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Board ousts center's boss

Director of detention center alleges abuse of power

By Mark Heinz Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The director of the local juvenile detention center has been fired, but he said Monday he'll probably keep

fighting what he sees as an abuse of authority by the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department and others. Meanwhile, the sheriff's department announced Tuesday that there will be no criminal

charges filed in connection with an investigation of the Snake River Youth Center and Snake River Juvenile Detention Center. That investigation apparently sparked much of the conflict that led to the firing for the center's

director, Paul Frick.

A search warrant signed Feb. 22 by Twin Falls County District Judge Nathan Higer indicates that deputies were sent to the youth and detention centers that day to search for evidence related to allegations of failure to

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'We deserve justice'



Janet and Victor McCoy still have questions about the killings of Denise McCoy and her children in Lincoln County five years ago. They met with the county prosecutor on Tuesday to try to reopen the case.

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Couple demands reopening of Shoshone murder probe

By John T. Huddy Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Chastising local police for what they see as a lack of investigation into the killings of their daughter and grandchildren five years ago, an Oregon couple demanded that the case, which rocked the small town of Shoshone, be reopened.

Janet and Victor McCoy met with The Times-News on Tuesday to discuss their daughter, Denise McCoy, and the questions still surrounding her murder. The McCoy's also met with Lincoln County Prosecutor E. Scott Paul on Tuesday to try to spur another

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investigation. "We deserve justice," said Victor McCoy, wiping tears from his eyes as he looked at numerous photographs of his daughter and grandchildren spread out over a conference room table. "Our daughter and grandkids deserve justice," added Janet McCoy, pausing to pull back tears. McCoy, 33, was shot twice in the head at the home of her boyfriend, Dean Barney, the night of June 11, 1996. McCoy's four children, Genevieve, 11, Jordan, 10, Chelsea, 8, and Adrianna, 2, were

also killed. A coroner's jury concluded in September 1996 that Walter Schoolcraft, 48, a well-liked local sharecropper, had killed Denise McCoy and her children. Schoolcraft was found in the early morning hours of June 12, 1996, dead of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head. But Janet and Victor McCoy question what happened that night and if Schoolcraft really was the killer. They said the killings may have been a drug-related "hit" - that someone close to their daughter may have run astray with illegal drug dealings and the murders were a retaliatory message to that person. That theory is

supported by several other people, including former Lincoln County prosecutor Brit Groom. Groom, who tried the case in 1996 and now has a private law practice in the northern Idaho town of Grangeville, said in a recent interview that he had a reasonable doubt that Schoolcraft committed the murders. Walter Schoolcraft, according to Groom and members of Schoolcraft's family, including his sister-in-law, Velda Schoolcraft, said he was a terrible shot. Yet Groom said the killings were done by a person or persons who "knew what they were doing."

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COOL TREAT



Nathan Hughes (left), 10, of Twin Falls gets a sundae with a little extra from Meadow Gold Dairy volunteer Merlyne Olson (right) at the 'Got Milk?' Ice Cream Social Tuesday evening at Twin Falls City Park. The second annual event sponsored by the Idaho Dairyman's Association drew a large crowd despite the cool weather.

Teen pregnancy rate in U.S. falls to lowest mark

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The teen pregnancy rate hit a record low in 1997, with births falling fast and abortions falling even faster. Experts credit long-lasting birth control, programs that encourage teens to postpone sex and a strong economy that gives them better opportunities. In 1997, about 9.4 percent of all girls ages 15 to 19 became pregnant - a total of 872,000 pregnancies, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Tuesday. Fifty-five percent gave birth, 25 percent had abortions and the rest miscarried. The teen pregnancy rate fell by 4.4 percent between 1996 and 1997, the most recent year for which data

is available, continuing a trend that has marched through the 1990s. Pregnancy rates are significantly higher in low-income communities, and black and Hispanic girls are more than twice as likely to get pregnant as white girls are. Still, the rates are falling among all races. Most of the teen pregnancies are among 18- and 19-year-olds, though some 6.4 percent of girls ages 15 to 17 were pregnant in 1997. That's down 21 percent since the peak in 1990. Overall, the teen pregnancy rate fell 19 percent in 1997 from its peak in 1991, and was the lowest since 1976, when the government began keeping records. The abortion rate fell by nearly a third since 1990, also reaching a record low.

With McVeigh dead, attention focuses on co-conspirator

The Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY - After the execution of Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh, many victims turned their scorn toward co-conspirator Terry Nichols who is facing state murder charges that could also bring the death penalty. But Tuesday's appointment of a new Oklahoma County chief prosecutor raises questions about whether

Nichols will ever face a state jury. Wes Lane starts his new job as district attorney on June 30, when Bob Macy retires. Lane, a longtime assistant to Macy, declined to discuss his plans for the Nichols' case on Tuesday, but acknowledged there are a "ton of victims that are of differing opinions" on whether to proceed with it. While that is far from a sign of faltering support for the case, it is a

departure from the stubborn stance taken by Macy, who personally filed 160 state murder charges against Nichols and thinks he should die for the crimes. Many in Oklahoma have no question about what they'd like to see next. "One down, one to go," said Matt Story, whose mother died in the April 19, 1995, bombing, which killed 168 people and injured more than 500.

Mickey Sawyer, who also lost her mother, watched McVeigh's execution Monday on closed-circuit television and wants Nichols to suffer a similar fate. "Let him be next," Sawyer said. "We're ready for another execution." Her sister, Shari Sawyer, said Nichols, 46, was sentenced to life in prison on federal bombing charges, and would face the death penalty if found guilty of the state charges.



Terry Nichols

Recall effort falls short. Booster says she might try again

By Mark Heinz Times-News writer

JEROME - A petition to launch a recall election against Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver failed, but one of the effort's chief boosters said she might be willing to take another run at getting Weaver out of office. "If we can do it, I'd like to," Cindy Kopp of Eden said Tuesday. State law allows for more than one recall petition to be launched against an elected official during a single term of the official's tenure in office, according to the Idaho secretary of state's office. Kopp and other recall supporters would have needed signatures from at least 20 percent of the voters registered during the last election. That amounts to 2,022 signatures from the county's 10,107 registered voters. About 1,775 people signed petitions calling for Weaver's ouster, Kopp said.

There was no comment Tuesday from Weaver's office regarding the petition's failure. Sheriff's department spokeswoman Nancy Strickland said Weaver would not comment directly about the recall failure, but planned to issue a written statement regarding his reactions to it. That statement hadn't appeared by press time Tuesday. If Kopp and other supporters want to try again, Idaho law allows it, said Idaho Chief Deputy Secretary of State Ben Ysursa. The law states only that a subsequent recall petition can't be filed for the exact same reasons that the first one was filed, he said. That means petition boosters would probably have to get creative with the wording of the petition introduction, he said. For example, petition backers who cited an official's incompetence in their first effort might change their wording to cite negligence instead. "If they altered it somewhat, they might be able to do it," Ysursa said. Most recall efforts are long shot, Ysursa said. "There have been recall elections where people were ousted, but it's mostly been in small cities, where the numbers of voters are small to begin with," he said. And people who gather signatures for a recall petition should count on needing a cushion of several hundred signatures, he said. That's because many signatures are later ruled invalid by the county clerk's office to which the petitions are turned in, Ysursa said.

"People might just say they are registered voters or just assume they are registered when they sign the petition," he said. "History shows that 10 to 20 percent of petition signatures are invalid." The recall effort stemmed from a gunfight during a Jan. 3 drug warrant raid - involving Weaver and most of his staff - at the Eden home of George Timothy Williams, 47. Weaver claimed Williams opened fire immediately after deputies broke open a door into the home's living quarters. Williams, deputy Cpl. James Moulson, 30, and deputy Cpl. Phillip Anderson, 23, all died inside the house. Idaho State Police investigators later concluded that although it couldn't clearly be established

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NATION

Jury sentences bomber to life

NEW YORK (AP) — A follower of fugitive terror suspect Osama bin Laden was sentenced to life in prison without parole Tuesday after a jury couldn't agree he deserved to die for the deadly bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Kenya.

Ten of the 12 anonymous jurors said executing him could make him a martyr for the terrorist cause.

The jury deliberated for five days over the fate of Mohamed Rashed Daoud Al-Owhali, 24, who confessed to his role in the Aug. 7, 1998, attack on the embassy at Nairobi that killed 213 people and wounded thousands.



Mohamed Rashed Daoud Al-Owhali

"I'm disappointed," said Ellen Bomer, who was blinded in the explosion. "If ever there was a person who needed to be put to death, this is the one."

Al-Owhali also was convicted of conspiracy in the nearly simultaneous bombing on the U.S. Embassy in Tanzania.

Another defendant, Khalifan Khamis Mohamed, could face the death penalty for the attack in Tanzania, in which 11 people

died. The same jury is to hear his penalty case next Tuesday. Two others also were convicted but were not subject to the death penalty.

Al-Owhali's life was spared one day after Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh became the first person executed by the federal government since 1963. Under a 1996 federal law, prosecutors can seek the death penalty in terrorist murder cases.

Defense attorney Frederick Cohn, noting that the panel was told to avoid coverage of the McVeigh case, said he saw no connection between Monday's execution and the jury decision.

"This is an extraordinary victory for a system that was really put to the test," Cohn said. "I'm about as numb as my client."

Sue Bartley, whose husband and son were killed, left the courtroom in tears. She had previously said she was in favor of the death penalty in this case.

Before the jury's verdict was announced, Al-Owhali appeared relaxed at the defense table, smiling as he awaited word. At one point, he held a copy of the Quran.

In a lengthy "verdict sheet" used by the jurors to reach their decision, the panel provided several reasons for staying away from the death penalty.

Israel, Palestinians OK U.S. cease-fire plan

JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinians accepted a U.S. plan for a cease-fire to end 8.5 months of fighting with Israel, Palestinian officials said early Wednesday, adding that they still had some reservations.

The agreement was reached in a meeting between U.S. director George Tenet and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in the West Bank town of Ramallah. Putting off his plan to leave the area, Tenet called a meeting of Israeli and Palestinian security commanders for later Wednesday, said the Palestinian officials, requesting anonymity.

The Bush administration also said the Palestinians had accept-

ed the U.S. plan. Earlier, Israel had agreed to Tenet's proposal to make an 11-day cease-fire last.

This could open the door to so-called confidence-building measures, designed to lead ultimately to new peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians. However, the Palestinian officials said they had rejected one element of the plan and still needed to work out an agreement on another.

They said their side had rejected the Israeli idea of a buffer zone between the West Bank and Israel, and had to work out a timetable for lifting Israeli restrictions on Palestinians, including travel bans.

Bush opens first European trip on defensive

MADRID, Spain (AP) — At odds with U.S. allies, President Bush opened his first European trip Tuesday, declaring there is "much more that unites us than divides us" despite glaring differences on global warming, missile defenses and the death penalty.

Promising to work for common ground, the president said, "I refuse to let any issue isolate America from Europe, because Europe is too important for America's future."

At the same time, he remained steadfast against an international global-warming treaty and said that the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty strongly backed by U.S. allies was "a relic of the past" that should put aside.

Bush and his wife, Laura, watched deer and wild boar roam the wooded animal preserve of Madrid's Zarzuela Palace, where the president and first lady were welcomed by King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia of Spain. The president also joined Spanish Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar at his whitewashed ranch south of Madrid, finding common ground in missile defense and global warming.



President Bush walks with Spanish Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar during a tour of Aznar's ranch in Los Quintos de Mora, Spain, Tuesday.

But those were among the few bright spots on the first day of a tough, five-nation trip that concludes Saturday in a summit with Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Just hours after Bush arrived in Spain, the European Union in

Brussels, Belgium, denounced the president's new proposals on climate change as "short on action" and demanded anew that he back the Kyoto Protocol on global warming.

Responding at a news conference with Aznar, Bush called the 1997 agreement flawed, "unrealistic" and not based on sound science. "We have a different approach" to solving global warming, Bush said, "but we have the same goals."

The European Union announcement, released two days before Bush travels to an EU meeting in Sweden, set a cold tone for a trip that could pit Bush against Europe — testing the consensus-building skills of America's new president.

"I look forward to making my case," Bush said.

Several hundred protesters gathered across the street from the U.S. Embassy as Bush met with U.S. diplomats and their families. "Bush Go Home!" some of the protesters chanted. One sign, critical of Bush's position on the environment, read in English: "The earth is our mother, not your supermarket."

Another protest drew about 1,000 people in Brussels, where Bush will attend a NATO meeting on Wednesday. Demonstrators decried U.S. policy on the environment, Cuba and the death penalty.

Census: Same-sex couples skyrocket over past decade

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of American households reporting same-sex partners skyrocketed over the past decade, according to Census 2000 figures offering fresh confirmation of a turn-of-the-century trend.

Same-sex unmarried partner homes rose in Vermont from an estimated 370 in 1990 to 1,933 in 2000, an increase of over 400 percent, according to data released Wednesday by the Census Bureau. Delaware saw an even steeper increase: up more than 700 percent to 1,868 households.

Vermont and Delaware were the first states to receive the latest wave of census data, with all 50 to get the material by late August.

Researchers attributed the increases more to gay couples feeling comfortable with identifying their relationships rather than

any big increase in such couples.

Regardless of the reason, Holly Puterbaugh, of-South Burlington, Vt., considered it one of the most thorough counts yet of homosexuals in this country.

"It's one more way for the recognition of same-sex couples to come about," said Puterbaugh, who took part in a civil union ceremony last year in Vermont with her partner of 28 years. "There are a lot more same-sex couples in this world than most people realize."

Same-sex couple homes still made up a tiny portion of households, less than 1 percent in either state. Figures to be released for more crowded states like California will give a clearer picture of the nation's gay and lesbian population, said Urban Institute analyst Gary Gates.

Officials: China provides military supplies to Cuba

WASHINGTON (AP) — China has been transferring military equipment to Cuba, a top State Department official said Tuesday, acknowledging that the deliveries are a matter of administration concern.

James Kelly, assistant secretary of state for East Asian affairs, confirmed the activities in response to a question during a hearing of a House International Relations subcommittee.

"We are very much concerned with this PLA (People's Liberation Army) cooperation and movement of military equipment in Cuba," Kelly said.

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'Psycho' tops list of thrillers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The mother-of-all slasher films, "Psycho," topped the American Film Institute list of 100 most thrilling movies, with "Jaws" and "The Exorcist" coming in second and third.

"Psycho" director Alfred Hitchcock and "Jaws" director Steven Spielberg combined for 15 films on the list released Tuesday. Hitchcock placed nine movies on the list, with two others in the top 10 — "North by Northwest" at No. 4 and "The Birds" at No. 7. Spielberg had six films, including "Raiders of the Lost Ark" at No. 10.

The rest of the top 10 were: No. 5, "The Silence of the Lambs"; No. 6, "Alien"; No. 8, "The French Connection"; and No. 9, "Rosemary's Baby."

The rankings were announced in a special aired Tuesday night on CBS. The institute began issuing an annual list on different movie themes three years ago, with a roster of the top 100 American films.

The thriller list was chosen by about 1,800 directors, actors, studio executives, critics and others in Hollywood, who voted from a field of 400 nominated movies.

Considering that 16 Hitchcock films were nominated, there was little doubt he would fare well. And it's small surprise that "Psycho" led the way, considering that even co-star Janet Leigh was so affected by her death scene in the shower that she only takes baths to this day.

"Psycho" scared the hell out of me when I saw it finished. Making it and seeing it are two different things," Leigh said. "That staccato music and the knife flashing. You'd swear it's going into the body. I still don't rake showers, and that's the truth."

The 1960 Hitchcock classic starred Anthony Perkins as mild-mannered Norman Bates, a nutcase who donned his dead mother's clothes to kill Leigh's character, a guest at the Bates Motel.

Linda Blair, who scored an Oscar nomination as the demonically possessed girl in "The Exorcist," said she still hears from fans who were so terrified by the movie that they recalled exactly when, where and with



Actress Janet Leigh is shown screaming in the famous shower scene of Alfred Hitchcock's 1960 thriller 'Psycho' in this undated black and white hand out photo.

whom they saw it.

"If you do one project in your lifetime that people remember like this, that's a terrific thing to have been a part of," Blair said.

While the list was heavy on horror, mystery and murder, it also included suspenseful dramas. "The Godfather" ranked 11th. "The Great Escape" was 19th, "Lawrence of Arabia" was 23rd and "Casablanca" was 37th.

The list featured Westerns such as "High Noon" (No. 20) and "Burt Lancaster and the Sundance Kid" (No. 54), the boxing flick "Rocky" (No. 52) and even "The Wizard of Oz" (No. 43).

"It cuts across drama and disaster and epic and horror and music and noir and sci-fi and sports and Westerns," said Jean Picker Firtenburg, the institute's director. "Each of these genres can affect you with the same emotional response, which is that your heart races."

The oldest film was "Safety Last" (No. 97), the 1923 silent classic that features Harold Lloyd's dazzling stunts on a high-rise building. The newest films were from 1999, "The Sixth Sense" (No. 60) and "The Matrix" (No. 66).

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| 3. "The Exorcist," 1973 | 34. "The Night of the Hunter," 1955 | 68. "Halloween," 1978 |
| 4. "North by Northwest," 1959 | 35. "Jurassic Park," 1993 | 69. "The Wild Bunch," 1969 |
| 5. "The Silence of the Lambs," 1991 | 36. "Bullitt," 1968 | 70. "Dog Day Afternoon," 1975 |
| 6. "Alien," 1979 | 37. "Casablanca," 1942 | 71. "Goldfinger," 1964 |
| 7. "The Birds," 1963 | 38. "Notorious," 1946 | 72. "Platoon," 1986 |
| 8. "The French Connection," 1971 | 39. "Old Man," 1988 | 73. "Lawrence," 1944 |
| 9. "Rosemary's Baby," 1968 | 40. "2001: A Space Odyssey," 1968 | 74. "Slade Hammer," 1982 |
| 10. "Raiders of the Lost Ark," 1981 | 41. "Dirty Harry," 1971 | 75. "The Third Man," 1949 |
| 11. "The Godfather," 1972 | 42. "The Terminator," 1984 | 76. "Thelma & Louise," 1991 |
| 12. "King Kong," 1933 | 43. "The Wizard of Oz," 1939 | 77. "Terminator 2: Judgment Day," 1991 |
| 13. "Bonnie and Clyde," 1967 | 44. "E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial," 1982 | 78. "Gaslight," 1944 |
| 14. "Rear Window," 1954 | 45. "Saving Private Ryan," 1998 | 79. "The Magnificent Seven," 1960 |
| 15. "Deliverance," 1972 | 46. "Carrie," 1976 | 80. "Rebecca," 1940 |
| 16. "Chinatown," 1974 | 47. "Invasion of the Body Snatchers," 1956 | 81. "The Omen," 1976 |
| 17. "The Manchurian Candidate," 1962 | 48. "Old Man for Murder," 1954 | 82. "The Day the Earth Stood Still," 1951 |
| 18. "Vertigo," 1958 | 49. "Dances with Wolves," 1991 | 83. "The Phantom of the Opera," 1925 |
| 19. "The Great Escape," 1963 | 50. "Marathon Man," 1976 | 84. "Poltergeist," 1982 |
| 20. "High Noon," 1952 | 51. "Raging Bull," 1980 | 85. "Dracula," 1931 |
| 21. "A Clockwork Orange," 1971 | 52. "Rocky," 1976 | 86. "The Picture of Dorian Gray," 1945 |
| 22. "Fast Driver," 1973 | 53. "Pulp Fiction," 1994 | 87. "The Thing from Another World," 1951 |
| 23. "Lawrence of Arabia," 1962 | 54. "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid," 1969 | 88. "12 Angry Men," 1957 |
| 24. "Double Indemnity," 1944 | 55. "Walt Little's Dark," 1967 | 89. "The Bone of My Ancestor," 1962 |
| 25. "Tomb Raider," 1997 | 56. "Frankenstein," 1931 | 90. "The Position Adventure," 1972 |
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| 31. "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," 1977 | 62. "Spartacus," 1960 | 96. "Blue Velvet," 1986 |
| | 63. "What Ever Happened to Baby Jane?," 1962 | 97. "Safety Last," 1923 |
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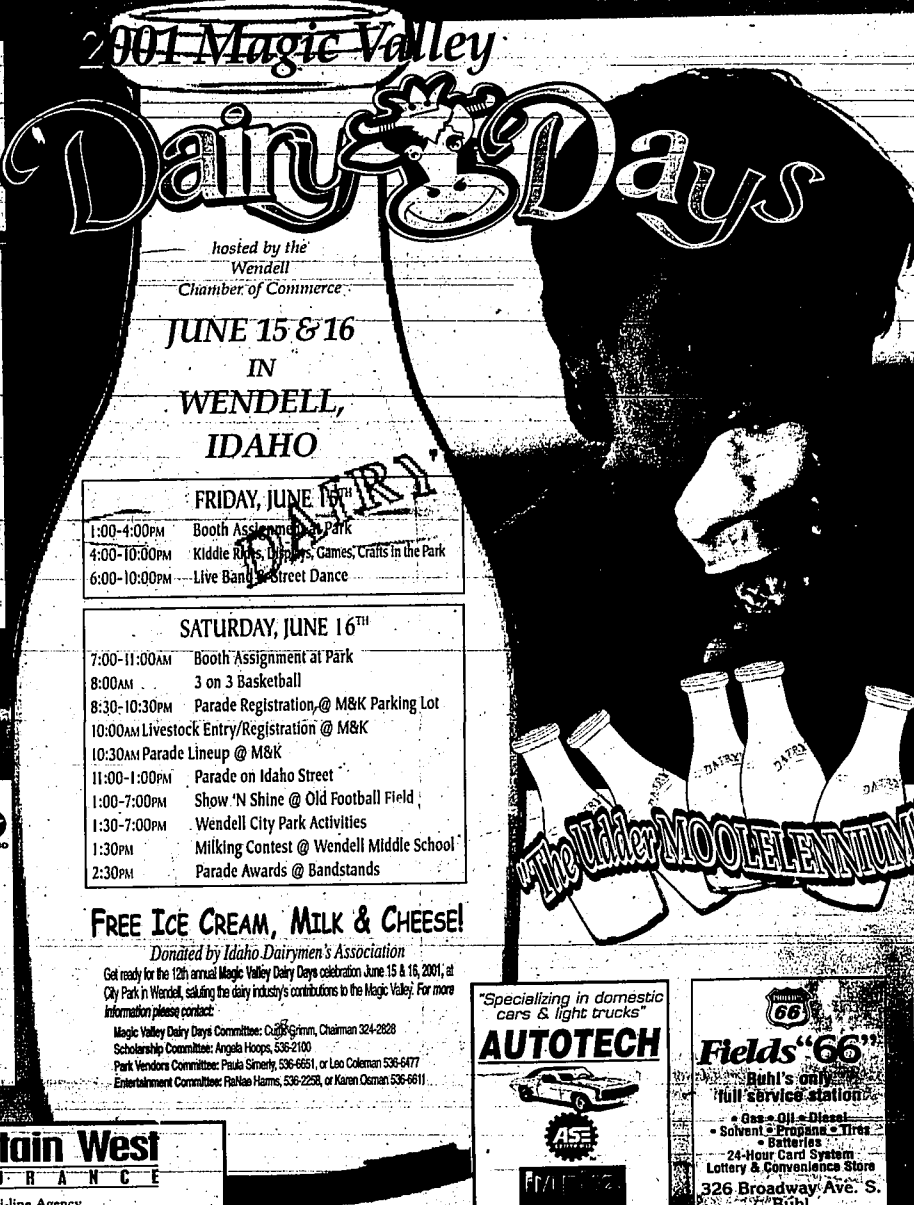
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Froops search for remains of possibly beheaded American hostage

ZAMBOANGA, Philippines — Froops scouting a southern Philippine island discovered a beheaded torso Tuesday not far from where Muslim guerrillas seized hostages last week — but to sign of the American the rebels claimed to have beheaded.

The Abu Sayyaf guerrillas said they Tuesday that they had beheaded Guillermo Sobero, one of their three American captives, as a "gift" to commemorate the

World in brief

103rd anniversary of Philippine independence from Spain.

"We've released unconditionaly one American, our amigo Guillermo, but we released him without a head," guerrilla leader Abu Sabaya tauntingly told the Radio Mindanao Network.

Sobero, 40, a Peruvian-born

Californian, was vacationing in the Philippines when he and other tourists were seized from an island resort across the Sulu Sea in late May.

The Abu Sayyaf has refused to free them until the government allows the participation of Malaysian negotiators who helped secure the release of hostages last year.

The government agreed Monday, but Sabaya questioned

the sincerity of the concession and said he beheaded Sobero anyway.

Abortion clinic illegal, Dutch government says

THE HAGUE, Netherlands — Dutch doctors offering to terminate pregnancies on a ship off the coast of Ireland have no license for their floating abortion clinic, the Dutch government said Tuesday.

The Dutch-registered Aurora left the Netherlands Monday from a pro-abortion activist group. They planned to administer abortion pills in international waters outside the 12-mile territorial limit of Ireland, where the practice is illegal.


Health Minister Els Borst told Parliament that the Women on Waves Foundation, which char-

tered the ship, had applied for a clinic license but had not yet received it.

Justice Minister Ben Korthals then told the legislature that "abortions are illegal without a license" and the doctors faced up to 4.5 years imprisonment.

But he said he didn't have the authority to act against the crew since no crime had been committed yet.

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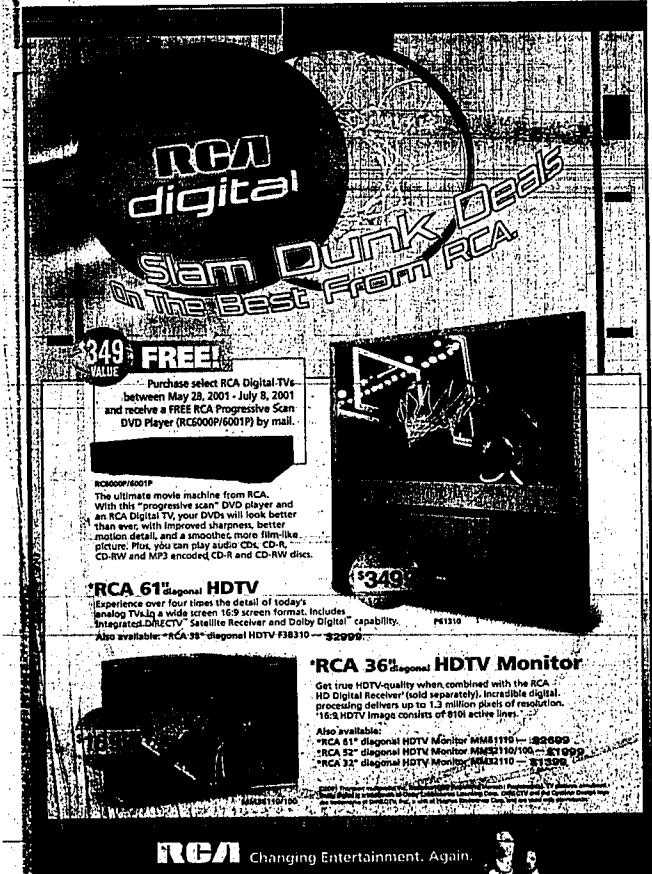


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EDITORIAL

McVeigh had a choice but his victims didn't

Had she lived, Baylee Almon would be 7 years old now. She'd probably be doing what most 7-year-olds do on summer vacation — learning to ride a two-wheeler, eating ice cream, dreaming about what she'd like to be when she grew up.

