

## GOOD MORNING

### WEATHER

Today: Partly clear today and tonight, high 88, low 56.

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### MAGIC VALLEY



Retiring: District Judge Daniel B. Mechl will bang down the gavel on a long and distinguished career today.

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Cost of care: Patient costs at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center are slated for a 6 percent increase Oct. 1.

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### MONEY

Co-op consolidation: The proposed merger of three dairy cooperatives with Land O'Lakes would restore the company to second-place milk supplier.

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Wagons, ho! The Big Hitch Parade, the West's largest non-motorized parade, will be renewed for the 43rd time in Ketchum on Saturday.

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Spikers: The CSI volleyball team entered its home invitational tournament undefeated Thursday.

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Don't blame Canada: Neighbors to the north shouldn't get the blame for softwood timber tariffs, today's editorial says.

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# Details calls for more water

The Times-News and The Associated Press

## Deadline looms for pumpers, canal companies

BLACKFOOT - Eastern Idaho water users have agreed to send an additional 28,500 acre-feet of water down the Snake River as part of an agreement with senior water right holders in the Magic Valley, the Blackfoot city engineer said.

Fred Ostler provided the first details of the proposed deal involving groundwater pumpers and surface-water users, an agreement that has not yet been formalized. Ostler said that if the 28,500 acre-feet - enough to grow nearly

10,000 acres of potatoes - can't be passed along due to drought or other factors, all water users will reduce their use by 10 percent. But further details of the agreement weren't expected to be released until today. Up to 1,300 Idaho groundwater

rights in the American Falls and Thousand Springs areas have been identified for curtailment by the Idaho Department of Water Resources because pumping has been taking away water from surface users. In general, pumpers' rights are junior to sur-

face irrigators who have century-old delivery systems. In addition, the Twin Falls and Northside canal companies, along with Clear Springs Woods Inc., have been pressing for groundwater pumping restrictions in larger areas than those designated by Water Resources.

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## CROWDS FLOCK TO THE FAIR



Trisan Moore and Alise McCammon get some chills and thrills on the kiddie roller coaster at the Twin Falls County Fair Thursday afternoon. The midway is a favorite place for kids and adults alike.

## Early numbers rise significantly from 2000

By Mark Heinz Times-News writer

FILER - Sunny weather and a legendary country music group drew many more people to the Twin Falls County Fair Wednesday than last year's opening day. A sheriff's office spokeswoman said bigger crowds can increase the chances of children getting separated from their parents.

### What's up today at the fair? - A2

To help keep children safe, the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office is operating a lost children's booth just north of the grandstands at the county fairgrounds in Filer, said sheriff's office spokeswoman Nancy Howell. The booth is directly in front of the

sheriff deputies' office at the fairgrounds, she said. On opening day Wednesday, 14,599 showed up, said fairgrounds office manager Linda Gwyn. Only 12,281 came on opening Wednesday last year, she said. There was no estimate of Thursday's attendance available late that afternoon, but Gwyn expected it to also beat the second day in 2000. "Last year on Thursday, it

rained all day," she said. Better weather this year and an Oak Ridge Boys concert probably accounted for most of the boost in attendance Wednesday, she said. A capacity crowd - estimated at more than 6,000 - went to the concert, Gwyn said. And the movements of a big crowd, such as at the end of a concert, can make it easier for small

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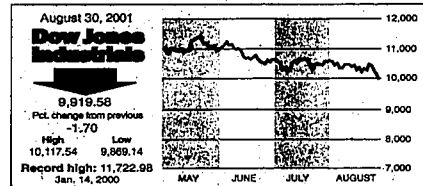
## Dow drops below 10,000 as investor gloom rises

The Washington Post

Stock prices tumbled for the fourth straight day Thursday amid fears that corporate profits are unlikely to rebound anytime soon and consumer spending may finally be slowing.

For the first time since early April, the Dow Jones Industrial average closed below the 10,000 mark. Thursday's 171.32-point drop left the Dow at 9,919.58, down more than 500 points for the week.

The Nasdaq composite index,



which topped 5,000 at the height of the high-tech boom, ended the day below 1,800 for the first time since April. The index closed at

1,791.68, down 51.49. "Investor confidence is completely broke," said Thomas Galvin, chief strategist at Credit Suisse First Boston. "People believe that the economic recovery is going to be later, not sooner, and that is adding downward pressure on stock prices."

By day's end, many analysts were predicting that stock prices would fall even further in the coming weeks as the market tests how low stock prices have to go before investors finally think it safe to become buyers again.

## Manhunt nets man accused of killing six family members

Relatives turned him in when they saw him in his mother's yard

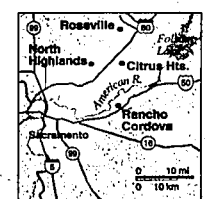
Los Angeles Times

CITRUS HEIGHTS, Calif. - After a 10-day, coast-to-coast manhunt, authorities Thursday found accused killer Nikolay Soltys hiding right in his mother's back yard, capturing him moments after his breakfasting relatives fled the home in terror to call for help.

Barfoot, disheveled and carrying a potato peeler and a map, Soltys was arrested without incident by undercover officers who had kept his family under surveillance since the bloody killings of his wife, son and four other relatives.



Sacramento County Sheriff Lou Blanas said the unshaven Soltys may have been hiding for several days in a wooded ravine behind



Nikolay Soltys sits in the backseat of a police car after being captured Thursday morning in the back yard of his mother's home in Citrus Heights, Calif.

his mother's home. He likely sneaked over a fence into her

yard Wednesday night, carrying a sleeping bag and backpack containing a knife believed to have been used in the murders. Calling the Ukrainian immigrant a "vicious criminal," Blanas said it appeared he had traveled on foot while at large. It remained unclear whether he had been aided by others. "This is a day for celebration," Richard Baker, FBI special agent in charge in Sacramento, said at a news conference. "However, as we celebrate the capture of this individual, let's not forget the victims."

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## Ag chief pushes new farm policies

Bush team wants more than typical support programs

WASHINGTON - Congress needs to look beyond traditional support programs for grain and cotton in overhauling federal farm policy and devote more money to food safety, pest prevention, nutrition and the environment, Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman said Thursday.

"We really need to look at the whole food system and the agriculture system much differently than we have in the past," Veneman said in an interview with The Associated Press.

The Bush administration is developing principles for farm policy to guide Congress as lawmakers rewrite laws governing a host of spending and regulatory programs that expire next year. Legislation approved by the House Agriculture Committee in July would guarantee a steady flow of money to the same grain and cotton farmers who have gotten the lion's share of federal farm spending.

Veneman declined to judge the bill, which the House is expected to take up the second week of September. "It has some good things and some things that people are going to have different reactions to," she said. But she said the administration's agricultural policy will emphasize a number of issues besides farm subsidies, including food safety programs and efforts to prevent the introduction of mad cow and foot-and-mouth diseases. Environmental issues and the food-stamp program also will be addressed. Many foodborne pathogens now confronting the food industry, such as E. coli O157:H7, were virtually unheard of a few years ago, she said.

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# FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

### IDAHO

Idaho Extremes  
Yesterday:  
High 96°  
Low 31°  
Stanley



Missoula 84/48

### ALMAÑAC

Twin Falls through 6 p.m. yesterday

High/Low: 80°/47°  
Normal high/low: 80°/47°  
High/Low last year: 84°/37°  
Record high: 84° in 1990  
Record low: 34° in 1988

Precipitation: 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday: 0.01"  
Month to date: 0.00"  
Normal month to date: 0.14"  
Water year to date (Oct. 1): 4.55"  
Normal year to date (Oct. 1): 3.71"

Humidity: Yesterday at noon: 39%  
Barometric Pressure: Yesterday at 6 p.m.: 29.88 in.

Pollen weather in Twin Falls  
Grass: Low  
Weeds: Moderate  
Mold: High  
Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

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### FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Sunshine and some clouds; warm. ▲ 88°	Clear to partly cloudy. ▼ 56°	Sunshine and a few clouds. ▲ 86° ▼ 54°	Plenty of sunshine. ▲ 86° ▼ 56°

### MONDAY TUESDAY

Monday: Sunny to partly cloudy and warm. ▲ 88° ▼ 56°  
Tuesday: Cooler; there might be a 1-storm. ▲ 80° ▼ 50°

### CANADIAN CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Calgary	81	47	81	42
Edmonton	80	47	80	42
Kelowna	78	49	78	43
Lethbridge	84	50	84	45
Regina	77	50	77	45
Saskatoon	77	50	77	45
Toronto	78	52	78	44
Vancouver	67	54	67	46
Winnipeg	68	50	68	43

### REGIONAL CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Solba	80	57	80	57
Bonners Ferry	81	50	81	50
Burley	88	57	88	57
Coeur d'Alene	82	59	82	59
Elko	87	48	87	48
Eugene, OR	78	52	78	52
Hagerman	80	50	80	50
Idaho Falls	85	50	85	50
Kalispell, MT	82	44	82	44
Lewiston	82	52	82	52
Malta	89	55	89	55

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### REGIONAL WEATHER

**Southern Idaho:** Sunshine and patchy clouds today with a very warm afternoon; a couple of locations, mainly in the mountains, will have a shower or thunderstorm. Highs from the 80s to the low 90s.

**Boise:** Sunny to partly cloudy and very warm today with the slight chance of a shower or thunderstorm. High 90. Clear to partly cloudy tonight. Low 50. Sunshine and a few clouds tomorrow, High 90.

**Northern Nevada:** Sunshine and patchy clouds today with a warm afternoon; there might be a couple of widely separated showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the 80s and the 90s. Clear to partly cloudy tonight.

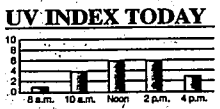
**Northern Utah:** A mixture of sunshine and clouds today; a few locations, especially in the mountains, will have a shower or thunderstorm. Highs from the 70s in the mountains to the 90s in the valleys.

**Northern Idaho:** Today will be cooler than recent days with a mixture of clouds and sunshine; a few spots, mainly in the mountains, will have a shower or thunderstorms. Highs 70-80. Partly cloudy to clear tonight.

### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 7:02 a.m.  
Sunset today: 8:14 p.m.  
Moonrise today: 7:38 p.m.  
Moonset tonight: 4:37 a.m.

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### WORLD CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Acapulco	90	77	90	77
Athens	90	72	90	72
Bahia	80	67	80	67
Bangkok	88	77	88	77
Beijing	90	66	90	66
Berlin	68	53	68	53
Buenos Aires	69	54	69	50
Caracas	85	68	85	68
Cairo	95	80	95	80
Chengde	84	69	84	69
Chicago	87	72	87	72
Hong Kong	81	67	81	67
Jerusalem	84	69	84	69
Johns Harbor	87	72	87	72
London	80	65	80	65
Mexico City	73	58	73	58
Moscow	57	41	57	41
Osaka	81	66	81	66
Rio de Janeiro	81	60	81	60
Sao Paulo	81	63	81	63
Shanghai	84	68	84	68
Sydney	64	52	64	52
Tokyo	78	70	78	71
Washington	73	57	73	57
Zurich	64	52	64	52

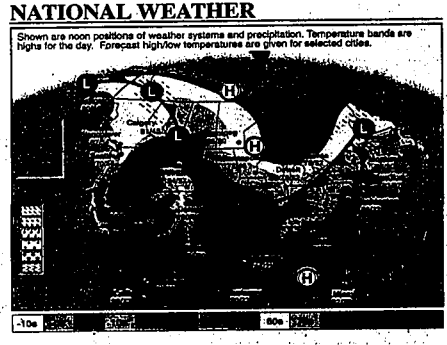
### NATIONAL EXTREMES

Yesterday (for the 48 contiguous states)

High 113° in Death Valley, CA Low 30° in Wisdom, MT

### NATIONAL WEATHER

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



### NATIONAL CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Atlanta	82	70	82	70
Atlanta City	88	68	88	68
Baltimore	83	70	83	70
Birmingham	84	67	84	67
Charlotte	83	70	83	70
Chicago	87	70	87	70
Cleveland	78	68	78	68
Dallas	80	64	80	64
Denver	80	64	80	64
Des Moines	78	62	78	62
Detroit	78	62	78	62
El Paso	94	70	94	70
Fairbanks	83	47	83	47
Honolulu	72	50	72	50
Houston	89	75	89	75
Indianapolis	88	72	88	72
Jacksonville	90	73	90	73
Kansas City	82	61	82	61
Las Vegas	102	81	102	81
Little Rock	82	70	82	70
Los Angeles	87	62	87	62

## Execution stands for man whose lawyer was drunk

Los Angeles Times

ATLANTA — North Carolina prison officials prepared to execute a man early today whose lawyer admitted to drinking 12 shots of rum a day during the penalty phase of the murder trial.

With all legal avenues exhausted, North Carolina Gov. Mike Easley rejected Ronald Wayne Frye's appeal for clemency Thursday night, saying there was no doubt that "the defendant senselessly and brutally killed and robbed an elderly, innocent man."

Earlier Thursday, the U.S. Supreme Court denied a stay of execution. State and lower federal courts had turned down Frye's numerous requests for a retrial. He was set to die at midnight MDT by lethal injection at Raleigh's Central Prison.

Frye, a 42-year-old construction worker, robbed his landl

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Solys' cousin, Sergey Kukharshy, whose parents, son and niece were slain, stood across town at the site of their murders and said, "We are Christians, so we will forgive him."

"Still," he added in a voice thick with emotion, "the memory (of our loved ones' deaths) will be in our minds forever."

Solys, 27, a former shoemaker and Ukrainian immigrant, could be arraigned as early as today on six counts of murder. Detectives

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## Fair

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children and their parents to lose track of each other, Howell said.

Parents should also be aware of their children's natural urge to check things out, she said.

"Sometimes, the child will see something that catches their eye and they will wander off," she said. "I've seen a lot of the harnesses on kids here."

To help get children and parents back together as quickly as possible, the children's booth — as in years past — uses a wrist band identification system, Howell said.

Parents should make the booth the first stop with their children, she said. There, the parents and children can register and be issued wrist bands with matching numbers. The children will also get clear instructions to look for a uniformed officer or head directly back to the booth if they get lost or meet trouble, Howell said.

When lost children show up at the booth, officers there can simply match the number on a child's wrist band with the parents' number and call for the parents over the fairgrounds loudspeaker system, she said.

Parents who lose track of their children should also go back to the booth, and give a good

### Ag

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Grain and cotton account for about 20 percent of the nation's agricultural production, said Veneman, who grew up on a California peach farm.

"If you don't look at the food and farm system today through a more holistic approach you're leaving a lot of agriculture and much of our production."

Veneman rose through the ranks of the Agriculture Department in the 1980s and early 1990s to take the department's top job in 1995.

She has generally received high marks from consumer advocates for sticking with food safety initiatives taken by the Clinton administration over the opposition of the meat industry.

Her first action on food regulation was to move forward with bacterial testing requirements for processed meat. Industry groups pushed the rules, which could still be revised, go too far. Later, she junked industry-sought changes in standards for meat that the government supplies to schools.

She said the administration would continue a legal battle with the meat industry over testing requirements for salmonella bacteria. A Texas judge last year

## Getting out the vote - GOP did it better in 2000, report concludes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans did a more effective job than Democrats in getting their parties' voters to turn out for the 2000 presidential election, a voter report shows.

Democratic voter registration started a steady decline in the 1950s, according to the study released Thursday by a nonpartisan research group.

"We had an increase in voter turnout because of an increase in grass-roots activity," said Curtis Gans, director of the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate.

Voter turnout was at 51.2 percent of the voting age population, or 105,399,313 voters, an increase of 2.2 percentage points

## Threat prompts U.S. to close embassies

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The U.S. embassies in Bulgaria and Romania were closed to the public Thursday after they received information indicating a possible terrorist attack, the State Department announced.

"There is information about possible threats against the embassies that made them close for public operations while they reviewed the status of their security posture," department spokesman Richard Boucher said. He would not say when they would reopen, but most recent embassy closures have lasted a day or two.

## Water

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If ground pumpers and surface-water users do not reach a resolution by today, the department plans to mail notices of groundwater pumping curtailment to holders of the 1,300 water rights to meet a Sept. 1 deadline. If the curtailment orders are issued, most pumping that began after 1960 in the American Falls groundwater management area, as well as extraction after 1967 in the Thousand Springs zone, would be curtailed beginning next April.

But parties involved in the negotiations reported they had struck an agreement in principle. Blackfoot and Aberdeen, the only two eastern Idaho cities affected by the curtailment order, will have to conserve as part of the agreement. Other cities said. He said his city would most likely raise rates so residents would use less water.

It is a far better scenario than having to take water from local farms, which cities can do, or ration water in the town of 10,000, he said.

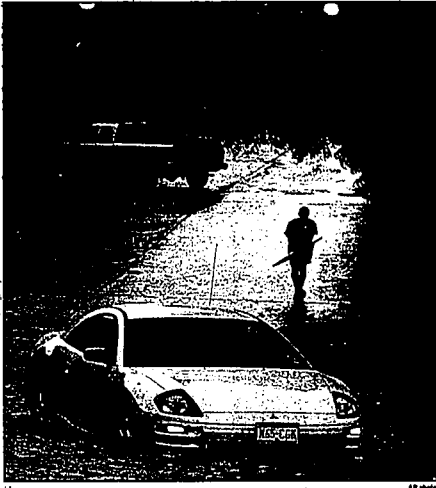
"The hammer doesn't fall on us now," he said.

This was the first time growers have seen such a dire situation where so much water would be taken away from thousands of them. Many faced a chance of not receiving bank loans or foreclosures if they lacked the water for

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IT'S NOT A BOAT, FLOYD



An onlooker walks away from the scene of a car that became stalled in high water in San Antonio, Texas Thursday. Beaumont, Texas, recorded nearly 5 inches by midday as a storm system moved over the area. Flash flood warnings were issued for Guadalupe, Bexar, Wilson and Comal counties. Flooding was also a threat in Louisiana and Mississippi as the heavy rain moved east.

Army shifts focus from Europe to Asia

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Army intends to move some of its weapons and other war-fighting equipment from Europe to Asia, reflecting a shift in strategic focus by the Bush administration, the Army's top official said Thursday. No troops are moving yet, but Army Secretary Thomas White left open the possibility the service might expand or reconfigure its presence in the Asia-Pacific region while maintaining its basic commitments in Europe. "There's been a heightened awareness or concern about the Pacific region," White said in an interview with a group of reporters. "It's been talked about a lot. I think we in the Army will

have to look at that very closely, look at our stationing around the Pacific Rim." He was asked whether the Army is considering, for example, basing troops on Guam, a U.S. territory in the Pacific where the Air Force maintains a staging base for its aircraft operating in the region. "You have to see if there are opportunities for forward basing or engagement" on the Pacific Rim, he replied. "I think all the services are going to do that." The Army has almost 29,000 soldiers based permanently in Japan and South Korea. Its other major overseas presence is in Europe, where about

65,000 soldiers are posted mostly in Germany. If the administration were to decide to put more troops in the Asia-Pacific region as well as weapons and equipment, it inevitably would cause consternation among allies and others, White said. "I suppose any time you make shifts in strategy and deployments, there's a lot of concern by a lot of different people," he said. "Consequently it will take time, if that's what the secretary (of defense) and the president decide to do." He emphasized that no such decisions have been made. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld has made clear he

believes the U.S. military needs to be oriented more toward potential threats in the Asia-Pacific region, not just the traditional worry about North Korea but also China. Rumsfeld has stressed, also, that putting more focus on Asia should not be interpreted as reduced interest in Europe. When he visited Europe in June, Rumsfeld took pains to emphasize the U.S. commitment to NATO allies. He dismissed speculation that he favors reducing the U.S. troop presence in Europe, saying he didn't want to "cause tremors" unnecessarily by suggesting Europe was less important to the United States.

Justice Department says it won't hand over memos

WASHINGTON (AP) - Then a senator, John Ashcroft accused Attorney General Janet Reno in 1998 of stonewalling when she didn't want to turn over prosecutors' memos to Congress. Now Reno's successor, Ashcroft is refusing to turn over similar memos. The shift has left one of Ashcroft's fellow Republicans, House committee chairman Dan Burton, frustrated enough to accuse President Bush's attorney general of using a double standard. "I am concerned that we have

one standard for a Democrat attorney general and another standard for yourself," Burton wrote in a pointed letter to Ashcroft on Wednesday. On Thursday, Burton asked that Ashcroft explain the new position before the House Government Reform Committee on Sept. 6. The Justice Department said it was refusing to turn over memos of decision-making by prosecutors because it wants to protect the privacy of people under investigation and ensure prosecutors are comfortable exchanging

advice without fear their thoughts will be made public. "The types of memoranda being sought by Chairman Burton contain advice to the attorney general and other senior officials and are among the most sensitive deliberative documents precisely because they pertain to prosecutorial decision-making," spokeswoman Susan Dryden said. "The department takes very seriously its responsibility to protect the privacy interests of American citizens who have been the subject of investigative scrutiny," she said.

Burton said Ashcroft's decision was a marked departure from past Justice Department practice and that the refusal to turn over the prosecutorial memos was a threat to Congress' right to oversee executive branch decisions. "There is no valid legal or practical reason why these records should be withheld from the committee," Burton declared. Burton also noted that Ashcroft, as a Republican senator, supported Burton's efforts to force Reno to turn over similar memos during the Clinton-era fund-raising investigations.

U.S., Canada trade officials discuss lumber

WASHINGTON (AP) - Talks aimed at resolving a U.S.-Canadian trade dispute over lumber were termed positive by both sides Thursday, although the negotiators' only agreement was to have another meeting. The daylong discussions ended with the appointment of a "work group" that will meet Sept. 18-20 in Ottawa to talk about the disagreement, which intensified this month when the Bush administration imposed a 19.3 percent penalty tariff on Canadian softwood lumber. "We found there was enough common ground to continue to and find a durable solution as an alternative to litigation," said Rich Mills, a spokesman for the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative. He would not discuss details.

The tariff decision, targeting wood normally used in house-building, was praised by the U.S. timber industry and lawmakers from lumber-producing states as a way to protect U.S. jobs. Others said it would hurt American consumers by adding up to \$1,000 to the construction cost of a home.

The trade dispute involves the amount of "stumpage" fees Canadian provinces charge companies for logging on government lands. The U.S. lumber industry has charged that the fees are set at extremely low levels that give Canadian competitors an unfair advantage.

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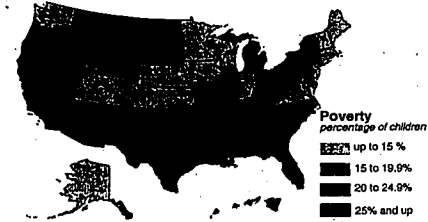
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**Children in poverty**

According to newly revised 1998 data released by the U.S. Census Bureau, 27 million children were living below the poverty line. This is the rate per state.



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau

**Census says poverty declines in the South**

WASHINGTON (AP) — States in the Deep South have had some of the steepest declines in poverty yet but still have the highest rates in the country, census data show.

For example, Mississippi and Louisiana had two of the largest percentages of residents living in poverty in 1998, according to a Census Bureau report released Friday. But Mississippi's poverty rate declined about seven points from 1989 to 17.6 percent in 1998, while Louisiana's dropped four points to 18.2 percent in the same period.

States with the largest increases: New York, up three points to 15.4 percent, and California, up two points to 14.9 percent.

family income division director of the Children's Defense Fund.

"It can just make you worried that with an economic downturn whether more children can slide backward instead of making the progress we want," she said.

Nationally, 12.7 percent of Americans lived in poverty in 1998, along with 18.9 percent of children younger than age 18. Those national poverty estimates were not revised in the latest report.

The poverty threshold differs by household, depending mainly on the size of the family. In 1998, the poverty line for a family of four was \$16,660 a year.

The most recent national estimates, from 1999, showed 11.8 percent of all Americans in poverty, and a poverty rate for children of 16.9 percent. Both were the lowest figures since 1979.

Increases in states such as California and New York during the 1990s were likely due to an influx of new immigrant families, said William O'Hare of the children's advocacy group, the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

Among other uses, the revised results are used to help evaluate welfare programs, and distribute Title I education grants for poor children.

The bureau will produce more updated estimates of poverty next month, for 2000, based on an annual survey. That report is the source of the official national poverty rate.

The figures come from an annual bureau report that revises earlier estimates of poverty. In this case, estimates for 1998 — derived from survey data. The revised reports are considered more accurate estimates of state poverty data because they take into account not only the survey data but other factors such as tax returns and Social Security income that take more time to study.

The statistics also are somewhat deceiving, said Jane Boykin, president of the nonprofit Mississippi Forum on Children and Families. Though aided by the good economy of the 1990s, many families were moved from being in poverty to simply just being poor, Boykin said.

"It's good news. A good economy has helped" states in the South, said Deborah Weinstein,

**Environmentalists, Bush reach milestone pact**

Los Angeles Times

In a surprising collaboration, the Bush administration and some of the nation's most litigious environmentalists announced an agreement this week to expedite protection of 29 of the most imperiled plants and animals around the country.

Including rare mammals, birds, fish, snails and butterflies, the species range from the Pacific Northwest to south Florida, some of them in areas where such protection has sparked bitter battles in the past.

The pact startled some conservationists and development groups, since it was drawn up by parties who normally meet in courtrooms, not at a negotiating table.

Interior Secretary Gale Norton, who announced the pact, has been viewed with suspicion by environmentalists who believe she supports efforts by property-rights groups and industry to weaken the Endangered Species Act. By contrast, the four environmental groups who helped craft the pact have repeatedly sued to force the federal government to enforce the act.

Administration officials hailed the fact that often warring factions were able to agree upon species most in need of help — and to settle on priorities.

"I am pleased that we have been able to cooperate and find

common ground that will allow us to protect these species under the Endangered Species Act," Norton said in a statement. "I hope this can be a model for future agreements."

Kieran Suckling, executive director of the Center for Biological Diversity, one of the groups involved in the agreement, called it a model, adding, "With so many plants and animals on the brink of extinction, it is imperative that environmental groups and the Fish and Wildlife Service work together to bring them back."

