Buffalo Sabres, clinching the Flyers home-ice advantage between the two postseason first-round opponents.

The Flyers clinched fourth place in the Eastern Conference standings — two points ahead of Buffalo — on the final day of the regular season.

Ruslan Fedetenko broke a 1-1 tie with 7:34 left in regulation. Derek Pionke also scored for the Flyers who completed a four-game season-series sweep of the Sabres.

Donald Audette scored for the

Sabres, who lost for only the fourth time in 14 games.

Blue Jackets 4, Blackhawks 3, OT

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Tyler Wright scored on a deflection with 2:19 left in overtime as Columbus beat Chicago to become just the third expansion team in 33 years to reach 71 points.

The Blue Jackets' 71 points tie the 1993-94 Anaheim Mighty Ducks for the second-highest points total by an expansion franchise since the NHL doubled its size in 1967-68. The Florida Panthers had 83 points in 1993-94.

Columbus (28-39-9-6) finished with more points than seven NHL teams, including fellow expansion member Minnesota.

Ron Tugnutt (22-25-5) also became the winningest expansion goaltender in NHL history.

Baseball

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innings and three hits in 5-2-3 innings, walked two and struck out three.

Ellis Burks and Russell Branyan hit solo homers for the Indians.

Tigers 5, White Sox 3

CHICAGO — David Wells (1-1) gave up five runs and three hits in his first start since August 1991. He also dropped the White Sox, the defending AL Central champs, three games below .500 for the first time since the end of the 1999 season.

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who surpassed their run total of their five previous games combined.

Rangers 5, Mariners 4

ARLINGTON, Texas — Randy Velarde hit a solo home off Jose Paniagua (0-1) with one out in the eighth inning as Texas beat Seattle to avoid a three-game sweep.

Mark McLemore had tied the game at 4 in the top of the eighth with a two-out, two-run homer off Mike Venafo (1-0). The first pinch-hit homer by the Mariners since Matt Mieske hit one April 7, 1999.

Angels 6, Athletics 4

OAKLAND, Calif. — Benji Gil had a career-high four hits and drove in two runs as Anaheim defeated Oakland.

Scott Schoeneweis (1-1) pitched six strong innings as the Angels won two of three from the defending AL West champions. Schoeneweis allowed three runs, three hits, and six walks.

National League

Pirates 9, Astros 3

HOUSTON — Aramis Ramirez homered three times in his first three at-bats, leading the Pittsburgh Pirates over the Houston Astros 9-3 Sunday.

Ramirez drove in a career-high six runs. He tied the team record for home runs in a game, becoming the first Pittsburgh player to do it since Darnell Coles against the Chicago Cubs on Sept. 20, 1987.

traded spectacular golf for solid play with history on the line and delivered, as he did, some time from the time he turned pro five short years ago.

"I've succeeded in what I wanted to accomplish," Woods said as he sat in Butler's cabin waiting for last year's winner, Vijay Singh, to help him put on another green jacket. "I don't feel ecstatic yet. It hasn't sunk in."

He later took a congratulatory call from President Bush.

The Grand Slam traditionally has meant winning four majors in a calendar year.

Woods can simply take out his trophies from the Masters, U.S. Open, British Open and PGA Championship — and claim a place in history that no professional has occupied.

The only Grand Slam in golf now for amateurs is the one that belongs to Bobby Jones, who won the U.S. Open, U.S. Amateur, British Open and British Amateur in 1930.

Fittingly, Woods finished his historic run at the tournament Jones created in 1934.

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OTHER VIEWS

Keep a close eye on those tardy nuke waste shipments

From the Idaho Statesman, Boise

Cecil Andrus sent out a state trooper to keep nuclear waste out of Idaho. Phil Batt sent out his legal staff to craft a deal designed to limit waste shipments.

Now, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's staff is monitoring as the waste leaves Idaho, but it's not going as quickly as it should.

Our advice: Watch closely. For now, it might be all Kempthorne can do.

The federal government is behind schedule in sending waste from Idaho to a permanent underground dump in New Mexico.

And the contractor at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory is offering hundreds of workers early retirement, in an attempt to cut costs.

The signs are indeed ominous, as the INEEL tries to send 15,000 barrels of plutonium-contaminated waste to New Mexico by Dec. 31, 2002.

The federal Energy Department has met every deadline spelled out in the nuclear waste agreement Batt signed in 1995. So far, so good.

But the 2002 deadline could be the most daunting to date; site cleanup crews are a little more than 10 percent of the way to the goal. Little wonder, then, that Kempthorne's staff is watching the INEEL's progress almost daily.

"From the state's perspective, we're concerned about their progress," state INEEL oversight director Kathleen Trever said.

Still, she said, site cleanup crews are "physically capable of making up for lost time." And the INEEL has two crews working around the clock to get the waste out the road to New Mexico and on time.

"We believe that we can do it," site spokesman Brad Bugger said.

The deadline doesn't give the

INEEL any allowance for budget-driven downsizing.

In this case, Dec. 31, 2002, means Dec. 31, 2002. But even working 24/7, Bugger said, the INEEL will have to catch some breaks to meet the deadline.

For the INEEL - and for Idaho - the stakes are high.

If the site misses the deadline, the state can go to federal court to block future shipments of nuclear waste into Idaho. The federal government can't afford to play the nuclear waste shell game that would come with that.

Meanwhile, Idaho deserves to expect the federal government to keep its promise. Idaho has spoken loud and clear; it will not tolerate permanent nuclear waste storage

within its borders.

That's why Andrus - fed up with the federal government's missed deadlines to ship waste out of Idaho - in 1988 dispatched an Idaho State Police trooper to block a shipment to the INEEL. The move gave national prominence to the nuclear waste issue.