But Baylee never got the chance. In the evil act, Timothy McVeigh ended Baylee's life and the lives of 167 other innocent people on April 19, 1995, when he chose to blow up the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. More than 500 others were wounded.

If there's one image that will remain in people's minds from that fateful day, it's the photograph of fireman Chris Fields cradling the tiny, battered, lifeless body of 1-year-old Baylee Almon.

But to McVeigh, Baylee and the 18 other slain children were just "collateral damage."

Needless to say, not many people wept Tuesday morning, when 33-year-old McVeigh took his last breaths inside the death house of a federal prison in Terre Haute, Ind.

If anyone was desiring of the death penalty, it was Timothy McVeigh. Ten survivors and family members of victims watched from one of the viewing rooms as the sodium pentothal, pancuronium bromide and potassium chloride sent McVeigh into permanent sleep.

McVeigh's final act was to stare straight up, into the closed-circuit camera that was beaming his execution to more than 200 other family members and survivors gathered in Oklahoma City.

McVeigh offered no apology. He showed no remorse. There was no

writhing, no struggle, as McVeigh drifted into quiet slumber. It all seemed so simple, so easy.

Too easy, some people said. They thought McVeigh deserved to suffer more.

(Many years ago, former Idaho House Speaker T.W. Stivers of Twin Falls called lethal injection a mere "slap on the wrist.")

But how McVeigh died isn't important. Tuesday morning's execution let survivors and the families of victims close a chapter in their lives. They'll never have to look at or listen to Timothy McVeigh again. He has been silenced forever.

"It's a period at the end of a sentence," said witness Kathleen Treanor, who lost her 4-year-old daughter and her in-laws in the blast. "It's the completion of justice and that's what I'll remember about today."

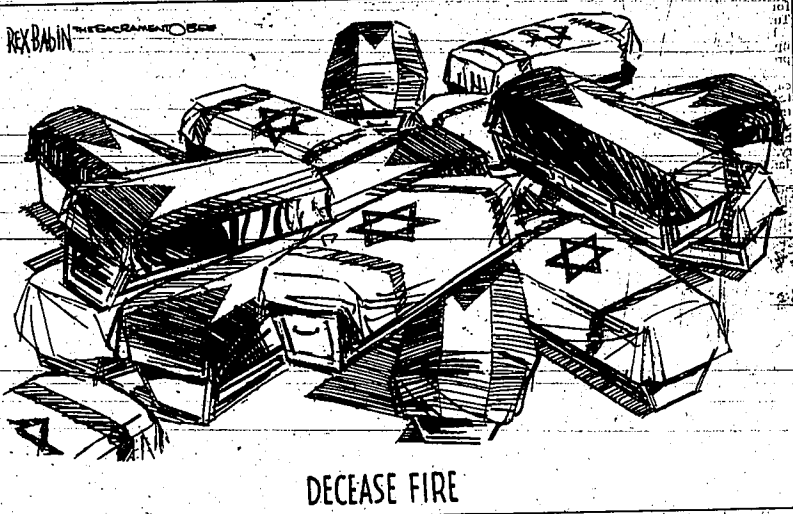
If anything good came out of McVeigh's act of domestic terrorism, it's that he almost single-handedly ended the patriot movement in the United States. It's just not as attractive to be part of the militia anymore.

Some of those against the death penalty, including many in Europe, described Tuesday's execution as barbaric, brutal, "grotesque circus entertainment."

But Timothy McVeigh chose his fate. He chose to detonate a bomb. His victims never had a choice.

So weep not for Timothy McVeigh, but for the 168 people whose lives he ended on April 19, 1995. Weep for the loved ones they left behind.

Weep for Baylee Almon, who never got a chance to see more than one candle on her birthday cake.



No high moral ground surrounds death row

Timothy McVeigh went to his death with a stomach as empty as his heart, a head as full of delusions as a ward full of patients at a psychiatric institution. The inextinguishable death watch drew to sleep on a gurney in a quietly empty chamber in Terre Haute, Ind. But now that McVeigh has been taken from this life to be turned into a pile of ashes and lingering, if troubled, memories, what are we as a nation supposed to feel? What's been resolved? President Bush declared that the execution marked "a reckoning" — echoing the sentiments of many, though not all, of those who lost loved ones or were themselves injured in the bomb blast six years ago. "The victims of the Oklahoma City bombing have been given no vengeance, but justice, and one young man met the fate he chose for himself six years ago. ... Under the laws of our country, the matter is concluded."

I beg to differ. There is no closure here, to borrow that most overused of words. For one thing, McVeigh, who witnesses said, "met death with his eyes open," remains forever an enigma.

On one hand, he was a cold, calculating killer who saw himself as a freedom fighter trying to liberate Americans from a corrupt government. And in war, he said, there will be what his Gulf War commanders called collateral damage.

On the other hand, after toying with

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the idea of having his ashes scattered at the memorial erected in tribute to those who died in Oklahoma City, he concluded: "That would be too vengeful, too raw, cold. It's not in me."

But McVeigh is no more, and with all the attention devoted to him; there's been relatively little time for considering issues generated by what may be the next federal execution, that of Juan Raul Garza.

His sentence, scheduled to be carried out next week, was postponed by then-President Bill Clinton until a study could be conducted on racial and geographical disparities in federal capital sentencing.

Garza was convicted of three drug-related murders in Texas in 1994. If Bush as president responds to death penalty clemency appeals as he did as governor, Garza will go the way of McVeigh. Rob Nigh, as ardent a defender of McVeigh as he is an opponent of capital punishment, took issue that 18 of the 20 federal Death Row in Terre Haute, including Garza, are people of color — a proportion that Attorney General John Ashcroft blindly turns an eye to. But, as Nigh observed: "If we do not acknowledge that, we are lying to ourselves about what

we are doing."

In Terre Haute (How many of us could pronounce that until a few days ago?) we had the sanitization of the death penalty, a process as antiseptic as our sitting in front of televisions watching the smart-bombing in the Persian Gulf and in the Balkans. His was an execution for closed-circuit TV, for satellite feeds, for the Internet. As one witness said after McVeigh was pronounced dead, it was "a very orchestrated, clinical procedure."

All neat and tidy. But from arrest to conviction to execution in the United States, this is usually a rather messy process: mistakes or dereliction of duty by police, lawyers, witnesses and judges are the norm. Even in McVeigh's case — in the public eye since the minute of his arrest — the FBI failed to turn over to prosecutors and defense lawyers thousands of pages of documents generated during the investigation.

Federal courts ruled, however, no harm, no foul. Again, Nigh: "This must make us realize that we are too fallible, we are simply too human to extract so final and irreversible a punishment." For McVeigh, Monday marked his. But why this country continues to rely upon the death penalty, even in its sanitized form, and how that ultimate punishment is meted out are issues that, sadly, remain with us.

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Kennewick editorial hit the spot

I concur with your editorial comments on the Kennewick Man lawsuit. A fact you did not mention is that the lead plaintiff in the case against the Department of Justice, the Department of the Interior, the National Park Service and the Army Corps of Engineers is Dr. Robson Bonnichsen, a local son who graduated from Filer High School (Class of 1959) and Idaho State University. Dr. Bonnichsen is a

member of the department of anthropology and director of the Center for the Study of the First Americans at Oregon State University in Corvallis, Ore. The case is scheduled for federal court on June 19 in Portland, Ore.

Meanwhile, the Kennewick Man's skeleton is being held in the Burke Museum on the University of Washington campus in Seattle until the case is settled. This case has been going on for four years at a significant cost to

the plaintiffs. If these eight brave scientists had not filed suit against the federal government, Kennewick Man would have been buried back in the fall of 1996.

Hopefully, the plaintiffs will prevail for all Americans interested in our past and cultural heritage and the fate of the Kennewick Man will not follow the premature burial of "Buhl" (the Buhl woman), who was older than Kennewick Man by a thousand years. The "1492" rule is not part of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act but an arbitrary rule formulated by the National Park Service and Bruce Babbitt, then secretary of the interior.

Anyone interested in the history and progress of the Kennewick Man case should view www.friendsofpast.org/. STEVE KOHNTOFF, Filer

MVRMC is a valuable asset

I found *The Times-News* report of Commissioner Gary Grindstaff's recent presentation to the Twin Falls Kiwanis concerning future plans for Magic Valley Regional Medical Center very enlightening. I am inclined to question data that comes from an unnamed source as Mr. Grindstaff declined to name the group, giving him information. His data "showed 40 to 45 percent

of people needing some types of treatment leave the Magic Valley." Might the majority of these folks leave to access services such as high-risk neonatal or open-heart surgery that are only available in Boise or Salt Lake City? Accurate decision-making data from a reliable source would indicate how many people leave the valley to access services they could receive here at home.

While competition and economic development are a legitimate business concern, they become insignificant if there is no service to offer. The greater priority of concern should include preservation of the infrastructure, state-of-the-art technology and equipment and the expertise of the staff who serves the community through the valuable resource of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Mr. Grindstaff would be "financially responsible to the citizens who own the hospital" if his due diligence research included what historically happens when a for-profit entity assumes control of a health-care organization.

Services that are not profitable are deleted, purchase of equipment and upgrading of facilities are determined by non-local corporations after meeting corporate profit targets. Restructuring of staff occurs, most primarily the

replacement of registered nurses with unlicensed assistive personnel. Given that this country is now experiencing an acute nursing shortage that is projected to continue for the next several years, how would MVRMC attract nurses to this type of working environment?

What effect will the loss of \$65 million in community benefit as well as significant decrease in salary dollars spent on acute nursing shortage that is projected to continue for the next several years, how would MVRMC attract nurses to this type of working environment?

It is ironic that Mr. Grindstaff worries about St. Luke's; then states that, as a member of the new panel, he will look at all the options of outside proposals to manage the hospital.

You're right; commissioning MVRMC is a valuable asset. It is the only Joint Commission-accredited hospital in the community, and it would be a shame to jeopardize the excellent health-care service this community deserves and has come to expect in a "show me the money" trade off. LINDA BARNES, Filer

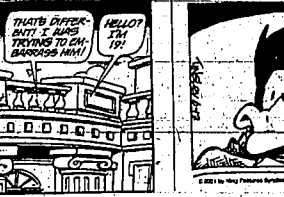
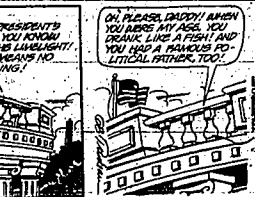
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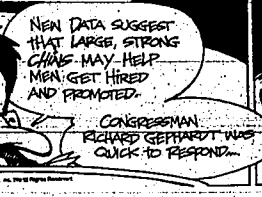
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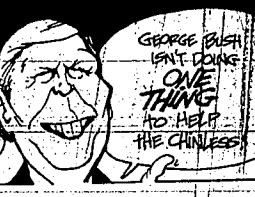
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By Bruce Tinsley



Panel says military needs more coordination

WASHINGTON — Better coordination among the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines is a key to transforming the military into a quicker and more lethal fighting force, a Pentagon panel said Tuesday.

It also recommended speeding up or improving some weapons programs.

"The services are very, very capable, but they still have not learned, and they have not trained, and have not exercised sufficiently for us to claim we have a true joint force capability," said retired Air Force Gen. James McCarthy.

Nation in brief

He headed a two-month study as part of Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld's research into what is necessary to move into the heavy forces needed during the Cold War toward lighter, more mobile forces better suited to deal with expected future conflicts.

The panel came up with no radical ideas. "We are not talking about a new force," said McCarthy. "It is how to organize and exercise and train the exist-

ing forces and what capabilities to give them" to make them capable of responding rapidly to a variety of situations.

Senate turns down school-vouchers program

WASHINGTON — The Senate rejected a Republican effort on Tuesday to establish a limited program allowing low-income students to use federal money to attend private schools.

The vote was 58-41 and came as leaders in both parties signaled a desire to wrap up work on President Bush's high-profile

education legislation within the next few days.

At the same time, Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., announced that Democrats would use their new leverage as the majority party to press the White House to increase its commitment of federal funds for public education.

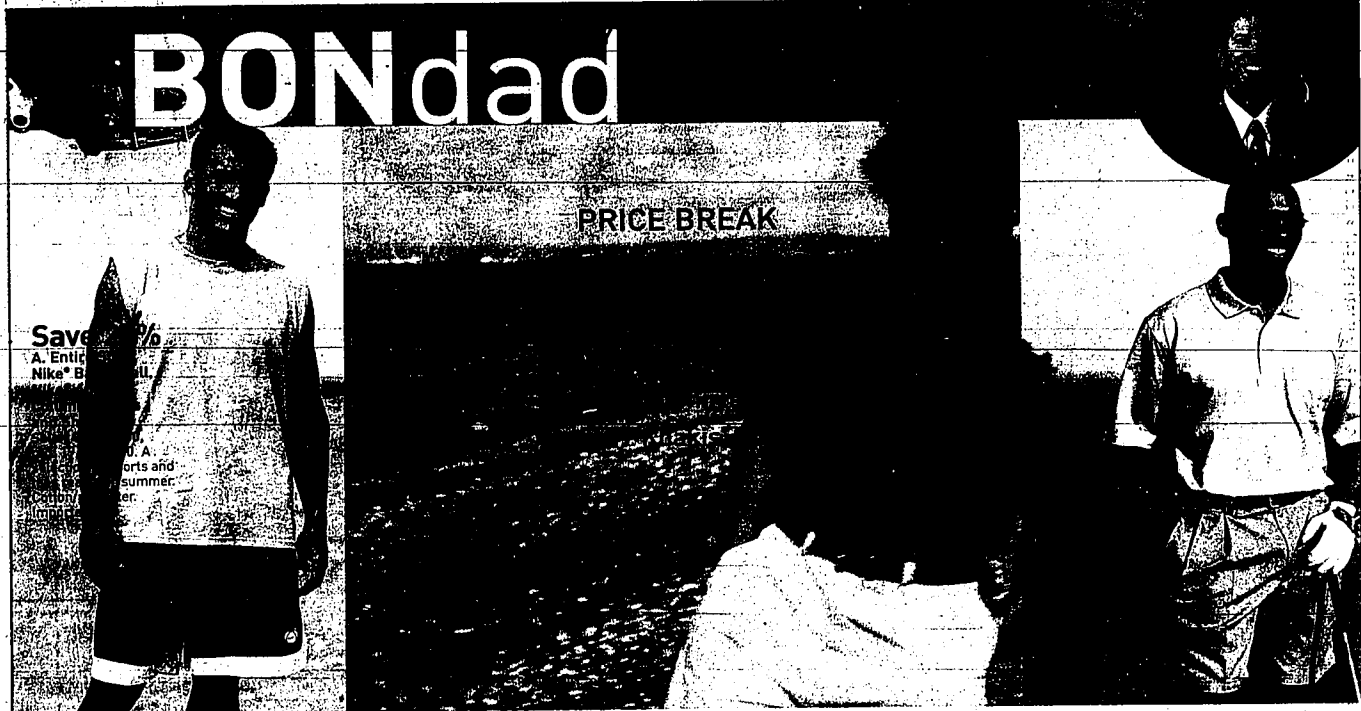
"Reform is impossible without resources," Daschle said in his first public challenge to Bush since becoming majority leader last week. "And we will continue to press for resources" when the House and Senate begin compromise talks.

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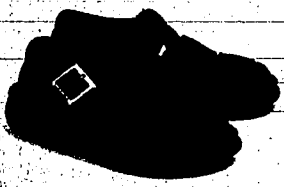
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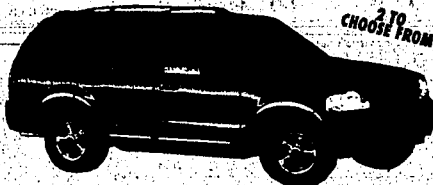
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Two plead innocent in kidnapping case

TWIN FALLS - Two Twin Falls men facing kidnapping charges pleaded innocent Monday in 5th District Court. Steve Burgoyne, 52, pleaded innocent to a first-degree kidnapping charge and aggravated battery charge. Michael Brannon, 42, pleaded innocent to a first-degree kidnapping charge during an initial appearance in District Court, court records say. The charges against both men were recently bound over from Magistrate Court. A pre-trial hearing is set June 25 for Brannon. No hearings had been set as of Tuesday in Burgoyne's case. The charges stem from allegations that the men took Cynthia Campbell, 36, of Twin Falls against her will on April 18, according to court records. An affidavit by Twin Falls police detective Dan Levin says Burgoyne fired a single shot from a .44-caliber handgun over Campbell's head and then shot Campbell once in the left arm.

Airport meetings will address improvements

TWIN FALLS - Two public planning meetings have been scheduled Thursday to discuss future improvement projects at a local airport. The meetings will be a chance for people to meet with Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport officials, including airport manager William Carberry, and to discuss upcoming improvement projects. The Twin Falls City Council awarded a \$998,501 contract to Idaho Sand and Gravel Co. at its Monday meeting for an airport taxi lane construction, apron construction and pavement rehabilitation project. A \$1.6 million airport runway repaving project was finished in September last year. Two meetings are scheduled on Thursday - one at 10:30 a.m. and again at 7 p.m. at The Airport Grill at the Twin Falls airport.

Deadline approaches for comments on forest plan

TWIN FALLS - The deadline is Friday for submitting comments on a draft land management plan and environmental impact statement for the Boise, Payette and Sawtooth national forests. The forests continue to invite everyone to help in the forest plan revision by identifying issues and concerns relating to the management of the three forests being proposed in the draft documents. These comments will be used to identify a selected alternative. The selected alternative will be presented in the final plans and final EIS scheduled for release in December. "Forest plan revision is a systematic or general management direction for the next 10 to 15 years," said Sharon LaBrecque, Sawtooth forest planner. "The proposed management direction should almost always be what you see and enjoys the Boise, Payette and Sawtooth forests." Comments concerning the project should be sent to USDA Forest Service, SW Idaho Revision Team, 1249 South Vinell Way, Boise, 83709. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to jpearson01.fs.fed.us. All documents are available on the Internet at www.northrim.net/sawtooth/.

Harriman Trail nature walks begin Thursday

SUN VALLEY - The first of this summer's nature walks on the Harriman Trail will kick off Thursday. Hailey naturalist Poo Wright-Pudlman will lead a two-hour wildlife walk along the trail at 10 a.m. Robin Garwood, a local wildlife biologist who has traveled throughout North and South America bird watching, will lead a birding walk at 7:30 p.m. Both walks meet at Sawtooth National Recreation Area headquarters seven miles north of Ketchum on Highway 75. Both walks are free, and both are easy walking. For more information, call 788-2117.

Buhl School Board meets to discuss retreat

BUHL - A special meeting of the Buhl School Board is 5:30 p.m. Thursday at Seneca Foods, 430 Seventh Ave. S. Board members will discuss the school board retreat. Compiled from staff reports

School budget passes unchallenged

By Julie Pence Times-News writer

Though it was a public budget hearing, no one showed up to discuss the 2001-02 Twin Falls School District budget. So, with little fanfare, Twin Falls school trustees passed the 2001-02 budget Tuesday. Up about \$1.6 million from last year, it is projected to run about \$33.5 million. Lining out many of the categories, Superintendent Terrell

Donicht used charts to show the vast majority of the budget is spent on personnel. Sixty-one percent goes to salaries, with another 18 percent accounting for benefits. He told the board that in the face of declining enrollment, 10 certified positions have been cut. Still, a pool of teachers that tends toward the high end of the salary scale negotiated a more than 5 percent raise. In addition, health insurance costs increased by almost 14 percent and dental

insurance increased by 6 percent. "Most of the money goes to people," he said. Energy costs are going up, too, and Donicht said he figured into the budget an extra 50 percent for electricity over last year along with a 25 percent increase over last year's natural gas expenses. He also said the district will pay a surcharge for higher gasoline costs to the company from which it leases bus service.

In addition, Donicht told the board a new computerized Business system is costing the district an extra \$300,000. The new system will streamline bookkeeping dramatically, said the district's financial director, Bob Seamens. A windfall of money earned by the Public Employment Retirement System of Idaho enabled the district to keep five certified positions in addition to distributing extra money in employees' retirement plans. In other business Tuesday:

• Donicht said surveillance cameras will be installed at all the school this summer for security purposes. "If a student accuses another student in front of a camera, or if someone breaks into the school, it will be recorded," he said. • The I.B. Perrine Elementary School will be renovated for \$255,755. • The board voted to support City Engineer Gary Young's suggestion to widen and improve Please see BUDGET, Page B3

UNWANTED 'DONATIONS'



Salvation Army employee Kenneth Miller puts the trash left as 'donations' behind the Twin Falls Salvation Army building into the truck for removal. Miller spends roughly two hours a week cleaning up the mess left over the weekend. "About every Monday morning it gets this way. It's a real problem," Miller said.

Salvation Army deals with illegal dumping

By John T. Huddy Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The dirty mattresses, clothes and broken bikes were piled up in heaps against the building. Karen Garcia, manager of the Salvation Army thrift store on Second Avenue South in Twin Falls, shook her head in disgust as she surveyed the trash on a recent afternoon. "It's unbelievable... There's so much stuff there right now, and it is all garbage," Garcia said. "We can't sell it. We're trying to clean up this area and make it look nice. It looks like a landfill, it's so messy and dirty." The Salvation Army allows people to drop off donations in the alley behind the store. But

people have started dumping their trash too, Garcia said. Garcia said the thrift store is spending upward of \$750 a month in garbage-hauling costs. "It's really hitting us hard," Garcia said. "What it's doing is taking away from the programs that we do, like kids' programs. I also had to lay off two employees recently because we have to spend so much money, each

month in garbage costs." Garcia is encouraging people to take their trash to the Twin Falls County landfill, not to the Salvation Army. "There is so much trash being dumped at the Salvation Army that some of it has to be stored in the fenced back yard portion of the store - about a quarter-acre littered with broken refrigerators, mattresses and shredded couches. Garcia said people usually start dumping their garbage Sunday evenings. But midweek drop-offs are not uncommon either, she said. "These are supposed to be donations that we can sell," Garcia said. "We can't sell this stuff." Twin Falls Police Sgt. Matt Hicks, who was not aware of the Salvation Army's problems, said

he would look at increasing police patrols around the store at night. "We'll try to help them out," Hicks said. "But ultimately it's going to come back to people getting the message that this is no longer acceptable." Hicks said it is illegal, under city code, for people to dump their trash on other people's property. The fine could exceed \$100, he said. A few times a year, Hicks said, complaints about people dumping their trash in other people's Dumpsters are filed at the police department.

How to help
Anyone who has information about someone who might be dumping trash behind the Salvation Army thrift store in Twin Falls can call the thrift store's manager, Karen Garcia, at 733-0569.

Times-News staff writer John T. Huddy can be reached at Twin Falls at 735-3259 or by e-mail at jhuddy@magicvalley.com

Commission honors CSI poet

By Steve Crump Times-News writer

BOISE - College of Southern Idaho English instructor Jim Irons has been named Idaho writer-in-residence, the state Commission on the Arts announced Tuesday. Irons, a poet, is the first Magic Valley resident ever to receive the honor, which comes with a three-year appointment and an \$8,000 cash award. He'll give a series of readings and workshops statewide. An assistant professor, Irons has taught at CSI since 1995. He holds a bachelor's degree from Boise State University and a master's from San Francisco State University and taught in Mill Valley, Calif., and at the University of San Francisco before coming to Twin Falls. Irons, who succeeds Lewis Clark State College English professor Bill Johnson as writer-in-residence, was chosen by a panel of out-of-state writers who read anonymous writing samples submitted by Idaho applicants. The committee's choice was approved by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne. Irons' appointment came on a day when the arts commission announced grants and awards of \$49,599 to Magic and Wood

River valley schools, performing arts groups and other arts organizations. The big winner was the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, which received \$15,924 for general operating support. The Sun Valley Center sponsors a variety of performing and visual arts and education programs. The Buhl Arts Council received two arts education grants totaling \$10,780, including \$7,000 under the Creative Alternatives for Youth program for ESCAPE (Eighth Street Center Art Project Extreme), designed to engage youngsters and educators in learning new skills outside of the regular school setting. The council also got \$3,780 in season-support funding. Other south-central Idaho grant recipients included: • Sun Valley's New Theater Company received \$6,851 for general operating support. • The Twin Falls based Magic Valley Arts on Tour, which brings a series of performing arts acts to the CSI stage every year, got two grants totaling \$6,480, including \$4,800 for season support. The other \$1,680 came under the arts commission's School Connections program, designed to expose students to dance, classical, ethnic and chil-

dren's arts. Ketchum's Sun Valley Repertory Company received \$4,650 to support an outdoor production of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." • Twin Falls' Magic Valley Arts Council got \$2,814 for general operating support. The free KART bus operation in Ketchum and Sun Valley Elementary School received \$1,600 for an artist in residence program. • Buhl's Kelly Hart Daluso got \$500 to participate in a University of Massachusetts/Amherst program on arts management. Daluso is the performing arts director of the Buhl Arts Council. In all, the arts commission handed out the \$273,000 in grants in 24 communities statewide. Although the grant money is provided by both federal and state sources, much of it comes through the National Endowment of the Arts, which requires that federal funds be matched. In-kind contributions are allowed as matching funds and furnish important evidence of commitment to a project. Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at crump@magicvalley.com

Consultant suggests Blaine public transit

By Karen Bossick Times-News correspondent

HAILEY - It would take \$71,000 from Blaine County, Ketchum and Sun Valley to run a bus between Bellevue and Ketchum three times each during morning and evening peak hours, a new transportation feasibility study shows. The Blaine County Public Transportation Feasibility Study, unveiled before about two dozen people in the old county courthouse Tuesday night, recommends that limited public transportation be established for commuters with two to five years. The free KART bus operation in Ketchum and Sun Valley has enough fleet to run peak service without buying more buses. Fares would recover the rest of the cost, said Roger Miller, the Carbondale, Colo., consultant who prepared the study. The study, which involved input from about 200 residents of the Wood River Valley, was commissioned by the Blaine County Commission to figure out how to deal with increasing traffic congestion along Highway 75.

The first step is educating people and employers about how carpooling and other forms of mass transit can benefit them, Miller said. "Any employers, for instance, don't realize they can deduct bus passes they buy for their employees. The Wood River Valley also needs to build coalitions with other Idaho communities in order to put pressure on the Legislature to allow them to establish a regional transit authority tax to pay for public transportation, he said. "To really make a difference you need a regional transit authority," he said. Miller recommended forming a regional transit authority within two to five years. During that time, valley residents might also push the Idaho Department of Transportation to put \$550,000 toward building "155 'park and ride' spaces in Hailey and Bellevue. In addition, there are three miles of passing lanes between Hailey and Ketchum that could be used for high-occupancy vehicles. These vehicles would be allowed Please see TRANSIT, Page B3

Map panel comes to Twin Falls

Commission seeks public ideas about political redistricting

By Michael Journe Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A bipartisan commission charged with redrawing Idaho's political map for the next decade wants the Magic Valley's ideas about the task. Geography, community ties, county boundaries, politics and race are some of the major considerations the panel members must weigh as they try to redraw the state's legislative and congressional boundaries over the next several weeks. Thursday's public hearing at the College of Southern Idaho is to gather local residents' perspectives on how the districts should be adjusted. The commission's work began last week in Boise, where members began their public hearings and set agendas for future meetings. "About as far as we got was to discuss the organization of this state," said Twin Falls attorney John Hepworth, the Magic Valley's only representation on the six-member panel. Hepworth was appointed by Idaho Speaker of the House Bruce Newcomb, R-Builey. Made up of three Democrat and three Republican appointees, the redistricting commission's meeting in Twin Falls is part of a three-stop public hearing. Please see MAP, Page B3

Hearing
Who: The bipartisan redistricting commission. What: A public hearing on plans for redrawing the state's legislative and congressional district boundaries based on 2000 Census results. Where: College of Southern Idaho's Taylor Building, Room 276. When: Thursday, 7 p.m.

