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Because Jim Willis' home is equipped with separate heating units for each room, he estimates retrofitting his house for gas heat would cost about \$15,000. In addition to the cost, installing heat ducts in his basement would force Willis to move his model train set.

Valley residents assess electricity rate increase

By Michael Jounes
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Initially he was worried. Over the years, Jim Willis and his wife Doris had done all they could to make their northeast Twin Falls home as energy-efficient as a 1971 house could be.

News that the Idaho Public Utility Commission had approved an electricity rate increase last week left Willis wondering if his all-electric

home really made good sense.

At least five months of the year, the Willis home is in the hardest-hit category of the "three-tier" pricing system. But Willis is less worried about the new plan's potential pocket pinch than he was at first.

"Until I ran these figures, I thought, 'Man, this is going to be terrible,'" said Willis, a retired Sears, Roebuck and Co. store manager.

Willis calculates that his electric

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Figuring your new bill

- The new rates for residential customers:
- For first 800 kilowatt-hours — 5.735 cents per kw/h
 - For more, up to 2,000 kw/h — 6.540 cents per kw/h
 - For more, above 2,000 — 8.389 cents per kw/h
- Follow these steps to estimate how the new rates will affect your electric bill:
- (You'll need a calculator, some scratch paper and a little patience.)
1. Find the amount of electricity you used in any given month.
 2. Multiply the first 800 kw/h by .05735.
 3. Multiply the next 1,200 kw/h by .0654.
 4. Multiply anything beyond 2,000 kw/h by .08389.
 5. Add all three numbers.
- Example:
1. The "Smiths" used 2,300 kw/h last month (800 + 1,200 + 300)
 2. First 800 kw/h X .05735 = \$45.88
 3. Next 1,200 kw/h X .0654 = \$78.48
 4. Last 300 kw/h X .08389 = \$25.17
 5. Total bill is \$149.53

World's first space vacation comes to an end

The Associated Press

ASTANA, Kazakhstan — The world's first paying space tourist was heading back to Earth on Sunday, but even as one mission came to an end, Dennis Tito was planning another — trying to persuade reluctant officials to allow more people to take cosmos vacations.

The 60-year-old American multimillionaire and two Russian cosmonauts were to take off from the international space station in a Soyuz capsule and land about three hours later on the steppes of Kazakhstan.

Just before Tito and his two cosmonaut colleagues, Talgat Musabayev and Yuri Baturin, were to leave the international space station, they and the three crew members staying on the station gathered in the Russian-made Zvezda module for a final video linkup with Mission Control in Korolyov, outside Moscow.



AP photo

Press and officials at the Mission Control Center outside Moscow watch U.S. space tourist, millionaire Dennis Tito, between two Russian cosmonauts, speak from inside the International Space Station Friday.

"Personally, I've had the time of my life. I've achieved my dream and nothing could have been better," Tito said. "I thank everybody that supported my mission."

Russian space officials said that training made him as competent as any professional-space traveler, but the U.S. space agency NASA vigorously objected, contending that having a recreational traveler aboard the space station could impair work conducted on the 16-nation project.

Tito said Friday that one of his first tasks back on Earth will be to try to convince officials to drop their objections and make space jaunts available to everyone — at least those who can afford them.

There appear to be plenty of people who aren't scared off by the price tag. The U.S. company Space Adventures, which helped Tito broker his trip, says it has several serious customers prepared to pay tens of millions of dollars for similar journeys. It said about 100 more have made reservations for proposed suborbital flights — a relative bargain at \$98,000 per person.

Wild West feud

Officials want wild horses removed; advocates say it's a land grab

The Associated Press

PALOMINO VALLEY, Nev. — One of the last vestiges of the American West, the wild mustang is flourishing — so much that federal land managers say they're going to have to rein it in.

Running free across parts of 10 Western states, the estimated 48,000 wild horses and burros are far too many for the range to sustain, the Bureau of Land Management has concluded.

The agency wants nearly half of the 25,000 in Nevada removed and placed in adoption programs in coming years and they're counting on the Bush administration

to provide the money for more roundups.

Advocates for the wild horses say it's a land grab at the expense of the herds they say have been roaming the West for centuries, some dating the herds of the Spanish conquistadors.

Horse activists who've been fighting government roundups in court say there's plenty of open range to support wild mustangs and that the BLM is buckling to pressure from cattle and sheep ranchers who want to protect forage for their livestock.

They accuse the BLM of inflating horse population counts and argue any new federal expenditures should be used for a national census of the wild equines.

"There is a lot of land out there. It could support more horses than they are saying," said Bobbi Royle, president of Wild Horse-Spanish Landwatch, for the estimated 1,000 horses that roam the Virginia Range east of Reno and Carson City.

BLM officials rekindled the decades-old dispute when they announced last month that the Bush administration had assured them the nearly \$30 million they'll need to carry out roundups this year.

"The number far exceeds the

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AP photo

Wild stallions spar in a holding pen during a round-up by the Bureau of Land Management, east of Carson City, Nev., in this file photo. Federal land managers say thousands of wild horses and burros in Nevada should be removed.

Bush pursues changes

President's next agenda items will challenge status quo

By Dan Balz
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — In the opening week of his second 100 days in office, President Bush has outlined a second-wave agenda that would significantly alter domestic and foreign policies dating back decades and whose ambiguity belies the narrowness of the victory that brought him to the White House.

Neither his big tax cut, even before it was trimmed back by Congress, nor his education reform plan, which is still making its way through the House and Senate, envisioned the kinds of changes he set before the country last week. The administration's ideas on Social Security, energy policy and national missile defense go far beyond governmental tinkering and involve substantial political risk.

What the administration outlined last week was foreshadowed during the presidential campaign, and while it will be many months at a minimum before Congress deals with these issues, they help to underscore the Bush presidency will challenge the status quo in a number of areas.

"He's marked out some very

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Bush should focus

on Russia's 'loose nukes,' analysts say

The Baltimore Sun

WASHINGTON — While President Bush is proposing to spend tens of billions of dollars to defend the United States from a nuclear-armed ballistic missile, critics contend he is overlooking a far more immediate nuclear threat that could be eased much less expensively.

The most probable vehicle for a U.S.-targeted nuclear bomb, defense analysts say, is not the one Bush has focused on: an expensive intercontinental missile shot off by North Korea, Iran or some other mercurial Third World nation.

Instead, people wishing to kill Americans with a nuclear explosion are far more likely to steal or buy a bomb from Russia and smuggle it into the United States by truck or ship, analysts say.

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Russia and missile defense — A3

NATION

Putin urges U.S. cooperation on arms issue

Russian president welcomes international talks

MOSCOW (AP) — President Vladimir Putin urged the United States to work with Russia on arms issues and welcomed President Bush's indications he would consult other countries on a controversial missile defense system.

"First, we should not destroy the established system of international security, and second, we must act together to perfect it," Putin said Friday.

It was Putin's first public response to Bush's announcement last week that he intends to move ahead with a nationwide system designed to shoot down missiles aimed at U.S. territory.

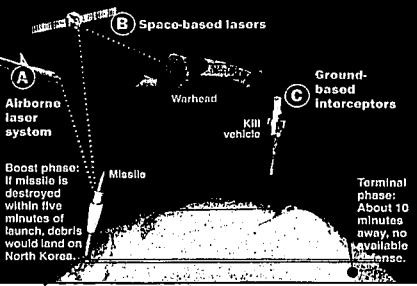
Bush described the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, which bans such systems, as outdated. Russia, however, says the treaty is a foundation of world security and should be preserved.

Putin welcomed Bush's willingness to discuss the issue, saying, "We have noticed in the U.S. president's statement that our U.S. partners plan to consult with the international community on these crucial issues, including consultations with Russia."

"We are very much counting on this dialogue being constructive," Putin said he agreed with Bush that times had changed in some

International missile defense

President Bush wants to build a shield for the day when smaller countries might have missiles capable of reaching the United States. From North Korea, for example, a missile traveling at 15,000 mph could hit Los Angeles in about 30 minutes. Here are options for responding to that scenario.



A The airborne laser system uses 747s from a low hundred miles away that could destroy the rocket. Research is under way.

B Space-based lasers using multiple satellites could destroy the missile. Actual tests from space should begin around 2010.

C Ground-based interceptors fired from the United States could strike the missile, using a "kill vehicle." A fourth test of this system is scheduled next month. About 100 interceptors may be built in Alaska or North Dakota.

SOURCES: Defense Department; Federation of American Scientists

ways. "It is difficult not to agree with the president of the United States in this sense, that the world is changing rapidly and new threats are appearing," he said.

"I agree that we must think about this and resist those threats with sensible actions," he said during ceremonies to sign agree-

ments between Russia and the Central Asian nation of Uzbekistan.

The United States and the Soviet Union signed the ABM treaty on the theory that it would discourage a first-strike nuclear attack by either side. Without defenses, an attacker would face certain annihilation in a retaliatory strike — the principle of mutual assured destruction.



Vladimir Putin

But Russia has resisted U.S. efforts to negotiate changes in the ABM treaty, which allows each side only a limited system of interceptors: missiles protecting either the capital or an intercontinental missile launch site.

Bush is considering a system that could be used in operation as early as 2004, possibly using weapons on ships or planes as well as on land to shoot down missiles in flight.

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Protesters rally over police killing

IRVINGTON, N.J. (AP) — About 200 demonstrators staged a peaceful rally Saturday to protest the killing of an unarmed black motorist by a white police officer.

Demonstrators marched through city streets with police escort, to the steps of police headquarters, where the Rev. Al Sharpton called for "non-violent chains of justice, no more."

"They must understand that when you shoot one of us, you shoot all of us. We are not anti-police; we are anti-police brutality," the New York City activist said.

Authorities said Officer William Milton fired his weapon at Bilal Colbert on Monday after Colbert, 29, refused to get out of his car and pulled into reverse, striking the officer's leg with his car door.

A grand jury will review the shooting in the community on the west side of Newark.

Police had issued a warrant for Colbert's arrest after a similar incident on April 14, when Officer Clinton Franks stopped Colbert for a traffic violation. Franks was bumped by a car door, but was not seriously hurt, authorities said.

Milton fatally shot another black motorist four years ago. Police said Kelon Williams, 24, tried to flee a traffic stop and dragged Milton, breaking the officer's leg. A grand jury decided not to indict Milton in the May 9, 1997, shooting.

The Rev. William Rutherford, who earlier in the week had called Officer William Milton a racist murderer, said the community should stay calm while authorities investigate Monday's shooting. He also called for Milton's suspension without pay.

U.S. woman dies in apparent carjacking in Guatemala

GUATEMALA CITY (AP) — Gun-slingers shot and killed a 55-year-old American woman Sunday in an apparent robbery in Guatemala City, authorities said.

U.S. Embassy officials were waiting until relatives had been notified before releasing the woman's name and hometown. "We believe it was an attempted car robbery," said U.S. Embassy spokeswoman Kay Fayfield. "The car was found near the crime scene."

Luis Rivas, spokesman for the Guatemala City fire department, said the slain woman was shot repeatedly in the head and throat. The body was left on the street.

Guatemalan authorities said they were investigating reports that another woman was in the area and possibly kidnapped. Six Americans have been slain in Guatemala in the past 18 months, and no arrests have been made in any of the cases, Fayfield said.

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NATION

Canadian colleges lure U.S. students

Universities tout reduced costs, global flair

The Washington Post

With a resume full of A's and honors, Mary Swajkowski might have had her pick of colleges. But she wanted to break from the pack of Centerville High School classmates migrating to Virginia state schools. And she wanted affordable, which ruled out private colleges.

So her choices have come down to the public universities of Texas and ... Canada.

"I'm looking for something different," said Swajkowski, 18, who is weighing an offer from Montreal's McGill University. "It's almost like study abroad, but for four years."

For decades, large numbers of Canadian students have crossed the border in pursuit of U.S. college degrees. Now, a three-year marketing blitz by Canada's premier universities is starting to lure a small-but-sharply-expanding number of U.S. students northward.

From 1997 to 2000, U.S. enrollment at 29 colleges surveyed by the Canadian Embassy grew 74 percent, from 2,246 to 3,906.

Schools such as McGill, the University of Toronto and Queen's University, which a generation ago carried little cachet in the United States, are drawing a closer look from top U.S. students at a time of larger-graduating classes and increasingly brutal competition for slots at name-brand schools at home.

In Canada, they find colleges known for high standards and rigorous academics but a surprisingly laid-back admissions process - few essays required, no brag sheet of awards and activities expected.

The big appeal is the bargain prices in a nation where almost all colleges are publicly subsidized. A year of tuition for a U.S.

student at a Canadian school is roughly \$4,000 to \$6,000, compared with an average \$16,332 for an equivalent education at U.S. private institutions, not including room and board.

Cross-border recruiting marks a culture shift for Canada, where higher education remains a local affair and even A-list colleges draw mostly from their own

while deregulation of tuition rates allowed them to offer cheaper packages to foreign students.

"Our institutions are interested in internationalization," said Karen McBride, of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada. "They want to make a Canadian students' experience broader."

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provinces. Priorities changed in recent years when Canadian officials began openly fretting about a "brain drain" of 23,544 Canadian undergraduate and graduate students pursued degrees in the United States last year, up from 17,870 a decade ago.

Budget cuts in the mid-1990s prompted Canadian colleges to widen their search for revenue,

The University of Guelph in Ontario received U.S. media attention for the humorous brochure it sent to 50,000 U.S. students. It included a photo of a blue-lipped, snow-covered student asking, "So you think you know Canada, eh?" In 1998, Ontario's University of Windsor - just minutes from Detroit - slashed tuition for U.S. students from \$12,000 Canadian to \$3,800 Canadian. It expects to enroll 65 U.S. students this fall; a few years ago, it had none.

In 1997, McGill joined with the University of Toronto, Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, and the University of British Columbia in Vancouver to market themselves as the "Canadian Ivies."

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Broward County to conduct DNA tests in Death Row cases

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) - Law enforcement officials have agreed to new DNA testing for all Death Row cases in Broward County for a test posthumously cleared an inmate who died in prison.

The cases of 28 Death Row inmates will be reviewed for genetic evidence. The Broward County Police Chiefs Association on Friday announced its support for the review, which had been advocated by the Sheriff's Office and the state Attorney's Office.

"We feel it's just part of good police work," Fort Lauderdale assistant police chief Al Orrenzo said.

The move was spurred by the case of Frank Lee Smith, who was on Death Row for the 1985 murder of an 8-year-old girl. New DNA tests in December linked the murder to another man who had been in a state psychiatric hospital since the late 1980s.

Smith died of cancer on Death Row in January 2000.

At least nine former death row inmates across the country have been exonerated because of DNA testing, according to the Innocence Project, a New York-based group that has provided legal assistance to prisoners.



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Horses

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 rangeland's capability to support them," said Bob Abbey, the BLM's state director for Nevada. "They want to reduce the herd nationally to about 26,000 by 2005, about 15,000 in Nevada, depending on the outcome of range assessments."

"We need to gather animals in sufficient quantity to get the numbers down to a level that's healthy for the animals and the land," Abbey said.

Or as the BLM's Maxine Shane puts it: "It's just like if you keep two horses on your lawn or two cows on your lawn, pretty soon you would have no grass left."

Environmentalists who want fewer livestock grazing on public lands anyway have joined the horse advocates in arguing that 25,000 wild horses in Nevada have little ecological impact compared with the hundreds of thousands of cattle that roam the range.

For example, Nevada's Elko County ranked fourth among all counties in the nation in 1997 with more than 90,000 beef cattle, the most recent year calculated by the U.S. Agriculture Department.

"I've worked with the BLM for years and I think the problem is the pressure on them from the cattle ranching industry," said Trina Bellak, an attorney and lobbyist for the American Horse Defense Fund in Potomac, Md. "It exceeds the pressure the public can make."

The Free Roaming Horse and Burro Act of 1971 "wants horses preserved in balance with other competing interests," Bellak said. "I don't have any benefit from one of those head of cattle, but I get tremendous benefit from driving out on the range and seeing wild mustangs."

Wild horse population estimates given to Congress at the time the act was passed ranged from 17,000 to 2 million.

"No one really knew," said Shane, chief spokeswoman for the BLM's National Wild Horse and Burro Program based in Reno.

The first census taken in 1974 estimated Nevada had 22,000 wild horses and 1,000 burros, far more than any other state. Apparently its remote, high-desert sage brush and grasslands were more to the liking of equines than homesteaders in the 1800s.

Nationally, the BLM's goal is to remove about one of every four wild horses and burros from the range this year.

"If we hadn't been gathering horses, the numbers would be astronomical," Shane said. "It would be a pretty inhumane situa-

tion—you would have animals dying, not just horses, but wildlife, too. It would be devastating."

Ranchers in the Great Basin and mountain West areas hit hardest by wildfires are among the biggest backers of the government's bid to pare the wild herds.

More than 1.7 million acres of range—an area bigger than Delaware—burned in Nevada in 1999. The result has been less forage. Nevada Rep. Jim Gibbons helped secure an additional \$9 million last year to push the BLM's roundup budget to \$29 million and is pressing for more.

"It's an emotional issue," said Gibbons, a Republican who sits on the House Resources Committee. "Every time the federal government goes to make a move, they are sued in federal court whether it's over wild horses or any other species or animal or insect that occurs on the planet."

But Gibbons sees brighter days ahead.

"You've got a president in office now who understands ranching and how proper herd management takes place," he said.

Agenda

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 ambitious goals." Office of Management and Budget Director Mitchell E. Daniels Jr. said in a recent interview. "It's not going to be a presidency of miniature gestures."

Bush's Social Security plan would mark the biggest change in that program since it was adopted more than 60 years ago by introducing the concept of private savings accounts and individual choice to a social insurance program that has been viewed as one of the most successful government initiatives ever.

His forthcoming national energy policy, whose principles were outlined by Vice President Dick Cheney on Monday, could resurrect nuclear power as a central supplier of electricity to the country and reduce the role of energy conservation as part of the national strategy—though the White House sent mixed signals on that front last week.

The administration's support for a national missile defense as a shield against ballistic missiles that might be launched by rogue

nations, a proposal that could result in the abrogation of the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, remakes the nuclear doctrine that guided the United States through the Cold War.

Thomas Mann of the Brookings Institution said the totality of what Bush did last week is a fresh sign that the administration is not concerned about the absence of a clear mandate from the voters. "It reminds you that this is the farthest thing from a caretaker administration you could get," he said. "It's the farthest thing from a president saying I lost the popular vote. I'm here because of a 5

to 4 vote on the Supreme Court. I'd better strike out some centrist positions."

In contrast to Bush's initiatives from his first 100 days, nearly all of which were designed to be enacted by Congress this year, the second-wave agenda has a much longer timetable associated with it, perhaps even longer than

the administration is planning. Bush said, for example, that he wants Congress to start debating Social Security next winter. But Sen. John Breaux, D-La., said he sees no likelihood that the current Congress will pass a reform plan. Anything that controversial, he said, will have to wait until after the 2002 midterm elections.

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NATION

Women's forum challenges feminists

Group of politically prominent women gain influence in Washington

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - A loose association of successful, politically prominent women has found its way to the highest levels of the Bush administration with a distinctly different view of women's issues.

The Independent Women's Forum champions a laissez-faire brand of conservatism that stresses limited government, free-market capitalism and personal responsibility. It challenges the central beliefs of feminist organizations, arguing that contemporary feminism is too willing to cast women as victims. This has resulted, the group says, in an angry and intellectually rigid feminist viewpoint.

"It would be political suicide for lots of groups and organizations to get up and say the emperor has no clothes," said Nancy Mitchell Pfoenhauer, the forum's new president and a protégé of economist Wendy Lee Gramm, an influential board member and wife of Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas. As women forum members can take positions that are "politically radioactive," Pfoenhauer said, giving the group exposure far out of proportion to its \$1.3 million annual budget and roughly 1,600 dues-paying members.

The Women's Forum opposes the Violence Against Women Act and Take Our Daughters to Work Day. Members argue that boys, not girls, are being short-changed in schools. They claim that federal bureaucrats are forcing colleges to fund athletic programs for women at the expense of existing programs for men.

The group was formed in 1992

by Republican women angered by the testimony of Anita Hill at confirmation hearings for Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, and the prominent role played by the National Organization for Women and other feminist groups.

Labor Secretary Elaine Chao is on its national advisory board, as is Linda Chavez, President Bush's first nominee for the Labor job. Lynne Cheney, wife of the vice president, is a former member of its board of directors.

Wade Horn, who heads the National Fatherhood Initiative, served on the forum's advisory board before he was tapped as assistant secretary for family support at the Department of Health and Human Services. Diana Furchtgott-Roth, who has advised the group on economic issues, is chief of staff for the White House Council of Economic Advisors. She and advisory board member Christine Stolba wrote a book, "Women's Choices," on women's recent economic advancements. They argue that the pay gap between men and women disappears when other variables, including age, education, experience and choice of occupation are taken into account.

Paula Dobriansky was on the advisory board before Bush tapped her for undersecretary of state for global affairs; forum adviser Eileen O'Connor is the administration's choice for assistant attorney general for the Justice Department's Tax Division. Author and commentator Barbara Olson is a founding member; she also is the wife of Bush's nominee as solicitor general. Theodore Olson, who in 1993 prepared the first friend-of-the-court brief filed by the forum with the Supreme Court, is a defense of the Virginia-Military Institute's admissions policy barring women.

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Bush, Democrats court Hispanics in bilingual broadcast

WASHINGTON (AP) - In English and Spanish, President Bush and congressional Democrats courted Hispanics, an increasingly important voting group, with dueling radio addresses Saturday that honored a popular Mexican holiday. The bilingual broadcasts are to become a regular fixture.

special pride and remembrance for all of Mexico. And for all Americans, it is a reminder of the heritage we share with our neighbor to the south," Bush said in his weekly radio address. Cinco de Mayo, the fifth of May, commemorates an 1862 Mexican victory over the French army at the Battle of Puebla.

radio address in both English and Spanish, which the White House said would be a new weekly tradition. Bush has made a concerted effort to try to win support of Hispanic Americans, both in his presidential campaign and in the White House.

guage radio addresses. House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt and Rep. Silvestre Reyes of Texas used Saturday's address to criticize Bush. "He surrounded himself with Hispanic families and played Latin music at his political rallies, but so far his deeds have not matched his words," Gephardt said.

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Internet prompts new questions in divorce proceedings

Will visitations online take place of being there?



Jim Buie shows a photograph of his son, Matthew Buie Nevilki, 17, who lives in Tryon, N.C., at his home in Takoma Park, Md.

from their children's lives," said Stuart Miller of the American Fathers Coalition, whose group believes family courts are biased in favor of mothers.

Legal experts think it's inevitable that custodial parents seeking to move will propose virtual visitation in hopes of swaying judges.

"I'm now on. If I have clients who want to move, I'd tell them to offer to buy a (Web) camera and set that up," said Norma Trusch, a family-law attorney from Houston.

"It's true that you can't hug a computer," said Trusch, quoting a

mantra of virtual visitation opponents. "On the other hand, it's possible with these communication methods to maintain a very close, continual relationship with a child."

Linda Elrod, who chairs the American Bar Association's family-law section, said judges won't be able to ignore the new technology as they weigh conflicting

plans from divorced parents. "Move-away cases are balancing acts — one parent's upward mobility versus the other's continuing contact with the child," said Elrod, a law professor at Washburn University in Topeka, Kan.

Many divorced parents already use virtual visitation — not under court order, but because it helps them maintain ties with faraway children.

Jim Buie, an Internet consultant from Takoma Park, Md., has published an online journal about his efforts to stay in touch with his son, Matthew — now 17 — in the eight years since Matthew and Buie's ex-wife moved to North Carolina.

From 500 miles away, Buie has assigned Matthew with homework, helped him create a Web page, e-mailed photographs, played online chess and Scribble.

"Virtual parenting is not a panacea. You're still going to have the headache of not being together," Buie said. "But, alas, it's better than no-relationship-at-all."

Robert Whitford of Reston, Va., has tried using the Internet to sustain a long-distance relation-

ship with two sons who moved with his ex-wife to New Jersey. He's concerned that court-ordered Web visits could hurt dads in the long run.

"Gaining access to their children for most fathers is difficult at best," Whitford said. "It is likely to become more difficult when a mother says to a judge: 'Johnny can talk to his father on the computer whenever he wants to.'"

Buie's online parenting has been encouraged by his ex-wife, but he suggested that virtual visitation could founder if the divorced parents are hostile.

"The custodial parent can sabotage the noncustodial parent's online access to the child, or the noncustodial parent could use bad judgment and introduce the child to things online the child should not be exposed to," Buie said.

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Princeton hires first woman president

PRINCETON, N.J. (AP) — Thirty-two years after Princeton University first admitted women students, the Ivy League college has named a senior molecular biology professor as its first female president.

Princeton's Board of Trustees on Saturday unanimously elected Shirley M. Cwikel Tilghman as the school's 19th president since it was founded in 1746.

Tilghman, director of Princeton's Sigler Institute for Integrative Genomics, will replace Harold Shapiro, who served for 13 years and oversaw an increase in the university's endowment from \$2.3 billion to \$8 billion. "I think it is indicative that in the last 255 years, Princeton has only had 18 presidents," Tilghman said. "People who serve this place serve it with dedication, with love."

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Wes Jones walks past tipped over trailers at a recreational vehicle and boat storage facility in Mansfield, Texas, Saturday. A tornado touched down in the area Friday evening, damaging several homes and knocking out power. No injuries were reported. There was some wind and then all of a sudden there was dead silence, then I heard what sounded like freight train, said Alan Terri, who was in Mansfield's Dairy Queen, when the storm escalated. 'I was scared to death. I started running, then everything went dark.' Several short-lived tornadoes also caused minor damage in Oklahoma and Nebraska.

Hollywood writers avert strike with contract deal

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A tentative contract between screenwriters and producers is easing fears across Hollywood about a summer of strikes that could devastate the entertainment industry. The three-year contract still must be ratified in early June by a majority of the Writers Guild of America's 11,500 members, but approval is expected. Next up is the Screen Actors Guild contract, which expires June 30. Typically in this industry, the first one up has set the pattern for the others, and I believe the actors will recognize the leadership of the writers," said Alan Brunswick, a Los Angeles entertainment labor attorney who is not involved in the negotiations. Last year, a record-length strike by commercial actors crippled the advertising industry, prompting fears of walkouts by writers and feature actors this year. But with a contract agreement reached between the Writers Guild of America and the Alliance of Motion Picture & Television Producers three days

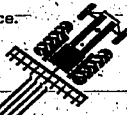
after the expiration date and without a strike, those fears are subsiding. "It's not conceivable to me the membership wouldn't ratify," said Steven Bochco, veteran writer-producer of "NYPD Blue" and other series. "I'm sure you'll hear grumbling from certain quarters, but I think the people who make a living writing overwhelmingly will be relieved."

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Actor Robert Blake's wife dies in shooting

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The wife of actor Robert Blake was shot to death in her car while she waited for the former "Baretta" TV star near a restaurant, police said Saturday.

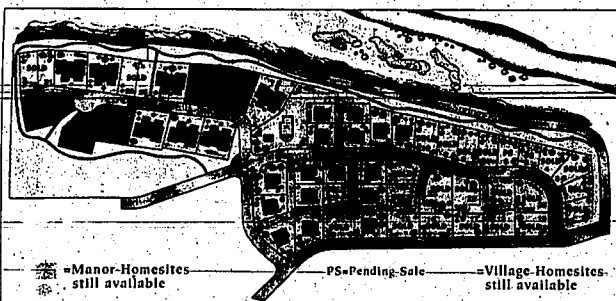
There were no immediate arrests. The woman was shot once in the head Friday evening and was pronounced dead at a hospital, police spokesman Guillermo Campos said.

Campos did not have the victim's name. But in October, Blake confirmed his engagement to Leebonny Bakley, 44, the mother of his 11-month-old daughter, Rose Lenore Sophia Blake.

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NATION

FBI evidence in church bombing remained unavailable for decades

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — For three decades, the FBI failed to disclose it had hundreds of hours of tape recordings and other evidence that could help convict former Ku Klux Klan members in the 1963 church bombing that killed four black girls.

When that information finally came out in court by recent weeks and clinched the conviction of ex-Klan member Thomas Blanton Jr. on Tuesday, Alabama prosecutors who first broke open the long-dormant case in the 1970s were outraged.

"That is the most stunning revelation of this thing," said former Alabama Assistant Attorney General John Yung, who in 1977 helped send ex-Klan member Robert "Dynamite" Bob Chambliss to prison for the bombing. "I think it's shocking that someone sat on that evidence all those years."

Among the FBI evidence that had remained secret since the mid-1960s: secret tape recordings of Blanton talking about planning "the bomb" and the testimony of Mitchell Burns, a former Klansman and paid FBI informant who recorded other conversations.

"What excuse can the FBI have for allowing Mr. Blanton to go free for 24 years with this smoking-gun evidence hidden in its files?" former Alabama Attorney General Bill Baxley wrote in a commentary Thursday in The New York Times. Baxley reopened the church bombing probe in the 1970s and convicted Chambliss.

FBI spokesman Craig Dahle said there was no easy answer for the agency's failure to hand over everything it had years earlier. But he denied the FBI deliberately delayed justice. "I think it is wrong to assert there was any effort to block anything," Dahle said.

Intentionally or not, then-FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover prevented a quick trial in 1965 when he concluded that Birmingham's racial climate meant a guilty verdict was highly unlikely. Juries in Birmingham were all white at the



Thomas Blanton Jr.

time, and the police force included Klan sympathizers. It was just a different time, Dahle said. Also, he said, the FBI has a policy against revealing the identity of confidential informants like Burns unless they agree to go public. And agents may have been leery about sharing the information with state and local police forces, which were known to have Klan sympathizers.

As for the tapes secretly made in Blanton's kitchen in 1964, computers were used to enhance the

murky recordings and help decipher the voices for the jury at his trial — technology unavailable in the 1960s and extremely time-consuming in the 1970s when Baxley was pursuing the church bombers.

The tapes were only "moderately intelligible" without enhancement, said Anthony Pellicano of Forensic Audio Laboratory, the Los Angeles company that performed the work.

But the FBI did not let Baxley know the tapes even existed in the 1970s. It wasn't until the latest investigation began that Baxley found out about the tapes and the informant. Yung said he learned of the long-secret evidence as the Blanton trial unfolded.

"They denied having any more evidence than what they gave us, and it was hard enough getting what we got," Yung said.



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NATION

Author will attend McVeigh execution

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Novelist Gore Vidal plans to attend the execution of Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh, a man with whom he shares some views about the federal government.

Vidal, whose works include "Burr," "Lincoln" and "The Last Empire," said he began corresponding with McVeigh when the bomber wrote him about Vidal's 1998 article in Vanity Fair on "the shredding" of the Bill of Rights.

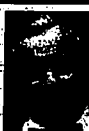
"We've exchanged several letters," the author said. "He's very intelligent. He's not insane."

McVeigh is to be executed May 16 at the federal prison in Terre Haute, Ind., for the 1995 bombing of a federal building in which 168 people died. Vidal was chosen for one of three witness spots allowed McVeigh for friends or family.

"Do I approve of it?" Vidal asked of the bombing. "Of course I don't," he told The Oklahoman in Saturday's editions.

But the 75-year-old writer said he and McVeigh, 33, have similar views about the erosion of constitutional rights and about the federal government's 1993 raid on the Branch Davidian compound near Waco, Texas, that left 80 people dead.

"This guy's got a case — you don't send the FBI in to kill



This guy's got a case — you don't send the FBI in to kill women and children.

— Gore Vidal, author, referring to the Branch Davidian raid in 1993 that left 80 dead

women and children," he said. Vidal said he will write an article for Vanity Fair about the execution and may write a movie about McVeigh "and those of us who object to the tyranny of the U.S. government against its people."