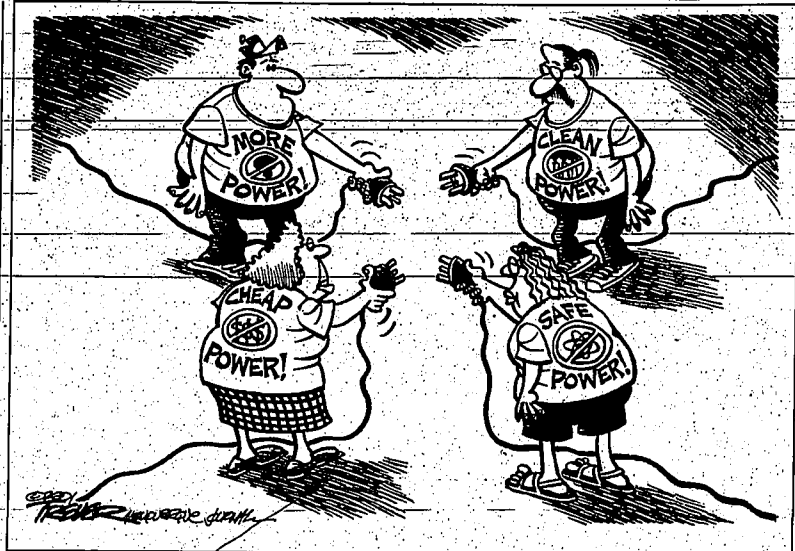
And it's why Batt signed an agreement to give the Energy Department deadlines to move out the waste or wind up in federal court. The deal allows shipments of highly radioactive used reactor fuel, but requires the material to be shipped out of Idaho by 2035.

Kempthorne's role is no less important than that of his predecessors.

It's unclear when Kempthorne could go to federal court - he might have to wait until a federal deadline is broken, or until it's impossible for the feds to catch up.

For now, the agreement might limit Kempthorne's role to watching the waste.

He should watch closely. So should Idaho.



None dare call it censorship

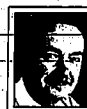
Remember when censorship was about banning a book or article? Today, the First Amendment covers even Larry Flynt's uncovered magazine.

Although the Founders specifically prohibited Congress from making any law that would limit press freedom, court decisions have expanded that right to include virtually any kind of expression - except one.

The etymological evolution of the word sodomy to homosexuality to the simple term "gay" has brought with it the very intolerance and bigotry that gay people deride when it's directed at them. Gay rights groups seek to intimidate anyone who voices opposition to their beliefs and agenda. Occasionally a person, such as current radio and soon-to-be former TV talk show host Dr. Laura Schlesinger, expresses her religious views and is willing to have her opinions discussed and debated, she is confronted with a fervor our book burning ancestors would have admired.

Last week, Paramount Television announced that it was canceling Schlesinger's syndicated TV program. Due to poor ratings and lack of sponsors, Schlesinger charges gay groups, specifically the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD), with dishonesty and censorship. She tells me that GLAAD asked Paramount management to allow an opposing point of view should the subject of homosexuality ever be discussed on her TV show. That was a reasonable request and Paramount and Schlesinger agreed.

On 130 shows, homosexuality was never discussed, but even before the TV show



CAL THOMAS

debuted last fall, GLAAD lobbied sponsors and created a Web-based assault. Schlesinger had said on her radio show that homosexual behavior was deviant, she had to be made an example. Sponsors canceled. The TV show was moved to the wee hours of the morning in all major markets, which insured low ratings.

Schlesinger said, "GLAAD tried to destroy my career. Gays pay lip service to diversity but what they mean is they get to speak and no one who disagrees with them should have the same opportunity."

Why does she think she was a target and the gay rights groups mostly ignore rap upstarts like Eminem, who spew hateful anti-gay lyrics? "Because I favor the Defense of Marriage Act (which gives states the right to restrict weddings to male/female couples) and Eminem doesn't speak about it," Schlesinger says.

Where are the groups that have supported free expression in broadcasting and the arts against all sorts of challenges? On television, the gay lifestyle is celebrated and gay characters abound. When some groups protest explicitly sexual content on TV, they are told to turn it off, or change the channel. Why wasn't the same said to people who don't like Dr. Laura Schlesinger?

Four years ago, GLAAD protested Internet filtering software that prevented

homosexuals from accessing material of specific interest. Why shouldn't their action against Schlesinger be considered a type of filtration system, keeping people who want to see her on TV from doing so?

On CNN's "Larry King Live" Monday, April 2, Schlesinger said her show addressed many issues. "GLAAD" were trying to pigeonhole me, as though my whole life were surrounded by what their whole life is surrounded with. ... (Each show I would say we had about 10 different subjects; multiply that out. There are a lot of issues to talk about that impact families.)

Gay rights groups are experienced intimidators. They've tried censoring me. They've tried censoring other people who have come out of same-sex relationships and slander those who manage to get through their jamming system, saying people who abandon homosexuality weren't "really" homosexual in the first place. They also deny the testimony of people who claim to have been "cured" of homosexuality by producing someone who once claimed to be "cured" but now says he was really a self-hating gay. Yet many people who have been converted to heterosexuality remain so.

Add to that the effective infiltration of the media, academia, religion and psychiatry by gay rights activists and their sympathizers and you see how this issue has been turned around in a single generation.

Schlesinger says she's happy to be on her highly rated radio show and will continue to write books. But those of us who care about real diversity ought to lament the loss of this countercultural voice in the vast wasteland of television where, increasingly, everyone says and believes the same thing and God help those who don't.

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LETTERS

Develop prevention programs

Every year, thousands flock to get their annual flu shots, thus avoiding the costly treatment as well as avoiding the physical suffering. Now we are considering spending huge amounts of money for treating added drug and alcohol users. Doesn't the age-old saying, "Prevention is better than cure," still make sense?

I believe programs could be developed, showing the terrible effects of drugs and alcohol, and even smoking tobacco, on the vital organs of our bodies and taken into the classrooms all across our nation and shown to the children from grade schools right through high schools, graphically picturing the end results, which ultimately is death.

By eliminating the demand for drugs, the market would diminish and the big profits would be reduced. Yes, we would still need treatment facilities for those already addicted, but I believe that a part of their recovery program should be mandatory, live testimonies presented to our young people in schools all over our nation. It even comes down to the parents' level as well. When you "light up" in front of your little ones, aren't you saying, "It's OK to damage your beautiful pink lungs with black tars and to spend your hard-earned money to destroy your body"? Is it right to teach our children that it's OK to

drink and drive and point a two-ton projectile down the street toward innocent victims? The danger therein is far greater than firing small pellets of lead on a school campus. Think about it.

As taxpayers, shouldn't we be concerned about the health and welfare of our children and how our tax dollars should be spent? Come on, parents, let's get our priorities in line and start by donating that \$3-a-pack money toward preventive education.

Drugs, alcohol and tobacco take more lives annually than all the deaths by airplane crashes all over the world.

It's safer to fly with a sober pilot than to share the space with someone on a high from drugs or alcohol.

JIM LYONS
Twin Falls

Congratulations, Sharon Block!

Congratulations to Sharon Block! I've known Sharon since we were in Junior Club together in the early '80s.