Joint public hearing to focus on boundaries

By Almee Motcal
Times-News correspondent

GOODING - The Gooding County Planning and Zoning Commission and Hagerman Planning and Zoning Commission have scheduled a joint public hearing to discuss the proposed city "impact area" map and county jurisdictions.

The proposed boundaries are Justice Grade on the north, the canyon rim on the east, the Wendell to Hagerman road on the south, and the Snake River on the west.

The joint public hearing is at 7 p.m. June 20 at the American Legion Hall at the corner of Lake and State streets in

Hagerman. The public is encouraged to attend, and written and oral testimony will be taken. A five-minute time limit on oral testimony will be enforced.

"In other business from this week's Gooding County Commission meeting,"

• Terry Schultz of the landfill department said the transfer station between Wendell and Gooding needs to raise fees to cover costs of operation. Schultz suggested scales are needed at the station at a cost of \$30,340. The cost to users of the facility would be between \$4 and \$5 a pickup load.

Schultz also told commissioners that the solid waste fees that Gooding County charges are the

lowest in the area.

"Lincoln County charges \$75 for their solid waste fees, and Cassia County charges \$60. At \$38, Gooding needs to think about raising their rates," said Schultz.

Commissioner Carolyn Elexpuru wondered whether charging more for people to dump their waste would result in them dumping it on the side of the road.

• Terry Ruby of the Gooding County Weed Department reported that there is a new broadleaf herbicide costing \$300 a gallon that is used to kill the Russian knapweed. A pint can treat about an acre.

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greatly missed by all who knew him. Survivors include daughter, Rani Thibault of Burley; two sons, Howie (Tony) Thibault of Rexburg, Idaho and David Michal (D.J.) Thibault of St. Anthony, Idaho; two grandchildren, Donald and Tyler, his father, Frank Thibault of Miles City, Mont.; his siblings, Patricia (Dann), Arnold and Steven (Donna) Thibault both of Miles City, Mont. and Dennis (Debbie) Thibault of Dickinson, N.D. and three step-children, Rachel, Lyndal and Jason Struhs all of Idaho Falls, Idaho.

• Fair Manager Don Gill told commissioners that the dirt in the arena at the fair park has been compacted for so long that it is like cement.

Commissioners approved removal of 4 to 5 inches of the compacted dirt and placement of donated sand in its place for \$1,800 dollars. The dirt from the arena will then be used to increase the size of the parking lot in the rear of the fairgrounds; Gill said the money is in the budget, but commission approval was needed.

• Irene Elizabeth Smith of Burley, services at 11 a.m. today at the Paul 4th Ward Chapel, 300 S. 500 W. Heburn; burial will follow at the Riverside Cemetery; friends may call from 10-10:45 p.m. today at the chapel (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

• Shawn Sherman-Brown of Hollister, service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Filer High School gymnasium; burial will follow at Filer Cemetery (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

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SERVICES

Sandy Lee Harrell Jr. of Mt. Vernon, Wash., graveside service: at 11 a.m. today in Paris, Idaho.

Stanley Earl Wright of Mackay, memorial service at 2 p.m. today in the Henderson-Cornelison Funeral Chapel, 451 N. 15th Ave., Pocatello; family will receive friends one hour before the service.

Thomas "Vernon" Wheeler of Castledorf, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Bull West End Cemetery; there will be no public visitation (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

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Caldwell, service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Alsip and Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 404 10th Ave. S. Nampa; burial will follow at the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Caldwell; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the funeral chapel.

Margaret Emma (Naillon) Frye of Jerome, services at 11 a.m. Thursday at Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel, 3rd and Fillmore, Jerome; burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery; friends may call from 5-7 p.m. today at Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel.

Violet Dixon Stevens Brown of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Thursday at Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, N. Twin Falls; friends may call from 5-7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Edith Naomi Shillington Strucek, burial will be held Thursday, May 21 in the Glasgow, Mont., Cemetery.

Bob Eisenhauer memorial gathering from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 30, 2001, in the Social Hall of the Methodist Church, 270 N. Pine St., Ukiah, Calif. (Empire Mortuary, Ukiah, Calif.)

DEATH NOTICES

Kristi Jo Beckley
FILER - Kristi Jo Beckley, 18, of Filer, died Tuesday, June 12, 2001, at Freshwater Medical Center in Denver, Colo. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Ruth West Fisk
PAUL - Ruth Alene West Fisk, 67, of Paul, died Monday, June 11, 2001, at her home.

Rafael E. Hernandez
BURLEY - Rafael Eddie Hernandez Jr., 40, of Burley, died Saturday, June 9, 2001, from injuries received in an auto accident.

Jose Agustin Zavala
PAUL - Jose Agustin Zavala, 2-day-old son of Mario and Anna Zavala, died Monday, June 11, 2001, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Mable Hruza
RUPERT - Mable Clara Hruza, 85, of Rupert, died Monday, June 11, 2001, at the Beehive Homes in Rigby.

Virginia Kuykendall
GOODING - Virginia Kuykendall, 89, of Gooding, died

Saturday, June 9, 2001, at the Gooding Rehabilitation & Living Center.

The graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, June-15, 2001, at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Friends may call from 9-10:30 a.m. Friday at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

The funeral will be held Friday, June 15, 2001, at St. Paul, Minn.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, June 15, 2001, at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley with Pastor Norman Dillon officiating. Interment will follow at Rupert Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Thursday and from 1-1:45 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley.

A complete obituary will appear in Thursday's edition.

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.

TWIN FALLS

JoAnn Moser
JoAnn Moser, 70, of Twin Falls, died Monday, June 11, 2001, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

JoAnn was born April 21, 1931, in Idaho. She was married to O. S. Ona Richardson Whitworth. She attended school at Inkom, graduating from high school in 1948. On Aug. 18, 1948, she married Conley Moser in Pocatello, Idaho, and she lived at Pocatello until moving to Twin Falls in 1968. Ona was a member of the LDS church and loved bowling, playing pool, fishing and dancing.

JoAnn is survived by her husband, Conley of Twin Falls; her children, Gary Moser and Shirley (Larry) Beasley, both of Twin Falls; four brothers, Lin Whitworth and Dennis Whitworth, both of Inkom, Idaho, Kent Whitworth of Pocatello and Alan Whitworth of Hansville, Wash.; a sister, one Peggett of Pasco, Washington, 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Regina JoAnn Sani, who died in 1934; a sister, Virginia Garrison and a brother, Karl Whitworth.

At JoAnn's request, no public services will take place. Private interment will take place at Inkom, Idaho at a later date. Cremation is under the direction of White Mortuary of Twin Falls.

In Memory and In Tribute

Rest your head dear mother, worry not you are always near. Go and find your loved one, share with him this end. Know you're both within the hearts of your dear and many friends. We all stand behind there, on this great mysterious land. To share the lasting memories of a lady who was grand. Be still dear heart and rest your head, you've earned this well deserved rest. And be known to God above, you have done your very best.



Ruth West Fisk

Funeral services will be held Friday, June 15, at 10 a.m. at Russian Brothers Mortuary Chapel, 225 S. 200 E., Salt Lake City, with visitation from 9:45-10:45 a.m.

• Linda Louise Dudley, the family requests that donations be made to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Perpetual Education Fund. Interment will be at the Marlon Cemetery in Marlon, Utah.

PAUL

Linda Louise Dudley, 57, of Jerome, passed away June 11, 2001, due to an extended illness.

She was born Oct. 29, 1943, the daughter of Terry Lavern and Lola Wilson Kiser. In 1955, the family moved from Kansas to Idaho where Linda went to school and worked many years. One of her lifelong passions was helping anyone she could. She loved life and she loved people. There was never a dull moment whenever she was present.

Linda is survived by her daughters, Tonia Nash of Twin Falls and Debra Mercer of Jerome; her mother, Lola Kiser of Jerome; brothers Jerry Kiser and Lavern Kiser, both of Jerome and two grandchildren, Sheena Nash and Westleigh Mercer.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, June 14, 2001, at the Jerome Free Will Baptist Church, 810 S. Cleveland, Jerome at 9 a.m. with Pastor Gene Kissinger officiating. A viewing will be held Wednesday, June 13, 2001, at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1543 S. Lincoln, Jerome, where the family will receive call from 6-8 p.m., and again one hour prior to the services at the church. Interment to follow in the Jerome Cemetery.

"You will always be in our hearts and until we meet again... WE LOVE YOU!"

BURLEY

David A. Thibault
David A. Thibault, 47-year-old Burley resident, died Saturday, June 9, 2001, at his home.

He was born Feb. 21, 1954, in Germany, the son of Frank Lavern and Claudia Virginia Wilburn Thibault. His father was in the Air Force which required the family to live abroad during his early years. Following his mother's death, Dave moved to Miles City, Mont., where he lived with his siblings and family friends. Shirley and Vicki Rallegde, his father and his aunt, the Rev. Lucille Thibault. Upon completing his high school education, he started a career at the Burley Mill City Green House and McDonald's Clothing Store. He later moved to Rexburg, Idaho, where he worked for the City of Rexburg for 12 years in the waste water treatment division. He then took a job at the J.R. Simplot Company in Heburn, where he was the environmental supervisor.

He married Patil Michel on April 24, 1976, in Miles City, Mont. They had two children, Howie and David Michel. They later divorced. He married Lani Struhs on Nov. 10, 1995, in Rexburg. Dave was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Burley Lodge 1384, where he was elected acquire. He enjoyed his association with the lodge and the values it represents. Dave loved the outdoors and enjoyed big game hunting, fishing, golf and riding four-wheelers. He always looked forward to his yearly vacation with friends at Lake Coeur d'Alene. He is loved and will be

missed.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen; his parents and three brothers.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m.

Rulon L. Carpenter

Rulon L. Carpenter, 91, of Twin Falls, passed away June 9, 2001, at Sierra Vista, Arizona. He was born October 5, 1909 in Kamiah, Utah, the son of William Franklin Carpenter and Estelle Agnes Lamm. He was educated in Kamiah, graduating from Seminary and Summit High School in 1927. In his early years he worked in the Silver King Mine in Park City, Utah. On Oct. 31, 1931 he departed for the Swiss German Mission, returning in 1934.

He married Helen Sutherland Packer Oct. 12, 1939, in the Logan LDS Temple. The couple spent their early years in Park City, Utah, where he continued to work at the mine. They moved to Twin Falls in 1945, where he was employed as a meat cutter and then in construction until his retirement. He was an active member of the Twin Falls Magichords barbershop chorus and was a resurser for eight years. He loved the outdoors and was an avid hunter. Mr. Carpenter was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and held various positions in church auxiliaries. Following his retirement he and his wife resided in 2 1/2 acres as ordinance workers in the Boise, Idaho Temple.

Survivors include one son, Gary P. Carpenter (Susan) of Perry, Utah; one daughter, Linda Dray (H. Dennis) of Sierra Vista, Ariz.; and three grandsons, Alvin, Douglas and Michael Dray and Karen Davis and 11 great-grandchildren.

His wife, Helen; two brothers and two sisters, preceded him in death.

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BLM seeks input on fire danger

The Times-News
SHOSHONE - Eight communities in south-central Idaho are among those that will be assessed this year to see what can be done to reduce the occurrence and severity of wildfires, and the Bureau of Land Management is looking for public input.

The BLM's Shoshone and Burned Areas Offices are seeking input for the Communities at Risk Wildland Urban Interface Program. Local residents are invited to submit suggestions for

reducing the hazardous fuels around the home or property, what to do when a wildfire occurs, how to prevent wildfires, how to make survivable spaces and homes or wildfire training and education.

The communities at risk program was developed through funds appropriated by Congress in the wake of last year's severe wildfire season. The objective of the program is to make local communities more safe by reducing the occurrence of wildfire starting within a city and spread-

ing to public lands, or from burning off public lands and spreading to the city.

All residents of the following communities are invited to provide written input to the local fire department by Saturday, June 23. The eight communities participating in the program are:

- Malta - Raft River RFPD, P.O. Box 82, Malta, 83342
- Elba - ACE Fire Unit, P.O. Box 1502, Elba, 83326
- Rogerson - Salmon Tract Rural FPD, 2475 E. 3200 N., Twin Falls, 83301

- Jerome - Jerome Rural FPD, 143 E. Ave. A., Jerome, 83338
- Gooding - Gooding City and Rural FPD, 422 Idaho St., Gooding, 83331
- Shoshone - Shoshone City and Rural FPD, P.O. Box 461, Shoshone, 83352
- Sun Valley - Sun Valley City FD, P.O. Box 416, Sun Valley, 83353
- Bliss - Bliss City/Rural FPD, P.O. Box 141, Bliss, 83314

For more information, call the Southern Idaho Interagency Fire Center in Shoshone at 886-7239.

Burley teen-ager dies in Jamaica

Parents wait to learn cause of son's death

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

BURLEY - A Burley teenager's parents are waiting to know what killed their son on an LDS mission to Jamaica.

Nicholas Martin Silcock, 19, died Sunday in Kingston, Jamaica, less than two months into a two-year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, his father, Bob Silcock, said Tuesday.

The Silcocks are still waiting for the results of a post-mortem examination that they were told would be performed either Tuesday or today, Bob Silcock said. The Silcock family expects to learn the cause of death two days after the post-mortem examination.

Bob Silcock said he doesn't know yet what killed his son. But based on the reported symptoms, he thinks it might have been a heart condition that wasn't a problem for 16 years.

Nicholas Silcock was born with a rapid heartbeat, but three years of medication put the condition

under control, Bob Silcock said. Bob Silcock said his son died on the way back to his apartment with his companion and a couple of other missionaries after they had just finished eating. His son died within minutes of becoming ill, Bob Silcock said.

Born in Burley, Nicholas Silcock was a 2000 graduate of Burley High School. He arrived in Jamaica on May 1.

Nicholas Silcock was active in his church and was a dedicated member of the Boy Scouts of America, attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

He was active in gymnastics and enjoyed family gatherings, camping, hunting, fishing and winter sports.

Services have not yet been arranged. The family will receive friends at their new home, located at 109 E. 300 S. in Burley.

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Wood River Medical Center adds services

The Times-News
KETCHUM - St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center has added a new generation of non-invasive cardiac imaging services to the hospital's cardiovascular department.

The echocardiography, or echo, uses sound waves to create images of the heart. This allows physicians to evaluate a person's heart valves, the strength and thickness of the heart muscle and the size of the heart's chambers.

The test is often given to patients who have experienced signs and symptoms of heart

problems, such as an abnormal heart sound, chest pain, an abnormal electrocardiogram, abnormal heart rhythm, abnormal chest x-ray or shortness of breath.

The peripheral vascular ultrasound is used to obtain images and measure the speed of blood flow in the neck, arms, legs, abdominal aorta and kidney blood vessels. These images help a physician determine whether or not a person has blockages in his arteries, blood clots in his veins or if there's an abdominal aortic aneurysm.

In addition, a Muse cardiology system has been added between the hospital in Ketchum and St.

Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

This will allow Wood River staff to electronically transmit EKGs to the Boise hospital for storage. Sun Valley physicians will be able to pull up the EKGs on computer and review them simultaneously with Boise cardiologists.

The new system will improve the accuracy of staging and assessing the results of treatment, said Dr. Frank Finchetti, vascular surgeon for St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center. In the past, these services were available to Wood River Valley patients six days out of every month through Saint

Alphonsus Regional Medical Center's mobile lab. Patients who required studies outside those scheduled days had to go to labs in Twin Falls or Boise.

St. Luke's also has upgraded its capabilities to perform exercise stress and metabolic testing. Stress tests are helpful ways to screen for undetected coronary artery disease and to track a person's progress during rehabilitation.

The purchase of the echo and vascular ultrasound were made possible by St. Luke's Wood River Foundation. The Wood River Auxiliary raised the \$18,000 to support the Muse system.

Gold gives way to green; reclamation nears end

By Ruth Streeter
Times-News writer

MALTA - A few vast rock walls will forever mark the site of a once-profitable source of southern Idaho gold and silver.

One stretches 400 feet from pit to pinnacle, and its steep slope is marked with rings that indicate mining activity - not natural carved those features in the earth.

Despite those obvious reminders, those who knew the Black Pine Mine during the past decade say the landscape's return to its natural state is dramatic.

Mining at the site, six miles north of the Idaho-Utah border, halted in 1997. Now reclamation is nearing an end. Of the 750 pits that were disturbed during eight years of mining, 700 have been reclaimed so far.

Crellin Scott, mine manager for Black Pine Mine, expects the \$3.4 million reclamation to be complete by fall.

Some of them were once 80 feet wide now resemble rugged Jeep trails. Gradually, more than 25 miles of exploration roads and 13 miles of main haul roads will fade into the hillsides.

Six of the 10 pits, where gold and silver ore were extracted, have been completely or partially backfilled. Disturbed hillsides are being regarded, recontoured and reseeded with native vegetation for wildlife habitat.

The reclamation effort the U.S. Forest Service and the Idaho Sawtooth National Forest spokesman Ed Waldapfel.



Jeff Gabardi, mining engineer for the Sawtooth National Forest, points to an area being reseeded at the site of the defunct Black Pine Mine in southeastern Cassia County. The restored hillside lies next to a rock wall that will not be reclaimed. Mine reclamation is expected to be completed by fall.

Several components made for successful reclamation, Scott said.

Black Pine and its parent company, Pegasus Gold Inc., declared bankruptcy in January 1998. Without a \$3.4 million bond - which was required before the start of mining - the cost of reclamation would have been passed on to taxpayers.

Because reclamation began while the mine was still in operation, some of the hillsides have several years of vegetation sprouting from the replaced layers of top soil.

"We have farmers that would kill for some of this alfalfa," Scott said Tuesday on a windy hillside, during a media tour of reclamation efforts.

Black Pine also hired a meticulous reclamation contractor. The company, owned by Malta's Jay Thornton, is an innovative and industrious family-run business, Scott said.

Contoured furrows control erosion and aid seed germination. Other hillsides have several mammal habitats. A variety of native vegetation is being planted so that nature can select the

best species to thrive.

Replanting vegetation and contouring the landscape are only half of the reclamation plan. The other includes ensuring water quality for the water draining out of the 130-acre "heap leach pad," where a weak solution of cyanide was used to extract gold and other metals from ore.

A drain was installed behind the dam at the base of the heap. The drain regulates water coming out of the heap and going into the water treatment system below the dam.

Water quality will be monitored for five years to meet state water quality standards. Monitoring and maintenance of the entire mine will last 25 years.

Jeff Gabardi, the Forest Service mining engineer, said the reclamation project's basic goal is to make the land productive again while "minimizing the need for long-term maintenance."

During the mine's eight-year lifespan, it yielded 465,000 troy ounces of gold and 46,000 tons of silver. Roughly 34 million tons of ore and 44 million tons of waste rock were mined. One pound equals 14.58 troy ounces.

Full production, there were 44 mine employees and 120 employees of Ames Construction, the Utah-based contractor hired to develop and operate the mine.

EXKO, Nev. - More than 400 exhibitors are expected to be on hand when the 16th annual Mining Expo opens this afternoon at the Elko Convention Center.

Displays will feature a variety of items related to the mining industry and educational booths.

The event also features technical sessions on mining and industry safety, said Karen Walthers, coordinator of the expo for the convention center. She said participation this year should be good despite low gold prices.

The Western Underground Mining Association conducts technical sessions Thursday and Friday beginning at 8:30 a.m. each day. The sessions are free. A day-long safety conference sponsored by the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration and Nevada Mining Association Safety conference is also scheduled today. Several topics will be discussed with representatives of government agencies.

On Friday, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health presents a slope stability design short course from 8 a.m. to noon. There is no charge for the course.

Former U.S. Rep. Barbara Vucanovich of Reno speaks at the opening ceremonies and dinner scheduled for 6 p.m. tonight at the Stockmen's Casino.

Tickets for the dinner and a noon lunch on Friday are available at the convention center, Walthers noted. Friday's luncheon speaker is Louise Hermesen of P&H Mining.

The expo concludes Saturday with the Miners Melee games

Exhibitors flock to mining expo in Elko

By Karen Terrell
Times-News correspondent

If you go
What: Elko's annual Mining Expo
Where: Exhibits open at 1 p.m. today
Where: Elko Convention Center
Exhibits are open Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. There is no admission charge.

and tug-of-war outside the convention center. Ernie Aldridge, who is organizing the tug-of-war, said several mines will enter teams, with the winner claiming the revolving trophy. The melee features individuals competing in old-style mining skills, said coordinator Major Britz.

In conjunction with the expo, the Budweiser Clydesdales are in Elko and will make several appearances. Jolene Goicochea of Blach Distributing said bringing the horses to town "will be a great contribution to the expo." Blach Distributing is sponsoring the Clydesdales' appearance.

Today there will be a parade of the horses from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Idaho Street. The team will stop at several locations for public viewing and will be unhitched in the parking corridor in front of the Stockmen's. Thursday the horses will be on display in the city park, and Friday a free Clydesdale show is held at the Elko County Fairgrounds beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Expo activities also include free performances by the Youth For America Players from Heber, Ariz. The teen-agers present "Freedom Lights the Way" at 3 p.m. today and 3 p.m. Thursday and Friday. The musical show is held at Elko City Park.

Map

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big tour across southern Idaho. Commissioners are meeting in Idaho Falls and Pocatello today.

Members were appointed by the state's legislative and political party leadership.

Commission members will be using 2000 Census data to draw the new map. Despite having three months to put a plan together, they hope to finish the task by the end of July, commission members and administrators said.

Most likely that plan will include a loss of influence for rural Idaho at the Statehouse. South central Idaho and eastern Idaho are expected to lose at least one district each, because of the population increase in the state's

urban areas during the 1990s.

Although their task is just beginning, commissioners are already being pressured by some groups for changes to the current system.

Hispanic leaders are lobbying for changes to the current system. They specifically mentioned districts in the east end of the Magic Valley, where Hispanic numbers are among the strongest in the state, as a region that would benefit from such a system.

But conservatives seem skeptical about question whether the Idaho Constitution will allow such

a change. Splitting up the current at-large system would create more than the 35 legislative districts allowed by the constitution.

"I haven't given it much consideration," Hepworth said. "I'm not sure if it's constitutional. Before we did that we'd have to make sure it's legal."

Controversy surrounding the 1991 boundaries drawn by the Legislature led to a 1996 law creating the commission for this year's map making.

Until the commission was created, the Legislature directly controlled its own district boundaries. But because 1991's legislative session was all but consumed by debate over the issue, lawmakers turned the task over to the citizens' panel.

To increase public access to the

redistricting process, the commission has provided redistricting information and computer programs to public libraries across the state. So far Twin Falls residents have not taken advantage of the resources at the city's public library.

"We really haven't had much interest in it so far," said Joshua Ghan, the library's collection services supervisor.

Ghan said the equipment and information are stationed in a quiet back room of the library to provide users with privacy for any work they may want to do.

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Wendell School Board meets today

WENDELL - The Wendell School District will hold its regular meeting today at 7 p.m. in the high school library.

Tuesday's newspaper gave the incorrect date of the meeting.

On the agenda is a discussion of high school math, science, U.S. history and graduation requirements. The board will also hear district test results and will discuss revision of trustee nomination and election as well as the open enrollment policy.

The board will also discuss the middle school project timeline.

In addition, trustees will discuss in executive session negotia-

Around the valley

tions regarding salary and benefits between teachers and the district.

Heyburn City Council
cancels tonight's meeting

HEYBURN - The Heyburn City Council will not meet tonight due to an unexpected lack of a quorum.

The council will meet next at 7 p.m. on June 27 at Heyburn City Hall.

- compiled from staff reports

Transit

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to pass single-occupancy vehicles with traffic is bottlenecked.

"Driving three miles at 10 mph takes 18 minutes versus the six minutes it would take someone in the high-occupancy vehicle lane to drive it at 30 mph, Millar pointed out."

Five years out, the valley should look at running bus service throughout the day between Bellevue and Ketchum, with smaller shuttle buses running through Hiley and Bellevue, he said.

There would be a peak hour service to Twin Falls, Millar suggested.

It would cost about \$600,000 a

year to provide this service, with about \$248,000 coming from fares and \$351,900 coming from a 0.2 percent RTA tax, Millar estimates.

Additions to the KART bus fleet would cost \$580,000, and another \$1.4 million would need to be spent to create 385 additional bus stops in the valley areas such as Twin Falls and Shoshone.

In 20 years there might be a demand for a light rail or fixed guideway system, Millar said.

Wood River Valley residents need to preserve a corridor between Bellevue and Ketchum such a system now, he said.

That's easier said than done, noted Sun Valley resident Walt Scalapic, as part of the railroad corridor has been sold off.

The cost of light rail that you see in urban settings is not cheap - it costs between \$25 million and \$50 million a mile, Millar said. Community rail with one stop in between is cheaper, rather than several, costs between \$5 million and \$25 million a mile.

Thus, construction of a rail system between Bellevue and Ketchum would cost between \$25 million and \$325 million.

The most federal government would likely pick up is 50

percent, he added.

Ketchum resident Mary Jane Conger said she was excited about the idea of a light rail.

Peter Everett of Ketchum suggested that attention needs to be paid to status when encouraging people to use public buses. One of the reasons people stick with their cars is that they don't lose status when they ride the subway in the Washington, D.C., area, he added.

Run the bus system like a rail system, getting the snazziest vehicle you can find, jazz it up with music and other amenities and people might be more tempted to ride it, he said.

Budget

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the intersection at Filer and Locust near the high school.

The board approved the purchase of six WebSmart classroom bundles with \$66,600 of technology grant money from the state. An Alphasmart is a small word processor that plugs into a central recharging system, said district test results and will discuss revision of trustee nomination and election as well as the open enrollment policy.

The board will also discuss the middle school project timeline.

In addition, trustees will discuss in executive session negotia-

punishment was dropped, along with a zero-tolerance policy adopted toward any student bringing weapons on campus. Suspension will rest for students caught with weapons.

The board adopted a revised, gifted and talented program manual that is aligned with new state standards.

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MAGIC VALLEY

Buhl council adopts tower ordinance

By Mary Lou Potts Times-News correspondent

BUHL - No one appeared at a public hearing Monday to testify about zoning codes for an ordinance that will govern commercial wireless communication facilities...

The hearing was held preceding the monthly Buhl City Council meeting. Highlights of the ordinance approved by the council include provisions for how applications are to be filed, how approval is sought and how facilities may be abandoned.

Co-locations are subject to planning and zoning approval. No artificial or strobe lights are allowed unless required by the Federal Aviation Administration or some other authority.

Towers are not to exceed 100 feet in height from the ground; utility pole attachments are not to exceed 133 percent of original height or 15 feet if height is higher; they must have neutral earth tone colors; and landscaping and screening must be maintained.

With council approval, the ordinance becomes effective immediately. In other business: Buhl Chamber of Commerce Vice President Steve Kaatz gave an update on chamber activities, including a possible grant to construct a community center and encourage economic growth.

water lines on Fair Street until Oct. 1. Bybee said a grant application had been rejected for the project and that more money is needed for completion of connecting residents to the city lines.