A man whose daughter died in the blast is giving up his opportunity to witness the execution. John Taylor, 70, of Oklahoma City, was one of 10 victims chosen at random by computer to attend the execution.

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Weaver surrendered after 11 days. He was charged with murder in the marshal's death, but an Idaho jury acquitted him. He spent 16 months in jail for the original gun offense.

And here he is at a gun show, unable to own a firearm legally because of his conviction. He stands at a table with only his story.

The procession is steady. "My condolence," says one man, "concerning his hand. I appreciate all your character. It must be a bitch."

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When a pickup truck comes to a four-way stop in Jefferson, it is a lone red object against an endless curtain of green. There is an A&W stand next to the ball field, which is next to a cornfield.

This is the place the Weavers wanted to separate from when they sold their belongings and moved to the Pacific Northwest in 1983. It was

Vicki Weaver who drove her family's peculiar following of Old Covenant Laws, calling God "Yahweh" and believing themselves to be the true Israelites. Because a woman having a child was considered unclean, Vicki Weaver gave birth to her fourth child in a shed behind their Ruby Ridge cabin. She canned her own food and homeschooled the children.

The Weavers attended three or four Aryan Nations meetings at Hayden Lake. Weaver says he'd drink beer and talk to the skinheads. He did nothing illegal, he says, until he sold the two sawed-off shotguns.

In the settlement of the civil lawsuit Weaver brought against the government, each of his three daughters received \$1 million, and Weaver received \$100,000. An investigation found the FBI had altered its rules of engagement, directing agents to shoot any armed

adults on sight. Several high-ranking FBI officials were disciplined after a Justice Department inquiry found evidence of a cover-up. One pleaded guilty to obstruction of justice. The No. 2 FBI official, Deputy Director Larry Ratz, was demoted after an investigation found evidence of misconduct. He retired two years later.

Weaver now lives in Jefferson with his new wife, Linda, and her two children from her first marriage. Linda is a legal secretary. Except for the gun shows, Weaver doesn't have a job. He's working on his next book, "The Rise and Fall of the USSA."

He writes off much about his lifestyle at Ruby Ridge. "Punk

idiots" is what he calls many attendees at Aryan Nation meetings. He has offended Christian supporters who assume they are simpatico with him on matters of faith. "I've studied religions and pretty much decided they are all the same (expletive)," he says. "And you shouldn't have to pay a tax-exempt preacher to hear it."

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JEFFERSON, Iowa — The small town where Randy Weaver now lives is as wide and open as Ruby Ridge was steep and hidden. The Union Pacific whistles past the cornfields hourly.

It's not unusual to find Weaver in Iowa because he was born and raised here, the son of a grain salesman. People forget that part.

What they remember is the 1992 standoff with federal agents that left Weaver's wife and 14-year-old son dead on an Idaho mountain, in the debate that came to be known as Ruby Ridge.

What they remember is the survivalist who wanted to separate from a race-mixing nation and its oppressive government.

Now Weaver moves his nest little by little here on Wilson Avenue. A Cadillac sits in his driveway. But to say that Weaver has come down off the mountain would be an oversimplification.

At 53, he still isn't ready to forgive. Not after the Justice Department settled a lawsuit brought by his family for \$3.1 million. And not after a wayward soldier named Timothy McVeigh killed 168 Americans to avenge what happened at Ruby Ridge and Waco, the other disastrous federal siege.

McVeigh will be executed May 16 for his role in the Oklahoma City bombing. But Weaver says the real enemy will remain at large. The real enemy will continue to violate the Constitution and "eavesdrop on your house from a mile away with that super secret thing."

Organizations that observe racist and paramilitary groups dismiss Weaver as a fading figure in a waning movement. "In the scheme of things, he's milquetoasty," said Joe Roy, director of the Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Project.

Yet Weaver continues to rise in many ways above the wreckage. In his case, the black balloons really did come. A robot with a gun in its claw really did move across his porch.

It's hard to say who Weaver is now. The industry of rage and resentment makes certain demands upon him. He's a folk hero of ultra-right-wing groups. Asked about McVeigh's impending execution, he says, "There should be a bunch of federal agents lying right beside him on the gurney."

Although he lost his own wife and child, Weaver identifies with McVeigh more easily than with the victims of the Oklahoma City bombing.

"He was a soldier's soldier," Weaver says. "He just switched sides. Tim McVeigh was trying to make a point. He was what you call pro bono. He was going to be judge, jury and executioner. No different from the federal government. One has a badge and one don't."

Over time, Weaver isn't so gung-ho. What if McVeigh had come to him with his plans for Oklahoma City?

"I would have told him to forget it."

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"Meet Randy Weaver," the blinking sign announces outside the fairgrounds in Lincoln, Neb. Inside, tables are laid with rifles and scopes and munitions. Weaver is standing at a table piled with \$20 copies of his 1998 book, "The Federal Siege at Ruby Ridge."

No one here at this recent gun show really needs the book to tell what happened. In 1989, while living in Idaho, Weaver was caught selling two shotguns he had sawed off shorter than the legal limit to an informant working for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. The ATF tried to enlist Weaver as an informant, promising to drop the gun charges, but he refused and was indicted by a grand jury.

When Weaver failed to appear in court — he'd been given the wrong date — an arrest warrant was issued.

Seventeen months later, camouflaged federal agents were crawling around Weaver's 20 acres when they were detected by the family dog. Agents shot the dog and began a gun battle with Weaver's son, Sam, 14, and a family friend, both armed. Sam was killed. So was U.S. Marshal William Degan. The siege began.

Weaver holed up in the cabin with his wife and three daughters. The day after Sam was killed, Vicki Weaver was holding her 10-month-old daughter when an FBI sniper shot her in the head.

WORLD

Macedonia faces prospect of civil war

SKOPJE, Macedonia (AP) — Soldiers hammered ethnic Albanian rebel positions with artillery fire again Saturday in an offensive that deepened fears among Macedonians that the country is on the verge of civil war.

The bombardment follows a spate of recent ambushes against security forces — attacks showing the rebels have survived earlier government efforts to quash their movement.

"We have young people dying," said Borjanka Stevkovska, nervously straightening the green onions stacked in her market stall in Skopje, the capital. "From one day to another, it just goes boom."

The 52-year-old mother of two teenage daughters can hardly bear to watch the evening news with its reports of dead soldiers, burning villages and diplomatic wrangling. The somber signs warn of another Balkan country slowing slipping toward instability.

So far, world leaders, including President Bush, have backed Macedonia in its steadfast refusal to negotiate with the rebels, whom the government views as terrorists trying to seize territory and carve out an ethnic Albanian state. The rebels argue that ethnic Albanians are treated as second-class citizens and are demanding that the constitution be rewritten to give them more rights.

The police and army ordered civilians in five villages to evacuate and take their documents along, describing it as a precaution. Authorities demanded that people in five other villages also leave amid claims that the insurgents were using 3,500 people as "human shields."

The increasing unease follows days of riots that shook the southern city of Bitola after the funerals of some of eight soldiers killed in a rebel ambush April 28.

Serb mob attacks state delegation

MOSTAR, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Hundreds of Serbs blocked a groundbreaking ceremony for the reconstruction of a mosque in a Bosnian Serb town on Saturday, throwing rocks and bottles and injuring an international official.


Protesters pinned the official, Daniel Ruiz, against a wall and kicked and punched him. Ruiz, a Spanish national who heads the United Nations office in Bosnia's top international official, was taken to a clinic for treatment.

When a delegation of officials arrived for the ceremony, it found several hundreds of Bosnian Serbs at the site, singing nationalist songs, waving black flags and chanting "Kill the Muslims" — a reference to Bosnia's Muslims.

Philippines quiet as officials search for rebels

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Authorities in the Philippines said they were searching Saturday for opposition leaders accused of involvement in a plot to seize power by killing President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo and her ousted predecessor, Joseph Estrada.

At least 11 opposition leaders have been ordered arrested for alleged links with mass protests that ended violently when Estrada supporters marched on the presidential palace and clashed with police Tuesday. Six people died and more than 100 were injured.



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WORLD

Pope calls for peace in Middle East

Syrian president urges John Paul II to take Arabs' side



Pope John Paul II delivers a statement in Damascus airport in Syria Saturday.

major visitor since taking over from his late father last June. He is a London-trained ophthalmologist, and some wondered whether

his youth and experience in the West would mean he would attempt reforms in this authoritarian country - and whether he had the standing to control the army and other powerful forces in Syria.

Sounding like his father, Hafez Assad, the president sharply criticized Israeli policies, comparing them to what he said were Jewish attacks on early Christianity and Islam.

"They tried to kill the principles of all religions with the same mentality in which they betrayed Jesus Christ and the same way they tried to betray and kill the Prophet Muhammad."

"We say we adhere to a just and comprehensive peace that returns the land to its original owners, and the return of refugees and the establishment of an independent Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital," Assad said.

It was certainly one of the bluntest welcoming addresses the

pope has heard on any of his foreign trips, including his navigation through Israelis and Palestinians on a visit to the Holy Land last year.

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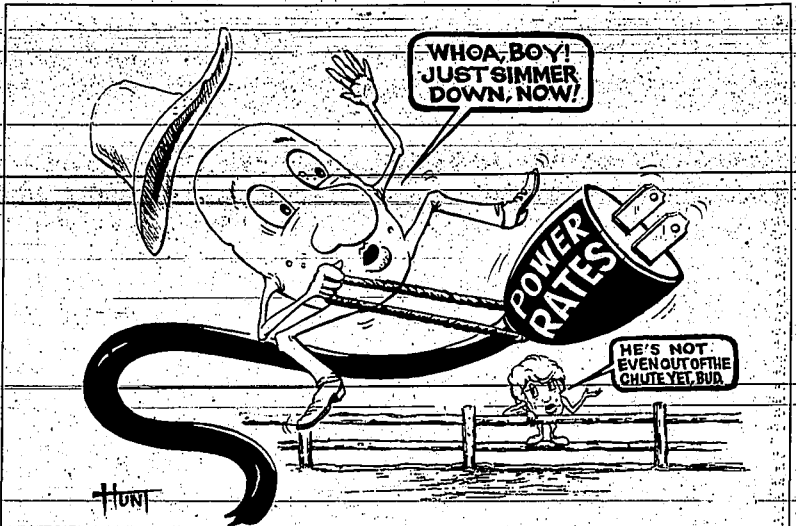
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EDITORIAL

PUC should refine electric rate plan

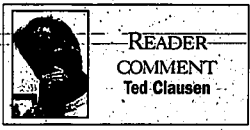
Look at your last power bill from Idaho Power Co. Chances are you'll never see one that low again. Last week, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission granted most - but not all - of the largest rate hike ever sought by Idaho Power. The utility wanted to collect an additional \$227.4 million, but the commission approved an immediate rate increase of \$168.3 million. A decision on the remaining \$59.1 million could come this summer. With demand for power outstripping supply, and with wholesale prices on the rise, the rate increase is an overdue dose of economic reality. Electricity in Idaho had been underpriced, and its new price more closely reflects its real value. The answer is that they will tighten their belts and cut down on discretionary spending elsewhere. They will buy less fun stuff - such as DVDs, water skis and dinners out - and divert the money to non-discretionary electric bills. Couple that with rising gasoline prices, and you've got all the fixings for a stalled state economy. Who says Idaho residents don't need an income tax break this year? In addition to approving higher

rates, the PUC approved something that Idaho Power didn't request - a three-year rate structure. The new rate structure may be fine for people who live in urban areas, but it is bad news for rural Idaho. City people who heat their homes with electricity often have the option of switching to natural gas. If their power bills rise too high, but residential gas lines may not extend into the countryside. Rural homeowners have few options, and none are attractive. If you heat with electricity, and if natural gas isn't available, winter is going to get a whole lot more expensive. This is completely at odds with the intentions of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and legislative leaders, who want to help rural Idaho - not hamstring it. At the very least, someone should mount a legal challenge to the PUC's considered rate schedule. Idaho Power can't be faulted for trying to recover its costs, but the utility does have some ethical obligations. Just because customers are "paying more" doesn't mean shareholders of its parent company should pocket bigger dividend checks. If price fixing is suspected, state lawmakers may begin using words like "price gouging" and "tighter regulation" when discussing Idaho Power in the future.



Celebrate the sculpture dedication

Please come help us turn on the water! Last year, The Times-News ran an editorial that stuck in my mind: "As we approach the centennial dates for the founding of many of the valley communities, we should think about ways to celebrate our most precious assets."



READER COMMENT Ted Clausen

As I came to know Twin Falls during my six-month Millennium Sculpture residency with the Magic Valley Arts Council last year, I realized that water is not just what grows your crops; it is your life, the blood of your valley. I hope you will join us on Thursday at noon in city park for the turning on of the water and the dedication of your Millennium Sculpture Project. When you join us, you'll notice that the site is larger and more complex than the companion work at the corner of Shoshone and Main. First, there is a plaza. The layout of the artwork's Oakley stone plaza is not only the exact shape of the original plot for the city of Twin Falls, the seams between each stone run at angles which replicate the exact angles of the streets of Twin Falls as they are related to the plan and to the park itself. If this sounds confusing in print, wait 'til you visit the site! While there is but one engraved boulder at the downtown site, in the park there are five - more room for the telling of more stories from your past and present, to recall dreams for the future. I

the handle complete the picture: at the downtown site there is a harness, a reminder of the animals without which the early work might never have been done. The plow, of course, is man's technology for getting the work done, and the gloves are there to indicate the driving force behind the work - the hard work and hard scabble determination of the early settlers to your valley, noble qualities all very much a part of your community.

It has been an honor and a personal pleasure to create this work with and for you. Twin Falls, thank you for the unparalleled support you have given; you have embraced this project from the outset. You have contributed time, materials, financial support and great doses of encouragement. You have taught me that my goal of working closely with a community to create meaningful and beautiful artwork which will be enjoyed as part of your life for generations can be met. Thank you.

Please join us for the dedication and turning on of the water for the second site of our Millennium Sculpture Project. There will be lots of great food and music - a real celebration which I hope will at least go some part of the way toward filling The Times-News' call.

Ted Clausen is the sculptor who created the Millennium Sculptures for Downtown and the City Park for the Magic Valley Arts Council.

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LETTERS

We should thank police officers It has been with interest that I have read all of the articles and letters concerning the actions of the police officers in not only our area but in the United States as a whole. I have read of instances where officers were accused of being corrupt, brutal or even poorly trained. They have been accused of refusing to break the "code of silence" that supposedly exists among them. We have extended to these men and women a great amount of power and trust, and they should be held to very high standards. We should be shocked, outraged and angry when they are any less than their best. Usually, all we hear is the bad.

Without hesitation or qualification, I can say that the struggle to protect and defend the Bill of Rights - values of fairness, equality, justice, privacy and personal liberty, freedom of speech and freedom of religion - has never been more formidable nor the stakes higher than they are today. In order to protect these traditional American values, the ACLU has been compelled to fight a highly organized authoritarian force that is largely responsible for the dangerous erosion in support of the Bill of Rights. The highly organized force is, of course, the election-driven religious right. Throughout our history, religious extremists have attempted to use the law to impose their beliefs and moral values on other Americans as a whole. And their underlying rationale has always been that the First Amendment doesn't really demand separation of church and state because the nation's founders were religious men who routinely sought divine help and guidance. Madison and Jefferson, however, rejected this argument. They insisted on a First Amendment clause to prohibit government of religion because they understood that once government is given the power to promote some religious beliefs, it also has the power to suppress other beliefs. (I don't believe our current president sees things the way Madison and Jefferson did.)

In the last couple of years, I have had the opportunity to become acquainted with and work with some of the finest people I have ever known. It has been a privilege to find a group of people where honesty, honor and decency are at the top of the list. These are people who, at any moment, would put their lives at risk for you, your spouse, your child or your neighbor. They do their jobs every day, whether in uniform or not. They are often tired, cold, wet and hungry because they respond to calls rather than take a lunch break. They work weekends, holidays, bin days, through Little League games, concerts and first dates. They carry their papers everywhere they go so that, at a moment's notice, they can respond to any crises. They often respond to unfamiliar areas to assist other officers. Always, they are at risk of being hurt, shot or (heaven forbid) killed.

Since 1962, this nation's religious extremists have directed a virulent campaign to tear down the "wall of separation" between church and state, especially in our public schools. As for maintaining that the ACLU is against Christianity, perhaps Helen doesn't realize that when the ACLU brought successful suit against the school district which was promoting prayer at football games and even providing broadcast equipment so that the prayers could be heard in the surrounding neighborhoods, it did so at the request of Mormon and Catholic families who were tired of the shenanigans of the dominant religion (Mormons and Catholics are Christians, you know).

Recently read in the papers of the decline in the crime rate. Since 1992, the crime rate has fallen. Since 1992 to the end of 2000, 1,800 law-enforcement officers have lost their lives. Some died while doing undercover drug work, some on traffic stops, others during fights. All died while being willing to make the ultimate and heroic sacrifice with their lives. On May 9-10, the state of Idaho will honor those who have fallen in the line of duty. Maybe you might think about saying thank you to those who are willing to die for you.

DONNA HEADLEY
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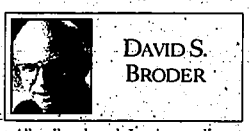
ACLU fights for our rights
I am responding to Helen Snyder's recent letter which blasted the American Civil Liberties Union on several points but which mainly claimed that the ACLU is against Christianity. Hogwash!

Obviously, there will always be groups - if not mobs - of people who will disagree with particular successful decisions handed down on behalf of the ACLU. I believe that those disagreements arise because there will always be those who believe that their understanding of the Bill of Rights is being transgressed.

JOHN AALSH
Burley

Accountability alone won't reform education

Now that the wheels have begun to turn in the Senate and House on the education proposal President Bush introduced at the top of his domestic agenda, it is time for a reality check. And luckily one arrived last week in the form of a report from a tiny, three-person Washington think tank called the Center for Education Policy. Written by Nancy Kober in admirably straightforward language, the message of the report is that standards, testing and accountability - the centerpiece of the Bush program - are necessary steps, but insufficient in themselves to lift the performance of our schools.



DAVID S. BRODER

As Jack Jennings, the longtime Democratic congressional staffer who heads the nonpartisan, foundation-financed center, told me, "The rhetoric of government reform is right, but you don't help people do better just by urging them to do it." Bush's proposal reflects the main lessons learned since a previous generation of reformers set forth their bold "Goals 2000" agenda for improving America's schools. The goals were right; the implementation left a lot to be desired. Bush, building on what he and his gubernatorial predecessors of both parties and their counterparts in other states had learned, set forth three clear principles: The standards of academic achievement for high school graduates must be raised to equip people for the jobs of this information age. Progress must be measured by rigorous testing along the way (annually from grades 3 to 8, Bush says) to be sure no one is falling behind. And school officials must be held accountable for seeing all students succeed, with rewards for educators who meet the goal and penalties for those who don't.

Head Start and measures to reduce child poverty and stimulate parents' participation in their youngsters' schooling. More significant may be the backing these steps enjoy from the nation's business leaders. You can find almost the same recommendations in the policy statement of the Business Coalition for Excellence in Education, whose co-chairmen are the CEOs of Intel, IBM, Texas Instruments and Staley Farm Insurance.

Earlier this year, four major groups, the Business Roundtable, the National Alliance of Business, the National Association of Manufacturers and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, issued a joint report titled "Investing in Teaching," calling for more rigorous teacher preparation programs, expanded in-service training, higher pay and greater career flexibility - in return for more accountability. The report said, "We understand that this vision of the teaching profession will require substantial new investments as well as tough decisions about existing school resources."

More money is not an answer to all the education needs, any more than additional tests constitute a solution in themselves. But the current debate about funding and targeting of federal education initiatives is not a diversion. It is an essential element of the discussion, especially when, as stateline.org reported last week, "educators are bracing for major cutbacks in spending as state revenues nosedive."

Standards are important, but so are the changes that will enable schools to meet these worthy goals.

David S. Broder is a national political correspondent for The Washington Post.

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Abortion might have side effects

The abortion issue never seems to go away. Yet it probably will go away, eventually, leaving the pro-choice forces victorious. But the irony is that feminists, having spearheaded the reproductive-rights crusade, could well find the world less female-friendly, or at least less female, as a result. In the short term, the pro-life forces are still strong. Just last month, the House of Representatives passed the Unborn Victims of Violence Act, which would make it a federal crime to harm a fetus during an assault on a pregnant woman. Pro-choicers charge that the bill is a sneaky attempt to confer "personhood" on fetuses, and they have the votes to block it in the Senate. Conservatives still chip away at abortion rights here and there, but they are usually blocked by the courts, and the Bush administration, while nominally pro-life, offers little more than lip service to the pro-life cause.

Over the long term, pro-choicers are likely to prevail because they have a hammer, lock on such opinion-molding professions as law, politics, health and, of course, the media. But what will happen if the anti-abortion movement goes the way of the lost crusades against alcohol, gambling and pornography? What will be the result of permanently guaranteed reproductive freedom? As so often happens, the consequences might not be as intended.

A decade ago, the Nobel Prize-winning economist Amartya Sen declared that some 100 million women around the world were "missing" because of various forms of discrimination, notably female infanticide. Nowhere was this demographic trend more



JAMES P. PINKERTON

evident than in Sen's home country of India, although expanded access to abortion has limited the grim phenomenon "supernatural" two years ago, the British Medical Journal reported that the ratio of girl babies to boy babies born in India had fallen from 935 females for every 1,000 males in 1981 to 927 females for every 1,000 males in 1991. The New York Times reported recently that ultrasound machines, which allow parents to identify the sex of their unborn child, have accelerated this sex selection in India. The data are murkier in China, although demographers suggest that the proportion of newborn girls to boys is about 850 to 1,000.

Surely this was not what the feminists at the forefront of the abortion-rights fight had in mind.

Perhaps that's why calls to the National Organization for Women and Planned Parenthood, seeking comment on this topic, were not returned. A look at their Web sites shows no faltering in their support for reproductive freedom, but they don't seem so eager to talk about this particular consequence of that freedom.

Steven Biel, spokesman for another pro-choice group, Population Action International, said of sex selection: "We definitely think it's a big problem." But he added: "The solution is not to take away abortion rights, but rather to elevate the status of women so that the economic

and cultural incentives for sex selection abortion is no longer there."

And perhaps that's what's happening in the United States. In 1999, for example, of 3,959,417 total births, 2,026,854 were boys and 1,932,563 were girls, that ratio, of 105 newborn boys for every 100 newborn girls, has not changed in half a century. But possibly signaling a new trend, the ratio of newborn boys to newborn girls among Asian-Americans, a rapidly rising subgroup, is about 107 to 100.

But sex selection needn't come to the United States for the nation to be affected.

What will happen when boys in India or China become men and start looking for women and wives? Will they stay at home in frustration, or will they go abroad in search of mates? Mark

Krikorian, director of the Center for Immigration Studies in Washington, observed that the lesson of history is clear: "A social imbalance of the sexes leads to emigration." The United Nations, he notes, calculates that 122 million people worldwide live outside the country of their birth; of those, a fifth already live in the United States.

Thus the further along the abortion debate: The triumph of the pro-choice feminist position could not only lead to a reduction in women and girls around the world; it could also lead to an influx of young men from overseas, from countries where Western feminist ideals are not, much observed and not much valued.

James P. Pinkerton is a *Newsday* columnist.

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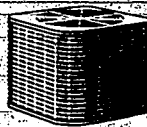
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ENERGY NEWS

On April 23 the Board of Commissioners for Elmore County approved changes to the county's zoning regulations that will allow Idaho Power to build a combustion turbine power plant. The proposed 90-megawatt, natural gas-fired generator will be built north of the city of Mountain Home.

"We are pleased and gratified that forward-thinking county officials and the people of Elmore County, have supported our efforts to increase our capacity to generate electricity," said Idaho Power Vice President of Generation John Prescott. "Elmore County's willingness to be part of the solution means that all of our customers will benefit. We're adding 90 megawatts of electricity at a significantly lower cost than we would incur by purchasing from the current wholesale market."

The Board of Commissioners' action concluded nearly two months of discussions between Idaho Power, local officials and neighboring citizens. The company originally had decided to build on vacant agricultural

land, but as part of the agreement will instead place the plant more than 9,500 feet from the nearest residence.

"Idaho Power has long prided itself in being a good neighbor and corporate citizen," said Prescott. "We need to build this plant but we also want to do it in such a way that is acceptable to the community."



An IDACORP Company. The company next will apply for a building permit and if there are no further delays, expects to break ground by mid-May and complete the \$40 million project by August.

In its comments to the county commissioners, Idaho Power emphasized the importance of building a generating resource within its service territory to avoid having to buy more electricity from the expensive and volatile wholesale energy market this summer. The planned power plant will generate enough electricity to provide power for nearly 60,000 average Idaho Power residential customers.

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LETTERS

Let me manage fairgrounds
I understand the Twin Falls County commissioners are planning to unload county operations that they find too bothersome to manage.

Well, I want the county fairgrounds. I am forming a nonprofit corporation today and will gladly move to the Magic Valley to operate the fairgrounds. Of course, the corporation will pay me a handsome administrator's salary and, once and for all, I will resolve that "beer during the fair" issue.

The county will receive a nominal fee for the lease and all will be well. If the public disagrees with my management decisions, oh well, I will have bought the right to shut them out.
I'm also interested in leasing the airport and the landfill for a nominal fee.
MICHAEL STOY
Boise

Thank you, Buhl fire chief
We wish to publicly express our appreciation to the Buhl Fire Chief, Mr. Mark Grimes, for his participation in a meeting held with the residents of the Buhl West End Fire District. The homeowners in the area west of Buhl and east of the River Road residents, the Banbury area and west of Silgars are in dire need of a fire station and medical response unit to service the area in a timely manner. This matter has been under consideration with the Buhl Fire District for several years and, with the increase in population in this area, is becoming more of a concern to the residents.
"Mr. Grimes accepted an invitation to address concerned homeowners on Monday evening, April 30. His presentation was informative, and he had obviously put a great deal of effort into addressing our concerns. Each of the homeowners attending were very impressed with his knowledge and his concern for the safety of the people, structures and land under his care. He answered questions and was courteous and pleased to be of help."
Mr. Gary Tussey, commissioner for the Hagerman Fire

District, also attended, and we thank him for his contributions. We are appreciative of his desire to be of assistance.
The residents now have more knowledge in order to address their concerns with the Buhl commissioners and work with them in a civil manner in order to achieve a solution for the benefit of the community.

Thank you, Mark, for taking the time to address our meeting. It is a great beginning, and we thank you for your participation.
JEFFREY AND SANDRA HAMMACK
Buhl

Student got off too easily
I am a parent of two students in Murtaugh school. My son is in the eighth grade, my daughter in the fifth grade.

I am very concerned for their safety with all of the school shootings and bomb threats that have been happening. Recently a student in the eighth grade in my son's class made such threats of killing people and blowing up the school.

A lot of students heard these threats. It was taken to the principal and the boy was suspended for two days.

And this is supposed to be a zero-tolerance school. What am I to think? That this boy is going to get psychological help and not carry out his threats because of two days' suspension? Way to go, Murtaugh school!
GARY HUGHES
Murtaugh

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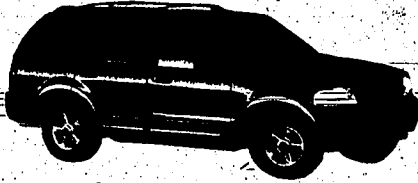
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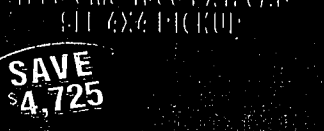
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Let's elect 'Weakest Link' host governor

The Queen of Mean should run Idaho. When she walks through, I'm pretty sure of this. Anne Robinson, of course, is the hostess - dominatrix is probably a better word - of the current hit NBC exercise in humiliation called, "The Weakest Link."

Robinson is a 56-year-old South consumer affairs reporter and a London Times columnist whose autocratic style and harsh put-downs have mesmerized TV audiences on both sides of the Atlantic since "Link" premiered in Britain last fall and here this spring.

In short, she'd be the perfect governor of Idaho, a place where we suffer fools too gladly. If you're gonna blame anybody for that, blame Kempthorne. He's too dang' simable. Or Larry Craig, Mike Crapo or Mike Simpson. They're way too bland.

We need a governor who will inform the Democrats in the Legislature that they no longer need the large booth at Denny's to hold their caucuses. We need somebody to tell Helen Chenoweth that it's time to give up trying to embarrass Idaho in Congress again, and redisc-

Besides, Gov. Robinson would be dynamite doing commercials for the Idaho Potato Commission. One imagines her, dressed in black, standing at the drive-through window of a fast-food restaurant. "Fries with that?" she'll ask the driver of a Lexus convertible with California plates.

Hank Williams would turn over in his grave, and if he could, bust up a roadside with a bar stool. What the Sam Hill happened to Johnny Cash's mantra about "The mud and the blood and the beer."

Step Crump, the Times-News features editor, is still waiting for the instant replay.

Rupert holds festival

Celebration honors Hispanic heritage of M-C

By Dan Fields Times-News writer

RUPERT - With colorful streamers and pinatas dancing in the wind from the gazebo on the Rupert Square, area residents congregated here Saturday to celebrate the town's annual Cinco de Mayo festival.

"It was very well received," Almazna said. "Another nice part about it was the entire program was bilingual."

Nancy Zamudio, 17, of Rupert, and friend Daniela Oroscio, 16, also of Rupert, admitted they were doing a little boy-watching at the festival.

Rupert Mayor Audrey Neiwirth said the weather could have been a little more cooperative, as wind speeds reached 30 mph.

"I asked for the sun to shine and the wind to go down," she said. "But it's tolerable."



Alyssa Rios, 6, receives a balloon flower from Rae Jensen at the Cinco De Mayo celebration at the Rupert City Park Saturday afternoon.

out along with two sheriff's deputies. The Times-News recently obtained a copy of the Twin Falls incident report, dated Jan. 31. The report had not been included in a 5-inch-thick stack of investigative reports released to the public on March 8.

Shooting witness reportedly feared for her life

By John T. Huddy Times-News writer

calls to the shelter, Gabardi told deputy Gerlyn "Sam" Gibbs about comments Taylor had made to her and other crisis center employees.



Mary Ann Taylor, the woman who was the witness in the shooting, is shown in a photo.

Williams, 47, died in the shooting.

Why Taylor would fear Weaver is "ridiculous and a mystery," Roberts said.

Vietnam Wall comes to Nevada

By Karen Terrell Times-News correspondent

including the reading of names of local residents killed during the conflict. He expressed hope that veterans groups from southern Idaho would also be on hand to read the names of their fallen comrades.

The cost of bringing the half-size replica of the Vietnam Memorial to Elko is \$3,000 which has been paid by the Full House casinos.

number of people who served in the Vietnam conflict would get some "healing" from visiting the mobile version of the memorial.

Accident on Highway 20 kills teen-ager, injures two

The Times-News

MOUNTAIN HOME - An accident early Saturday morning left one teen-ager dead and sent two teen-agers to the hospital, according to the Idaho State Police.

The accident is still under investigation.

Loans do little good

By Ruth Streater Times-News writer

BURLEY - The last thing most farmers want is more debt. So it's no wonder that low-interest emergency loans, made possible by the federal government, aren't the most popular form of federal aid for farmers.

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T-N staff wins awards

The Associated Press

Times-News writers and photographers were among the winners of the 2000 Idaho Press Club Awards presented Saturday in Boise.

Winners who took home awards included: Denise Turner, 3rd place; general column; Logan Castor, 3rd place, feature photography; Bruce Shields, 1st place, sports photography; Logan Castor, second place, sports photography; Jennifer Sandmarin, second place, education reporting; John T. Huddy, third place, agriculture reporting; Denise Turner, 2nd place, religion reporting; Tracy Emery, third place, Web site general excellence in print.