Sharon has the kind of commitment it will take to represent all the constituents in her jurisdiction. We have been friends and neighbors for almost eight years, and if I have a just cause I need to address, I want Sharon in my corner.

SUE STROBEL
Twin Falls

Rich cheaters win again

Clinton pardons 140 of his pals. As usual, the system works - for the moneyed and well-connected. The rich, liars, cheats and thieves, those who destroy the economy and the American dream, win again. So why the complaint against the poor, hurt and wounded of our society who are trying to make it big via the huste? It should be obvious by now, it's not good that courts, it's big! And big and bad is better.

Much of the real pain in the society is committed by organized crime, with government, "by the power she has given," a willing participant. Remarkably, loan-sharking, gambling, narcotics and prostitution are the underworld's four main sources of income. Government won't tell you, but loan-sharking, not narcotics, is No. 1. Narcotics, though, are responsible for much prostitution and probably one-half of the burglaries and robberies. Dope is expensive because it's illegal. Girls go on the street to get money for dope and, just like big brother - government - guns are used to protect economic turf.

It has been suggested numerous times

that if addiction were redefined as a sickness, it would be the first step in curing our sick society, but our hypocritical law-making machinery is what keeps these unregulated markets flourishing. But "respectable" society closes its hearts and minds to the absurdities of legislation and screams for crime cleanups, even though "the system tends to perpetuate the evils that it (says it) deplores."

The underclasses see more clearly because they live in the middle of prostitution, addiction, illicit gambling, loan-sharking, cops on the take and politicians in the fix.

Asking them to observe "law and order" in the midst of affluent corruption is a sick joke. By their action, political leaders have abdicated any moral high ground, thus they cannot justly enforce anything.

Those who have lived in the lower depths of the society see the true workings of the social organism. The ship is sinking and passing law just to give us a "warm and fuzzy feeling" will never solve the problem. If we want law to be respected, it must be respectable. And

those in positions of power must be held to the same standards as everyone else, even in Jerome County.

True, it's a hard game, but only in a police state is the job of the policeman easy. Unfortunately, it's getting easier every day.

MARK SCHUCKERT
Twin Falls

Great Job, Valley Theater Co.

The Valley Theater Co. performed "Auntie," and they did a fantastic job. I went to the first performance on Monday, April 2. They cast youth from elementary to high school in the play, and they all work together to create a wonderful, cohesive evening.

Kelli McBride and Don Wang need to be commended for their hard work and dedication to make this play happen.

I'm proud to be a parent and community leader in the Valley School District and to say congratulations to all who were involved and especially the cast.

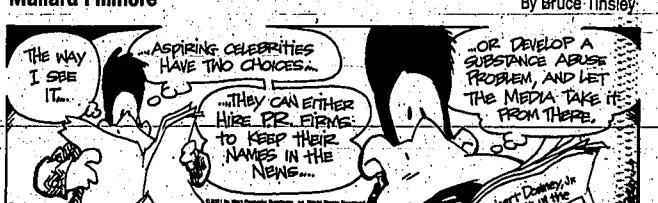
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Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

Generals benefit from plane crisis

China presses for end to spy flights

BEIJING (AP) — A crippled American spy plane that landed at one of their airfields was a gift from the sky for China's generals. It isn't clear how much information they've extracted from the U.S. Navy EP-3E. But the crisis over its in-flight collision with a Chinese fighter has given them a new way to press Washington for an end to spy flights and to pry more money out of their own civilian leaders.

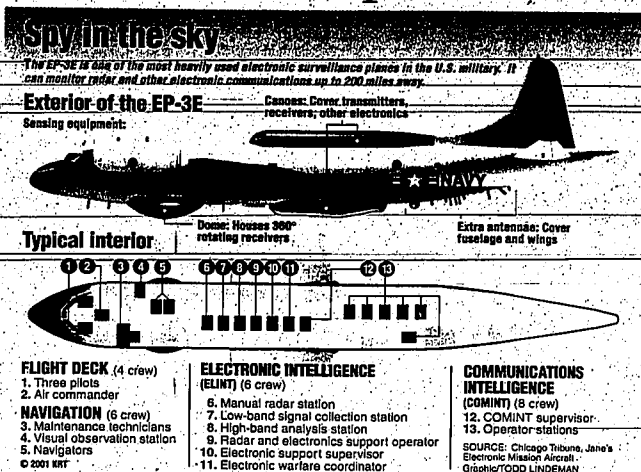
"This is a God-given chance for the Chinese military to claim greater relevance in Chinese politics," said Yu Maojun, a China expert at the U.S. Naval Academy. "It's like a crutching tiger."

The intense secrecy shrouding Chinese politics has made it hard to know precisely what's going on during the crisis. But analysts suggest that the already influential People's Liberation Army, or PLA, may be partly responsible for the continued confinement of the U.S. crew.

The 21 men and three women began their second week in captivity Sunday, with no indication when they might be released.

The crew is being held on Hainan Island in the South China Sea, where they made an emergency landing after the collision April 1. U.S. officials say the crew managed to destroy at least some of the plane's super-sensitive equipment, although it isn't clear how much.

"The principal organization in charge of this whole affair has been the PLA, at least in the earlier stages," said Bates Gill,



director of the Center for Northeast Asian Policy Studies at the Brookings Institution in Washington.

Signals from Beijing have been confusing.

For two days after the collision, there was almost complete official silence, widely interpreted as a sign that Chinese leaders couldn't agree on what to do.

Then President Jiang Zemin demanded an apology. U.S. officials responded with statements of regret, which China said were

a step in the right direction. U.S. officials then reported that negotiations were making headway.

But this weekend, China ratcheted up the pressure.

China's top diplomat said statements of regret were unacceptable. Ominously, China's defense minister, Gen. Chi Haotian, said the 2.5-million member PLA would not allow Washington to shirk responsibility "for the collision. Chi said China must 'build a stronger country and a stronger military.'"

"We must convert our anger at hegemonism into a huge motivating force," said the defense minister, a veteran of the 1950-53 Korean War, when Chinese soldiers fought beside North Korean troops against American-led U.N. forces.

The military's foremost newspaper, the Liberation Army Daily, declared Sunday that China is entitled "to fully and thoroughly investigate" the spy plane and "the people in charge of it."

Massachusetts to get its first woman governor

BOSTON (AP) — An expectant mother will become Massachusetts' first woman governor this week and the state's second lieutenant governor in a row to take the helm in mid-June.