Boy Scout Troop 9 member Trevor Jones asked permission to build benches for the soccer fields at North Park as an Eagle Scout project. Upon approval by the council, Mayor Barbara Glezen asked Jones to get cost estimates and report back to the council in July.

Susan Riddle, project administrator for the city, requested approval to draw funds on the grant money for the town's well 6 project.

Permission to close some streets for the Buhl Sagebrush Days parade was approved. Lanes for emergency vehicles will be designated.

Fireworks both permits were approved. Fire Chief Mark Grimes said, "All booths will be closely inspected, and no one under the age of 16 is allowed in the booths."

"If I had a say in the matter, there would be no fireworks

because of dry weather conditions," Grimes said. "We are asking people to be extra careful with fireworks this year. They are dangerous."

Approval was given for a transfer of liquor license to a new owner of Ramona Lounge.

Ken Sheldrick was given permission for door-to-door canvassing for South/Western Company of Twin Falls. The company sells education books until Aug. 17, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., excluding Sundays.

Bob Squires, airport commissioner, requested permission to file for a grant of \$2,637 from the Idaho Transportation Department to be added to the \$65,000 from the Federal Aviation Administration to be banked until funds reach the amount needed to construct a new runway. The council agreed to the request.

Public Works Director Gary Winn said Key Club members have volunteered to paint fire hydrants and the water tower and will make it an annual project. Street hydrants will be painted this year. The city will provide funds for materials after the council approved the project.

The Times-News

JEROME - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included the following:

Arrests and appearances: Tony Luciano Barba, 24, 315 Fifth Ave. E., Jerome, arrested for driving under the influence, preliminary hearing June 19, District Judge Barry Wood. Donald Drew, 30, 750 S. 500 W., Jerome, arrested for driving under the influence, preliminary hearing June 19, District Judge Barry Wood.

FOR THE RECORD

June 25, Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrows

Reyes Ramirez-Castillo, 21, 211 E. Ave. G, Jerome, arrested for driving under the influence, preliminary hearing June 21; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrows. Eileen Sanchez-Torres, 26, 202 S. 500 W., Jerome, arrested for driving under the influence, preliminary hearing June 21; District Judge Barry Wood. Joseph J. Sanchez, 30, 2721 E. 600 S., Hamidon, driving under the influence, possession of open container, no proof of insurance, preliminary conference June 19, District Judge Barry Wood.

June 25, Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrows

Teressa L. Itahai, 36, 216 W. Ave. G, Jerome, arrested for driving under the influence, preliminary hearing June 21; District Judge Barry Wood. Kelly Lee Justusson, 36, 307 N. 800 S., Jerome, driving without privileges, arrested for failure to purchase, invalid driver's license, \$750 fine, \$20 suspended, 60-day probation; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrows. Gerald Robert McCall, 18, 600 W. Ave. E, Jerome, arrested for driving under the influence, preliminary hearing June 21; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrows.

June 25, Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borrows

Shawn Miles Craig, 22, 328 N. 2300 E., Twin Falls, possession to use drug paraphernalia, dismissed by prosecutor. Joseph D. Hernandez, 42, 518 W. Fourth, Jerome, failure to give immediate notice of accident, \$100 fine, 30-day probation; District Judge Barry Wood. Ornelio H. Hernandez, 40, 43 S. 350 W., Jerome, arrest on neighbor's property, dismissed by prosecutor. Craig T. Honohan, 18, 115 W. Main, Hamidon, inattentive, careless driving, dismissed by prosecutor. Sergio S. Regado, 24, 305 Beverly, Shoshone, negligent injury to property, dismissed by prosecutor.

Sentencings

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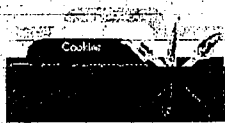
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The Times-News

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Section C



Chili scones spice up the buffet

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

Bonnie Wickel of Burley is looking for a recipe for lemon pudding cake. "I have bought all sorts of cookbooks and haven't found one," she wrote. If anyone has one, please send it to the address at the bottom of this column.

Here's a recipe that was submitted through The Times-News Internet cookbook recipe exchange. (Check out the information at the bottom of this column to see how you can sign on.)

This recipe is from Tracey Emery of Twin Falls, who says he copied the idea from a restaurant.

- CHILI SCONES**
- Preparation time: 20 minutes
 - Cooking time: 5 minutes
 - Servings: 4 to 8, depending on size
 - 1 can Grands biscuits
 - 1 can beanless chili (your favorite)
 - Canola oil (enough for deep-fry)
 - Shredded cheese
 - Sour cream
 - Salsa

Whatever else you like
Cooking: Pre-heat oil to 350 degrees. Squish centers of biscuits thin and taper thicker to the edge (biscuits will shrink during cooking). Deep-fry until cooked in the center. Heat chili to desired temperature.
Preparation: Place cooked scone on plate; top with chili and cheese. Top with preferred toppings.

This muffin batter, from the Baltimore Sun, will keep about five weeks in the refrigerator.

- RAISIN-BRAN MUFFINS**
- 1 (15-ounce) box raisin-bran cereal
 - 5 cups flour
 - 3 cups sugar
 - 5 teaspoons baking soda
 - 2 teaspoons salt
 - 1 cup vegetable oil
 - 4 eggs, beaten
 - 1 quart buttermilk

Mix dry ingredients in a large mixing bowl. Make a well in the center of the mixture and add vegetable oil and eggs. Mix well. Add buttermilk slowly while stirring.

To make muffins, fill greased muffin tin 3/4 full and bake in preheated 350-degree oven for about 15 minutes or until the surface of the muffins springs back to the touch. Makes about 50 muffins.

Variation: Scoop out batter from the big bowl into a smaller bowl and incorporate crushed pineapple, banana, chopped pecans or walnuts or more raisins.

The Miami Herald first published this recipe in 1989.

- CYE'S RIVERGATE PASTA PRIMAVERA**
- 1 16-ounce box rotelle pasta
 - 2 tablespoons olive oil
 - 1 medium carrot, cut julienne-style
 - 6 ounces fresh green beans
 - 6 ounces fresh broccoli florets
 - 6 ounces "canned" chickpeas, drained

1/2 tomato wedges
1/2 cup (or to taste) creamy garlic dressing
1/2 bunch fresh oregano, chopped fine
4 ounces grated Parmesan cheese
Salt and black pepper
1/2 peppercini
1/2 black olives
Cook pasta according to package directions until al dente. Rinse with cold water and drain well. Add olive oil, toss well and refrigerate until cold, about 20 minutes. Cook the carrots, green beans and broccoli until firm-tender, rinse in ice water and refrigerate until cold. Just before serving, combine the pasta, cooked vegetables, chickpeas, tomato, dressing, oregano, Parmesan, and salt and pepper. Toss and mix well. Garnish with black olives and peppercini and serve. Makes 6 servings.

Requests for recipes or recipes to share may be sent to Recipe Exchange, Denise Turner, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Or use our fax at (208) 734-5538. Or e-mail to denise@magivalley.com. Or use our web site - www.magivalley.com - and click on Magic Valley Cookbook to follow the instructions. Please include name, address and phone number.

Passion for potluck

Local gourmet enjoys gathering friends, recipes

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - Preferring a recipe book to the latest thriller, Betty Albee just plain loves to read. She particularly likes Martha Stewart's Southern Living and Taste of Home magazines.

Albee was born in Buhl, but she has spent most of her life moving, cooking and collecting recipes. She and her husband, Stanley, farmed in the Buhl area for 14 years.

Albee's husband recently retired from a career with the United States Department of Agriculture. The Albees have lived in seven different states.

Albee cooked at the senior citizen center in Buhl for three years, and she cooked for two years in the public school system in Colorado.

The Albees lived in Texas for 7 1/2 years, where Betty cooked for the homeless at an outreach center.

She has gathered friends and recipes from every state where she's lived. She loves potluck dinners, where she says she has gleaned some of her best recipes. In fact, she has collected and adapted so many recipes - five loose-leaf binders full - that she is planning to compile a cookbook.

The Albees have two children - a son who teaches at a college in Missouri and a daughter who teaches in the Bliss schools.

This recipe is great for potluck dinners and is beautiful for Valentine's Day or any special occasion, Albee says.

- CHERRY ALMOND MOUSSE PIE**
- 1 (14-ounce) can condensed milk
 - 1 (1-ounce) square unsweetened chocolate
 - 1/2 teaspoon almond extract

- 1 9-inch pastry shell, baked
- 1 (10-ounce) jar maraschino cherries, drained (save back 8 whole cherries with stems attached for garnish)
- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup cold water
- 1 (3.4-ounce) package instant vanilla pudding
- 1 cup whipping cream, whipped
- 1/2 cup almonds toasted

Choc curl for the top (make them with a large Hershey chocolate bar and a vegetable peeler)

In a saucepan on low heat, cook and stir 1/2 cup milk and chocolate till it is melted and thick (about 5 minutes). Stir in 1/4 teaspoon of the almond extract and pour into the pastry

shell and set aside. Save back the 8 cherries with stems for garnish and chop the rest and set aside. In a mixing bowl, beat the cheese till light, then gradually beat in the water and the rest of the milk. Add the pudding mix and the remaining extract and mix well. Stir in the chopped cherries and almonds and pour over the pie. Chill for 4 hours and garnish with the whole cherries and chocolate curls. (You can put the chocolate and cherries in a circle on top of the pie if you wish.)

- PEPPERMINT BARS**
- 1 cup butter
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 1 egg
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/4 teaspoon peppermint extract
 - 1/4 teaspoon red food color
 - 2 cups sifted flour
 - 1/2 cup crushed peppermint candy
 - 6 Hershey candy bars
 - Cream together the butter and

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Betty Albee puts the finishing touches on her cherry almond mousse pie.

Fathers Day is prime time for grilling

Grilling offers a wide variety of recipe possibilities from fast and delicious weekday meals (Pantry Pork Chops and grilled pineapple with vanilla ice cream) to weekend entertaining (Zesty Garlic Shrimp and Warm Beet and Onion Salad).

There's something about grilling that draws us back to paradise and sets the world right again. These recipes are from "Weber's Big Book of Grilling."

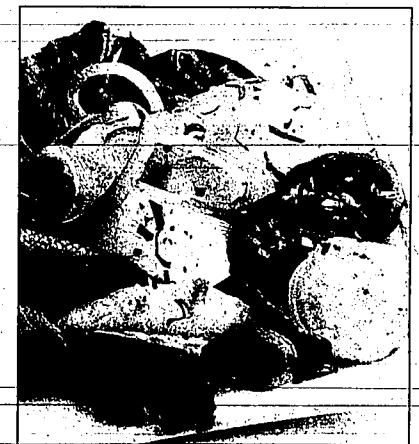
- ZESTY GARLIC SHRIMP**
- For the marinade:
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
 - 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
 - 2 tablespoons finely chopped Italian parsley
 - 2 teaspoons dried oregano
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons minced garlic
 - 1 teaspoon grated lemon zest
 - 1/2 teaspoon Kosher salt
 - 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 - 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes

20 jumbo shrimp (about 1 1/4 pounds), peeled and deveined
1 tablespoon fine dried bread crumbs
To make the marinade: In a medium bowl whisk together the marinade ingredients. Place the shrimp in a large, resealable plastic bag and pour in the marinade. Press the air out of the bag and seal tightly. Turn the bag to distribute the marinade, place in a bowl and refrigerate for 30 minutes to 1 hour. Remove the shrimp from the bag and discard the marinade. Thread the shrimp onto skewers, either one per skewer as an appetizer. Sprinkle the bread crumbs evenly over the shrimp. Grill over direct medium heat until just opaque in the center and firm to the touch, 4 to 6 minutes, turning the skewers once halfway through grilling time. Serve warm. Makes 4 to 20 servings.

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Pantry Pork Chops go great on the grill. Right, Warm Beet and Onion Salad is a perfect side dish for a patio party.



Warm Beet and Onion Salad is a perfect side dish for a patio party.

The grillier's toolbox

If you love the sport, you gotta have the right equipment. Here's a checklist of the basics and a few handy add-ons you might want, too:

ESSENTIALS

- WIDE SPATULA:** Burgers, chicken pieces, steaks and veggies take a turn for the better with a wide metal spatula.
- GRILL TONGS:** For turning sausages and franks, but also scallops, shrimp, tortillas/pitas.
- MEAT FORK:** For lifting large roasts and whole birds once they're done cooking. Also helps with canning.
- GRILL BRUSH:** Brass bristles resist rust and won't scratch porcelain enamel. Steel brushes are better for castiron grates.
- BASTING BRUSH:** We recommend natural boar bristles (nylon bristles will melt if they touch the cooking grate) and a long handle. Always wear a mitt when basting, in case of flare-ups.
- BARBECUE MITTS:** Long sleeve, flame-resistant mitts protect your hands and forearms. Use two when lifting roasts.

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Pea shoots harbor delicate flavors

By Renee Schettler
The Washington Post

Pea shoots are simply the precursors to snow peas and other garden peas. (Beware the shoots of the flowering sweet pea plant, which are poisonous.) When gardeners pick the shoots, they in effect eliminate the peas that would have formed on those shoots, but to many the concentrated sweet pea flavor, found both in the delicate leaves and slightly tougher stems, makes the sacrifice worthwhile.

Though available through fall, pea shoots are at their most crisp, yet most tender during spring. They sell out early at farmers' markets; arrive first thing in the morning or risk disappointment.

HOW TO SELECT AND STORE: Look for pea shoots that are vibrantly colored and sprightly, not limp. Young pea shoots are extremely delicate; consume as soon as possible. If necessary, store between slightly damp paper towels in an open plastic bag in the crisper and refrigerate for a day or two at

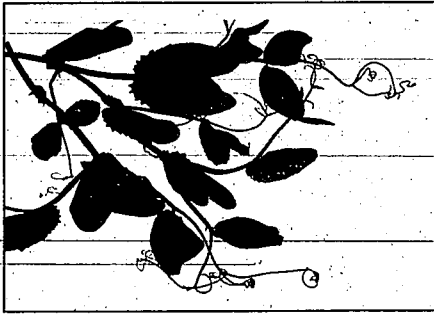


Photo courtesy: The Washington Post

Pea shoots are most crisp in the spring.

most. Trim and discard any stems that appear thick and tough.

HOW TO PREPARE: A tiny tangle of pea shoots makes a capable garnish, embellishing pea soup, vichyssoise, smoked-salmon tea sandwiches or grilled

wahoo. The delicate crunch works well with the silky smoothness of lobster meat. Do not, however, get carried away and use more than a sprig or two; the tendrils can be difficult to manage in front of polite company.

Beyond a token garnish, pea shoots work as a salad when drizzled with a lemony, mustard-tinged vinaigrette. Or tuck them into aspic-salad-of-mixed-herbs or substitute for watercress on any occasion, raw or cooked.

Pea shoots may be heated briefly, until just barely wilted but still bright green, typically about 30 seconds. Sauté in butter and serve alone or in a melange of sugar snaps, snow and shelled garden peas. Stir-fry briefly in oil, either a neutral canola or grapeseed or a bold peanut or sesame. Prior to adding the shoots, the oil may be heated for a few minutes over low heat with garlic, ginger root or other aromatic.

The less ambitious or those pressed for time should note that the warmth from food just removed from heat is sufficient to wilt the tender shoots. Toss with pasta or rice noodles before saucing or place a handful in a soup bowl prior to adding warm broth — try a chicken stock subtly flavored with ginger root or a broth made from miso and dashi — and serve immediately.

Make slugs turn tail with a 'Pagoda Cafe'

DEAR CATHY: How do you get rid of slugs in the garden? I've been told to put beer in little trays around the garden, but all I get for my efforts are drunken slugs. Any advice?

SLUG ME IN IDAHO FALLS
DEAR SLUG: Even though we don't see the giant slugs of the Northwest (some refer to them as the Oregon State Slug), the tiny slugs we get do plenty of damage. They can strip everything off a row of marigolds overnight, leaving just the stem, kind of like Billy Bob sucking the barbecue sauce off a plate of ribs.

Your answer lies in slug bait and cottage cheese. You eat the cottage cheese, then wash out the plastic tub. Go buy some slug bait with metaldehyde in it. We're going to make my famous Slug Pagoda Cafe.

Take the lid off your cottage cheese tub and set it aside. Get some scissors and cut two U-shapes from the edge of the tub — one for the front door, one for the back, of course. Put a few tablespoons of slug bait into the container and screw the lid back on. Take the Cafe out to the garden where you've seen slug damage and/or slimy trails. Turn the Cafe upside down — lid side down — in that area of the garden. Put a big rock on top. Look like a little pagoda, doesn't it?

Slugs will dine at the Cafe that very night, but they won't get much past the parking lot on their way out. You can water the garden as usual without worrying about the metaldehyde leaching into your carrots because the "floor" of the Cafe keeps the bait dry. The rock on top keeps dogs and cats out, too. Thanks for writing.



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Walworth

DEAR CATHY: Ants! We have ants everywhere. We found five anthills and treated them with a granular insecticide, but nothing seems to work. Please help.

CREEPY CRAWLY
DEAR CREEPY: I know that it says on the labels of granular insecticides that they kill ants, but I've never found it to be true. We have found something that does work on the big ants that make giant mounds out here at the Double Dober Rose Ranch. Vinegar.

Buy a gallon of the cheapest white vinegar on the shelf. Pour some into the opening of the anthill. Use at least a couple of cups of vinegar. Go away. Do the same the next day. There will be a whole lot fewer ants than there were, and a second splash of vinegar should do the survivors in.

To keep ants out of the house, plant mint around the foundation. Ants hate it. Mint can be invasive, so be prepared to hack it back in a couple of years, but it sure beats having ants in the house. And, it provides all the mint leaves you need for a summer's worth of iced tea.

What's bugging your garden? Write to Cathy in care of this newspaper, or email her at cathy@pmt.org

Sweet basil varieties satisfy every taste

By Adrienne Cook
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Basil has become as essential to the summer harvest as its brilliant companion, the vine-ripened tomato.

No longer can the courtier gardener settle for just one variety of basil plant. The choices are too appealing and the time to savor garden-fresh basil too short.

Common or sweet basil is the familiar variety usually found at supermarkets and widely available this time of year from garden centers and other plant retailers. The sweet, cinnamon-clove scent and flavor of sweet basil are perhaps less exotic than in years past, but no less delightful.

Following close on the heels of sweet basil's popularity is the purple version, treasured for its rich color and its ability to impart a delicate pink hue to vegetables.

Less well-known but essential to pesto purists are the Italian basil, more subtle than sweet basil and unparalleled as the main ingredient in the Old World condiment. The leader here is Genovese, also known as Liguste. Lemon basil, with a light, wind-swept tang of citrus, is a perfect accompaniment to summer's grilled seafood.

Another relative newcomer that is becoming popular among cooks is the spicy, complex Thai basil. With its smaller, purplish-tinged foliage and deeply maroon stems, it is a beauty in the garden and the only choice for the aromatic soups of Southeast Asia.

Fortunately for those who simply cannot decide, basil lacks a wallop amount of flavor for the small growing space it requires. Sure, sweet basil can grow into a 3-foot shrub as big around as a barrel, but it also can be easily kept in check with vigilant use of scissors. Most of the other varieties are naturally better behaved, reaching a scant 30 inches in height and half as wide.

And even the smallest garden or container will always have room for Piccolo, or bush basil. Though a mere foot in height with tiny mouse-ear leaves, the diminutive bush varieties deliver all the pungency of their large-leaved cousins. Imagine a window box filled with the delicious herb.

Basil is one of the garden's most rewarding plants, not only for its marvelous flavor but for its easy disposition. Fill a pot with soil laced with compost, or add plenty of compost to the garden bed where basil will be grown; locate the plants where the sun shines all day and don't let them dry out.

Basil grows quickly once night temperatures stay above 60 degrees F; the herb abhors cold weather, and the greatest failure with the plant is when the gardener too eagerly puts it out in early May. The best time to plant or sow basil is right now.

Once established, the plant will thrive with few pests. Occasionally, slugs will go after young seedlings; copper rings and slug bait do a pretty good job of keeping them in check. Even slug damage should not set plants back too much, however, unless the foliage is stripped. Basil actually responds to pinching and frequent harvest, becoming bushier and putting out more leaves.

Later in the summer, Japanese beetles can become pesky. Using neem oil on foliage will discourage visits from the voracious pests, or the gardener can hand-pick the beetles. If invasions are bad, plants can be covered with garden fabric.

By midsummer, basil will begin forming spikes of flowers, leading to bloom, then seed and a decline of foliage — a process called going to seed. To discourage this, prune plants severely (more great pesto in the making!). Snipping back young flower heads and the accompanying foliage stimulates more foliage to grow. A plant will tol-

erate pruning of up to half of its bulk.

The first frost will fell basil, turning that lively green or purple foliage black and limp. But until then, the gardener can enjoy a continuous harvest of the summer herb.

Cruise the local garden centers for seed or plants. Johnny's (207-437-4301; www.johnny-seeds.com), a top-notch general-purpose seed and plant catalog, carries about 20 varieties of basil and lots of other goodies.

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Belvedere emphasizes space, light

The wealth of windows spanning across the Belvedere's front facade gives this large home an open, welcoming look. Handsome columns, supported by brick-accented stone piers, support the front porch and frame the regal entry.

Plenty of natural light washes into the foyer through sidelights and a wide transom that crowns the double-door entry. Ornamental columns bound the foyer, while marking passage-ways into the spacious central great room and lavishly outfitted kitchen. A pellet stove tucked into the front corner provides a visual focal point on gray days and long nights. (A wood or gas-burning stove could be substituted) Cabinetry next to the stove is designed to house a home entertainment center. In the dining area, a combination china cabinet and buffet fills the side wall.

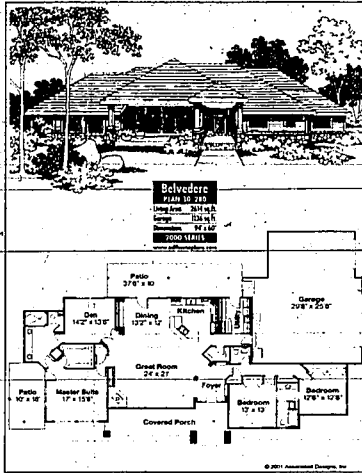
Two, three or even four cooks could work comfortably together in this roomy kitchen. A long raised eating bar rims the front of the angled work island. Cooking clutter on the cooktop hides conveniently behind and below its front edge. Standing at the stove,

you can serve food directly into bowls on the eating bar, as well as keep tabs on everything else going on in the great room.

Utilities are nearby in a large, fully outfitted utility room. A pocket door and exterior entrance allow it to double as a mud room, and the few steps between this room and the three-car garage are covered by a wide roof overhang to allow for ease of grocery unloading.

The Belvedere's luxury master suite and den fill the entire left wing, and are well-isolated from the other two bedrooms. Amenities include: a roomy walk-in closet; posh bathroom with dual vanity, oversized shower and private water closet; plus a secluded covered patio with a hot tub.

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Belvedere's columns and stone piers give the home a regal appearance, and well-placed windows bring in plenty of light.

Mangos are healthy, juicy and they're in season

By Sara Engram
The Baltimore Sun

Mango season: June and July are the height of the mango season. Fans of the fruit will be glad to know that it is as healthful as it is redolent of sunshine-filled days in tropical climes. Mangos are a good source of vitamins A and C, and one serving - half a mango - has about 70 calories.

Mangos are juicier than peaches, so be careful to cut them over the sink, or on a layer

of paper towels. The Fresh Produce Association of the Americas suggests cutting the fruit in cubes.

Start by slicing the sides or "cheeks" off the pit lengthwise. Score the fruit in 1/4-inch squares, without breaking the skin. Then turn the mango inside out, separating the cubes slightly, and slice off the squares at their base.

The fruit typically needs a day or two of ripening after purchase. It should exude a pleasant fragrance and yield to gentle pressure.

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Metal roofs make good economic sense

DEAR JIM: I need a new roof again and I am considering a lifetime metal one this time. I saw them on the most expensive houses on a new homes tour. Does a shake-style metal roof make sense for someone on a budget?

DEAR PAUL: A metal roof does cost more to install initially, but since you will never have to re-roof your home again (transferable 50-year to lifetime warranties), metal roofs make long-term economic sense for any home. Since metal roofs are fireproof, you also may get a discount on your insurance.

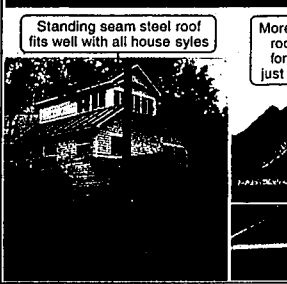
Another money-saving advantage of installing a metal roof is lower air-conditioning bills and better comfort. Metal roofs reject much of the intense summer sun's heat as compared to asphalt shingles that absorb the heat. The sound of rain on the roof is no greater than on a shingle roof.

You have many options in styles in metal roofing. Many people prefer styles that simulate cedar shingles or shakes, tiles, slate, etc. From the ground, they look like any other roof. Others prefer a style, like standing seam, that definitely looks like a metal roof, for a distinctive, elegant look.

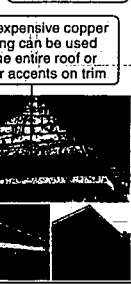
Installing a metal roof is good



Simulated cedar shake roof made from recycled aluminum cans



Aluminum is durable, does not rust and blocks the sun's heat rays from rooms below



More expensive copper roofing can be used for the entire roof or just for accents on trim

Metal roofing is attractive, durable and efficient, and available in many styles. for the environment. Each year, billions of pounds of old asphalt shingles end up in landfills. Well over half of the materials used for metal residential roofs is recycled. Most of the aluminum roofing materials are made from recycled soft drink cans.

For the greatest reduction in your summer electric bills, choose an aluminum roof with a new special-heat barrier paint. This paint technology was developed by the Army so tanks could escape infrared heat detection.

Since the metal roofing has a formed shake, tile, etc. contour, there are many air gaps between it and your old roof. (It can be installed over your old roof without an expensive tear-off.) These gaps allow air to naturally flow through and carry away the intense heat from the afternoon sun.

There are many options as to the type of finish that you prefer. Some manufacturers offer up to 20 standard colors. To provide an authentic look, some metal roof-

ing has a multilayer paint process with real sand granules embedded in the final layers. Most use extremely durable Kynar or Hylar finishes.

Since installing real tile or slate roofing requires major structural upgrades to support the weight, metal roofing is often the only feasible option. Even the heaviest steel roofing weighs only 5 percent as much as real tile.

The higher material costs of metal roofing is somewhat offset by the rapid installation. Much of the contoured metal roofing is formed in large panels. It requires only about 25 panels per 100 square feet of roof to cover.

Write for Update Bulletin No. 782 - buyer's guide of 17 manufacturers of residential aluminum, copper, steel roofing listing styles, colors, finishes, weights, features and installation details. Please include \$3 and a business-size SASE. Write to James Dulley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244.

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Water heater costs can burn you

By Nick Harder
The Orange County Register

Amid all the efforts being made to save electricity and its burgeoning cost, we have lost sight of ways to save money by cutting our use of natural gas.

In case you haven't noticed, natural gas prices have also gone through the roof. Some estimates have it as high as 40 percent over last year. One important appliance that gobbles up our natural gas money is the water heater.

Typically, the water heater in any home is often the third-largest expense in terms of energy consumption behind air conditioning and refrigerators. According to Department of Energy figures, water heating

accounts for about 14 percent of your utility bill.

There are four methods of reducing your water heater bills: You can turn down its thermostat, add insulation to the water heater, buy a new water heater or, simply use less hot water.

The Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Commission says that although some manufacturers set water heaters at 140 degrees, 120 degrees is satisfactory for most household needs. When I turned down my thermostat to 120, it made a significant difference in my bill.

A word of caution though: Don't lower the temperature any more than 120. Bacteria can grow and circulate in temperatures a lot lower, especially at 90-105

degrees.

As to adding extra-insulation to your water heater, I can also tell you from experience that it works.

How to use less hot water? I'm still working on that. A family of four uses 700 gallons of water a week, according to the Southern California Gas Co. Years ago I complained about my wife's long, hot showers and she gave me The Look. During warm weather, I take a "Navy shower" where you wet down, turn off the water, soap down, then wash it off.

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GRILLING WITH GUSTO

Barbecuing can be a gourmet affair

By Russ Parsons and Jennifer Lowe
Los Angeles Times

Like white shoes and bathing suit diets, the first hint of warm weather inevitably is accompanied by a bumper harvest of barbecue cookbooks. But when you get right down to it, grilling is cooking at its most elemental: man, meat and fire. Anything else is elaboration.

From "Barbecue 101" by Rick Rodgers, the Fontina has a mild mushroom flavor that goes so well with the grilled portobellos that, although you can substitute Jack or mozzarella, it's worth searching out. Garlic oil is great for grilling vegetables, meats and poultry when you want just a bit more flavor. Or use it in a vinaigrette. Make it in small batches because it tends to spoil quickly, even when refrigerated.

PORTEBELLO MUSHROOM QUESADILLAS

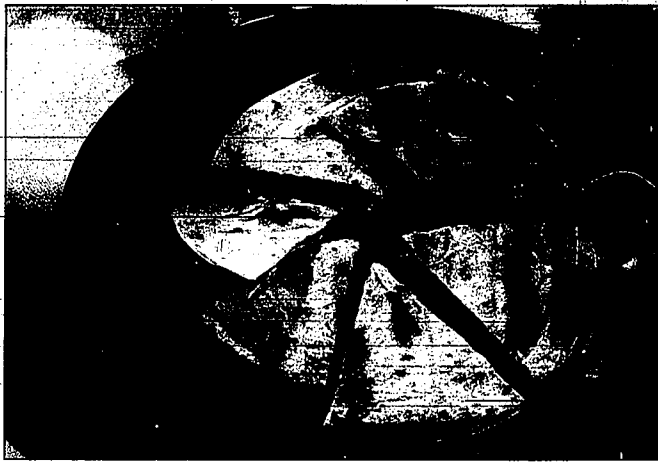
Garlic Oil
1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil
3 large cloves garlic, crushed under a knife
Heat the oil and garlic in a sauté pan over very low heat just until tiny bubbles appear around the garlic, about 5 minutes. Remove the pan from the heat and let the oil stand 1 hour. Use a slotted spoon to discard the garlic.

Quesadillas:
4 portabella mushrooms, stems trimmed and discarded
Garlic Oil
Salt

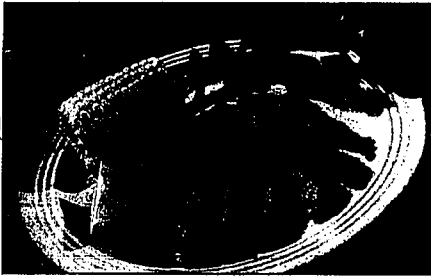
Freshly ground pepper
8 (9-inch) flour tortillas
1 cup shredded Fontina cheese
2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary or a combination of rosemary, sage and thyme

Build a charcoal fire in an outdoor grill and let it burn until the coals are covered with white ash. In a gas grill, preheat on high. Lightly oil the cooking rack. Brush the mushroom caps liberally with garlic oil and lightly season them with salt and pepper. Place the mushrooms on the grill and cover. Grill, turning once, until the mushrooms are tender, about 6 minutes. Transfer them to a cutting board and slice into 1/2-inch-wide strips. Place 4 tortillas on a work surface and sprinkle each with 1/4 cup of the cheese. Top with equal amounts of the mushroom strips, sprinkle with the herbs, then carefully place each on the grill. Top each with one of the remaining tortillas. Grill the quesadillas until the underside is lightly browned, about 45 seconds, then turn and grill to brown the other side. Cut each quesadilla into 6 wedges and serve immediately. Serves 8.

This is from "Born to Grill" by Cheryl Alters Jamison and Bill Jamison, who say, given the voluptuousness of the sauce, this is good served with a spinach and mushroom salad and roasted potatoes or rice. They also point out that bone-in chicken breasts



Portabella Mushroom Quesadilla is a new dish for the grill.



Tia Maria Steak will earn the cook rave reviews.

can take longer to cook and be a little tricky, but are worth the flavor.

SUNNY SUNDAY CHICKEN BREASTS

2 (6 1/2-ounce) jars marinated artichoke hearts, undrained
Juice of 1 1/2 lemons divided
4 cloves garlic, minced, divided
6 bone-in, skin-on chicken breasts (about 2 1/2 pounds)
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons white wine
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
Salt

Chopped fresh basil or parsley and lemon zest, for garnish.
At least 3 hours and up to the night before you plan to grill, drain the oil from the artichoke hearts into a small bowl. To prepare the marinade, stir the juice of 1 lemon and 3 of the garlic cloves into the oil. Place the chicken in a resealable plastic bag and pour the marinade over it, rubbing some of the liquid under the skin without tearing the skin. Refrigerate the chicken. Remove the chicken from the refrigerator and drain it, discarding the marinade. Let the chicken sit uncovered at room temperature for 20 to 30 minutes. Blot any excess liquid from the surface. Fire up the grill, bringing the temperature to medium. While the grill heats, puree the artichoke

hearts in a blender with the olive oil. Warm the butter in a small nonreactive sauté pan over medium heat and add the remaining garlic. Cook the garlic briefly until just soft and then stir in the wine, oregano and pureed artichoke-and-oil mixture. Cook the sauce for several minutes, bringing it to a good simmer. Stir in the remaining lemon juice, taste, and add salt to taste. If the sauce seems too thick, add a splash of wine and simmer for an additional minute. Remove the sauce from the heat, but keep it warm. (The sauce can be made a day ahead, kept refrigerated, then reheated.) Transfer the chicken to the grill skin-side down. Grill the chicken uncovered over medium heat for 30 to 35 minutes, turning 4 times. Watch for flare-ups, shifting the breasts away from the flame if necessary. If grilling covered, cook for 24 to 28 minutes, turning twice, though the time may vary depending on the size of the chicken breasts. End the grilling in either case with the chicken skin-side down to give it a final crisping. The chicken breasts are done when opaque down to the bone and still juicy. Stir the sauce to reblend and spoon it onto a platter. Top the sauce with the chicken breasts, and scatter the basil or parsley and the lemon zest over the chicken. Serves 6.

This is from "Weber's Big Book of Grilling" by Jamie Purviance and Sandra S. McRae. The Tia Maria, a coffee-flavored liqueur, may be hard to find. You can use any coffee-flavored liqueur, such as Kahlua. We squeezed a lime over the steaks when they were done and the results were excellent.

TIA MARIA SKIRT STEAK

Rub:
2 teaspoons black peppercorns
2 teaspoons coffee beans
2 teaspoons fennel seeds
1 teaspoon chili powder
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon coarse salt
Using a spice grinder or mortar and pestle, crush the peppercorns with the coffee beans and fennel seeds. Place in a small bowl and mix with the chili powder, cinnamon and salt.
Steak
1/2 cup Tia Maria or coffee liqueur
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
2 (3 1/4-pound) skirt steaks, each about 1/2-inch thick.

Extra-virgin olive oil
Juice of 1 lime, optional

Whisk together the Tia Maria or coffee liqueur and the Worcestershire sauce in a small bowl. Trim the steaks of any excess fat and cut each steak in half. Place the steaks in a large, resealable plastic bag and pour in the marinade. Press the air out of the bag and seal tightly. Turn the bag to distribute the marinade, place on a plate and refrigerate 2 to 4 hours, turning occasionally. Remove the steaks from the bag and discard the marinade. Pat the steaks dry with paper towels. Coat both sides of the steaks with the rub. Allow them to stand at room temperature for 20 to 30 minutes before grilling. Heat the grill on high heat. Brush or spray both sides of the steaks with olive oil. Season with additional salt to taste. Grill them over direct heat 3 to 5 minutes, turning once halfway through grilling time. Remove them from the grill, squeeze lime juice over them, if using, and allow to rest 2 to 3 minutes. Serve warm, whole or thinly sliced. Serves 4.

Oven-baked flautas are savory and light

By Elaine Magee
Knight Ridder News Service

QUESTION: I love to order beef flautas from the Mexican restaurant in town. But I have to say, it's practically dripping in grease when it comes to the table. Is there a way to make flautas without deep-frying them?

ANSWER: The trick to a crispy oven-fried flauta is to first coat the corn tortillas with enough oil to brown and flavor them while they cook. But it's pointless if you add so much oil that you might as well have deep fried it!

To lighten up the filling, a super-lean ground beef, such as ground sirloin, will work great, as will oven-roasted skinless chicken breast shredded into small pieces.

The rest stays pretty much the same in the recipe. No nutritional harm done with all those wonderful spices and salsa.

One commercial flauta I looked at contained 360 calories and 27 grams of fat per flauta while the oven-fried flauta came down to 248 calories and only 6.5 grams of fat.

In Spanish, flautas means flute. Extra-lean flautas, often sold by street vendors in Mexico, are made by overlapping two tortillas. To eat, wrap one end of a flauta in a paper napkin and bite from the other end to keep the filling from spilling out.

OVEN-FRIED FLAUTAS

1 pound extra-lean ground beef
2 1/2 cups roasted, shredded skinless chicken breast can be substituted
1 medium onion
1 teaspoon minced or chopped garlic
1 1/2 teaspoons chili powder
1 teaspoon dry oregano leaves
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/4 teaspoon ground cumin

1/4 teaspoon pepper
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
1/2 cup mild chile sauce (or canned tomato sauce)

12 corn tortillas
Canola cooking spray
Salsa, fat-free or light sour cream, and guacamole (optional)

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Place ground beef (if using), onion and garlic in a large nonstick skillet that has been coated with canola cooking spray and brown over medium-high heat. (If using chicken, just cook the onions and garlic by themselves until translucent.) Using a spatula, crumble the beef into small pieces as it cooks. Add chile powder, oregano, paprika, cumin, pepper, Worcestershire sauce, and chile sauce to the pan and stir well (if using chicken, add it here). Wrap 6 of the corn tortillas at a time in a damp (but not soaked) kitchen towel and warm them briefly in the microwave or oven - just long enough to soften. For each flauta, spray both sides of 2 tortillas lightly with canola cooking spray at 400 degrees until they overlap by 1/2 inches. Spoon a 1/4 cup or so of filling down the side of the paired tortillas and, roll up tightly, the beef mixture should be in the center. Place on a heavy cookie sheet. Bake the flautas at 400 degrees until the tortillas are crisp (about 15 minutes). Serve with salsa, fat-free sour cream and/or guacamole. Serves 6.

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Delicious fudge pie - for Father's Day

Taste of Home

This creamy pie is a great ending to any meal, says country cook Cynthia Kolberg of Syracuse, Ind.

- TIN ROOF FUDGE PIE**
- 2 squares (1 ounce each) semi-sweet baking chocolate
 - 1 tablespoon butter (no substitutes)
 - 1 pastry shell (9 inches), baked
 - Peanut layer:**
 - 20 caramels
 - 1/3 cup whipping cream
 - 1/2 cup salted peanuts
 - Chocolate layer:**
 - 8 squares (1 ounce each) semi-sweet baking chocolate
 - 2 tablespoons butter (no substitutes)
 - 1 cup whipping cream
 - 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
 - Whipped cream and salted peanuts, optional
 - Topping:**
 - 8 caramels



Tin Roof Fudge Pie is perfect for the whole family on Dad's day.

- 5 teaspoons whipping cream
 - 1 tablespoon butter (no substitutes)
- In a microwave or double boiler, melt the semi-sweet baking chocolate and butter. Spread the mixture onto the bottom and up the sides of crust. Refrigerate until the chocolate is set. In a

saucepan over low heat, melt caramels and cream, stirring frequently until smooth. Remove from the heat. Stir in peanuts. Spoon mixture into pie shell. Refrigerate. In a small saucepan over low heat, melt chocolate and butter. Remove from the heat. Let stand 15 minutes. Meanwhile, in a mixing bowl, beat cream and vanilla until soft peaks form. Make sure the mixture is well combined and slightly foamed. Carefully fold a third of the portion of whipped cream into the chocolate mixture. Fold the mixture into the remaining whipped cream. Spread the mixture over peanut layer. Refrigerate until set. Garnish with whipped cream and peanuts, if desired. In a small saucepan over low heat, melt caramels, cream and butter. Drizzle over pie. Refrigerate until serving. Tin Roof Fudge Pie goes well with vanilla ice cream.

Tuscan Chicken Cakes are a prize-winning favorite

By Linda Gassenheller
The Miami Herald

Moist, juicy Tuscan Chicken Cakes topped with a Tomato Basil Relish won the \$25,000 prize at the 44th National Chicken Cooking Contest held in Sacramento, Calif.

TUSCAN CHICKEN CAKES

- 1/2 cup red onion
- 1/4 cup bottled, drained roasted red peppers
- 1/2 cup cooked chicken breasts, skin and bones removed
- 1/2 cup Italian seasoned bread crumbs, divided
- 2 tablespoons prepared pesto sauce
- 2 tablespoons mayo, divided
- 2 tbs honey mustard, divided
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 1 egg white
- Olive oil spray
- Chop onion and red pepper.

Add chicken, 1/4 cup bread crumbs, pesto sauce, 1 tablespoon mayonnaise and 1/2 tablespoon honey mustard. Mix. Add egg white. Form chicken cakes about 3 inches in diameter and 1/2-inch thick. Roll in remaining bread crumbs. Heat a nonstick skillet. Saute cakes 3 minutes per side. Mix remaining honey mustard and mayonnaise with 1 tablespoon water and spoon over cakes. Serve cakes with relish. Basil Relish:

- Tomato Basil Relish:
- 1 cup diced plum tomatoes
- 1/4 cup diced red onion
- 2 tablespoons chopped sun-dried tomatoes in oil, drained
- 1/2 cup sliced fresh basil leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon balsamic vinegar
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- Salt and ground black pepper
- Mix tomatoes, onion, sun-dried tomatoes and basil in a bowl. Add vinegar and sugar and toss. Add salt and pepper to taste. Serve with the chicken cakes. Makes 2 servings.

Barbecue

- Continued from C1**
- PARADISE GRILLED**
- For the glaze:
 - 3/4 cup fresh orange juice
 - 1 tablespoon honey
 - 1 tablespoon fresh lime juice
 - 2 teaspoons cornstarch
 - 4 slices fresh pineapple, about 1/2 inch thick each
 - 1 teaspoon cracked dried green peppercorns or cracked black peppercorns
 - 4 scoops vanilla ice cream
 - In small saucepan combine the glaze ingredients and whisk until smooth. Bring to boil over medium-high heat and cook until thickened, 1 to 2 minutes. Keep the glaze warm or reheat when ready to serve. Season both sides of the pineapple slices with the peppercorns. Grill over Indirect Medium heat until well marked, to 8 minutes, turning once halfway through grilling time.

Barbecuing tips

Direct and indirect cooking are the two ways to grill properly. Direct method, similar to broiling, means the food is cooked directly over the heat source. For even cooking, food should be turned once halfway through the grilling time.

Indirect method is similar to roasting, but with the added benefits of that grilled texture, flavor and appearance you can't get from an oven.

Low, medium and high temperatures... how do you know when you're there? The best way to gauge the temperature is to set an oven thermometer on the cooking grate. Low is about 300 F, medium is about 350 F and high is 500 to 550 F.

Book of Grilling

WARM BEET AND ONION SALAD

- 2 medium golden beets with leafy tops, about 2 1/2 inches in diameter each
- 2 medium red beets with leafy tops, about 2 1/2 inches in diameter each
- Extra-virgin olive oil
- For the dressing:
 - 1 medium orange
 - 1/3 cup extra-virgin olive oil
 - 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
 - 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh basil
 - 1 teaspoon minced garlic
 - 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
 - Freshly ground black pepper
 - 1 large red onion, cut into four 1/2-inch slices
 - 2 heads romaine lettuce

Trim the leafy tops from the beets, leaving about 1/2 inch attached; reserve the tops. Leave the root ends intact. Scrub the beets under cold water. Lightly spray or brush with olive oil. Grill over Indirect Medium heat until tender when pierced with the tip of a knife, 1 to 1 1/2 hours depending on size, turning once halfway through grilling time. Remove from the grill and allow to stand until cool enough to handle. Trim the ends from the beets and discard. Rub off the skins. Cut the beets into 1/4- to 1/2-inch slices and place the red beets and the golden beets in separate bowls (to keep the red beets from dyeing the golden beets red).

To make the dressing: Wash

and dry the orange. With a zester, scrape off 1 tablespoon of zest. Alternatively, use a vegetable peeler to remove enough strips of zest to total 1 tablespoon when finely chopped. Reserve the zest.

Cut the remaining skin and white pith from the orange and, working over a separate medium bowl, separate the orange into sections, letting the sections and any juice fall into the bowl. Add the reserved zest and the remaining dressing ingredients to the orange sections, including pepper to taste. Gently stir to combine. Lightly brush the onion slices with some of the dressing and grill over direct medium heat until tender, 10 to 12 minutes, turning once halfway through grilling time.

Raise the reserved leafy tops of the beets under cold water. Select the smallest, most tender leaves and place with the romaine lettuce in a large bowl. Add half of the dressing and toss. Divide the lettuce mixture among four salad plates. Top with the beets and the onion rings and drizzle on the remaining dressing. Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes 4 servings.

- PANTRY PORK CHOPS**
- For the marinade:
- 1/4 cup plus 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
 - 3 tablespoons soy sauce
 - 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
 - 1/2 teaspoon light brown sugar
 - 1/4 teaspoon chopped fresh rosemary
 - 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
 - 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 - 4 pork rib chops, about 1 1/4 inches thick each
- To make the marinade: In a medium bowl whisk together the marinade ingredients. Place the chops in a large, resealable plastic bag and pour in the marinade. Press the air out of the bag and seal tightly. Turn the bag to distribute the marinade, place in a bowl and refrigerate for 20 to 30 minutes. Remove the chops from the bag and discard the marinade. Sear the chops over direct high heat for 6 minutes, turning once halfway through searing time. Continue grilling over Indirect medium heat until the juices run clear, 6 to 8 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Serve warm. Makes 4 servings.
- Recipe courtesy "Weber's Big

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FOOD & HOME

Summertime means barbecue

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VALLEY COOKING
Rebecca
Tataoka

I didn't do too badly on the test, but the problem is that my connection is so slow that getting through the first few questions takes as long as it takes a chatty contestant on "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?"

The first I went to the site in the place was for inspiration. You see, I recently got my power bill with the new rates. After the blood returned to my head, I decided I could no longer afford to actually live in my house this summer.

The children have loved living in our old two-man tents.

But this necessitates cooking on the grill more than I would have in the past. This is primarily my husband's domain, but he's trying to do the job of two men now so that we can pay the power bill.

This has led to a few mishaps already. Being the "multi-tasker" that I am, I decided to cook hamburgers and make a poster and make phone calls at the same time. Something had to give, and it was my memory. I forgot to turn the heat from "ignite" to "low." Those burgers were done in five minutes flat, no turning necessary. But then I forgot to check on them until 10 minutes later.

I must say, my girls were very gracious. "These burgers are really hard" was the isn't comment I heard.

But cooking outside isn't all bad. My house has yet to get over 80 degrees, and I haven't singed the hair on my arms, eyebrows or head. I'm experimenting a little here and there, too, which means I'm getting more comfortable with grilling.

One thing I do that's so easy is defrost six to eight boneless, skinless chicken breasts and rub a packet of Italian dressing seasoning into them. Then I grill them on low and away from the center where everything burns. They're really good with Dutch oven potatoes.

DUTCH OVEN POTATOES

10 medium to large potatoes, peeled and sliced thin
1 carrot, grated
2/3 to 3/4 pound bacon
1 small onion, chopped
Season All, salt and pepper
1 can lemon-lime soda
Grated cheese
12-inch Dutch oven
Fry the bacon and onion in the bottom of the Dutch oven until onions are clear and bacon is mostly cooked. Season the sliced potatoes with Season All, salt and pepper. Add to the bacon in the Dutch oven. Add the grated carrot and stir to coat everything with the bacon grease. Pour in the can of soda and cover.
Bake with most of the heat on top, stirring occasionally. When potatoes are cooked, sprinkle grated cheese on top and allow to melt. Serve hot.

This will make a lot of potatoes, which will feed you for several meals. It really saves on cooking time later, especially when you want to eat potatoes with grilled turkey or barbecued meat.

GRILLED TURKEY BREAST

Cooking time: 1 3/4 to 2 1/4 hours
Size: 5 1/2 pounds
Servings: 12
Better Homes and Gardens has some tips for using an indirect grilling method for turkey breasts or other larger cuts of meat.
To test grill temperature: Hold your hand, palm side down, over the drip pan, at the height where the food will be grilled. Count sec-

onds (one-thousand-one, one-thousand-two) until you need to remove your hand.
Use these timings as a guide:
Hot - 2 seconds. Medium-Hot - 3 seconds. Medium - 4 seconds. Medium-Slow - 5 seconds. Slow - 6 seconds. Place food on grill rack over drip pan, not directly over coals. If using coals, add 6 to 8 fresh coals every 20 to 30 minutes in order to keep the desired temperature.

APRICOT SAUCE FOR TURKEY (OR CHICKEN)

1/3 cup brown sugar
2 tablespoons cornstarch
2 1/2 cups apricot nectar
1/4 cup catsup
2 tablespoons horseradish mustard or prepared mustard
2 teaspoons finely shredded orange peel
In a medium saucepan, combine brown sugar and cornstarch. Stir in apricot nectar, catsup, horseradish mustard and orange peel. Cook and stir over medium heat till thickened and bubbly. Cook and stir 2 minutes more. Remove from heat. Pour desired amount of sauce in small bowl. Brush poultry frequently the last 10 minutes of grilling. If desired, heat and pass additional sauce. Makes about 3 cups sauce (enough for 4 pounds of chicken). Store unused portion of sauce in refrigerator up to 2 weeks.

Everyone has a favorite flavor of barbecue sauce, with variations. Try this one from <http://www.rhpeterson.com/recphoto.htm>

HOUSE BBQ SAUCE

1/2 cup A-1 sauce
2 cups ketchup
1/2 cup brown sugar
1 tablespoon soy sauce
1/4 cup honey
1 teaspoon garlic, minced
1 teaspoon lemon juice
Blend all ingredients together.
For Oriental: Add 1 cup plum or hoisin sauce.
For Cajun: Add 2 tablespoons Cajun seasoning.
For Texas Style: Add 2 tablespoons chili powder.
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Rebecca Tataoka welcomes comments on recipes. You may e-mail her at tataoka@pmt.org

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Barley can be nice substitute to traditional grains

By Sara Ingram
The Baltimore Sun

Big on barley: Allergic to wheat? Tired of rice? Try barley,

a grain that has been overlooked in many American diets. The grain is a good source of fiber, whether you consume it as cooked pearl barley, barley flour

or barley flakes. For barley cooking tips and recipes ranging from Chinese barley stir-fry to barley fruit-drop scones, you can check the

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Gemini: Remember all that glitters is not gold

IF JUNE 13TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY — parents possibly were separated while you were young. You are versatile, probably a graduate of the school of hard knocks. You can be romantic, passionate. Taurus, Leo and Scorpio persons play major roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names D, M, V.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Within 24 hours major request will be granted. Ask only for what you can handle. Know when to say, "Enough!" Excellent for writing, starting a diary.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Elements of luck, luck ride with you. Don't get in your own way.

HOROSCOPE
Sydney Omar

Regard number 6 as fortunate for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You receive "glossy" offer, remember all that glitters is not gold. Someone attempts to fool you — keep guard up. Pieces will play sensational role.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Favorable lunar aspect coincides with long-range plans that could include journey to another nation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Look

beyond the immediate. You make correct decision almost effortlessly. Discovery made.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Focus on offers of partnership, marriage. Answer: Yes, it is time for fresh start. Exercise independence of thought, action.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Focus on marital status. You will be pulled in two directions simultaneously. Stick to familiar ground. If you wander, you will be called back.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Creative juices activated. Give full play to intellectual curiosity. Write, advertise and publish.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):

Check safety measures. You will be dealing with building material. Much red tape is for your ultimate benefit.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Keep plans flexible. Focus on change, travel and variety of experiences. Filtration serious; it will be fun but expensive.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Share collection with one who appreciates coins, stamps and antiques. You will be consulted in regard to aviation.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You will be at right place at special moment. Intuitive intellect honed to razor-sharpness.

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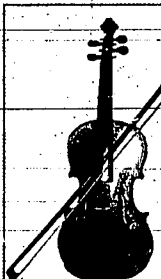
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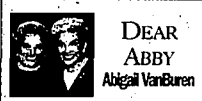
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Contract is good way to drive home responsibilities

DEAR ABBY: Please reprint your advice and driving contract for parents who have a teen-ager who wants to borrow the car. I would like to use it as a contract between my newly licensed daughter and us. Thank you.

KAREN EAGLESON, NEPEAN, ONTARIO, CANADA

DEAR KAREN: I'm pleased to print it again! The "Driving Contract" was the brainchild of a pair of "Proud Parents" who shared it with me many years ago. I frequently receive requests for it. I think it's terrific because it clearly spells out the young person's responsibilities, so there's no question about what the parents expect of the new driver. Read on:



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

DEAR ABBY: As a parent of a 16-year-old who has just passed his driver's license examination, we're sure that other parents are also apprehensive about their child's newly found freedom, and might like to post some of that anxiety by drawing up a contract as we did, as a reminder of the seriousness of this new responsibility. It has worked wonders for us.

DRIVING CONTRACT

You, this day, do agree to the stipulations stated below rendering me the privilege of driving my parents' cars. If, at any time, I violate the said agreement, the driving privileges will be forfeited to the extent and degree of violation.

- (1) Should I get a traffic violation ticket, I agree to pay for the ticket as well as the difference in the insurance premium for as long as the premium is in effect.
- (2) I agree to pay for damages that I incur not covered by insurance.
- (3) At no time will I ever drink alcoholic beverages and drive at the same time, nor will there be any liquor or beer in the car at any time.
- (4) I will never transport more passengers than there are seat belts, and will not drive the car until all passengers have buckled up.
- (5) I will keep the car that I drive clean, and out, and be aware of its needs for gas, oil, etc., plus wax the car once a month.

I have read the above agreement and do sign this in accordance with the rules.

Signed,

() Child () Parent
() Parent Date: ()
Submitted by
—PROUD PARENTS

DEAR ABBY: We have four married children. My husband's nephew is being married. His mother called today and said they could invite only one couple to the wedding. We're not sure which couple. As it stands, three couples' feelings will be hurt, along with ours.

I feel they should invite all or none. Would it be proper to tell her my feelings on this? What do you suggest our family do?

APPALLED IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR APPALLED: Since it's obvious the guest list is being limited due to financial constraints, do not take this personally and do not criticize. Call the mother of the groom and tell her that rather than having any of your children feel left out, you will be happy to represent your family at the festivities. (Your "children" may be happy to be off the hook.)