Kelley, 19, of Mountain Home, were ejected from the vehicle. Kelley died at the scene, the news release said.

Passenger Susan M. Johnson, 18, of Mountain Home, was able to climb out of the vehicle and climb to the edge of the road. Johnson said: Callentine was "tossed" from the car. Callentine was flown to St. Alphonsus Hospital in Boise where Johnson underwent surgery and was listed in stable condition. Callentine was in a "fair" serious condition with multiple broken bones and other injuries, the news release said.

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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.

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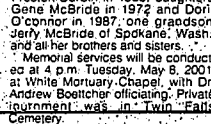


Bruce H. Anderson
Bruce H. Anderson, 74, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, May 2, 2001, at a Twin Falls nursing home. He was born May 11, 1927, in Pleasant, Utah, the son of Andrew and Lia Larsen Anderson. As a child he moved with his family to Los Angeles. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy when he was 17, and served on the USS West Virginia. He played in the Navy Band. He was recruited to play at the Armistice aboard the USS Missouri at the end of World War II. Following his discharge, Bruce enrolled at BYU where he received his degree in music education. He later taught in the public school system for 17 years. He later became a special agent for Prudential Life Insurance in Long Beach, Calif., where he worked until his retirement in 1987. He moved to Twin Falls and on Dec. 29, 1997, he married the beloved wife, Janice Clark. After his retirement, he worked substitute teaching. He was a member of the LDS Church and the VFW. Bruce enjoyed spending time with Janice, playing his trumpet in dance bands, and fishing. In addition to his wife of Twin Falls, Bruce is survived by his children, Susan (John) Barnhart of Hugo, Mo.; Gary (Janis) Anderson of St. Louis, Mo.; Brent Anderson of Twin Falls; and the late Stephens of Rayville, Utah, and Terry Anderson of Los Angeles, Calif. 23 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, two great-granddaughters, and one great-grandson. He is preceded in death by his parents, brother, Don, and one daughter, Nancy Paradiso. Funeral services for Bruce Anderson will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday, May 7, 2001, at White Mortuary Chapel. Interment will follow in the Mackay Cemetery in Mackay, Idaho. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Sunday, May 6, 2001, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. The family suggests memorials to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, Idaho Division, 1674, Hill Road Suite 18, Boise, Idaho 83702.



Margaret Durbin
Margaret Durbin of Twin Falls, passed away on Thursday, May 3, 2001, at Sunbridge Care & Rehabilitation Center. She was born May 11, 1903, at Mineral, Kansas, to Marion and Sarah Fahrenbach. She married E. Preston Durbin on November 4, 1922, in Twin Falls, Idaho. She was a homemaker and constant mate to her husband. She was a member of her beloved First Baptist Church. Margaret always had a special place as the First Baptist Church was always first. She was a Sunday School teacher, and member of the church choir for many years. She was active in the Lincoln School PTA and sang with the Sweet Adelines. Throughout her life, she loved her family and always there if someone needed help of any kind. Grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren were her main topic of conversation in her later years. She wrote in her diary that a woman's greatest sense of security comes from the knowledge that she is respected, appreciated and loved. We believe that she has the ability to laugh at herself which is very important. She is survived by one son, Bill of Twin Falls; six grandchildren; Jeanette (Jose) Martinez, Robert (Beulah) O'Conner, Marni Parry of Twin Falls; Kristen Durbin of Portland, Ore.; Calix O'Conner of Tacoma, Wash.; and Mary Leah (Charles) Dalley of Central Point, Ore.; 12 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-great-grandchildren. She was pre-

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ceded in death by her husband, E. Preston Durbin in 1986; daughters, Mary Ann in 1972, and Doris O'Conner in 1987; one grandson, Jerry McBride of Spokane, Wash.; and all her brothers and sisters. Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, 2001, at White Mortuary Chapel, with Dr. Andrew Boettcher officiating. Private interment was in Twin Falls Cemetery.

Kenneth E. Brown

Kenneth E. Brown, 70, of Twin Falls, died Friday, May 4, 2001, at Birdview Estates. He was born April 28, 1931, in Charleston, W.V., the son of Carlos and Nona Cooper Brown. He was educated in West Virginia, and enlisted in the USAF where he served in Korea. After four years, he was non-combat discharged and returned to West Virginia. He was married to Virginia Mickel in 1952 and they were later divorced in late 1969. He bravely moved his seven children and grandchildren to Twin Falls from Florida. He married Helen Gibbs in Twin Falls in 1977, and they enjoyed 25 years together. He enjoyed restoring and remodeling homes; deep sea fishing; drinking coffee with his buddies at the Depot Grill; dancing; attending auctions; and in general having fun. Ken was the previous owner of Ken Brown appliance, and the Greenback Tavern from 1964-1985. He was a member of the Moose Lodge, and a lifetime member of the American Legion. In addition to his wife, Helen of Twin Falls, he is survived by seven children, Kathy Kunz (Audie) of Las Vegas, Nev.; Linda (Gunningham) Robinson (Jim) of Twin Falls; Debbie (Tom) Bland of St. George, Utah; (Brown) Morarty (Tony), and (Kenneth) Brown, both of Twin Falls; Becky Brown of Meridian, Idaho; and Tim Bland of California. 15 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Udalean (Tom) of Huntsville, Texas. He was preceded in death by one brother, Buster Brown; parents; first wife; granddaughter, Coyote Brown; and one great-granddaughter, Janessa Horn. Funeral services for Kenneth Brown will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 8, 2001, at White Mortuary Chapel. Interment will follow in Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Monday from 4-8 p.m. The family suggests memorials to the National Parkinson's Foundation, 1501, NW Ninth Ave., Miami, FL 33136.

Eva G. Barnes

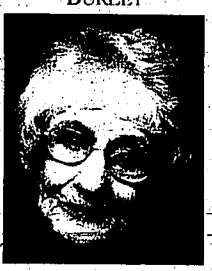
Eva Gaynelle Wicker Barnes, 81, of Twin Falls, died Friday, May 4, 2001, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. She was born to her parents, David and Sophia Wicker, on Oct. 27, 1919, at Clarksville, Indiana. The family moved to Idaho in 1929 and settled in Hansen. Eva attended school in Hansen, and worked for the Post Office. She married Earl Barnes on Dec. 27, 1931, and they farmed east of Hansen for many years. She was a member of AARP, active with the Meals on Wheels program, and was a volunteer at the Buzz Langdon Visitors Center. Eva is survived by her children, Mark Orin Barnes of Boise; and Patricia (Barnes) Cavallaro of Maryland, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, Anthony Earl Barnes, three sisters, one brother and her parents. Funeral services for Eva Barnes will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, May 7, 2001, at White Mortuary Chapel. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary today from 4-8 p.m.

BOISE



Mary D. Cleveland, 90, of Boise, died Wednesday, May 2, 2001, at a Boise care center. She was born May 2, 1911, in Barret, Minnesota. Her services will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 6, 2001, at Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel. Reverend Ralph Lawrence of First United Methodist Church, Cathedral of the Rockies, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel. Mary was born on June 18, 1910, in Gooding, Idaho, to Walter E. and Elda E. Kraus Darling. She attended school in Gooding, graduating from Gooding High School. She then attended Gooding Normal School and graduated from the University of Idaho with a degree in education. Mary taught in a one-room school house on the Camas Prairie. On December 31, 1933, Mary married George W. Cleveland in Gooding, Idaho. They lived and worked in many communities in the state of Idaho. Mary enjoyed playing bridge, and achieved Life Master in duplicate bridge. She was also a 50-year volunteer for the American Red Cross. Her greatest achievement was making a house a home for her family and friends. Mary is survived by her daughters, Yvonne (Archie) Hess of Calgary, Canada; and Elizabeth (Ernie) MacGregor of Boise, Idaho; her son, G.W. Cleveland, Jr. of Billings, Montana; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Myrtle Hougaard of Billings, Montana. She was preceded in death by her husband, George; a son, three sisters; one brother; and three grandchildren. The family suggests memorials be made to the Idaho Youth Ranch, P.O. Box 8538, Boise, Idaho 83707, or the Idaho Rose Society, c/o Edna Schultz, 5000 Spaulding, Boise, Idaho 83705. The family wishes to thank the caregivers, the nurses, and friends at the chapel on Monday from 9 a.m. until time of services. Services are under the direction of Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

BURLEY
Funeral services for Janessa Horn will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 8, 2001, at White Mortuary Chapel. Interment will follow in Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Monday from 4-8 p.m. The family suggests memorials to the National Parkinson's Foundation, 1501, NW Ninth Ave., Miami, FL 33136.



Edith Elda Patterson
Edith Elda Holley Patterson, a 98-year-old Burley resident, went peacefully to her heavenly home on Friday, May 4, 2001, at the home of her son, Gaylin, in Burley. She was born December 22, 1902, in Slaterville, Weber, Utah, the daughter of Henry Cecil and Amanda Jane Knight Holley. She married William Leonard Patterson on March 12, 1924, in the Salt Lake Temple. Following their marriage, they resided in West Point, Utah. They lived in the Ogden area and later moved to the Dupont-Burley area, where her husband owned and operated a farm and barber shop. He preceded her in death on December 27, 1998. Singing was the love of her life. She sang duets and solos from the time she was 8 years old. She sang one of her last solos in St. George, Utah, at the age of 94, at a Relief Society Birthday Party. She was an artist and her paintings adorn her family homes. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in many capacities in the various auxiliaries. She was a very loving and caring mother and grandmother. Her greatest joy was having her family around her. Survivors include a daughter-in-law, Connie Patterson of Mesa, Arizona; a son, Gaylin (LoEtta) Patterson of Burley; three daughters, Bernice (Paul) Togan of Burley, Jori (Sam) Banner of Brigham City, Utah, and Vera (Bob) Oles of Idaho Falls; 31 grandchildren; 133 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren. In addition to her husband,

she was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Lloyd Patterson; two grandsons, James Tegan and Gordon Banner; and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 8, 2001, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints View Ward Chapel, 550 S. 500 E., of Burley, with Bishop Alan Zellinger officiating. Burial will follow at the View Cemetery. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main Street in Burley, on Monday from 7 to 8 p.m. and at the church from 10 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral on Tuesday. The family would like to thank all those who have helped by providing comfort and care to our family.

GOODING

Herbert S. Clark
Herbert Strickland Clark, 93, of Gooding, died Saturday, May 5, 2001, at a Boise Care Center. He was born May 19, 1907, in Barret, Minnesota, the son of Milton and Laura Clark. The family moved to Gooding in 1909, where he was a longtime farmer and operated a radio and television repair shop. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Navy. He was a 32 Degree Mason, a Past Patron of the Order of Eastern Star, and a member of the Gooding Elks Lodge. Herbert was preceded in death by his first wife, Mable (Boile). Surviving him is his wife of 54 years, Marjorie of Boise; three sons, Frederick (Joan) of San Antonio, Texas; Joe (Pat) of New Port Richey, Florida; and Brian (Jennifer) of Fairfax; and daughter, Kay (Ken) Baumgartner of Boise; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be conducted Monday, May 7, 2001, at Demaray's Gooding Chapel at 2 p.m., with private family interment to follow at the Elmwood Cemetery. Friends may call at the chapel on Monday from 9 a.m. until time of services. Services are under the direction of Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

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Motorcyclists rally in Boise, Idaho Falls

The Associated Press

Hundreds of motorcyclists rallied in the far corners of Idaho Saturday to promote safety, not just on their part but on the part of the vehicle drivers around them.

"It's a team effort of the brotherhood and sisterhood of the motorcyclists to let everybody know it's spring and we're out there," Ron Shepherd told the more than 500 cyclists who jammed Jefferson Street and overflowed into lots in front of the state Capitol in Boise.

The turnout was at least double that of any of the previous 15 rallies in Boise, and for the first time there were similar rallies in Idaho Falls and Coeur d'Alene.

"I'm proclaiming May Motorcycle Awareness Month for the Idaho Coalition for Motorcycle Safety," Gov. Dirk Kempthorne cited the fuel efficiency of motorcycles and how they can ease congestion and reduce wear and tear on roadways.

"Having the governor's support is a strong statement about the importance of these rallies," said Shepherd, who coordinates motorcycle safety education for the state Education Department.

While over 4,000 people have taken the Skills Training Advantage for Riders program since it was started in '96, Shepherd said the significant safety gains made by bikers in Idaho for four years evaporated last year when motorcycle fatalities jumped from 12 to 18.

Judge panel denies registry violator appeal

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The first man imprisoned for failing to register as a convicted sex offender in Idaho has lost his bid to void the rape conviction that kept him in prison with the state in the first place.

A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed that John Zichko, 60, had the legal right to challenge his 1987 rape conviction in federal court, but the Cour d'Alene man's failure to raise the issues during an appeal barred judges from considering them now.

In the precedent-setting part of the decision, Judge Richard Paez wrote for the court that since Zichko was serving a five-year sentence for failing to register with the state as a convicted sex offender, he fulfilled the requirement that a defendant be in custody when he seeks federal review of a state conviction.

Zichko's 10-year sentence for raping his daughter ran its course just as he heard the federal habeas corpus appeal. But he was in prison then for refusing to register.

Loans

assistance programs, said Jim McLaughlin, the FSA director for the Twin Falls office.

In 1999, the FSA dispersed \$9.9 million in the form of disaster entitlement programs. It's money farmers aren't obligated to pay back. Figures for 2000 aren't yet available, Nelson said.

Though not every reimbursement program the FSA administers works well in every county, Twin Falls County has so far approved funds for about eight people who suffered fence damage from last year's wildfires, McLaughlin said.

As far as emergency loans are concerned, Nelson said it's not a matter of the FSA turning applicants away. Loans just are not what farmers need.

"People have borrowed themselves deep enough," McLaughlin said.

"So why have them? Congress authorized emergency loans years ago as one way to help farmers. They are more common in parts of the country where the weather is more severe," Nelson said.

"I think overall we've had fairly good weather. This year may be a different story for sure," he said.

In Idaho, the loans were more popular in the late 1970s and early '80s. The National Flood Insurance Act before a \$500,000 cap was implemented and farmers were required to provide a rejection letter from their lender.

But Nelson says those changes were a good thing. Emergency loans only as a last resort pre-



Smit Castillo Farfan waves the United States flag after becoming a United States citizen Wednesday in Nampa. Farfan, a Mexican native, was among more than 90 people who received their naturalization certificates during a ceremony at the Nampa Civic Center.

Irrigators say utility must provide them cheap power

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — PacifiCorp is headed back to court with the cooperative of eastern Idaho irrigators that wants to use the utility's transmission lines to carry cheaper power bought from another company.

PacifiCorp missed a May 1 deadline to appeal last October's 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that the utility cannot use an Idaho statute to protect itself from being sued under federal antitrust law.

The appellate ruling opened the door to a deregulation in Idaho, which has had some of the cheapest power rates in the nation. That prospect prompted a special legislative session last December to close that loophole. That action was ratified during last winter's regular legislative session.

But the legislation does not affect the PacifiCorp battle with the irrigators. And the missed deadline clears the way for a jury trial in federal court to determine whether the utility and its Utah Power & Light subsidiary

have been in violation of federal antitrust law in their dispute with the Snake River Valley Electric Association. The cooperative wants PacifiCorp to supply its power at the same rates the group negotiated in 1997 with Texas-based Enron. The Enron contract lapsed when it became obvious this course would preclude any wheeling of the outside power through PacifiCorp transmission lines.

Palmer pointed to a statement made by PacifiCorp lawyer David Jordan, who at a hearing in 1997 said, "I am committing PacifiCorp to provide wholesale power at the same rates and on the same terms to Snake River as the Enron contract, the same length of time, same price."

If PacifiCorp is required to meet the terms the cooperative arranged with Enron, the cooperative initially would be able to buy electricity at \$18.75 per megawatt hour.

for a total of \$34 million. While Idaho doesn't suffer the extreme flooding found in other parts of the country, the inability of Idaho farmers to qualify for emergency loans doesn't mean they are better off.

"In my opinion, I've been doing this for 22 years. I've never seen it close to this bad. It's pretty hard to cash flow anyone anymore," Seamon said.

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Elko County approves program to clean up jackpot waste water

By Karen Terrell Times-News correspondent

ELKO, Nev. — Reducing the amount of nitrates in the wastewater treatment plant at Jackpot without incurring millions of dollars of debt has been one of the priorities of the Elko County Public Works Department for at least two years, and an end may be in sight.

The plan the county is pursuing has been agreed to by the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection which issued a finding of violation against the county in 1999 because of the nitrate levels in the plant.

Elko County Public Works Director Lynn Forsberg recently told Elko County commissioners that the program proposed by AMEC consisted of Reno might solve the problems at the plant at a cost of approximately \$130,000. Other solutions to the problem of the nitrate levels have been priced in the millions of dollars. The county voted to go ahead with the experimental program.

Keith Ristinen, an infrastructure specialist with AMEC,

explained the program would utilize floating aerators on the ponds as well as a soil layer to filter effluent to remove nitrogen in the algae. Distribution trenches and collection of samples below the soil surface are also part of the plan. One of the ponds will also be deepened and three new monitoring wells will be established.

Forsberg explained a monitoring well to the north of the ponds has shown very high level of nitrates since 1998, but stressed this does not affect the town's water system. He noted the water wells in the area all within the safe standards for nitrates and other matter.

Both Forsberg and Ristinen said the problems with the wastewater plant have been ongoing for a number of years. Prior to 1998, the plant used percolation lagoons which became overloaded and began to smell. Large quantities of sodium nitrate were added for odor control, possibly adding to the current problems at the plant. In 1993 aerators were added to the ponds and in 1997 the nitrate increase began. Two years later the NDEP issued a finding of violation and gave the county a dead-

line for fixing the problem. "Forsberg explained the ground-water near the monitoring well in question is nearly stagnant and it takes a long time to disburse the nitrates. The pilot program will be ongoing for five years with reports going to NDEP on a regular basis.

"You are buying yourself a few years by adopting this plan," Forsberg told the commission.

Ristinen said the program "might work and may reduce the cost of eventual improvements," but added there are no guarantees. Work at the ponds should be completed by the first part of September.

County Commissioner Mike Nannini explained because of the NDEP's actions, new connections to the sewer line would be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, but stressed "we are not closing the town to growth." By correcting the problem, Jackpot can move forward and there is "lots of potential for growth to take the community into the future."

Forsberg said there are currently about 100 units on the list for sewer connects, and "they will all be honored."

Witness

Continued from B1. know why his deputy's report was not included among the reports previously released by the Idaho State Police, but he assumed it was not part of the FBI's investigation of the case.

State police concluded their investigation of the shooting in February. Those reports were turned over to the state attorney general's office, which recommended no criminal charges be filed in the case.

Jerome County Prosecutor John Nicholson followed that recommendation.

According to Gibbs' report, Gabardi and other crisis center staff members said Taylor also told them about the events leading up to the shooting. Gibbs' incident report says:

"Taylor said she went to the Jerome County Courthouse the afternoon of Jan. 3 to get a copy of a no-contact order she had filed against Norgard. Weaver approached her and asked her to go into a room, where he and Roberts spoke with her about Williams and his suspected drug dealing. Taylor had been hiding with Williams."

"Taylor said Weaver left the room and Roberts continued to talk with her, playing on her emotions. Taylor, reportedly a recovering methamphetamine addict, felt she had no choice but to inform on Williams or risk losing her 3-year-old child to the state Department of Health and Welfare."

"Roberts stated that she was a mother and understood how Taylor felt after losing two children and possibly could lose her current child, stating that this child could be taken away because of the drugs in the home," the report says.

Roberts said neither she nor Weaver ever tried to force Taylor to talk about Weaver.

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"We don't strong-arm anyone," Roberts said. She declined further comment about the case.

Later in Gibbs' report, the crisis center staff says Taylor told them she had opened the outside door into Williams' garage for sheriff's deputies. She was also asked by Weaver to take her child into Williams' home before the raid — a request she said she refused.

Taylor told Gabardi that Williams had not been carrying a gun before Cpl. James Moulson entered Williams' home. That is when gunfire erupted, Taylor reportedly said.

Moulson, 30, and Sheriff's Cpl. Phillip Anderson, 23, died in an attempt to serve a search warrant on Williams' home.

In a press conference a week after the shootings, Weaver said Williams fired at deputies when they burst through a door from Williams' garage into his living quarters. Weaver said he was close enough to Williams to see the "whites of Williams' eyes."

Taylor disputed that assertion, according to Gibbs' report. Williams was in his bedroom throughout the shooting, Taylor said. Weaver, who remained in the garage during the shoot-out, could not have seen Williams, she said.

Also, Taylor said Williams might have mistaken police for Norgard. Williams had told

friends and relatives that Norgard had threatened him and Taylor.

Norgard previously has denied ever threatening Williams. But he and Williams were involved in a fistfight in December, according to Twin Falls County sheriff's reports.

Norgard has since been arrested on charges of violating Taylor's no-contact order, as well as possession of a controlled substance. He remained in the Twin Falls County Jail as of Friday.

Taylor has made no public statements since the shoot-out, despite repeated Times-News attempts to reach her.

Taylor, whose criminal record includes a conviction on felony drug possession, worked as a confidential informant for the now-defunct Magic Valley Drug Task Force in the 1990s. She later testified in criminal trials against two former task force officers, who ultimately were exonerated.

Weaver and Roberts told state investigators that Taylor had told them Williams had a "substantial quantity of marijuana" in his home the night of Jan. 2. But police found less than four grams of marijuana after the Jan. 3 raid.

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Conservation league applauds southeastern Idaho forest plan

SODA SPRINGS (AP) — The Idaho Conservation League calls it encouraging that the Caribou National Forest in southeastern Idaho has proposed implementing the controversial Roadless Area Protection Conservation Rule in its management plan.

THIS IS A GREAT example of how the roadless policy can and should be implemented on the forest level," League board member John Schmidt said.

The Bush administration was advising a federal judge in Idaho that it wants to keep former President Clinton's roadless initiative on the books with some modifications, the Caribou issued its draft environmental analysis for long-range planning and made clear that the roadless conservation rule would apply.

The forest has about a million acres with 750,000 acres without roads.

About 400,000 acres are now open to summer cross-country motorized use.

Implementing the roadless policy in the Caribou, the

Conservation League said it could become the blueprint for implementing the policy across the country.

"If roadless management prevails in this forest plan, we all win and benefit from greater protection for clean water and wildlife habitat."

But while the Bush administration announcement that it would pursue a modified roadless initiative drew cautious support from many, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and Attorney General Al Lance both were adamant that Idaho would continue to press U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge to prohibit implementation of the policy as scheduled next week.

Lodge has already concluded that the way Clinton handled the issue violated federal law. He will decide in the coming week whether to block the initiative or let the Bush administration follow through on its plans to modify it.

At the same time, the new deputy regional forester for

northern Idaho, Dave Rittenhouse, reassured business leaders in Bonners Ferry that Forest Service Chief Dale Bosworth "believes our care for the lands should focus on multiple use, forest management and stewardship."

"We are heading down the right path to put the decision-making process back into local hands," Rittenhouse told the North Idaho Chamber of Commerce.

Timber executives agreed that the natural resource atmosphere was becoming more cooperative, although accommodations that satisfy all parties still require a lot of work.

Chuck Rody of Crown Pacific Corp. said the company was able to buy a deal with the Nature Conservancy after the group bought the 2,600-acre Ball Creek Ranch so it could log 350 acres.

"Although it wasn't always easy, we ended up working out an agreement that was acceptable to everyone," Rody said. "It can be done."

National forest to get new supervisor

LEWISTON (AP) — A National Forest Service veteran has been appointed supervisor for north-central Idaho's Clearwater National Forest.

Larry Dawson, 47, has been the supervisor of Dakota Prairie Grasslands in North and South Dakota.

He replaces Jim Caswell, who retired last year to become the director of the Office of Species Conservation for the state of Idaho.

A graduate of the University of Idaho in 1976, Dawson worked as a district ranger on the Superior National Forest in Minnesota and in several timber jobs on the

Beaverhead, Kootenai and Olympic national forests in the West.

Dawson, who expects to take over in July, said he has no preconceived notions about the region and intends to get to know the issues and the different uses of the Clearwater National Forest.

In the Panhandle, Ranotra McNair, a 23-year service veteran who has been deputy national forest supervisor of North Carolina for the past two years, has been named regional forester for the 2.5 million-acre Panhandle National Forest.

McNair replaces David Wright, who retired Feb. 2.

"She's inheriting a forest that is one of the few, that, as big as it is, doesn't have major problems," deputy supervisor Pat Aguilar said.

McNair worked for the Prineville Bureau of Land Management District and as acting deputy supervisor for the Deschutes National Forest in Oregon. She also was a Forest Service representative in the Regional Ecosystem Office in Portland and has worked on the natural resource plan for 24 million acres of public land in Oregon, Washington and northern California.

Police arrest teen in death of 78-year-old

RICHFIELD, Utah (AP) — Police arrested a 17-year-old boy Saturday who they say killed a 78-year-old woman.

Amy Mariam Davis was found dead in her Richfield home Thursday by her son, Merdell Davis, who lived with her. She had a gash on her head, leading police to suspect fratricide.

On Saturday, KSL radio reported, police arrested a teen who was charged last year with killing a woman in Yuma, Ariz. The Yuma case was dropped because of legal issues, police said, but they say the two crimes are similar.

There were no signs of a break-in at Davis' home, but most Richfield residents don't lock their doors at night, police say.

The Medical Examiner's Office completed an autopsy Friday but did not release the results.

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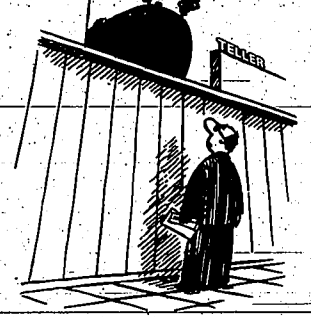
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DEATH NOTICES SERVICES

David R. Lovelady
TWIN FALLS - David R. Lovelady, 89, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, May 5, 2001, at Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Clarence E. Showers
TWIN FALLS - Clarence E. Clancy Showers, 76, of Twin Falls, died Friday, May 4, 2001, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Memorial Chapel in Twin Falls.

Steven D. Duffy
TWIN FALLS - Steven Donald Duffy, 25, of Twin Falls, died Friday, May 4, 2001, at his home.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Richard P. Vierstra
TWIN FALLS - Richard P. Vierstra, 70, of Twin Falls, died Friday, May 4, 2001, at his home.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Memorial Chapel in Twin Falls.

Winifred C. Wolfe
BUHL - Winifred C. Wolfe, 77, of Buhl, died Thursday, May 3, 2001, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.
A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Monday at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home with the Rev. Dale Metzger officiating. Inurnment will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery.

Ethel DePew
EILER - Ethel DePew, 82, of Eiler, died Friday, May 4, 2001, at her home.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Mary Marchant
OAKLEY - Mary Marchant, 94, of Oakley, died Saturday, May 5, 2001, at the Rock Haven Retirement Home in Oakley.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Crandel Mortuary in Evanston, Wyo., and Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Lorraine R. Curtis
HAILEY - Lorraine R. Rainey Curtis, 79, of Sun Valley, died Friday, May 4, 2001, at the St. Lukes Regional Medical Center in Boise.
A memorial service is pending and will be announced by Wood River Chapel in Hailey.

George A. DeVoe
KETCHUM - George Alfred DeVoe, 87, of Ketchum, died Saturday, May 5, 2001, at his home.
Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Wood River Chapel in Hailey.

Myrtle Irene Griggs of Twin Falls, open house from 1-4 p.m. today at her home, 1003 Pole Line Road, W., Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

Emelia (Koch) Kemer of Twin Falls, visitation from 1-5 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, and from 10-11 a.m. Monday at the Paul Congregational Church, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Paul Congregational Church; burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery.

Jess Lemuel Beckley of Hailey, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Community Baptist Church, Hailey (Wood River Chapel, Hailey).

Aaron Colby Quilantan, infant son of Manuel and Melissa Gonzales Quilantan of Paul, service at 11 a.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Uletta May Martin of Coos Bay, Ore., and formerly of Buhl, service at 2 p.m. Monday at the Buhl United Methodist Church. Interment will be at West End Cemetery in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl).

Norman Dreyfus Tarter of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday, at the Twin Falls Seventh Day Adventist Church, 131 Grandview Drive; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls.
Friends may call from 6-7 p.m. Monday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

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Ken is survived by his sons, Rick (Charlotte) Erickson of Hazelton and Mike (Anne) Erickson of Twin Falls; three grandchildren, Erin, Kaito, and Kairo; and one brother, Harold Erickson. He was preceded in death by his wife, Bonnie; his son, Dennis; his brothers, Jess and John; his sisters, Dora and Bess; and his parents.

Special thanks to family and best friends, Ray and Dorothy Hamby, for providing so much care and attention over the years, and to St. Al's Dialysis Center and Twin Falls Care Center for their genuine loving care. We appreciate you all so much.
A graveside service will be held at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls on Tuesday, May 8, 2001 at 2 p.m. under the direction of White Mortuary. Memorials may be given to Crossroads-United Methodist Church in Kimberly. Friends may call at White Mortuary, Kimberly Chapel, on Monday, May 7, 2001, from 4-8 p.m.