The other groups are the Southern Appalachian Biodiversity Project, the California Native Plant Society and the Biodiversity Legal Foundation.

"Some think the agreement could represent a new direction for both Washington officials as well as environmental groups that usually choose lawsuits over mediation."

"It seems to me to mark the beginning of what we've needed for a long time, which is a serious dialogue among all the parties involved in endangered species protection about what our priorities should be," said David S. Wilcove, senior ecologist at the environmental group Environmental Defense and a well-known endangered species expert.

**U. of Alabama seeks to end segregation**

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) — Fraternities and sororities are the last bastion of the Old South at the University of Alabama.

White-columned sorority houses resembling the plantation home Tara from "Gone With the Wind" stand along Magnolia Drive. Confederate flags hang in bedroom windows a few blocks away on fraternity rows.

And the organizations themselves are nearly as racially segregated as a dime-store lunch counter during the days of Jim Crow.

None of the 37 white fraternities and sororities at Alabama has ever accepted a black. And only a few whites have ever joined the eight traditionally black organizations. Black organizations even have their own governing council.

But now, with another rush season starting next week — and a flare-up last spring over bigotry on campus — the university president and some faculty members are pushing for an end to the racial divide.

"We clearly cannot tolerate that," said President Andrew Sorenson.

A similar racial divide can be found in fraternity and sorority houses across the South and, perhaps to a lesser extent, student



Melody Twilley shown in this July 10, file photo will try to join the University of Alabama sororities this fall.

social organizations nationwide. Fraternity and sorority members separate themselves by race, ethnicity or other distinctions, said William B. Harvey, head of minority issues with the American Council on Education in Washington.

"It is a reflection of society as it exists now," he said. "The question is how we as administrators are going to help people from somewhat limited backgrounds engage themselves with people of other backgrounds. We have,

quite frankly, not done a very good job of addressing that."

At Alabama, the school has adjusted its rush schedule to make it easier for blacks to join white groups. And Sorenson has a task force considering whether Greek groups should lose their low-cost land leases — most commonly only \$100 a year — if they discriminate.

Faculty members are pushing for elimination of the university's racially separate rush periods; when students are courted by tra-

ternities and sororities. Currently, whites are recruited at the start of the fall semester; blacks at the end of it.

In addition, the Faculty Senate on Tuesday unanimously approved a resolution that calls for white fraternities and sororities to accept black members on risk penalties. The faculty has passed at least three previous resolutions against segregated frat-

"We would love to see the Greek system become desegregated without any pressure or force," said Senate president Norm Baldwin, who wrote the resolution. "But the whole history of desegregation clearly illustrates you have to have forced intervention to bring it about."

Black and white students alike at Alabama — including the white head of the Interfraternity Council and the president of the campus chapter of the NAACP — have come out against any attempt to force integration.

The NAACP's Day, Washington said that integration of fraternities and sororities should be left to students and that the faculty and the news media should stop interfering. He said the existence of black and white fraternities has more to do with cultural differences than racism.

**Universities in U.S. ban smoking**

Knight Ridder News Service

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Linsey Schoemehl, a freshman at the University of Missouri-Columbia, chose Gardner-Whye dormitory this year, but not for its rooms, location or price.

She chose it because students can't smoke there, even in their own rooms. It's one of two MU dorms to go smoke-free this fall.

Next year, all of MU's dorms will be smoke-free.

The university is joining the growing number of colleges across the country that ban smoking in dorms. The goal: protecting students from second-hand smoke and ridding dorms of the smell — and the butts and ashes.

"More and more colleges are saying, 'No. Period. No smoking inside the buildings; you create your little blue clouds outside the doors,'" said Gary Schwarzmuller, executive director of the Association of College and University Housing Officers International.

There is no directory of campuses that ban smoking in dorm rooms, Schwarzmuller said. But a study by the Harvard School of Public Health released earlier this year showed that 27 percent of colleges surveyed prohibited smoking in dorms. Eight in 10 prohibit it in public areas.

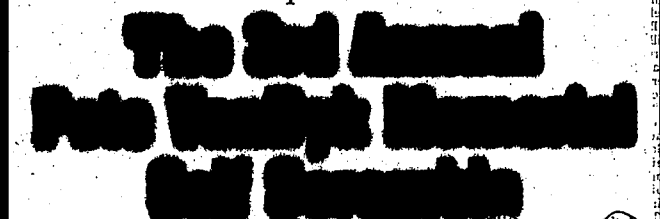
Smoke-free dorms have evolved despite an increase in teen smoking. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that 34.8 percent of teenagers smoked in 1999, compared with 27.5 percent in 1991.

**Missouri governor announces budget cut**

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — Gov. Bob Holden announced an additional \$134 million in state budget cuts Thursday affecting everything from prisons to his own budget office.

As a result of the cuts, hundreds of positions will remain unfilled and some workers will not receive new computers or job training or be allowed to travel to conferences. No employees will be laid off.

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# Immigrant returns \$203,000 that had fallen from an armored car

**Los Angeles Times**  
**LOS ANGELES** - For Ascension Franco Gonzales, an undocumented immigrant from Mexico who makes \$1,300 a month as a dishwasher, it was a chance to prove to himself he was "an honest man."  
 He was sitting at a bus stop in downtown Los Angeles Monday night when an AT Systems armored truck rumbled by. As Gonzales watched, a clear plastic bag tumbled out of the back of the

truck. The truck kept going. "I knew right away it was real money," he said later. "They're the kind of trucks that carry it."  
 Gonzales didn't know how much money - he didn't even try to count it. But he could see the bundles of \$20 bills inside the bag, so he knew it was a lot.  
 When the truck arrived at the AT Systems office, the people there calculated the loss in a hurry - \$203,000, all in cash. They called police.

The 22-year-old dishwasher, fearing that someone might try to kill him for the money, walked several blocks searching through trash cans before he found an opaque sack in which he could hide the transparent bag holding the cash.  
 "I told myself, 'My life could be on the line,'" he said.  
 After taking a cab home, Gonzales told friends what he'd found. Until he showed them the cash, they didn't believe him.

He and about eight friends stayed up talking about what he should do.  
 After he went to bed, Gonzales dreamed about the money and asked himself: "What should I do?"  
 He admitted that he was tempted to keep the money, "but there would be too many problems. I couldn't invest it, could I?" His immigration status complicated the whole thing.  
 When Gonzales awoke Tuesday

morning, he turned on his TV. There was a news broadcast about the missing money.  
 "The announcer asked whether there was anyone in Los Angeles who was honest enough to hand in so much money," Gonzales said.  
 When he heard the question, he knew the answer.  
 "I was brought up in Hidalgo state in an honest, Catholic family," he said.  
 At 11 a.m., he called police and told them he had the money.

Officers, who arrived a few minutes later, said they counted the cash, and all of it was there.  
 Officers told Gonzales that the company had offered a \$25,000 reward. Gonzales said he wasn't sure he'd qualify, considering his immigration status.  
 Police said they thought he would, although the reward might have to be paid in cash instead of with a check, since Gonzales has no identification papers.

## Group grabs a chance to make a point

**Night Ridder News Service**

**BILOXI, Miss.** - An animal rights group plans to erect a billboard that capitalizes on the recent shark attack on 8-year-old Jessie Arbogast.

The Web site for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals says a billboard will be erected in Pensacola, Fla., this week that asks, "Would you give your right arm to know why sharks attack? Could it be revenge?"

Dan Shannon of Norfolk, Va., PETA's fishing campaign coordinator, admits the group's intent is to "capitalize on a news story, which is current right now, and that is Jessie Arbogast. Obviously our prayers are with him and his family, and we hope he's doing well."

But Shannon said, the group is willing to risk offending people to further its cause of protecting animals. PETA's mission is to convert the world to vegetarianism, according to its literature.

"Our philosophy is that we'd rather go too far than not far enough," Shannon said. "Sometimes, when it deals with animal cruelty, we have to do some outlandish things, and we're doing this with everyone in mind."

The billboard was approved to go up in Pensacola, Shannon said, but the billboard company, Prime Outdoor, backed out of the contract after considering the possibility of people being offended. PETA is looking for another billboard company willing to put up the sign.

A shark bit off Jessie's right arm, which has been reattached, at a beach near Pensacola. Because of severe blood loss, he has been in a light coma and the extent of his recovery is uncertain.

Claire Arbogast, Jessie's mother, said this week that she has heard of PETA, but was not aware of the billboard plan.

"I really don't want to know," she said from her home in Ocean Springs, Miss., where Jessie remains in a light coma. "I think it's best if I just don't pay any attention to all that. I have enough to do just taking care of what I have to take care of here."

## U.S. Navy raises stern of sunken fishing vessel

**HONOLULU (AP)** - The Navy lifted the stern of the Ehime Maru high enough for salvage crews to begin installing equipment needed to raise the 830-ton Japanese fishing vessel sunk by a U.S. submarine.

The Ehime Maru rests in 2,000 feet of water nine miles south of Diamond Head. The vessel sank Feb. 9 after it was rammed by the U.S. Greenpeace during a rapid-response drill.

The Navy is trying to raise the vessel 100 feet off the sea floor to bring it closer to shore so divers can try to recover the bodies of nine men and boys believed to be aboard. Twenty-six people on the boat were rescued.

In an operation that lasted into the night Wednesday, Navy and contract engineers using remotely operated equipment attempted to pull two wires - one at the stern and one at the center - underneath the hull, said Navy spokesman Lt. Cmdr. Russell Coons.

Once that's completed, the engineers planned to pull through another cable that will be used to pull two 50-foot-long lifting plates under the Ehime Maru and into position, he said.

The Pearl Harbor-based Greenpeace remained in port at Oahu for minor repairs Wednesday after being damaged while trying to enter the Saipan seaport Monday. A preliminary investigation found the submarine touched the bottom in extremely rough seas on its approach to the harbor, the Navy said.

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## EDITORIAL

# U.S. policy, not Canada, cause of pricey timber

When it comes to timber, we shouldn't blame Canada.

The Bush administration announced earlier this month that it would impose a 19.3 percent penalty tariff on softwood lumber imported from Canada in retaliation for what the government says are unfair subsidies given to the Canadian lumber industry by that country's government.

The tariffs could add \$1,000 to the cost of building a new house in the United States.

That's significant because we import one-third of our softwood lumber from Canada - this to a country with nearly 1,000 softwood lumber producers.

A closer look at the problem suggests other causes closer to home.

We have to buy so much timber abroad because a decade's worth of federal policy has been busy locking up our national forests. A truck hauling Canadian lumber from the Port of Hilo down U.S. Highway 95 the length of Idaho will pass two or three shuttered sawmills.

The first is that we have a free-trade treaty with Canada. A decade into that agreement, we shouldn't still be hagglng over protectionism - and wouldn't be if American timber companies could compete on a level playing field with their Canadian counterparts.

Canada, after all, has products that we need - such as gas and oil - at prices that should be dictated by the free market, not by a tit-for-tat system of one-upmanship.

But more fundamentally, American homes should be built with more American lumber - which is readily available but increasingly off-limits because of environmental restrictions on timber harvests and road-building on public lands.

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Instead of cutting timber in Idaho and elsewhere in the West, we burn much of it up every summer in wildfires fueled by dense forest growth on untouched tracts of national forest land.

Nowhere is Clintonism imbedded in public-lands policy more thoroughly than in the Forest Service, and it's time the Bush administration started changing that.

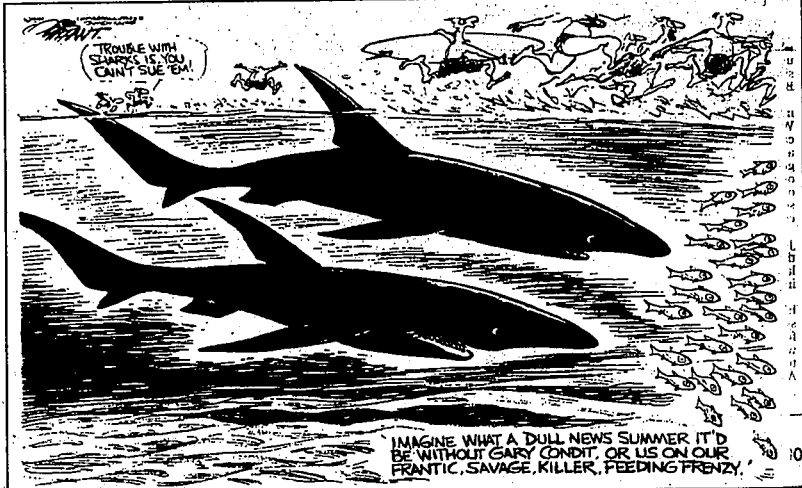
The mandate of the Forest Service should be protecting public lands, not putting them off limits. Forest-products companies should be able to make a living without jeopardizing our national forest resources.

If they were permitted to do so, there would be less need for tariffs on Canadian lumber. We'd be using American wood instead.

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# Still fighting the Florida election

ROBERT ZELNICK

After the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights reported in June that black voters in Florida had been discriminated against in last fall's presidential election, dissenting commission members asked scholar John R. Lott Jr. to take a look at the commission's numbers. Lott's analysis shows that the majority's selective statistical review had led to a distorted conclusion.

Enter the New York Times with its July analysis on the treatment of overseas absentee ballots. Here, there were several reasons to count every vote. First, most voters were absent because they were serving their country. Also, a 1986 federal law allows Americans living abroad who fail to receive state absentee ballots to cast a generic federal ballot.

had no proof voters' using the generic federal ballot had met the deadline for requesting absentee state ballots.

Did the Times invent against this gross disenfranchisement of U.S. service people and others? No, the newspaper charged instead that, since ballots with the same characteristics had been counted by some Florida counties, Bush's Florida victory had been tainted by "flawed ballots." Thus, counting a vote where the voter had failed to follow instructions is good, but counting what a federal court held were valid votes of military forces is bad.

The commission found, for example, "a direct correlation between race and having one's vote discounted as a spoiled ballot." But Lott found that the highest rates of rejected ballots from blacks came in counties controlled by Democrats with black election supervisors. Clearly voter error was linked to education, income and literacy. But the innuendo of wrongdoing dies hard.

Nevertheless, an army of Gore lawyers fanned out across Florida determined to block as many of the feared military ballots as possible. In counties won by Mr. Bush, 29 percent of the overseas ballots were disqualified; in those captured by Mr. Gore, the figure was 60 percent. A federal judge later held that hundreds of overseas ballots were improperly thrown out either because they failed to carry an overseas postmark or because officials

Whereas some seek to restore the temple of trust on which free government must stand, others play penny-ante Sampson and shake that temple to its foundation.

Remember the fuss over "under-votes"? About 2 percent of the ballots recorded no vote for the presidency. Most of the "decisions" made by politically agnostic, racially neutral machines were because voters had failed to follow instructions.

But how would the "stolen election" crowd respond to an outrageous case of ballot disqualification engineered by politically motivated human beings?

For good measure, a 1980s consent decree forced Florida to end a rule disqualifying overseas ballots that do not have an Army Post Office, Fleet Post Office or overseas postmark.

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## LETTERS

### 'Hunting club' ruins tradition

For the past 15 years, my family has hunted in Unit 49 around Little Wood Reservoir. Almost every year, we all end up taking our guns home.

Last year, when we went up to scout our favorite hunting spot before the season began, we noticed that the area had "No Trespassing" signs on it. I then made a phone call to the Bureau of Land Management to find out who owned the land. They told me that John Peavey, owner of Flat Top Sheep Co., owned it. As responsible sportsmen, we contacted Mr. Peavey and asked for permission to hunt on his land. He kindly told us "yes" and seemed very appreciative that we took the time to ask.

This July, I called Mr. Peavey to ask permission to hunt this upcoming season only to be greatly disappointed. He told me that this year, his son, Tom Peavey, was turning all of their land into a private hunting club.

I contacted Tom Peavey to talk to him about this "Hunting Club." Tom told me that Flat Top Sheep Co. was closing all of its land to the general public. Tom also told me that only 100 hunters and fishermen would be allowed access. He also informed me that he was charging \$250 for a permit to have this access. He then said he would mail me a map of the boundaries of his hunting club. Mr. Peavey told me he was doing this because last year he had some 900 hunters and fishermen on his land.

After receiving his map, I was saddened to discover that many of the most popular hunting areas in Unit 49 were now a part of the hunting club. These areas include Little Wood Reservoir, Bell Mountain, Muldoon, Mormon Hill, and all the area around Little Wood Reservoir.

I hope the other 800 people that won't be allowed on Mr. Peavey's land take a stand by voicing our opinions to our local commissioners of the Idaho Fish and Game. I feel that the commissioners need to step up and take some action to these

greedy landowners. One way would be not to give them any landowner permits and not pay any depreciation costs until they allow public access to the animals that are owned by the state of Idaho.

I just hope, Mr. Peavey, that the \$200 you are making off of your "Hunting Club" is enough satisfaction to overcome the conscience of knowing that you just ruined 800 sportsmen's family traditions.

**JEVON BENSON**  
 Jerome

### Charge of show sabotage is unfair

The Third Annual Jerome Car Show was a great success with thousands of onlookers and hundreds of cars exhibited.

It is too bad that Mrs. Geiger, promoter of the Antique Car Show was so dismayed at the success of the show, a show that resulted in pleasure for thousands and a large economic benefit to the Jerome area.

To write that my husband, Joe, sabotaged her show was very unfair. He purposely displayed the Jerome Car Show for one week to avoid a conflict with the antique show.

As for the banner placement on South Lincoln Street, Joe made a request last May to use the banner space for 12 days preceding the Jerome Car Show. No one at the city hall was ordered to do anything. The employees merely followed the schedule as requested by any party who desires banner placement.

The Jerome Fire Department, realizing there would be a huge crowd, watered down the surrounding area the day before the show out of courtesy to the attendees as well as the show cars.

Although the Antique Car Show has become smaller over the past few years, success is desired for those people. However, their director should not take out her frustrations on others who work for the benefit of the community with no compensation taken nor expected.

**LOIS SKAUG**  
 Jerome

### Official clarifies banner policy

This letter is intended to clarify the city policy and to congratulate the car show that recently occurred.

The city only has one location it can use to hang banners and large signs. A request for banner locations are taken on a "first-come, first-served" basis at no charge to the public. Banners for events are not randomly taken down. The city tries its best to accommodate all parties and interests. Interested individuals can contact the city clerk for more information on the city's policy governing banners and banner locations. Interested individuals are also encouraged to contact the city's public works department for banner construction requirements.

The city of Jerome's fire department used the car show as an exercise. It did spray the dust and will do so for people who ask as long as the personnel is available and the actions can be justified by the city's fire chief.

It should be stated that the mayor and members of the city council do not receive special favors by city employees. They are required to follow the same rules, procedures and policies that we follow. To say this is not the case is unfounded. In fact, Councilman Skaug reserved the banner more than two months in advance of his event.

The city of Jerome appreciates the efforts of both car show groups. Both are considered to be a success in the eyes of the city of Jerome, its residents

### Official clarifies banner policy

and retail entities. Thank you to both for their effort, energies and time and for making Jerome and the Magic Valley a wonderful place to work, live and play.

**TRAVIS ROTHWEILER**  
**KATHY MILLER**  
 Jerome  
 (Editor's note: Travis Rothweiler is the Jerome city administrator and Kathy Miller is the Jerome city clerk-treasurer.)

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entire southeast portion of Twin Falls during processing and the many other smells that come from other local processors, including Lamb Weston and Glanbia.

Heaven forbid that we would complain about human smell or the smell of a major local factory. Let's pick on the dairies and especially Mr. Haflinger! From a fellow "Mustang," my hat goes off to you, Hank, for having the smallest cows in the Magic Valley!

Perhaps you should consider changing your name to Simplot or Monfort. No complaints registered to any of their facilities throughout the Western United States - better yet, maybe another dairy buyout program will transpire, allowing any or all dairy men to cash out from this less-than-gracious area and thus return it back to the Neanderthal status it once enjoyed.

**ROBERT BLACKFORD**  
 Twin Falls

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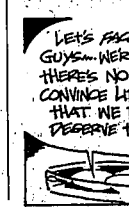
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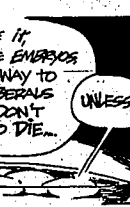
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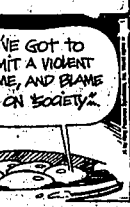
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# -Suing - not baseball - is our national pastime

AMY RIDENOUR

**A**TLANTA - In the greed-focused world of personal injury lawyers, no good deed goes unnoticed. Take, for instance, a simple act of kindness by Atlanta Braves' outfielder Andrew Jones. In an era when utility infielders make more in one season than Willie Mays did in his entire career and often act as arrogantly as a British prince, Jones made a generous gesture to his fans the other day. He caught a ball in the outfield and tossed it over his shoulder into the stands, so a fan could have a coveted souvenir. Now a woman is suing both Jones and the Braves, claiming through her personal injury lawyer that the ball struck and injured her face. If she is successful - and who'd bet against it at this point - some sympathetic jury will award her a few million dollars. Her lawyer will take his standard 25 percent to 40 percent cut plus expenses. And they'll walk happily out of

the courtroom - case closed. Case closed perhaps, but the game will have just started. Personal injury lawyers in all 30 major league cities - like pigs on a hog farm at feeding time - will start watching for similar incidents in their hometowns. A prediction: Major League Baseball will react quickly to any surge in lawsuits. The first and most logical step likely would be to impose a ban on players flinging baseballs into the stands - severing one of the few remaining links between pampered multimillionaire athletes and the millions of hard-working fans whose ticket purchases pay their salaries. Another prediction: That move - drastic as it may seem - won't stop the personal injury lawyers. It's not hard to imagine that they'll respond by running ads in

sports sections of newspapers seeking people who've been victimized by a foul ball, an errant throw or the splintered end of a broken bat. Eventually, Major League Baseball may have to encircle its ballpark with walls of wire mesh or 50-foot partitions of tempered glass similar to those that protect hockey fans from 100 mph slapshots. Baseball may not be totally ruined by such developments, but it certainly will lose some of its appeal for any Little League or adult who ever took a mitt to the stadium in hopes of shagging a foul ball. Is this a frivolous lawsuit - or what? Baseball public address announcers frequently warn the crowd about the possibility of balls landing in the stands. The warnings usually are repeated in print on tickets and in programs, and flashed on scoreboards as well. No one in their right mind would go to Camden Yards or

Wrigley Field or Busch Stadium or Fenway Park and not expect a ball - whether fair or foul - to be lofied or lined their way. For most fans that's part of the thrill of baseball along with an ice-cold beverage, a hot dog peanuts and Cracker Jacks. That thrill is about to vanish - thanks to avaricious lawyers ready to sue at the drop of a resin bag. Baseball is not the only target under attack. Wherever there's a possibility of human error, the lawyers swiftly swarm by the hundreds - like those sharks off the coast of central Florida in mid-August. A man orders a tattoo artist to put a misspelled word on his arm - and later, sues. A drunken woman falls off a barstool and dies - her heirs sue. At some point enough Americans are going to have to make their voices heard and demand that our legal system stop rewarding frivolous lawsuits that are more about greed than they are about legal justice.

To accomplish that objective, they'll have to speak louder than the \$124 million that the nonpartisan Center for Responsive Politics says personal injury lawyers clanked into political campaign coffers in election-year 2000. If the case filed against Andrew Jones and the Atlanta Braves is any indication, American voters better do it sooner rather than later.

After all, most of the people I know can live without a tattoo. But allowing lawyers to water-down the national pastime into an insipid and sterile experience - that borders on un-American.

Amy Ridenour is president of the National Center for Public Policy Research, a conservative, free-market think tank.

## LETTERS

### Of what value is salary info?

I question what value the request for individual names of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center employees holds for both *The Times-News* and the community. Do you intend to discredit the value of health-care employees in our community? Do you intend to discredit the capabilities of the board of directors, administration and management of the hospital? Your editorial states you need names to track how much employees' salaries have increased over the past couple of years. You can accomplish this with the information you already have. As well, I would think it would be prudent for you to compare this information to market survey data in your quest to determine if MVRMC pay practices are out of line. Leave MVRMC employees out of the political mayhem surrounding around the issue of whether the hospital should be sold or leased. These are committed, hard-working individuals who have a right to privacy. What you fail to realize is that in a highly competitive market for qualified staff, the printing of this information will place

MVRMC at a disadvantage to recruit and retain staff. If you haven't noticed by all the ads, there is a shortage of health-care professionals in this community, as well as across the country. Don't exacerbate the already difficult process of recruiting qualified individuals by publishing private information. With no sound reason being presented for printing this information, I urge all other "public" employees to consider your own vulnerability to this type of request. **R'NEE MULLEN** *Editor* (Editor's note: R'Nee Mullen is the Management Information Systems director at MVRMC.)

### Decision stops free speech

Congratulations to all you folks who were able to stop Mr. Jeremy Rifkin from speaking at the Success Breakfast this year. Due to your diligence, an evil has been thwarted and a precedent has been established. If this dastardly, internationally known lecturer and best-selling author had been allowed to speak at this year's breakfast, who knows who we might contract with next: a

lactose-intolerant Democrat from Orange County, Calif., or possibly some politically biased heathen from other than the Protestant faith or, good heavens, maybe a female Jewish vegetarian from Gooding who is not married to a rancher. The situation could have gone from bad to worse had you vigilant folks not stepped in and nipped it in the bud. Whatever happened to one of the beliefs that helped found this country that read something like this (not verbatim)? "I may not agree with what you say, but I will defend unto death your right to say it." **ARCHIE GOODMAN** *Twin Falls*

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Section B

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Accident leads to school evacuation

**HAILEY** - Students and staff were evacuated from Hailey Elementary School Thursday after construction workers ruptured a gas line with a bulldozer while doing work on the nearby Kidshop module, according to a news release from the Blaine County School District.

The Fire Department, Sheriff's Department and Intermountain Gas responded to the incident and gas lines were shut off at 11:40 a.m. Students were taken to the west side of the school yard. By 11:50 the situation was under control and students were back in the building before the noon lunch bell rang, the news release said.