DEAR ABBY: Our high school honors English teacher announced that four kids turned in the same term paper. They copied it off the Internet. The teacher said these students should no longer be in honors classes or the Honor Society.

One of the kids' fathers is president of the school board. The principal said, "This has all been a mistake, and it shouldn't affect their future." Then he nominated the son of the school board president for a distinguished award.

My younger siblings will be attending this school in the fall. What should I tell them about this messed-up system?

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This cool and picture-perfect dessert is a great Father's Day dish.

Green garlic's pungent bedrock

By Sara Engram
The Baltimore Sun

Though it resembles an over-size scallion in appearance, green garlic certainly does not mimic it in flavor. Take a whiff or a nibble; there is no mistaking its pungent garlic underpinnings. Green garlic is immature garlic that is unearthed before the formation of full cloves. As the cloves begin to form, green shoots sprout upward. The lengthy, often-unwieldy, green tops and pale, slender bulb-to-be are commonly described as mild in comparison to mature garlic, though garlicky nonetheless. Green garlic, often dubbed spring garlic, is typically available from March through June. The green tops are often trimmed before the garlic arrives at the market. Look for brightly, bright green shoots; there should be no more than a small bulge at the base root end where the head of garlic would have formed.

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Taste of Home

Claire Darby, a country cook from New Castle, Del., says her White Chocolate Fruit Tart is "an absolutely marvelous summer dessert."

WHITE CHOCOLATE FRUIT TART

- 3/4 cup butter, softened
- 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- Filling:
 - 1 package (10 ounces) vanilla baking chips, melted
 - 1/4 cup whipping cream
 - 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
 - 1 can (20 ounces) pineapple chunks, undrained
 - 1 pint fresh strawberries, sliced
 - 1 can (11 ounces) mandarin oranges, drained
 - 2 kiwi/fruit, peeled and sliced
 - Glaze:
 - 3 tablespoons sugar

2 teaspoons cornstarch
1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
In a mixing bowl, cream butter and sugar. Gradually add flour. Mix well. Press into an ungreased 11-inch tart pan or 12-inch pizza pan with sides. Bake at 300 degrees for 25-30 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool. In a mixing bowl, beat chips and cream. Add cream cheese and beat until smooth. Spread over crust. Chill for 30 minutes. Drain pineapple, reserving 1/2 cup juice. Set juice aside. Arrange strawberries, pineapple, oranges and kiwi over filling. In a saucepan, combine sugar, cornstarch, lemon juice and reserved pineapple juice. Bring to a boil over medium heat. Boil for 2 minutes or until thickened, stirring constantly. Cool. Brush over fruit. Chill 1 hour before serving. Store in the refrigerator. Makes 12-16 servings.

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Summer heat cranks up food safety factor

By Heather McPherson
The Orlando Sentinel

All that sun and fun can work up quite an appetite at the beach. Along with the sunscreen and towels, make sure you pack plenty of fuel for your group. And don't forget plenty of water. The body's need for water increases during heightened activity and heat.

The heat always cranks up the food safety factor, so consider foods that won't spoil easily. Even with coolers on hand, there's a chance something besides you could get overexposed to the sun.

FOOD:

- Pasta salad: Cook the contents of a 16-ounce box of medium-size shells. Drain and let cool. In a large mixing bowl, combine cooled pasta, 6 ounces of store-bought balsamic and basil vinaigrette, two bunches of chopped green onions, two chopped red bell peppers and chopped garlic to taste. Serve the pasta alone or pack ready-to-eat chicken strips

(such as Tyson) and add to the salad when you are ready to serve food at the beach.

- Gazpacho: Cold soup is refreshing, nutrient-rich fuel for beachgoers. In a food processor, chop 3 slices of French bread into fine crumbs with 2 cloves of garlic. Add 2 tablespoons olive oil, 1 1/2 pounds ripe plum tomatoes, 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar, 1/2 teaspoon paprika, 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin, 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro and 2 small cans of tomato juice. Puree well and thin to a soupy consistency with ice water. Pass mixture through a fine sieve into a bowl. Add 1 finely diced cucumber, 1 finely diced red onion, 1 chopped green bell pepper and 1 chopped red bell pepper. Season with salt and pepper to taste. This needs to chill for at least 3 hours to allow flavors to meld. Pour into a plastic pitcher with a tight cover and serve in plastic cups. Add store-bought bagel chips or crisp, thin Italian bread sticks.

- Deli or homemade sandwich

es: Yes, it's easy, that's why it fits so well into a busy day of watching the kids at the beach. Order from your favorite supermarket or sandwich shop, and ask the person who takes your order to put the condiments on the side. This will assure that the bread or rolls don't get soggy from the toppings. Do the same if you make the sandwiches at home. Chips and fresh fruit can round out the food stash.

WHAT'S NEW:

- Martha Stewart Everyday: Kmart's summer inventory includes picnic dishes (\$1.50-\$10) and a charcoal grill with a cart (\$85).
- Dish towels: Don't worry, we aren't going to put you to work. But consider taking colorful cloths to the beach instead of paper napkins: Paper napkins blow away too easily. At close-out stores you can pay as little as 50 cents for a dish towel. At the end of the day, pop them all in a small plastic bag and launder at home with the beach towels.
- Rubbermaid's Survivor XC:

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Paving blocks are attractive and provide good drainage

QUESTION: I would like to build a driveway using a type of paving block that has open centers, allowing grass to grow through and providing good drainage. These blocks are used all over Europe, but I haven't seen them in the United States. Can you help?

ANSWER: These paving blocks are definitely available in the United States. One manufacturer is E.P. Henry Co. of Woodbury, N.J. (1-800-444-3679 or www.epheny.com), which calls the blocks Turf Pavers. Mark Fuss, vice president of sales and marketing, said blocks of this type were becoming increasingly popular because of growing problems with storm-water runoff. Fuss said many other concrete-paver manufacturers in the United States were also making the blocks. For information on manufacturers, consult the Internet site of the Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute at <http://www.icpi.org/>

The primer is applied next and allowed to dry, then the surface can be painted. An enamel-tough paint often used for furniture and cabinets - is recommended. It can be either water-based (latex) or oil-based.

QUESTION: We have a cedar deck that needs to be cleaned. In the past we have had it power washed, but this seems to damage the wood. Is there a better way to clean the deck?

ANSWER: Power washing this is not expertly done can damage wood - especially cedar, which is relatively soft. I have tried both power washing and chemical cleaners on a variety of wood surfaces, and have concluded that chemical cleaners do a better job with less damage to the wood. In addition, some chemical cleaners, such as Olympic Deck Cleaner, are easy to use and require no scrubbing.

Some cleaners are simply sprayed on with a garden-type (compressed-air) sprayer, which can be bought for less than \$20. The cleaner is allowed to work for the time specified in the directions, then is rinsed off with a stream of water from a hose. The transformation in the appearance of the wood is often spectacular - dirt and mildew disappear, and the original color returns.

Some deck owners hesitate using chemical cleaners because they fear damage to plants near the deck. But if plants are thoroughly soaked with water before a cleaner is used and rinsed off thoroughly when cleaning is finished, there is generally little or no plant damage. If plants are especially valuable or sensitive, they should be soaked as described above, then covered with plastic sheets during cleaning.

Blackouts make opportunity for flavorful fun

By Cathy Thomas
The Orange County Register

For many Californians, blackouts are nothing new. No, not the kind bred of a statewide energy crisis, but blackouts that were part of a World War II defense strategy.

Velma Scofield, 80, remembers the curfew, the curfew, the lack of light, the camaraderie generated by collective efforts to make the nighttime California coast invisible to Japanese attack.

Scofield was attending a large gathering of the Women's Defense Corps of America at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum when the news of the attack on Pearl Harbor was announced, interrupting a presentation made by an English woman lecturing on first aid and first aid.

Why not plan blackout parties with the neighbors? Every household could bring a cold dish, an ice chest and a candle or two. Numerous ice chests will let you keep your refrigerator closed up tight to keep in the cold. Also, make sure those candles have sturdy bases, position them out of reach of children and pets. And play some boogie-woogie on the piano, pass out the bongos drums or, if your group is musically challenged, kick up some tunes on a battery-operated radio.

Olive oil-packed tuna mixed with diced green olives and lemon juice makes a delectable spread. Mixing canned cannellini beans with minced mint or basil, extra-virgin-olive oil, salt and pepper makes a quick bean salad. Marinated artichokes or mushrooms, olives and roasted peppers served with rustic bread make instant antipasto.

Prepared sun-dried tomato pesto atop a cracker along with a slice of cheese or salami makes a delicious mini-sandwich. Assorted nuts and dried apricots make a dandy dessert. OK, maybe a chocolate bar would make a tempting addition.

DILLED SALMON SPREAD

- 1 (6-ounce) can salmon (with or without skin or bones), drained
- 3 ounces room-temperature cream cheese
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons prepared horseradish
- 1/4 cup dill
- 4 ounces smoked salmon, minced
- 1 1/2 tablespoons minced fresh

dill OR 1 1/2 teaspoons dried dill. Optional: Seasoned salt, to taste.

For serving: Crackers, thinly sliced baguette, bagel chips

In medium bowl, flake salmon with fork. Add cream cheese, lemon juice and horseradish. Smash with fork and stir with spoon until combined. Stir in smoked salmon and dill; stir to blend. Taste and add seasoned salt, if desired. Serve with crackers, thin bread slices or bagel chips. Yield: About 2 1/2 cups

NOTE: If using "energy," a food processor fitted with the metal blade can be used to combine salmon, cream cheese, lemon juice and horseradish.

CHICKEN SALAD SEVICHE

For marinade:

- Juice of 6 or 7 limes, about 3/4 cup
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/2 red onion, peeled and chopped
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and minced (see note)

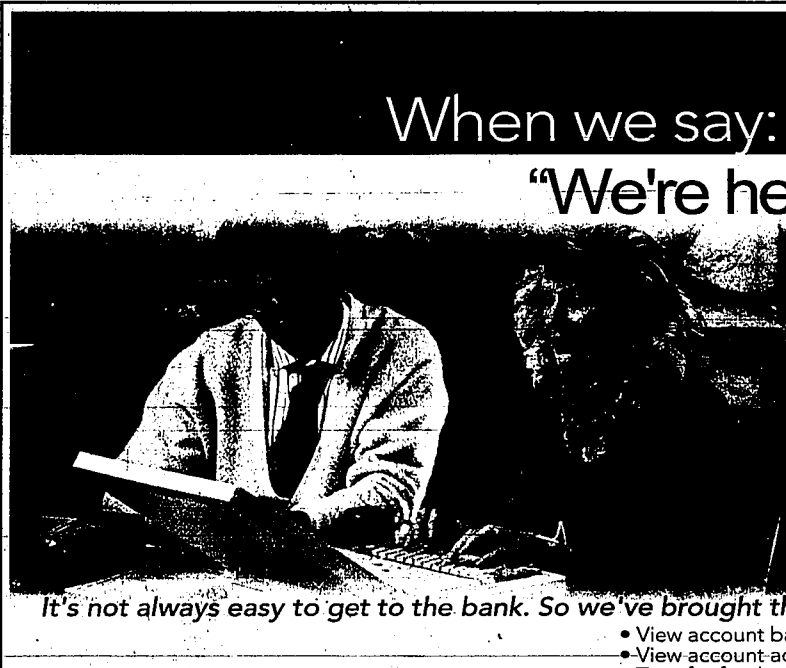
For salad:

- 2 store-bought, whole cooked chickens, skinned and cut into thin, lengthwise pieces, no more than 1/2-inch thick
- 1 large red or yellow bell pepper, seeded and trimmed
- 2 ripe avocados
- 2 hearts (tender inside leaves) of romaine lettuce

In medium bowl, whisk mari-

nade ingredients together. Set aside. Place chicken in shallow glass or ceramic dish. Pour marinade over chicken. Cover and refrigerate 2 to 4 hours. Cut pepper lengthwise into very thin slices. Peel avocados and cut lengthwise into thin slices. Arrange lettuce on serving platter. Using slotted spoon, lift chicken out of marinade, letting excess marinade fall back into dish. Arrange chicken over lettuce. Top with pepper and avocado; drizzle with some marinade. Serve. Yield: 6 to 8 servings

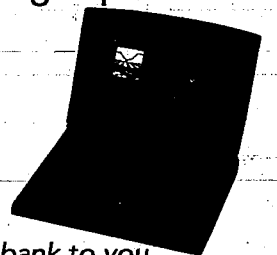
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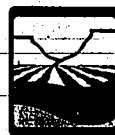
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Put a papaya, persimmon or passion fruit in your fruit basket

Knight Rider News Service

When it comes to fruit, most of us spend all of our time comparing apples and oranges. But supermarket produce aisles boast less-familiar fruits that can add an exotic touch to your table. Like their better-known cousins, most of these fruits can be enjoyed by themselves or incorporated into salads and savory dishes, drinks and desserts.

They're also sources of vitamins, fiber and other good things for your body. Mostly, they're just delicious. Unfortunately, they don't come with instructions. Do you have to peel the tiny orange-like kumquat? (No.) Exactly what part of the strange-looking passion fruit do you consume? (The strained juice, or nectar.) So here's a look at some fruits you may have overlooked. Don't be afraid to surprise yourself. I certainly did.

PERSIMMON

Although persimmons are native to North America, the kaki variety that is cultivated commercially comes originally from China and is an orange fruit about the size of a tomato. Persimmons are very astringent until ripe, then become honey-sweet, with a plummy taste and soft texture.

To ripen, put in a closed bag with a ripe apple or banana; to prepare, snip off the stem end and remove the seeds (if any) and skin (optional). Peeled and halved, with the seeds removed, a tablespoon or two of heavy cream poured over, this fruit made a luscious, decadent-tasting dessert for that took all of a minute to prepare. Persimmons are also excellent for sauces and baking.

MANGO

Mangos are messy to eat, but you're likely to enjoy every sensuous drip and dribble. The most common available here is oblong, weighing a pound or less, with yellow, orange and red-spotted skin.

If using immediately, choose mangos that have a pleasing fragrance and skin that yields to

gentle pressure. Ripen at room temperature; placing the mango in a closed bag will speed up the process.

After peeling the thin skin, mangos can be eaten raw or cubed, sliced or pureed for other preparations. The difficulty stems from the long oval pit in the fruit's center, to which the flesh sticks tenaciously. To remove as much as possible, stand the fruit on its end and slice downward, around the pit.

A friend from Asia says children there are given the pit to suck; so none of the delicious flesh — with its combination of peach, pineapple and apricot flavors — is wasted.

Mango is used in everything from curries to cocktails. For a simple treat, puree the flesh and fold in a little low-fat, nondairy whipped topping.

KIWIFRUIT

Kiwifruit tastes good and looks better, which is why it was used extensively — some say to excess — during the nouvelle cuisine craze of a few years back. The bright green interior with its black seeds makes an attractive garnish or addition to salads and many other dishes; and unlike many fruits, the kiwi's flesh doesn't darken upon exposure to air. In taste, it reminds many people of a strawberry.

The lemon-sized kiwifruit will keep for weeks in the refrigerator. Ripen as you would a mango, until slightly softened.

To use, pare the thin brown skin and cut into thin slices or wedges. Supposedly, you can tenderize an inexpensive steak by rubbing it with kiwi flesh; our experiment proved inconclusive. But another suggestion for its use succeeded: a deliciously simple sauce to accompany chocolate cake can be made by pureeing the flesh and adding a little sugar.

PINEAPPLE

Fresh pineapple will transport you a lot closer to the tropics than the canned variety. Look for plump, fragrant pineapples with deep green leaves. Chill until ready to use.

To prepare, cut off the top, bottom and skin. Slice the fruit vertically into quarters, then cut away the core with a peeler and dice. Remove any "eyes" with the tip of a knife.

Pineapple combines well with other fruits, its acids keeping them from darkening upon exposure to air. Skewer with cheese for an appetizer. And, of course, it is often paired with pork, ham and other meats in main dishes.

COCONUT

Prepare a dish starting with a fresh coconut and you'll be glad there are people (or machines) somewhere who usually crack the shells, grate the coconut, etc., for you.

Still, if you're the adventurous type, the juice and snow-white flesh of a coconut can be laid in cream pie fillings and many other recipes from around the world.

Start by selecting a coconut that has liquid sloshing around inside when you shake it. Poke a hole in one of the "eyes" located on one end of the coconut with a metal skewer or other sharp object. Shake the liquid into a bowl. You should get at least one-third of a cup. This will replace an equal amount of milk in the custard pie filling.

To break open the coconut, hit it with a hammer or take it outside and drop it on the patio; it should break into two pieces. Now comes the tough part — separating the white flesh from the shell and thin brown skin between them. Without a specialized coconut grater, you'll have to use a paring knife or fork to dig it out, then chop or grate it as finely as possible.

Some books recommend cooking the coconut halves at 350 degrees for 10 minutes to loosen the flesh. You should end up

with between .75 and 1.5 cups, depending on your patience and skill.

PASSION FRUIT

The name refers to religious associations ascribed to this fruit's blossom, which you won't see in the store. In fact, the wrinkled appearance that this handball-sized fruit takes on when ripe seems to indicate, if anything, spent passion. But the nectar or juice has a wonderful bouquet, which is why it fares so well in sauces and drinks.

To get it, slice the fruit in half and scoop the juice and seeds into a sieve or colander placed over a bowl. Press down on the seeds to obtain as much juice as possible, then discard the seeds.

PAPAYA

Papayas grow in a variety of shapes and sizes; they are eaten unripe as a vegetable and ripe as a melon. Our favorite is the small, yellow ripe pear-shaped papaya with orange flesh. To prepare, peel the thin skin and scoop out the black seeds (these can be eaten, but they are very peppery).

Try it in recipes for smoothies and fruit salsa.

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By Carol J.G. Ward
 Knight Rider News Service

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coupon services such as ValuPage.com, shoppers are able to choose the coupons they want. Simply go to www.ValuPage.com and enter your ZIP code and the supermarket chain of your choice. Then print the ValuPage shopping list, which has savings in more than 240 product categories such as health and beauty, frozen foods, pet products, etc. The supermarket scans the UPC code on the printout and subtracts the savings from your total.

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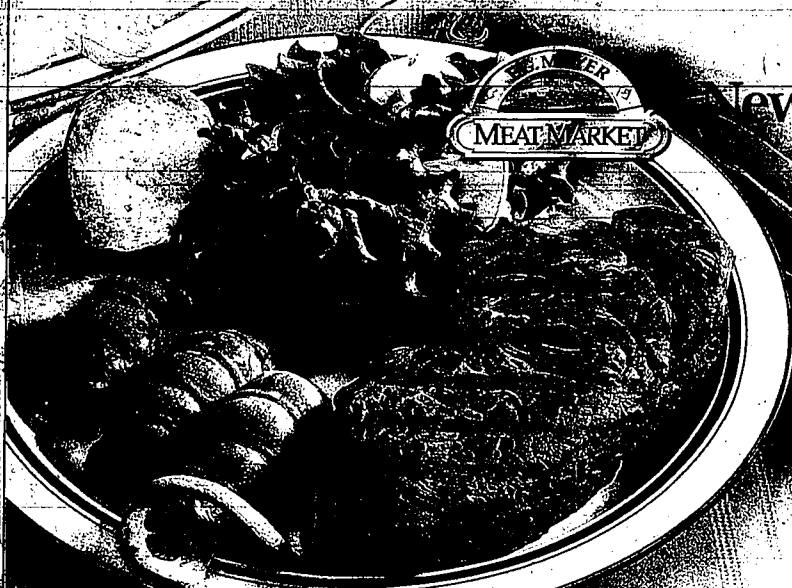
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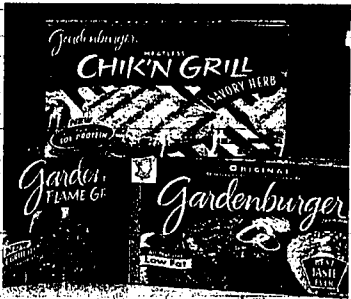
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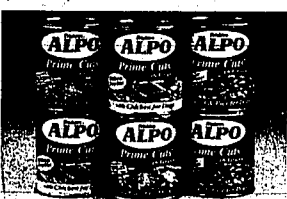
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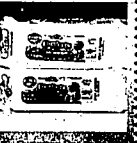
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Succulent and versatile crab cakes feed a crowd

By Susan Freese
Detroit Press

Linda Spaw of Rochester Hills, Mich., has been making these crab cakes since she came across the recipe in the May 1990 issue of Sunset magazine. It is so popular at the Spaw household that she often doubles the recipe to feed her husband and two teenage sons.

"I always have canned crab in the pantry, and it really takes little time to prepare," Spaw says. "The recipe is ideal because I can make a platter of them and keep them in the oven or warm if everyone is not home at dinnertime."

These crab cakes go together so quickly that Spaw doesn't need to make them in advance, but they can easily be prepared ahead. And the flavor of the crabmeat is not masked by any of the other ingredients.

The recipe also is easily adapted, made with salmon in place of crab, and red bell pepper and onions in place of the green pepper. In a pinch, Spaw has made the cakes with tuna. Served with rice and a salad, it's an ideal summer meal.

When frying the cakes, thoroughly heat the oil so they quickly sear and absorb less oil.

CRAB CAKES

- 1 large egg
 - 2 slices white or wheat bread, crust removed, crumbled
 - 2 ounces shell cooked crab or drained canned crab
 - 2 tablespoons minced bell pepper (red or green)
 - 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
 - 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
 - 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
 - Seafood cocktail sauce
- In a medium bowl, beat together the egg and bread crumbs with a

fork. Add the crab, bell pepper, mayonnaise and cayenne. Stir vigorously to break up the crab into flaky pieces. Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium heat. When the oil is hot, spoon the crab into 6 equal mounds into the pan; flatten

to make cakes about 1 inch thick. Cook until the cakes are lightly browned, about 5 minutes. Turn and cook until the bottoms are lightly browned, about 4 minutes more. Serve with cocktail sauce. Makes 4 servings.

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Place spareribs, cutting into serving-sized portions if desired, on a medium-hot grill over indirect heat. Close grill hood and grill for 2 hours, until tender. (Add extra charcoal, if necessary, to maintain grill temperature of 325-350 degrees F.) Meanwhile, stir together remaining ingredients and baste ribs, turning as necessary to coat all surfaces, during last 30-45 minutes of grilling. Serve 4.

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WILD RICE SALAD

- Serves 12
 - 4 cups cooked wild rice
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 - 1/2 cup celery, chopped
 - 1/2 cup green pepper, chopped
 - 1/2 cup fresh or frozen peas, thawed
 - 1/2 cup dried cranberries
 - 1/4 cup green onion, chopped
 - 1/4 cup minced parsley
 - 1/3 cup cranberry juice
 - 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
 - 3/4 teaspoon sugar
 - 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 - 1/3 cup vinegar
 - 3/4 teaspoon dried basil
 - 3/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- In large bowl, combine first eight ingredients. In small bowl, combine cranberry juice, oil, sugar, pepper, vinegar, basil and salt. Pour over the rice mixture; toss to coat. Refrigerate overnight. Before serving, stir in the pecans.

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SPORTSQUOTE

“How on earth did Clinton make it to the French Open, the Belmont Stakes and the NBA Finals all in one week? I guess he had nothing better to do. I guess spending time with Hillary is totally out of the question.”

—Jim Rome on Fox Sports Net's "The Last Word"

TRIVIA

QUESTION:
Who is the only pitcher to have faced Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa and Roger Maris?
...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

College National Finals Rodeo
CSI at CNFR, at Casper, Wyo., TBA

IN BRIEF

Canyon Springs holds tournament on Saturday
TWIN FALLS — The Canyon Springs Men's and Women's Golf associations are holding their member-guest tournament on Saturday and Sunday. To register, call the pro shop at 734-7699 for more information.

Burley Golf Course holds couples' golf event
BURLEY — The Burley Golf Course will hold a "Couples Only" golf event on Friday at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per couple with couples encouraged to bring a pot luck dish. For more information, call 678-9807. Couples must sign up in advance.

Ponderosa Golf Course reports hole in one
BURLEY — Richard Oppé made a hole in one with a 9-iron on the 135-yard No. 5 at Ponderosa Golf Course on Monday. Gene Smith witnessed the shot.

Snake River Bowl hosts scramble on Thursday
BURLEY — Snake River Bowl is holding a bowling scramble tournament at 7 p.m. on Thursday. Various prize levels and specials will be awarded. To register or for more information, call (208) 679-2695.

Magic Valley Inter-City Ladies release leaders
TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Ladies Inter-City Golf Association held its third match of the season June 5 at Blue Lakes Country Club.

Medalist was Doris Ellingham of Burley with an 86 with Blue Lakes' Marcia Rankin second at 88 and Robbie Roberson of Blue Lakes third with an 89.

Standings are: Clear Lake 32, Rupert 31.5, BLCC 31.5, Canyon Springs 29.5, Twin Falls 28, Jerome 23.5, Gooding 20 and Burley 19.5. The next match is July 10 at Jerome Country Club.

Minidoka Bowmen host archery shoot June 23-24
HEYBURN — Entries are being taken for the Pomerelle 3-D Archery Shoot on June 23-24. For more information, call Randy Jackson at 436-6952, Warren Ackerman at 436-3840 or Randy Daniel at 678-0581.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:
Nolan Ryan.

Tribe pounds 'Boys, goes to 3-0 in area

By Kevin Hall
Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS — It was like pitting the munchkins vs. the titans. Superior in stature, experience and power, the Bull Indians taught their younger counterparts, the Twin Falls A Cowboys, the finer points of hitting in wins of 21-2 and 18-5 in an American Legion doubleheader at a blus-

Burley splits with Marsh Falls

American Legion
BASEBALL

tery Bruin Field in Twin Falls on Tuesday.

Sean VanElderen powered a pair of home runs, scored four

runs and added five RBIs to lead the Tribe (3-0 league, 6-0 overall) in Game 1. Cody Howerton had three doubles on 4-for-4 hitting and Cody Chandler added a towering solo shot as the Indians tallied runs in every inning en route to the five-inning, run-rule rout.

"I was feeling good today," the College of Southern Idaho-bound

VanElderen said. "I got a little help from the wind."

Howerton, who hit a homer in Game 2, said he was picking up the ball early.

"I was seeing it real well," he said. "I was staying back and not getting overly excited about the wind."

Jeff Walker (2-0) picked up the win. Walker only allowed one hit through four innings until Twin

Falls added two academic runs on three hits in the fifth.

"I didn't have my best today," Walker said. "(The offense) helped me out."

Twin Falls left-hander Steve Turner couldn't escape the second, giving up eight runs and walking six in 1 1/3 innings. Reliever Chris Maxfield, the

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Martin back on course

The Associated Press

CONCORD, Ohio — While everyone else spent the last two weeks arguing about him and his cart, Casey Martin finally relaxed — and then he got mad.

Martin hung out with friends, played a lot of golf and tried to fix his swing in the days after the Supreme Court ruled he could use a cart in PGA Tour competition because of his withered right leg.

His 3.5-year legal fight against the tour over, Martin has tried to move on with his life. He wishes others could do the same, but he's puzzled by much of the criticism of the ruling.

"I try to just let it go," Martin said Tuesday after practicing for his first tournament since the ruling.

"There has been criticism of my situation and this supposed advantage I have. That's made me mad. I'm frustrated to hear it. People don't understand what I've been through."

"I understood early there were two sides," he added. "I understood the tour's side. I didn't necessarily agree with it. But I understood it. On the whole, I've been treated great."