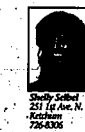
Kenneth Lavonne Erickson
Kenneth Lavonne Erickson, 71, of Kimberly, passed away Thursday, May 3, 2001, at the Twin Falls Care Center.
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Friday: Cereal, mixed fruit, toast, peanut butter, banana, kiwi

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Choice of milk offered every day
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Tuesday: Tuna sandwich or pizza, veggie, fruit cookie
Wednesday: Chef salad or turkey pot pie, Macos, peach, cole slaw, fruit turnover
Thursday: Peanut butter and jelly sandwich or chicken taco, corn, applesauce, cherry crisp
Friday: Nachos or hamburger, fries, apple half, cookie

Jerome Schools

Milk served every day
Menu not available
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Breakfast
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Wednesday: Cereal, muffins
Thursday: Biscuits, gravy

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Thursday: Nachos
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Milk served every day
Monday: Cereal, applesauce, cherry muffin
Tuesday: Pancake on a stick, syrup, pineapple
Wednesday: Cereal, apple quarters, strawberry cream cheese, mini bagels
Thursday: French toast, syrup, sausage patty
Friday: Cereal, mixed fruit, toast, peanut butter
Lunch menu
Monday: Chicken sandwich, lettuce, mayo, tomato, rice, pineapple, tiddies, ranchero cookie
Tuesday: Deli sandwich, mini pretzels, school boy apple, chocolate pudding
Wednesday: Soft shell taco, lettuce, cheese, tomatoes, potato wedges, strawberries, bananas
Thursday: French bread pizza, seasoned corn, mixed fruit cup, trail mix
Friday: Chicken fried steak, scalloped potatoes, french fries, apple, kiwi, jelly

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Valley Schools

Monday: Barbecue beef, potato wedge, carrots, apple, pineapple
Tuesday: Soft shell taco, tortilla chips, salsa, corn, apple cake
Wednesday: Cheese omelet, steamed rice, hot roll, butter, pineapple, fruit cookie
Thursday: Pizza, bread sticks, pizza sauce, veggie, fruit
Friday: Western vegetable soup, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce, chocolate chip cookie

Blaine County School District

All elementary
Lunch menu
Bellvue Elementary has no self serve bar
Monday: Canadian bacon pizza, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, carrot and celery sticks, peaches, waffle cookie. Self serve bar: Top a later with chili
Tuesday: French toast, Danmair's sour cream, brown beans, onion string, enticer pears. Self serve bar: Fruits and cheese
Wednesday: Crisp beef taco, boiled egg and roll, whole kernel corn, dinner roll, banana half. Self serve bar: Cheese nachos
Thursday: Hamburger, string cheese and crackers, dressing, fruit, apple quarters, soft bread, pretzel. Self serve bar: Salad
Friday: Chicken nuggets, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, oven browned tortis, whole wheat bread, orange wedges. Self serve bar: Brunch

Bliss School

Milk served every day
Breakfast
Monday: French toast, apple, banana, kiwi, kiwi, kiwi
Tuesday: Egg muffin sandwich
Wednesday: Breakfast burrito
Thursday: Hot and cold cereal
Friday: Biscuits and gravy
Lunch
Monday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, veggie, roll, cookie
Tuesday: Veggie, choco, waffle, marshmallows, doughnut
Wednesday: Grilled cheese or peanut butter sandwiches, carrot and celery sticks
Thursday: Pizza, crackers, cinnamon
Friday: Chili, salad, fruit

Murtaugh School

Milk served every day
Monday: Chicken burgers, green beans, cinnamon apples, pudding
Tuesday: Mini corn dogs, salad, fruit cocktail, muffins
Wednesday: Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot sticks, peaches, roll
Thursday: Turkey hot, gravy or sour cream, mashed potatoes, cookie
Friday: Fruit sandwich, fries, apricot, granah crackers

Dietrich Schools

Salad bar, fruit and milk served every day
Monday: Spaghetti, garlic bread
Tuesday: Soft shell taco, lettuce, cheese, tomatoes, potato wedges, strawberries, bananas
Wednesday: Turkey noodle
Thursday: Turkey noodle
Friday: Tacos

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 Thursday: Pepperoni pizza, corn, bar cook-
 ies, peaches
 Friday: Chicken sandwich, chips, chocolate
 cake, apple wedges

Shoshone Schools
 Breakfast and choice of milk served every
 day
 Menu not available

**Valley School
(Eden and Hazelton)**
 Monday: Barbecue beef, potato wedges, car-
 rot sticks, apple brownie
 Tuesday: Soft shell taco, tortilla chips,
 salsa, corn, spice cake
 Wednesday: Chow mein, steamed rice, hot
 roll, butter, pineapple popovers
 Thursday: Turkey, ham, green beans, green
 beans salad, fresh fruit
 Friday: Western vegetable soup, peanut
 butter sandwich, appleauce, chocolate chip
 cookie

Wendell Schools
 Breakfast and choice of milk served daily
 Monday: Chicken patties, mashed pota-
 toes, gravy, baby carrots, wheat roll, cherry
 pie
 Tuesday: Ground beef sandwich, mashed
 potatoes, Western vegetable soup
 Wednesday: Turkey sandwich, lettuce,
 tomato, mayonnaise, baby carrots, banana
 nut

half oatmeal cookie
 Thursday: French toast, syrup, ham, potato
 muffin, ketchup, orange halves
 Friday: Surfburger, rice, mayonnaise, let-
 tuce, baby carrots, appleauce
 All schools serve milk with meals.

**Cassia County
Elementary Schools**
 Breakfast menu:
 Monday: Cereal, toast, juice
 Tuesday: Toaster pastry, hash brown patty
 Wednesday: Breakfast pizza, crusty apple
 sauce
 Thursday: Peanut butter bar, banana
 Friday: Cereal, toast, juice
 Lunch menu:
 Monday: Pigs in a blanket, tater tots, col-
 dy sticks, peach
 Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, ring
 arula cheese sticks, tossed salad, mixed fruit
 Wednesday: Bell sandwich, tortilla chips,
 corn sticks, orange
 Thursday: Hawaiian pizza, corn, cookie
 Friday: Cheese squares, green beans,
 chocolate pudding, banana

Minidoka County Schools
 Breakfast menu:
 Monday: Cereal, muffin, pears
 Tuesday: Toast with peanut butter and
 jelly, appleauce
 Wednesday: Cereal, cinnamon toast, fruit
 mix
 Thursday: Breakfast burrito, fresh fruit
 Friday: Cereal, graham crackers, peaches
 Lunch:

Choice of white or chocolate milk every
 day
 Monday: Chicken burger, green beans, car-
 rot sticks, fruit mix
 Tuesday: Chili, crackers, carrot sticks,
 peaches, sweet roll
 Wednesday: Combination pizza, tossed
 green salad, appleauce, cookie
 Thursday: Baked potato with toppings, veg-
 etable sticks, fruit crisp, dinner roll
 Friday: Nachos, corn, peas, cookie

Burley Junior High
 Breakfast: Juice and fruit served every day
 Choice of salad bar with sandwich or soup
 or sandwich bar every day
 Chocolate milk served every day
 Monday: Pizza or cheese square, green
 beans, appleauce, chocolate chip cookie
 Salad bar: Mini corn dog
 Tuesday: Hoagie or hot combo: potato
 wedges, french fries, chicken salad, sa-
 lada bar
 Wednesday: Hamburger or burrito or
 bacon cheeseburger, french fries, peach
 Salad bar: Crapito
 Thursday: Turkey noodles, cheese stick,
 orange half roll, salad bar, Chicken fried
 steak, roll
 Friday: Chicken or tuna, tater tots, pears
 Salad bar: Spaghetti

*School lunch menus are printed as a public
 service. To have the lunch menu (breakfast
 menu if desired) printed with the menu in
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Tests find no unsafe lead levels

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - A recent nonrandom blood-lead screening by the Panhandle Health District found no unsafe levels of lead in Mullan and Wallace school children.

The tests were conducted during an April 21 school health fair of 80 children under 9 years old. Eleven had such low amounts of lead in their blood that a lead reading could not be ascertained.

"It's absolutely great news for our school district," Mullan Superintendent Robin Simley said.

But Stanley acknowledged that

the tests are not an accurate representation of the school population because they did not involve random student samples.

Jerry Cobb, the health district's environmental health supervisor, said only volunteers were tested during the health fair at Silver Hills Middle School.

"That's always been one of the criticisms we get," Cobb said. Still, he called the results good news.

"We like to see that," he said.

Blood-lead levels have been an issue in the Silver Valley because of the pollution left over from a

century of lead, silver and zinc mining and smelting.

The state Department of Environmental Quality reported last month that its tests in the valley found schools safe from excessive lead exposure. Those results have been contested.

Each year the health districts tests between 150 and 250 children for lead exposure. Since 1997, between 9 percent and 15 percent of those tested have shown dangerous levels of lead in their blood. The district works with those families to prevent further lead exposure.

Man shoots himself in accident

MOAB, Utah (AP) - A man who accidentally shot himself in the head and then walked for his head in a condition at a Colorado hospital.

George Hunt, 42, of Blanding, said he was cleaning his .357 Magnum in his camper at the Lizard hostel Thursday night and was twisting it near his head when it went off.

The bullet ricocheted off the back of his skull, went through the side of his camper and about 20 feet across the parking lot before lodging into the wood side of an outdoor shower.

Bleeding from the wound, Hunt walked into the hostel office to get help. He was taken to Allen Memorial Hospital in Moab and later flown to St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction, Colo.

Police say he's lucky to be alive. "Any other time it proba-
 bly would have went right through his skull," Grand County Sheriff Sgt. Curt Brewer said.

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Nampa-man faces conviction for knowingly spreading AIDS

CALDWELL - Sentencing is scheduled June 15 for a Nampa man convicted of knowingly transferring bodily fluids containing the virus that causes AIDS.

Anthony Garcia, 25, faces up to 15 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine after being convicted by a nine-woman, three-man Canyon County jury on Friday.

Jurors deliberated less than four hours before returning a verdict. District Judge Sergio Gutierrez presided over a three-day trial that included testimony from Garcia's former roommates, friends and sexual partners.

"I'm so emotional right now," a victim identified in court, one of 13 women Garcia had sex with, "J.M." said as he cried and hugged friends after the verdict was read. "I don't know what to think. I just know I'm happy the jury found him guilty."

Jury sentences man to 20 years for aggravated assault

POCATELLO - A man who held a Bannock County Sheriff's Office officer at bay outside a Lava Hot Springs motel in December has been sentenced to 20 years in prison.

Stephen Dean Hoch, 35, was charged with aggravated assault on a police officer for firing a handgun at Bannock County officers.

After Hoch fired five rounds at officers, Bannock County SWAT, Idaho State Police and local police officers, SWAT officers went to the motel and waited outside for more than seven hours before Hoch was gassed out of the room.

The officers were attempting to serve him with a Texas warrant. Hoch was arrested in that state for failure to register as a sex offender.

Hoch, his wife, Janet, and their six children had been living in the motel. He had an agreement with motel owners that allowed him and his family to live there rent-free while he fixed up rooms.

After he was arrested, people and in Lava Hot Springs raised funds to care for Hoch's family until they returned to Texas.

Mother faces charges again in daughter's drowning

BOISE - A Meridian woman whose previous conviction for injury to a child was overturned by the Idaho Court of Appeals in March will have to face those charges again.

Brandy Byington, charged for a second time with felony injury to a child for the 1999 drowning

Idaho/West in brief

death of her 4-year-old daughter is scheduled to be arraigned May 14 before 4th District Judge Thomas Neville.

Byington pleaded guilty to the original charge and was placed on seven years probation. But her conviction was overturned when the three-judge Court of Appeals ruled that prosecutors failed to properly accuse Byington in the indictment for the death of her daughter, Tawney.

Muscle instructor pleads guilty to sex charges

COBURG, I.ALENE - North Idaho College music instructor Todd Snyder has pleaded guilty to one count of sexual abuse of a minor under 16.

In a plea agreement reached last month, Kootenai County prosecutors said they would drop another charge against Snyder in exchange for his willingness to plead guilty.

Snyder's guilty plea was written prior to Friday's court appearance when he verbally confirmed his plea to 1st District Judge James Judd.

Snyder must register as a sex offender and be evaluated as such.

LDS church instructional center celebrates 75 years

MOSCOW - About 10,000 members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints were expected during the weekend to help celebrate the 75th anniversary of the LDS Institute of Religion on the University of Idaho campus.

The city was home to the first institute in church history. Now, more than 300,000 college students are served by similar programs in 129 countries, Moscow Institute Director Kim Jenkins said.

Church members in Moscow circa 1925 worshipped on the second floor of what 93-year-old Norma Greene said was "a dirty old indie hall" that reeked of tobacco smoke and where bootleg whiskey bottles lined the halls and stairs.

Greene and her sister Zola were two of only a handful of students who attended church with about 20 other residents.

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In May, the Board will meet in Pocatello to discuss the sitewide "minimum safety" budget and budgets for the High Level Waste, Spent Nuclear Fuel & Waste Management Programs.

In July, the Board will meet in Idaho Falls to consider budgets for the Environmental Restoration & Infrastructure Programs.

Please come to help the Board understand citizens' concerns about funding for cleanup.

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Tuesday & Wednesday, July 17-18, 2001 at the Ameritel Inn, 845 Lindsay Boulevard, Idaho Falls, Idaho

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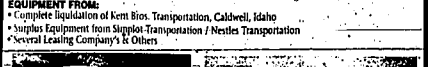
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SPORTS

MORNING LINE
SPORTSQUOTE

I whipped him once, and that's when he started rolling. He was very aggressive and very confident.

jockey Jorge Chavez, aboard Kentucky Derby winner Monarchos Saturday

TRIVIA QUESTION: Where did the Sacramento franchise originate?
...answer below

IN BRIEF Arnold and Rose lead at Gooding tourney

GOODING - Fighting strong winds, Russ Arnold shot 76 to give him and partner Paul Rose a two-stroke lead with a 71 in the Wood River Inn/Farmer National Bank 2-Man Best Ball Tournament at Gooding Golf Course on Saturday.

Idaho seniors hold Canyon Springs tourney
TWIN FALLS - The Idaho Seniors Golf Association will hold its annual Canyon Springs Golf Tournament May 19-20.

Csi tandem wins Scruff Dog tourney
TWIN FALLS - College of Southern Idaho professor Tony Mann and Faith instructor Kevin Jones took the first gross prize with a 7-under 55 during play at the inaugural Scruff Dog Open at Candleridge Golf Course on Saturday.

Softball league needs players for co-ed league
TWIN FALLS - Sign-ups are being taken for a church co-ed softball league to begin in mid-May.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER: In Rochester, N.Y., in 1949-49, as the Royals franchise later became the Cincinnati Royals, then the Kansas City-Omaha Kings, then the Kansas City Kings before moving to Sacramento for the 1985-86 season.

Eagles end on sour note

By Joe Sunnan Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - College of Southern Idaho sophomore Nick Parker threw only one bad pitch but it was all Treasure Valley Community College needed.

TVGG sweeps CSI in regular season finale

The losses dropped the Eagles to 23-13 in the SWAC, 33-21 overall. Treasure Valley improved to 22-14 in the league and 27-22 this season.



It's real hard to recapture the energy in baseball," CSI coach Jim Walker said. "But I think we've been pretty resilient all year and I'd like to say we are resilient enough to bounce back."

inning of Game 2, working a no-hitter through 4.2 innings before Chuker freshman Brad and Brent Ross knocked the CSI Juggernaut out of commission.

Monarchos reigns at Churchill Downs

127th Kentucky Derby



Horse runs second fastest race in history

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - Monarchos doesn't look a bit like the great Secretariat, but he sure ran like Big Red in the Kentucky Derby on a sunny Saturday at Churchill Downs.

In fact, only Secretariat has run the testing 1.25 miles of

127th Kentucky Derby
An impressive race faster than the gray Monarchos. He carried Jorge Chavez across the finish in 1:59.45, only two-fifths of a second off the track record set by Secretariat in 1973.



Top: Monarchos, center, with Jorge Chavez up, leads the field on the home stretch at Churchill Downs Saturday in Louisville, Ky. Above: Monarchos, with Chavez aboard, drives to the finish to win the 127th running of the Kentucky Derby.

Wendell splits with Pilots, forces third game

By Nathan Jerke Times-News writer

GLENN'S FERRY - The Wendell Trojans may have lost all four of their regular-season meetings with Glens Ferry (21-4) this year, but the Trojans came two runs away from ending the Pilots' season on Saturday.

A-3 District baseball

out every stop as seven pitchers took turns on the mound for both teams recording a combined 21 strikeouts.

Spurs secure first round

The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO - The Battle of Texas got off to a bruising start. Tim Duncan had 31 points and 13 rebounds, and the San Antonio Spurs overcame the loss of Derek Anderson to beat Dallas 94-78 on Saturday night in the Western Conference semifinal opener.



San Antonio's Sean Elliott drives past Dallas defenders Dirk Nowitzki and Shawn Bradley during the first quarter of their Western Conference semifinal game in San Antonio, Saturday. San Antonio won 94-78.

NBA On the Air Today's Games (All on NBC) Hornets at Bucks, 10:30 p.m. Kings at Lakers, 1 p.m. Raptors at Sikera, 3:30 p.m.

Watters releases his slimming secret, says kung-fu is his training

KIRKLAND, Wash. (AP) - Mystery man Ricky Watters has revealed his secret to slimming down and shaping up.

At Friday's first day of the Seattle-Seahawks' three-day minicamp, Watters was seven pounds lighter than his typical playing weight. He said he was feeling great.

The Seahawks hadn't heard from the veteran running back since last season ended, raising questions whether he was committed to staying a Seahawk.

Watters said he weighs about 210 pounds, as slim as he's been since his early days as a San Francisco 49er about 10 years ago.

Watters, 32, has been studying the martial art of kung fu with a specialist for 12 months a week for the past two months. He wants to become "well" as a martial artist.

"It's pretty serious. It's very intense," he said, excitement in his voice and a smile on his face. "I didn't even notice the weight coming off at first. It's a great workout. You get your butt kicked."

He's already an orange belt, the second belt in the sequence following a yellow belt. Watters didn't start using fu to lose weight. It just happened.

"My pants, they were a little baggy before. They're really baggy now," he said, grinning as he ran with it, let fate decide.

Watters, who enters his 11th pro season after rushing for 1,242 yards in 2000, said he has continued a weight lifting routine and likely will gain a few pounds before the season begins.

He has 10,325 career rushing yards, placing him 12th on the NFL's all-time rushing list. Watters didn't participate in an optional minicamp in March.

Coach Mike Holmgren said he would meet with Watters on Friday night. "He looks in great shape. He had a great day," Holmgren said. "I wasn't being wise when I said

I hadn't talked to him. I hadn't talked to him," he said.

The Seahawks' have an improved mindset this spring. Watters said, Seattle finished 6-10 last season, missing the playoffs for the 11th time in 12 seasons.

"I think everybody is excited," he said. "When I got here yesterday, we had to take a physical. I came in and everybody was just ear-to-ear grins. It was a really good atmosphere."

That is nearly healed. He could be ready to play by the team's June minicamp, or at the latest by training camp at the end of July.

"I'm going to let that thing heal," Holmgren said. "Robinson is capable of doing, on plenty of mental notes."

Robinson has been taking plenty of mental notes. "I'm so competitive. I just want to go out there and compete. Show everybody what I can do in the field," he said. "I feel like I can do it. I thought the playbook would be bigger than that."

Quarterback Matt Hasselbeck acquired in a trade with Green Bay to replace Jon Kitna, tried too hard in Friday's workouts, Holmgren said.

"I'm weary hard on him and I will be," Holmgren said. "Fortunately, he knows that. He tried to do too much today. That's his nature. He's a great leader, and the guys like him already."

Hasselbeck said Seattle has a good selection of players on both sides of the ball. He appreciated Watters' energy on the field. "He's a great athlete," Hasselbeck said. "He's a special player. I grew up watching him, so you get a feel for what he's going to do."

SCORES AND STATS

BASEBALL

Table with columns for team, W, L, Pct, and various statistics for MLB teams.

RED SOX 7, ATHLETICS 1

Box score for Red Sox vs Athletics game.

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Box score for Mariners vs Blue Jays game.

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Box score for Indians vs Devil Rays game.

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Box score for Angels vs White Sox game.

METS 6, DODGERS 1

Box score for Mets vs Dodgers game.

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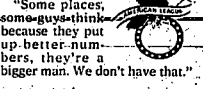
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SPORTS

Sensational Seattle sails into May

It continues to be smooth sailing for the mighty Mariners. Seattle's 22-6 start is one of the best in baseball history...



Athletics gasping

The defending AL West champion Oakland Athletics were this year's chip-pick to upset the world champion New York Yankees...

White Sox unraveling?

Another defending division champion that has broken down a year later is the Chicago White Sox, winners of 95 games and the AL Central crown in 2000...

Hook em Hale

Former University of Texas-RRP Beau Hale, the Baltimore Orioles' first-round pick from last June's draft...

Angels closer Troy Percival

Angels closer Troy Percival certainly appears past his arm trouble in Percival's first 7 1/3 innings...

Mets 8, Diamondbacks 1

NEW YORK - Glendon Rusch (2-1) scattered five hits in seven innings and drove in a run with a two-run homer...

Astros 4, Expos 3

MONTREAL - Shane Reynolds (2-2) allowed three runs and seven hits in seven innings, and Lance Berkman's two-run single keyed a four-run third inning...

SEY HEY KID TURNS 70

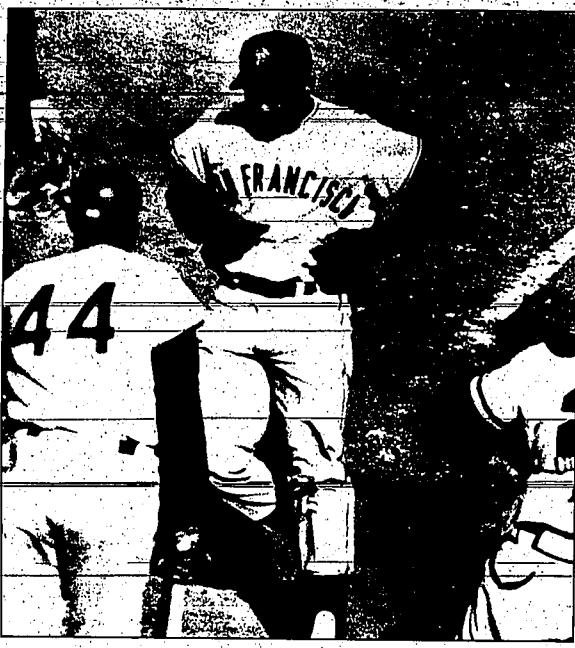
By Hal Bock The Associated Press

There are tinges of gray in his hair and his body is bulkier now, made thicker by the advancing years. His face, once so smooth, has lines in it...

He will always be remembered as young and strong; fast and flashy, perhaps the best player of his time, perhaps the best of any time.

There is a housing project in the heart of Harlem at the upper reaches of Manhattan, a place where a ballpark called the Polo Grounds once stood...

It was the perfect showplace for a center fielder who could run down balls, a center fielder like Willie Mays.



San Francisco legend Willie Mays jogs towards home plate after he hit his fourth homer in the eighth inning against the Braves on May 1, 1961 in Milwaukee, Wis. Mays celebrates his 70th birthday today.

Mays' career largely because it came in the spotlight of the World Series. He made others, though, that were comparable, perhaps even better.

After the game, Brooklyn manager Chuck Dressen was asked about the marvelous catch and the stardom throw, about the breathtaking defensive skills of the kid in center field.

Sosa leads Cubs' 20-1 rout of Dodgers

CHICAGO (AP) - Sammy Sosa homered and had four RBIs, and Julian Tavarez, back from a suspension and fine, struck out a career-high eight as the Chicago Cubs routed Los Angeles 20-1 Saturday.

Chicago had 18 hits in scoring its ninth runs at Wrigley Field since beating Houston 2-1 on June 3, 1987. The Cubs scored eight runs in each of the last two innings.

Tavarez (3-1), fined by the Cubs during the week for making comments about a spring training brawl, allowed six hits and a run in seven innings to drop his NL-leading ERA to 1.49.

Darren Dreifort (1-2) allowed four runs in six innings and Terry Adams gave up seven runs without getting an out.

Padres 5, Reds 2 CINCINNATI - Rickey Henderson was 3-for-4 with three runs scored, tying Rogers Hornsby for 30th on the career list at 2,930...

Major League Baseball

Houston, which got just three hits, won its third straight after losing five of six. Billy Wagner pitched the ninth for his sixth save.

Brewers 8, Marlins 2 MIAMI - Mark Leiter (1-1), given a 5-0 lead in the first, allowed two runs and four hits in six innings.

Florida's runs came on Cliff Floyd's two-run homer in the sixth inning and his 10th of the season and fourth in three games.

Pirates 11, Rockies 3 PITTSBURGH - Aramis Ramirez drove in four runs with a pair of doubles.

Phillies 4, Giants 2 PHILADELPHIA - Scott Rolen's RBI double drove in the go-ahead run of Tim Lincecum in a four-run seventh for Philadelphia, which at 17-12 leads the NL East.

Randy Wolf (2-4) struck out 10 in seven innings, allowing two runs and seven hits. Jose Mesa pitched the ninth for his seventh save.

Braves 6, Cardinals 5 ATLANTA - Rick Ankiel waded a 4-0 lead, allowing home runs to Bernard Gilkey and Rafael Furcal.

Ankiel allowed four runs, five hits and three walks in 3 2/3 innings, his ERA rising from 6.23 to 6.86.

American League Indians 9, Devil Rays 4 ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. - Russel Brantley homered and collected three RBIs as the Cleveland Indians won their seventh straight, 9-4 Saturday over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

Tampa Bay's Paul Wilson (1-4) hit one batter and Cleveland's Tim Drew punched two. Plate umpire Mike Dimuro warned Wilson and both benches after a high-and-tight fastball to Omar Vizquel in the fifth.

Dimuro ejected Tampa Bay's Mike Judd in the eighth for an inside pitch just above the belt to Elmar Diaz. Tampa Bay manager Hal Munn was ejected.

Yankees 5, Orioles 2 BALTIMORE - Andy Pettitte (4-3) allowed six hits - all singles - and two unearned runs in seven innings, improving to 12-3 against Baltimore, including 8-1 at Camden Yards.

Derek Jeter and Chuck Knoblauch both had two hits and an RBI for the Yankees, who won their third straight. Jeter stole home as part of a double steal to cap a four-run third.

Big Mac not coming back anytime soon

St. Louis slugger Mark McGwire's doctor expects to be back in the Cardinals' lineup before June. McGwire admitted this week that his right knee wasn't fully recovered this spring from last year's surgery to remove part of a diseased patella tendon.

Sheffield alleges bias Los Angeles Dodgers outfielder Gary Sheffield stirred up some more as the controversy of the May 14 issue of ESPN's magazine.

Sheffield alleges bias in the way injuries are viewed depending on a player's race and in the way baseball's bench players are selected.

Cat's got their runs? Think the Braves aren't missing first baseman Andres Galarraga? Colorado's Brad Burdett is getting to start, the Braves scored three or fewer runs 17 times and new cleanup man B.J. Surhoff entered the weekend batting 16-7.

Burford on the outs? Former Rangers outfielder Damon Burford is bracing for his departure from Wrigley Field. It is believed the Chicago Cubs have placed Burford on the 40-man roster with outfielder Todd Dunwoody.

Arizona drew its smallest home crowd in franchise history Monday (23,323) on a night Randy Johnson pitched. I remember when I was a kid in Southern California, you couldn't get a ticket to see Nolan Ryan pitching against Ron Guidry at Diamondbacks 1B Mark Grace said. "Times have changed." This year marked the first time in Colorado Rockies franchise history that a game wasn't postponed or delayed because of weather in April.

Rangers 2, White Sox 0 ARLINGTON, Texas - Jerry Narron, in his first game as the Rangers manager, got the sort of pitching Johnny Oates never did. Ryan Glynn (1-3) allowed three hits in eight shutout innings and Alex Rodriguez collected his 1,000th career as Texas stopped a five-game losing streak with its first shutout since last Aug. 25.

Narron took over after Oates resigned under pressure on Friday and inherited a team with a major league-high 6.72 ERA. Rusty Greer hit a go-ahead double in the fifth off Rocky Biddle (1-1). Jeff Zimmerman pitched the ninth for his third save.

SPORTS

Maple Leafs take 3-2 lead over Devils

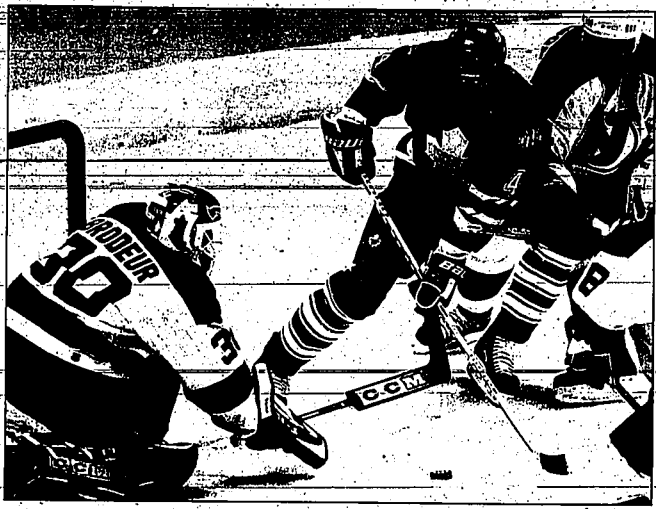
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP)—Thomas Kaberle's controversial goal with 29.4 seconds to play lifted the Toronto Maple Leafs past the New Jersey Devils 3-2 Saturday night, pushing the defending Stanley Cup champions to the brink of playoff elimination.

Kaberle's first goal of the playoffs came just seconds after Steve Corson knocked out Devils' goaltender, Martin Brodeur. Referee Bill McCreey ruled Devils defenseman Colin White pushed Corson into Brodeur. Earlier in the game, McCreey nullified a goal by Devils forward Patrik Elias, ruling that Jason Arnott interfered with goaltender Curtis Joseph, who hit 24 saves.

The Leafs lead the best-of-seven series 3-2 and can wrap it up Monday night in Toronto. If a seventh game is necessary, it will be Wednesday at the Continental Airlines Arena.

The Devils rallied from a 3-1 deficit last year in the conference final en route to winning the Cup. The late controversy seemed fitting, considering how Game 4 ended. Maple Leafs forward Tie Domii hit Scott Niedermayer with an elbow late in Toronto's 3-1 win on Thursday night.

Niedermayer sustained a concussion and missed Game 5. Domii was suspended by the NHL for the rest of the playoffs, although he appeared here at a news conference, apologized, and crying several times.



Toronto's Cory Cross puts a loose puck in for a goal against New Jersey goalie Martin Brodeur during the second period in the NHL Eastern Conference semifinals at the Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford, N.J., Saturday.

over time to give the Sabres a 3-2 series lead.

The Sabres, who trailed the best-of-seven second-round series 2-0, are just one win away from the Eastern Conference finals. The Sabres, who became the first

home team to win in the series, can eliminate the Penguins in Pittsburgh on Tuesday.

For Barnes it was his second consecutive game-winning goal. His 40-foot shot struck the crossbar behind Pittsburgh goalie

Johan Hedberg, and dropped down into the goal.

The Penguins, who squandered a 2-0 lead, blew a third-period lead for the first time in six chances.

Sabres 3, Penguins 2 OT

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Stu Barnes capped Buffalo's three-goal comeback, rifling in a shot 8:34 into

Scrappy Kings hope to spring another surprise in Game 6

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Coach Andy Murray said many would consider the Los Angeles Kings "losers" after they fell two games behind the Colorado Avalanche.

For at least another day, the Kings are not losers.

A scrappy team with a knack for survival, the Kings beat the Avalanche 1-0 in Denver to send the Western Conference semifinals

into Game 6 tonight at Staples Center.

After shocking Detroit by coming back from a 0-2 deficit to win that opening series 4-2, the upstart Kings have given Colorado — the NHL's best team this season — a battle.

Down three games to one and playing on the Avalanche's ice, Los Angeles got excellent goal-

tending from Felix Potvin, and a goal from Luc Robitaille on Friday night to narrow the gap to 3-2.

If Los Angeles wins today, the best-of-seven series returns to Denver for a deciding game on Wednesday. The St. Louis Blues, who swept Dallas, await the Avalanche-Kings winner.

The Avalanche, disappointed they're back in Los Angeles,

believe they have to play well to believe they have to play well to finish off the tenacious Kings.

"We've got to realize this team (Los Angeles) is not going to quit," Colorado coach Chris Drury said. "They've battled back all year. They were down 2-0 to Detroit. We've got to come out Sunday and play a completely different game than we did (in Game 5) if we want to close this out."

Derby

Continued from C1

watch a Derby, favored Point Given was struggling home fifth in a field of 17 3-year-olds.

"Monarchos' victory was a dominating 4.75 lengths. But Chavez, trainer John Ward and owner John C. Oxley had to sweat out a foul claim by John Velazquez, who finished second on Invisible Ink." Velazquez claimed that Monarchos interfered with him just passing the quarter pole.

"We interviewed both riders and did a critical review of the videos, both head on and pan, for any foul," chief steward Bernard Hettel said. "We could find no evidence of interference and we made the race official."

No winner of any Derby, Preakness or Belmont Stakes has ever been disqualified for a race infraction. Dancer's Image was disqualified after finishing first in the 1968 Derby when he tested positive for butazolidin, which is now legal in Kentucky.

At the Kentucky Exposition, Ky., is proud to call himself "a hardboot."

"I just try to train the old-fashioned way," said the 55-year-old Ward, who shares training duties with his wife, Jean. "And I have to say this is one for tradition."

Monarchos was outside by himself and ahead of just four horses, on the first turn. On the far turn he began moving past tired horses to position himself for his winning drive.

"He isn't that fast on the first turn, but once he hits his stride he explodes," said Ward, who won his first Derby in his second try.

It also was the first Derby victory in the second try for Oxley and the first win in five Derbys for the 39-year-old Chavez, a native of Paris.

After Songandaprayar led the field through the fastest first half-mile in Derby history (44.45 seconds), Chavez stayed cool.

"He dropped inside and I just whipped him and he started rolling," the jockey said of Monarchos' run down the backside. "I didn't ask for a lot, just a little."