### Snake avoidance clinic takes place Sept. 8

**TWIN FALLS** - The Southern Idaho Pointing Dog Association will present a Snake Avoidance Clinic on Sept. 8 at the Twin Falls Gun Club, located at 2900 E. 4150 N. (Washington Street North on the canyon rim).

The clinic is designed to teach dogs to avoid snakes by sight, smell and sound. Cost is \$25 per dog. Anyone interested should call Robert Bohling at 543-4556 between 7 and 10 p.m. Monday through Wednesday to reserve a time to run their dogs.

### Herrett Center gets ready for school year

**TWIN FALLS** - The Herrett Center for Arts and Science at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls will return to its school year schedule Tuesday.

The center's hours will be 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, and 1 to 9 p.m. Saturdays.

The Faulkner Planetarium show schedule will change at that time as well. "The Search for Life in the Universe" narrated by Leonard Nimoy will show at 7 p.m. Tuesday and Friday evenings. "The Dinosaur Chronicles," which highlights the rise and fall of the age of dinosaurs, will show at 2 p.m. Saturdays. "The Explorers," which details how man has navigated by the stars, will show at 4 p.m. Saturdays. And the backyard astronomy show "More Than Meets the Eye" will show at 7 p.m. Saturdays.

A new art show, "Stealing History," will debut at 7 p.m. Sept. 11. Idaho artist David Gliese of Moscow has created a fictional Italian villa, complete with architectural fragments and frescoes.

The Herrett's Simon Collection, an extremely rare cache of exotic 12,000-year old points and bifaces found by Fairfield, is on display in the Footsteps Gallery. A growing collection of photographs in the Herrett's Browning/Keveren gallery is dedicated to the upcoming Twin Falls Centennial observance in 2004 and features historic photographs of the area taken by local pioneer photographer Clarence Bibebe.

Admission to the Herrett's galleries is free. Admission to the planetarium is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students and \$9 for families of two adults and up to five children.

### Kimberly moves forward with new sewer project

**KIMBERLY** - The city is now accepting construction bids for the next phase of the sewer improvement project.

Also Tuesday, City Clerk Kim Martin the council seats currently held by Ted Wasko and George Plew will be up for reelection.

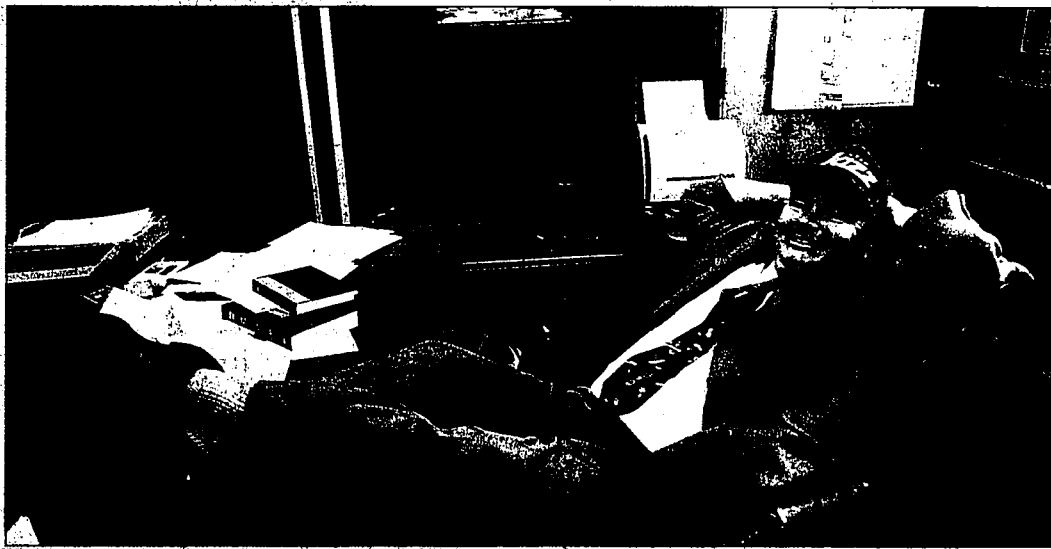
Those interested in running for the seats can pick up a petition at the city office. Petitions must be signed by 27 registered voters and returned to the office by Sept. 27.

Compiled from staff reports

# Generation of judgment

*'He's a very compassionate guy, and he's been faulted at times for being too lenient - but it's a result of his wishing to treat people fairly.'*

- John Hepworth, Twin Falls attorney



After 31 years as a judge in Twin Falls, retiring 8th District Judge Daniel B. Meehl plans to cut back on the throttle and catch a few ball games.

## Judge hangs up his robes after 31 years

By William E. Brock  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Daniel B. Meehl, Idaho's third-longest-serving judge and a man with an unquenchable thirst for knowledge, will hang down the gavel on a long and distinguished career today.

In nearly 10 years as a magistrate and 21 years as a district judge, Meehl has seen the worst that southern Idaho has to offer. A sad succession of forgers, burglars, barroom bullies, baby bashers and murderers - most of them addicted to methamphetamine or alcohol - has shuffled through his courtroom. His civil court docket has been similarly full of people suing one another.

Through it all, Meehl, 61, has called 'em as he's seen 'em.

"It may be unpopular, but you have to have the courage to say, 'This is what's legally right,'" Meehl says, "and if the voters don't like it, they can vote me out."

**Angry citizens**  
They probably would have if Meehl had been up for election in the first few months of 2000.

Meehl had just passed sentence on a former Twin Falls sheriff's deputy, Jesse Thrush, for killing his girlfriend's baby. A shrewd observer of the human condition, Meehl believed Thrush posed little

threat to society - so he ordered the deputy to spend 180 days in jail. The idea was to evaluate Thrush, then decide if a prison sentence should be imposed.

Most folks missed the subtlety of Meehl's decision, interpreting it as simply six months in jail for killing a 2-year-old girl. *The Times-News* published a flood of outraged letters to the editor. For a while, Meehl was second only to Thrush as the most-reviled man in southern Idaho.

Most folks also missed it when, in August 2000, Meehl ordered Thrush to prison after his initial 180-day stay in the cross-bar motel. (Thrush was paroled recently and is now reported to be living in Montana.)

"He is one of the most compassionate people I've ever known," says Twin Falls attorney John Hohnhorst, who will succeed Meehl as a district judge. "His motivations are always pure, and he wants to do the right thing. That may be his Achilles heel, because he agonizes over every detail."

Meehl says his job is to judge whether

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### Hear Ye, Hear Ye

Friends and colleagues comment about retiring 8th District Judge Dan Meehl

*'He's a very compassionate guy, and he's been faulted at times for being too lenient - but it's a result of his wishing to treat people fairly.'*

- John Hepworth, Twin Falls attorney

*'He tried hard to do the right thing, and he was very conscientious about doing it.'*

- Paul Beeks, Twin Falls attorney

*'Some people have been inclined to underestimate Dan. He's very soft-spoken, very private, very retiring. He does not walk up and assert himself.'*

- John Hohnhorst, Twin Falls attorney and Meehl's successor on the district bench

*'I always found Dan to be knowledgeable and fair - and whether you won or lost, you always had a fair trial in his court. Clients felt the same way.'*

- William Parsons, Burley attorney

*'Without his example and encouragement, I*

would not have been so eager to earn my Ph.D. and pursue a career as a college professor.'

- Kelly Patterson, Political Science Department chairman, Brigham Young University

*'He was absolutely head over heels in love with his late wife, Maureen. I remember how much they laughed together and the good times in which they wanted all to share.'*

- Kelly Patterson, Political Science Department chairman, Brigham Young University

*'He was very objective and willing to listen to new ideas. He wasn't afraid to take a position on a new concept that was outside the generally accepted confines of the law.'*

- Lloyd Webb, Twin Falls attorney and former district judge

*'Dan liked to compromise, and he would work toward a compromise if the parties would go that route. In the legal community, it was sometimes said that he liked to cut the baby in half and give something to everybody.'*

- Lloyd Webb, Twin Falls attorney and former district judge

*'He enjoyed a good laugh at the absurdity of life and the absurdity of the law. He wasn't always a poker-faced judge, but he always maintained control of his courtroom.'*

- Lloyd Webb, Twin Falls attorney and former district judge

## Patient costs will rise at hospital

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** - Patient costs at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center are slated for a 6 percent increase Oct. 1.

The hospital Finance Committee approved a fiscal year 2002 budget outline at its meeting Wednesday. The budget will go before the full Hospital Board for approval Sept. 10.

"This is, and continues to be, in line with national averages," said John Groesbeck, the hospital's budget director.

The coming 6 percent increase follows a 6 percent increase a year ago.

Total hospital operating revenue and expenses are expected to increase by 7.6 percent in 2002. The hospital's fiscal year runs from October to September,

and year-end tallies for the current budget year are estimated based on performance to date. Operating revenue next year is expected to increase from this year's estimated year-end total of \$73.9 million to \$79.6 million. Total estimated operating expenses of \$71.7 million this year are projected to grow to \$77.2 million next year.

That results in the county-set operating margin of 3 percent - \$2.3 million - to reinvest in the hospital.

"Probably fewer than 50 percent of hospitals nationwide are capable of doing that," Groesbeck said.

New doctor recruits this year in the fields of psychiatry, internal medicine, pediatrics, surgery and neurology are built into the budget.

"I think that is a good example

of how physicians in the community drive what's at the hospital," said Shawn Barigar, hospital spokesman.

Recruiting efforts are focused on attracting an additional internist, anesthesiologist, cardiologist, pulmonologist, a female obstetrician/gynecologist, and a nephrologist.

The hospital has budgeted a 4.4 percent increase in total hospital salary expenditures, up from an estimated \$31.7 million by the end of this fiscal year to a projected \$33 million for next year. Employee raises are budgeted for an across-the-board increase of 3 percent and an average market increase of 6.5 percent.

The hospital reports it is looking to keep salary costs down and improve efficiency by reduc-

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## Twin Falls lags behind nation in seatbelt use

The Times-News and The Associated Press

**TWIN FALLS** - More city drivers are buckling up, according to a recent study by the Idaho Transportation Department.

But the city still lags behind the national average for seat belt usage.

Seat belt usage in the city of Twin Falls was estimated at 65 percent in 2000 - an increase from 39 percent in October 1999.

While more city drivers are putting on their seat belts, seat belt use nationwide is down.

Capt. Dan Hall of the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office said recent numbers show that seat belt use in the county was at 53 percent in May, down from 70

percent about eight years ago.

"I know that back eight years ago, we got our first traffic grant to put traffic deputies on," Hall said. "About midway through that grant period I know we had seat belt usage up to 70 percent. But somewhere around 1995, 1996, that number decreased."

The sheriff's and police departments have been part of an ongoing program statewide that encourages seat belt use.

Both agencies will conduct surveys this year by stopping vehicles in which the occupants are not wearing seat belts.

By law, Twin Falls police officers can stop an unbelted driver but they don't issue a ticket if

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# Cuts could prompt property tax jump

BOISE (AP) — State budget director Brian Whitlock said Gov. Dirk Kempthorne opposes allowing automatic property tax increases to be triggered by a 1.5 percent holdback in state aid to public schools he ordered Wednesday.

"The governor has made it very clear that this is not to be a tax shift," Whitlock said. "As such, the anticipated property tax action will be taken between now and June 30 to insure that this is

not shifted onto property taxes." He said that means public schools will have to make their case to legislators that the additional money is essential to meet their educational needs and must be made up from some other state source.

Under state law, the governor and the Legislature must make up that \$13.9 million holdback by next June 30 or property taxes will go up in each school district to make up the differ-

ence. That could mean dipping into the \$53 billion Budget Stabilization Account. Or lawmakers could simply approve new legislation officially reducing the general tax allocation to public schools from \$933 million to \$919.1 million to accommodate the holdback.

Whitlock said Kempthorne, despite his commitment to the "Generation of the Child," believes schools must share the

burden of Idaho's economic downturn.

"Is there an impact? Yes," Whitlock said. "Is it a huge impact and something that folks won't be able to absorb? We don't think so."

Kempthorne also ordered a 2-percent holdback in state agency spending, citing new projections that the state will receive \$60.9 million less tax revenue than lawmakers anticipated when they set this year's budget.

# Breath of fresh air?

## Company contends oxygenation system cuts dairy odors

OUTLOOK, Wash. (AP) — George DeRuyter Dairy is a sweeter-smelling place with the help of new technology that degrades manure faster.

"Within two weeks of operation, we noticed a huge reduction in odor," DeRuyter said. "Odors on the lagoon banks are now barely detectable."

The InStream technology, developed by Battelle, converts lagoons from waste storage sites into waste treatment sites.

At the Yakima Valley dairy, 2,600 cows each produce 65 to 85 pounds of waste per day that's washed hourly from cow sheds.

A 1.3-acre lagoon had been equipped with an aeration system that mixed oxygen with water to help bacteria degrade the waste. But the system was inefficient, and so much waste remained that the dairy would have to dredge several feet of sludge out of the 15-foot-deep pool each year.

Meanwhile, Battelle had been helping a North Carolina hog farm, with 72,000 pigs, better manage its animal waste.

"I got wind of this and thought it might help with some of the dairy waste here," said John Jaksch, program manager at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Richland. Battelle operates the lab for the U.S. Department of Energy.

InStream, developed Henry Pate at Battelle's Florida Marine Research Laboratory, uses 10

discs — four feet in diameter — that slowly turn, pulling oxygen into the water. The system shoots water in adjustable horizontal and vertical planes in the lagoons, controlling bacterial activity in an area as large as 1.5 acres.

The new aeration system balances the amount of oxygen in the water, establishing conditions that speed up the breakdown of waste in the 100-million-gallon lagoon.

The system was installed for an initial test at the dairy in January, when cold weather inhibits bacterial activity.

"In three months, the depth of solids dropped from six feet to six inches, and that was during the coldest part of the year," Jaksch said.

"The water that leaves the lagoon, and is applied to the land as fertilizer, is also cleaner."

"It's easier to handle," said Dan DeRuyter, the dairy's manager. "Dirty water plugs up the sprinklers."

The system also reduces the amount of a harmful bacteria, with the potential to cause illness, at the lagoon.

There are about 480 dairies in Washington that would be large enough to use the InStream system, said Larry Dickinson, the chief executive officer at Soil Search, a Kennewick agricultural and environmental services company that is licensed to sell InStream.

"The industry is under tremendous pressure to control odors, and InStream repeatedly has demonstrated its effectiveness in doing so," he said.

He plans to sell the system for less than \$100,000, he said.

# Klamath lawsuit claims conspiracy against farmers

GRANTS PASS, Ore. (AP) — A 72-year-old widow who inherited her father's Klamath Basin home-land is suing environmental and commercial fishing groups, claiming they conspired to shut off water to farmers to buy their land for public open space.

The class-action lawsuit was filed Tuesday in Siskiyou County Superior Court in Yreka, Calif., on behalf of Georgette Kirby of Tulelake, Calif., who owns 80 acres homesteaded by her father, and by California farmers served by the Tule Lake Irrigation District. It seeks unspecified damages.

The lawsuit claims that the defendants conspired to fraudulently persuade the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, which operates the Klamath Project irrigation system, that endangered suckers in Upper Klamath Lake and threatened coho salmon in the Klamath River need water that in the past years has gone to farmers.

Glen Spain of Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations said the lawsuit was an attempt to intimidate anyone trying to show that the federal irri-



Barbara Martin, a real estate agent and member of Farmers Against Regulatory Madness (FARM) raises her arms and cheers as she goes over the fence at the Canal headgates in Klamath Falls, Ore., Wednesday. About 300 protesters climbed a security fence at headgates for the Klamath irrigation project on Wednesday to give federal officers papers claiming the headgates belong to local irrigators, not the federal government.

headgates in place the past century can no longer be sustained.

In Klamath Falls, meanwhile, a skeleton crew of protesters occupied land Thursday around the

"From all indications it's a very peaceful civil disobedience sort of thing and we're just monitoring the situation," said David Jones, spokesman for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, which controls the Klamath Project irrigation system straddling the Oregon-California border.

About a dozen protesters remained Thursday morning, including three inside the security fence, said Klamath Falls police Detective Mike Anderson. There were no arrests.

The protest began after real estate agent Barbara Martin, representing a group calling itself Farmers Against Regulatory Madness, claimed farmers actually owned the irrigation system. A stream of people then climbed a ladder straddling a gate in the fence Wednesday evening.

Members of the crowd presented the papers to the half-dozen U.S. Bureau of Land Management police standing behind yellow barricades to keep anyone from forcing open the headgates controlling water flows into the irrigation system.

## SERVICES

Della Maxine Russell of Jerome, service at 2 p.m. today at the Jerome United Methodist Church; interment will be at the Jerome Cemetery (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Melvin R. Dilworth of Idaho Falls, service at 11 a.m. today at the Idaho Falls LDS 22nd Ward; family will visit with friends one hour before the service at the church; burial will be in the Carey Cemetery (Wood Funeral Home, Idaho Falls).

Charles R. Frost of Rupert, informal memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Rupert Cemetery (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Jean McCall Keenan Young of Jerome, service and viewing at 11 a.m.

Saturday at Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel, 3rd and Fillmore, in Jerome; cremation will take place following the services.

Clarice M. Shaw of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 2628 Whispering Pine Drive.

George Michael 'Mike' Magee of Twin Falls, service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Kimberly Nazarene Church in Kimberly; interment will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery; visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. today at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Pauline Pearl Fyke Strooschein of

Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Twin Falls at the corner of Heyburn and Maurice streets; graveside service at 4 p.m. Saturday at Mountain View Cemetery, Section 25 East Row 13, in Pocatello; friends may call from 6-9 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Charles Thomas 'Chuck' Koch of Twin Falls, private services will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday in Twin Falls (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Bessie F. Lowe of Placerville, Calif. and former of Heyburn and Maurice streets; graveside service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; interment will follow at the West End Cemetery in Buhl.

## DEATH NOTICES

**Merlyne Dale Olson**  
 JEROME — Merlyne Dale Olson, 83, of Jerome and formerly of McAdoo, Nev., died Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2001, at St. Benedict's Long Term Care unit in Jerome. At her request no formal services will be held. Interment will take place in the Jerome Cemetery under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

**Edwin A. King**  
 WENDELL — Edwin A. King, 83, of Wendell died Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2001, at home. Services will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

## HOSPITALS

**MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**  
 Some names are omitted at the patient's request.

**MINIDOKA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
 Some names are omitted at the patient's request.

**Admitted**  
 Leona Andersen of Rupert, Brancel B. Page of Heyburn and Amy Herrera of Paul Dismissed  
 Elana Vega of Rupert and Amy Herrera of Paul

## OBITUARIES

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### TWIN FALLS



**Mazie Lillian Tanner**  
 Mazie Lillian Tanner, 94, of Twin Falls died Wednesday, August 29, 2001, at Twin Falls Clinic And Hospital.

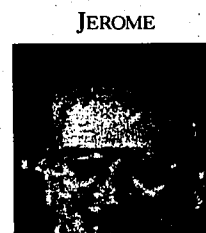
She was born August 31, 1906, in Vanduser, Missouri, the daughter of James and Nona Boyett Wallace. She married C. H. Tanner on September 15, 1924, in Oram, Missouri. Mazie worked for many years as a cook at Morningside School in Twin Falls and in Richfield. She also opened up her home and gave care to the elderly as well as working in nursing homes. She loved to fish and especially enjoyed her times in Alaska.

Mazie is survived by one daughter, Opal McGlochin of Twin Falls; two sons, James Tanner of Boise, AZ and William Tanner of Nampa, ID; 20 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren and one sister, Nona Aleta Garnett of Sikeston, Missouri.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, three sons, two great grandchildren, three brothers and one sister.

Graveside services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, September 1, 2001, at Richfield Cemetery in Richfield, ID, with the Rev. Marvin Huysler officiating.

### JEROME



**Boyd Rydalch**  
 Boyd Rydalch, 91, of Jerome passed away August 30, 2001, in Jerome.

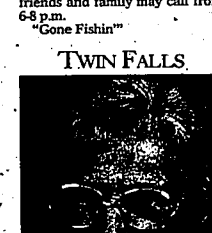
He was born July 20, 1910 in Twin Falls, Idaho to Chester James and Esther Helen Williams Rydalch. Boyd was raised in the Magic Valley. He loved to dance and play bingo. Boyd was a great father and grandfather and he will be missed.

He is survived by three daughters: Marilyn (Ed) Sanchez, Linda (Bob) Giltner and Jeanette Johnson; grandchildren: Tracy Williamson, Brian Williamson, Scott (Holly) Giltner, Tami Giltner (Luke) McCoy, Sandy (Brian) Pitcock, Buck Taylor and Nikee (Justice) Kramer. He is also survived by seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers and three sisters.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, September 1, 2001, at 11 a.m. in the Jerome Cemetery, West Avenue 1 and South Fir Street, Jerome, Idaho. A visitation will be held this evening,

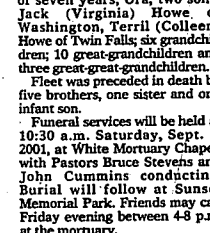
### TWIN FALLS



**Fleet Simpson**  
 Fleet Simpson, 87, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, August 29, 2001, at her home.

She was born in Berryville, Arkansas, on October 25, 1913, to Robert and Jane Ross. Fleet moved to Hansen, Idaho, with her mother in 1936. Fleet lived and worked in Hansen for many years. She was head cook for the Hansen schools for 10 years. In 1962, she and her family moved to Twin Falls. At this time she was working at the Kimberly Research Center. Fleet worked at the center for 18 years until her retirement in 1980. Fleet was a member of Royal Neighbors, Valley Christian Church and NARFE. She was an avid gardener and loved growing all types of plants both indoors and out. She was also a cat lover. She had a very kind heart and would mother any stray cat in the neighborhood. After her retirement Fleet was able to fulfill her dream of traveling. She took many trips which included Hawaii, Alaska, Australia, New Zealand, Tahiti,

### BURLEY



**George Johnson**  
 George Johnson, 89-year-old Burley resident died Wednesday, August 29, 2001, at the Cassia

### Regional Medical Center in Burley

He was born on April 12, 1912, at Salt Lake City, Utah, the son of Axel Edward and Carolina Len Pebrdrotter Johnson. He moved to Burley with his family at a young age, where he attended schools graduating from Burley High School. He met and married Gladys Laferi Moffett on September 15, 1936, at Logan, Utah. George worked on the family farm in the Springdale area and was very active in the community. He was very active in local and national politics. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and had served as bishop of the Springdale Ward and in many other leadership positions.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys of Burley; four daughters: Carol (John) Boyd of Eagle Mountain, Utah, Louise (Peter) Meline of Moorpark, California, Sharon (Duane) Hiatt of Provo,

### Utah and Kathryn (John) Schorzman of Sublett; four sons, Lynn Johnson of Las Vegas, Nevada, Steven (Francine) of Tropic, Utah, Ronald (Judy) Johnson of California and Gile (Mitz) Johnson of Winslow, Arizona; 60 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren.

George was preceded in death by his parents, three children, Marshall, Elaine and Arthur; seven brothers and a sister.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 1, 2001, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Springdale 2nd Ward, 200 S. 475 E., Burley, with Bishop Greg Lowe officiating. Burial will be at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary, 221 West Main Street in Burley, Friday from 6-8 p.m. and at the church from 10:10-45 a.m. prior to funeral on Saturday.

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# World War II veteran receives diploma

By Lorraine Cavenor  
Times-News correspondent

**SHOSHONE** - It was an emotional day for a few people in Shoshone Thursday.

Curwin L. Bowcutt graduated from high school.

The ceremony for the 75-year-old man was held at his home in the dining room at the Shoshone Rehab and Living Center.

Bowcutt would have graduated from Bellevue High School, but after his junior year he was called away to serve in World War II.

"There were three of us in our class who were drafted between our junior and senior year," said Lorraine Johnson, a classmate of Bowcutt, who attended the ceremony.

"He went to Europe, and I went to the Pacific," Johnson said.

After their military service, the veterans kept in touch over the years.

Heather Williams, the activities director at the center, said she looked in old high school yearbooks and found several other classmates, who were



Curwin L. Bowcutt receives a cake from Heather Williams, activities director at Shoshone Rehab and Living Center. Bowcutt received his high school diploma Thursday.

invited to the ceremony. Nancy Bowcutt, Curwin's wife, was also there at the celebration with her husband.

"We were high school sweethearts," she said.

When Curwin came home after the war he married her, and the couple has been married for 54 years, she said.

He always told her that he wanted to get his high school diploma, she said.

Ron Bowcutt, Curwin's son, made arrangements with the center for the celebration. His father did not know about the event until Williams wheeled him into the dining room.

When he entered the room, his face was choked with emotion, and he was so overwhelmed he could not speak. But he saluted the crowd just before Jim Lewis, superintendent of the Blaine County School District, presented him with his high school diploma.

"Thank you for graduating, and also thanks for your service in World War II," Lewis said.

The crowd burst into applause, cameras flashed, and more than a few faces in the room were streaked with tears.

# Farmers can dispose of unused pesticides safely

By Ruth Streeter  
Times-News writer

**BURLEY** - Since 1993, farmers have had a safe alternative to dumping unused pesticides down the drain - and it's free.

Next month, growers around the Magic Valley will have three drop-off locations at which they can dispose of their unused, expired or unregistered pesticides.

Since 1993, the Idaho State Department of Agriculture has disposed of 357,381 pounds of unused pesticides, according to a Minidoka County extension agency news release. The program accepts only pesticides.

## Drop-off locations

**BURLEY:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 13 at the U.S. Bureau of Land Management, 3630 Overland Ave.

**TWIN FALLS:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 14 at the Twin Falls Canal Co. office, 357 5th Ave. W.

**JEROME:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 15 at the Jerome County Fairgrounds office, 711 Second Ave. W.

Paint, motor oil and antifreeze are not allowed.

There is no cost to the grower for the first 1,000 pounds of pesticides.

The program keeps people from dumping their pesticides

down the drain or outside, where it runs the risk of contaminating municipal water supplies or groundwater, said Minidoka County Extension Agent Matt Schuster.

People are also free to bring in pesticides that have expired or which are no longer officially registered, Schuster said.