"I'm not holding a lot of bitterness."

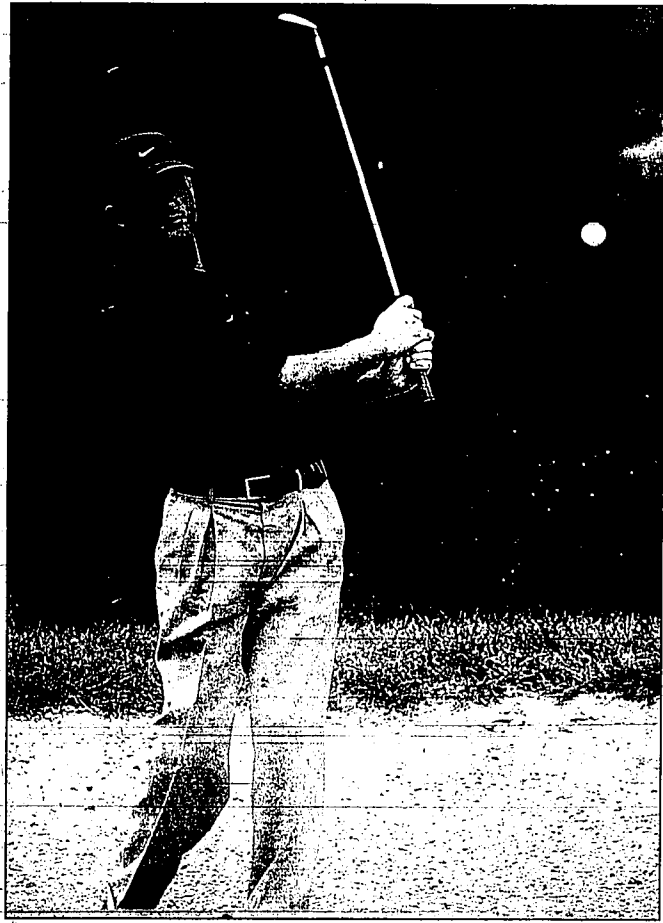
With his father, King, walking the course while he drove the cart, the 29-year-old Martin got in nearly 17 holes to prepare for the Buy.com Greater Cleveland Open, which begins Thursday. Over the weekend, he shot a course-record 63 at the Eugene Country Club back home in Oregon.

Martin, who suffers from a rare circulation disorder, said he has been overwhelmed by the reaction — good and bad — since the Supreme Court's 7-2 decision.

He's been somewhat bothered by the lack of support from many of his colleagues. He said he's heard from some PGA touring pros, but not from Tiger Woods, his former roommate and teammate at Stanford.

After the decision was announced, Woods expressed his

101st U.S. Open
When: Thursday-Sunday
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Casey Martin hits from the sand to the 16th green at Quail Hollow Country Club in Concord, Ohio during practice for the Greater Cleveland Open Tuesday.

Woods vies for seventh major title

By Jack Saylor
Knight Ridder News Service

TULSA, Okla. — He is the defending champion, the favorite, the No. 1 seed, the pole-sitter, the winner of the coin flip, any leading designation you can imagine.

Tiger Woods is golf's Macho Man.

That is where he sits as the tour embarks on U.S. Open week, and Woods tries to win a seventh major title. It would be a remarkable fifth in a row.

Those championships have come at such courses as Augusta National, Pebble Beach, St. Andrews and Medinah, so why should Southern Hills be any different?

Woods was told Tuesday of the morning line for the Open: as quoted by sports handicapper Danny Sheridan, Woods is listed as even-money to win in a field of 156. Before Tiger's arrival on the scene, most heavy favorites in major tournaments were given odds of 8-1 to 10-1.

If he could, he was asked, would Woods put money on himself this week?

After a pause, he said: "Probably not. Just because I don't think it would be a good business decision at those odds."

When the laughter subsided, he added: "But do I like my chances? Yes, I do."

His competition likes his chances, too.

"What else is there to talk about in golf right now?" David Duval asked. "You come to the realization you have to play very well and nearly mistake-free and expect to be battling with him come Sunday."

Sergio Garcia said: "The way to overcome Tiger is to be perfect. If not, congratulate him."

Maybe the only thing to be determined this week is the effect Woods will have on the stock market come Monday morning. On the 19 times that Woods has won a tournament on



Tiger Woods

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Iverson, Sixers stay cool despite 2-1 series hole

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Allen Iverson playfully revved the engine, sped around the court on a utility cart, stopped near an entrance tunnel and greeted the Los Angeles Lakers upon their arrival for practice.

If Iverson feels any pressure because the Philadelphia 76ers trail the Lakers 2-1 in the NBA Finals, the league's MVP didn't show any signs of it Tuesday.

"I hope everybody's confident. I am," Iverson said.

After concluding his interview in the press room, Iverson returned to the court, saw reporters gathered around teammate Aaron McKie, grabbed a microphone and takingly asked questions until his arm tired of holding the mike.

Iverson then left the court and emerged driving a cart with his right hand while dribbling a basketball with his left. He maneuvered through a crowd of reporters and cameramen on his way out, came back for another



Philadelphia's Allen Iverson and Dikembe Mutombo will try to rebound from a 2-1 deficit against the Lakers in Game 4 tonight in Philadelphia.

To the hole
NBA Finals
Sixers vs. Lakers
Game 4
Tonight, 7 p.m. (NBC)

Questionable homer lifts Expos past Yankees

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mark Smith hit a disputed home run off Ramiro Mendoza in the 12th inning as Montreal beat New York.

Derek Jeter's RBI grounder in the fifth put the Yankees ahead, but Mariano Rivera blew a save for the third time in 21 chances, allowing his fourth homer of the season, Michael Barrett's one-out drive in the ninth inning.

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Battle third baseman David Bell slides into foul territory to make a backhand stab on a wild throw from second baseman Bret Boone on Tuesday.

last six starts, left in the ninth when he gave up two more hits, consecutive doubles to Homer Bush and Brian Simmons that put runners on second and third.

John Rocker relieved Perez and got the final three outs for his 19th save in 21 opportunities.

Red Sox 4, Marlins 2
BOSTON — Frank Castillo (6-4) pitched five shutout innings, and suddenly powerful Boston got homers from Troy O'Leary and Trot Nixon.

The Marlins (30-32) missed a chance to reach 500 for the first

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SPORTS

Baseball

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Boston has 23 homers in its last 12 games after hitting just 56 in its first 50. And it has four in its last two without AL home run leader Manny Ramirez, who has a sore throat and fever.

Devil Rays 9, Phillies 5

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. - Ben Grieve hit his fourth career grand slam and Greg Vaughn also homered to help rookie left-hander Joe Kennedy (2-0) and Tampa Bay beat Philadelphia.

Mets 10, Orioles 3

BALTIMORE - Robin Ventura hit two homers and drove in four runs, and Timo Perez had a career-high four hits as New York defeated Baltimore.

Brewers 4, Indians 2

CLEVELAND - Richie Sexson singled home the go-ahead run in the ninth inning in his return to Jacobs Field as Milwaukee defeated Cleveland.

Pirates 13, Tigers 3

DETROIT - Abraham Nunez

hit a bases-loaded triple to high-light Pittsburgh's nine-run fourth inning as the Pirates won their first game since general manager Cam Bonifay was fired.

White Sox 5, Reds 0

CHICAGO - David Wells bounced back from the shortest outing of his career to pitch seven shutout innings as Chicago beat Cincinnati.

After facing only five batters Friday and leaving with back spasms, Wells (5-5) needed only 36 pitches to go seven scoreless innings. He allowed seven hits and struck out six.

Twins 7, Astros 0

MINNEAPOLIS - Brad Radke pitched a four-hitter for his first win in five starts, leading Minnesota back into first place.

Doug Mientkiewicz, Cristian Guzman and Torii Hunter homered for the Twins, who have been at least tied for first in the AL Central for all but seven days this year. The Cleveland Indians, who lost 4-2 to Milwaukee, fell a half game behind Minnesota.

Radke (8-2), who retired 21 of the last 22, struck out seven and walked none in his first shutout of the year.

Royals 7, Cardinals 4

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Chad Durbin came within two outs of Kansas City's first complete game of the season, pitching the Royals past St. Louis.

Durbin retired 14 of 15 batters before the ninth, when J.D. Drew singled leading off and Albert Pujols hit his 20th homer.

Legion

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team's oldest player-at-17, didn't fare much better. The Indians sent eight batters up in the second, seven in the third and 13 in the fourth.

"Some guys needed to break loose and they broke loose today," Buhl coach Lee Cline said. "We've got a lot of kids you just can't get around. As you saw today, we can hit from top to bottom."

Leading 12-2 after three, the Tribe broke it open in the fourth with eight runs on seven hits. When not lining balls back up the middle, off the wall or over it, Buhl used three base on balls to advance around the bases.

Woods

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Sunday in the past three years, the market has gone up the next day.

"I feel like my overall game is pretty sound," Woods said. "I feel like I'm hitting the ball crisp

NBA

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spin minutes later and parked near a tunnel while the Lakers filtered off the team bus.

"We hoped he wouldn't crash out, man," Lakers guard Kobe Bryant said. "He was going pretty fast. He cut the corner going pretty fast."

While Iverson showed he was loose on the eve of Game 4, Sixers coach Larry Brown was figuring out who will be available to play Wednesday night.

Small forward George Lynch, sidelined with a broken wrist since May 13, will be in uniform for the first time since Game 4 of the conference semifinals against Toronto. But Brown doesn't know how long he'll be able to go.

Lynch would back up Jumaine Jones as small forward and could see time at power forward in place of Tyrone Hill, who has been ineffective in this series.

"I'm dressing and hopefully he'll put me in," Lynch said. "I'm hoping he won't have to put me in,

Golf

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Five minutes before leaving, Eugene on Sunday, Martin said he got a letter from Jack Nicklaus. Like Woods, Nicklaus was down the middle on Martin's case - supporting him as a friend but warning on the issue of allowing the cart.

"He congratulated me on winning and hoped I understood the stance he took," Martin said. "It was nice. I think it was pretty heartfelt and I appreciate it."

Martin said he doesn't want to be seen as a civil rights martyr, as some people have portrayed him,



San Francisco's Barry Bonds hits his 33rd home run of the season over the right field wall in the first inning against the Anaheim Angels, Tuesday.

Burley improved to 7-2 overall, 5-1 in Area C. Late Monday, Burley swept Pocatello 6-0 and 8-7, getting four runs in the top of the seventh for the Game 2 victory. Burley visits Jerome on Thursday.

Table with 2 columns: Team, Record, and Date. Lists various teams and their performance metrics.

Legion

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an 8-0 deficit to beat Marsh Falls 16-12 in Game 1 of their American Legion doubleheader at Burley on Tuesday. The visitors salvaged the split in the nightcap with a 13-7 win.

"It's always nice to get a conference win," Burley coach Shaun Walker said. "We had 18 hits so we just started to swing the bats in the later innings."

Andrew McMurray led Burley with a two-run home run. Air Force Academy-bound Joe Peterson went 3-for-4 with two doubles and four RBIs. Matt Hope had three hits with two RBIs, Deven Beale with three hits and three RBIs and Casey Knopp added two singles and a pair of RBIs.

Woods

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"Going into the Masters, I really wasn't doing that - just hit 'em good for six or seven holes in a row, then lose it for a couple of holes. Lately, I've been able to keep it for an entire round."

NBA

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At 6-0, Los Angeles is one victory shy of the record for consecutive road wins set by the Houston Rockets in 1995.

Also, the Lakers are 13-1 in the playoffs, and victories in the next two games would give them the best postseason winning percentage in NBA history. The 1982-83 Lakers hold the record of .923 (12-1).

"I wouldn't put too much on that," forward Horace Grant said. "We just want to win the game. We can't worry about being undefeated on the road. We just need to come out, stay focused, take care of this game and let history take care of itself."

The Lakers, prohibitive favorites after sweeping through the playoffs, have had a tougher time than most expected against Philadelphia.

If the Sixers hadn't missed 10 free throws in the fourth quarter of Game 2 or hadn't left Robert Hurry open to nail a 3-pointer in the closing minute of Game 3, Los

SPORTS IN BRIEF

CSI rodeo contestants stay in hunt at CNFR

CASPER, Wyo. - Early first performance results from the Intercollegiate National Finals Rodeo saw College of Southern Idaho barrel racer Lindsay Stoddard score a 14.30 time for 30 points and fifth place.

Ricks cowgirl McKenzie Miller timed in at 14.15 with 70 points and eighth place behind Oldham State University's Julia Warner, who came in with a 14.03.

Final results from the first performance were unavailable at press time.

Deadline nears for Pro-Junior championship

BOISE - Rocky Mountain PGA professionals and junior golfers will team up in the 2001 Yellowstone Chapter Pro-Junior Championship, June 20 at Exchange City Golf Course in Billings, Mont.

The annual event will feature one professional paired with three junior golfers in a scramble format.

Junior golfers aged 7-17 who want to play in the event, should contact their local PGA professional at their respective local golf courses. Entry, deadline is today.

ICGA announce Pleasant Valley winners

KIMBERLY - The Idaho Couples Golf Association held their most recent tournament at Pleasant Valley Golf Course in Kimberly Sunday and Monday.

Championship flight winners were: 1. W.C. Boyd and Justine Messersmith of Jerome, 2. Ken Latimer and Jeanne Alban of Buhl, 3. Jerry and ZeeAnn Ayer of Caldwell. Lap winners were Dave and Muriel Pettit of Burley.

Dave and Darlene Fenstermaker of Burley won first flight with Vic and Barbara Darnall of Filer in second and Jerry and Jeanette Morrison of Pocatello in third. Fred and Shirley Bails of Downey were first in lap.

The next tournament will be held at Desert Canyon Golf Course in Mountain Home on Saturday and Sunday. Call 1-800-300-4653 for more information.

Miller won't pay extra to keep Stockton

SALT LAKE CITY - John Stockton has said he wants to return to the Utah Jazz for an 18th season. While team owner Larry Miller wants Stockton back, he won't pay a luxury tax to do it.

Clubs with a combined team salary of more than \$57 million, might, depending on yet-to-be-determined financial factors, have to pay \$1 for each \$1 spent beyond that limit.

The Jazz are close to the \$57 million threshold. Any significant raises for Stockton, who made \$11 million last season, could push Utah over the edge.

Miller said he won't pay the tax. Without going into specifics, he said the Jazz took a financial "hit last year, a big hit," and cannot afford another.

Registration rising for annual youth event

CALDWELL - Registration for this year's Idaho Youth Games in Caldwell is already eclipsing last year's total.

About 700 young men and women from around the state were registered as of Friday. That number includes kids from Pocatello, Twin Falls, McCall, and Ontario.

Many more are expected to sign up before Thursday's opening pitch.

NFL players Pittman, Bates arrested

TEMPE, Ariz. - Arizona Cardinals running back Michael Pittman, and former teammate Mario Bates were arrested for separate arguments with women.

Bates, a 28-year-old former running back, was arraigned Tuesday on two charges for fighting with his girlfriend, Scottsdale City Court administrator Michael Landrum said. Bates did not enter a plea.

Pittman was released without bail and was scheduled to appear for a pretrial conference on July 16.

Vanessa Bourgerie told police that Bates slapped her left cheek and punched her, then packed clothes and left.

Bates was arrested in March 2000 for slapping Bourgerie and was sentenced to two years' probation.

Pittman spent Sunday night in jail after arguing so strenuously with his estranged wife that she locked herself inside a car, police said.

No word yet on Pedro's health

BOSTON - It took 10 minutes of playing catch Tuesday for Pedro Martinez to see how his arm felt. It will be today before the Boston Red Sox say whether or not he will miss a start.

"We'll make that decision tomorrow," manager Jimmy Williams said after Martinez's light pregame workout.

The mystery began Saturday when Martinez didn't throw with his usual speed in a 5-2 loss to Philadelphia. He allowed just one run and two hits in his first seven innings before giving up four runs in the eighth.

Martinez (7-2) is scheduled to make his next start Friday night in Atlanta.

The concern has centered on his shoulder.

The Providence Journal reported Monday that Martinez had tendonitis, diagnosed last May 14, according to team physician Dr. Arthur Pappas. The Boston Globe said he had tenderness in his right shoulder, which is normal for the day after he pitches, and general fatigue. Pappas also dismissed concerns about a strained side muscle, the Globe said.

Martinez declined comment before Tuesday's game. Pappas and Kerrigan were unavailable.

Bourque brings Stanley Cup to Boston fans

BEDFORD, Mass. - Former Bruins defenseman Ray Bourque returned to the Boston area Tuesday night to share the Stanley Cup with the fans who supported him for more than two decades.

Bourque, who refused to say whether he will retire after winning the NHL championship with the Colorado Avalanche, was scheduled to appear at City Hall Plaza today.

The mystery was accompanied by his wife and three children, and of course the Stanley Cup, which he carried off the plane. The Bourque family still lives in Topsfield.

Steelers sign NFL MVP Maddox

PITTSBURGH - The Pittsburgh Steelers signed Tommy Maddox, the MVP of the defunct NFL, to back up quarterback Kordell Stewart this season.

Maddox, 29, drafted by the Denver Broncos in 1992, led the Los Angeles Xtreme to the NFL championship this spring, passing for 1,936 yards and 17 touchdowns.

The Steelers did not release details of Maddox's contract Tuesday.

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Roddick loses in first round

LONDON (AP) — Andy Roddick's grass-court preparation for his first Wimbledon started poorly Tuesday with a 7-6 (5), 6-3 loss to another 18-year-old newcomer, Mikhail Youzhny, at the Queen's Club tournament.

Tennis

Roddick, whose French Open ended in the third round because of a groin injury, now heads for Nottingham for another tournament on grass. Wimbledon starts June 25.

Youzhny, a Russian, took the final three games of the match to win in 1 hour, 10 minutes and reach the second round.

Top-seeded Marat Safin recovered from a shaky start in his first match on grass this season to beat Jens Knippschild 4-6, 7-6 (5), 6-2 in the second round.

Stevenson beats French quarterfinalist at DFS

BIRMINGHAM, England — Alexandra Stevenson, a Wimbledon semifinalist two years ago, was up for that grass-court major by beating French Open quarterfinalist Lina Krasnoroutkaya 6-4, 7-5 Tuesday in the DFS Classic.

Stevenson, who came from a break in the second round to meet 15th-seeded Anne-Gaëlle Sidot in the second round. France's Sidot beat Romania's Ruxandra Dragomir 6-3, 6-4.

Hatter, Grosjean advance on grass at Gerry Weber Open

HALLE, Germany — Patrick Rafter began warming up for Wimbledon by beating Daniel Vacek of the Czech Republic 6-3, 6-4 in the first round of the

grass-court Gerry Weber Open on Tuesday.

The Australian, who is seeded No. 2, was runner-up to Pete Sampras last year at Wimbledon and was a semifinalist in 1999.

The \$1 million Gerry Weber Open, the only tournament on grass in Germany, is a major tuneup for Wimbledon.

Third-seeded Sebastian Grosjean of France, a semifinalist last week at the French Open, eliminated qualifier Wayne Black of Zimbabwe 5-7, 6-3, 6-1.

Nicolas Kiefer, the 1999 champion here, beat fourth-seeded Arnaud Clement 6-3, 6-4. Clement was a finalist at the Australian Open in January.

ROME — An Italian sportswear company sued by Martina Hingis said an earlier case would have no basis for Hingis' claims that her sneakers caused foot injuries.

In her \$40 million lawsuit, filed Monday in New York, Hingis said she was forced to withdraw from several tournaments because Sergio Tacchini outfitted her with "defective" shoes "unsuitable for competition."

The shoe company would not directly comment on the current case, but said "the company can do no more than note that with Sergio Tacchini sneakers, Martina Hingis became the undisputed leader of women's tennis worldwide, winning her last Grand Slam during in Sergio Tacchini."

third round, beating Italy's Rita Grande 6-3, 6-3.

Russian top seed ousted in first round at Tashkent Open

TASHKENT, Uzbekistan — Top-seeded Tatiana Panova of Russia lost to Anca Barna of Germany 0-6, 6-1, 6-3 Tuesday in the first round of the \$140,000 WTA Tashkent Open.

With temperatures at 100 degrees, Tara Snyder of the United States played serve-and-volley to beat Yulia Beyerlzimer, a qualifier from Ukraine, 5-7, 6-2, 6-0. Snyder is the only American in the tournament.

Shoe maker brushes off Hingis injury lawsuit

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Tennessee's Joff Christiansen is congratulated by teammates after hitting a two-run home run against Southern California in their College World Series game in Omaha, Neb., Tuesday.

Vols blast SC out of CWS

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Wyatt Allen rebounded from a horrendous performance in Tennessee's opener by pitching eight solid innings Tuesday night as the Volunteers beat Southern California 10-2 in a College World Series elimination game.

Ryan Case hit a three-run homer and Jeff Christiansen hit a two-run shot and drove in four runs for Tennessee (48-19), which will play Miami on Thursday. The Hurricanes beat the Volunteers 21-13 Saturday in a first-round game in which Allen pitched his best innings.

Any ill effects of the beating had worn off by Tuesday. Allen (10-3), who had a 6.63 ERA coming into the game, took a two-hit shutout into the sixth and ended up holding the Trojans to two runs and six hits.

Matt Samuels allowed two baserunners in the ninth but got Seth Davidson to fly out to convert the save.

Anthony Lunetta and Michael Moon each drove in runs for USC (45-19), which was knocked out of the CWS in three games for the second straight year.

Anthony Reyes (5-4) took the loss for the Trojans, allowing six runs and six hits in 4-1/3 innings.

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BASEBALL

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Brewers 4, Indians 2	
Chicago 3:01	Indians 1:01
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AL Standings

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	27	20	.571	0
New York	24	24	.500	3
Baltimore	21	27	.437	6
Philadelphia	18	30	.375	9

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By Steve Moore

Major League mom.

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

Baseball, TBA	ESPN	5 p.m.
Baseball, Mariners at Rockies <th>ESPN2</th> <th>5 p.m.</th>	ESPN2	5 p.m.
College World Series, Stanford vs. CS Fullerton <th>NBC</th> <th>7 p.m.</th>	NBC	7 p.m.
NBA Finals, Lakers at 76ers, Game 4 <th>ESPN2</th> <th>8 p.m.</th>	ESPN2	8 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Player	From	To
ALBANY STATE (NCAA-II) - Baseball		
ALBANY STATE (NCAA-II) - Baseball		
ALBANY STATE (NCAA-II) - Baseball		

FLORIDA

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	3	1	.750	0
Miami	2	2	.500	1
Florida	1	3	.250	2

TEXAS

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	2	2	.500	0
Arlington	1	3	.250	1
Dallas	1	3	.250	1

TEXAS

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	2	2	.500	0
Arlington	1	3	.250	1
Dallas	1	3	.250	1

WTA TOUR TASHKENT Open

Player	W	L	Pct	GB
Stevenson	1	0	1.000	0
Black	0	1	.000	1

GOLF

Senior PGA Tour Money Leaders

Player	Money
Johnnie Walker	\$1,035,522
Tommy Aaron	\$728,819
Earl Warren	\$728,819

College World Series

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Tennessee	1	0	1.000	0
Southern California	0	1	.000	1

TENNIS

ATP Stella Artois Championships

Player	W	L	Pct	GB
Agassi	1	0	1.000	0
Andre Agassi	1	0	1.000	0

MAINE

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Brunswick	1	0	1.000	0
Brunswick	1	0	1.000	0

MAINE

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Brunswick	1	0	1.000	0
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MAINE

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Brunswick	1	0	1.000	0
Brunswick	1	0	1.000	0

WHITE SOX, REDS

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
White Sox	1	0	1.000	0
Reds	0	1	.000	1

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Team	W	L	Pct	GB
White Sox	1	0	1.000	0
Reds	0	1	.000	1

COMMUNITY

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PROBATION HONORS



Photo courtesy of Twin Falls County Probation

Left, the Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation office honored volunteers at its annual recognition dinner... Right, the Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation also honored the Neighborhood Accountability Board of the Year...

Magic Valley High School announces honor students

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley High School announced the following honor roll students: Students with a 4.0 grade-point average were: Sara Caldwell, Paula Robles and Kelly Tovar...

Mason, Sumi Phillips and Gina Stapleton; and 3.0-3.49: Misty Chandler, Amanda Cortez, Tiffany Hansen, Celia Kinney, Mike Leazer, Lora Lockwood, Angie Martinez, Elisse McFarland, Misty Rehn, Maggie Ross, Kortnee Pulsipher and Christie Walls.

Civic

Rotary Clubs: Blue Lakes - 7 a.m. Tuesdays at Cavannah's West... Burley - Noon Tuesdays at Turley Inn... Halley - Noon Thursdays at the Senior Center...

Other civic

Sanita River Elks Lodge - 8 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays... Society for Creative Anachronism... The Magic Valley Toastmasters...

Musical

Blue Valley Singers Square Dance Club - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at St. Jerome's Parish Hall... Maghiora's Barbershop Chorus - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the First Methodist Church...

Hobbies

7-9 p.m. Wednesdays at Golden Years Senior Citizens center... Book discussion clubs: Classic Book Club - 7 p.m. second Tuesday at Burrows & Noble...

Bingo

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Kiwanis Clubs

Buhl - Noon Wednesdays at Price's Cafe... Burley - Noon Wednesdays at the Grandstand Sports Grill... Filer - Noon Tuesdays at the Filer Methodist Church...

Book discussion clubs

Classic Book Club - 7 p.m. second Tuesday at Burrows & Noble... Discover Book Club (books by new author) - 7:30 p.m. third Tuesday at Barnes & Noble.

Optimist Clubs

Twin Falls - First, third and fourth Tuesdays at 12 p.m. at Caravaggio's 235 W. Main St.

Weight loss

TOPS Clubs: Burley - Tuesday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Burley Senior Center.

Civil Air Patrol

Burley - 7 p.m. Mondays at the Federal Aviation Administration Building at the Burley Airport.

Weight loss

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Soroptimist International

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Beta Sigma Phi Sorority

Alpha Chapter - 7:30 p.m. first and third Thursdays, Sept-May...

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Jerome Recreation District schedules canoe outing

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation District will offer a canoe trip Saturday from Centennial Park to Pillar Falls. Participants should meet at 10 a.m. at Centennial Park.

Hepworth family will hold reunion at Anderson Camp

TWIN FALLS - The descendants of Squire Hepworth will hold a reunion at 11 a.m. June 30 at Anderson Camp Hall, located on Interstate 84 Exit 182.

Home Depot holds Father's Day lawn tractor races

TWIN FALLS - Home Depot will hold its annual Father's Day lawn tractor races at 1 p.m. Saturday. Only fathers can participate.

Fighting 69th Infantry Division holds 54th reunion

FORT MITCHELL, Ky. - The Fighting 69th Infantry Division Association will hold its 54th annual reunion Sept. 8-16 at the Drawbridge Inn, 2477 Royal Drive, 1-75 and Buttermilk Pike, Fort Mitchell, Ky.

Ranger leads tour of the Hagerman Fossil Beds

HAGERMAN - The Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument will hold a horse quarry tour at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Golden Years Senior Center puts on sale, breakfast

SHOSHONE - The Golden Years Senior Center will hold a Bargain Barn sale from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the center, 218 N. Rail St.

Care center starts support group just for caregivers

TWIN FALLS - SunBridge Care & Rehabilitation will offer a support group for caregivers. The first meeting will be held at 7 p.m. July 18 in the KMYT community room.