Chavez guided Monarchos to the outside on the final turn and the gray started passing horses as he moved into contention at the quarter pole.

"I touched nobody," Chavez said of the top turn. "I was clear. My horse was exploding. I didn't even see Invisible Ink."

Like any owner of a Kentucky Derby winner, the 64-year-old

Jockey Jorge Chavez smiles aboard Monarchos as he is draped with the blanket of roses after winning the 127th running of the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs, Saturday in Louisville, Ky.

Oxley was extant.

"It's the fulfillment of a lifetime dream, actually several lifetimes," said Oxley, who owns a horse farm near Midway, Ky., and a Tulsa, Okla.-based oil and gas exploration company.

"Nothing in any life experience is like winning the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs."

Oxley said he first listened to the Derby on the radio as a 9-year-old in 1946 when Calumet Farms Assault won.

"It did something, and thereafter I followed the Derby," he said.

Monarchos went into the Derby as a 10-1 shot off a second place finish to Congaree in the Wood Memorial. That performance did not bother Ward at all.

Instead, the trainer said it was the perfect prop to get a horse ready for the Derby. The victory was the fourth in five starts as a 3-year-old for Monarchos, who paid \$23, \$11.80 and \$8.80 and earned \$312,000 from a purse of \$1,112,000. That boosted his career earnings to \$1,605,630 on a record of four wins, a second and a third in seven starts.

He was winless in two starts last year.

Invisible Ink, looking for his first stakes victory, paid \$46.60 and \$21.20. Congaree returned \$7.20 after he finished four lengths in front of Thunder Blitz.

Point Given was 2.75 lengths behind Thunder Blitz and was followed by Jamaica Rum, A P Valentine, Express Tour, Fifty Stars, Startac, Millennium Wind,

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Stewart wins Pontiac 400 at Richmond

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Tony Stewart won stirring duels with Ricky Rudd, Rusty Wallace and Jeff Gordon, taking the lead with 39 laps to go Saturday night and winning the Pontiac Excitement 400, his first victory this year.

Stewart had a lead of more than 30 seconds until Dave Blaney hit the wall in turns 3 and 4 with seven laps to go, bringing out the eighth caution, setting up the rivals for a suspenseful run for the finish.

The crowd roared its approval when NASCAR then red-flagged the event with five to go so safety crews could make sure the track was clean and safe, then used two caution laps to prepare for the final sprint.

That left two laps of green-flag racing, and when the green flew, so did Stewart, Gordon and Wallace. But when Wallace pulled even with Gordon and ran him up the banking in turn 4, it gave Stewart a bank sailing.

Auto racing

Stock Truck category with a track-record 7.471 at 180.65.

Musgrava takes pole for Ram Tough 200

MADISON, Ill. — Ted Musgrava, the only double winner on the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series this season, outran Terry Cook to win the pole position for today's Ram Tough 200 at Gateway International Raceway.

The pole was Musgrava's second of the year, and fifth straight for a Dodge Ram. Musgrava, who lapped the 1.25-mile speedway at an average speed of 129.87 mph, won from the pole in Bakersfield, Calif., in mid-March.

Cook, looking for his third pole and first since August 1998, settled for the outside front row with a lap of 129.833.

Defending Ram Tough 200 winner Jack Sprague, 0 for 18 in his bid for a 20th series victory, qualified third at 129.017.

Toliver leads Funny Car; Bernstein heads Top Fuel

COMMERCIE, Ga. — Jerry Toliver topped the Funny Car qualifying in the Advance Auto Parts NHRA Southern Nationals on Saturday with a quarter-mile run of 4.843 seconds at 310.98 mph.

Kenny Bernstein, Greg Anderson, Matt Hines and Bob Panella led their divisions in the \$2 million event at Atlanta Dragway.

Bernstein led the Top Fuel competition with his Friday pass of 4.521 at 318.92. The run is the quickest under the NHRA's 90-percent nitro-methane rule.

Anderson earned his first career top qualifying award in Pro Stock, running a 6.884 at 199.82 in his Pontiac Firebird. Hines' Suzuki led the Pro Stock Motorcycle field with a pass of 7.199 at 187.21, and Panella's Chevrolet S-10 topped the Pro

Junqueira claims Nazareth pole for Grand Prix today

NAZARETH, Pa. — Bruno Junqueira proved he belongs.

The rookie won the pole Saturday for the Lehigh Valley Grand Prix, giving Target/Chip Ganassi Racing its third-straight top qualifying effort at Nazareth Speedway.

It was perhaps a bit surprising this time because Junqueira will race on an oval for the first time today.

"Pressure? Sure, I feel pressure," the 24-year Brazilian said after justifying his Lola-Toyota around the 0.94-mile oval at 172.873 mph to take the pole in only his third try. "But that's a challenge and I love challenges."

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Mickelson holds lead at Compaq Classic

SPORTS-IN-BRIEF

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Phil Mickelson, playing in his first tournament since finishing third in the Masters, shot an 8-under 64 on Saturday to take a three-stroke lead in the Compaq Classic.

Mickelson had nine birdies — including five straight — and a closing bogey to finish at 20 under 195.

Harrison Fitzner, who has finished in the top three in New Orleans the last two years, was second after a 66 on the English Turn Golf and Country Club course.

Ernie Els shot a 65 to move into third place at 15 and David Tom's shot a 63, putting him at 14 under 202. Brian Gay, the co-leader with Mickelson after two rounds, also was at 202 after a 70.

Sorenstam closes on leaders at Chick-fil-A Championship

STOCKBRIDGE, Ga. — Annika Sorenstam positioned herself for another LPGA Tour victory, moving within a stroke of the leaders in the Chick-fil-A Charity Championship.

Defending champion Sophie Gustafson (65), Beth Daniel (68) and Heather Daly-Donofrio (66) were on top at 9-under 135.

But the largest gallery at Eggle's Landing Country Club followed Sorenstam, who won four straight tournaments in March and April. The Swedish star charged into contention with a methodical 6-under 66 and will begin the final round of the three-day tournament tied at 136 with Carolina Matthew (65).

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Inman has no top-10 finishes in 2001 after getting off to a slow start and battling a back injury. Fleisher shot a 67, and Inman had a 65 to match the best round of the day.

Farry files to front of rain-delayed French Open

LYON, France — France's Marc Farry birdied the final hole for a 5-under 65 and a one-stroke lead after the second round of the rain-delayed French Open. Farry had a 7-under 133 total on the Les Saugniers course.

reduced from a par of 72 to 70 Thursday because of heavy rain. Organizers plan to have the field play 36 holes Sunday.

Koch, Webb share lead in Nichirei Cup World Ladies

INAGI, Japan — Sweden's Karin Koch shot a 5-under 67 for a share of the third-round lead with Australia's Karrie Webb in

the Nichirei Cup World Ladies. Koch matched Webb, the defending champion, at 9 under 207 on the Tokyo Yomiuri Country Club course. Webb shot a 69. Japan's Chieko Amanuma and Aki Tamamura were five strokes back.

Teenage driver crashes, dies from injuries

A 17-year-old girl is the latest fatality from violent head movement in a truck crash.

The investigating coroner said Saturday he "would want to say" that a head-restraint device might have saved Ashley Bergman, a high school senior from Everett, Wash., killed Thursday while participating in a race-driving school at a NASCAR track near Yakima, Wash.

Yakima County Coroner Maurice Rice said Bergman died of massive head injuries, including "a fractured skull." But Rice described the injury as somewhat different from the specific basilar skull fractures that have killed four NASCAR drivers, with a fifth dying of similar injuries, in the past 12 months.

Polynice sued over road rage incident

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah Jazz center Oden Polynice is being sued by two Utah residents who say he preferred to be a police officer and threatened them in a case of road rage.

Butler names Lickliter new coach

INDIANAPOLIS — Butler has selected assistant coach Todd Lickliter as its third head coach in as many years.

Report: Indy driver Lyn St. James to retire

INDIANAPOLIS — Lyn St. James, the second female driver to qualify for the Indianapolis 500 and the first to win the rookie award, is retiring. The Indianapolis Star reported Saturday.

The Star said the 54-year-old driver will announce her retirement from Indy-car racing today at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. "It's a tough decision, but it's the right thing to do," she said.

St. James was the oldest rookie in the race's history when she qualified for the first time in 1992. She finished 11th.

She started seven 500s in all, the most recent last year, although she never finished higher than in her first year.

Rain halts play in U.S. Men's Clay Court

HOUSTON — Rain forced the suspension of play Saturday in the U.S. Men's Clay Court Championships semifinal between American Andy Roddick and France's Jerome Golmard.

The 18-year-old Roddick won the first set 7-6, taking the tiebreaker. Golmard was ahead 5-4 in the second set when the match was suspended.

The winner will face Michal Tabara of the Czech Republic, a 4-6, 6-2, 6-1 winner over South Korea's Hyung-Taik Lee.

Compiled from wire reports.

Coibert takes one-stroke lead in Home Depot Invitational

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Jim Coibert shot a 4-under 68 to take a one-stroke lead over Bruce Fleisher and Joe Inman after the second round of the Home Depot Invitational.

Coibert followed up his first-round 64 with another solid round to move to 12 under 132 on the TEC at Piper Glen. The 60-year-old player is seeking his 21st senior title.

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Venus Williams trounces Dokic, faces Shaughnessy in finals

Sunday, May 6, 2001. Times-News, Twin Falls, Idaho - C7

HAMBURG, Germany (AP) — Top-seeded Venus Williams used an overpowering serve to thrash teen-ager Jelena Dokic 6-3, 6-1 Saturday and set up an all-American final at the Betty Barclay Cup.

Williams will face Meghann Shaughnessy, who continued to rise up the rankings by charging back to upset second-seeded Amalinda Coetzee of South Africa 6-3, 6-4 at the \$565,000 event.

Williams had no trouble against Dokic as her serve, the game's most powerful, landed from the start and she polished off the Wimbledon semifinalist in just 53 minutes by slamming an unreachable volley.

Shaughnessy, playing her third semi-

final of the year, has risen to No. 25 in the rankings and will continue her climb after beating Coetzee, the world's eighth-ranked player.

Top-seeded Ciljsters, Testud ousted in semifinals at Bol Open

BOL, Croatia — Mariann Diaz-Oliva of Argentina reached her first WTA Tour event final Saturday by upsetting top-seeded Kim Ciljsters of Belgium 0-6, 6-2, 6-3 in the \$170,000 Croatian Ladies Bol Open tournament.

Diaz-Oliva now meets third-seeded Angeles Montolio of Spain, who easily dismissed the tournament's No. 2 seed, Sandrine Testud of France, 6-1, 7-5.

Former-teaching-pro Dupuis reaches first final at BMJ Open

MUNICH, Germany — Frenchman Anthony Dupuis, who was a teaching pro in Paris until just three years ago, reached his first ATP final Saturday at the BMW Open by upsetting Moroccan Younes El Aynaoui 5-7, 6-1, 6-2.

Dupuis broke El Aynaoui's serve at 2-1 in the deciding set; then won in one hour, 43 minutes at the up-plugged \$400,000 event which saw all of the seeded players, led by No. 1 Yevgeny Kafelnikov, ousted early.

In the second semifinal, Jiri Novak had little trouble beating fellow Czech

Boban-Ullrich 6-4, 6-4 in just over an hour.

Spain's Martin to face Argentine Coria in Mallorca Open final

PALMA DE MALLORCA, Spain — Alberto Martin knocked off local favorite Carlos Moya on Saturday to reach the final of the \$500,000 Mallorca Open clay-court tournament where he will face Argentine Guillermo Coria.

In the semifinals, Martin, whose nickname is Beto, had an easy day, downing the third-seeded Moya 6-3, 6-3 in an hour-long match.

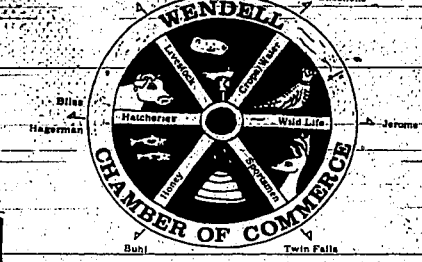
In the other semifinal, Coria defeated Spanish Davis Cupper Joan Balcells 6-4, 6-6, 7-5.



Venus Williams holds off four tennis balls with her signature effort for semi-final match vs. Yugoslavian Jelena Dokic at the International Women's Grand Prix Tennis Tournament in Hamburg, Rothenbaum, Germany, Saturday.

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 Kiddie Rides, Displays - 4:00-10:00 p.m.
 Live Band/Street Dance - 6:00-10:00 p.m.
 Magic Valley Dairy Days - Cont.
 Booth Assignment at Park - 7:00-11:00 a.m.
 3 on 3 Basketball - 8:00 a.m.
 Parade Registration @ M&K Parking Lot - 8:30-10:30 a.m.
 Livestock Entry/Registration @ M&K - 10:00 a.m.
 Parade Line-Up - M&K - 10:30 a.m.
 Parade On Idaho St. - 11:00-1:00 p.m.
 Show 'N Shine @ Football Field - 1:00-7:00 p.m.
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SPORTS

Dedicated employees help arena serve community, state

By Emily Jones.
Idaho State Journal

POCATELLO - For Holt Arena facilities manager Steve Nemeth, late nights and early mornings at work are part of the job.

During the winter months, Nemeth and his crew may work as late as 3 a.m., taking down the basketball court, only to arrive at 6 a.m. the same day to unroll the football turf.

Often, Nemeth and others work as many as 13 weekends in a row.

"Whatever it takes," Nemeth said. "I don't really take many real vacations. There's just stuff to do."

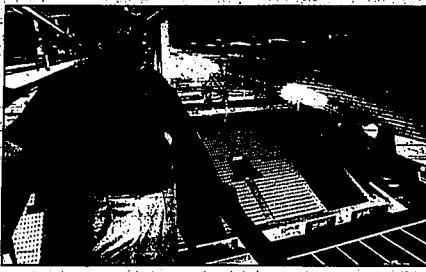
Originally built as the first covered college football dome in the country, Holt Arena is now much more than just a football stadium. The building hosts concerts, track meets, rodeos, trade shows and dozens of other events, sometimes in the same weekend.

While many schools in the Big Sky Conference have multi-use facilities, most need not perform juggling acts between events.

"Most schools don't play basketball in their football arena," Nemeth said.

Recently, a committee was formed at ISU to discuss the possibility of a new basketball arena.

Nemeth said he believed an arena would help ease pressure from other sports at Holt Arena. When other events fill Holt Arena, basketball is moved to Reed Gym, taking space from intramural sports and Campus Recreation, he said.



Holt Arena facilities manager Steve Nemeth looks out over the inside of the dome from the catwalk, more than 100 feet up in Pocatello, recently.

"I personally think we need a new arena," he said. "It would benefit the athletics, of course, but it would also benefit the intramurals."

"Changing the building from a football field to a basketball court or running track takes plenty of help from students and part-time workers."

"We rely a lot on our temporary people," he said. "We have a lot of dedicated people who just need a little extra cash."

There isn't a lot of storage space at Holt Arena, Nemeth said. Sections of the basketball court are stacked in one corner of the arena, while pieces of the wooden track are stashed under the bleachers.

While Nemeth and his crew are set for an event, Linda Briggs works out the details. Briggs makes sure bills are paid and tickets are ordered, and she works with promoters of each event.

For events such as the Phantom performance, event officials often leave town the day after the performance, so Briggs has to get the bills and payments ready quickly.

"A lot of times the promoter leaves while people are still working on the floor," she said.

Along with Briggs, a group of part-time workers spends 12-hour days selling tickets and preparing for shows during busy weeks.

"I think of it as an orchestra," Briggs said. "Every area has to do its part to make it work."

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A look ahead at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

May 2001

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CPR Training - This class is offered to the community under the guidelines of the American Heart Association and includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compressions and choking for adults and infants. The program includes both classroom instruction and hands-on practice. Fee: \$311.

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Doctor's Meeting Room

Saturday, May 19 • 4:00 am - 1:00 pm
Doctor's Meeting Room

Wednesday, May 30 • 6:30 pm - 10:00 pm
Doctor's Meeting Room

Healthy Women

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Twin Falls Public Library, lower level conference room

Thursday, May 10 • 6:30 pm
Burley Inn Convention Center, Patio II

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Education Center Sage Room

Tuesday, May 15 • 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm
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EASY RIDERS

Bike makers try to lure customers with comfort

The Associated Press

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bike category. With broader seats, upright chairs, shock absorbers, wide tires and simplified shifting, these are the sedans of biking—meant to reassure, not to challenge.

The new ride grew out of the popularity of the mountain bike, which is an adaptation of the mountain bike for road riders. Companies began to realize that buyers of those designs were immediately modifying their purchases—tweaking them toward cushiness and away from performance.

The comfort bike, which has developed over the past two to three years, aims to hit its target demographic right in the paunch.

"It's basically people who want to ride fairly infrequently—weekend warrior types—who do it more for recreation and health benefits than a real enthusiast who is devoted to the sport," said Tom Armstrong, a spokesman for bike

manufacturer Cannondale in Bethel, Conn.

"These people are not truly cyclists," said Chris DiStefano, a spokesman for Shimano American, the component company in Irvine, Calif. These riders see themselves as just "outgoing something-not-taking-part-in-a-sport," he said.

The comfort bike marks a change from the dirt-chewing street racer—the gear-headed young and more toward stolid middle age. It's where America is heading anyway, Yeager said. "The population is getting older, and so are we."

These buyers also don't want a bike that acts tougher than they are. The complexities of shifting among 27 gears put on them, and they are put off by the displays of technology that enthrall serious bikers, Yeager said.



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BIZFACTS

Books on the big screen
 For office operators and those who love to read, here are some books that have been made into movies. The First Women Club by Gabe Calkins. \$10.95. Available at Barnes & Noble. The Big Sister by Henry Ford. \$10.95. Available at Barnes & Noble. The Big Sister by Henry Ford. \$10.95. Available at Barnes & Noble.

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Irrigation equipment show comes to Burley

BURLEY - The 2002 Idaho Irrigation Equipment Show will be held Jan. 8-9 at the Best Western Burley Inn & Convention Center.

Saturday's Jan. 7, irrigation equipment manufacturers, dealers and distributors will display their latest equipment and services.

"This is a great chance for growers to come and see the latest developments in the industry and talk with manufacturer representatives face to face," said Brice Beck, show co-chairman.

In addition to more than 50 booths of irrigation equipment, free technical seminars for turf irrigation and agricultural irrigation will be presented. Some classes provide recertification credit for Idaho's private applicator license.

Applications to display will be made Oct. 1. Call all Idaho Irrigation Equipment Association members. For questions, call Beck at Butte Irrigation in Paul at 438-8103; Dwight Davis at Rain For Rent in Paul at 438-5065; or IEA Executive Secretary Tommie Clark in Boise at 377-8188.



James Gunkel, an employee of Larry Lowry Excavation, smooths out the trim of the concrete at the future home of Idaho Home Health and Hospice on Eastland Drive Friday morning.

TF building so far lags last year

New single-family house permits rise in number and value, despite economy

By Virginia S. Hutchins
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - April never really had a fair chance.

The city's construction sector in April fell far short of year-earlier activity, by a substantial 36.4 percent. But it would have taken some amazing developments to match April 2000's.

That's when a \$4.15 million portion of the city's own sewer plant upgrade helped Twin Falls more than double its residential building values. Fortunately taxpayers don't have to take on that kind of project every spring.

So Twin Falls' construction values in April - with more housing but less commercial activity - fell short on the bottom line. The city last month issued building permits for projects totaling an estimated \$3.85 million - that's \$2.2 million less than in April 2000 - for combined construction types.

The city's shortfall brought year-to-date 2001's tally to \$1.9 million below the first four months of 2000 for combined construction types.

Resilient despite economic weakness in other sectors, the new-residential side in April had many more - and more expensive - houses than a year ago.

April's number of permits for new single-family homes in the city marched ahead of 27 from the 17 in April 2000, also beating the 23 of April 1999. And those Twin Falls homes' average estimated value last month advanced 12 percent to \$102,561 from the \$91,913 of a year earlier.

Recent numbers at a glance	
H ere's how Twin Falls' total construction values in the past six months stacked up against the same months a year earlier:	
• April '01 . . .	down 36 percent
• March '01 . . .	down 9 percent
• February '01 . . .	up 16 percent
• January '01 . . .	up 22 percent
• December '00 . . .	up 3 percent
• November '00 . . .	up 56 percent

Values			
Estimated values for construction that received permits in April from Twin Falls city:			
Type	April '01	April '00	April '99
New single-family homes:	\$2,769,150	\$1,562,515	\$2,255,362
New multifamily units:	\$291,281	0	\$98,850
Non-residential projects:	\$345,070	\$3,846,468	0
Commercial alterations/additions:	\$200,000	\$471,170	\$118,500
Total (including such things as mobile homes, residential alterations and additions and signs):	\$3,845,450	\$6,045,231	\$2,852,433

Source: City building department.

Offering offices

Twin Falls has plenty of office space, according to Twin Falls accountant Mike Burr, but not many small, affordable offices.

So Burr set out to fill part of that need himself.

He's erecting a new 4,003-square-foot, \$192,144 office complex at 350 Filer Ave., where his own accounting practice will occupy one of six office units. Burr expects to leave his leased office on Blue Lakes Boulevard North this summer or fall.

He has no tenants yet for the other five units, which he expects to be completed sometime in June. He's recruiting professionals or anybody else who just needs small spaces.

"It would probably be suitable for some very, very small, specialized retail," Burr said.

Each unit will have two office rooms in the back and a lobby in the front, Burr said. He'll put empty conduit in the walls for computer networking or other wiring.

He plans on lease rates of \$550 to \$650 per space per month.

The site years ago was home to a plant nursery, which was demolished years ago, Burr said.

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GOING UP

er, when values had fallen from the \$98,059 average of April 1999.

The city in April issued no permits for mobile homes.

The only new multifamily housing to get a permit in April was Twin Springs LLC's \$231,281 fourplex apartment house going up at 320 Lenore St. The company has built other apartments nearby on Lenore in recent months.

Two new office developments headlined April's commercial construction. Here's the news behind some of that sector's permit numbers:

Outer beauty

There's nothing yet to see of the office building Eastland Heights LLC is readying to build at 808 Eastland Drive. Burr's neighbor, a similar Eastland Heights project permitted five months earlier, provides a preview of exterior styling.

"The architecture of that complex is going to be one of the nicest in Twin Falls," said builder Doug Strand, a partner in Eastland Heights along with Gary Thietten and both men's wives.

Thietten is president of Idaho Home Health and Hospice, which will move its headquarters to the development's first building.

The second one, a 6,134-square-foot, \$235,546 shell-structure permitted in April, is being marketed to professionals and should be ready about mid-July. None of the space is leased yet, said Strand, who declined to discuss rates.

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Here's how a few companies with Magic Valley locations, or other local ties, fared in the stock market during the week.

Symbol	Description	Friday's Close	Previous Friday	Weekly change	52-week high-low	Annual Yield
ASB	ASBESTOS	39.25	44.00	-0.31	39.25 - 20.06	2.28%
ASCA	AMERISTAR	8.20	9.00	0.01	8.87 - 4.98	NA
COSR	CORONA	21.02	20.72	0.30	26.19 - 17.50	4.28%
COB	COSTCO	20.73	23.85	0.55	59.00 - 29.94	NA
FD	FEDERATED	43.99	43.80	0.19	49.90 - 31.00	NA
HNE	HARLEY-DAVIDSON	49.99	39.20	0.89	48.00 - 33.12	3.92%
HD	HOME DEPOT	49.88	48.10	1.49	59.94 - 34.69	0.21%
HS	HARTSHORN	39.55	39.97	0.58	51.81 - 32.25	4.70%
JPC	J.P. PENNEY	37.74	39.80	0.23	21.17 - 8.82	2.41%
JPR	JP REALTY	21.09	21.72	0.63	21.95 - 15.38	9.39%
KEY	KEY CORP.	24.25	23.85	0.85	26.25 - 17.50	4.90%
KM	KMART	10.54	9.85	0.69	12.75 - 8.81	NA
KW	KROGER	25.30	22.31	2.99	27.94 - 17.98	NA
LAB	LABOR READY	1.85	2.28	0.43	22.50 - 3.00	NA
LFB	LONGVIEW FIBRE	13.45	12.49	0.03	10.50 - 2.50	NA
MU	MICRON TECH	89.80	27.11	0.29	39.94 - 24.75	0.78%
OMX	OFFICEMAX	3.75	3.62	0.13	5.94 - 1.50	NA
PBA	PIRAMIDA	30.00	52.25	-2.25	64.00 - 42.80	0.98%
Q	QWEST	57.54	59.80	-2.26	66.37 - 30.30	3.85%
RAD	RITE AID	7.10	7.14	-0.04	8.44 - 1.75	NA
S	SARGENT	36.48	37.60	-1.12	41.80 - 27.75	2.82%
SHK	SHOPIKO	8.11	8.10	0.01	11.50 - 6.50	NA
SKY	SKYWEST	26.18	26.00	-0.42	30.88 - 16.47	0.31%
UNP	UNION PACIFIC	55.95	56.47	-0.09	40.00 - 21.75	0.58%
WAL	WALMART	22.88	21.48	1.20	27.50 - 15.38	3.31%
WMT	WALMART	53.72	52.65	1.10	82.94 - 41.84	0.53%
WFB	WASH. FEDERAL	25.20	28.55	-0.35	27.12 - 14.94	NA
WFC	WELLS-FARGO	1.15	1.09	0.07	12.30 - 0.80	NA
ZIONS	ZIONS BANCORP.	54.75	53.31	1.44	64.00 - 39.08	2.03%

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Idaho State Bar offers free guidance booklet

The guide covers topics including:

- What is a lawyer?
- When do you need to hire a lawyer?
- How to choose a lawyer.
- Questions to ask your potential attorney.
- Do you have the legal right to a lawyer?
- Legal fees and expenses.
- How to save money in legal fees.
- Responsibilities of lawyers and clients.
- What to do if you're not satisfied with your lawyer.

Included in the booklet is a section titled "What to Look for in an Effective Lawyer." The Honorable Larry M. Boyle, U.S. Chief Magistrate Judge for the District of Idaho, offers observations about effective attorneys, based on his years in private practice and as a judge.

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Telecommunications firm logs jump in subscribers

TWIN FALLS - UbiquiTel Inc., which is erecting new telecommunications equipment in the Twin Falls market - said its results for the first fiscal quarter ended March 31 reflect its considerable progress in building out and developing its markets. UbiquiTel launched three markets, covering 400,000 POPs during the first quarter including Logan, Utah, and Lewiston and Boise. The company now covers 2.6 million POPs in three major markets, covering 34 percent of its licensed footprint.



The company said it ended the first quarter with 21,927 subscribers, a 32 percent increase from fourth quarter 2000.

"Our solid first-quarter results are an early reflection of the momentum we have going into 2001," said Donald A. Harris, chairman and chief executive of UbiquiTel. "We made considerable advances in building out our network, which at the end of the first quarter covered approximately 34 percent of our footprint just five months after our first market launch."

before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and non-cash stock compensation (EBITDA) of about \$8 million. The net loss for the three months, totaled about \$14.1 million or 22 cents per share, compared with a loss of \$11.6 million or 18 cents per share in the fourth quarter.

UbiquiTel attributes the executive provider of Sprint PCS digital wireless mobility communications network products and services under the Sprint PCS brand name to mid-size markets in the Western and Midwestern United States.

Jack in the Box analyzes quarter in conference call

TWIN FALLS - Jack in the Box Inc., operator and franchisor of Jack in the Box restaurants including the one in Twin Falls, will host its second-quarter analyst conference call at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday.

The company's quarterly conference call is available to the public live through the Internet. To access, log on to www.jackinthebox.com at least 15 minutes before the call. Individuals who are unable to listen to the live broadcast can hear a playback of the call through the Jack in the Box Web site for 14 days, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Founded in 1951, Jack in the Box calls itself the nation's first major drive-through hamburger chain. The company operates or franchises about 1,700 quick-serve restaurants in 16 states, has 41,000 employees and is headquartered in San Diego.



A saddle is presented by Ford Motor Co. to Idaho High School Rodeo Association for the champion all-around cowboy. Pictured are Bob Meier, Ford Motor credit dealer account manager, and Garth Williams, owner of Goats Motor.



Status Offender Services, an early-intervention program designed to keep youth out of the juvenile justice system, began as a grant-funded program through Twin Falls County more than three years ago. The original grant has expired and the program lately has struggled to find funding. Bank residents from three local banks - Alan Homer of First Federal, Phil Bratton, president of Magle Valley Bank, and John Evans Jr., second from right, of D.L. Evans Bank - donated money toward SOS. It's the first time the program has received business donations. Tammy Okeberry, SOS coordinator, second from left, and secretary Marsh Cook, left, received the \$3,000 donation, \$2,000 from each bank.

Idaho agency provides basic investor education

TWIN FALLS - With markets moving between rally and rain, many current and prospective investors may wonder where they can go to learn investing basics.

For those concerned about the roller-coaster ride in the markets, the Idaho Department of Finance's Securities Bureau reminds Idaho residents that it is important to understand the basics of investing," said Idaho Department of Finance Director Gavin Gee. "We have a wealth of information through our investor education publications that can help take some of the mystery out of the investing process."

During April's observance of Saving and Investing Education Month and throughout the year, the following publications are available from the Idaho Securities Bureau by calling the department at (888) 346-3378:

- Videos
- Investment Scams: What con artists don't want you to know!
- Books and Booklets
- How to be an Informed Investor

- A Consumer's Guide to Making Venture Investments in Small Business
- Simplifying the Capital Formation Process for Small Business Ventures in Idaho
- Raising Small Business Capital Through Securities Pamphlets
- How to Protect Your Savings Against Con Artists

Hypnosis: How They Work and How to Avoid Them

- Investigate Before You Invest: A Guide to Buying Stocks, Bonds and Securities in the Market
- What Every Investor Needs to Know
- Swindlers are Calling (Llano's Los Estafadores Llaman)
- Understanding Opportunities and Risks in Futures Trading
- FTC Briefs: Make Huge Profits and Amazing No-Risk Investments
- Microcap Stock: A Guide for Investors

• Get the Facts on Saving and Investing

- Savings Fitness: A Guide to Your Money and Your Financial Future
- How to Raise a Money-Smart Child
- Investor Notepad: When Your Broker Calls, Take Notes!

Through the Department of Finance, investors also can check on whether their securities salesperson and brokerage firm are registered to sell securities in Idaho and whether there are any disciplinary records against them.

Prospective investors can also check to see whether a security is properly registered with the state. Individuals who believe they are victims of securities fraud can request a complaint form by calling the department or visiting Web site www.state.id.us/finance/sec.htm.

CONTRIBUTIONS

■ **The Amalgamated Sugar Co. LLC's Mini-Cassia Factory** in Paul announced five Minidale High School students, who are recipients of 2001-02 Amalgamated Sugar Co. Educational scholarships:

- Tiffany Ann Knopp is the daughter of Steve and Cindy Knopp of Paul. Her father is an
- agricultural electrician
- Russell Maloney is the son of Dean and Sherrie Maloney of Rupert. His father is an instru-
- Beth Anne Turner is the daughter of Kim and Misty Turner of Rupert. Her father is a senior draftsman for the factory.

CAREER MOVES

Bonnie Brunling, right, who sold as Twin Falls County's treasurer Feb. 28, received a plaque in March recognizing her 14 years as county treasurer, 1987-2001.

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TREASURED YEARS

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Falls, Busick will be responsible for operations and maintenance of the wireless network in Twin Falls and surrounding areas. He has an extensive background in electronics, Nextel said.

KETCHUM - At the annual meeting of the Idaho Ranch Raters' board of directors, Jaris Collins of Ketchum was elected to a two-year term as chairman.