Jane Swift, 35, who is expecting twins in June, will take over Tuesday after Gov. Paul Cellucci resigns to become U.S. ambassador to Canada.

Cellucci, then a lieutenant governor himself, took charge in 1997 when Gov. William Weld resigned to pursue an unsuccessful nomination as ambassador to Mexico.

Even her allies concede Swift faces considerable challenges



Jane Swift

beyond juggling her job, childbirth and parenting small children.

As a Republican in a Democratic state, she must fend off potential candidates from both parties for the gubernatorial election 20 months away. And she must try to win back voters disillusioned with her because of widely publicized scandals.

"I'm not sure the public is ready for Jane Swift because of the way she's used public money," said Grant Ritter, 17, a Hadley high school student visiting the Statehouse on Friday for Student Government Day. "Where I'm from, there's a lot of dislike for her."

An October poll showed only 20 percent of the 400 likely voters surveyed held a favorable view of her, while 46 percent viewed her unfavorably.

Swift, an obscure former state senator and unsuccessful Congressional candidate, won wide attention in 1998 when she announced she was pregnant

while campaigning for lieutenant governor as Cellucci's running mate.

Once in office, she became embroiled in controversy for using her staff to baby-sit her daughter for free and for having a state helicopter take her across Massachusetts to her home in North Adams for Thanksgiving.

'Spy Kids' clings to top box-office spot

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Spy Kids" remains under close surveillance. The family flick about pinto-sized secret agents was the No. 1 movie for the second straight weekend despite a flurry of new films.

Taking in \$17.8 million over the

weekend, "Spy Kids" pushed its total to \$49 million in 10 days of release, according to estimates. "Kids rule for a second week," said David Kaminow, senior vice president for marketing for Miramax, which distributed "Spy Kids."

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I changed my name to bilk you better

Several months ago, out of the blue, a company named "Cingular" started sending me bills. I had never heard of Cingular, and honestly did not know what these bills were for, so I put them in the pile where I keep documents that I intend to scrutinize more carefully later on, after my death.

Then I started seeing TV commercials for Cingular, but of course they did not make it clear what Cingular is, because the First Rule of Modern Advertising is "Never reveal what you are advertising." In the Cingular commercials—maybe you've seen them—these little characters, which look like mutant starfish from space, walk around and make gestures. It is not at all clear why they are doing this. It crossed my mind that maybe they are mutant starfish from space, and Cingular is the name of their planet, and they've sent bills to all of humanity, and they are gesturing to indicate if we don't pay them, they'll vaporize the earth.

Eventually, I found out Cingular is the new name of my cellular telephone company. It used to be named BellSouth, and before that, it was Southern Bell. If you go far enough back, you'd probably find out that at one time, the name actually included the words "telephone company," so you could tell, from the name, what it did, which today would be a violation of business ethics.

So, I paid my Cingular bills, because I need my cell phone to communicate vital information. ("Hello? Hello? Can you hear me? I can't hear you. Hello?") I apparently have a special cellular plan wherein all my calls are routed through a Burger King drive-thru intercom in Bolivia.

But my question is: Why do companies keep changing their names? And why do they always change them to names that do not mean anything? We consumers like names that reflect what the company does. We know, for example, that International Business Machines makes business machines, and Ford Motor makes cars, and Sara Lee makes us fat. But we don't know, from the name "Verizon," what Verizon does. As far as I can tell, Verizon consists of some big telephone companies that joined together. So why couldn't they call themselves "An Even Bigger Telephone Company?"

And what in the world is "Accenture"? This is a company that buys a lot of ads, the kind of message of which seems to be: "Accenture. A Company That Buys a Lot of Ads." I checked the Accenture Internet site, and here's what it says about the name: "Accenture is a coined word that connotes putting an accent or emphasis on the future." Well! But what does Accenture do? What if it sends me a bill? Should I pay it? What if I don't, and it turns out "Accenture" is the new name for the organization formerly known as "La Cosa Nostra"? My body parts would be found in Hefly bags.

This brings me to my idea for how you can make big money. You start by inventing a new, modern-sounding company name, such as "Paradil" or "Gerbadigm," which are coined words that connote a combination of "paradigm" and "gerbil." Then you print official-looking invoice forms for this company, and you send out a mass-mailing of bills to several million randomly selected people. You enclose an announcement of your marketing statement that is clearly a lie, and thus appears totally realistic, such as: "We've changed our name to serve you better!"

Granted, some consumers would think the bill was fake. But a lot of them would pay it, because they're used to companies suddenly mutating on them. You'd get rich!

The only flaw in this plan is that the people who might question its legality. If they give you any trouble, refer them to me, OK? My name is now Enron P. Citigroup.

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HUMOR
Dave Barry

BETTING ON THE FUTURE



Ginny Brooks, left, and Joe Jencaro ride a shuttle bus from the Las Vegas extended care facility where they live on a recently outing. With baby boomers starting to retire and long-term care options multiplying, buying insurance to cover the costs has become more complex.

Weigh the risk against costs of long-term care insurance

Knight Ridder News Service

John Malejan of Farmington Hills, Mich., is among a tiny minority of Americans who own a long-term care insurance policy, and he considers himself pretty smart for it.

He should know. A decade ago, Malejan bought policies for himself and his wife, Louise. Four years later, when Alzheimer's plunged her into darkness and forced Malejan to place her in a nursing home, her policy kicked in, covering tens of thousands of dollars' worth of care until her death 2 1/2 years later.

Premiums for Louise's policy amounted to \$8,800 over the four years, or the cost of about 2.5 months of her nursing care.

"It was a lifesaver, no question," said Malejan, 73, who retired from Occidental Petroleum 18 years ago.

But he acknowledges that the policies are costly—an obstacle for many Americans, particularly those over the age of 65.

A new guide on long-term care planning by the Washington, D.C.-based United Seniors Health Council concurs. Retirees who don't have an annual income of at least \$25,000 and at least \$75,000 in assets, excluding their home and car, shouldn't buy it, according to "Long Term Care Planning: A Dollar and Sense Guide."

Batik fabrics become even more popular with sewers and quilters

Batik fabrics have always been a favorite of mine, but they seem more popular than ever with home sewers and quilters.

Batik is one of the oldest forms of printing. About 2,000 years ago, fabric makers discovered that if wax lines were drawn on white fabric before dyeing, the areas underneath the wax resisted the dye and remained white. This became a simple and inexpensive way to make subtle patterns on the fabric.