The ISDA keeps the names of all participants confidential and has a no-questions-asked policy, so that people bringing in unregistered pesticides have no fear of being penalized, Schuster said. People don't need to pre-register for the program, but can still contact the ISDA to obtain heavy-duty plastic bags to safely transport the pesticides.

Those who participate in the program are required to safely transport the pesticides to the site in accordance with state and federal laws.

Pesticides can be dropped off between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Sept. 13 at the U.S. Bureau of Land Management office in Burley, on Sept. 14 at the Twin Falls Canal Co. office, or Sept. 15 at the Jerome County Fairgrounds office in Jerome.

For information, or for advice on how to package and transport the pesticides, call ISDA's Jim Childs at 736-4759, Rod Gabehart at 736-4759 and Dean Smith at 736-5277.

# Judge

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people have violated the law, then impose a sentence to protect society from a repeat performance.

"I'm not going to judge them as human beings," he says, adding a line from Pope John Paul II to the effect that wrongdoers are "slaves to their passions."

## Man for all seasons

If Meehl is a slave to his passions, then it is to his passion for knowledge. A relentlessly curious man, he is constantly on the prowl for new information. To feed that appetite, he regularly visits local hotels to collect out-of-town newspapers left by overnight guests.

His store of information is vast - and eclectic.

Ask him, and he'll tell you about proper etiquette at all-night dance "raves." A month later, he'll tell you how justice in, say, Afghanistan, reflects that country's cultural and religious traditions. After that, he'll tell you why social unrest is more likely to boil over in times of economic hardship than in good times.

They are seemingly unrelated bits of knowledge, but Meehl has woven them all together in a seamless tapestry of wisdom. In effect, he has become a tribal elder for all of southern Idaho.

"Dan has always had the discerning eye to know who really needed to be spanked," Hohnhorst says. "He knew who the good guys were and who the good guys weren't."

The upshot is a judge who was "legally street smart," adds Lloyd Webb, a longtime Twin Falls attorney who served a few years as a district judge.

"He knew instinctively when to get tough and when not to," Webb says. "He has a practical way about him that cuts through the formalities and gets to the bottom line."

**RESPECT**

Virtually everyone who has lived in

# Seatbelts

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there's no other violation. They can lecture the driver about the importance of seat belt use.

"We're participating in emphasis campaigns targeting seat belt enforcement," Hall said.

So why are county drivers using their seat belts less than city drivers?

"Some people may feel when they are driving in a higher traffic involvement, they might need it more," Hall said. "Or quite possibly because the city police department has put more involvement into it."

Everyone should buckle up, Hall said. The bottom line is that we'd really like people to be safe," he said.

Nationwide, more people than ever are wearing seat belts and fewer children are being killed by air bags, according to an Associated Press story.

The government says there's new evidence that the decades-long focus on auto safety is paying off.

Automakers are building safer vehicles, and experts say people's behavior is the big reason for reduced highway fatalities.

The most crashworthy vehicle, the most well-designed car in the world is not going

Twin Falls long enough has a favorite Dan Meehl story. Some are funny, some are poignant - and all are revealing.

Marge Hoops, a friend for more than 30 years, says she's always been struck by Meehl's devotion to his children - whom he adopted, then raised as a single father after his wife, Maureen, died after a sudden illness.

"If all natural fathers could be the equal of Dan Meehl, it would really be something," Hoops says.

Amen, says Webb. "The marvelous way he went about taking care of those kids - who had only been his for a few years - engendered a lot of respect from me," says Webb. "There aren't a lot of people who would have been eager to become a single father of four."

His children - Mark, Helen, John and Bob - turned out just fine. For Meehl, the experience of raising them instilled a profound respect for single mothers.

His innate compassion earned Meehl a reputation as a soft sentiment, but it also triggered a performance that Hohnhorst will never forget.

Years ago, a burglar broke into an old widow's home, beat her, raped her, stole her husband's wedding ring, and then left her for dead under a mattress.

"Dan was beyond mad," Hohnhorst recalls. "He gave that guy the maximum on every charge, fixed, and it was consecutive - so they all ran back to back."

"This guy had turned what should have been a golden years in a life of pain, so Dan nailed him. Absolutely nailed him," Hohnhorst says. "It was so proud I wanted to cheer for him."

**Fortunate son**

A lot of people have wanted to cheer for Meehl over the years.

Daniel Burnham Meehl was born March 30, 1940, in La Bolla, Calif., then raised in Pasadena, Calif. One of his earliest memories is of his mother entering the bathroom when

Dan was in the tub and announcing the end of World War II in Europe.

Meehl's father was a factory representative for Studebaker cars who later ran a small advertising agency in Pasadena. It was a family of comfortable means, so Meehl attended private schools and then went away to The Thacher School in Ojai, Calif. One of the requirements for admission was owning and maintaining a horse, so Meehl rode least 20 miles a week - and cleaned the stables.

"Since then, I've never felt like owning a horse," he quips.

After high school, Meehl enrolled at Stanford University in the fall of 1959. He graduated with a political science degree in 1962, then stuck around to earn a law degree in 1965.

Meehl wanted to be a law clerk after law school, and one of the few clerkships available was for Idaho Supreme Court Justice C.J. Taylor. Meehl served a standard one-year hitch, but Taylor was so impressed that he asked Meehl to stay on for another year.

"I felt quite honored because I was the first guy he invited back for another year," Meehl says.

**Putting down roots**

Meehl's intention was to return to California, so he took the California bar exam in 1967. He was already a member of the Idaho bar at that point so, to kill time, he came to work as an associate in the Twin Falls law firm of Doug Kramer and Lloyd Walker.

That was in the fall of 1967 - and he's lived here ever since.

One year later, he met his future wife at a bar meeting in Sun Valley. At the time, Maureen Jones was a Boise attorney with four children and an ex-husband. Dan and Maureen exchanged rings and wedding vows on June 6, 1969.

Back then, Meehl was a trial lawyer with a small firm, "so I took any case that walked through the door." He eventually became a

partner in his firm, but his days as a lawyer ended when Idaho reformed its judicial system in 1970.

## All rise

In January 1971, Meehl was appointed to the newly created position of magistrate judge. (As one of Idaho's original magistrates, Meehl's tenure on active duty is eclipsed only by Idaho Supreme Court Justice Gerald Schroeder and Judge Alan Schwartzman of the Court of Appeals.)

Twin Falls was a small town back in the 1970s and life was slower then, Meehl says.

"If someone showed up with a ticket and I was free, they'd bring 'em back to my office," he says. There was no formal fine schedule, so Meehl developed his own.

Paul Smith, a Twin Falls attorney now in private practice, was a colleague of Meehl on the magistrate bench back then. Smith says he was impressed that a man of Meehl's pedigree - with a law degree from Stanford - was such a dedicated magistrate.

"We were completely without resources for so many types of alcoholism, drug addiction, and juvenile facilities," Smith recalls. "He was on many boards, and all of them were directed in an attempt to increase the volume of alternatives for treatment and incarceration."

**Tough times**

Tragedy struck only two months after Meehl was appointed to the magistrate bench. His wife, Maureen, died after a sudden liver illness - and the loss cemented Meehl's future as a judge.

"Here I had four teenagers, and I felt they deserved my time and attention," he says. In fairness to them, he couldn't go back to being a trial lawyer with his frequent long hours and out-of-town travel obligations.

Meehl distinguished himself as a mag-

istrate and, in 1980, then-Gov. John Evans appointed him to succeed District Judge James Cunningham. It was an appointment based on merit, not politics, because Evans was a Democrat and Meehl was a Republican.

**The road ahead**

Meehl says his years as a judge have, at times, been "very tedious and very frustrating." But, he hastens to add, "I feel rewarded by the service."

Though he's retiring, he will continue to be a judge - filling in on an as-needed basis around the state. For example, he'll spend the first week of October on the bench in Sandpoint. He also has a few loose ends to tie up here in Twin Falls, including post-trial motions in a couple of civil trials and a murder sentencing.

Aside from that, Meehl plans to travel and indulge in his love for sports, particularly football, basketball, tennis and soccer. He wants to visit famous stadiums around the world and watch big games between longtime rivals - from the Stanford-Carl game in football to the Inter-ACA Milan derby in Italian soccer.

**Handing over the reins**

Meehl is confident that his successor, Hohnhorst, has the skills to be a good district judge.

Reflecting on his own experience, Meehl says the most important thing "is to make sure that everyone who comes before me understands that I will listen to their case. No matter their race or their economic class, I'm going to do everything I can to treat them equally before the law."

Says Hohnhorst: "If I do half as good a job as he's done over the years, I'll be darn proud of myself."

Times-News writer William Brock has had lunch with Judge Meehl every Wednesday for the past several years. He can be reached at 735-3264.

**Costs**

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ing between 50 and 55 employee positions through attrition. The hospital started the process several months ago and says that so far about 20 positions across the board have been eliminated through attrition.

Total employee salary expenditures this year had grown by 24 percent as of August, an expenditure the hospital said was driven by increased services and market salary adjustments.

Other factors contributing to budget growth include:

- 14 percent increase in inpatient volume, keeping pace with local population growth.
- 5 percent increase in outpatient volume, a conservative projection following growth of 17 percent so far this year.
- 3 percent increase in general inflation.
- 14 percent increase in drug costs and efforts made to reduce patient drug use through drug management practices.
- 42 percent increase in electricity

# Albion approves new budget outline

## Some water, sewer rates may increase

By Mary Lynne Bristol  
Times-News correspondent

**ALBION** - The City Council recently approved a tentative budget, and residents could see their water and sewer bills go up.

The council is planning to hold a public hearing on the budget and proposed amendments to the city's utilities ordinance in September.

If the increase is approved, residents would see their sewer bills go up to \$15 from \$10. Winter water bills would go up to \$25, up from \$20.50, and summer water bills would go up to \$30 from \$25.

The council also increased rates for use of the city's park, effective immediately. The new charges are \$15 per day for RV hookups; \$200 per weekend for group use of the entire park, including the pavilion; \$100 per day for group use of the park; and \$25 per evening for group use of the park and pavilion. Reservations are to be made through the city office. Signs listing the rates will be placed in the park.

In other council business:

- City Clerk Bennie Chathburn noted that highway revenues are down due to a decrease in population as determined by the recent census.

- Chathburn reminded the council that anyone wishing to run for one of the two council positions in November can pick up petitions beginning Sept. 7, the first day they can be filed. The deadline for filing is Sept. 27. At least three sig-

natures of registered voters are needed on each petition. The positions open this year are mayor, currently held by Jim Kelley, and a council position currently held by Rick Mahoney.

- Rod Aho, an account executive with the Bonneville Power Administration, discussed electrical concerns with the council. Electric transmission agreements were the main topic of discussion.

- Lorna Callouette told the council that the street in front of her residence had not been repaired, after it was torn up in order to repair a sewer line.

- "It was to have been fixed in the spring," she said, "and it is dangerous and inconvenient." She also reported that the street light near her home was not working properly.

- Keith Amende, president of the Albion State Normal/College of Southern Idaho Alumni Association, asked for permission to build a structure on the former campus to house the bell that hung in the old Swanger Hall.

- "We would like to place it in front of the museum about where it fell," he said. The council told him to bring a sketch of the proposed project, including exactly where it would be located.

- Sewer repair, which required the mayor to declare a state of emergency and resulted in a large expense, was discussed; the monthlong delay in getting the project underway, showed he was asked to check into what can be done about cattle at large in the city.

- Also, city attorney Kerry McMurray reported that he is still trying to resolve the problems with the Hunter Addition in north Albion.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Magazine raises Olympic chief's hackles

Asks for help in quashing 'Mormon Games' rumors

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Salt Lake Organizing Committee President Mitt Romney says Newsweek magazine is preparing a "divisive and demeaning" article on the influence of the Mormon church...

In the Aug. 13 message, Romney says Newsweek magazine would publish a cover story on "what the media has come to call the Mormon Games."

"We have found no effective way to put an end to the story which, in my view, is divisive and demeaning," wrote Romney, who said his communications chief Caroline Shaw and the committee's public-relations firm, Coltrin & Associates, also were stumped.

"I presume that this story will ultimately be overshadowed by the games, but if you have any suggestions, I'd be happy to hear them," Romney wrote.

Newsweek media relations director Ken Weine refused comment on the story or Romney's characterization of it.

The Salt Lake Tribune reported without attribution that the Newsweek story would focus on the theology of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, not the Winter Olympics.

Another piece on Utah's domi-



Tom Ekelens, owner of the Icehouse Gallery in Salt Lake City will lease the building to a German group that plans to turn it into a hospitality center for the 2002 Winter Olympics.

nant faith is being prepared by The New Yorker magazine for publication as early as October.

The author of that story, Larry Wright, interviewed church President Gordon B. Hinckley, several members of the governing Quorum of Twelve Apostles and Brigham Young University scholars.

"We have no reason whatsoever to believe either article is focused on the Olympics," church spokesman Michael Otterson said.

At least 80 journalists have vis-

ited the church's public-relations office since January.

"And very few have gone into the so-called Mormon Olympics. This has not been an issue for most of the media," Otterson said.

Shaw wouldn't say what actions she and others were taking to "put an end" to the "Mormon Olympics" story.

Trustee Richard Vezel said

Mormon labels undermine the Olympic contributions made by people of other faiths but are inevitable.

"When people look at Utah, it's the Mormon church, the Mormon church. We are stuck with that," Vezel said.

The 1996 Atlanta Games were sometimes called the "Coca-Cola Games" because of the influence of the Atlanta-based soft drink giant and Olympic sponsor.

Idaho secretary of state's deputy launches campaign

BOISE (AP) - Ben Yursa, Secretary of State Pete Cennarussa's chief deputy, is a quarter-century formally launched his Republican campaign on Thursday to succeed his retiring boss and mentor.

About 150 friends and supporters - including some Democrats - gathered on the statehouse steps as the 83-year-old Cennarussa and former Gov. Phil Batt introduced Yursa in his first official appearance as a candidate.

Batt and Cennarussa, who is retiring in 2003 after what will be almost 36 years in office, are co-chairmen of Yursa's campaign for the GOP nomination in next May's primary election.

He is expected to face state Sen. Evan Ferguson of Pocatello. The executive for Idaho Falls-based Melaleuca Inc. recently played a significant, sometimes controversial behind-the-scenes role in the Idaho Redistricting Commission's work to redraw the state's political boundaries.

Batt said on Thursday that Yursa was "just a superbly qualified candidate for an important political office."

"It's a modest man. That may be his biggest problem - getting out and asking for votes," the former governor said. "He doesn't like to ask for anything."

But Yursa, 52, seemed perfect-

ly willing to wade into the crowd of well-wishers Thursday, shaking hands and slapping backs like a political pro rather than a campaign neophyte.

Ironically, Yursa's job for years has involved overseeing all Idaho elections. Cennarussa called him the nation's foremost expert on election law and procedures, and said his work to help train county clerks throughout Idaho has helped keep the state's political machinery running smoothly.

Emphasizing substance over style, Yursa vowed to continue the "fairness, efficiency and service" that have been hallmarks of the secretary of state's office under Cennarussa.

He touted his own experience working with the state Land Board, and in promoting innovation in the office's commercial affairs division.

Yursa said the campaign figures to be the most expensive ever for secretary of state, and he acknowledged that fund-raising could be a problem even with the backing of some GOP heavy-hitters. Besides Batt and Cennarussa, the support of U.S. Reps. Butch Otter and Michael Simpson is trumpeted on his campaign stationery.

Cennarussa often faced only token re-election challenges of an unopposed.

Judge sentences leader of a sadomasochism ring 26 years

SPOKANE (AP) - The leader of a sadomasochism ring whose members kidnapped and raped Japanese college students was sentenced to 26 years in prison on Thursday.

Edmund F. Ball, 40, received one more year on his sentence because he acted as an attorney for the month from Spokane County Superior Judge Linda Tompkins.

Ball was a leader of the Spokane Power Exchange, a sadomasochism group. His accomplices contended that Ball masterminded the rapes and abductions of the Japanese college students.

"But for Mr. Ball, this incident would not have occurred," said Kevin Curtis, an attorney for Mukogawa University in Japan. The Spokane women's university based near Kobe.

Ball pleaded guilty May 25 to three counts of first-degree kid-

napping, two counts of first-degree rape and two counts of witness intimidation stemming from the abductions of three Mukogawa students last Nov. 11.

Earlier this month, Ball tried to withdraw his guilty pleas, contending he was threatened and coerced into making the pleas.

Ball contended co-defendant David Dailey had made threats against his daughter, and that his earlier attorneys had not adequately explained his rights.

Tompkins rejected those arguments, saying Ball had failed to produce evidence to corroborate his claims.

Had Ball gone to trial, he faced a possible life sentence if convicted. Deputy Prosecutor Larry Steinmetz said.

In July, Tompkins sentenced Dailey, 38, to 25 years in prison after he pleaded guilty to kidnapping, rape and assault charges in two separate attacks last fall.

Burning Man Festival draws 24,000 people

BLACK ROCK DESERT, Nev. (AP) - For most of the year, Austin Richards pulls down a six-figure salary as an engineer at Santa Barbara, Calif.-based Indigo Systems Corp., a leading maker of commercial infrared systems.

But during the week leading up to Labor Day, he's Dr. Mega Volt, whose high-voltage pyrotechnics are a top draw at the annual Burning Man counterculture festival on the northern Nevada desert.

With the help of a high-powered machine and stainless steel knit-mesh outfit, the 34-year-old Richards shoots long arcs of electricity from his hands and head during nightly shows on the Black Rock Desert 120 miles north of

Reno near Gerlach. "This is my fantasy of what life should be like all the time," he said. "You can do your favorite things with your best friends all the time, and play and not have a lot of responsibility."

"It has the best job at Indigo, but Burning Man is the most fun thing I do, the highlight of my year."

Richards, who's attending his fifth straight Burning Man, is among 24,000 techies, artists, spiritualists, old hippies and rave regulars expected to attend the 10th annual gathering.

eclectic mix of art and music in a surreal five-square-mile encampment known as Black Rock City. The weeklong gathering on the ancient lake bed climaxes Saturday night with the ceremonial torching of a 70-foot-high wooden effigy of a man for whom the event is named.

Billed as the ultimate celebration of radical self-expression and self-reliance, Burning Man features a crazy, anything-goes atmosphere.

It's a place where men can be seen walking in diapers or skirts and nude women can be seen bouncing on pogo sticks - and no one thinks anything of it.

"It gives us all the artistic and social license to be the children we once were," said Matty the

Mutator, a 31-year-old Los Angeles musician.

"I think it allows us to return to the openness and playfulness that adults were forced to shed. I come here to live out my dreams," added Matty, who was wearing only his goggles and a zebra print G-string.

Organizers and participants criticized the media for focusing on the festival's nudity and drugs, insisting artwork, such as fire-belching sculptures and fish-shaped vehicles, is what makes Burning Man unique.

"You can party anywhere, but you can't see this kind of art anywhere else," said a 41-year-old Ventura, Calif., woman who would only identify herself as Helen 13.

FOR THE RECORD

GOODING - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Gooding County included the following:

Arrests and appearances:

- Michael Scott Aslett, 19, P.O. Box 536, Wendell; possession of controlled substance (two counts); possession/intent to use drug paraphernalia; sentencing Sept. 13; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
John P. Baker, 23, P.O. Box 220, Clinton, Mont.; driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; court trial Nov. 1; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Howard A. DeWitt, 71, 730 S. Wallace St., Wendell; driving under the influence; possession of open container; pleaded innocent; court trial Oct. 25; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Jason D. Gortage, 29, 208 W. 25th, Burley; driving under the influence; possession of controlled substance; possession of open container; change plea; sentencing hearing Sept. 6; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Fintny Ann Kent, 29, 311 16th Ave. N., Nampa; fishing without a license; pleaded innocent; court trial Oct. 4; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Ricardo Lopez-Villa, 19, 2210 California St., Gooding; driving under the influence; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; needs alcohol evaluation; sentencing Sept. 6; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

- Kevin P. Cassidy.
Felipe M. Mireles, 35, 2209 S. 1700 E., Gooding; failure to purchase, invalid driver's license; failure to appear at hearing; status hearing Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Juan D. Ochoa, 17, 3088 S. 2300 E., Wendell; driving under the influence (under 21); arraignment continued Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Christine Lynne Pitman, 30, 587 Hansen No. 8, Idaho Falls; driving without privileges; court trial Oct. 4; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Cesarito Rocha-Rocha, 34, 143 Fourth Ave. W., Wendell; domestic battery; pleaded innocent; court trial Sept. 5; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Ramon O. Segura, 30, 131 W. 850 S., Orem, Utah; driving without privileges; failure to appear at hearing; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Jesus Bernabe Teller, 28, 1525 S. Highway 26, Gooding; domestic battery; resisting, obstructing police officer; pleaded guilty; sentencing Sept. 6; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Jeff R. Waroff, 36, P.O. Box 1216, Mountain Home; driving under the influence (second offense); pleaded innocent; court trial Oct. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Roland Paul Youngblood, 44, 2039 E. 3300 S., Wendell; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; needs alcohol evaluation; sentencing Sept. 6; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Levi D. Crawford, 19, no address available, Hagerman; domestic battery;

possession/intent to use drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; pretrial conference Sept. 13; jury trial Sept. 24; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Marvin E. Daniels, 50, 465 Lake Road, Ozail, Ida.; disqualified driver; status hearing Sept. 6; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Larry J. Davis, 39, 461 W. County Line Road, Gooding; driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; court trial Oct. 25; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Taylor James Delaney, 18, 1017 Wyoming St., Gooding; driving under the influence (under 21); pleaded guilty; sentencing Sept. 13; needs alcohol evaluation; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Brook Len Gills, 29, 207 N. Beverly, Shoshone; driving under the influence; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; needs alcohol evaluation; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Martin Heredia, 21, Clover Creek Road, Gooding; resisting, obstructing police officer; failure to purchase, invalid driver's license; pleaded innocent; court trial Sept. 11; pleaded guilty; probation violation for lowd conducted with child under 16 (two counts); denies allegations; evidentiary hearing Sept. 11; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Mindee D. Karlson, 25, 413 E. Avenue E, Jerome; driving under the influence; change plea; sentencing hearing Sept. 27; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.
Chau-Lin McCellan, 29, 1625 Bob Barron Road, Wendell; driving without

privileges; court trial Oct. 25; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Sentencings:

Victor George Blodgett, 43, P.O. Box 536, Bellevue; pedestrian under the influence; pleaded guilty; fines and costs waived; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Celso F. Rosales, 27, 815 Broadway, Burli; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$25 fine, \$50 suspended; \$75.00 court costs; \$50 public defender fee; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended; 180-day driver's license suspension; 12 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Jason Lester Sutton, 22, 258 F Ave. E, No. 2, Wendell; probation violation for battery; denies allegations; state withdraws probation violation; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Penne Kendall Barker, 32, 20453 N. Main, Carey; inattentive, careless driving; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine, \$250 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; \$50 public defender fee; 90 days in jail, suspended; 12 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; 90-day driver's license suspension at end of sentence; \$200 fine, suspended; \$63.50 court costs; failure to purchase, invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$75.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Alan B. Cook, 20, 1322 Washington,

Twin Falls; littering; pleaded guilty; \$25 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Jaime F. Garcia-Garcia, 28, 300 E. Sixth, Glenns Ferry; possession of open container; pleaded guilty; \$25 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Richard Kendall Marion, 27, 1228 N. Fillmore, Jerome; driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine, \$900 suspended, \$75.00 court costs; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended; 12 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; 90-day driver's license suspension; 12 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Martin Valdez Martinez, 37, 1998 S. 1300 E., Carey; driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine, \$900 suspended, \$75.00 court costs; \$50 public defender fee; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended; 12 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; 90-day driver's license suspension, 30 days absolute; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Clark M. McCrorey, 29, 2700 S. 850 E., Hagerman; driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine, \$900 suspended, \$75.00 court costs; \$50 public defender fee; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended; 12 months' probation supervised at the discretion of probation officer; 90-day driver's license suspension, 30 days immediate; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

James A. Mores, 21, 1912 S. 2175 E., Gooding; failure to purchase, invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$75.50 fine,

\$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Cruz Rodriguez Rubalcava, 30, 631 Proctor, Bliss; driving under the influence; fines and costs waived; 180 days in jail, 180-day driver's license suspension starting after jail time is served; Magistrate Judge Kevin P. Cassidy.

Dismissals:

Robert A. Brown, 18, 323 W. Avenue G, Jerome; possession of controlled substance; dismissed by prosecutor.

Justin Wesley Dunn, 41, 513 E. Avenue G, Wendell; inattentive, careless driving; dismissed by prosecutor.

Billy Joe Gove, 61, 4206 Needin St., Anchorage, Alaska; texting while on train; dismissed by prosecutor.

Federal court

BOISE - Recent activity in U.S. District Court included the following:
Heid G. Lewis and Judy Lewis, of Gooding, plaintiffs, vs. Suter Orthopedics, Inc., defendant. The amount of money in controversy exceeds \$75,000. In the complaint, the plaintiffs alleged that Inter-op hip implant, designed, manufactured, delivered and sold by defendant, Lewis and Suter, to the plaintiff, Harold G. Lewis, and it is alleged that the implant was defective and plaintiff suffered damages. Case No. CV101-420-S-MHW.

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Tyler Price, 11, and Mike Price Jr. survey the fire damage to Mike's parents' home Wednesday in Weaverville, Calif. The two-story home was a complete loss, but no one was injured.

## Fire-stricken town catches its breath

Flames forced residents to flee small northern California community

Los Angeles Times

WEAVERVILLE, Calif. — Singed at its fringes but whole in spirit, this tiny town on the edge of the Trinity Alps crept back from the brink of disaster Wednesday.

Exhausted residents told of a night of terror as a fire of amazing speed forced them to abandon their homes and flee with only handfuls of possessions.

Some fought to save their homes until searing heat and choking smoke became unbearable.

"We stayed on the back deck and sprayed as much (water) as we could, but it didn't help," said Mike Price, a lumberyard manager, looking at the smoking ruins of his three-bedroom home and the charred carcasses of a 1946 Chevrolet pickup and a 1951 Mercury sedan, once immaculately restored.