Car raffle benefits new Twin Falls Senior Center

TWIN FALLS - Latham Motors, Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center and the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce will raffie a 1990 Pontiac Grand Am at 4 p.m. Sunday at the Kmart parking lot.

Cassia County parade committee selects theme

BURLEY - The Cassia County parade committee has chosen the theme "Cassia County: Always Home" for the annual fair, rodeo and parade.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Buhl student wins Discover Card Tribute scholarship

Megan D. Harr of Buhl was awarded a \$2,500 Discover Card Tribute award scholarship. Winners were selected from almost 10,000 applicants.

1999 Twin Falls graduate completes beauty academy

Vanessa Hegy, 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School, has completed her beauty academy training at the J.C. Penney Salon in Boise.

CLUB CALENDAR

- Twins Falls - 10 a.m. second Thursday in Twin Falls... Al-Anon - For people concerned about someone's drinking... Support Groups - National Alliance for the Mentally III... Unplanned pregnancy... Pills Addicts Anonymous... Overeaters Anonymous... Jobs Daughters... Masonic activities... Narcotics Anonymous... Veterans of Foreign Wars... Deadlines

We want your news

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Kraft IPO ranks as second largest ever

NEW YORK — Philip Morris Cos.'s Kraft Foods division priced at \$31 per share Tuesday, raising \$3.7 billion in the second biggest U.S. initial public offering ever.

The IPO values Kraft — which has a Rupert plant — at about \$53.8 billion. Trading in Kraft shares is expected to begin today on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol KFT. Philip Morris said in a statement.

New York-based Philip Morris will receive net proceeds of \$8.4 billion from the deal, which will go toward paying down the company's debt.

Lead underwriters Credit Suisse First Boston and Citigroup Inc.'s Salomon Smith Barney have the option of purchasing an additional 28 million shares at the same \$31 per share price, Philip Morris said.

The Kraft IPO ranks second behind last year's \$10 billion-plus offering of stock in AT&T Wireless.

Company says American tastes pull down demand

LEWISTON — Fewer American families are sitting down for a dinner of meat, potatoes and peas, says a food processor which is cutting jobs.

Twin City Foods has eliminated 25 full-time positions in the past year, said James R. Jenkins, division manager in Lewiston. American consumers are not as hungry for the peas and lima beans the company handles.

"Even people who eat at home are eating more prepared or quick-to-heat meals," Jenkins said.

The former full-time employees will be eligible for work during the processing season that starts soon.

In the past three years, the volume of peas the plant processes has decreased by 27 percent, Jenkins said. And since the end of February 2000, the peas have not been processed as heavily as they used to be in town.

"We're shipping them bulk, which takes a lot less crew," Jenkins said.

Bulk packages are 1,700-pound tote bins. Before, many peas left Lewiston in 10-ounce, wax-paper-wrapped cardboard boxes and one-pound plastic bags.

The food-processing industry is important to the local economy because it adds diversity to the manufacturing base, said Douglas Tweedy, regional Idaho Department of Labor market analyst.

Lewiston traditionally has had a strong core of manufacturing jobs compared with other Idaho communities, but that has decreased in the past five years, Tweedy said.

USDA says a Y2K child will cost \$165,630

WASHINGTON — Parents of Y2K babies may gasp when they check out the final tab.

The average cost of rearing a child born last year will be about \$165,630 — or \$233,530 factoring in inflation — for food, shelter and other necessities over the next 17 years, according to an annual report by the Agriculture Department.

That is about a \$5,000 increase over what it took to raise a baby born in 1999.

The USDA report, "Expenditures on Children by Families," is used by state agencies and courts in determining child support guidelines and foster care payments.

The report noted that family income affects child rearing costs, with low-income families spending \$121,230; middle-income families spending \$165,630; and upper-income families spending \$241,770 over a 17-year period.

In 1960, middle-income families could expect to spend \$25,230 to raise a child through age 17. In inflation-adjusted dollars, the overall cost of raising a child has increased 13 percent from 1960 to 2000.

Since 1960, expenses on children have changed considerably.

The report also found it is most expensive to raise a child in the urban West, followed by the urban Northeast and urban South. Families living in the urban Midwest and rural areas have the lowest child-rearing expenses.

Compiled from wire reports

Permits for new single-family homes

Area	March 2001	March 2000
Gooding	2	1
Hailey	15	9
Ketchum	2	9
Sun Valley	0	2
Blaine County (unincorporated portion)	9	3
Jerome	0	3
Shoshone	0	4
Twin Falls	23	14
Twin Falls County (unincorporated portion)	16	8
Cassia County (entire county)	8	12
Rupert	0	0
Minidoka County (unincorporated portion)	4	2
Total	77	63

Source: "Idaho Construction Report" by Wells Fargo. March report is the most recent available.

Valleywide construction lags

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — After a strong start, something quickly went wrong in the first lap.

The region's construction sector in the first quarter couldn't keep up the pace it set in January.

Despite more new Magic Valley homes, a Ketchum church project, a fire district's new home in Mini-Cassia and Twin Falls' solution to a smelly situation, the area in March saw a 11.8 percent drop in estimated construction values valleywide compared with a year earlier.

Selected areas of the valley finished the month with \$23.1 million in building activity.

Magic Valley's construction-permit values — Totals for all construction types

Area	March 2001	March 2000
Gooding	\$238,151	\$298,230
Hailey	\$2,443,752	\$1,619,401
Ketchum	\$4,599,789	\$6,042,100
Sun Valley	\$312,983	\$3,331,571
Blaine County (unincorporated portion)	\$6,554,615	\$2,276,000
Jerome	\$520,769	\$2,359,191
Shoshone		\$100
Twin Falls	\$3,631,838	\$4,012,155
Twin Falls County (unincorporated portion)	\$2,186,153	\$3,621,198
Cassia County (entire county)	\$615,731	\$1,837,448
Rupert	\$26,552	\$10,940
Minidoka County (unincorporated portion)	\$2,003,758	\$512,134
Total	\$23,138,894	\$28,218,568

Source: "Idaho Construction Report" by Wells Fargo. March report is the most recent available.

The value of projects receiving building permits in March fell short of March 2000's total by

\$3.1 million for combined building types in surveyed areas of the Magic Valley, according to

data compiled in Wells Fargo Bank's recently released statewide report.

That makes two losses in the first three months of the year.

Construction values valleywide were up a small but encouraging 5.3 percent in January compared with year-earlier levels, then down a significant 20.4 percent in February. Wells Fargo's reporting is delayed by several months, so March's numbers are the most recent available.

In March, just Hailey, Rupert and rural Blaine and Minidoka counties improved on their year-earlier values, for combined construction in 1999. Gooding, Ketchum, Sun Valley, Jerome, Twin Falls, rural Twin Falls

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Western business



Moje Esfandiari, president of Wham-O, left, and Scott Maslins, senior vice president of marketing, show off some of the company's new and old products, including a Hula Hoop and boogie board, at their headquarters in San Francisco June 2. After slipping into near obscurity, Wham-O is trying to become hip again.

Vintage toy maker tries to regain its punch

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — After slipping and sliding nearly out of sight just a few years ago, the company that gave the world the Frisbee, the Hula Hoop and the Hacksy Hack is trying to regain its footing as a toy trendsetter.

Wham-O, based in San Francisco, has come up with one of the top-selling toys during the industry's traditionally sluggish summer season — a rejuvenated version of its once-popular Slip'N Slide product line.

The entire Slip'N Slide inventory has already been shipped out to retailers, making the backward water slide a success beyond the privately held company's expectation.

Wham-O is now on a pace for \$50 million in sales this year,

Wham-O, Inc.

- Headquarters: San Francisco
- Founded: 1948, by Rich Knerr and Arthur "Spud" Malin
- Products: Frisbee, Hula Hoop, Slip'N Slide, Boogie-Board, Water Wiggle, Hacksy Hack
- Employees: 50
- Revenue: \$50 million
- Strategy: To become the nation's leading outdoor toy company.
- From CEO Moje Esfandiari: "We want to be known as the company that gets kids off the couch and back outside again."

more than twice its revenue for 1997. That was the year a group of investors led by the New York-based Charterhouse Group bought the toy maker from Mattel Inc. for about \$20 million.

Charterhouse and its partners paid a bargain-bin price for a toy box full of classic creations that also includes Superball, Boogie Board, Slinky String and Water Wiggle.

Despite its brands' name recognition, Wham-O seemed to lose its punch under Mattel, which focused most of its efforts on much bigger and highly profitable product lines like Barbie dolls and Hot Wheels cars.

Its new management team set out to re-establish the popularity

of the company's best-known toys and then introduce updated versions of the top sellers.

"This was a small business for Mattel, but we think we can build it into something much bigger with our more focused approach," said Wham-O chief executive Moje Esfandiari.

"Our objective is to grow into a business with \$200 million to \$300 million in annual sales within the next few years."

To hit its sales target, Wham-O named after the impact of a well-aimed slingshot, the company's original product — expects to snap up other promising toy lines, much like company cofounders Rich Knerr and Spud Malin.

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USDA cuts winter wheat forecast

Weather reduces yield expectations; prices edge upward

The Associated Press

BOISE — Adverse weather took its toll on Idaho's winter wheat crop in May, prompting the Agriculture Department to further reduce estimates for this year's harvest.

Based on June 1 field conditions, the government forecast the 2001 winter wheat harvest at under \$4.7 million bushels. That is nearly 4 percent less than the May estimate and almost 17 percent below last year's production of 65.7 million bushels.

Winter wheat, which is planted in the fall and harvested in the early summer, typically accounts for about 60 percent of Idaho's total wheat production.

The one-month reduction in Idaho's prospects was twice that forecast nationally. The Agriculture Department low-

ered its winter wheat estimate for the country by another 2 percent to just over 13 billion bushels.

The national crop would be the smallest since 1978, and Idaho's harvest, if it does not deteriorate further, would be the second smallest in a decade. Drought pressures on irrigation water and skyrocketing power costs to run pumps could further aggravate the outlook.

Many commodity analysts had been expecting the government to raise rather than lower its national forecast, given the tight world wheat supplies.

The reduction — according to Allendale Inc. analyst Bill Biedermann, is bullish for prices that have been depressed for several years.

"It leaves zero tolerance for losses anywhere in the world," Biedermann said.

The Agriculture Department is expecting farmers across the country to average about \$3.05 a bushel for this year's wheat crop, up from \$2.63 last year and \$2.48 in 1999.

And the Idaho market has been nudging the \$3 level this spring. The average price was \$2.96 in March and \$2.98 in April after holding around \$2.50 a year earlier.

The reduction in both the state and national harvest estimates resulted from anticipated yields being lowered.

The average yield in Idaho was cut back to 77 bushels an acre, three less than in May and 13 below the record 90 bushels set last year.

After an inadequate snow cover to protect the plants this winter, frost during the first part of May damaged fields in eastern Idaho. The following two weeks of hot, dry, windy weather then subjected even more of the crop to drought stress.

And the government said those problems persisted into June. The latest reports found nearly 60 percent of the state's topsoil was short of moisture, and the progress of the winter wheat crop statewide was well behind last year.

Grants help Idaho communities hit by closures of large employers

The Associated Press

Two areas smarting from the departure of major employers and high-paying jobs will use federal and state grants to foster other businesses.

Soda Springs and Caribou County gain the services of a full-time community development specialist. And Orofino has received nearly \$2 million in government funds to build a six-acre industrial park.

A \$135,000 Economic Development Administration grant will pay for two years of service from Tony Varilone, a former Forest Service employee known for his volunteer work in southeastern Idaho.

The closure of Kerr-McGee, a uranium-processing company, cost 100 of the county's best jobs and an annual payroll of \$6 million, said Kathleen Lewis of the Southeast Idaho Council of Governments, grant recipient.

Varilone's goals include assisting prospective businesses, recruiting at least one manufac-

turer with 100 or more workers, attracting retail businesses and call centers, and pursuing money for a new airport.

Orofino plans a building for up to four business units that could employ up to 150. It received \$1.5 million from the Economic Development Administration and \$445,000 from the state.

Part of the quick response is due to the September closure of the Jerome mill in Pierce, which laid off 215.

Anchoring the site will be Architectural Signs and Engraving Inc., which employs almost 50 people in Orofino. It has committed to bring on five more employees each year for the next five years. It manufactures signs with raised Braille words which are found in public and office buildings.

Companies there are expected to supply jobs that pay \$8 to \$12 an hour. The city has been trying to develop the land since 1980 but never had the money, said Rick Laam, city administrator.

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Group asks for support

Telecom coalition seeks members in Magic Valley

**By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer**

TWIN FALLS — A Qwest Communications-financed coalition this week began its first drive to drum up Magic Valley members to support opening Idaho's telecommunications markets.

"I'll be hitting every single chamber in this area... because that seems to be the group that can really understand my message," said Pat Reilly, executive director of the Idaho Coalition for Telecommunications Competition, visiting Twin Falls Tuesday.

Business people have telecommunications on the top of their minds, he said. And local chambers trying to attract new, higher-paying jobs are in the business of trying to provide what prospective employers need.

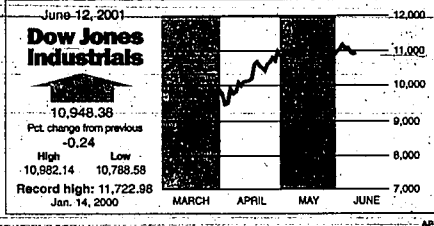
Apparently, Reilly's visit to the valley got a warm reception.

"I will take this before our exec committee, and I expect that we will be supporters. I'm quite certain we will," said Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce executive Kent Just on Tuesday. "We continue to be vitally interested in telecommunications capabilities in Idaho. It's a big deal."

The Jerome Chamber of Commerce's board today will consider the coalition's invitation to membership.

"In my opinion, I think that what they're doing is going to be

MONEY



Nokia issues warning

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks averted a third day of sharp losses Tuesday, turning mixed in late trading despite an earnings warning from Nokia that sent prices tumbling earlier. The uptick, which came in the last hour, appeared to be the result of bargain hunting after nearly three days of sharp declines. The Dow Jones industrial average finished the day up 26.29 at 10,948.38, recovering from an earlier 133-point deficit. In trading Friday and Monday, the Dow dropped 167 points. Wall Street's broader market indicators ended the session narrowly mixed. The Nasdaq composite index slipped 0.83 to 2,169.95, registering its third albeit small — consecutive loss. The Standard & Poor's 500 index inched up 1.46 to 1,255.85. Stocks initially fell and continued to slide after Nokia warned early Tuesday that second-quarter earnings and revenue will be lower than expected. The announcement exacerbated investors' fears about a delayed rebound in the economy, and in turn, earnings. Nokia was among Tuesday's biggest losers, plunging \$5.45 to \$23.26, a loss of 19 percent. The mobile phone maker's news hurt companies that supply it with equipment. Qualcomm fell \$1.81 to \$57.97. Competitors also suffered; Motorola declined 86 cents to \$14.

FCC chief cautions industry

CHICAGO (AP) — Cable companies will introduce millions of new services to the digital world but the industry should be careful not to abuse its position as a market leader, warns the nation's top telecommunications official. Michael Powell, head of the Federal Communications Commission, saluted cable executives at their annual convention Tuesday for their aggressive moves to enter the digital era. Doing so will allow cable companies to give consumers new TV channels, high-speed Internet access, phone connections and interactive services. The industry's history makes that question necessary, he said, and the answer depends on the ability of companies to address change.

Construction

Continued from E1 County and Cassia County all lost ground in March. Shoshone's activity fell to zero. A few parts of the valley were not included in the bank's survey.

Magic Valley a year ago had a \$26 million March, as the Wood River Valley's home starts sent valleywide permit values sky-rocketing. The estimated value of projects receiving permits then topped March 1999's total by a hefty 26 percent from combined building values. In the valley's major city this time around, construction activity in March fell short of year-earlier activity for the first time since October. Twin Falls' construction values in March slid 9.5 percent from the year-earlier total, with less commercial building than 6 years earlier. Here's a sampling of March's noteworthy activity in Twin Falls' commercial sector: Jay Proost started construction of a new \$299,376, 6,237-square-foot professional office building at 1125 Eastland Drive N., to house headquarters for the Twin Falls-based American Society of Agricultural Appraisers, as well as other tenants.

The city is spending \$1.17 million correcting an odor problem near Rock Creek. Permits issued in March for a new \$460,000 tank and a new \$122,000 blower building at 631 Oak St. — the only major structure on the project — represent just a portion of that cost. Tupelo, Miss.-based Hancock Fabrics Inc. received a building permit for a \$150,000 interior remodeling project at 1763 Fillmore St., the former home of a Heilig-Meyers Co. furniture store.

Nu Vu Glass Inc. broke ground on a new Twin Falls shop, at 421 Eastland Drive, that will provide the same services as its existing Burley ones: full-service glass work on auto, residential and commercial projects. Meanwhile in March, Hailey, Twin Falls and rural Blaine and Twin Falls counties led an advance in the larger Magic Valley's home-building scene. The areas of the valley surveyed issued permits for a noteworthy 77 new single-family homes in the month, up substantially — 72 percent — from the 63 of March 2000. But at the same time, the average estimated value of those Magic Valley homes fell to \$175,448 in March — a 9 percent drop from the \$192,546 of a year earlier. Cheaper homes in Twin Falls bear some of the blame. The most recent March's performance beat both the 65 such permits and the \$159,636 aver-

Magic Valley's construction-permit values

Table with columns: Area, February 2001, February 2000. Lists construction permit values for various areas like Gooding, Hailey, Ketchum, etc.

Permits for new single-family homes

Table with columns: Area, February 2001, February 2000. Lists the number of new single-family home permits issued in various areas.

Source: "Idaho Construction Report" by Walls Fargo. Ground on a new Twin Falls shop, at 421 Eastland Drive, that will provide the same services as its existing Burley ones: full-service glass work on auto, residential and commercial projects.

age value in March 1999. The reporting areas of the Magic Valley in March issued permits for just over 100 single-family dwelling units, both in Ketchum. That compares with 18 around the valley a year earlier.

Twin Falls, Rupert and rural Minidoka County each permitted one mobile home in March. Shoshone, Jerome and Sun Valley had no new residential building-of-any-kind for the month.

But Minidoka County's numbers got a boost on the commercial side from two new projects permitted in March: Amalgamated Sugar's \$250,000 evaporator building at the company's Paul processing plant, and West End Fire Springs #463,288 public-works building between Paul and Burley. Ketchum's new non-residential category ballooned to \$2 million — all accounted for by a portion of a new Presbyterian church on the site of the old Springs and Saddle Road in Ketchum.

On the statewide scene, Idaho's construction industry continued to show substantial strength in March, with total building values checking in at \$213 million — the largest monthly total since August — Wells Fargo economist Kelly K. Matthews said. Ada County, however, has had the lion's share of Idaho's activity so far this year.

Total value for authorized building-permit construction in 57 major Idaho locations for March was 22 percent above March 2000's level, he said.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Large table listing various stocks on the New York Stock Exchange with columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, etc.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ with columns for Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and Diaries.

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Table listing various stocks on the NASDAQ National Market with columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, etc.

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Table showing market indices like S&P 500, Dow Jones, etc. with columns for High, Low, Name, Index, Net, % Chg, YTD % Chg.

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Table listing local stocks with columns for Name, Div, PE, Last, Chg, YTD % Chg.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Text explaining how to read the market report, including symbols and abbreviations used in the tables.

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Table listing various stocks on the American Stock Exchange with columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, etc.

MARKETS

Mortgage delinquencies level off

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Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including soybeans, corn, wheat, and oil. Columns include contract name, price, and change.

2000-100 (100-3000) per cent Wisconsin

Table showing Wisconsin bond yields for various maturities, including 2000-100 and 2000-1000.

SUGAR

Table of sugar prices for various grades and origins, including New York (NY) and London (L) prices.

LIVESTOCK

Table of livestock prices for cattle, hogs, and sheep, including spot and futures prices.

FOSIL FUELS

Table of fossil fuel prices for various grades of oil and gas, including New York and London prices.

BEANS

Table of bean prices for various types, including soybeans and lentils.

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Table of grain prices for wheat, corn, and soybeans, including spot and futures prices.

CHEESE

Table of cheese prices for various types, including cheddar and mozzarella.

METALS/CURRENCY

Table of metal and currency prices, including gold, silver, and various international currencies.

POTATOES

Table of potato prices for various grades and origins, including Idaho and Washington.

WHEAT

Table of wheat prices for various grades and origins, including hard red winter and soft red winter.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Fewer Americans are paying their mortgages late but more homes loans were foreclosed in the first quarter of 2001.

The Mortgage Bankers Association of America found that a slight drop in energy prices and low interest rates have prompted more Americans to get loans for houses or refinance their mortgages and lowered the number of homeowners who were at least 30 days late with mortgage payments.

The findings came after a spike in late mortgage payments in late January of 2000, when the association blamed rising energy prices for cutting into homeowners' disposable income and reducing their ability to repay.

Continued from E1 well received by the community and the board," said the Jerome chamber's executive director, Elizabeth Thomas.

What's attractive about Reilly's pitch is that he has a mission to provide better-quality services to our state, and those that visit our state," Thomas said, adding she expects telecommunications competition to benefit Idahoans.

But she added the Jerome chamber will likely discuss the matter with counterparts elsewhere in the valley and research the coalition's goals before deciding. And even if it joins, Thomas said, the chamber isn't likely to kick in any money.

The coalition's stated goal is to bring competition to Idaho's broadband communications markets: local phone, long distance, cable, wireless and high-speed Internet.

But one mission is quite specific. The Idaho coalition - like similar ones in 13 other states - is the branch of Qwest, the Denver-based telephone giant that wants back into the long-distance business in those 14 states in U.S. West's former territory. Qwest was forced to give up its long-dis-

continued from E1 Melin did in 1955 when they bought the Pipo Flying Saucer from a pair of investors.

After selling the discs as the Pluto Platter, Wham-O later renamed it "Frisbee." The Frisbee and Hula Hoop helped establish Wham-O as one of the toy industry's top dad factories.

Mattel and Hasbro Inc. dominate toys today together they have about 37 percent of the \$23 billion industry. Wham-O's plan is to carve out a niche within that market - it wants to be the No. 1 maker of outdoor toys.

Wham-O's strategy on Wham-O's part," said New York toy consultant Chris Byrne. "There is tremendous equity built up in some of their brand names. The challenge for them is to figure out a way to find new markets to get customer to buy more Frisbees and more Slip'N Slides."

The comeback of the Slip'N Slide - a popular product shelved in the early 1990s after a series of adult-child sexual abuse cases - how Wham-O hopes to put some

of the Baby Boom generation's favorite toys on the wish lists of 21st-century kids.

When Wham-O decided to revive it, the product was redesigned to add several new twists, including longer ramps, water tunnels and colorful artwork.

"We don't want today's kids to think of our toys as their Mom and Dad's toys," said Scott Masline, Wham-O's senior vice president of marketing. "The nostalgia associated with our toys is nice, but in the end it's all about product innovation."

Wham-O says the redesigned Slides - labeled with prominent warnings against use by anyone above 11 years old - are perfectly safe.

Okland attorney Matthew Rinaldi, who negotiated a settlement for a man who broke his neck on the Slip'N Slide, also thinks the latest version is safe, but fears the product's comeback will wipe some of the more dangerous old versions out of their garages.

Qwest is still the Idaho coalition's sole source of funding, Reilly said Tuesday. He has described the coalition as a client of the Boise marketing, public relations and advertising firm he owns.

With a growing membership list, Reilly aims to show regulators and lawmakers a grassroots of support from regular Idahoans - small-business people and consumers.

Other than a March campaign of full-page newspaper advertisements criticizing AT&T Broadband's departure from Idaho cable television markets, the coalition's effort is "a very word-of-mouth, low-key thing," run by one man, Reilly said.

He expects Qwest to present its request - to allow local phone service providers, such as Qwest, to compete for long-distance business - to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission in late summer or early fall, the Idaho Communications Commission.

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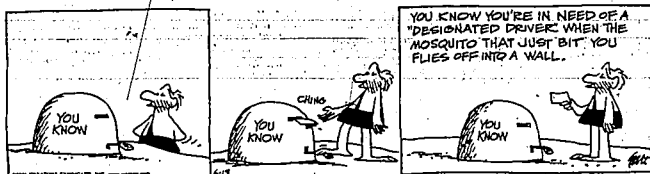
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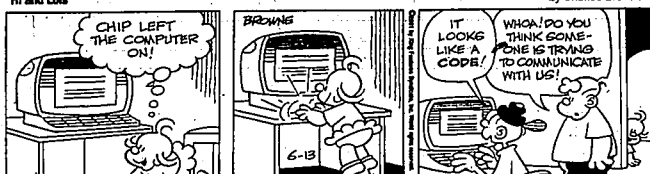
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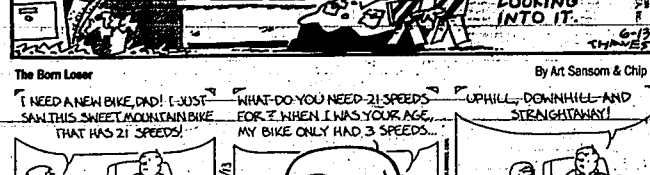
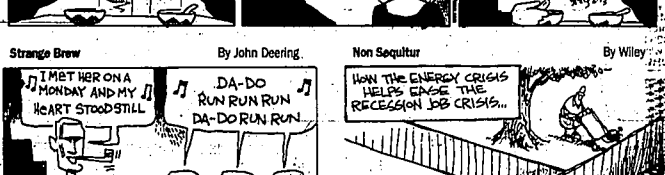
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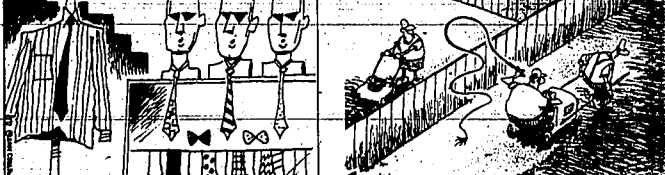
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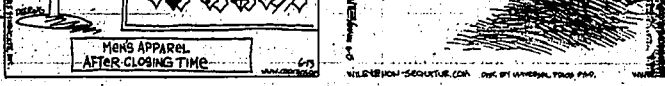
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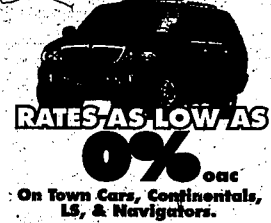
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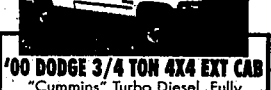
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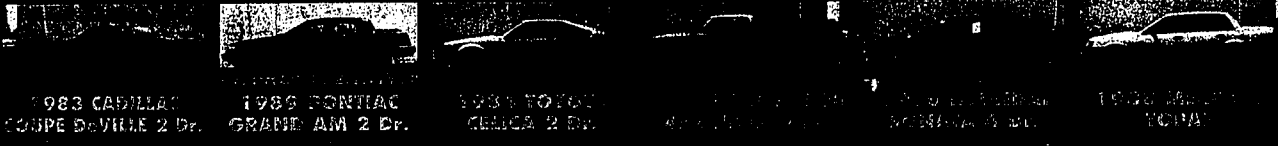


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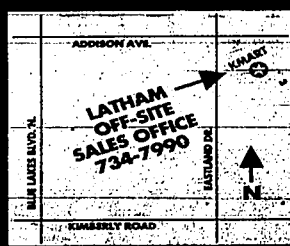
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