There is evidence that ancient Egyptians and Persians wore batik garments, as did people in Japan, China, India and much of Europe. But it is in Indonesia that the art of batik reached its peak. The influence of nature was reflected in the designs, and in today's fabrics we see many stylized patterns of birds, animals, flowers and leaves.

Batik is printed on natural

You may want to consider long-term care insurance if:

- Chronic health conditions like diabetes, heart disease and dementia run in the family and could necessitate nursing care in a facility or in the home.
- Your assets, excluding your home and vehicle, are worth at least \$75,000.
- Your annual retirement income is at least \$25,000 to \$35,000.
- Premiums won't cut into your lifestyle, and potential premium hikes won't be burdensome.
- You won't qualify for Medicaid, which is based on assets and marital status.
- You aren't expecting to need long-term care for at least two years. The premiums are exorbitant, and some companies won't sell to a person who plans to cash in soon.

Its second major recommendation, one that irritates long-term insurance advocates, is that people with fewer assets should consider going on Medicaid instead of sinking money into a policy.

Stephen Moses of the Center for Long-Term Care Financing says the guide doesn't tell you that Medicaid won't buy you a

How to decide whether to buy

- You are a woman. Because of longer lifespans, 31 percent of women will spend more than a year in a nursing home, compared to 14 percent of men.

Keep in mind:

- The cost of premiums increases with your age; if you buy long-term care insurance at the age of 68, you will continue to pay premiums based on a 68-year-old policyholder. However, the company may raise premiums for all policy holders within a state.
- Newer policies don't require prior hospitalization, but some, especially those sold before 1990, require sickness or injury before benefits are paid.
- Most policies begin paying after a deductible period. The longer that period, the lower the premium.

room in a nicer nursing home or provide other benefits you would get if you had money. Also, Medicaid does not provide benefits for people who don't want to go into a nursing home.

Most long-term care insurance policies offer coverage for care in nursing homes, assisted living facilities and private homes, and

- The law allows you to treat a portion of premiums as medical expenses; they can be deducted on your personal income taxes if they amount to more than 7.5 percent of your gross income.

- Long-term care insurance policies, once the deductible is met, will cover in-home care, nursing home stays and assistance with tasks like bathing and medication for people living in assisted living or independent retirement communities.

- Many companies sell policies, but the majority have been sold by a handful that are committed to the market. Check how many policies a company has sold and call the state insurance bureau to see whether complaints have been filed against the carrier.
- Sources: Long Term Care Planning: A Dollar and Sense Guide, United Seniors Health Council, Washington, D.C., Detroit Free Press.

for respite and hospice care. The younger you buy it, the lower the premiums.

The subject of the guide—"Who will take care of me when I'm old and infirm?"—is hot as baby boomers are starting to retire, as the over-65 population explodes and as care options multiply.

Yet, even with predictions of rising life spans, increasingly expensive long-term care and, for many, the unpredictability of having someone around to take care of them if their health fails, people aren't dwelling too much on the future.

A wake-up call: After your 65th birthday, chances hover around 40 percent that you'll do at least one stretch in a nursing home. The average stay is 3 months or less for 66 percent of people, but 10 percent will stay more than 5 years. The average daily rate of a nursing home is \$150. If inflation runs at about 6 percent a year, the cost would run you \$260 a day in 10 years.

Medicaid might cover your stay, but only if you're deemed poor and the nursing home of your choice has an available bed.

Assisted living is not much cheaper.

In-home care ranges from \$15 to \$50 per hour, and it is estimated that 30 percent of people will need at least one paid home care visit after they reach 65.

Medicare will only fully cover 20 days of skilled nursing care. Most people don't consider costs until they need the care.

"I came from 20 years in health care and I saw more of what happens when a person is discharged

Please see CARE, Page B2

Survey: Most doctors don't discuss sleep with patients

Most doctors don't discuss sleep with their patients unless the patient brings it up, according to a survey conducted by the National Sleep Foundation. The group has assembled a guide to help you prepare for a satisfying discussion with your doctor. The guide includes a list of important information and experiences to share with your doctor such as how much you sleep each night and if you snore or gasp for breath in your sleep. To see the guide and the results of the survey, visit the group's Web site at www.sleepfoundation.org/askdoc.html. The National Sleep Foundation offers information about sleep on its Web site, including facts about insomnia, sleep apnea, narcolepsy and restless leg syndrome. To learn more, see www.sleepfoundation.org.

The heart of diabetes

A lipid-lowering drug slows diabetes-associated heart disease,

Health notes

researchers have reported. Heart disease is often a complication of diabetes, but few studies have examined the effect of heart-disease treatments on diabetics. Researchers investigated the effects of fenofibrate, a lipid-lowering drug, on the progression of heart disease in predominantly white people with type 2 diabetes from Canada and Europe. The researchers randomly assigned 418 men and women to receive either 200 milligrams of fenofibrate daily or a sham treatment for at least three years. The people taking fenofibrate lowered their blood cholesterol levels by about 10 percent and their triglyceride concentrations by about 30 percent, while those taking the sham treatment had very little change in their blood lipid levels.

—compiled from wire service reports



SEWING
Barbara Gash

fibers, such as cotton and rayon. The modern method uses a large block with an intricately constructed wire that's dipped in wax and then stamped on the cloth before dyeing. Colors are varied, and true batik designs are unique because they are done by hand. The wax and dye procedure may be repeated several times to produce a complex multicolor pattern. Usually you'll see little veins and random streaks of color that add to the beauty of the piece.

Although they are not really seasonal, these fabrics are espe-

cially suited to spring and summer. And they have an ethnic flair that seems to be strongly favored on today's fashion scene.

You can find batiks in area stores and at shows where local artists may be selling their own creations. Here are some good sources for batik fabric:

- Batik Etc., 800-228-4573 anytime or on the Web at <http://www.batik.com/>
- Bali Fabrications, 800-783-4612 anytime.
- Batik Butik, 250-658-2612 anytime or at <http://www.batik-butik.com/>.

Their rayons, at \$12 per yard, are truly beautiful.

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HEALTH & FASHION

Give gooeey makeup the Brush-Off Medical center offers CPR class

2. **DEAR PAULA:** I have a question about a product I saw claiming to clean makeup-brushes without having to wash them. It's called Brush-Off Makeup Brush Cleanser (\$9 for 2 ounces). I think this would be a very quick and convenient way to clean brushes, without having to wait for them to dry overnight. Is this a good option for cleaning my makeup brushes or not?