Price's wife, Phyllis, could only stare at the wreckage, wiping away tears, unable to find words to express her shock. Minutes later the couple drove away from what had once been their dream home on the edge of the Trinity Shasta National Forest.

"It was watering houses and the smoke was so heavy, you couldn't breathe," said Wayne Hurst, a writer and Weaverville resident for 20 years. "It was apocalyptic."

High winds had pushed the fire toward the western portion of this picturesque town of 3,500 residents some 200 miles north of San Francisco.

By Wednesday evening, the fire had consumed 2,000 acres in the surrounding mountains and



Wilma Marriott clutches a wedding picture and her hat, the only belongings she took before evacuating her home, while waiting to find out the fate of her house.

was 65 percent controlled. Nine homes and three trailers were destroyed.

Tuesday night firefighters had gone door to door ordering residents — some independent-minded souls who moved to this mountain hamlet in search of privacy — to evacuate. About half the residents did so. By mid-day the danger had passed, although thick, acrid smoke blanketed the region, and people were allowed to return home.

"Right now there's so much smoke in the air we can't even see the mountains," said Richard Huddleston, manager of the Forty-Niner Gold Country Inn.

Despite the destruction in the outlying area, the historic center of this 19th-century Gold Rush community, which features an old court house and the Weaverville Joss House, the old-

est continuously-used Chinese temple in California, was spared.

The fire may have started from sparks from a passing vehicle on Oregon Mountain Pass, officials said.

The flames tore up a grassy hillside off State Highway 299, and within minutes were skipping over treetops, igniting massive pines like they were made of paraffin, and licking at the doorsteps of homes.

Caught by surprise on a hot and breezy summer afternoon, the town retreated, first to the Trinity County Sheriff's Department office, then to the fire station, and finally to the safety of motels.

After a terrifying night in which the town center and nearby subdivisions looked doomed, the winds subsided, the air had dampened, and flames retreated,

## Fires lick at outskirts of Glacier.

WEST GLACIER, Mont. (AP) — Crews battling a 17,000-acre wildfire near Glacier National Park braced Thursday for more unfavorable weather and guardedly sized up their progress against the blaze.

"We've got a few scratch lines around the tiger, but the tiger's still a tiger," said Bob McKinney, information officer for the Moose fire.

People who fled about a dozen homes Monday under an evacuation order were allowed to return home briefly Thursday for their belongings.

"We're not letting them hang out and wait for the fire to come," Flathead County Undersheriff Chuck Curry said. The homes are in a sparsely populated area about three miles northeast of the fire.

The fire burned just two miles from the park, Montana's crown jewel. Several backcountry trails remained closed as a precaution, but other park facilities and services went uninterrupted.

Forecasts calling for strong winds and continued heat. The fire is only 5 percent contained.

The National Interagency Fire Center reported that some 19,000 firefighters faced 23 major fires burning on more than 226,000 acres Thursday. A year ago, 85 major fires were burning on 1.64 million acres in one of the nation's most disastrous fire seasons in a century.

## Lack of experience hampers firefighting

Seattle Times

SEATTLE—Inexperience and unfamiliarity among wild land fire crews and their supervisors are creating safety hazards and contributing to delays in dispatching crews to blazes, according to interviews and complaints filed this year by firefighters battling flames on parched public lands.

In the West, problems have ranged from inadequate water supplies for firefighting crews to inadequate training, poor communication and questionable deployment of crews.

Some of the problems are a natural part of running emergency operations in remote areas, but critics and firefighters say the issues have been compounded by a shortage of experienced leaders at a time when federal agencies are adding more than 8,200 firefighters to their ranks.

*'We don't have a lot of crew bosses with experience to pull from, so we wind up drawing from the same pool of people again and again.'*

—Mary Coughlin, union president

acknowledged that the demand for crew bosses — each of whom leads a team of 19 firefighters — has contributed to occasional delays in dispatching crews. But he said the management gap does not qualify as a shortage.

"The biggest problem we've had is with overhead staff," Widmark said, referring to the people who supply the 12,000 wildland firefighters working in Washington and Oregon with everything from food to equipment.

That problem was evident earlier this month at the 1,100-acre Indian Springs fire in southwest Oregon. A task-force leader with the U.S. Forest Service said the incident-command team dispatched by the state to lead the firefighting effort was "so inadequately prepared and over-whelmed that the safety, welfare and health of the personnel were at risk."

In a complaint made to the National Interagency Fire Center, the unnamed leader said crews were working in 90-plus degrees Aug. 5 without sufficient water and electrolytes, a situation that could worsen if itness the next day from dehydration.

The complaint also alleged insufficient supply of toilets, showers and food service for the crews, and that daytime sleeping accommodations were so poor that night crews got an average of only three hours' sleep a day.

The task-force leader's primary concern — that engine crews and equipment drop points were stationed under electrical wires carrying 1 million volts — joins a list of other safety issues cited at other fires across the West this year.

The safety problems were noted in a complaint filed by firefighters from five federal agencies and state agencies involved in wildland management.

Since the complaint system was started 16 months ago to give firefighters a fast, anonymous venue to voice their concerns, the system has logged at least 153 complaints. The complaints are investigated by the agency overseeing the fire or the personnel implicated in the complaint.

## Idaho delegation backs ruling on sugar imports

BOISE (AP) — Members of Idaho's congressional delegation are hailing a U.S. Court of Appeals ruling that sugar-spoiled molasses imported from Canada is subject to the same quota limitations imposed on other sugars.

"Stuffed molasses" is a product that some say allows foreign sugar producers to bypass tariffs meant to protect domestic sugar farmers. It is a mixture of molasses, water and sugar from which certain components can only be stripped away, leaving behind liquid sugar.

The ruling came against the Heartland By-Products Corp. in the federal circuit court in Washington.

Idaho Republican Sen. Larry

Craig, Rep. Mike Simpson and others maintain Canada has been bypassing trade agreements by purchasing sugar at lower world prices and blending it into molasses and selling it in the United States.

"The decision today is a great victory for Idaho's sugar producers and confirms what we have been saying all along. Stuffed molasses is a circumvention of trade agreements and has a harmful impact on U.S. sugar producers," Rep. Mike Simpson said in a prepared statement.

Craig said the pace of stuffed molasses has been increasing significantly over the past five years — from 14,517 metric tons in 1996 to 233,748 in 1999.

## Idaho Falls science center begins

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — In two years, University Place will have a new research building where students, professors and government scientists will work side-by-side to solve pollution and other problems.

The University of Idaho, Idaho State University and state leaders broke ground Wednesday on the Center for Science and Technology. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, who released \$5 million from a state settlement fund for the project, said the building is a key part of a technology corridor envisioned for eastern Idaho.

Leaders hope the facility will

help generate more interest in creating technology jobs from Rexburg to Pocatello.

Construction on the \$13 million project will begin in 2002 after designs are finalized and the University of Idaho finds a building contractor.

The settlement fund from the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory stems from a state lawsuit against the Department of Energy. To settle the lawsuit, the agency gave Idaho \$30 million to help create new jobs and reduce the region's economic dependence on the nuclear site.

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# Quick thinking saves child's sight

**DEAR ABBY:** I am writing about a close call with my daughter that could have been catastrophic. Feel free to share this with your readers.

I had several errands to run and took my 6-year-old daughter along for company. She was well-behaved, and I wanted to reward her. When she asked me about rewards, so I decided to allow her to help me on my next errand to show my appreciation.

I stopped at the gas station and got out to fill my car with gas. My daughter asked if she could help. I hesitated for a moment, and then decided it would be all right because I would hold the handle and she could stand next to me with her hand also on the handle of the nozzle. When she asked me about the numbers on the pump, I pointed to them with my free hand to explain. As I did so, the nozzle slipped a little and the gasoline hit the inside of the tank opening. This created a back

DEAR ABBY  
 Aligail VanBuren

splash that splashed gasoline into my daughter's face and eyes.

I was horror stricken, overwhelmed with panic when she screamed. I didn't know what to do and tried to calm her and wipe her face.

Fortunately, a mechanic at a nearby pump came running to help. He grabbed my daughter and ran to the sink in the garage and began flooding her eyes with water. He kept it up for a good five minutes and then located a water bottle from an emergency kit to continue flushing out her eyes.

Luckily, my daughter's sight was not damaged and she suffered only a slight burn on her

head and arm.

Abby, I am mortified to have allowed such a stupid, dangerous thing to happen to my daughter. This experience taught me to be extremely cautious and never to allow my children to help me when chemicals, or potentially dangerous items are being used.

This incident happened several years ago, but I was too embarrassed by my ignorance to write to you. After discovering that some of my friends allow young children to help them pump gasoline, I summoned up the courage to write this as a warning to other parents. Sign me...

—MUCH WISER MOM IN FLORIDA

fatherly kiss. It was after a family dinner, and I was on my way to the bathroom when I saw them, and now I feel very awkward in front of them.

My husband has noticed my strange behavior and nervousness and is wondering why. Should I confront my sister-in-law and father-in-law? I don't want this to have an effect on my relationship with my in-laws, but I don't feel I can keep this to myself. I also would not like anyone to find out that I knew what was going on and said nothing.

—CROSSED OUT AND CONFUSED, NEW GALILEE, PA.

**DEAR CONFUSED:** Tell your husband what you saw. It's a bombshell. The two of you can then decide together how you want to handle it. There's strength—and safety—in numbers.

## Aries: Don't confuse reality with fantasy

**IF AUGUST 31ST IS YOUR BIRTHDAY** — you possibly were separated from one or both parents at relatively early age. You are unorthodox in views, are drawn to the dramatic arts, including astrology. Taurus, Leo and Scorpio persons play major roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names: D, M, V. During September, you change "appearance" of home, and marital status

## MUD MONSTER



Brighton Gray, 11, smiles after playing volleyball in the mud during the seventh annual Mudd Volleyball Tournament at Woodward Park in Fresno, Calif., Saturday. Proceeds from the event benefit the Central Valley Division of the March of Dimes.

## Horror novelist settles with insurance company

**BANGOR, Maine** — Stephen King's insurance company settled a lawsuit with the horror writer by donating \$750,000 to the hospital that cared for him after a car hit him two years ago.

King sued OneBeacon Insurance for \$10 million in February, claiming it failed to provide full coverage for injuries he suffered in the accident.

He was insured personally and by his business policy, both through Commercial Union, which OneBeacon bought. But his suit claimed an umbrella policy should entitle him to additional payments.

The settlement was executed on July 27, the Portland Press Herald reported Thursday.

King was injured in June 1999 when a van driven by Bryan Smith of Fryeburg struck him as he walked along the shoulder of Route 5 near his vacation home in Lovell.

The 53-year-old suffered a broken leg and hip, a punctured lung, broken ribs and other injuries. He has undergone five surgeries since the accident.

Tony Payne, vice president of marketing for OneBeacon, said the donation to the regional hospital was a compromise.

"(The lawsuit) wasn't likely to be easily resolved without long and expensive litigation," Payne said. "So we collaborated and found a way to come good come out of this that can impart com-

**People in the news**

community good?"

The Kings spend summers in Lovell, and live the rest of the year in Bangor.

**Jerry Hall studies to earn arts degree at university**

**LONDON** — Jerry Hall is going back to school — and she has an edge over her classmates.

The Texas-born model and former partner of Mick Jagger said Wednesday that she is studying for an arts degree, with modules in fine art and music, at Britain's Open University.

"I will be studying Andy Warhol and I think we will also be learning about the Rolling Stones, which is something I think I've got a good head start at," said Hall, whose 20-year relationship with the Stones' frontman produced four children.

The 45-year-old said she waited until her youngest child had started nursery school to pursue the degree at the university, which offers part-time and correspondence courses.

"It's something I've always wanted to do, it's just for me," said Hall, who last year starred in *Leslie's Women* as seductress Mrs. Robinson in "The Graduate."

— compiled from wire reports

## Horoscope Sydney Omarr

will be a question mark.

**ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19):** Don't confuse reality with fantasy. More information is obtainable if you perse. Some of your wishes come true. Pieces will play featured role.

**TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20):** Power play! Green light flashes for promotion, authority. You will be "in charge." Nothing halfway; all or nothing! Capricorn figures prominently.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Idealism! Look beyond the immediate, predict your own future. Utilize extrasensory perception. Finish what you start. Aries plays important role.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Shake off emotional lethargy. Take initiative, make fresh start in new direction. Filtration more serious than expected; relationship is hot-and-heavy.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Stay close to home, family member wants to "tell you something." Focus on partnership, publicity and marriage. Make decision on direction. Be aware of motivation.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Keep resolutions concerning exercise, diet. Experiment, give full rein to intellectual curiosity. Employment picture subject to change, pleasant for you.

**LIBA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Focus on creativity, challenge and change of itinerary. Rewrite, rebuild and submit article that once was rejected.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Emphasis on keeping plans flexible. Read, write and teach. You could sex appeal. Relationship could get confusing. Gemini will play "double role."

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Spotlight on sound, music and your voice. You can sing in or out of show. Domestic adjustment could include change of residence, marital status.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** You do not have complete story. Deception involved, deliberate or otherwise. Financial status dominates. Find ways of increasing income. Pisces represented.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Take charge of your own destiny. Circumstances turn in your favor, luck rides with you. Focus on power, authority and excellent timing. Cancer native involved.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20):** Look beyond the immediate. Project completed, you'll get long-deserved credit. Let go of one who takes you for granted. Aries, Libra persons figure in scenario.

## Pinwheels remain popular

By Kathy Antonietti  
 Knight Ridder News Service

Many people consider Labor Day their final chance to cap off the summer with a last blast of fun. Americans traditionally celebrate the national holiday as a day free from work, with picnics, parties and fireworks. As kids, you might fire all the speech-making you hear at Labor Day activities pretty boring, but adults won't necessarily agree. Traditionally, it is a day for people to share ideas that are important for the workers in America — which is almost everybody. Politicians speak at large gatherings of people they represent to tell them their ideas and to ask for their support.

The first Labor Day holiday was on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1882, in New York City to celebrate the social and economic achievements of the American workers. It was a day set aside to honor all those who worked to contribute to the prosperity and well-being of the country.

The idea soon became a popular notion throughout the country. On June 28, 1894, after a majority of the midwestern states had approved laws to adopt the holiday, Congress voted to make the first Monday in September of each year a legal holiday.

Pinwheels that spin in warm summer breezes have long been a favorite of children at picnics and parties. Identify which col-

orful displays of fireworks are called "pinwheels" as you watch them spin on Labor Day.

I found directions for patriotic, red-white-blue pinwheels at <http://crafterscommunity.com/> on the Web.

Supplies you will need:

- Red, white and blue construction paper.
- Scissors.
- Pen or pencil.
- White craft glue.
- One-quarter-inch wooden dowel.

• Brass tack.

Cut one 6-inch square from the red paper and one 6-inch square from the blue paper. Cut 4.5-by-3-inch strips of white paper.

On the red square, draw diagonal lines from corner to corner, intersecting at the center. Measure 3 inches to the center from each corner and mark.

Lay the red and blue squares together and cut through both squares facing the bottom. Fold the corners, one at a time, toward the center overlapping the tips.

Glue white strips onto the blue squares as in the picture.

When dry, place the red paper on top of the blue with the white strips facing the bottom. Adjust the tension so the pinwheel moves easily in the breeze.

Push a brass tack through the tips and the center of the back of the pinwheel, then the dowel.

Adjust the tension so the pinwheel moves easily in the breeze.

## Thailand escaped European rule

**Q. Who invented the dishwashing machine?**

**A. Usually credited with that creation was a woman of means named Josephine Cochrane of Shelbyville, Ill. In 1896, Her servants broke too many pieces of her fine china, she said. So she devised a contraption to do the dishes with more care. Refinements followed.**

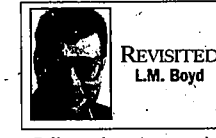
**Q. During what hour of the day do the researchers say the average person is least likely to laugh?**

**A. First hour awake in the morning. Understandable.**

**Q. What's the only Asian country never ruled by a European power?**

**A. Thailand, formerly Siam. The name of winter's big star "Betelgeuse" traces back to Arabic syllables that mean "armpit of the white-belted sheep."**

The portion of your face that will change the least once you're grown is the bone structure around your eyes.



**REVISITED L.M. Boyd**

**Q. Some people get sick in cars and planes, and some people just don't right?**

**A. Not right, quite. Researchers now say everybody would experience motion sickness given enough time and stimulation. It's the tolerance level that varies, they contend.**

Students of international manners say it's characteristic of many Greek men to smile when extremely angry.

"Ha," "ho," "hee" and "haw" — these are listed as the English spellings of the sounds of laughter. And they're said to be the same, however spelled, in everybody's laughter worldwide.

The Arabic for "forbidden" is "harem."

How's your will power? Weigh! Too weak? So weak you can hardly exercise it at all? Regrets. It only pose the rhetorical query preliminary to report there's a medical term for neurotically weak will power — it's "abulia."

Police artists try to get that right. It's said to be the most difficult part to disguise.

Will you go along with the old contention that if you can't figure out what you want to eat, you're not hungry?

Ninety percent of the children born to two right-handed parents are also right-handed. But not even 50 percent of the children born to two left-handed parents are left-handed. Explain that.

The six facial expressions common to people worldwide are listed as anger, disgust, surprise, happiness, sadness and fear.

**Q. What do you call the foaming water that runs up on a beach?**



NATION

# Feds charge three V. A. employees with embezzlement

**Nation in brief**

The federal government has charged one current and two former Veterans Affairs employees in Georgia with embezzling close to \$6 million from the department to buy houses, cars, antiques, a Barbie doll collection, a hovercraft and a submarine.

According to a criminal complaint filed this week, Sarah Prater, Ernest Thornton and Kathy Eselhorst used the records of dead veterans with no benefits to generate and share more than 200 fraudulent payments beginning in 1996. They were freed on a \$50,000 unsecured bond Tuesday after a hearing before a federal magistrate.

On Wednesday, the government began confiscating property that may have been purchased with the VA money, including a hovercraft and "SportStar III Submarine" that belonged to Thornton, and antiques and a Barbie doll collection that belonged to Eselhorst.

The complaint filed by the U.S. attorney's office in Atlanta described the scheme this way: Prater, currently a veterans claims examiner and the congressional liaison for the Atlanta regional office, would use her security clearance to temporarily "resurrect" deceased veterans. She would then change the name of the veteran to "Ernest L. Thornton" and make the effective date of the claim several years prior to the processing of the claim, generating large retroactive benefit payments.

The payments would be sent to Thornton at various post office boxes registered either in Thornton's or Eselhorst's name. Thornton would then disburse part of the money to Eselhorst and Prater. Thornton, a Navy veteran, and Eselhorst are retired from the VA.

the pool had kicked in \$10 apiece to share 190 Powerball tickets.

**Sprint employee charged in bomb explosion at work**  
**RALEIGH, N.C.** - A Sprint employee has been charged in connection with a small bomb

explosion at his office. Christopher S. McMillan, 37, was arrested Wednesday as he was discharged from a hospital where he was treated for shrapnel wounds sustained during the blast. He was charged with one count of possessing an unregistered explosive device, which has a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

A criminal complaint said materials found at McMillan's

home linked him to three explosive devices, two found at a Sprint administrative office Tuesday and one detonated by bomb experts Monday at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A motive was unclear, authorities said.

**Murder suspect arrested after standoff in Texas**  
**MANSFIELD, Texas** - A man suspected in the shooting deaths

of his estranged wife and two children was captured Thursday after apparently falling asleep during an armed standoff with police, authorities said.

Terry Lee Hankins was charged with capital murder in the deaths of Tammy Hankins, her 13-year-old son, Kevin Galley, and their 11-year-old daughter, Ashley Mason.

Their bodies were found Wednesday in their mobile

home in Mansfield, south of Fort Worth. The victims had been dead several days, police said.

Hankins apparently fell asleep while police were trying to negotiate with him, Hawthorne said. Negotiators awakened a 39-year-old woman and young girl by phone and talked them into coming out of the apartment, he said. -compiled from wire reports

**Federal judge upholds law against gay adoption**

MIAMI - A federal judge ruled Thursday that Florida's law banning homosexuals from adopting children is valid, accepting the state's argument that married couples provide the most stable households for raising children.

The 1977 law is considered the nation's toughest ban on gay adoptions, prohibiting adoptions by any gay or lesbian individual or couple. Mississippi and Utah also ban adoptions by same-sex couples.

U.S. Judge James Lawrence King accepted the state's argument that the law was in children's best interests because married heterosexuals provide children with a more stable home.

Steven Lofton and Douglas Houghton filed the lawsuit after being told they could not adopt children in their care. Lofton, a foster parent, wanted to adopt a 10-year-old boy he has raised since infancy. Houghton is the guardian of a 9-year-old boy.

**Officials blame vandals for derailed freight train**

MULVANE, Kan. - A freight train carrying hazardous materials was burning Thursday after it hit a backhoe parked on the tracks by vandals and derailed, authorities said.

More than 100 residents of the rural area south of Wichita were evacuated as thick black smoke rose from the blaze.

There were no injuries but two sheriff's deputies were taken to a hospital after they complained of a burning sensation, Sedgewick County Fire Chief Gary Curmude said. "Between the time they quit using it earlier in the evening and when the derailment occurred, someone had moved it onto the track," said Forsberg, adding train crews were unable to stop in time. "This was a very dangerous thing to have done."

**Co-workers claiming portion of Powerball prize drop suit**

PORTLAND, Maine - Four co-workers of one of the winners of the \$2.5 million Powerball jackpot dropped their claim to a piece of the prize Thursday, just one day after suing.

They dropped their case after learning that the facts did not support their assertion that the winning ticket held by a Maine couple had been bought as part of an office pool, said John McVeigh, a lawyer for the plaintiffs.

Another, four winning tickets in the \$1 million drawing around the country before Saturday's drawing in the multi-state lottery. One of those tickets was turned in by Pat Wales and her husband, Erwin.

In the lawsuit, four people who worked with Pat Wales at Lincoln Financial Group in Portland said 19 members of

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## best

in entertainment

### Praise music

The Christian pop group FFH (for Far from Home) will perform with the venerable Nashville gospel quartet The Imperials at the Twin Falls County Fair in Filer Sunday night.

### But soft!



The Sun Valley Repertory Company wraps up its production of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" tonight, Saturday and Sunday in Ketchum's Forest Service Park.



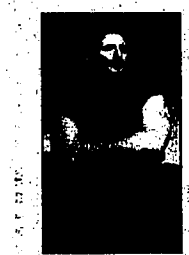
### Texas style

The fast-rising Austin-based country band Reckless Kelly, which includes the Braun brothers from Clayton, Idaho, will play a one-night gig at Sax on Second in Twin Falls' Old Towne tonight.



### Skate on

1984 Olympic gold medalist Scott Hamilton will headline the Sun Valley Ice Show Saturday night on the rink behind the Sun Valley Lodge at the Sun Valley Resort.



### Black and white

Former Three Dog Night frontman Chuck Negron will do two shows a night tonight, Saturday and Sunday at Cactus Peris Resort Casino, Jackpot.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Page C2-5

## Ketchum celebrates Wagon Days this weekend

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

**KETCHUM** — When Gooding muleskinner Sam Sanders died in 1956, few believed they would ever see Ketchum's behemoth ore wagons being driven by jerk line again.

And, indeed, since the first Wagon Days parade in 1958, the skinny wagons which sit atop 7-foot tall wheels were commanded by drivers sitting on a box built on the lead wagon just for the parade.

Get ready, pards, to see the jerk line in action again during this year's Big Hitch Parade at 1 p.m. Saturday.

"I'm so excited and so are the old-timers around here," said Ron Brans, a retired mortgage banker who is heading up this year's parade. "We're going back to the original, the authentic thing."

Credit Bishop, Calif., outfitter Bobby Tanner, who drove the 20-mule Borax mule team in the 1999 Pasadena Tournament of Roses parade, for reviving this lost art in the Wood River Valley.

Come Saturday, Tanner will climb atop the left-handed mule nearest the wagon and guide 14 mules down Sun Valley Road, just as his father taught him years ago.

Like the muleskinners of old, he'll control his team with verbal commands and with the jerk line — a single line or rein about 100 feet long that runs through rings on the harness of his teams.

The lead mule will turn right when given one steady pull and left when given several short jerks — from whence the jerk line got its name.

Five brakemen, including resident historian, cowpoke and jack-of-all-trades Ivan Swaner, will stand along the sides of the wagons ready to pull on brakes to slow the wagons at Tanner's command.

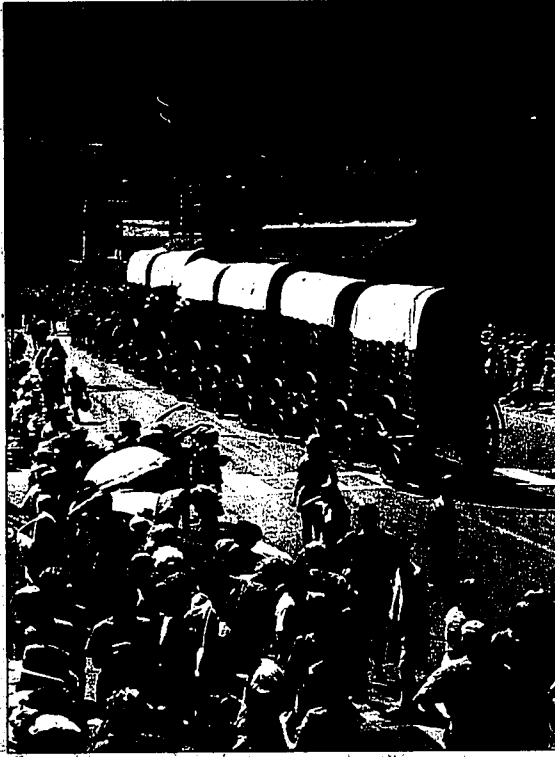
"I think he may be one of the few people in the United States who know how to use the jerk line today," Brans said. "He just has a passion for this sort of thing."