Collins, a financial adviser in the Wood River Valley, has served on the Youth Ranch board since 1992.

The Idaho Youth Ranch is a licensed and accredited non-profit organization that has helped troubled young people and their families for nearly 50 years. The ranch operates residential programs in Coeur d'Alene, Nampa, Boise and Rupert; family counseling programs in seven Idaho counties; an adoption agency; and 17 thrift stores around the state.

REALTY

TWIN FALLS - Canyonwide Realty Inc. GMAC Real Estate announced the addition of Gernaine Dvorak-Sklavos as a Realtor.

Dvorak-Sklavos has lived in Twin Falls for nine years, working for the Twin Falls School District in behavioral management.

Dvorak-Sklavos is married to Carl Sklavos and has four children and two grandchildren. She can be reached at 734-6632.

KETCHUM - Hawley Troxell Ennis & Hawley LLP, an Idaho law firm with an office in Ketchum, announced three of the firm's attorneys passed the Idaho State Bar examination and are now licensed to practice law in Idaho.

Linda Hemmer's law practice focuses on commercial real estate transactions, transfers and acquisitions, and the formation and representation of business entities. She received a

bachelor's degree from Lafayette College and a doctoral degree from The Dickinson School of Law at Penn State University. She is licensed to practice law in Idaho and Missouri.

Elizabeth Wright's practice concentrates on construction law, contract disputes and general commercial litigation. She received a bachelor's degree from the University of South Dakota and a doctoral degree from the University of Iowa College of Law. Before joining Hawley Troxell, she was a law clerk for Judge William Ray Price on the Missouri Supreme Court and an attorney with the Jenner & Block law firm in Chicago. She is licensed to practice in Illinois and Idaho.

C. Edward Cather focuses on issues involving ERISA and employee benefit plans. He maintains a current license as a certified public accountant in Utah. He received a bachelor's degree and a master's degree from Brigham Young University and a doctoral degree from the University of Virginia School of Law. He is licensed to practice in Virginia and Idaho.

TWIN FALLS - Lance Meyers, owner of Specialty Painting Inc. of Twin Falls, was listed in the 2001-02 edition of Who's Who in Executives and Business.

Meyers has 28 years' experience in the painting business and opened his local office last year. He specializes in sandblasting, maintenance coating for the food-processing industry, tank coating, flooring systems and residential projects. He holds SSPC certification as well as an NACE membership. The annual publication is produced through Dun and Bradstreet.

TELL US YOUR BUSINESS

YourBusiness is a weekly feature that highlights commercial activity in the Magic Valley. If you have information about any of the following, The Times-News wants to hear about it!

- Promotions and staff changes.
- New facilities.
- Seminars and workshops.
- Awards and achievements.
- Charitable business activities.
- Other business news.

YourBusiness deadline: Noon Thursday for publication the following Sunday.

Ronald Beadz completed the mini Class A commercial driver's license course with Professional Truck Driving School of Twin Falls. Beadz already had a Class B license and is upgrading to a Class A. He participated in the Class A road test April 27 and now works for Schwanefeldt Farms in Jerome.

TWIN FALLS - Nextel Partners Inc., a provider of digital wireless service designed for business, hired Ben O'Brien and Kevin Busick to assist with expansion of its all-digital wireless network throughout Idaho.

O'Brien joins the Idaho-based Nextel team as public relations coordinator. His responsibilities include media and government relations and community involvement.

O'Brien has more than four years' experience in media and public relations. Before joining Nextel, he was a project specialist for Lynda Priestess Public Relations Inc., and before that, he was director of media, community and public relations for the Continental Basketball Association's Idaho Stampede during its 1998-99 season.

As a field technician for Twin

Keep up

Read the Computers and Technology page every Tuesday in The Times-News.

Construction

Specialty Painting, formerly completely mobile, last year built a new shop at a new location for a permanent home and as a way to broaden its painting offerings.

Also, several business tenants around town - and an organization - are undertaking remodeling projects to suit tenants' requests by their own uses. They are:

- Verizon Wireless of Bellevue,

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Consumer confidence level requires some explanation

NEW YORK (AP) — There is something to be explained about the popular measurements of consumer confidence. A lot, perhaps, but a beginning would be to explain why people won't buy a refrigerator but will buy a stock. The latest consumer attitudes survey from the University of Michigan indicates two-thirds of consumers believed the economy was in recession in April — one of the worst levels since 1992, when it reached a low.

Buying attitudes were said to have declined for homes, appliances, cars, furniture-and-home electronics — and other studies track this up. But decline is relative, as declines from extreme, unsustainable highs.

Almost simultaneously with the consumer confidence report came the surprising news that the economy grew at a 2.1 percent annual rate during the first quarter, twice as fast as had been anticipated.

Remember, this was a three-month period during which the word recession was used by officials and commentators almost every day — enough times you might say to brainwash even the most stubborn consumer.

Consumers held out, perhaps as long as they could under the dire circumstances being



BUSINESS MIRROR
James Cunniff

expressed by so-called experts. Car sales and home sales remained near record highs, and confidence even began to rise.

Now, apparently it has fallen again, even as other indicators show the worst might already have occurred, leading to the reasonable suggestion that consumers might be reacting to events rather than forecasting them.

If things really are as bad as I've been reading, the consumer can be imagined thinking, then I had better get in agreement with the crowd.

It is, however, does not seem to apply to investors, whose growing numbers in this day and age include a large segment of ordinary consumers, the same consumers who are now said to be worried about the future.

If so, the worries hardly show up in the trading statistics. After one of the worst crashes ever, and certainly the worst in terms of the number of investors direct-

ly involved, optimism remains. Investors don't make plans to spend their money on what is past. They spend because they believe that the companies they spend on will do better in the future than they're doing now. Right now they are eager to spend.

The average American investor still expects double-digit future annual gains, according to a study by Stephen Johnson of Northwest Survey & Data Services, as referenced by The Wall Street Journal.

Inflationary expectations, of course, are what Federal Reserve chief Alan Greenspan had in mind when he referred to irrational exuberance. In the long term, stocks might average 11 percent, but they can experience violent downturns in the meantime. Eleven percent can disguise much interim pain.

The consumer-investor, however, known at least a bit about pain, having seen mutual funds and 401(k)s decimated along with glorious plans for the future. But, it seems, they are ready to bet on better times.

It is this same person who, the consumer surveys suggest, will postpone buying a refrigerator because the future is too uncertain?

Ag suits up for farm bill

TWIN FALLS — 2002. Agriculture was supposed to be solidly positioned on the road to health and profitability, with an outdated support system left lying in the dust. That was the plan of the 1996 Freedom to Farm Act, a policy grounded in open-market philosophies and free trade and intended, most of all, to toss out the birds of government intervention.

So what happened?

"I guess first and foremost, the hardest part of public policy is that no one has a crystal ball," said Sara Braasch, executive director of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association.

And she would know. Before her ICA post, Braasch was the legislative assistant for agriculture to Idaho Sen. Larry Craig and was involved in the writing of most of the 1996 Farm Bill.

"The intention across the board was good. After that there were a number of situations ... no one saw coming," such as the economic collapse of Asia, a major trading partner, Braasch said.

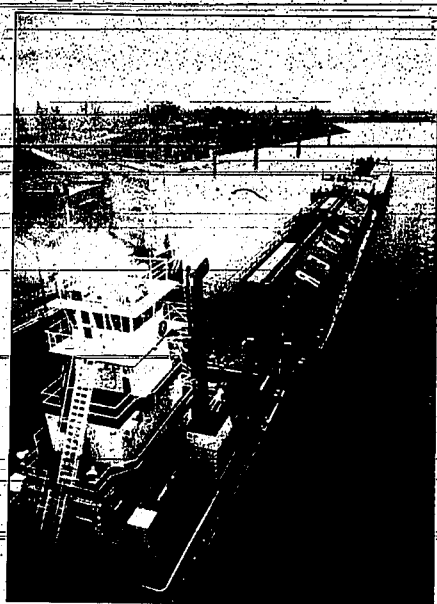
Another major deterrent to the farm bill's success in restructuring American agriculture is that integral components of the overhauls were grounded in long-standing trade issues that are outside the jurisdiction of the congressional ag committee, she said. A new road would have to include trade relief, expansion into new export markets and enforcement of trade agreements.

While promised, many contended, those things didn't happen. Yet there were also problems in the farm bill itself, they say.

Fortunough pork producer, Dave Roper, president elect of the National Pork Producers Council, said inequity between commodities was the biggest problem with the last farm bill.

"Some people focus is that it's just a fight for (money) support for a certain commodity. A lot have based their survivability on this price support, have become addicted and can't do without it," he said. "But you want a farm bill to correct a problem and not go back year after year and have to fix the problem."

"Most people are looking at money, but I'm far more concerned about the farm. Money always runs out while the rest are still out there," he said. "The policy side, to me, is 75 percent. The policy is what drives the other side."



Loaded with wheat, a barge emerges from locks on the Columbia River and heads for the port of Portland for overseas markets. Export opportunities that never materialized contributed to problems tied to the last farm bill.

Farmbeat

Highlights of this week's Magic Valley ag weekly. The Times-News' weekly report on agriculture.

Expectation of higher prices improves outlook for cattle

JEROME — Knowing when to buy and when to sell are two key factors in any competitive market, and the cattle market is no exception. Timing is the name of the game when pursuing the highs and the lows of the beef market cycle, and savvy cattle producers know that good management plus a wise herd production strategy can mean either profit or loss as the market moves through its cycle.

For most producers, the current trend may indicate a bright spot on the horizon. After several years of low prices, increases might just be on the way. According to mar-

ket information from state extension services and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, cattle placements into feedlots were down from last year at this same time and declines are expected to continue for several more months.

Though seasonal lows still come into play, fed cattle prices are predicted to remain higher than last year's prices with slaughter steer prices on the rise toward September.

Idaho Wheat Commission cuts assessment 25 percent

TWIN FALLS — Wheat growers will see a little larger checks when they sell their wheat starting in July.

The Idaho Wheat Commission unanimously approved lowering the wheat assessment by 25 percent. The new assessment will be 1.5 cents per bushel beginning July 1.

"While the reduction isn't enough to make or break an operation, it is a sign that the Wheat Commission understands the economic plight of its growers."

A growing role: Women play integral part of family farms

By Barry Shlachter Knight Rider News Service

Whatever you do, don't call her a farm wife. The picture of the glimmering aproned lady tossing feed to the chickens, but concentrating on the biscuits and gravy while the man does the farm's serious work is far from reality. In fact, wherever true, a number of women in agriculture say.

Many, such as Hope Huffman of McGrogor, Texas, insist on being called full partners in an ag business. Huffman and her husband run a successful stocker-calf operation they launched 29 years ago. Whether it's turning bulls into steers or dickering with the banker, Huffman says she's hands-on.

"I like to plant corn or milo," says Jean Davis of Woodway in Texas. McLennan County, who left her grad business to work with her farmer husband.

"First I did the bookkeeping and chased parts," Davis recalls. Then, over the past 10 years, she branched out and found her niche.

"Usually you don't think of women as doing field work, but they do," she says. "Find planting is a lot easier than bookkeeping."

While her tractor pulls a 24-row planter across the steady side, she sits in an air-conditioned cab listening to novels on tape or country-western music on her CD player.

Danny Klinefelter, a College Station, Texas-based extension service economist who has worked in programs with women farmers, says:

"Twenty years ago, it was a good-ol'-boy world, and the little lady was the housewife and took care of the children and maybe did the books. There were strong exceptions, but those were not the norm. It was an accepted notion that they didn't know farm machinery, livestock. It was a bias, and women have had to prove themselves to change it."

Farming women are somewhat to blame for the old image, concedes Jean Nicholls, 58, a full working partner with her husband on a Texas Panhandle farm and a doctoral candidate at Texas Tech University who has surveyed female farm operators in nine Texas counties.

"The women I surveyed said, 'It's easier for me to survive as a woman to say I'm just the bookkeeper,'" Nicholls says, explain-

ing that in traditional social settings the women didn't want to embarrass or upstage their husbands.

"You take the older women. This is what we grew up with, an accepted role — to stay within our place, the gofer. If the cows got out, we'd put them in ... but we wouldn't let anyone know we did it."

But to replace that woman, it might take five individuals. So diverse and crucial are her responsibilities to the modern farm operation, where technology has replaced brawn and better educated women are often equipped with the needed skills, Nicholls says.

Approximately 50 percent to 60 percent of women married to farmers have off-farm jobs, serving to support the farm household and keep the farm going.

"There's certainly the stereotype of the farmer's wife who does the errands and is the general gofer and takes care of the house," says Carolyn Sachs, a Pennsylvania State University sociologist and author of "The Invisible Farmer's Women in Agricultural Production," which tells about the lack of recognition.

"Eighty percent of women on farms are involved in bookkeeping. But that sort of management level of the farm is as critical as the day-to-day management of the fields. Keeping records often leads to the woman knowing the financial situation better than their husbands. The stereotypes don't give credit to the critical importance of the task."

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 145,000 women were sole farm operators in the United States in 1992, the latest year they were estimated, representing 7.5 percent of the total. Their average age of 58 is about 5 years older than that of the average farmer.

About 36 percent of women operators were 65 or older, 31 percentage points higher than the national average, the USDA said. That, it said, was largely a result of the relatively large number who inherited their operations as widows. But between 1982 and 1992, the number of early middle-aged female farm-

ers increased, the study said. Significantly, the number of women who consider themselves full partners with a husband, father or brother-in-whose-name the operation might be run has not been estimated. That has led Sachs and others to suggest that women-operating farms and ranches are undercounted.

Then there are women who would prefer to work on the farm, but have to take jobs in town to secure medical benefits or see the family through lean years, caused by bad weather, low commodity prices or both. Mary Henson in Texas Panhandle town of Gruver says she returned to teaching for purely economic reasons.

"I had to go back," she says.

Approximately 50 percent to 60 percent of women married to farmers have off-farm jobs, serving to support the farm household and keep the farm going, Sachs says.

"Where in the 1930s and '40s, they might have had a flock of chickens for extra income, the wives might now be a nurse or school bus driver, working off the farm to get insurance," she says.

Sometimes the roles are reversed, where the husband gets the job — but the farm might still be run in his name and the wife is not recognized as the operator, Sachs says.

While the total number of farmers and ranchers dwindles every year thanks to mechanization, consolidation and economics, USDA statistics show that the percentage of women operators has increased in recent decades.

"The general trend in society suggests that women have been moving into traditionally male occupations, but (farming) has been slower than other occupations like medicine and law," Sachs says. "It's been harder for women to break into the role of main farm operator."

Industry doesn't sugarcoat problems in global market

TWIN FALLS — The issue of the global sugar market is the single most important problem facing U.S. sugar producers, industry leaders told Congress last week as legislators prepare for the new Farm Bill.

A number of issues were discussed with the House Ag Committee, according to Mark Duffin, Idaho Sugarbeet Growers Association executive director, including the marketing assessments, the forfeiture penalty and loan rates in the sugar program. But those issues are secondary to addressing NAFTA and WTO, he said.

"Our proposals will not work unless the government resolves problems with stuffed molasses and the Mexican dispute over the NAFTA trade letter," Duffin said.

The industry also wants the Secretary of Agriculture to retain the authority to limit imports under the tariff rate quota system, he said, acknowledging that authority would still be subject to WTO and NAFTA schedules and rules.

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Conscientious objections

Employee must decide how much to put up with

By Kenneth Bredemeyer
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Work for a corporation long enough and most employees will sooner or later encounter some policy they don't like, or feel wronged by a management decision.

But how do you deal with it? Quit in a huff? Grip your teeth and go along to get along? Do something in between those extremes? These are the concerns from the workplace today.

Q. My organization has merged with another group, placing me in a position where I will be asked to be a spokeswoman for positions antithetical to my personal beliefs and values. As a result, I am seeking new employment. When I am interviewing interviews why I am seeking a job should I admit this or describe other reasons? When I leave my current position, should I tell the employer that it is because I do not wish to work to promote policies and programs with which I disagree, or should I give other reasons?

A. Experts who spoke about this ethical dilemma agreed that the worker ought to be forthright with a possible new employer about being uncomfortable with some policies leaving her workplace. But they differed a bit on whether she needed to tell her current employer about her ethical conflict as she leaves.

Herb Werhane, a professor of business ethics at the University of Virginia, said, "I would tell both of them. They probably will appreciate it. (The current employer) probably can't argue about the policy, but people are open to ethical issues."

On the Job

Werhane said she thinks that if a potential employer asks about her reason for leaving her current job, the worker "can couch some good points about her employer but say: 'My problem is that they started some policies I just couldn't accept. It just wasn't my values system.'"

Deborah Keary, who answers hundreds of questions each month on workplace issues for the Society for Human Resource Management in Alexandria, Va., said that "ethically speaking, you have a duty to yourself and probably to your employer to let them know" about your philosophical disagreement with their viewpoint.

"I would think you'd want a spokesperson who can espouse your views," Keary said of the company.

John Boatright, a professor of business ethics at Loyola University in Chicago, said that if workers find their company's policies are morally objectionable, "then you have a moral obligation not to participate in being a spokesman for these policies."

When leaving the firm, however, he said the worker "would be morally justified either in telling the person why she's leaving or in keeping quiet." He said, "Surveys show that being uncomfortable with the ethics of the work environment is a common reason for people to change employers."

But when approaching a new employer, Boatright said, "a candidate has more obligation to represent yourself truthfully."

"It would be wrong to evade questions or answer untruthfully. There is a higher level of honesty required because that new employer is taking on a new obligation, establishing a new relation-

ship," he said.

Q. I was recently injured at work. The business is small, with only five employees. My boss, the owner, did not want to have to "deal" with the workers' compensation system, so no claim was filed. I am being treated by my own physician, at my own expense. What are my employer's legal and financial responsibilities in this situation? I feel that this type of occurrence is why "discovery" have workers' comp insurance and that she should reimburse me for all injury-related medical expenses.

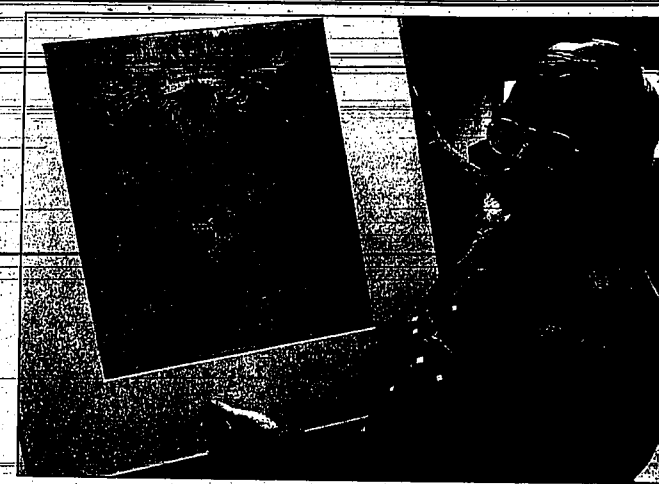
A. Workers' comp laws vary widely from state to state, with a host of rules that injured workers need to explore. Employees at some very small companies (a worker or two) are not covered in some states. The weekly amounts a worker can receive for an injury also vary widely by state. And in some cases there's a cap on the total amount one can receive for each injury.

Harry Blondell, a Baltimore lawyer specializing in workers' comp cases, said: "It's up to the individual worker to make a claim for compensation. She should file her own claim with the compensation board. It covers your pay while you're out of work and your medical expenses."

Once the employee has filed the claim, the state agency will seek a response from the company about how the accident occurred. The firm "has a legal obligation to make appropriate statements" about the accident.

"If the claim is filed, they're forced to deal with it," Blondell said. "It's just a matter of acting responsibly."

Assuming the injury actually occurred in the course of an employee's work, Blondell said the victim would then receive payments from the company's workers' comp insurer.



Colorado historian Tom Noel shows a page from a 1880's Denver newspaper that predicts Denver will be the center of the universe in the year 2001, Thursday at his office in Denver. Denver is battling with Chicago and Dallas to lure Boeing Co.'s new headquarters and the city and its promoters have sought to show that all roads lead to the Mile-High City.

MILE HIGH DREAMS

Colorado promoters think big, pursue Boeing prize

DENVER (AP) — Exuberant promoters sometimes tried to claim that all roads lead to the Mile High City, but officials say they're losing their heads in their battle with Chicago and Dallas to lure Boeing Co.'s headquarters.

Denver has always thought itself the center of the universe and couldn't understand why anyone would want to be anywhere else, Colorado historian Tom Noel said.

Boeing representatives made a second visit to Denver last week, where they were courted by city leaders and trailed by helicopter news crews. Their hosts were a group called "Boeing 100," former Denver Broncos quarterback John Elway and other businessmen and celebrities organized to sell the city's special qualities. Boeing teams got similar VIP treatment in Dallas and Chicago.

Boeing plans to announce its choice in May and move by September. About 500 jobs will accompany the headquarters.

Noel, author of numerous books on Colorado and Denver, said the Boeing bid reminds him of the battle in the 1860s over the Transcontinental Railroad. Engineers for the Union Pacific were leaning toward building the railroad through Wyoming because of the gentler terrain leading up and over the Continental Divide. William Byers, founder of the Rocky Mountain News, scolded them for not considering a route through Denver, saying there were "only a few hills west of town."

Grenville Dodge, the railroad's chief engineer, and his team were invited to Denver and were wined and dined. During an inspection of the most likely route over 11,300-foot Berthoud Pass, the railroad builders were buried up to their waists in snow. They chose the Wyoming route.

Denver's promoters in the past were prone to exaggerate the city's advantages. The now-defunct Denver Times predicted in 1900 the city would become the nation's capital.

Snow also greeted the first Boeing delegation to Denver on April 11. A spring blizzard briefly shut down Denver International Airport, one of the city's big selling points because of its size and efficiency.

City officials were quick to point out the airport was No. 1 in the nation last year for on-time arrivals.

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A century later, city and state officials don't think they have to exaggerate to attract Boeing.

They tout the area's educated work force and abundant recreation, and have said they won't get into a bidding war with tax incentives.

For at least 25 years, Colorado has been of two minds about growth. After Colorado won the 1976 Winter Olympic bid, state voters rejected funding for it and the games went to Innsbruck, Austria.

Nike considered moving part of its headquarters in 1998, and Colorado developers proposed the wide open vistas of Table Mountain west of Denver.

Nearby residents denounced the plan and Nike remained in Oregon.

Westword, a weekly newspaper that often targets over-the-top Denver promotions, made fun of the city's bid for Boeing. The paper jokingly suggested offering Rocky Mountain National Park, 45 miles northwest of Denver, for Boeing's headquarters.

Colorado and Denver are already among the fastest growing areas in the nation, prompting the Boulder-Daily Camera to suggest in an editorial that perhaps the pursuit of Boeing means "the metropolitan area is desperately in need of more people, heavier traffic, dirtier air and even faster use of our precious natural resources."

It added, "Colorado has so much to offer as a great place to live and raise a family that it doesn't need to provide tax breaks and other pots of gold to woo a company like Boeing. Let Boeing woo us."

Quick serve restaurants test cashless technology in Idaho

By Melanie Carroll
Associated Press Writer

BOISE — Hungry customers line up during the lunch crush as a young man in a McDonald's uniform scrambles to make a credit call out for a new roll of pennies.

No one in this noonday crowd was using a new cashless payment system that the fast food giant is testing in 26 Boise restaurants.

But they're beginning to circulate. McDonald's says that over 2,000 customers have signed up for the new technology in the largest pilot program of its kind.

"This is our first real test," says Lisa Howard, spokeswoman for the Oak Brook, Ill.-based fast-food company.

Customers get a tiny plastic card that allows them to pay for meals by waving it in front of an electronic screen in restaurants or drive-thrus.

The free device, developed by Pennsylvania-based FreedomPay Inc., fits on a key chain. People wave it over a screen, which sends dollars by using a credit or debit card online or over the phone.

"You're at the drive-thru, you've got the music going and you're digging around for money," says Peter Oakes, a restaurant analyst for Merrill Lynch in New York. "You only need 76 more cents. The convenience of the cashless system is important."



McDonald's clerk Claire Maloney, right, holds up an electronic reader, similar to an ATM machine, that Roger Barker of Boise uses by running a small wand over the electronic reader to pay for food he ordered Tuesday in Boise. The cashless payment system is being tested in 26 Treasure Valley McDonald's.

the only one being put to the test.

Howard says that in Chicago, the fast food chain is testing a similar system in nine restaurants.

Using electronic payment, customers can buy food by waving a tiny, barrel-shaped device at the cash register or drive-thru window. Each Speedpass transponder is linked to a credit or debit card. Speedpass was developed by Mobil three years ago for use at its gas pumps and is being offered to other companies.

McDonald's was its first major customer. Another approach — a pre-loaded debit card — was tested by Burger King for about five months last year with mixed results and ultimately scrapped.

"If the card was lost that was an issue," Burger King spokeswoman Kim Miller says. "It was one more card to carry."

spend more," Oakes says. "When it's already paid, people are less hesitant and focus less on price and more on the food."

The world's largest fast food chain — nearly \$20 billion in domestic sales and more than 28,000 restaurants in 120 countries — still is unsure whether any of the cashless experiments will become a permanent fixture.

"One thing we like about FreedomPay," Howard says, "is that it combines loyalty with a cashless program."

When someone initially puts \$15 on their FreedomPay wand, they get a \$5 bonus. Additionally, users get some discounts and free food.

Oakes believes the cashless idea will catch on.

"It's going to be like an ATM," he says. "Younger people will see the convenience right away and adopt to it more quickly."

Bob Pons, the president and founder of FreedomPay, says Boise was chosen by McDonald's as a test market, in part, because its residents tend to be computer literate.

Community Find It in the Times-News

THE LIGHT TOUCH

by Craig Smith

One thing you can say for being over the hill is better than being under it. Used tools don't rust. Life can only be understood backward, but it has to be lived forward. Sign in a dress shop undergoing renovation: "Pardon us while we change into something more comfortable. We should emulate the postage stamp—it sticks to one thing until it gets there. At...

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Personal finance

Frugal habits can resemble stinginess

By Liz Pulliam Weston
Los Angeles Times

Question: I know you're a big advocate of living within your means, but where does one draw the line between being frugal and being cheap? My friends said I must be a tightwad—at least I think they're kidding. How do I know whether I'm being too far in my efforts to live environmentally conscious, responsible and frugal?

Answer: The fact that you have friends bodes pretty well. True bladders don't tolerate other people well—and vice versa.

There are, of course, those poor souls at the other end of the spectrum who think any attempt at economizing is being cheap. Unless they have daddies named Getty, however, these folks are probably headed for financial heartbreak.

Fortunately, cheapness—unlike beauty—usually isn't just in the eye of the beholder. Most people care about stinginess pretty fast.

The distinction comes down to whether you're giving your own weight or letting other people pull for you. Here are a few examples:

A frugal person, when invited to a dinner party, brings a bouquet of flowers plucked from his yard and a bottle of interesting yet undiscovered Chilean merlot. A cheap person arrives empty-handed—and never reciprocates by hosting.

A frugal person dines out infrequently and uses coupons. A cheap person stuffs her purse with items from an all-you-can-eat buffet. A frugal person might take a picnic to a museum, the zoo or a picnic. A cheap person might go to the movies, a concert or a Broadway show—but always lets the other person pick-up the check.

Frugal people arrange their affairs to minimize their taxes as much as reasonably possible. Cheap people cheat on their taxes or fail to file.

Frugal people economize in part so they can share resources with others—through charitable donations, gifts for friends and family, a few bucks for someone going through a hard time. Cheap people keep their money to themselves.

Of course, the most telling distinction is internal. Frugal people can be thoughtful, generous and secure, knowing they're providing for themselves and their families by tending to their futures as well as enjoying life in the present. Cheap people are filled with anxiety and fear, because what they have is never enough.

Q: You mentioned in an earlier column that the key selling point of annuities is their tax-deferred status, and that's why they might not be a good fit for individual retirement accounts, because IRAs already offer tax deferral. But isn't the death benefit also a good reason to buy an annuity for an IRA? My agent told me that if I died when the market was down, my heirs would get at least the amount of money that I had put into it even if the annuity's actual value had dropped. It certainly makes me feel more secure.

A: No doubt. But your security might be coming at a stiff price.

Insurance agents often use the death benefit as a selling point to persuade you to buy an annuity. But you should know what the insurance companies know: The chances are pretty slim that you will die with less money in your account than what you put in. Yes, sometimes stock markets dive and sometimes bond mar-

Money Q & A

Kets suffer. But over the long haul—over the portfolio—almost certainly will gain in value.

Of course, there's always a chance you could keel over during a serious market downturn such as we've experienced recently. Many financial planners, though, will tell you that life insurance is a better bet than an annuity if your goal is to get money to your heirs.

There's also the problem of fees. Morningstar, which tracks mutual funds and annuities, says the insurance industry charges a median fee of 1.15 percent a year to cover "mortality risk"—in other words, the death benefit.

A study by Moshe Arye Mileysky of Canada York University and Steven E. Posner of Goldman, Sachs & Co. shows that these benefits should cost a consumer no more than 0.2 percent—and that if the annuity includes a 5 percent "rising floor" guarantee, meaning that the amount of your death benefit rises 5 percent a year.

If yours is a regular annuity with no surcharge, Mileysky and Posner determined you should be charged no more than 0.035 percent if you're a man or 0.02 percent if you're a woman.

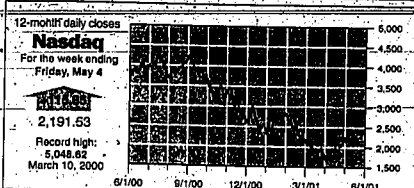
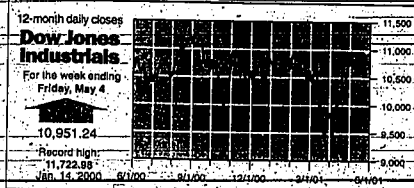
Women typically live longer, so the rising face of dying when the value of their portfolio is down is smaller.

In other words, the researchers found that insurers were charging five to 10 times more than the most optimistic estimate of what the death benefits were worth. You can read the researchers' paper, "The Titanic Option: Valuation of the Guaranteed Minimum Death Benefit in Variable Annuities and Mutual Funds," at www.yorku.ca/milevsky/awp.htm.

The mortality fees, by the way, don't include other charges that boost the annual cost of an annuity to more than 2 percent, compared with about 1 percent for the typical mutual fund.

Annuities can be a reasonable investment for some people in certain situations. But many planners will tell you that the death benefit has little economic value to most investors, and shouldn't be overemphasized in the decision-making process.

Pulliam Weston will answer questions submitted but cannot respond personally to queries. Questions can be sent to her at liz.pulliam@latimes.com



Employment reports sour investors' hopes

By Amy Baldwin
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street has no doubt that the stock market and the economy will eventually regain the kind of strength they enjoyed for much of the last decade.

The question is when. Investors and market observers won't like the answer from this past week: Longer than they had thought, perhaps not even this year.

A spike in unemployment and warnings from companies of weak second-quarter and full-year earnings bode ill for a near-term recovery. Indeed, analysts say, the economy could still be recession-bound and that stock prices might have further to fall.

"Listen, we are in for a grind here," said Charles White, portfolio manager at Avantar Associates in New York. "It doesn't mean stock prices have to go materially lower, but it means that the catalyst for being off to the races is a ways off."

Investors were disturbed this past week by two labor reports that quelled some of their resurgent optimism and reawakened worries about recession.

The market still managed to move sharply higher on Friday

Mid-cap mutual funds deserve a second look

By Lisa Slinghini
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — Mid-cap mutual funds don't always get as much attention as their small-cap and large-cap siblings, but the category's history of strong returns might make it worth a closer look for some investors.

"A mid-cap fund can help balance a portfolio for a client with a lot of exposure in large-growth or small-growth funds," said Kenneth Robinson, a certified financial planner in Cleveland.