-BERNADETTE
DEAR BERNADETTE: Brush-Off is indeed a great product to use when you need to clean and sanitize your brushes quickly for use on another person or multiple persons.

However, because the primary ingredient in these kinds of products is alcohol for routine cleaning, it can dry out the brush hair with repeated use (something makeup artists who use this product struggle with all the time). It is not the best for frequent use if you want your brushes to last.

If you are using your own brushes and not sharing them, and you wear similar colors regularly, there is no need to wash your brushes more than once a month or so with a mild shampoo that doesn't contain any volumizing or thickening agents.



COSMETICS Q&A
Paula Begoun

However, Brush-Off is great to have available for those times when you need it, but you don't want to use it all the time!

DEAR PAULA: I recently came across an article in an overseas magazine. It said that the worst skin-care mistake women can make is thinking that they don't need to wear a sunscreen at night. According to the article, the fluorescent light in our apartments and UV lights in the nightclubs emit strong UV rays, while the microwave, TV, and heater produce infra-red rays. Apparently if we stay near these light or heat sources for a long time, our skin will try to protect itself by producing extra melanin, resulting in uneven skin tone and freckles. To avoid this happening, the magazine suggested wearing sunscreen 24

hours a day. What do you think?
-CINDY, CHICAGO
DEAR CINDY: Fluorescent lights do emit some energy in the UVA and UVB range as the sun and in full office light that could technically be a problem for the same reason it is a problem from the sun.

However, the amount of energy present is so small that it isn't a problem under office or grocery store-type lighting conditions. (For example, no one gets sunburned or tan from sitting in their office, and it is tanning and sunburn that are the most direct evidence of "sun" or "light" damage taking place.)

Even more to the point, the notion that the amount of fluorescent light being emitted in dimly lit evening spots (assuming they even use fluorescent light, versus incandescent lighting) could damage skin is just bizarre.

Paula Begoun is the author of "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me" (5th edition) (Beginning Press, \$24.95). Write to her at 13075 Gateway Drive, Suite 160, Seattle, Wash. 98168 or check out her Web site: www.cosmetic.scop.com

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 4-7 p.m. today in the doctors' meeting room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Cost is \$11. To register, call 737-2007.

First-aid class

The American-Red Cross is offering a community first aid and safety course from 6-10:30 p.m. April 16 and 17 at the chapter office, 718 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls. The class will include adult, child and infant CPR, and first-aid instruction. Participants will learn how to recognize and care for breathing and cardiac emergencies in adults, children, and infants.

Preregistration and prepayment are required. For more information or to register, call the Red Cross office at 733-6464 or (888) 367-6321.

Learn about childbirth

Prepared childbirth course will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, beginning this Thursday through May 10, in the Education Center at MYRMC in Twin Falls.

Preregistration is required. To register, call 737-2900.

To-do-for-you**Childbirth classes**

Refresher childbirth class will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome. A Cesarean class is scheduled for April 18 at the same location.

Participants are asked to bring two pillows to each class. The classes are free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. To register, call 324-4301.

Learn CPR

An infant CPR and safety class will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Thursday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

To register, call St. Benedict's Family Medical Center at 324-4301.

Alzheimer's support

Ashley Manor Care Center in Burley will offer an Alzheimer's Support Group which will meet from 7-8 p.m. Thursday at the

Golden Heritage Senior Citizens Center, 2421 Overland, Burley. For more information, call Mandy Orman at 677-5451 or Peggy Mallow at 431-0871.

Diabetics meet

The Diabetes Center Foundation will meet at 7 p.m. today in the meeting room at the South Central District Health Department in Twin Falls. Dr. Barbara Jensen will discuss diabetes and women's health. For more information, call Ann Bybee at 733-3700; Ext. 1313.

CPR for Infants

Infant CPR class will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. April 17 in the Education Center at MYRMC.

Preregistration is not required.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Health & Fashion. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

ANNIVERSARY

THE PETERSENS

BURL: Mr. and Mrs. Duane "Pete" Petersen of Buhl will be honored at an open house on Sunday for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2-4 p.m. on Saturday at the First Christian Church in Buhl.

Petersen and Barbara Jean Wonenberg were married April 17, 1951.

They have lived in Buhl. He worked at Twin Falls Canal Co. for 10 years and previously worked as an automotive body and fender repairman. She worked for the Quik Gas stations in Buhl, Filer and Twin Falls.

The event is being given by their children, Kevin Petersen of Buhl and Diane (George) Dennis of Buhl.

The couple has four grandchildren.



Duane and Barbara Petersen

Care

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from a hospital into a facility," said Nancy Boari, a long-term care specialist with the Stein Group, Northwestern Mutual Financial Network, in Troy, Mich. "Who pays for what? What's the difference between home care nursing and Medicare assistance? People don't have a clue until they hit these crises."

That ignorance has been the financial ruin of many families, said Boari. She tells prospective clients that the cost of long-term care is expensive and climbing.

But a selling point, she adds, is that long-term care policies also cover care for people with chronic medical needs, regardless of age.

Although the market for long-term care insurance is thriving and the number of policies sold doubled to six million between 1992 and 1998, the insurance hasn't taken widespread hold. Only 7 percent of Americans own the policies, and most of the owners are seniors, said Moses of the Center for Long-Term Care Financing.

According to the Health

Insurance Association of America, the median income of buyers is \$42,500 and one-third of all policies are bought by people between the ages of 55 and 64. The average policyholder is in his upper 60s.

The mission of the Center for Long-Term Care Financing, a public policy organization partially supported by the insurance industry, is to get people to adjust their expectations of the social contract.

Medicare benefits are limited, and Medicaid is a program that won't bear the weight of so many beneficiaries.

"The system cannot continue because we have had a large generation of workers providing for a small generation of retirees. It's turning upside down now. Once the boomers retire and start pulling money out of Medicaid and Social Security, the smaller generation won't even begin to support that burden," Moses said.

But the message has started to sink in. Boari and Jim O'Keefe, an independent insurance agent, say they're selling plenty of policies

to people in their 40s.

But when O'Keefe, of Farmington Hills, started pushing them some 15 years ago, he couldn't give them away.

"How do you spell 'hangup'?" he said. "People were absolutely certain Medicare did all the coverage. They didn't believe in what we were talking about at all. They didn't want to hear it and talk to a degree, the biggest problem with it is putting their head in the sand."

Policies before 1990 were fairly primitive; they covered only nursing home care. Today's policies allow owners to choose the type of care they receive and, O'Keefe said, their cost is well within the reach of people making more than \$40,000 annually.