Driving the ore wagons, which used to carry heavy loads between Ketchum and Challis, will not be particularly easy today, even with flat paved roads.

Just imagine what it was like when Sanders took the reins in 1890 at the age of 15.

He drove 22 mules hauling five wagons and 44,000 pounds of coke from Ketchum to Clayton up over the Trail Creek Summit, which was steeper and rougher than it is today.

To negotiate the road's hairpin turns, the mules learned to jump over the chain pulling the wagon and go wide, allowing the wagon to track around the curve as a



Saturday's Big Hitch Parade in Ketchum will be the largest non-motorized parade in the West.

car does today.

Bells on the wagon alerted approaching wagons coming around dangerous curves of Sanders' presence.

And the lead mules were his eyes and ears since he couldn't see around the many curves on the Trail Creek Road — not with a string of mules and freight wagons that stretched the length of a football field.

The mules' keen every bump in the road well enough to travel it on starless nights — after all the wagons had to travel 24 hours round the clock to earn their "fast freight" moniker.

"They had to be really tough," said Debbie Broadie, whose husband Moj drove the wagons via Percherons for many parades. "I look at those narrow wagons and think of the narrow roads they traveled on and I'm just glad I live today and not then."

To prepare for this year's parade, the seat box has been removed from the lead wagon. The wagons will be further refined next year as part of an effort to restore them to authenticity, Brans said.

Ketchum's wagons are in the best shape of any wagons in the United States, largely because they're protected in the Ore Wagon Museum, said Tanner, who helped restore the Borax wagons. The Borax wagons, by contrast, have taken a beating from sitting on a cement pad in the 130-degree heat of Death Valley.

History and horse buffs can watch Tanner practice with the wagons from 1 to 6 p.m. today at the Sun Valley Horseman's Center on Sun Valley Road, said Sun Valley/Ketchum Chamber of Commerce spokesman Ross Copperman.

**If you go ...**

**The Big Hitch Parade**, believed to be the largest non-motorized parade in the West with about 100 entries, is just one of the attractions in a Labor Day Weekend filled with antique fairs, a petting zoo, carnival, flapjack breakfast and water fights.

Also playing: the Blackjack Ketchum Shootout, which parade organizer Ron Brans said has refined this year with movie studio ammo and a few tweaks to the script. Namely, the sheriff doesn't die.

"We just didn't think it was right for the good guy to die," he said.

Some of the other events:

- Today**
- 4:50-5:30 p.m. — Grand marshals' reception honoring Max Thompson and Wendy Jaquet and featuring stories of Wagon Days' past at the Ketchum Heritage and Ski Museum.
  - 6-9 p.m. — Gallery walk between art galleries.
  - 7 p.m. — Blackjack Ketchum shootout on Main Street.

- Saturday**
- 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. — Edgar McGowan's pre-parade ore-wagon seminar, Sun Valley Horseman's Center.
  - 10:30 a.m. — El-Copa Bareback Riders performance, Sun Valley Horseman's Center arena (parking available at the Community School east of the arena).
  - 11 a.m.-8 p.m. — 14th annual classic car auction featuring more than 250 antique cars Sun Valley Resort.
  - 4-6 p.m. — Interpretive presentation about the ore wagons by Ketchum historian Ivan Swaner, Ore Wagon museum at 5th and East Avenue.
  - 7 p.m. — Blackjack Ketchum Shootout on Main Street.
  - 7:30-10 p.m. — Wagon Days street dance, downtown Ketchum.

- Sunday**
- 11 a.m.-7 p.m. — Classic car auction, Sun Valley Resort.
  - 1 p.m. — Great Wagon Days Duck Race and picnic, at Rotary Park on Warm Springs Road, with chances to win great prizes.

## Twin Falls County Fair schedule

### The Times-News

The Twin Falls County Fair wraps up this week's schedule Monday at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer. Here are the highlights:

Carnival rides require three to five coupons per person or an all-day pass. All-day carnival passes are \$19. Tickets are \$1 each.

### Today

- West End Day**
- 8 a.m. — 4-H Green Horse followed by barrels and poles, Centennial Arena
  - 9 a.m. — FFA Senior Division, Beef Showmanship followed by Jr. Division and 4-H Beef Showmanship, beef show ring
  - 9 a.m. — Jr. Division Market Swine, swine show ring
  - 9 a.m. — Open Class Dairy; Nubian Swine Recorded Grades, goat show ring
  - 9 a.m. — Idaho Holstein State Show, dairy show ring
  - 10 a.m. — FFA and FFA Premier Breeder Show, sheep show ring
  - 10 a.m. — Llama Showmanship, Llama show ring
  - 10 a.m. — Draft Horse Performance, rodeo arena
  - 1 p.m. — All Breed Show (Classes 1-44), Zeburth Arena
  - 1 p.m. — FFA and 4-H Sheep Showmanship, sheep show ring
  - 2 p.m. — Llama Obstacle Course, Llama show ring
  - 4 p.m. — 4-H Most Improved Member, Centennial Arena
  - 6 p.m. — Llama Costume Class, Llama show ring

8 p.m. — PRCA Rodeo, rodeo arena

### Saturday

- 9 a.m. — Jr. Market Lamb Show, sheep show ring
- 9 a.m. — FFA and 4-H Swine Showmanship, swine show ring
- 9 a.m. — 4-H Dog Show, Llama show ring
- 9 a.m. — All Breed Horse Show, Zeburth Arena
- 10 a.m. — MV Dairy Heifer Show, dairy show ring
- 10 a.m. — Open Pygmy Goat Show, goat show ring
- 10 a.m. — Open to the World Steer Show, beef show ring
- 12 p.m. — Hereford and Polled Hereford Show, beef show ring
- 1 p.m. — Jr. Hereford Heifer Show, beef show ring
- 1 p.m. — Antique Tractor Pull, rodeo arena
- 1 p.m. — 4-H and FFA Dairy Goats Showmanship followed by Quality, goat show ring
- 1 p.m. — Team Sorting, Centennial Arena
- 2 p.m. — Shorthorn, Red Angus Show, beef show ring
- 3 p.m. — Simmental Show, beef show ring
- 3 p.m. — Llama Pack Show, Llama show ring
- 3 p.m. — District 4H Dairy Goat Show, goat show ring
- 4 p.m. — Chollais, Sellers, Gelbvieh, Piedmontese, Limousin Main Anjou Show, beef show ring
- 4 p.m. — FFA and 4-H Pygmy Goat Showmanship, goat show ring
- 6:45 p.m. — Magic Valley Dairy Heifer Sale, sale barn
- 8 p.m. — PRCA Rodeo, rodeo arena

### Sunday

- Pepsi Coupon Day**
- 12 p.m. — Goat Round Robin Showmanship, goat show ring
  - 12 p.m. — Swine Round Robin Showmanship, swine show ring
  - 12 p.m. — Sheep Round Robin Showmanship, sheep show ring
  - 12 p.m. — Dairy Round Robin Showmanship, dairy show ring
  - 12 p.m. — Beef Round Robin Showmanship, beef show ring
  - 12 p.m. — Round Robin Showmanship, Zeburth Arena
  - 1 p.m. — Jr. Angus Steer Show followed by Jr. Angus Show, and Open Angus Show, beef show ring
  - 1 p.m. — Stock Dog Demonstration, Centennial Arena
  - 1 p.m. — Jersey Show followed by all other dairy, dairy show ring
  - 2 p.m. — Llama Public Relations, Llama show ring
  - 2 p.m. — Small Animal round Robin, goat show ring
  - 2 p.m. — Pygmy Goat Obstacle Course, goat show ring
  - 3 p.m. — ITLA Texas Longhorn show, beef show ring
  - 4 p.m. — Eve Lead Fashion Show, sheep show ring
  - 4 p.m. — Wild Goat Milking contest/Twin Falls 4-H only, swine show ring
  - 8 p.m. — The Imperial/FFH concert, rodeo arena
- Monday**
- 9 a.m. — District 3 Dog Show Showmanship followed by Obedience, Llama show ring
  - 9 a.m. — Working Ranch Horse, Centennial Arena
  - 10 a.m. — 4-H and FFA Jr. Market Animal Sale, sale barn

10 a.m. — 4-H District Pygmy Goat Show, goat show ring

7 p.m. — Destruction Derby, rodeo arena

### Admission prices

- General Admission (adults): \$6
  - General Admission (children 6-12): \$4
  - General Admission (Children 5 & Under): Free
  - Daily Family Pass (will admit dad, mom, three children 18 & under, at the gate sale only): \$20
  - Public parking (daily): Free
  - Livestock parking (daily): Free
- Budweiser/Wapa Auto Parts Destruction Derby, 7 p.m.**
- Monday**
- Reserved Seats — \$3
  - Adult Admission — Pre-Sale \$5, at the gate \$6
  - Child (age 6-12) — Pre-Sale \$3, at the gate \$4
  - Child (age 5 and under) — Free
- Magic Valley Stamped PRCA Rodeo, 8 p.m. tonight and Saturday**
- Reserved Seats — \$3
  - Adult Admission — Pre-sale \$5, at the gate \$6
  - Child (age 6-12) — Pre-sale \$3, at the gate \$4
  - Child (age 5 and under) — Free
- FFH/The Imperials, 8 p.m. Sunday**
- Reserved Seats — \$3
  - Adult Admission — Pre-sale \$5, at the gate \$6
  - Child (age 6-12) — Pre-sale \$3, at the gate \$4
  - Child (age 5 and under) — Free

## Bellevue saves its best for Labor Day

### The Times-News

**BELLEVUE** — In Bellevue's case, the first is always last.

Idaho's first and only remaining chartered city by tradition tosses the last summertime community celebration of the season in south-central Idaho, its annual Labor Day Celebration.

"It'll start at 10 o'clock Monday morning with the parade lineup at the corner of Cottonwood Road and Main Street. A "shoot-out" will ensue at the same location at 10:30. The parade, from one end of town to the other, begins at 11, winding up at Bellevue City Park.

Fun and games will follow, with a pie-eating contest for all ages at 1 p.m. and a street picnic for all ages at 2. For the less athletically inclined, there's an egg toss at the same hour.

Entertainment will be continuous in the afternoon, with the Idaho Old-Time Fiddlers playing from noon to 2 p.m., a talent show from 2:30, the music of Cheryl Maxwell from 2:30-3 p.m. and Kim Stocking from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

A variety of food and all kinds of craft booths will be available in the park.

Bellevue traces its pedigree to 1890 and the discovery of the Mamie Moore mine. The territorial government granted Bellevue a charter, making it now the only chartered city in Idaho.

WEEKEND

# Reckless Kelly to play



**Today**  
Reckless Kelly from Austin, Texas - and including the Braun brothers of Clayton - will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Sax Fifth Avenue, 213 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls. Cover charge is \$5.

**Tonight and Saturday**  
Heartnote will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the Lantern Lounge at the Weston Plaza, 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. No cover charge.

**Saturday**  
Mixed Emotions will play from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at George K's East Restaurant and Lounge, 275 E. Third N., Burley.

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

**Sunday**  
Pocketchange will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Pioneer Club, 1519 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.



**Wednesday through Sept. 8**  
Bill Anderson will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot. Prices for the 8 p.m. dinner show are \$14.99 on weeknights and \$19.99 on Saturday. Cover charge for the 11 p.m. cocktail show is \$7.50 on weeknights and \$10 on Saturday. For reservations, call (800) 821-1103.

**Wednesday - Blackfoot**  
Chris LeDoux will sing at 8:30 p.m. at the Eastern Idaho State Fair. Tickets, which are \$21, can be reserved by phoning (208) 785-2480.

**Sept. 8 - Utah**  
The Nashville Bluegrass Band will perform at the Sandy City Amphitheater in the Salt Lake City suburb of Sandy at 6:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$8 and \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX. The Sandy City Amphitheater is located at 1250 East 9400 South.

**Sept. 9**  
Lonestar will perform an outdoors concert at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot, 5 p.m. Tickets start at \$20. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.

**N' ROLL**

**Tonight, Saturday and Sunday**

Chuck Negron, formerly of Three Dog Night, will play two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino. The 11 p.m. dinner show on weeknights and Sunday start at \$14.99; dinner show prices on Saturday begin at \$19.99. Cover charge for the 11 p.m. cocktail show is \$7.50 on weeknights and Saturdays; it's \$10 on Sundays. For reservations and information, call (800) 821-1103.



**Tonight and Saturday**

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

**Monday - Boise**

Rusted Root and Dave Weir's band, Ratdog, will play Sandy Point Beach at Lucky Peak Reservoir at 6 p.m. Tickets, which are \$32.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4826, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. Sandy Point Beach is located in Lucky Peak State Park, nine miles east of Boise of Idaho Highway 21.

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WEEKEND

# Japanese film to feature music of Idaho pianist

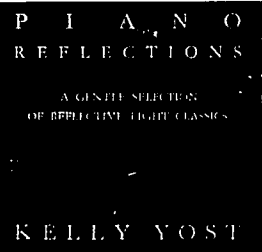
The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Idaho pianist Kelly Yost's music will be heard in an upcoming Japanese film featuring the work of renowned chimpanzee researcher Jane Goodall and three other visionaries.

Yost's rendition of John Field's "Nocturne I" will be featured in the film "Gaia Symphony IV," in a scene where Goodall patiently works with a new chimpanzee who is afraid of human beings. The piece originally appeared on Yost's recording, "Piano Reflections." "Gaia Symphony IV" is the latest film from acclaimed Japanese director Jin Tatumura, who has four times won the Galaxy Award, Japan's most prestigious honor for documentary filmmaking. He heard "Piano Reflections" on a trip to the United States.

In addition to Goodall, "Gaia Symphony IV" will profile surfer Gerry Lopez, known for his Zen-like mastery of big waves; biophysicist James Lovelock, who

actually coined the term "Gaia Theory," which views all earth as a living organism, and Japanese artist Bokunen Naka, whose work is informed by a deep communication with the



natural world.

Yost said she felt honored to have a part in such an uplifting project. "If I could pick a film to be associated with, this would be it," she added. "These films are about as close to my life philosophy as you can get."

Music from "Piano Reflections" earlier was chosen to accompany the audiobook version of "Simple Abundance" by Sarah Ban Breathnach, who has recommended the recording in her bestselling book "Piano Reflections" has sold more than a quarter-million copies — about half the total so far by Yost's label, Channel Productions.

The Twin Falls-based label has also released three other recordings by Yost ("Quiet Colors," "Roses & Solitude" and "Still Still Still"), as well as recordings featuring the music of Hagoed Hardy ("Anne of the Green Gables," "Walk With Me" and "My Song") and classical guitar duo Mark Small and Roberto Torres ("The Water is Wide.")

"Piano Reflections" is available locally at Ann's Eyewear Boutique, Crowley's Soda Foundation & General Store, Kimberly Nurseries, Little Red Hen, The Music Center, New Beginnings & Skin Retreat and The Quad.

## Spotlight

Continued from C3 reserved by phoning (208) 366-9221.

### Sept. 7-29

The Idaho Shakespeare Festival will present Stuart Ross' "Forever Plaid," 8 p.m. on weeknights and Saturdays and 7 p.m. on Sundays at the festival amphitheater, 5657 Warm Springs Road. Tickets, which are \$20 and \$25 on Saturdays and \$16 and \$23 on Sundays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, can be reserved by phoning (208) 366-9221.

### Tonight

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a dance at 8:30 p.m. at the DAV Hall, 459 State Ave., Twin Falls. Archie Turner will provide the music.

### Sept. 21-22, 26-27, 28-29 — Utah

Ballet West will perform Peter Schaufman's "La Sylphide" at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 21, 22, 26-27, 28-29 and at 2 p.m. on Sept. 29 in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which are \$17, \$21, \$35 and \$50, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

### Sept. 28

Men at Work-Tap will open the Arts on Tour Season at 7:30 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls. Individual event tickets, priced at \$12 for adults and \$8 for students, will also be sold on a space-available basis. Season tickets are \$45 for adults, \$40 for seniors, \$35 for students and children; reserved season tickets are \$55 for adults and \$45 for students and children. For information, call 733-9554.

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### CELEBRATION

### Today, Saturday, Sunday, Monday

The Twin Falls County Fair wraps up at Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer. Music, Magic & Motion is the theme, and there are two more nights of PRCA rodeo tonight and Saturday, a demolition derby on Sunday, musical concerts, food and vendor booths, a petting zoo, carnival rides, arts and crafts, and 4-H and livestock competitions. Performing on the free stage throughout the weekend will be hypnotist, Marc Savard and Jeff Martin, The Blond Curly Haired Magician. Children curious about farm life can visit the Day-on-the-Farm tent or visit the Luv and Hugs petting zoo. A trophy mule deer display will also be available. Fair admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children, and that includes general admission to all arena events.

### Today, Saturday and Sunday

Ketchum will celebrate Wagon Days. The highlight is the Big Hitch Parade down Ketchum's Main Street at 1 p.m. on Saturday, but a wild-west "shootout," barbecue and live music.

### FIGURE SKATING

### Saturday

1984 Olympic gold medalist Scott Hamilton will headline the Sun Valley Ice Show about 9:45 p.m. on the rink behind the Sun Valley Lodge. Bleacher-seat tickets range from

\$27-\$49, seating in the Sun Room of the Sun Valley Lodge is \$37 and \$45, and buffet-and-show tickets range from \$59 to \$80. For reservations, call the Sun Valley Sports Center at 622-2231.

### CORN MAZE

### Through Oct. 31

A-Maze-In-Corn, a maze in a five-acre cornfield, will be open from 4-9 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays and 2-9 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Mondays through Wednesdays are available for large groups. School groups are welcome Thursdays and Fridays. Covered picnic area and campfire available for small parties. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 11-15, \$2 for children 6-10 and free for children under 6 with an accompanying adult. The maze is located two miles south and three-fourths miles west of the Kimberly stoplight. For more information, call 423-4327.

### ART SHOW

### Tonight

A free exhibition walk will begin at 7 p.m. at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 191 Fifth Ave. E., Ketchum. The walk-through of "Harmony, Virtue Simplicity: The American Arts and Crafts Movement" will be led by "Antiques Roadshow" experts David Rago and Suzanne Perrault. For more information, call the Sun Valley Center at 726-9491.

### Through Oct. 1

Frank Choate, of Boise and formerly of the Magic Valley, will display his work at the Buhl Arts Council, 200 N. Eighth, Buhl. Choate's landscape paintings will be displayed from 12:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday at the center. Admission is free.

# 'Joe Dirt' reaches video shelves

Combined wire services

New videos in Twin Falls-area stores this week:

### 'See Spot Run'

This is basically a bad kid comedy about doggy doo-doo jokes. It involves a mailman (David Arquette) who needs to grow up, a kid (6-year-old Angus T. Jones) who's growing up too fast and an FBI dog who has bypassed the joys of puppyhood. Arquette is the unfortunate victim, slipping, sliding and repeatedly falling into the icky stuff one unfortunate night. Are we clear about the general texture of this movie? There's nothing particularly deft here. It's all 'n' crude formula: the childish guy who does the phone commercials, a kid who looks like the kid in 'Jerry Maguire,' a big dog with huge jaws. And lots of flatulence jokes. Contains guns, castration references, flatulence jokes and other crude sight gags. PG.

### 'Joe Dirt'

About David Spade's dismal attempt to create an adorable, franchise-spawning, mullet-haired, redneck janitor-dude named, yep, Joe Dirt, I gotta say this: no dang good. This comedy's up on bricks and dripping oil. The story, a sort of trailer-park 'Forrest Gump,' is about a janitor (Spade) whose touching story as a radio guest becomes the talk — and laugh — of L.A. But his story isn't half as engaging or funny as it's meant to be. And as the radio shock jock who interviews Joe D., Dennis Miller's more nasty than amusing. And all too often, the movie's more grody than funny. Contains obscenity, major gross-out material, slapstick violence and sexual situations. PG-13.

### 'Into the Arms of Strangers'

They were children when Hitler turned Europe into the killing fields. And they were among the lucky and the few granted passage to England. But although they would be safe during the war years, they had to leave their Jewish parents behind. "Into the Arms of Strangers," a riveting documentary, interviews these survivors, who relate their bitter-sweet stories. Contains emotionally traumatic anecdotes. PG-13.

### 'The Dish'

Sam Neill, Kevin Harrington,

### Hot videos

#### Rentals

(Compiled from a national sample of rental reports)

1. "The Mexican," DreamWorks Home Entertainment.
2. "Enemy At The Gates," Paramount Home Video.
3. "15 Minutes," New Line Home Video.
4. "The Family Man," Universal Studios Home Video.
5. "Chocolat," Miramax Home Entertainment.
6. "3000 Miles To Graceland," Warner Home Video.
7. "The Wedding Planner," Columbia TriStar Home Video.
8. "Josie & The Pussycats," Universal Studios Home Video.
9. "East Away," FoxVideo.
10. "O Brother, Where Art Thou?," Touchstone Home Video.

#### Sales

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports)

1. "Recess: School's Out," Walt Disney Home Video.
2. "The Book Of Pooh: Stories From The Heart," Walt Disney Home Video.
3. "Rugrats: All Grown Up," Nickelodeon Video.
4. "The Little Bear Movie," Paramount Home Video.
5. "The Emperor's New Groove," Walt Disney Home Video.

6. "Shirley Temple Gift Set," FoxVideo.
7. "Bring It On," Universal Studios Home Video.
8. "Coyote Ugly," Touchstone Home Video.
9. "American Pie (Special Edition)," Universal Studios Home Video.
10. "Big Daddy," Columbia TriStar Home Video.

#### DVD sales

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports)

1. "Enemy At The Gates," Paramount Home Video.
2. "15 Minutes," New Line Home Video.
3. "The Mexican," DreamWorks Home Entertainment.
4. "Chocolat," Miramax Home Entertainment.
5. "3000 Miles To Graceland," Warner Home Video.
6. "American Pie — Ultimate Edition (Unrated Version)," Universal Studios Home Video.
7. "Josie & The Pussycats," Universal Studios Home Video.
8. "The Family Man," Universal Studios Home Video.
9. "Recess: School's Out," Walt Disney Home Video.
10. "The Emperor's New Groove," Hidden Dragon, Columbia TriStar Home Video.

— Source: Billboard magazine

Tom Long, Patrick Warburton. A quirky, colorful film, based on a true story, about a band of Australian engineers who ended up with the responsibility of transmitting the live feed on that historic day in July 1969, when man first set foot on the moon. Neill, with pipe and cardigan, stars in this charming, surprisingly suspenseful little pic. PG-13 (adult themes, profanity) DVD available (CC)

### 'The Invisible Circus'

93 minutes. Jordana Brewster, Christopher Eccleston, Cameron Diaz, Blythe Danner. Brewster's compelling performance as an adolescent who eight years later

investigates the events surrounding her big sister's suicide, is the only reason to see this elegy to the 70s. Diaz, in a don't-hate-me-because-I'm-beautiful performance, is the sister. R (drugs, nudity, sex, violence)

### 'Exit Wounds'

100 minutes. Steven Seagal, DMX, Isaiah Washington, Michael Jai White. Inner-city cop Seagal teams up with a crime boss (rapper DMX). R (break up a police corruption ring. This movie exists only to let cars and bodies collide at top speed. R (excessive violence, vulgar language, nudity) DVD available. (CC)

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# 'Jeepers Creepers' haunts area theaters this weekend

Combined wire services

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

## American Outlaws

Jesse James lives again in this lively, entertaining but mostly ill-written version of the Western legend. Colin Farrell ('Tigerland') makes a dark, arctic and brooding Jesse, but the other performers only serve to remind you of better ones. Rated PG-13, violence, profanity. 1 hour, 33 minutes.

## American Pie 2

The sequel to the comedy that launched a new era of raunch and roll repeats the recipe of the first film, adding a little more sugar; its attempt to compensate for its gross-out gags and female anatomy obsession with a redeeming moral is as plastic as most of the breasts. Like a fast-food pastry, this is way warmed over. Rated R; sexual situations, nudity, language. 1 hour, 41 minutes.

## America's Sweethearts

Anyone involved with the movie business has great stories to tell about press junkets, in which movies are shamelessly mass-promoted to pampered and often clueless journalists. But you won't hear any of the juicier ones in this flat comedy cowritten by Billy Crystal, who plays a studio publicist who has the job of putting a happy face on a film by a superstar couple (John Cusack and Catherine Zeta-Jones) who have acrimoniously separated but reunite to push the picture. Billy Roberts, playing the self-absorbed female star's personal assistant and doormat sister, shines as the sublimated voice of sanity. As they say in the biz, when she's onscreen, the movie works; when she isn't, it works too. Rated PG-13, language. 1 hour, 40 minutes.

# What's Playing

<p><b>'American Outlaws,'</b> Sun Valley Opera House                  'American Pie 2,' Magic Lantern                  'Captain Corelli's Mandolin,' SkITime Cinema                  'Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back,' Magic Lantern                  'Jeepers Creepers,' SkITime Cinemas                  'Original Sin,' SkITime Cinemas                  'The Princess Diaries,' Magic Lantern                  'Rat Rat,' Magic Lantern                  'Shrek,' Liberty Theater                  'Summer Catch,' Sun Valley Opera House</p>	<p><b>'American Outlaws,'</b> Century Cinema                  'John Carpenter's Ghosts of Mars,' Century Cinema                  'The Princess Diaries,' Century Cinema                  'Rat Race,' Century Cinema                  'Rush Hour 2,' Century Cinema                  'Shrek,' Burley Theater                  'Summer Catch,' Century Cinema</p>
<p><b>'American Outlaws,'</b> Odyssey Theater                  'American Pie 2,' Twin Cinema, Grand-Vu Drive-In                  'America's Sweethearts,' Twin Cinema                  'Atlantis: The Lost Empire,' Twin Cinema                  'Captain Corelli's Mandolin,' The Orpheum                  'The Fast and the Furious,' Twin Cinema                  'Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back,' Twin Cinema                  'Jeepers Creepers,' Twin Cinema                  'John Carpenter's Ghosts of Mars,' Odyssey Theater                  'Jurassic Park III,' Twin Cinema                  'Legally Blonde,' Odyssey Theater                  'The Others,' Odyssey Theater                  'Pearl Harbor,' Odyssey</p>	<p><b>'American Pie 2,'</b> Jerome Cinema                  'The Others,' Jerome Cinema                  'Princess Diaries,' Jerome Cinema                  'Rush Hour 2,' Jerome Cinema</p>
<p><b>'Jurassic Park III,'</b> Gooding Cinema</p>	<p>No movies this week.</p>

## 'Bubble Boy'

An immune deficient teenager bounces cross-country in search of love. Another smart-alecky road comedy with something to offend half the population. Jake Gyllenhaal disarms in the title role. Directed by Blair Hayes. (1:24. PG-13 for language and crude sexual humor.)