There's no one set definition of a mid-cap, but generally, mid-cap funds focus on companies valued somewhere between \$1 billion and \$10 billion. They can be value- or growth-oriented or a hybrid.

Correspondingly, small-cap funds feature companies with smaller market capitalization, while large-caps specialize in funds with larger capitalizations.

"As the name implies, mid-cap funds sort of fall into the middle in terms of market volatility," said Kelli Stebel, an analyst with Morningstar, the mutual fund research firm. "They're not going to be as volatile as small-caps are, but in a market downturn, they're going to fluctuate more than large-cap, blue chip funds that focus on big companies with more consistent earnings."

There are a few reasons why investors tend to be less familiar with mid-cap funds.

First, there's the issue of what they are. There's no consensus on what constitutes a mid-cap fund. Morningstar describes the category as funds invested in companies with market capitalizations between \$1.8 billion and \$8.4 billion.

By contrast, competitor Wiesenberger's Thomson Financial's definition is based on market caps between \$3 billion and \$5 billion. The firm also identifies a fund as small, mid- or

large-cap if its objective is to grow through market capitalization. Morningstar's categories are based on a fund's actual investments.

Second, there are—at least by one measure—fewer of them. An estimated 351 in 2001, compared with 1,670 large-cap and 777 small-cap funds, according to Wiesenberger Thomson's criteria. The sector is growing, though: Wiesenberger Thomson says 44 of the 351 were opened in 2000.

Then there's the issue of risk and return. Some experts say mid-caps give investors the chance to buy the Microsofts and Intels of the future, while they're still cheap.

"They're not straight out of the IPO (initial public offering) box," which means they've put together some track record and potentially offer solid gains, said Andrew Walker, an analyst for Janus Enterprise Fund, a mid-cap offering.

But that middle-of-the-road approach can also alienate investors.

"The perception is that with a large-cap you get more stability, less risk and a smaller upside. With small-caps you get more volatility and a higher upside," said Romy Shaalan, a senior analyst at Wiesenberger Thomson.

"A mid-cap is viewed as being in the middle and as the master of nothing. There's less risk, but there's less upside potential."

It also can be tricky figuring out how competitive the sector is. The five-, 10-, 15- and 20-year average returns for mid-caps beat small and large-cap results by 1 percent at the most, according to Wiesenberger Thomson's figures. But Morningstar's calculations, which use its own definition, are more mixed. Mid-caps averaged the best returns over three- and 10-year periods, but fell behind small caps when one-year returns were used. Large-caps won out for five-year and 15-year periods.

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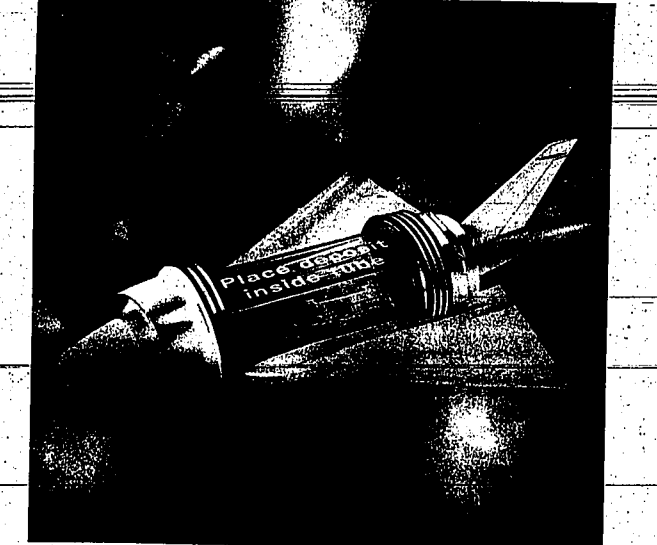
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Planning ahead before a layoff eases transition

Amy Lindgren
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If you were laid off from your job tomorrow, would you change careers or get another job, like the last one?

With a snap decision. Depending on the severance package or government services offered, you might have several weeks or even a few months to make up your mind.

That's not very much time to think of a new career, research it, make contacts, get training and break into the field. But, as millions have discovered, it's better than nothing. And the funny thing is, if you disregard the trauma and disruption, the career change itself is often a positive experience.

After working with career-changers for 15 years, I know that the element of surprise that means "control" impacts the emotions of the transition. When the career change is the worker's idea, there's a feeling of happy expectation surrounding the event. When the paycheck is suddenly yanked and the worker is told to either adapt or retire, the career change is about as joyful as major surgery.

So how can you prepare for a possible layoff and still enjoy your current work? First, substitute the word "probable" for "possible." If you half expect to be laid off, you won't be as surprised if it happens. But don't take this learned cynicism as permission to start grousing around the water cooler.

Instead, think about what your parents might have told you: You should always have something to fall back on. They might have been talking about a high-school diploma or college degree, or perhaps about a skill, such as auto repair or word processing. Whatever the specifics, that advice is some of the best you will ever hear.

What have you got to fall back on? Let's start with the finances. Are your debts manageable? Do you have savings set aside? I'm not talking about pension funds and other "untouchable" money to be ready for a career transition; you need to clarify the relationship between your debts, your income and your liquid savings.

The ideal, of course, is to have no debt and a large savings account. A more realistic goal is to eliminate your credit-card debt and other black holes that suck up your cash.

Once you have a plan to strengthen your finances, consider your skills. What are you good at? What do you especially like doing? Is there anything in your current field that you have fallen behind on? One very important way to prepare for a change is to acquire skills that will appeal to new employers.

The problem is that you may not know what your next career will be. So how can you get the skills those employers would need? For now, stay focused on the skills that are universal to any job, such as writing, using a computer, managing others, training staff, public speaking and applying math. Make a plan to strengthen these skills, and you'll be more valuable in your current job, while also preparing yourself for a change.

What if you do know what your next career will be? Rather than wait for a layoff, or the perfect time to quit your job, make a plan that eases you into the new work. Suppose you are a plant manager who wants to go into training and sales for an equipment manufacturer. You can prepare for your transition by developing new workshops and presenting them to your line workers.

Building skills and cleaning up your finances is hard work, so beware: It's easy to forget the joyful side of career change. One way to lift your spirits is to take up a new interest, even if it's completely outside your work arena. If you've always wanted to play the piano, or collect toy trains, why not get started? If you get laid off, your new hobby will distract you while you make

Utah company gains ownership of Oregon ski resort

BEND, Ore. (AP) — A Utah-based company announced Monday it has gained ownership of the Mount Bachelor ski resort by purchasing a majority of the company's privately-held shares. Powdr Corp. has purchased 745 shares, or 54 percent, of the 1,382 shares for \$20,000 per share and lifetime free skiing privileges at all company-owned resorts, said David Baca, a Portland attorney who represents Powdr. Shareholders chose Powdr's

apparent winning bid for Oregon's busiest ski area over a competing offer from Eugene-based Pape Group, which had been Mount Bachelor's largest shareholder with 23 percent. That offer was for \$22,100 to \$26,000 per share. "I am thrilled by the overwhelming show of support by the Mount Bachelor shareholders," Powdr Corp. President John Cumming said in a statement. The battle for control of Mount

Bachelor began last year, when the ski resort's board of directors began entertaining bids. A majority of shareholders agreed last month to sell to Powdr Corp., but president Randy Pape filed a federal lawsuit against the board, giving shareholders a second chance to decide. To settle the suit, the board formed a committee comprising four Mount Bachelor board members and a member of the community to evaluate the competing bids.

On April 21, the board officially recommended that Pape's offer be accepted, but some shareholders, including some of the directors themselves, swiftly moved to accept Powdr's offer. The acquisition of the shares gives Powdr control of the board and control of the merger vote. Powdr Corp., based in Park City, Utah, owns Park City Mountain ski resort and four others in California.

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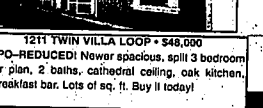
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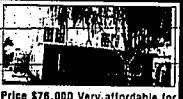
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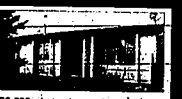
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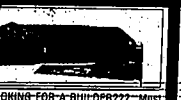


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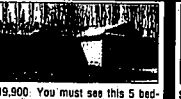
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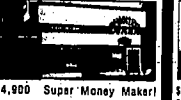
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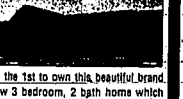
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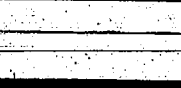
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The case for canine overload

Dogs get all the respect. Last month, Boone County's Ethical Treatment of Animals encouraged everyone to "plant a dogwood for your dog" to celebrate Arbor Day. I've never heard of people honoring their cats with actual plants, or dedicating some goldenrod to their goldfish.

On the other hand, the tree idea is good. The PETA news release said tree stumps could provide healthy shade for dogs, who could die in extreme heat. It also said anyone who's ever walked a dog knows that dogs love trees almost as much as they love fire hydrants.

It's not that I love cats and hate dogs. I like both. I just feel sorry for cats when I read about dogs being kings of the pet castles.

Last year, I read that 58 percent of dog owners, and only 37 percent of cat owners, hung Christmas stockings for their pets. And a growing number of people are establishing Web sites for their dogs, with pictures of the pets wagging their tails.

February's Pet Dental Health Month, companies marketed beef-flavored toothpaste for dogs and dental care kits with chewable breath mints "for dogs who prefer to freshen their breaths with a little crunch."

And just the other day, I saw an ad for a dog postcard called "Petio Park" that allows you to "bring the park to your dog." The grassy gizmo has a picket fence, a mock hydrant and water reservoirs. (Call 1-800-803-4370 if you're interested.) You could probably plant trees there, too.

I know that people love their dogs particularly, poodles, dachshunds, cocker spaniels, Labrador retrievers and German shepherds, which are often listed among the most popular breeds. I even saw a book titled "Your Pet's Horoscope," with information like, "If your dog is extremely neat and clean with a sensitive stomach, it's probably because she's a Virgo ... If she's easily bored and always eager to go for a ride, she's probably a Sagittarius."

Maybe there's something to that, although many insist that a dog's behavior is more closely related to breed than birth sign. As in the e-mail friend sent me:

"How many dogs does it take to change a light bulb?" the e-mail asks, then goes on to answer ...

• Border collie: Just one. Then I'll replace any wiring that's not up to code.

• Lab: Oh, me, me! Please let me change the light bulb! Can I? Huh? Huh?

• Rottweiler: Make me!

• Old English sheep dog: Light bulb? That thing I just was a light bulb?

Whatever kind of dogs you might have (there are 54 million in the United States), there's something out there to make their lives more comfortable.

There's doggie perfume (think Mother's Day), and the doggie greeting card. There are cards for veterinarians, from the pets, and cards for pets to send to each other. No word on how the pets are going to make the money to buy the cards, and to expect them to be asking for increases in their allowances any day now.

For those who love music, there's a contest being sponsored by Advantage Pet Care. The Friends Duet is a nationwide search for dogs (and cats, too) and their owners who best exemplify their relationship by sharing a musical talent (see www.nofox.com). Maybe you could sing "How Much Is That Doggie in the Window." Or, "I Left My Fleas in San Francisco."

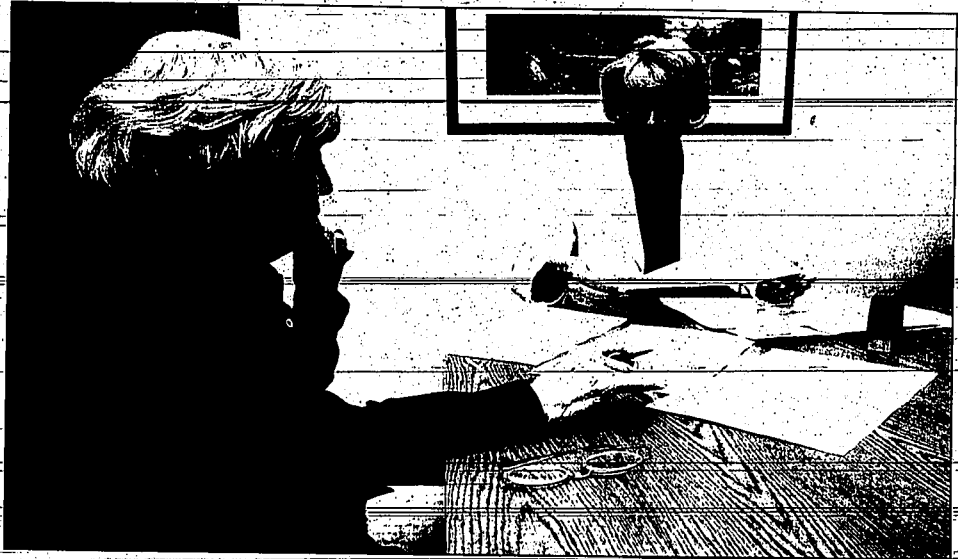
Of course, I'm no expert. I haven't owned a dog since I was 10 years old. She was a hyperactive beagle, and I got to keep her for about a week - until my mother swore she was having a nervous breakdown and gave the dog to a family that lived out in the country. "Where she would be happy." I was too young to wonder if "she" was the dog or my mother, but I soon lost faith in my ability to be a successful dog owner.

Now, most of the people around me prefer cats, and spoil their cats silly with love and favors.

Come to think of it, maybe I should start feeling sorry for dogs.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

AS THE escrow flies



TitleFact, Inc. escrow closing agent Maria LaMoyna, right, helps Twin Falls resident Bernice Bollinger with a transaction last week. A sharp decline in mortgage rates since last summer has triggered renewed interest in home refinancing.

Interest rates sink; homeowners run for calculators

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - With the prime interest rate sinking like a scuttled tugboat, is now the time to refinance the family home?

"Mortgage rates have gone lower in the past few months, but they're not directly tied to the prime," said David Willis, vice president of lending services at D.L. Evans Bank. "In fact, mortgage rates often decline before there's a cut in the prime."

The bottom line is the same, though: That \$100,000, 30-year mortgage you paid 8 1/2 percent for last summer would be pushing 7 percent today if you got it today. That means that if you qualify to refinance, your monthly mortgage payment

locally, they average \$2,000-\$2,500 on a \$100,000 mortgage, and include:

- The application fee, which covers the lender's cost to process your application.
- A fee for a search of the public record of ownership of your property.
- A title insurance policy, which protects the lender for any loss due to discrepancy in the title. Just one may be

would be lower.

And if you're willing to consider something shorter than 30 years, you could refinance for less than 7 percent. That's a lot of money in the long run.

"You could save several hundred thousand dollars over the life of the mortgage for a month-

Refinancing costs

able to have your settlement company release your current title policy at a reduced rate, saving you some of the cost to have this service performed.

- A fee to have your property re-appraised.
- A new survey of your property to confirm that no changes to the land or physical structures have been made that would affect its potential

value (mortgage) payment that's a little more than you're paying now," said Kevin Dane of Magic Valley Bank's Real Estate Center.

Of course, there's more than one reason to refinance. "In today's society, it's relatively easy to access credit and

cards and auto loans."

Consumers who have equity in their homes can refinance an existing mortgage for a larger sum - cash-out refinancing, it's called.

For example, say you need \$50,000 to remodel your kitchen and you owe \$100,000 on a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage at 8 1/2 percent on a home valued at \$200,000. Instead of obtaining a home equity loan, you could refinance \$150,000 at around 7 percent. Two-thirds of that money goes to pay off the existing mortgage, and the remaining \$50,000 goes into your pocket.

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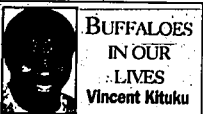
Marriage is not a runaway matatu or minibus

Studies show that more than 50 percent of marriages end in divorce. And this does not account for those unhappily married. If such statistics were turnover rates of any given business organization, we would want to know what happens within the organization that forces people to leave.

Problems that lead marriages to divorce remind me of minibuses in Kenya. Matatus are minibuses, or private cars converted to public transportation means. Natives started matatu businesses in rural areas during the period when Kenya was a British colony. For any distance traveled, the charge was the same, matatu (30 cents in the Kikuyu language).

Thus the origin of the name of a business that sometimes claims more than 40 percent of annual deaths in Kenya. While AIDS has become the No. 1 killer, nearly every other family has a member who was maimed or killed in a matatu-related accident.

Of course, the fares have increased, and so have the matatu vehicles. To make more money each day, the operators increase their number of trips with breakneck speed and always pack the vehicle with more passengers than are legal-



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Vincent Kituku

ly allowed. They will do anything to get a passenger into the vehicle. They persuade you if you have luggage, they help you carry it into the vehicle. But after you are in and have paid the fare, the operators don't care about you. No more sweet words. The goal is to get the next passenger.

But marriage is not matatu business. Attention has to be given to those who are already inside the "marriage vehicle" with the same love, concern and tenderness, if not more than that which initiated the relationship.

Marriage is the oldest form of human union. Marriage precedes church, school or government. Once that union is broken, the cords that hold together all other human entities are threatened - and the perpetuation of values that transcend culture and generations hang in the balance.

There is no perfect marriage. Each marriage is unique and all

New columnist

Vincent Kituku, an author and motivational speaker well known in the Pacific Northwest, starts a new weekly column in the Family Life section today.

The Kenya-born Kituku, an adjunct professor of extended studies at Boise State University, is a former training specialist with Idaho Power Company. He speaks to a wide variety of corporate, government and professional groups, and in dozens of Idaho schools. Kituku has con-

ducted workshops at the College of Southern Idaho in business and education.

"Buffaloes in Our Lives" is Kituku's signature story, the name of his business newsletter and his weekly radio segment on Boise's KBOI-AM. Kituku, who lives in Boise, earned a bachelor's degree at the University of Nairobi and holds master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Wyoming.

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Closely looked at, material blessings should not be a source of marital anguish. There is never a U-Haul truck following a funeral procession hauling the deceased person's worldly belongings.

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marriages have challenges that have to be addressed constantly. However, cultural and technological dynamics have had profound, albeit mostly negative, impact on marriages. Today, 50 percent commitment and contribution to marriage seems to have replaced 100 percent commitment and contribution for each member of the union. It's not unusual for people to get married with unrealistic expectations based on what is portrayed by popular culture.

Individualism, unforgiving spirit, lack of forbearance, and self-restraint are some of the things that threaten marriages. But money, poor communications, children, sex and in-laws are mentioned as the major contributors to marital problems.

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In many cultures, a family is complete with or without children. Children are additional blessings. These "blessings" should not be the cause for marital breakdown. The best gift you can give your children is to love, respect and honor their mother or father, plus being a good example.

Parents (in-laws included) are invaluable gifts. Their talents, wisdom and contributions can help young couples in numerous ways. It's advisable, however, to cleave to your mate and let all other relationships be secondary. This does not mean abandoning your parents.

Satisfying intimacy is a function of a healthy relationship in which there is security, commitment, companionship and in-depth passion. These elements bring in the crucial physical, mental and emotionally satisfying aspects of sex. When a couple develops these elements, they not only deepen their relationship, but also create an environment in which sex is not routine or risky.

A couple that prays and loves together and each, husband and wife, is faithful to God and honest to oneself, remains together. That couple's marriage may not be threatened by extramarital affairs, careers or hobbies.

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FAMILY LIFE

Nurses could use pat on the back

DEAR ABBY: It seems every week I am reminded in some form or another that teachers are the least-respected, least-compensated, most noble persons in our country. Exalted by politicians and the media, they are consistently portrayed in a positive manner. I believe, this is deserved. They have a tough job with great responsibility. However, Abby, there are other professions just as noble. I am a registered nurse, and along with police officers and firefighters we do not receive the respect that teachers do. We perform tasks that no one else would want to do. We see people at their worst and are often the target of other people's frustrations. Nurses do not get summers off, and few of us are home on holidays. Hospitals must be staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The pay is fair, but the work is extremely stressful. As healthcare costs rise, nurses are asked to do more and



DEAR ABBY: Abby VanBurken

more. The rate of back injuries among nurses is well above the national average. Many nurses suffer from "burnout" each year and transfer to other professions. Like doctors, nurses must have continuous training in order to stay up-to-date on the latest medical treatments and protocols. At least once in our lives, every one of us can remember being fudged by a nurse. Please, Abby, tell your readers that if they know a nurse, to give him or her a hug. Take the nurse to lunch and tell that person just how special he or she is.

DEAR PROUD: Thank you for reminding my readers—and me—

how terrific and dedicated nurses are. I urge everyone to give nurses the attention and praise they deserve during National Nurses' Week, May 6-12, 2001, and everyday.

DEAR ABBY: I feel like I'm in a free fall. I'm unemployed and attending school to better myself. I'm living with a girl I care about, but she has a child, and I am at a point in my life where I'm still trying to discover what I want. I don't want to hurt this child in any way, but I've found someone else I would like to spend time with. I don't want to deceive my girlfriend, but if I tell her about the other woman, she'll kick me out of her house and I'll have no place to live. Abby, I need to find out where I want my life to go, but I also want to make the right choices. What should I do?

FRED IN SAN FRANCISCO: DEAR FRED: First, get a part-time job. Second, start looking

for your own place to live—perhaps student housing. Third, level with the woman with whom you're living. The sooner you are out of there, the better. It will be for everyone. To stay and pretend you are committed to her and her child when you're not is dishonest and deceitful.

DEAR ABBY: Here's one for you "Can you stop this?" file. A friend planned a 50th birthday party for his wife. He hired a male stripper to "entertain" the guests. His mother was terminally ill, but gave her approval for the party to take place whether she was alive or not. Shortly before the party, she died. The party took place before she was buried. The only change was that the guests were asked to wear black.

WHADDAYA THINK IN SEATTLE? DEAR WHADDAYA: Even the strippers?

'Driven' gives audiences fast-paced adrenaline rush

The Orange County Register

• 'Driven' (PG-13) — Twin Cinema, Century Cinema @ Burley, Sun Valley Opera House, Jerome Cinema.

Best for: Mature kids who can handle the crash scenes to adult racing enthusiasts. What it's about: When rookie racing driver Jimmy Bly (Kip Pardue) gets overwhelmed with success and begins to lose, owner Carl Henry (Burt Reynolds) asks his been driver Joe Tavo (Sylvester Stallone) to coach him in the winner's circle. Jimmy's rival is Beau Brandenburg (Til Schweiger), the world champion who dumps his girlfriend, Sophia (Estelle Warren), because she's a "distraction" and ends up losing world to Jimmy. Meanwhile, when Carl puts Joe back into the circuit, it bumps another driver, Memo Morgo (Cristian-Del-La Fuente), off, which angers his wife Cathy (Gina Gershon), who happens to be Joe's ex-wife. She tries to pay back Joe by ruining his relationship with a female journalist, Luc Jones (Stacy Edwards), following the circuit.



artist who moves out from his parents and tries to get a job as an animator working for Mr. Davidson (Anthony Michael Hall). Gord's drawings don't impress Davidson and the dejected artist returns home. His mother, Julie (Julie Hagerty), is happy to see him back home, but his father, Jim (Rip Torn), favors Gord's ambitious younger brother Eric. Freddy (Eddie Kaye Thomas), who holds down a good job in the banking industry. When Gord's best friend, Darren (Harland-Williams), breaks his leg in a skateboarding accident, Gord meets a paraplegic nurse, Betty (Marisa Coughlan), and the two become romantically involved. Gord lies to his father to cover his unemployment, and eventually, he accuses his father of molesting Freddy. Drew Barrymore plays an office worker.

The good: Nothing. The not-so-good: Green bites through an umbilical cord and swings the bloody baby attached to it around a room, a deer is gutted and the bloody carcass is worn by Green; he sprays milk from a cow's udder onto his face and then sucks on the udder, then pulls out a handgun and puts the barrel into his mouth. This whole movie is about Green doing things to shock and disgust viewers and violate their sense of decency.

Offensive language: Extensive use of expletives and profanity, including the F-word. Religious profanities. Graphic references to sexual body parts and functions. Sexual situations: Betty is in a wheelchair and is obsessed with performing oral sex on Gord; in turn, she receives sexual satisfaction from him hitting her numb legs. Scenes involving animal sexuality. Gord accuses his father of molesting his adult brother.

Violence: Characters push each other around, pranks are played on many.

Parental advisory: Teens may be curious if they're fans of Green from his MTV show, but the outlandish, gross-out humor gets old quickly and is so disgusting, they will be sorry they went.

Queen's horrible behavior may cause an impression on younger kids, so make sure they don't see this with older siblings.

Entertainment value: F

There's a bad moon on the rise this week

We've all seen it—a moon on the horizon looks huge. When it's higher in the sky, it seems smaller. Despite its "obvious" size change, it's more an illusion, albeit a powerful one.

It's easy to demonstrate that the effect is an optical illusion and this week will provide the most dramatic example. The moon will rise just after 9 p.m. Monday. While it's near the horizon, go outside with a ruler. Hold the ruler vertically at arm's length, and position it so the top of the ruler aligns with the top of the moon. Slide your thumb along the ruler until it's level with the bottom of the moon, and read off the measurement.

Then go outside again five hours later when the moon is high, and repeat the measurement. (Yes, that's a nifty little trick.)



SKYWATCH: Chris Anderson

Sky calendar

(through Saturday)
• Planets: One hour before sunrise: Venus: E, very low. Mars: SW, low. One hour after sunset: Jupiter: WNW, very low.
• Moon: Full Monday, 8:52 a.m. Near Mars, Thursday 8:25 a.m.

Scientists who study the human visual system hypothesize that it's all about context. When the moon is on the horizon, we can readily compare it with distant terrestrial objects, which look tiny by comparison. High up, it's surrounded by a whole lot of black, empty sky—and looks small.

Believe it or not, a way to defuse the illusion is to turn your back on the rising moon, bend over and look at it between your legs. This is not a loka! The lunar vanishes because terrestrial references lose their familiar appearance when seen upside down.

Just be sure you're wearing a belt when you do this, however, or your neighbors may see a whole other kind of moon.

Next week: The largest and smallest visible planets cross paths.

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Check your motivation once in a while

It is a good idea periodically to question our motivation about a project, plan, relationship, or commitment to assure that we understand why we act, and to avoid regret, guilt or frustration.

Here is a simple question to ask yourself. Answer it honestly, and you will increase your chances of staying focused and dedicated. Ask it in this project, or in this relationship or situation, am I more interested in its income or outcome? Income can mean money. Income can be emotional benefits. Income can be power, prestige, or leverage. Outcome is the result of our efforts. Outcome is the benefit derived by those we serve or deal with.

Financially, we live in a world that does not reward transactions. Few of us still barter. We exchange our service, energy, and ideas for cash. Then we deal with others using money. Obviously, we need money for many parts of our life. Yes, money is important.

Here, we want to assess if money or service is our motivation.



STRESS: Tim O'Brien

they would enjoy. "This is all I know, I'm too old to change." We've all heard or even said statements like this.

Those who answer the income or outcome question by putting outcome first are likely happier people. If their concern is to provide quality service and products, if they ask how can they make their work benefit more people, better and more, they probably feel a sense of mission, purpose, and dedication to what they do.

Both groups feel tired at the end of a day's effort. The income first group will feel emotionally drained and stressed. The outcome first group might feel physically tired; however, they more likely feel a sense of exhilaration. They got to spend another day doing something they enjoy, helping others get what they need.

Those who provide superior service, who have concern first for their clients and customers, often have very successful occupations and businesses. People respond to and support those

who show an honest willingness to help them reach their goals and realize their dreams.

A person with income as a primary motive eventually will sacrifice quality or integrity to preserve income. This behavior becomes apparent to customers, co-workers, and employers. It seldom has positive benefits. It has no long-term benefits for anyone.

Are you in it for the income or to help someone? How happy a person are you? That second answer might help you answer the first one. We're all in a service business of some type. Provide it cheerfully with a sense of purpose. Then, most often, you'll enjoy more of your life, and you'll probably make more money, too!

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Author says technology is at root of U.S. rage

"Said I, in scorn all burning hot, In rage and anger high, You ignominious idiot! Those words are made to fly!" — Charles Perkins Stetson (Gilman) (1860-1935)

The Hartford Courant

Road rage, air rage, desk rage, Gym rage, grocery-cart rage, parking-lot rage. Rain rage (watch it with that umbrella, jerk!), snog rage (you got a spot), barking-dog rage, dance-floor rage.

Refinance

Continued from E1 approved only last summer—often with lower closing costs. For some customers, First Fed will renegotiate the interest rate without actually re-writing the mortgage.

So how much difference does there need to be between the interest rate you're now paying on your mortgage and the interest on the loan you want? "Two percent is kind of the rule of thumb," Willis said. Dane disagrees.

You can go for a 30-year fixed mortgage that you're paying 8 1/2 percent to a 20-year mortgage at 6.7 to 7 percent, save money in the long run and not pay much more each month," he said. Homeowners looking to refinance have a fair number of

The beat goes on... and on. If you have noticed all of the stories about rage in the newspapers and on television lately, you might feel a little raged-out. But if all of the coverage is really irritating you, making you uptight, perhaps even angry, then you might be part of the story. "It isn't the big things in life that make us cranky. It's the buildup of little things, day after day, that get-to-us," says C. Leslie Charles, author of the self-help book "Why Is Everyone So Cranky?" (Hyperion, \$22.95).

Crankiness due to time (lack of) and technology (too much of) is at the root of America's rage, she says.

Take your cell phone, pager and Palm Pilot, for instance. You bought them for "convenience." But now, you are interrupted any time, anywhere, over little things that add up to a constant feeling of urgency, emergency and overload.

All it takes is one minor inconvenience—a driver cutting you off on the highway, or one zooming into your parking place at the

mall—and you're angry. You're feeling ripped-off. You're raging.

"Technology has made life so convenient, we've lost our tolerance for inconvenience," says Charles.

We've become a nation with the attention span of a yearling.

Charles has a prescription for chilling out. Before you buy the latest gadget (or puppy, for that matter), ask yourself, "Does this simplify or complicate my life?" "If you constantly ask yourself that, then things begin to change," she says.

saving an interest, they may lower their monthly payments and qualify for tax deductions.

"It's a valuable option for a homeowner, Asher said.

"Home equity" lines of credit are sometimes used by home owners who don't necessarily need the money right now," she said.

But however you leverage your home's equity, be wary of variable rate mortgages and make sure the rate you're being offered is the rate you'll actually end up paying, Dane advised.

"Read the fine print," Asher said.

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Take action to keep aging pets healthy, comfortable

It seems like yesterday that we brought our wirehaired fox terrier, Scooter, into our home. We fondly remember her chasing her tail, chasing our shoestrings and the aroma of sweet puppy breath.

Relatively speaking, it was only a short time ago when Scooter was only 10-15 years old. (In general, the bigger the dog, the shorter the life span.)

While some pets live to a healthy old age with few breakdowns, most experience increasing health problems — from mild joint aches and dental pains to serious problems such as heart disease and cancer.

To catch problems early on, call your veterinarian if you feel a lump, if your pet seems short of breath, if its appetite changes, if it is losing weight or drinking or urinating more than normal.

While you can't reverse the hands of time, you can help your pet's golden years by being proactive about health, happiness and comfort.

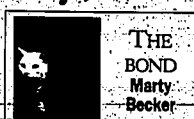
Good health begins with regular veterinary checkups. Veterinarians that specialize in gerontology recommend twice-yearly wellness visits beginning at age seven. Start earlier for large dog breeds such as Great Danes.

When your veterinarian examines your pet, he or she will check it from the tip of its nose to the tip of its tail, outside and inside.

To catch hidden problems, he or she may recommend some tests of the feces, blood and urine to check the function of the pet's internal organs. Depending on the pet's age and health status, your vet may check your pet's eyes, listen to the heart and may even recommend more extensive tests such as an electrocardiogram and ultrasound.