He sells nearly 200 policies every year and said it's a matter of sensitively broaching a sensitive subject: growing old.

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Study says chiropractic treatment helped addicts

Knight Ridder News Service

MIAMI — Patients in a residential drug-addiction program who received treatments with a chiropractic device that realigned their vertebrae completed the treatment program at a remarkable 100 percent rate.

They also made fewer visits to a nurses' station and showed significant decreases in anxiety, according to a recently published study by a Miami Beach chiropractor and a University of Miami biologist. Ninety-eight patients at Miami's Exodus drug-treatment program participated in the study featured in Molecular Psychiatry, a journal of the prestigious Nature magazine.

Completing a 28- to 30-day program greatly enhances an addict's chances of staying clean, but participants make it all the way through such programs, said Jay Holder, medical director of the Exodus program and the chiropractor who conducted the study. "We're losing a tremendous number of people," Holder said. His chiropractic treatment, using a spring-loaded torque device approved by the Food and Drug Administration, repositions vertebrae that are interfering with the function of nerves along the spinal column, he said.

This correction of what chiropractors call subluxation results in a sense of well-being that allows patients to benefit more thoroughly from the drug therapy and medical care of addiction treatment, Holder says.

Because he believes the same principle can help people suffer

ing from depression and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, Holder hopes more studies will follow.

Holder has also studied the benefits of ear acupuncture in addiction treatment, an option offered by Miami-Dade County's drug court. Through acupuncture, Holder got to know Dr. Robert C. Duncan, professor of epidemiology and public health at the University of Miami, who has been involved in acupuncture studies funded by the National Institutes of Health. Holder asked Duncan to design the chiropractic study and analyze the results.

The participants were divided into three groups. The first group got the usual care at the treatment center, including group therapy, psychotherapy and medical care. The second group of 33 got the usual care plus treatments with the spring-loaded torque device, known as an integrator.

A group of 32 got the usual care plus a placebo treatment: The integrator was fired, complete with its clicking sound, but it didn't deliver any force. Only 24 people in the placebo group — 75 percent — completed the treatment program, compared with 56 percent in the usual care group and 100 percent in the chiropractic group.

The number of visits to the nurse showed there was no placebo effect, Holder said. Among those getting the full treatment, only 8 percent visited the nurse, while in the placebo group 50 percent made such visits. "You can't control an addict into believing he's treated," Holder said.

Herbs, massages for pets catch on

The Gazette

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Like many elderly patients, Georgia is plagued by arthritis. Her joints ache, she limps when it's cold outside and she has a hard time climbing stairs.

So she goes to massage therapist Reba Cullers for treatment. Under Cullers' ministering hands, Georgia does as her stiff muscles and joints begin to relax. Afterwards, she bounces up, eager for a walk.

Or, perhaps, to fetch tennis balls. Georgia is a golden retriever and Cullers, a trained canine-massage therapist, one of a handful of local practitioners who offer a variety of alternative treatments, from massage and magnet therapy to herbs, acupuncture and chiropractic for ailing pets.

Just as more people are getting alternative treatments for themselves, more are doing the same for pets. Their goal is to find treatments less invasive and costly than surgery or strong medications.

The Lakewood, Colo.-based

For more information

Publications:
• "Kindred Spirits," by Dr. Allen M. Schoen DVM, (\$23.95, Broadway Books).
• "Herbal Cat Care" and "Herbal Dog Care," by Dr. Ronny Kidd-DVM, (\$14.95, Storey Books), storeybooks.com.
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been the case two decades ago," says Dr. Allen Schoen, an affiliate faculty member at Colorado State University. His book "Kindred Spirits," on the human/animal bond, includes a chapter on how he decided to incorporate alternative treatments along with traditional veterinary medicine in his

own practice. He also teaches and lectures on the subject nationwide.

Other signs point to a growing acceptance of alternative veterinary medicine, he says: CSU now offers courses on acupuncture and animal-massage therapy through its veterinary science department. A comparison between the veterinarian listings in the local phone book this year, with listings a decade ago or even five years ago shows clinics offering a holistic approach to treatment rose from none to at least six.

Hilary Wood, director of Front Range Equine Rescue, has used several treatments — massage, acupuncture, magnets, herbs and infrared light therapy — to care for abused and neglected horses.

"If it works on people, why not animals?" says Wood.

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Cardiologist: Test can identify people at risk for heart attack

The Orange County Register

Being fit can reduce your risk of a heart attack. But that doesn't make you immune to it.

Let's say you have a family history of heart disease. Even if you exercise daily, you may still be a candidate for a heart attack.

But how do you know?

An EBCT scan — electron beam computed tomography — may help. U.S. Army cardiologist Jerrel Zolnick said. Zolnick and colleagues found that an EBCT scan can identify people at increased risk for a heart attack who don't fit the typical high-risk profile.

The scan is a fast imaging method that can be used to measure calcium deposits in coronary arteries. The amount of calcium is related to atherosclerosis.

Zolnick examined 436 students — 400 men, 36 women — at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pa. "These are people studying to become the next generals," Zolnick said. "They're fit people who are highly motivated to take care of their health. About 5 to 10 percent ... will have done a marathon."

The average age was 43.

In the Army study, EBCT calcu-

um scores from 0-2,112 were divided into four standard categories of atherosclerosis: 10 or less meant insignificant; 10-99 mild; 100-399 moderate; and 400 and higher, advanced.

A low calcium score does not mean no risk of atherosclerosis, because the EBCT does not detect soft plaque that can cause heart disease.

Seven students had advanced atherosclerosis, four of whom scored higher than 1,000. Two had a heart attack within six months of the scan; another student followed within a year.

Zolnick said he was surprised by the high calcium scores among these very fit people.

Those scores were used, along with other factors, in managing students' overall health and heart disease risk.

A high calcium score in an EBCT scan is a risk factor for a heart attack, Zolnick said.

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Menopause: Gynecologist demystifies the change

Knight Ridder Newspapers

Menopause is a gift, Dr. Christine Northrup tells women.

It's a woman's most important time for growth since adolescence, a period to prepare for a healthy, happy second half of life.

Pay attention to what your body is telling you, she advises. It's your inner wisdom talking.

With her simple message, Northrup is fast becoming one of the reigning gurus of menopause. Her book, "The Wisdom of Menopause" (Bantam, \$39.95) arrived in stores March 6, was featured on Oprah Winfrey's show the next day and leaped to first place among advice books on the New York Times' best-sellers list a week later.