## 'Captain Corelli's Mandolin'

There is much to quarrel with in director John Madden's distillation of the best-selling novel about the impact of the Italian occupation on the Greek island

of Cephalonia in World War II. Penelope Cruz plays Pelagia, a doctor's daughter who falls under the spell of a sympathetic Italian captain (Nicolas 'Cage') and his soulful mandolin. But while Cage's performance is uneven and the script lurches from scene to scene, Cruz's quiet, affecting portrayal of a conflicted woman in love helps fill in the gaps. An excellent supporting cast that includes John Hurt, Irene Pappas and Christian Bale is underused, but time passes swiftly and sweetly. Rated R; violence, sexual situations, brief nudity. 2 hours, 7 minutes.

Please see MOVIES, Page C7



Jonathan Breck, left, and Justin Long play in United Artists Films' thriller 'Jeepers Creepers.'

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WEEK END



Fans of singer Aaliyah bow their heads and hold up candles Monday, during a moment of silence at a candlelight vigil ceremony for the late singer and former Detroit resident in front of the Detroit High School of Fine and Performing Arts.

# Fans mourn Aaliyah's death, recall her artistic contributions

By Rochelle Riley  
Detroit Free Press

She was only 22 years old. Yet in an instant, Aaliyah Dani Haughton joined an exclusive, but heart-breaking club, stars who are gone too soon.

Aaliyah was Mercury rising. She was Saturn with brilliant rings of movies, songs and laughter getting brighter and hotter.

But she was more. Unlike others on the verge of greatness, Aaliyah's success had already mounted the horizon and was coming at her like a sunrise in a hurry.

She had already reached places that once existed only in her dreams. But she wanted mega-stardom like Barbra Streisand's.

When word came of her plane crash, I mourned a star, not the hope of a star. My initial thoughts were of my daughter, a singer and actress who, at 12, would be so sad. But my next thoughts were of two other rising stars, James Dean and Selena, who left too soon for the world to know truly how far they could go.

Jimmy had starred in only three movies when his Porsche crashed into another car on a lonely California road in September 1955.

But the shadow that his future glory cast was bigger than his short career. Even 46 years later, the implied idea of Dean, as his



Aaliyah Dani Haughton  
A rising star passed on

posthumous fame has been called, has spurred a recent television movie and more analyses of the 24-year-old.

Twenty-three-year-old Selena Quintanilla Perez was about to catapult from Tejano favorite to mainstream crossover success when she was shot by an employee and former fan club president in March 1995.

In both cases, the light was growing stronger. And, Aaliyah's stardom wasn't a hope of things to come. She was already in the spotlight.

For her, the what-might-have-beens weren't untouchable. We could feel them. We could see

them. We had touched them.

Aaliyah had already earned chart-topping props. She had already sung my favorite song from any animated movie, the Academy Award nominated "Journey to the Past" from "Anastasia."

She already had her dual movie-singing career, with a supporting role in "Romeo Must Die"; she was to star in the "Matrix" sequels.

She was on the verge of superstardom, so we don't need someone to look at what might have been, although there is more that might have been.

When you look at a photo of 7-year-old Aaliyah Haughton appearing in a 1986 Gesu Catholic School production of "Annie," you can see the future in those eyes. And in that smile.

It is the same look that can be found in the eyes of other children whose dreams exceed their grasps.

For now. That doesn't mean always. Because "always" is a meaningless word for those who dream.

Aaliyah's dream lasted 22 years. What remains to motivate other dreamers, to cheer us and keep us dancing now that she's gone is a voice and smile that wouldn't quit.

Remember that voice and smile - and search for them in others so we can celebrate more Aaliyahs in her name.

# So far, no radio thriller: Jackson's album so-so

By Geoff Boucher  
Los Angeles Times

HOLLYWOOD - After years as a reclusive and tabloid oddity, this was the week that Michael Jackson had circled on his calendar as the beginning of his return to pop music royalty. So far, though, there's reason to wonder if he's any closer to reclaiming his throne.

"The surprise release last week of 'You Rock My World,' the lead single from Jackson's first studio album in six years, has been met with tepid and skeptical responses from many of the nation's leading pop and urban radio stations. Despite a predictable spike in airplay its first day, an informal survey of some key programmers showed mostly listener apathy.

"The response from our listeners has been, well, quiet," said J.R. Ammons, music director of Atlanta's leading pop station,WSTR-FM, known as Star 94. "All of us in the process have a question whether or not Michael Jackson is relevant to our audience anymore. I have no idea. I guess we'll find out."

For Jackson, who celebrates his 43rd birthday Wednesday, that's a dramatic change from the bombast that surrounded his singles in the 1980s and early 1990s.

The singer's new album, "Invincible," is due in stores on Oct. 30 and has been a topic of intense speculation in the music industry, which is divided on the singer's relevance. To ramp up for the release, the singer will be feted next week at an all-star tribute at Madison Square Garden in New York. Although no one questions the historic weight of his music on "Thriller" - the 1982 album is the second-best-selling disc ever in the United States - his current commercial heft is less certain.

At Epic Records, Jackson's label, there are no signs of distress about any disdain in the radio community - in fact, just the opposite, said Hilary Shave,

executive vice president of promotions. She said that it's not unusual to see a disconnect between the tastes of radio programmers and their fans, who are typically younger and less jaded.

"People who program radio stations reflect the media in their market, and a lot of them are entitled to their opinion and feel they should have an opinion," Shave said. "They all feel like they should be arbiters of pop culture. There are other examples: When the last 'N Sync record came out, everybody deemed the boy band thing over and said it would not do well. It sold incredibly well, and the fans can't get enough of it."

"You Rock My World" is a mid-tempo song featuring the slick, hit-making beats of Rodney Jerkins, one of the most celebrated pop producers of the day, and, on the album, will have a dash of extra celebrity with a slyly intro dialogue with comedian Chris Tucker. It's a freshened treatment of his signature sound, but it's unclear if it will resonate with younger fans.

"At first, there was a lot of interest from people who hadn't heard it," said Dave Morales, music director for KHKS-FM in Dallas. "The callers would say, 'Is there really a new Michael song?' But we're not getting a lot of repeat requests for it."

AZ101, the New York pop station that boasts the nation's largest audience with 2.5 million listeners, the song is being treated like any other record and getting played once a day, said music director and DJ Paul "Cubby" Bryant.

"It's a decent-sounding record, but I'm not sure fans of Eve and Gwen (Stefani of No Doubt) and Jagged Edge fans are foaming at the mouth for it," Bryant said. "In the radio industry the reaction is lukewarm. Even though he's Michael Jackson, probably the biggest star of our time, there's a real question whether he matters to young people."

# Authorities say her pilot had drug record

MIAMI (AP) - The pilot of the ill-fated Cessna carrying pop phenom Aaliyah had a recent criminal record, including a crack-cocaine violation that had him in court less than two weeks before the plane went down in the Bahamas, authorities said.

Luis Antonio Morales Blanes' record came to light Wednesday as investigators continued scouring the wreckage in search

of clues to what may have caused the crash.

Excess weight is being considered as a possible factor.

NBC "Nightly News," citing unidentified sources, reported the plane was over its maximum takeoff weight by 700 pounds to 1,500 pounds. Asked about the report, Randy Butler, lead investigator from the Bahamas Civil Aviation Department, told The Associated Press, "We're not will-

ing to speculate at this time." He said not every single item from the plane had been weighed and he would not give a partial weight.

Butler also said the two companies that owned and operated the plane did not have a permit to operate in the Bahamas. In the U.S., where the company was cleared for charter flights, Morales was not authorized to fly the plane.

# Latin presence increases in Hollywood

WASHINGTON (AP) - When Patricia Velasquez filmed 1999's "The Mummy," she says there weren't many Hispanics working in Hollywood.

"I think we're doing a lot better, I think, in terms of like even three years ago when I was just arriving to the business," she told AP Radio. "There was a lot less work than there is now."

This year's sequel, "The Mummy Returns," says there now are more Hispanics working as actors, writers and directors - and more opportunities all the way around.

"They're eager to say who we really are as a community," she says.

She was a co-host at the recent Hispanic Heritage Awards, which will air Sept. 22 on NBC.



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**Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back'**  
 Kevin Smith places front and center those two stoners who have appeared in all five of his films. The comic book they inspired is about to be turned into a movie, and fearing the worst, head to Hollywood to stop production. There's lots of freewheeling profanity, but the movie becomes numbing, and the comedy unfunny and crass as a result. With Jason Mewes and Smith as Jay and Silent Bob, plus Shannon Elizabeth, Chris Rock and many others. (14. R, for strong language and sexual humor, pervasive strong language and drug content.)

**'Jeepers Creepers'**  
 Writer-director Victor Salva says he's a horror connoisseur, and it shows. He's included every single slasher movie cliché known to mankind. A brother and sister (Gina Philips and Justin Long) in an old car on a winding road think they see a mysterious man dumping bodies into a sewage pipe. But they just keep driving. They have to investigate, and become his next targets. This cheesy horror flick should have gone straight to video. -I'll be lucky to spend one week in theaters, and that's only because Francis Ford Coppola, Salva's mentor and one of the creative producers. R for terror violence/gore, language and brief nudity. 90 minutes.

**John Carpenter's 'Ghosts of Mars'**  
 Surprisingly lackluster space adventure from the usually energetic Carpenter, set in 2176, when over-population on Earth has led to colonization of the planet Mars. When a police squad travels to a jail in a remote mining community to pick up a prisoner (Ice Cube), they discover that the investigation of a Martian tomb has unleashed a swarm of Martian beasts who take over human bodies. With Natasha Henstridge, Jason Statham, Pam Grier, Clea Duvall, Joanna Cassidy. (1.95. Rated R, for strong violence/gore, language and some drug content.)

**'Jurassic Park III'**  
 The latest trip to Steven Spielberg's dinosaur theme park may have an added enticement—thinner crowds. For this rehash, Spielberg relinquishes the director's chair to Joe Johnston ('Jumanji'), who strips it down to its essentials: big scary monsters chasing really stupid humans. Sam Neill returns as the nominal voice of reason, a paleontologist lured to the island of genetically resurrected dinosaurs by a couple. (Tea Leoni and William B. Davis) with a secret but noble motivation. The new attractions are a spinosaurus, bigger and meaner than old T-rex. But there's a decided been-there, done-that feel to it all, as good as the effects may be, they're just effects. Rated PG-13; violence. 1 hour, 31 minutes.

**'Legally Blonde'**  
 Reese Witherspoon, who has quietly established herself as the best movie comedienne of her generation in films that feature bigger audiences, elevates a predictable revenge comedy into an enjoyable spunky fairy tale. She plays a rich Southern California fashion slave who gets herself admitted to Harvard Law to prove to the boy who dumped her that she's more than a sexy dumb blond. Though the film never takes full advantage of its 'Private Benjamin' premise, Witherspoon creates her own opportunities for the smart and sparkling and adorable even when the film is not. Rated PG-13; language. Running time: 1 hour, 36 minutes.

**'Original Sin'**  
 A novel by the ingenious

crime writer Cornell Woolrich ('Rear Window'), previously filmed by Fritz Lang as 'Mississippi Mermaid,' is reset in turn-of-the-century Cuba and turned into steamed corn by director Michael Cristofer, who assumes all he has to do to make a sexy thriller is put two sexy people in it and turn the heat up past boil. Antonio Banderas plays a Cuban coffee baron whose American mail-order bride, played by Angelina Jolie, converts him from a man of common sense to a man of passion. Even after she turns out to be someone very different from what he ordered, he can't get her out of his lovestruck head. Cristofer capitalizes everything, from the purple dialogue — 'You can't walk away from love!' to the lurid borderia lighting. The acting is equally florid; if there were ever two actors with less need to push their sexiness, it would be these two. Rated R; sexual theme, nudity, violence, language. 1 hour, 53 minutes.

**'The Others'**  
 An exquisitely made but dramatically inert ghost story from Spain's talented Alejandro Amenabar ('Open Your Eyes'), starring Nicole Kidman as a World War II widow raising two children afflicted with a rare disease that makes sunlight fatal. They would seem to be perfectly situated, in a dark Victorian mansion on a remote English island, until some unwelcome visitors take up residence. Artful, atmospheric and resolutely old-fashioned, it relies entirely on psychology and symbolism to evoke fear and suspense but ends up caught in the netherworld between solemn and somnolent. Rated PG-13; violence. 1 hour, 44 minutes.

**'Pearl Harbor'**  
 The team of producer Jerry Bruckheimer and director Michael Bay try to apply the fireball physics of their summer action hits like 'Armageddon' to the day that will live in infamy, but if you remember this 'Pearl Harbor,' it will be for fireballs, not for feelings. Divided into three parts, it tells a story of two best friends (Ben Affleck and Josh Hartnett) who love each other, flying and remember a woman (Kate Beckinsale). The midsection is devoted to the

attack, which manages to be both historically accurate and exciting in an artificial, action-movie way. The last section provides a triumphant ending via the daring raid by Gen. Doolittle (Alec Baldwin) on Tokyo, but the film just leaves us disappointed, not only in its lack of depth and context, but in the state of the Hollywood blockbuster. Rated PG-13; violence. 3 hours, 3 minutes.

**'Planet of the Apes'**  
 Director Tim Burton ('Batman') returns to that topsy-turvy world visited by Charlton Heston in the 1968 sci-fi fable about a planet where evolution was reversed: Apes rule, humans drool. But Burton's reimagining of the story mostly just seems reheated. The monkey makeup is much improved, but the story is the same, with human astronaut Mark Wahlberg upsetting the order of things and leading a slave revolt, aided by rebel chimpanzee (Tim Roth) and villainous General Thade (Tim Roth). But without the social allegory that made the original a stoner's fave, this just sits there like a gorilla in a zoo, waiting for us to be rated. PG-13; violence. 1 hour, 51 minutes.

**'The Princess Diaries'**  
 Any movie with this title might have been subtitled 'Boys keep out,' so it's little surprise that the family-friendly comedy resembles the room of a 12-year-old girl: cute, messy and generic. Anne Hathaway stars as a dorky 15-year-old who discovers she's royalty; she has to decide whether to remain 'invisible' or to assume the throne of a Monaco-like European country. Julie Andrews is the Queen Grandmother, who takes on the Henry Higgins role of transforming duckling into swan; as might be expected, she's the best thing in the movie. Rated G; nothing objectionable. 1 hour, 55 minutes.

**'Rat Race'**  
 This nominal remake of 1963's celebrity-studded madcap comedy 'It's a Mad Mad Mad Mad World' seems to have been cast from a bad day at Hollywood Squares,' with Breckin Meyer, Amy Smart, Whoopi Goldberg,

Cuba Gooding Jr., Rowan Atkinson, Jon Lovitz and two generic stupid guys pitted against each other in a race to claim \$2 million. The usual vehicular mishaps and complications ensue, each lamer and more desperate than the next. Whatever you do, don't take the bus: It's full of Lucy impersonators. Rated PG; language. 1 hour, 32 minutes.

**'Rush Hour 2'**  
 The sequel to the 1998 smash pairing motormouth comic Chris Tucker as an L.A. cop and Jackie Chan as a Hong Kong detective adheres scrupulously to the ain't-broke-don't-fix-it credo. It literally takes off where the last film ended, depositing the pair in Hong Kong for more culture-clash gags and martial arts mayhem. The plot, which involves a Triad gangster (John Lone), a sinister American businessman (Alan King) and money laundering, is as pointless as it is convoluted; the attraction is the chemistry of Chan and Tucker, as unlikely a combo as eel and Ho-Hos. Rated PG-13; violence, language. 1 hour, 30 minutes.

**'Scary Movie 2'**  
 The inevitable sequel to last year's \$265-million gross-out hit is only as fresh by half. This one gathers a band of clueless coeds in a spooky old house and then subjects them to all sorts of slapstick abuse. Rated R; non-stop profanity, sexual situations,

comic violence. 1 hour, 22 minutes.

**'The Score'**  
 When three of the best actors of their respective generations meet, we would expect something more substantial than this routine heist caper, with Robert De Niro as a master thief out to make one last big score, Marlon Brando as a shady fence and Edward Norton as their loose-cannon collaborator. Are you yawning yet? The actors are, giving the kind of lackluster performances that signal they are even less impressed by the computer-code script than we are. Director Frank Oz seems wary of rousing the lions; perhaps he's afraid of being pawed. Rated R; language, violence. 2 hours, 2 minutes.

**'Sexy Beast'**  
 No one will ever drap Ben Kingsley in 'Gandhi's' sackcloth again after seeing him play Don Logan, a vicious, verbal English gangster who comes to Spain to ruin the retirement of fat and happy former underling Gal Dove (Ray Winstone of 'The War Zone'). The heist Logan has in mind is the least important matter in this stylish, compelling feature debut from English video director Jonathan Glazer, the most entertaining crime thriller since 'The Limey.' Kingsley would seem certain to be at least nominated for an Academy Award, but Winstone is no less deserving, and their duel of wits is more exciting than any action-

movie set piece you'll see this summer. Rated R; violence, language, brief nudity. 1 hour, 31 minutes.

**'Shrek'**  
 The first great American movie of 2001 is a computer-animated satire that sends up the Disney tradition even as it honors it. Its story of an ugly, curmudgeonly green ogre (the voice of Mike Myers) who is blackmailed into rescuing a damsel in distress (Cameron Diaz) will delight and engage children while entertaining adults to no end. The gags are clever and hilarious, with Eddie Murphy giving his best performance in years as the voice of a literal smart ass — a motor-mouthed talking donkey. The animation is gorgeous, but it's the writing that makes this an instant classic: In the course of fracturing fairy tales, 'Shrek' becomes one. Rated PG; language, some innuendo. 1 hour, 29 minutes.

**'Summer Catch'**  
 Freddie Prinze Jr. has his most complex role to date in this overly complicated and uneven film about a local boy who makes the Cape Cod League, giving him the chance to show off his pitching skills to pro scouts. Meanwhile, he dares to become involved with a local aristocratic beauty (Jessica Biel) whose ultra-snobbish rich father (Bruce Davison) vehemently disapproves of him as a suitor. (1.53. PG-13, for sexual content, language and some drug content.)

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WEEKEND

# Raffle will help build wing at hospital

By Dixie Thomas Roale  
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — Artist Peter Page unveiled "Children of the World," his latest painting, recently at the Radio Grill located just inside the front doors at the Jerome Wal-Mart store. The painting depicts children from around the world who are hurting in one way or another.

*The funds raised from the raffle will go to help build a children's wing of St. Luke's Medical Center in Boise.*

Page is donating the painting to the Children's Miracle Network to be raffled on Saturday. The funds raised from the raffle will go to help build a children's wing of St. Luke's Medical Center in Boise. A team of Wal-Mart employees has been working to raise funds to help kids in Idaho. This latest project will help finance a new section of the St. Luke's children's wing, where a kid's parents and family can stay with the child, while the child is receiving treatment.

The raffle tickets cost \$1 each and can be purchased at the courtesy counter at the Jerome Wal-Mart store. Tickets will be sold to both the public and Wal-Mart employees.

Children's Miracle Network volunteer team members from the Jerome Wal-Mart store are Page, Alonia Barnes, Nikki Hicks, Shirley Anderson, Misti Anderson, Dianna Ray, Stacy Tyree and Cindy Garcia.

Cynthia Stephens, Carol Mattress, Rhonda Varnante, Sharon Kellogg and store manager Jeff Hanssen.

Inspiration for the painting came from Page's own background.

He was born in Rhodesia, now the African nation called Zimbabwe. He emigrated to the United States as a young man and became a naturalized citizen in 1998.

"I have lived in Third World countries and have seen starvation and deformities in children

at their worst," he said. "I am now an American and am proud."

Page said the painting "does not depict the diversity of our multinational world. However, I have attempted to portray just a few categories of children found in most spectrums of society, whatever the nationality.

"There are the lonely, with perhaps a pet being their only friend in life," he said. "Other children

defy their disabilities and remain happy and exuberant in their struggles. While others have been robbed of joy and hope, by illness and disease, neglect and abuse. Thankfully many kiddies enjoy health and love, care and compassion from loving families."

Times-News correspondent Dixie Thomas Roale can be reached in Jerome at 324-3670.

## Herrett Center announces new hours, show schedule

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Herrett Center for Arts and Science at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls will return to its school year schedule on Tuesday.

The center will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, and 1 to 9 p.m. Saturdays.

The Faulkner Planetarium show schedule will also change at that time. "The Search for Life in the Universe," narrated by Leonard Nimoy, will show at 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays. "The Dinosaur Chronicles," which highlights the rise and fall of the age of dinosaurs, will show at 2 p.m. Saturdays. "The Explorers," which details how man has navigated by the stars, will show at 4 p.m. Saturdays. The backyard astronomy show, "More Than Meets the Eye," will show at 7 p.m. Saturdays.

A new art show, "Stealing History," will debut at 7 p.m. Sept. 11. Well-known Idaho artist David Giese of Moscow has created a fictional Italian villa, complete with architectural fragments and frescoes.

Collection is on display in the Footsteps Gallery. This rare cache of exotic 12,000-year-old points and bifaces was found by Fairfield farmer Bill Simon in 1961, as he was leveling one of his fields. This collection is now recognized as one of the world's best known collections of Clovis era artifacts.

A growing collection of photographs in the Herrett's Browning/Keever Gallery is dedicated to upcoming Twin Falls Centennial observance in 2004. It features various historic photographs of the area taken by local pioneer photographer Clarence Bisbee. The Herrett Center also welcomes digital photographs of modern-day life in Twin Falls. The Herrett's digital camera can be loaned free of charge to allow for picture taking or photos from personal digital cameras will also be accepted.

A Herrett committee will select photos on a regular basis over the next two years to decide how the display will look.

Admission to the Herrett's galleries is free. Admission to the planetarium is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for students and \$3 for families of two adults and up to five children.

## Nomination deadline for arts awards is set for Sept. 10

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Nomination deadline is Sept. 10 for the 2001 Awards for Excellence in the Arts, sponsored by the Magic Valley Arts Council.

The newly organized biennial celebration of local arts will take place on Oct. 16, in conjunction with national Arts and Humanities Month.

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#### SPORTSQUOTE

“Why did you say I was gay? I’m not gay.”

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—Boxer Lennox Lewis, to champion Hasim Rahman before the two men got into an argument during a taped TV interview Thursday, and both fighters ended up wrestling on the floor

#### TRIVIA

##### QUESTION:

How many of the 10 oldest players in the NFL last season were punters or kickers?

...answer below

#### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

##### College volleyball

Utah Valley State Invitational, at Orem, Utah  
CSI vs. Salt Lake CC, 11:30 a.m.

CSI vs. Phoenix, 12:45 p.m.  
CSI vs. Yavapai, 7:30 p.m.

##### High school football

Murtaugh at Dietrich, 3:30 p.m.

Rockland at Carey, 3:30 p.m.  
Sho-Ban at Camas County, 3:30 p.m.

Hansen at Richfield, 7 p.m.  
Mackay at Hagerman, 7 p.m.  
Glenns Ferry at Filer, 7 p.m.  
Valley at Aberdeen, 7 p.m.  
Kimberly at American Falls, 7 p.m.

Wendell at Wood River, 7 p.m.  
Fruitland at Gooding, 7:30 p.m.

Hillcrest at Jerome, 7:30 p.m.  
Bear Lake at Burley, 7:30 p.m.  
Meridian at Twin Falls, 7:30 p.m.

##### High school boys' soccer

Filer at Bliss, 5 p.m.

##### High school volleyball

North Gem at Murtaugh, 5 p.m.

Raft River at MVC, 6 p.m.  
Century at Minico, 6 p.m.

##### Rodeo

Twin Falls rodeo, 8 p.m.

#### IN BRIEF

##### Kiwanis soccer registration ends

**BURLEY** — This is the final day to register for the Kiwanis fall soccer league. Sign up at Mountain View Elementary during school hours.

Registration is \$10 for those with jerseys and \$25 for those without.

Registration is for male and female youths from Kindergarten through eighth grade. Coaches are needed in all age groups.

##### Candleridge to hold Lulloff Memorial tourney

**TWIN FALLS** — The inaugural Bruce Lulloff Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Sept. 12 at Candleridge Golf Course. The cost is \$30 per person and includes green fees, cart and beverages.

The format is a 4-person scramble with shotgun start. Several prizes will be awarded. For those wishing to just partake in the barbecue, the cost is \$10.

Registration deadline is Sept. 10. For more information, call 735-6999.

#### TRIVIA ANSWER:

Five — kickers Eddie Murray, Gary Anderson and Morten Andersen and punters Lee Johnson and Sean Landeta.

## Eagles boost their record with three more wins

The Times-News

**OREM, Utah** — The College of Southern Idaho volleyball team ran its record to a perfect 10-0 with three wins to open the Utah Valley State Invitational Tournament on Thursday.

The wins came at a loss, however, when star outside hitter Jessenia Uceda went down with an apparent sprained ankle during the first game of the Golden Eagles' match with the College of Eastern Utah. CSI coach Ben Stroud said the injury



injury with CSI leading Eastern 11-3 in Game 1.

"The courts are small," Stroud said. "She

looked worse than it is. "She's probably going to be all right tomorrow," he said. "It was just a slight sprain of her ankle. I think it's a twaker. It hasn't really swollen up much."

Uceda suffered the injury with CSI leading Eastern 11-3 in Game 1.

### Utah Valley State Invitational

CSI def. Western Nebraska 30-24, 30-27  
CSI def. Eastern Utah 30-21, 30-21  
CSI def. Yavapai 30-18, 30-26

came down and stepped over and she stepped into the padding of the officials' standard."