You can take a proactive lead in keeping your aging pet healthy:

- Meats that treat: Veterinarians have specially formulated senior foods that help slow the progression of some serious illnesses such as liver failure, kidney failure, skin problems and even cancer.
- Watch the weight. One out of every two pets in the United States is overweight and obesity leads to heart disease, diabetes and arthritis. In fact, some cats with diabetes can get it under control just by shedding the excess pounds.
- Fill 'em with fiber. Many of the senior foods have an increased level of fiber to help aid digestion and prevent constipation.
- Trick 'em with healthy treats. Avoid treats loaded with empty calories and fat. Choose healthy treats recommended by veterinarians or try baby carrots or frozen green peas.
- Add antioxidants. Some premium foods have added antioxidants that are proven to protect against heart disease and other degenerative conditions.
- Keep your pet moving. Daily exercise will help keep it trim, flexible and delay age-old problems such as arthritis and digestive problems. It also keeps pets mentally alert and more energetic. Ideally, exercise your pets for fifteen minutes twice a day.
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around the house and keep them full.

• Help the kids baby the older pet. Older pets don't hear or see as well, and can get cranky and intolerant. While your older cat may become a recluse, everyone needs to be considerate of an older dog and give it a wider berth so as not to get bitten. Even if not crate trained, a crate can give the pet an area of limits to kids. Provide a comfortable bed inside, and tell the kids to not touch the pet when it is inside the crate.

• Keep them comfortable. Provide small comforts such as carpet runners on slippery floors and ramps to get stairs to extra padding and heat for the pet's bed.

• Scooter is 16 years old — or about 70ish human years. Still a puppy at heart, he batters out at losing her charge. She limps with the early signs of arthritis, her skin is drier than it used to be, she can't hear or see as well as she once did.

Rather than react to her grayening muzzle and jutting hipbone, we take a proactive response. We feed her a prescription diet to prevent kidney problems, we give her powerful medicine to keep her arthritis at bay, and massage her nightly to relieve stress from her aching body.

It's a small payback for the years of happiness, health and joy she's given our family.

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Let's stick to the facts

"You ought to be ashamed of yourself for spanking," a recent column of all people, you should know that spankings often escalate into child abuse, and even when they don't, they teach children that hitting other people is OK. Teaching a child to resolve conflict peacefully starts with never hitting the child."

The above is a composite, representing the many letters of protest sent in response to a recent column in which I told the true story of a mom who spanked her 3-year-old for deliberately and with rebellious forethought pooping on the bedroom floor when sent to his room for time out. The spankings, of which there were three, in combination with taking favorite toys away, were persuasive. Realizing that facts often do not matter to people who hold zealous opinions, I am going to offer some facts about spanking. But first, a clarification: I have never used this column to "endorse" spankings. In this case, I told a story, the point of which was that first spankings can and often does cure behavior problems that mental health professionals might ascribe to deeper, more complex situations.

I do not think spankings are essential to good discipline; however, I am not persuaded that spankings per se are bad. Furthermore, I recognize that there are disciplinary situations (for example, the one above) in which spankings are effective.

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Pro-spankers' vigorous support of corporal punishment runs counter to the country's gradual shift away from the use of spanking. Only 41 percent of parents reported spanking or hitting their children, according to a recent poll by Prevent Child Abuse America. That's down from 58 percent in 1988.

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Such findings, even in an age when many countries have laws on the books against corporal punishment, fail to dissuade everyone.

Psychologist John Rosemond, for instance, writes in his book "Parent Power" that "it is possible to spank a child well, to do it right and to make it work." Rosemond feels so strongly about spanking that he devoted a 1994



PARENTING
John Rosemond

"Yes, John," someone is saying, "but there is always an alternative." That's true, but it begs the crucial question: Would the alternative have been as effective? Anyway, to the facts: Spankings do not easily or normally escalate into child abuse. Of the many parents who spank, a truly minuscule number, actually abuse their children. In most cases, spankings "de-escalate" as a child matures.

In 1999, a special conference convened by the American Academy of Pediatrics came to the conclusion that research purporting to prove that spanking incites antisocial behavior was less compelling than research showing that spankings deter antisocial behavior. The committee concluded that there was no evidence to suggest that spankings per se are harmful.

Spankings do not teach children that hitting is OK. Quite the contrary, in fact. Researchers recently discovered that aggression in children is highly correlated with parental permissiveness, and permissive parents are not likely to

be spankers. Inadequate parental discipline often results in a child who cannot restrain anti-social impulses of any kind.

The relationship between spanking and child abuse is paradoxical. Sweden outlawed parental spanking in 1979. A decade or so later, psychologist Robert Larzelere conducted a follow-up study in which he found that child abuse had increased significantly since the ban. Since the early 1970s, professor David Baumrind has conducted a "state of the art" longitudinal study on parental styles. She has found that parents who claim they do not believe in spanking are more likely to react abusively to their children's misbehavior than parents who are willing to spank.

Unfortunately, research that supports the efficacy of spanking rarely receives any attention in the mainstream media. Given half of the story, and the weaker half at that, the fact that many people think spankings are abhorrent is excusable. Those who are willing to open their minds will surely be interested in the following website: <http://people.biola.edu/faculty/ypaul/>

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Spare the rod? Debate over spanking rages anew

The Orlando Sentinel

The sign outside the Atlanta church identified it as the House of Prayer. But for the children inside, the place became a house of terror.

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How do you handle the loss of a pet?

The Washington Post

Caitlin Hurvick's dog, Jazzy, had been a part of her family since before Caitlin was born, and the girl loved her. Jazzy, she said, was an understanding dog. When Caitlin was unhappy, Jazzy seemed to know.

Then when Caitlin was 9, Jazzy died.

"I thought the world had come crashing down on me," Caitlin said.

Having a pet is great. Losing one isn't.

If you have pets, sooner or later it's going to happen. The hermit crab won't come out of its shell, the cat grows old, the guinea pig gets sick. For many kids, the loss of a pet is the first time they've had to deal with a loved one dying. It can feel really bad.

So what do you do? The answer is simple: Be sad for a while. You can't escape grieving for the loss of something you loved, but there are things that can help you get through the hard time.

Some kids like to remember the fun they had with the pets. If you're a kid, remember the good times. It will make you feel a tiny bit better," said Sam Rosenbaum, 10. His dog, Jack died three years ago.

Author Judith Viorst agrees that you can't remember the good times. Viorst wrote the kids' book "The Tenth Good Thing About Barney." In the book, after his cat Barney dies, a boy makes a list of some of the great things he wants to remember about Barney.

"I wrote it for my own family," said Viorst, who has three sons and whose family always had cats. "Remembering what you loved about your animal is a very useful way to deal with the loss."

Will Shepherdson had a funeral for Stripes, his goldfish, when he died in February.

"I did a small prayer, and then I buried him up where I had buried my other pets — two fish and one water frog," said Will, who is 9. "It made me feel better. It feels like I'm remembering him more."

Caitlin said she thought Jazzy's death was especially hard for her because "we had to put her to sleep because she had been struggling with heart problems for a year."

When an animal is sick and will never get better, its owners may decide they don't want it to suffer anymore. A vet then gives the animal powerful drugs that make it body stop working, and it dies peacefully.

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The case for emotional intelligence

The Baltimore Sun

Wouldn't it be nice if your boss had scientific evidence that you would make a great manager because of your people skills, even if you aren't as smart as the other guy applying for the job?

If you knew your child had a high EQ — that is, was unusually emotionally intelligent — you might not worry about her grades.

What's needed in these cases is a scientific way to measure emotional intelligence, a way to determine how you recognize what you and others are feeling.

Who knows if emotional intelligence will have become a buzzword if it hadn't been for the marshmallow challenge?

This was a study at Stanford University in which a group of 4-year-olds were told they could have one marshmallow immediately, but if they waited to eat it until the researcher returned they could have two. About two-thirds of the preschoolers had the self-control to wait.

So how emotionally intelligent are you? A standardized test to measure EQ has been developed but is unpublished; you can have fun with the several unscientific ones on the Internet. Here are questions from two of them (their Web addresses follow):

a. You are in a meeting when a colleague takes a credit away from you. How do you do it?
a. Immediately and publicly confront the colleague over the ownership of your work.
b. After the meeting, take the colleague aside and tell her that you would appreciate it in the future that she credits you when speaking about your work.
c. Nothing. It's not a good idea to embarrass colleagues in public.
d. After the colleague speaks, publicly thank her for referencing your work and give the group more specifics on the detail about what you were trying to accomplish.

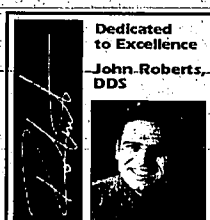
2. You are an insurance salesman calling on prospective clients. You always take a credit away from your client. What do you do?
a. Call it a day and go home early to miss rush-hour traffic.
b. Try something new in the next call, and take a credit away.
c. List your strengths and weaknesses to identify what may be undermining

your ability to sell.
d. Sharpen up your resume.
3. You've taken a group of 4-year-olds to the park, and one of them starts crying because the others won't play with her. What do you do?
a. Stay out of it — let the kids deal with it on their own.
b. Try to get the other kids to play with her.
c. Tell her in a kind voice not to cry.
d. Try to distract the crying girl by showing her some other things she could play with.

4. You're trying to calm down a friend who has worked himself up into a fury at a driver in another car who has cut dangerously close in front of him. What do you do?
a. Tell him to forget it — he's OK now and it's no big deal.
b. Put on one of his favorite tapes and try to distract him.
c. Join him in putting down the other driver, as a show of rapport.
d. Tell him about a time something like that happened to you and how you got as mad as he does now, but then you saw the other driver was on the way to a hospital emergency room.

(To take the full test and get an information sheet, go to www.utne.com/eq2eq.html)
— Source: Baltimore Sun

could delay gratification were better students, scoring on average about 200 points higher on their SAT tests.



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Consumers no longer know whom to trust for advice on healthcare. The doctor-patient relationship has eroded due to doctors prescribing based on insurance coverage and not health needs. Consumers no longer trust the insurance industry because their promise of lower cost yet the same quality of care has not been realized.

Consumers are being told daily that Medicare/Medicaid is failing so they no longer trust the government. Who is left? Say, let them just themselves. Give them the information they need to understand how they can choose what is right for themselves.

Doctors should be recommending the best treatment without fear of being sued. The insurance industry is planning by the insurance industry. Doctors will then be chosen by the quality of their care, as it should be. Let the insurance companies compete amongst themselves to provide the best service at the lowest rates.

Just because not all insurance is equal just because some insurance companies, a doesn't mean that his or her dental needs are covered. Don't let insurance dictate your health; it's your only body. Treatment plans driven by insurance guidelines are not always the treatment choices I would want in my own mouth.

Psychologist John Rosemond, for instance, writes in his book "Parent Power" that "it is possible to spank a child well, to do it right and to make it work." Rosemond feels so strongly about spanking that he devoted a 1994

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Twin Falls School District
KINDERGARTEN
PRE REGISTRATION
May 7 - 11

- Students must be 5 years old on or before September 1, to enroll in kindergarten.
- Parents need to bring a certified copy of the child's birth certificate, social security number, proof of address, and current immunization records.
- Reading workshops will be offered to show parents how to bolster reading readiness skills.

Kindergarten
Registration Week
May 7 - 11

Bickel - 733-4116
Registration: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Open House/Reading Workshop:
Monday, May 14, 4:00 p.m.

Harrison - 733-4229
Registration: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Open House/Reading Workshop:
Tuesday, May 8, 4:00 p.m.

Lincoln - 733-1321
Registration: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Open House/Reading Workshop:
Wednesday, May 9, 3:30 p.m.

Morningside - 733-6507
Registration: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Open House/Reading Workshop:
Thursday, May 10, 3:30 p.m.

Oregon Trail - 733-8480
Registration: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Open House/Reading Workshop:
Tuesday, May 15, 3:30 p.m.

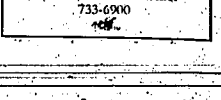
Perrine - 733-4288
Registration: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Extended Hours: Wednesday, May 9
8:30a.m.-5 p.m.

Open House:
Wednesday, May 9, 3:00 p.m.
Reading Workshop:
Wednesday, May 16, 7:00 p.m.

Sawtooth - 733-8454
Registration: 9:00 a.m. to Noon
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Open House/Reading Workshop:
Wednesday, May 9, 9:30 a.m.

Parents are encouraged to bring their kindergarten student to the open house at their school. This is an opportunity for the child to tour the school, meet the teachers, and become familiar with the school.

Parents unable to attend a Reading Workshop during the dates are invited to the Perrine evening session: May 16, from 7-9 p.m.
452 Caswell Avenue West



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RIDING SAFELY



The Rupert Police Department gave away child safety seats at the Memorial School Carnival Feb. 23. Recipients were, from left, front: Christiana Cohee, Austin Hansen and Issak Navarrete; back: police Cpl. Juan Martinez, Teresa Cohee, Wendy Vonweller and Rebecca Navarrete. The seats were made available through a grant from the Idaho Office of Highway Safety and through assistance from Kmart.

Local moms attend national convention

TWIN FALLS - Two local members of American Mothers Inc. attended the national AMI convention April 25-29 in Portland, Ore.

Perdita Humphreys of Fairfield and Lorayne O. Smith of Twin Falls, both past state officers, took a baby quilt made by the Hansen United Methodist Women. Each state AMI association brought a quilt as part of a national project for needy infants.

The highlight of the meet was selection of the 2001 National Mother of the Year, chosen from the mothers of the year from most of the 50 states. Idaho was represented by Sheila Gunther of McCall.

The Magic Valley district chapter also donated two quilts made by the Shovelwheeler-Eisenhower Valley House Homeless Shelter fund-raiser May 5.

Quilts have been donated to the Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation Agency's class for young unwed mothers. Kristina Tapia, prevention coordinator for the agency, discussed her work at an April 12 meeting at the home

of Carol Conover. The class, "Born to Succeed" attracts many young mothers in addition to those already in the court system, Tapia said. They receive parenthood training and help in completing their GED.

Since the district chapter began the baby quilt project nearly six years ago, approximately 1,400 blankets have been made by volunteers, Smith said. They have been given to hospitals and many helping agencies, such as the South Central Community Action Agency, Idaho Migrant Council, La Posada Hispanic ministry, Salvation Army, crisis centers in Twin Falls and Hailey and to foster children.

Smith said Ruth Wellhausen of Hazelton has made the majority of the quilts. Many other people and youth groups have also made them.

Donations of material for quilts, tops or lining are welcome. For more information, call Smith at 733-3521.

The next chapter meeting is scheduled July 12 at the home of Mary Mead.

Fisheries students reel in scholarships

TWIN FALLS - College of Southern Idaho students Nathan Jensen and Erin McClymonds each received a \$250 scholarship from the newly established Ruel Stayner-Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Stayner was a legendary figure in western fly fishing and ran his sporting goods shop in Twin Falls for 50 years, the organization said. He devised countless fly patterns and became famous for his Tayner-Ducktail. He died in

1996 and the fund was established this year by the Magic Valley Fly Fishers of Twin Falls to provide money for students majoring in CSU's fisheries technology program.

McClymonds, 19, of Jerome graduated from the fisheries technologies program, plans on earning her associate's degree at CSI and transferring to the University of Idaho to continue her education in fisheries management.



Magic Valley Fly Fishers officers present a scholarship to Nathan Jensen and Erin McClymonds. Pictured are Dale Gugley, vice president of Magic Valley Fly Fishers; McClymonds; Jensen; and Les Reitz, president.

SERVICE NEWS

Hatt completes basic

Marine Corps Pfc. Cristofer J. Hatt, son of Karen M. Kolnhof of Burley and Mickey L. Hatt of Burley, completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif.

Hatt successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits.

Hatt is a 2000 graduate of Burley High School.

Krieger finishes up training

Marine Corps Pvt. Clifton W. Krieger, son of Rhonda M. Krieger of Hillsboro, Ore. and Daniel D. Krieger of Burley, completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif.

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Lnam winds up training

Air Force Airman Jeremy L. Lnam, grandson of Carol and John Rogan of Buhl, graduated from basic military training at Lackland

Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. During the six weeks of training, Lnam studied the Air Force Mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. Lnam is a 1998 graduate of Buhl High School.

Captain arrives in Saudi

Air Force Captain Bradley W. McDonald, son of Robert McDonald of Kimberly and Linda Vining of Twin Falls, arrived for duty at the Joint Task Force Southwest Asia, Eskan Village, Saudi Arabia. McDonald is a 1990 graduate of Kimberly High School and a 1994 graduate of the U.S. Air Forces Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Mudd graduates from basic

Air Force Airman Sheldon M. Mudd, son of Keith Mudd of Buhl, has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, Mudd studied the Air Force Mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

UI honors English students

The University of Idaho chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, an English honor society, has initiated new members.

To be eligible, students must be English majors and have completed six credits of English classes beyond introductory English and maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 or higher in those classes.

Honorees include: JEROME: Deborah Marshall; TWIN FALLS: Linda Miller.

UI Psi Chi-Linda members

The University of Idaho chapter of Psi Chi, a psychology honorary, has inducted students into its society for academic achievement.

To be eligible, a student must have completed at least eight cred-

its in psychology with a B average in those courses.

Honorees include: BUIH: Michael Sigel; TWIN FALLS: Eric Engel and Nanci Thamerst.

Brown receives award

Jennifer Brown, daughter of Keith and Debbie Brown of Twin Falls, has been named a United States National Award Winner in cheerleading.

Brown, who attends Robert Smurr Junior High, was nominated for the award by Marsha Brown, a coach at the school.

The United States Achievement Academy selects recipients. Upon the recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors.

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Desert Sun Dancers hold pie social on Friday

SHOSHONE - The Desert Sun Dancers will hold a pie social on the Thursday page: noon Monday. The club will furnish the ice cream and visitors should bring a pie. The cost is \$3 per person.

Cassia Regional Medical offers infant care class

BURLEY - Cassia Regional Medical Center is offering an infant care class from 7.9 p.m. Tuesday in the board room. Topics covered include infant care, feeding and bathing. The cost for the class, including several other childbirth classes, is \$20.

Cassia Regional seeks snack-bar volunteers

BURLEY - The Cassia Regional Medical Center Volunteer program is seeking volunteers to staff the snack bar. Each volunteer serves one day a week for a four-hour shift. Openings are from 8 a.m.-12 p.m., 12-4 p.m. and 4-8 p.m. For more information, call Geri Alejandro, director of volunteer services, at 677-6526.

Buhl Middle School holds student-parent night

BUIH - Buhl Middle School will hold its annual student-parent night for all incoming sixth-graders at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Buhl Middle School auditorium.

Twin Falls PTSO discusses senior party

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls High School-PTSO will meet at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday in room CG at the Twin Falls High School. Final details for the senior party will be discussed. Parents are still needed to help. For more information, call the school at 733-6551.

20th Century Club sets memorial service

TWIN FALLS - The 20th Century Club of Twin Falls will hold a luncheon meeting at noon Tuesday. The hosts will be Helen Jean Shaff and the installation of officers will be led by Mavisenden Hall. There will also be a short memorial service for deceased members. For more information or to make a cancellation, call Esther by 10 a.m. Monday at 734-1487.

Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

GOODING - The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announced the winners for April 27. Winners for north/south were: first place, Frances and John Anglen; second place, Barbara Burke and Beverly Reed and

third place, Doris Watts and Bev Clark.

Winners for east/west were: first, Ruby Grimes and Jeanne McComb; second, Henry and Delores Robinson and third, Ched Botkin and Cecil Davidson. Refreshments were served. The club meets at 1 p.m. every Friday at the Gooding City Hall.

Buhl School District schedules art show

BUIH - The Buhl School District ninth annual art show will be held from 12-8 p.m. Wednesday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday.

Scout receives Eagle honor for making guide

BURLEY - Jared D. Larsen, 15-year-old son of Joe and Jamie Larsen of Burley, will be honored at an Eagle Scout Court of Honor at 7 p.m. Friday at the Springdale LDS Church, 200 S. 475 E.,

Burley. Larsen has earned 26 merit badges to qualify for a Bronze Palm. For this Eagle Project he compiled a visitor and newspaper guide for the Mini-Cassia area and built display stands. He had 1,500 copies printed, which are being distributed by the Burley Walcome Service, the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce and several motels. He sold ads to cover all costs and the project took more than 200 hours to complete.

Larsen is a Venture Scout with Team 121. He attends DeLo High School where he is sophomore class vice president and an honor student.

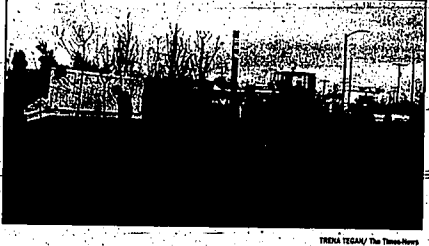
Magic Valley Christian High School enrolls students

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Christian High School is accepting students for the 2001-2002 school year. The open enrollment period will extend until classes have reached their capacity. The independent, Christian school, which is located in the facilities of the Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1631 Grandview Dr. N., will offer grades 6-12 beginning this fall.

Duplicate bridge club announces winners

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club announced recent winners.

PLANTING TREES



The City of Rupert received a grant for \$15,000 from the Idaho Department of Lands and purchased 40 trees and 100 shrubs for a beautification project at Railroad Park. The trees and shrubs were planted with the help of community volunteers, city workers and Mini-Cassia criminal justice inmates. The city is also planning to add a welcome sign.

CELEBRATING GENERATIONS



Former residents of Buhl celebrated a fifth-generation gathering in Wendell. They include Lennard Butler of Wendell; his son, Jim Butler of Buhl; grand-daughter Cindy Butler Graffeo of Culdesa, Idaho; great-granddaughter Heather Graffeo of Lewiston and great-grand-grandson Kaden Wilka of Lewiston.

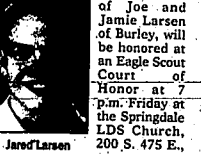
AARP observes National Independent Living Week

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley American Association of Retired Persons Chapter 4352 joined 15 other chapters throughout Idaho to observe National Independent Living Week from April 29 to May 5. During the week, AARP publications were distributed through the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center-lunch and home-delivered meals programs. The publications focus on better family communications to help senior citizens stay independent. For more information, call Oleta Bybee at 733-2752 or AARP's Idaho Information Center at 1-800-922-8716.

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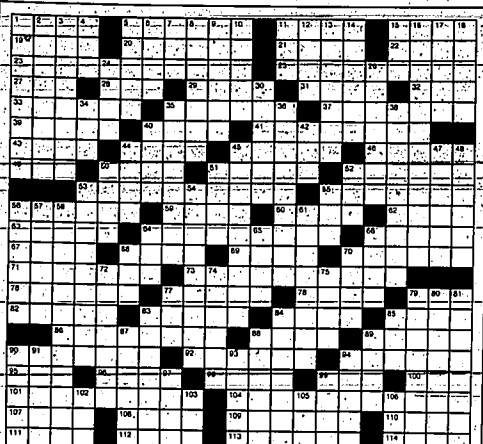
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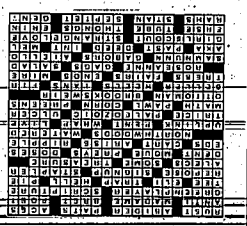
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WEDDING

FILLMORE-CECIL

BOISE — Meghan O'Halloran Fillmore and Devin Cecil were married Jan. 20 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Boise. The bride is the daughter of Harlan and Colleen Fillmore of Twin Falls. Parents of the bridegroom are Sara and Ken McCormick of Ulysses, Kan., and Paul and Dolores Cecil of Apache Junction, Ariz. Erin Peller, sister of the bride, served as maid-of-honor. Bridesmaids included Claire Axman, cousin of the bride, and Jolene Mielke and Lisa Stoehr, friends of the bride. Shawna Fillmore, sister of the bride, attended the guest book. The



Devin and Meghan Cecil (flower girl was Kurja Peller, niece of the bride. Jim Hervey, friend of the groom, was best man. Doug

Cutting, Tim Argo and Kurt Schilling served as groomsmen. Danny Sarceda and J.C. Marker were ushers. Officiating was Deacon Bill Petzak. Karen Kelsch was pianist and Rachel Williams was soloist. A reception was held following the ceremony at the Main Street Bistro in Boise. Special guests included family and friends from California, Kansas, Arizona, Montana and Oregon. The bride attended Twin Falls High School and graduated from Boise State University in 1997. The bridegroom attended school in Kansas. They are employed by Kachina Aviation of Boise. The newlyweds reside in Boise.

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ENGAGEMENTS

MCLAUGHLIN-WORDSMAN

TWIN FALLS — Ed and Lela McLaughlin of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Kathleen McLaughlin, to John Daniel Wordsman of Twin Falls, son of John and Virginia Wordsman of Peoria, Ariz.

McLaughlin is a graduate of Pierce College in Tacoma, Wash. She is employed by Twin Falls Veterinary Clinic. Wordsman is attending the College of Southern Idaho. He is employed at Reis Plumbing and



John Wordsman and Mary McLaughlin. The wedding is planned for June 2.



Christy Coleman and James Hall

COLEMAN-HALL

KIMBERLY — Bradley and Cheryl Coleman of Kimberly announce the engagement of their daughter, Christy Coleman, to James Hall, son of Valerie and Rod-Hall of Kimberly. Coleman is a graduate of Kimberly High School. She is employed at Winco in Twin Falls. Hall is also a graduate of Kimberly High School. He is employed by Magic Valley Distributing in Twin Falls. The wedding is planned for June 2 at St. Edwards-the Confessor.

HARDY-NELSON

OAKLEY — Randy and Karlene Hardy of Oakley announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Hardy, to Benjamin Nelson, son of Col. and Mrs. Henry B. Nelson III of Munford, England, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed-Barker of Anchorage, Alaska. Hardy is attending Brigham Young University and will be employed at Provo Recreation. Nelson is attending BYU as an economics major. He is employed by Washington Mutual Bank in West Jordan, Utah. The wedding is planned for



Kristen Hardy and Benjamin Nelson. The wedding is planned for June 2.

WEDDING

FRYE-GUNNELL

BURLEY — Kenya-Rde Frie and Ryan Gunnell were married April 28 in the Bountiful LDS Temple in Bountiful, Utah. The bride is the daughter of Michael Dean and Darlene Frie of Montgomery City, Mo. She is a graduate of Montgomery County High School and is currently a junior majoring in art history at Brigham Young University.

The groom is the son of Dana and Morus Gunnell of Burley High School. He attended BYU for his freshman year and then served a two-year mission to Fukuoka, Japan. He is finishing his education at BYU, where he is a junior majoring in interna-



Ryan and Kenya Gunnell. An open house to honor the couple will be held from 7-10 p.m. Saturday at the Gunnell residence, 500 S. 192 E., Burley. The couple will reside in Provo, Utah, to finish their education.

Use The Times-News Marketplace classifieds to turn possessions into cash.

Bridal Registry
Chanille Glibby & Jaren Jarrard May 12th
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SENIORS

Care managers guide families

Q. My 82-year-old father fell and fractured his hip several months ago...



NEXT STEPS Jan Collins and Jan Warner

Medicaid eligibility, we believe that using a private geriatric care manager is probably more appropriate.

This private service will take into consideration not only your father's condition, but also your mother's ability to care for him...

To find a care manager in your area, look on the Internet at http://www.caremanager.org/

If your father would benefit from assisted living, the pay source would be either private pay or long-term care insurance...

And if your father cannot afford to pay privately, the admission process may prove to be even difficult because a Medicare or Medicaid certified

nursing home can discriminate against Medicaid-eligible residents at this time.

All nursing homes require some type of admission agreement that becomes the resident's contract with the facility...

The admission agreement should be thoroughly reviewed and understood before it is signed in order to make sure that it does not contain questionable or illegal provisions...

Taking the Next Step: Admission into a nursing facility is much easier when a patient requires the requisite level of care at the time of discharge from a hospital.

Jan Collins is a writer and editor. Jan Warner is a matrimonial, tax and elder-law attorney.

Start planning for retirement early

Q. When should I start planning my retirement?

A. It's never too early to start planning your retirement. Social Security has an important role to help you with your retirement planning.

Q. How do I know when it's the best time to apply for retirement benefits?

A. If you're thinking about

Social Security Q&A

retiring in the near future, now would be a good time to call Social Security.

If you plan to retire before you reach age 65, you'll only be able to collect Social Security benefits starting in the month that you apply.

That's why it's a good idea to contact Social Security first. Then you'll find out what the best time is in your particular case.

This column was prepared by the Social Security Administration. For fast answers to specific Social Security questions, contact Social Security toll-free at 800-772-1213.

Don't underestimate the power of questions

To look at him, one would assume that he was an intelligent and thoughtful person...



AFTER CLASS Gay Petersen

each one. Students made comments, poked fun, but he really wanted to know...

Teachers are authority figures. Still, keeping a class working and orderly can be a daunting task.

disruptive even though I knew he didn't mean to.

The system was successful. No longer did the students taunt him, and yet his questions were answered.

Adam was happy. I was happy, and the class was happy.

and someone later told me how stupid I had been to ask it.

Children should never be disparaged from wanting to learn.

Obviously we cannot know all the answers, but we can be patient and willing to help find those answers.

ANNIVERSARIES

THE DOWNINGS

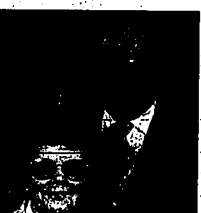
JEROME - Mr. and Mrs. Clair Downing of Jerome held a pre-wedding open house on Saturday for their 60th wedding anniversary.

Downing and Ineta Snodgrass were married Feb. 2, 1941, in Wendell.

They have lived in Jerome, where he farmed most of their married life and she worked in the home.

They have been active in the Jerome Bible Baptist Church.

The event is being given by their children, Le Eta Erickson of Nampa, Robert Downing of



Ineta and Clair Downing. Stanley, Gary Downing of Keller, Texas, and Kenneth Downing of Boise.

The couple has 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

THE SCHRADERMEIERS

TWIN FALLS - Melvin and Jane Schradermeier of Twin Falls will celebrate their 59th wedding anniversary on Tuesday.

The couple was married May 8, 1942, in Seattle.

They lived in California for 42 years and moved to Twin Falls 14 years ago.

They have one son, Danie Schradermeier of Golita, Calif., who will be coming to Twin Falls



Melvin and Jane Schradermeier at the end of May to help celebrate their anniversary.

Researchers puzzle over seniors' eating habits

Los Angeles Times

Florence Gill, 93, and suffering from dementia, needed a little help with dressing, bathing and eating.

In just four weeks, the 5-foot-1 former schoolteacher dwindled from 88 pounds to 72 pounds.

By the time his mother was free of the infection, it was too late. Dehydrated, underweight and covered in bedsores...

"I try to watch things," said Gerald Gill, a 63-year-old engineer who checked the nurse's ratings on an Internet site...

Gerald Gill will never know

Where to go for help

For more information on malnutrition and dehydration in the elderly:

- The National Citizens Coalition for Nursing Home Reform, an advocacy group, provides information on nursing home quality issues, including nutrition and hydration...

detected why his mother's health deteriorated so rapidly, although it is clear that a lack of life-sustaining food and drink played a major role.

Although nursing homes are required to keep records of how much residents eat and drink...

and fluids play a role in their deaths: Death certificates cite dehydration or excessive weight loss.

It is roughly estimated that 35 percent to 85 percent of the nation's 1.7 million nursing home residents are at risk of malnutrition and dehydration.

Simply providing three square meals a day to an elderly resident doesn't mean the meals are eaten. That's because the reasons someone won't eat can be complex.

Thanks to better medications and other advances, people are living longer with chronic health problems.

disabilities that can impair their ability to eat and drink.

Even seniors who still live at home can be undernourished, but the risks increase in hospitals, where busy staffs may provide only limited attention.

The situation is most severe in nursing homes, where residents are dependent for most daily needs on low-wage, overworked nurses and nursing assistants.

At greatest risk are frail seniors who must take multiple medications daily - some known to be appetite-killers.

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