Dr. Christine Northrup's own menopause regimen:

- A 180-milligram tincture of soy and whole or ground flaxseed daily, equal to two to three servings of tofu.
- 800-1,000 milligrams of calcium.
- 800 milligrams of magnesium.
- Four weekly sessions of pilates, a yoga-like series of exercises.
- Weight lifting twice a week.
- Foods with omega-3 fatty acids like salmon and flaxseed.

Last week, it was second in the category.

Northrup, an obstetrician-gynecologist from Yarmouth, Maine, and past president of the American Holistic Medical Association, says her main mes-

One woman's regimen

salmon and flaxseed. She prefers golden flaxseed ground and stirred into soups, drinks, yogurt, salads and cereal.

- 100-400 milligrams daily of docosahexaenoic acid (DHA), an omega-3 fatty acid that helps build brain tissue not to be confused with the hormone DHEA, a precursor form of testosterone.
- A job she loves. "I have to say I looked at the biggest thing that con-

tributes to my health. It's that I've been fortunate enough to have the career I feel I was born to have," Northrup said.

For more information: Dr. Christine Northrup's Web site is: <http://www.drnorthrup.com>. It contains information on how to obtain her books, videotapes, audio cassettes and newsletter, as well as her speaking schedule and other information. —Source: Detroit Free Press

expectations about women's body sizes. "There are 3 million American women who do not look like supermodels, and eight women who do," she said. The crowd applauded loudly.

During the appearance, which helped raise \$250,000 in pledges, Northrup poked fun at Premarin, the leading estrogen supplement in the United States.

It is made from the urine of pregnant horses, a fact not well known to all users. "For a horse, Premarin is a natural hormone," she told the audience, which laughed again.

She explained that although

hormone replacement therapy does help alleviate menopause symptoms like hot flashes and dry skin, not all women need it. Some make enough estrogen throughout their lives. Most women also don't know that estrogen is produced in body fat, skin, the brain, peripheral nerves and adrenal glands, Northrup said.

Stress can deplete a woman's production of hormones and make menopause more tumultuous, she said. "How your body and mind respond to hormonal changes is as personalized as your fingerprints," she said.

Permanent vision loss raises questions about Viagra use

Knight Ridder News Service

Is there a link between Viagra and sudden vision loss?

Among the millions of men who have tried the drug for erectile dysfunction over the last three years, doctors have reported five cases in which men had permanent loss of some spots of vision.

Howard Pomeranz, director of neuro-ophthalmology at the University of Maryland Medical Center, had a 52-year-old patient who experienced sudden and irreversible loss of some side vision within an hour of taking Viagra. Four other documented cases — one from Texas and one from Missouri — occurred in men within a day after they took Viagra, he said.

Although one patient was a smoker and a diabetic, the others had no known health problems that might have contributed to the vision loss, he said.

All of them, though, had a crowded optic nerve configuration that might have left their eyes vulnerable to Viagra-induced changes of blood flow, Pomeranz said.

A bluish tinge to vision is a commonly reported side effect among Viagra users, but it's temporary. In the condition described by Pomeranz, called "ischemic optic neuropathy," some spots of vision are permanently lost.

He has also heard about a handful of other possible cases from colleagues, he said.

More evidence is needed to establish if there's a direct connection with Viagra, said Pomeranz, who added he wasn't advising people to avoid Viagra. But any Viagra user who notices

any lasting visual side effect should visit an eye-care professional, he said.

"Is it a real risk? Nobody knows," said Peter J. Savino, director of neuro-ophthalmology at Wilks Eye Hospital in Philadelphia. "No one is really sure if there is a cause-and-effect relationship."

"The problem is that there are only two published reports that I'm aware of," he said. Both described cases cited by Pomeranz. "Ischemic optic neuropathy is not that infrequent," Savino said. "It happens. So it could be a coincidence."

A spokesman for Pfizer, the New York-based makers of Viagra, stated that no such problems came to light in any of its studies, which involved thousands of men. "The data's very strong that this is safe," Geoff Cook said.

Since Viagra dilates blood vessels, it's unlikely it could cause a cutoff of blood flow in the eye, he said.

When Viagra went on the market three years ago, it was blamed for some heart-attack deaths.

But studies show that men on Viagra do not have heart attacks or strokes any more often than other men of the same age, Pfizer said.

"It's the sex, not the Viagra," Howard Herrmann, a University of Pennsylvania professor of medicine, said last year after leading a small study that was published in the New England Journal of Medicine. The exertion of having sex, after perhaps years of inactivity, has risks, just as vigorous exercise can be dangerous after years of not exercising.

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COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS PART III

Colorectal cancer, cancer of the colon or rectum, is the leading cause of cancer death in the United States for both men and women combined. In the year 2000, approximately 130,000 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed and 36,000 people will die from the disease. Surpassing both breast cancer and prostate cancer in mortality, colorectal cancer is second only to lung cancer in the numbers of deaths in the United States.

WHAT IF I AM DIAGNOSED WITH COLORECTAL CANCER (CRC)?

If you are diagnosed with CRC, surgery is generally required to remove the cancerous polyp or other malignant tissue. The type of surgery and follow-up treatment will depend on how far advanced the cancer is in the past, a colostomy was usually necessary. However, new surgical techniques can eliminate the need for colostomy in many patients.

HOW CAN COLORECTAL CANCER BE PREVENTED?

While the statistics are alarming, there is good news. Colorectal cancer is also one of the most preventable cancers and when detected early, it is often curable. There is no way to completely eliminate the risk of developing CRC. That is why screening is so important. However, there is evidence that you can reduce your chance of getting CRC by choosing a naturally healthy lifestyle.

There are three basic ways to reduce your risk of developing colorectal cancer:

- 1) Adopting a proper diet
- 2) Being physically active
- 3) Undergo colorectal screening

The American Cancer Society advises these lifestyle habits:

- 1) Eat lots of fruits and vegetables at least five servings per day, preferably more. This can lower your colorectal cancer risk by 40% to 50%. It is

especially good to eat fruits and vegetables in a variety of colors. The colors are from substances called flavonoids that interfere with the process of developing cancer. And, you should eat less on fats, especially saturated fats in foods like beef, pork and lamb.

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3) Following The American Cancer Society's screening guidelines is one of the most certain ways to prevent or detect colorectal cancer.

Researchers are also investigating the possibility that some drugs, such as aspirin, ibuprofen, calcium, and vitamin D, may help prevent colorectal cancer.

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