Stroud said he compensated by putting Amanda Santos in Uceda's place.

"We moved her and put Kendrea Meyer

in the middle," Stroud said. "We got so many middles that the rotation system we run, everybody can play middle. It's pretty amazing."

Southern Idaho opened with a hard-fought 30-24, 30-27 win over national power Western Nebraska Community College as Kellane Paiva and Uceda combined for 25 kills, 16 by Paiva.

CSI went on to beat Eastern Utah 30-21, 30-21, getting 10 kills apiece from Paiva and Santos and 16 assists from Louise

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## Running to victory



LISA M. COLLARD/The Times-News

Buhl running back Chris Floyd advances the ball against Middleton's Matt Gabica. The Vikings went on to a 41-7 rout for their first win of the season.

## Floyd and Buhl dominate Middleton

By Joe Summen  
Times-News writer

**BUHL** — Even after earning an early rest, Chris Floyd just couldn't stay off the football field Thursday night.

The Buhl senior rushed for 143 yards and a touchdown and added an 85-yard kickoff return for a touchdown late in the fourth quarter as the Indians dominated Middleton 41-7.

Floyd finished the game with 265 all-purpose yards, leading the Indians with 10 rushing first downs. Senior quarterback A.W. Wells helped balance out the attack, throwing for 191 yards and three touchdowns and rushing for another.

"I got some cramps there near the end," Floyd said. "I asked the coach, 'Am I done?' He said yes and then when they scored I had to go back out for the kickoff return."

Floyd's jaunt was his first

return for a touchdown since the eighth grade. It also capped a prolific night of scoring by the Indians. Five different players scored for Buhl in the game.

"We came out ready to play," Buhl coach Gary Krumm said.

"And that excites us. We got beat pretty bad last week and they could have hung their heads and they didn't."

The Indians (1-1) wasted no time scoring after struggling to put points on the board last weekend against Spring Creek, Nev.

Buhl marched 57 yards in the first three minutes of the game to take a quick 7-0 lead on a 26-yard touchdown reception by junior Rob Walker on third-and-19. The Indians added a safety to go ahead 9-0 after a bad snap by Middleton sailed into the endzone just two minutes later.

"We talked about scoring early," Krumm said. "They don't have the type of offense that

catches up. They run the option and they run it well, but if you can get up it's tough."

Floyd found the endzone on Buhl's second possession, this time capping a 56-yard, 10 play drive with a 3-yard plunge. The Vikings fumbled to start the next series and the Indians again had the ball within striking distance. Wells found Josh Villaro with a 27-yard strike to put Buhl ahead 21-0 with three minutes to play in the first quarter.

"They played well," Middleton coach Bill Brock said. "They kicked the snot out of us. They really did. I was a little disappointed we didn't come out better in the first half. But we're a young team."

Wells found junior Chris Wolf open over the middle early in the second quarter for a 79-yard touchdown and the route was on.

Wolf's long score put the

Indians up 27-0 at the half and Wells added another score with a 2-yard dive in the third.

Middleton finally scored with three minutes to play on an 11-yard run by Cody Porter. Sophomore Scott Roorde led the Vikings with 104 yards on 23 carries.

"This tells me this team has something inside," Krumm said. "They have some kind of heart, some kind of character. We were skeptical, but they have something in there."

Buhl hosts American Falls on Sept. 14.

#### Buhl 41, Middleton 7

Duration 1:00:27-41

Scoring

1. Walker 79 pass from Wells (Floyd kick), 9:35

2. Gould safety, 7:19

3. Floyd 37m (Walker kick), 2:18

4. Villaro 79 (Wells kick), 1:02

5. Wolf 79 pass from Wells (Wolf kick), 9:05

6. Wolf 2 run (Floyd kick), 8:43

7. Porter 11 run (Gibson kick), 3:00

8. Wolf 63 run (Floyd kick), 2:46

## Agassi rallies past Chilean in U.S. Open

The Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — Andre Agassi anxiously waited through two sets for a sign of mortality from his relentless opponent, and it finally came when Nicolas Pietrangeli double-faulted on set point.

"C'mon!" Agassi shouted as the serve landed an inch wide, symbolic of the margin by which he escaped Thursday at the U.S. Open.

Confronted with a barrage of remarkable shotmaking from Pietrangeli, Agassi hung on until the Chilean cooled off. With the tiebreak victory, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 6-2, 7-6 (3), the second-seeded Agassi advanced to the third round.

"My experience tells me that was a great one to kind of sneak through there," the two-time Open champion said. "He wasn't giving an inch from the beginning, and neither was I."

Defending champion Marat Safin also survived a tough test



Defending men's champion Marat Safin, of Russia, returns to Ivan Ljubicic, of Croatia, at the U.S. Open in New York Thursday.

nearly exhausting his allotment of tiebreakers but outlasting Ivan Ljubicic 7-6 (5), 6-7 (2), 7-6 (5), 7-6 (5).

Safin's match went 3 hours, 27 minutes and sorely taxed his

notorious temper. He buried his head in his hands, slammed balls into the net, flailed his arms and directed at least one obscene

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## Bruins kick off season against Meridian

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** — Hobbled by injuries among its young and inexperienced football team, the Twin Falls Bruins kick off their season under the lights tonight at home against Meridian.

The Bruins, winners of only two games a season ago, have had success against the Warriors of late, owning a 4-0 record in the teams' previous four meetings.

Meridian, meanwhile, has won just three games since 1996. In their last regular-season meeting, the Bruins held on for a 31-27 win at Meridian in 1999.

Twin Falls will have to go tonight without starting tailback Brandon Salinas or middle linebacker Jayson Vogt, who are both sidelined with injuries. Salinas was diagnosed with a fractured hip last week while Vogt had a pin surgically inserted into his broken foot.

Not that there won't be a Salinas still carrying the football. Jake Salinas, a cousin of Brandon, heads the group of potential runners in the backfield. Also showing potential is Brandon Field, Jed Butler and Jared Bidler.

"Right now we're looking at four juniors at the running back spot," Twin Falls coach Mark Schaal said this week. "(Jake) Salinas has some good quicks and Field and Butler had some time last season as sophomores."

Besides finding someone to carry the football, another concern for the Bruins is in the trenches, where size and inexperience are a liability.

"We're small," Schaal said. "We're just not real big on our offensive and defensive fronts."

Junior tackle Kevin Jussel (6-foot-0, 220 pounds) and senior center Heath Harrison (6-4, 175) will lead the push up front. But Schaal said others on the Bruins' thin roster must step up.

"We're going to have to scramble to find a solution."

One other consideration for Schaal and Co. is the lighting situation. One bank of lights at Bruin Stadium were removed this summer to erect a nearby cellular phone tower.

But Twin Falls athletic director Andy Barron said he has been assured that the lights, which were replaced recently, will function as normal.

Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

## Sparks take lead in WNBA finals

The Associated Press

**CHARLOTTE, N.C.** — The heavily favored Los Angeles Sparks got a jump on their bid for their first WNBA title, getting 24 points and eight rebounds from Lisa Leslie in a 75-66 victory over the Charlotte Sting in Game 1 of the league finals Thursday night.

Leslie showed why she was the MVP of both the regular season and the All-Star game with a dominating second-half performance to rally the Sparks from an 11-point deficit.

DeLisha Milton added 19 points and Tamecka Dixon scored 12 for the Sparks.

The Sparks need only to win one game on their home floor — where they are 18-1 this season — to close out the best-of-three series and join their counterpart, the Los Angeles Lakers, as champions this season.

Game 2 is Saturday.

The Sting, who started the sea-

son 1-10 before turning things around and winning the Eastern Conference title, got 18 points from Andrea Stinson.

At first, the game seemed like a showdown between Stinson and Leslie and their different styles of basketball.

They closed out the first half by exchanging baskets — Stinson making three jumpers using tricky dribbling and behind the back passes, and Leslie answering by lowering her shoulder and driving the ball to the basket on consecutive possessions.

Stinson gave way to Allison Feaster at the start of the second half, giving the former L.A. reserve ample opportunities to run the offense. She did, scoring on three consecutive jumpers to pad Charlotte's lead to 48-39.

Another Stinson layup gave the Sting their largest lead of the night at 50-39 with 16:16 to play.

After that, the Sparks — especially Leslie — seemed to wake up.



# Female kicker breaks gender barrier in Division I football

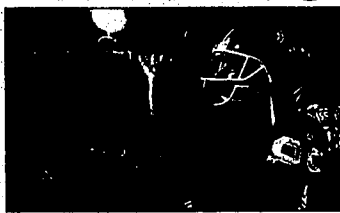
JACKSONVILLE, Ala. (AP) — Ashley Martin became the first woman to play and score in a Division I football game Thursday night, kicking three extra points in three tries for Jacksonville State against Cumberland.

## College football

A huge cheer went up from the crowd of 11,312 as Martin ran the ball held for the first time in Division I. Jacksonville State, her brown ponytail dangling down her back.

The standing ovation got louder when she put the ball high through the uprights to give Jacksonville State a 14-0 lead midway through the first quarter. Jacksonville State won 72-10.

Martin's kick, made easier by an officials' penalty against Cumberland, landed just short of an adjacent field house. Earlier, starting kicker Steven Lee put his



Jacksonville sophomore kicker Ashley Martin of Sharpsburg, Ga., is hugged by a fan in her game against Cumberland in Jacksonville, Ala., on Thursday.

PAT on the roof to cap the first drive.

## Arkansas 14, UNLV 10

LITTLE ROCK — Ryan Sorahan completed two fourth-down passes, then hooked up with Richard Smith on a 23-yarder that set up Cedric Cobbs' touchdown as Arkansas somehow slipped by

Nevada-Las Vegas 14-10 Thursday night.

Cobbs' 14-yard run came with 18 seconds to play and ended a 49-yard drive that started when UNLV punter Ryan McDonald — on the field for the first time — let the snap slip through his hands. Until that improbable drive, Arkansas had only two first downs, including one when the

## Regional scores

Washington State 38, Idaho 0, third quarter.  
Arizona 16, San Diego State 10, third quarter.  
Utah 41, Montana State 13.

Rebels were flagged for defensive holding on a quarterback sack. UNLV, which beat the Razorbacks barely eight months ago in the Las Vegas Bowl, was in front because of a big play from its defense and another in the kicking game.

## Middle Tennessee 37, Vanderbilt 28

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Middle Tennessee finally got it right. Dwayne Hicks ran for 203 yards and scored four touchdowns as Middle Tennessee beat Vanderbilt 37-28 Thursday night in the season opener for both teams.

It might be the Blue Raiders' biggest victory ever for a program entering only its third season in Division I. A. Middle Tennessee had lost its first 16 games against Southeastern Conference teams, including the last four as a I-A team.

"This was a name team, and that was our goal — beating a name," coach Andy McCollum said. "It's one day at a time from here." The Blue Raiders had little trouble against Vanderbilt, which has lost four straight openers under Woody Widenhofer.

"This is one of those losses I've ever been involved in," Widenhofer said. "I really feel terrible because we let a lot of fans down out there, and parts of our team played as hard as they can play." Middle Tennessee held the ball for nearly 40 minutes and racked up 608 yards, looking much like the offense that ranked 16th

## Temple 45, Navy 26

PHILADELPHIA — Navy hoped to launch its 2001 season by playing back-to-back games, but 10 losses from last season, but never seized command of the game and lost to a veteran-laden team, 45-26, Thursday night before 26,191 at Franklin Field.

It was Navy's 11th consecutive opening-game defeat for Navy in its first appearance at the venerable site since 1987. Navy has not won an opener since 1996 when it beat Rutgers, 24-10, and went on to play in the Aloha Bowl.

"We made enough mistakes offensively and defensively for the whole season," said Navy Coach Charlie Weatherbie. "We didn't do a good job on either side of the ball. I feel like we had a lot of self-inflicted pain. I wish we could have given them a lot better game."

## BASEBALL

### Wild Card glance

Atlanta	71	32	2
Chicago	71	32	2
Los Angeles	71	32	2
San Diego	71	32	2
St. Louis	71	32	2
Philadelphia	71	32	2

### AL BOSTON

Boston	81	72	0
Tampa Bay	72	81	0
Florida	72	81	0
Atlanta	72	81	0
Los Angeles	72	81	0
San Diego	72	81	0

### NL BOSTON

Boston	81	72	0
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San Diego	72	81	0
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Atlanta	72	81	0

## AL standings

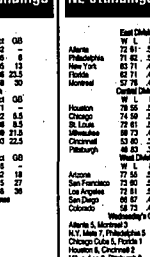
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Atlanta	71	32	.687	0

## IN THE BLEACHERS

By Steve Moore



"Vickers, go in at second base. Allen, play right field. Johnson, clean up these sunflower seed shells."

## ON THE AIR

### TELEVISION

USA	9 a.m.
ESPN2	11 a.m.
PAX55	1 p.m.
ESPN	5 p.m.
TNT	6 p.m.
WGN	7 p.m.
ESPN2	10 p.m.
TNT	3 a.m.

## ROCKIES 5, DOODERS 3

Colorado Springs in overtime. Rockies 5, Dooders 3. Rockies scored on a walk-off home run by...

## PHILA 8, NY 4

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## WINDY CITY 10, CHICAGO 5

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SPORTS

# 'OK, we got some out of a tavern'

Some lessons are tougher to remember than others.

The last time the NFL was forced to call in undersudies was 1987, when a players' strike stretched the season into the regular season. After a particularly inept performance by a Los Angeles Rams team packed with replacement players, reporters cornered then-coach John Robinson.

"It's not like we're getting them out of a tavern somewhere," he protested.

But then Robinson thought about it for a second. A deal had already been signed to bring his real team back in time for the fourth game. A sly smile creased his lips.

"OK," Robinson said, "we got some out of a tavern."

If the NFL had conducted a survey anytime in the last decade concerning which part of the game needed shoring up, officiating would have been the runaway winner. Fans whose teams wind up on the wrong side of a ball already assume that official was recruited out of a tavern. Just wait until they see their replacements.

The NFL kicked off its final round of preseason games with a revolving cast of officials drawn from NFL Europe, Arena Football and the college ranks. The league is being purposely vague about the last group because several conferences were less than thrilled about allowing their on-field officials to work pro games.

On the players' side, at least, expectations aren't high.

Detroit defensive end Robert Furcher's logic was flawless when asked whether officials from NFL Europe and the Arena League are professionals.

"I don't see too many players from those leagues in the NFL," he said.

The NFL said it had no other choice regarding talks that had already stretched over the better part of a year broke off



JIM LITKE

this week. The argument is over money, but at the core of the dispute is the more interesting spat: Whether NFL officials are full- or part-time employees.

"It's seasonal work, six months at best, no matter how you total it up," league spokesman Greg Aiello said a few hours before kickoff. "That's the way it's worked for 62 years."

The league's latest five-year proposal reflects that thinking. It offers the 119 officials a 40 percent raise next year, double the salary in year two and then a series of single-digit bumps. The NFL calculates that by the end of the deal, they will be among the top 5 percent of wage earners in America - but still below what their counterparts in the NBA, NHL and Major League Baseball make.

Veteran player-agent Tom Condon, who represents the officials, originally asked for parity with the other leagues - and offered to switch the work force to full-time officials. The union's executive board surveyed members and determined they were already averaging 40-hour work weeks - if the time they put in during the six months they're on call was spread out over the course of a year.

"Our officials do a great job and we have all the respect in the world for them," Aiello said. "But some of them watch 'Monday Night Football' and count that. Some probably go to sleep at night reading the rulebook instead of a novel and count that."

"Besides," he added, "if we move to full-time jobs, we'd lose a lot of our veteran officials. Most of them already have careers

they're not willing to sacrifice."

Condon agrees some number of veterans would leave, but for different reasons. "The guys who would leave are the ones who already find their work for the NFL is bleeding into their other job and hurting their chances to make progress," he said.

"We suggested this was the time to make the officials full time, but commissioner (Paul) Tagliabue made it clear that wasn't an option. So we came back and asked for 60 percent of what officials in the other major sports were getting. That's where we left it."

Frankly, it's too confusing to crunch the numbers and figure out the difference between the NFL's last proposal and the union's. The league throws around what the most senior officials would be making by the end of the five years; the union likes to focus on how far first-year NFL officials lag behind their counterparts in the other pro sports. What's clear is that the two sides aren't all that far apart.

By coincidence, a deal that would extend the league's collective bargaining agreement with its players until 2007 is completed and awaiting only signatures from both sides. Asked whether this was a particularly important time for the NFL to be viewed as holding the line on costs.

"Any concerns the owners have about a ripple effect extends beyond the players," he said.

Those same owners should have concerns about the fans, too. Attendance won't fall off the way it did when the players walked out 14 years ago, but the number of complaints could skyrocket.

Messing with a successful product is always a risk. Just ask the genius who came up with New Coke.

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Atlanta Braves shortstop Rey Sanchez turns to throw to first base after forcing out Montreal Expos runner Michael Barrett on a third inning double play in Atlanta on Thursday.

# Oswalt matches Astros' record

HOUSTON (AP) - Roy Oswalt pitched a three-hitter and matched a team record for wins by a rookie, leading Houston over Cincinnati.

Oswalt (12-2), who got his second complete game in 24 major league starts, allowed a solo home run by Adam Dunn in the second, a single by Dunn in the eighth and a single by Dmitri Young in the ninth.

Oswalt struck out nine, one short of his career high, and walked none.

Expos 4, Braves 2

ATLANTA - Orlando Cabrera capped a three-run fourth inning with a go-ahead sacrifice fly as the Montreal Expos beat the Atlanta Braves 4-2 Thursday night.

Atlanta, which maintained a one-game lead over Philadelphia in the NL East, has lost 11 of 15 home games, and is 33-36 at Turner Field this season.

Mets 6, Phillies 2

NEW YORK - Tsuyoshi Shinjo homered, tripled and drove in three runs as the New York Mets beat Philadelphia behind another strong outing from Steve Trachsel.

With Mike Piazza sitting out because of a nagging abdominal strain, Shinjo went 3-for-4 and

scored two runs to pace the Mets offense.

Cubs 5, Marlins 4

CHICAGO - Bill Mueller hit a solo homer in the bottom of the ninth inning, and Fred McGriff hit a three-run shot as Chicago rallied past Florida.

Cardinals 13, Padres 3

ST. LOUIS - Matt Morris became the major leagues' third 18-game winner and St. Louis scored in double figures for the second straight game, beating San Diego.

Jim Edmonds was 6-for-10 in the three-game series with two homers and eight RBIs.

American League Indians 3, Red Sox 1

CLEVELAND - Roberto Alomar hit a two-run homer and threw out a runner at third Thursday night, helping Bartolo Colon and the Cleveland Indians complete a three-game sweep with a 3-1 win over the Boston Red Sox.

Yankees 5, Blue Jays 4

NEW YORK - Bernie Williams hit a sacrifice fly in the 11th inning off Scott Eyre (0-1) as New York opened a six-game lead over second-place Boston in the AL East, matching the Yankees' season high.

Mariners 4, Devil Rays 0

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. - Freddy Garcia (15-5) allowed eight hits in 6 2-3 innings, and Bret Boone drove in three runs as the Mariners pitched their league-leading ninth shutout.

Tigers 3, White Sox 1

DETROIT - Shane Halter homered and scored twice as Detroit stalled a four-game losing streak overall and a 10-game losing streak against Chicago.

Athletics 15, Orioles 0

BALTIMORE - Eric Chavez hit two homers, including a grand slam, and drove in a career-high eight runs as the Oakland Athletics pounded the Baltimore Orioles 15-0 Thursday night to cap a three-game sweep.

Rangers 5, Twins 1

MINNEAPOLIS - Rookie Aaron Myette allowed three hits in seven innings as the Texas Rangers beat the Minnesota Twins 5-1 Thursday night.

Royals 2, Angels 1

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Greg Zaun singled home the winning run with two outs in the ninth inning Thursday night to give the Kansas City Royals a 2-1 win over Anaheim and their first three-game home sweep of the Angels since 1989.

# Steelers hammer Bills 20-0

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Troy Edwards scored on an 78-yard punt return and Pittsburgh's defense was dominating for the second straight game on an otherwise uneventful night - the NFL officials were hardly noticed - as Pittsburgh Steelers beat the Buffalo Bills 20-0 Thursday.

The Bills didn't get an on-field until the Steelers couldn't convert a fake punt attempt and turned the ball over at their 37 in the third quarter.

Colts 23, Bengals 17

CINCINNATI - The fill-ins called few penalties and had only a couple of minor problems as Indianapolis beat Cincinnati without quarterback Peyton Manning.

Manning rested a sprained knee as backup Mark Rypien Rypien completed 17 of 36 for 153 yards with two interceptions and a nicely thrown 21-yard touchdown pass to Trevor Insley.

Eagles 13, Jets 12

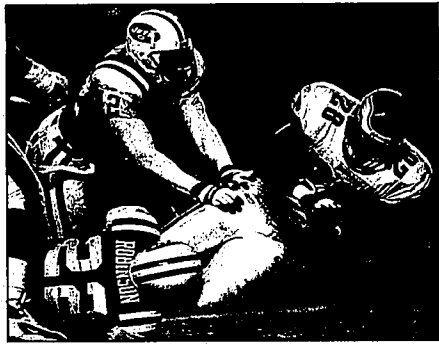
PHILADELPHIA - A.J. Feeley's 16-yard touchdown pass to Sean Scott with 23 seconds left lifted Philadelphia over New York for their second straight victory.

John Hall kicked four field goals for the Jets, including a 41-yarder with 1:48 left that made it 12-6.

Titans 28, Lions 25

PONTIAC, Mich. - The replacement officials made an uneventful debut as Tennessee beat Detroit.

The Titans' Neil O'Donnell, who played the first half of the first possession of the second,



Philadelphia's Correll Buckhalter, right, is tackled by New York's Damien Robinson, bottom, and Marcus Coleman during the first quarter of the preseason game Thursday in Philadelphia.

connected on 13 of 20 passes for 166 yards.

Tennessee's Steve McNair (lower back) and Eddie George did not play, but are expected to be available for the season opener against Miami on Sept. 9.

Patriots 33, Redskins 13

FOXBORO, Mass. - New England didn't need the two points they lost when a replacement official's call was reversed by instant replay as the Patriots beat Washington.

The Patriots (3-1) capitalized on three turnovers for 17 points in the last 6:14 of the second quarter, and Adam Vinatieri kicked four field goals.

Washington quarterback Jeff George, limited to one quarter in the first three games by should-

er tendinitis, struggled most of the game but before throwing a 4-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Lockett eight seconds before halftime.

Cowboys 27, Jaguars 17

IRVING, Texas - Troy Hambrick paid back safety Donovan Darius for a brutal tackle by pushing him out of the way on a 34-yard touchdown run that helped Dallas beat Jacksonville.

An exchange of field goals tied the game at 17, then Tony Taylor scored the winning touchdown on a spinning 18-yard run up the middle in the third quarter.

Tim Seder added another field goal with 2:18 left for the final points.

## The Associated Press

A slip of the tongue, a slip on the field, a whack in the face. Plus NFL Referees Association decided against them.

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Most called only obvious violations - in the Colts' 23-17 win over the Bengals, there were two holding penalties, two off-sides, one false start and one on the Bengals for having 12 defenders on the field.

There were just two misadventures.

In Pittsburgh, umpire David Hettema, was hit on the left side of his face by a pass by Buffalo's Alex Van Pelt, but didn't appear to be shaken up.

And in Cincinnati, field judge Gary Wiso had a close call as he stood on the sideline and signaled a touchdown on Dominic Rhodes' 17-yard run in the first quarter.

Bengals safety Corey Hall, who was chasing Rhodes, slammed into Wiso, who staggered but took a few steps but stayed on his feet.

# Utes open against Aggies for in-state bragging rights

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Leading up to Utah State's opener against rival Utah, Aggies coach Mick Dennehey has been poring over film from last season.

It's not Utah games he's been watching. He's more interested in Illinois.

The Utes and Aggies meet Saturday, marking the debut of the quick-strike two-back offense installed by Utah's new offensive coordinator, former Illinois quarterbacks coach Craig Ver Steeg.

"I'm concerned about not knowing what they do on offense, not knowing about their quarterbacks," Dennehey said. "We took

## Utah vs. Utah State

When: Saturday, 6 p.m.  
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a look at some background on Illinois; and now we've got an idea about how they're going to line up.

The Utes limped to a 4-7 record last season after being picked to

win the Mountain West. That prompted coach Ron McBride to overhaul the staff, leading to the resignation of former offensive coordinator Tommy Lee.

Utah's new look means tailbacks Dameron Hunter and Adam Tate will line up behind quarterback Lance Rice, who started three games last season and then beat out two others this fall for the starting slot.

Rice said the new offense, with its quick reads by the quarterback and an increased emphasis on using tight ends as receivers, was a challenge to learn. In fall camp, Ver Steeg had the Utes

absorbing numerous formations.

"In the morning we would walk through plays, kind of go through things slowly so everyone understood their responsibilities," Rice said. "In the afternoon, it was more like a scrimmage, going against the defense."

After about eight seasons in a single-back set that boosted tailbacks like Jamal Anderson, Chris Fuamatu-Ma'afala and Mike Anderson to the NFL, it's a new start for the Utes.

"When Jamal was here and with Chris, we kind of evolved into that system," McBride said. "It pushed us in that direction

because he had that type of runner and we wanted to feature that guy."

The Aggies counter with stand-out running back and return specialist Emmett White, who set an NCAA single-game record last season with 578 all-purpose yards in a 44-37 victory at New Mexico State.

"Nobody ever gets a big hit on him," McBride said. "They more you give him the ball, the better he plays."

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yards and had 122 return yards. But in Utah's 35-14 victory last season in Logan, he was held to 43 rushing yards.

The Aggies are playing as an independent this fall after the Big West discontinued football. It's the first time since 1977 that Utah State hasn't played for a league title, which Dennehey said puts more emphasis on every game.

"We've just got to go out and make them all important," he said. "Every game is an opportunity to see where we are in relation to the great programs around the country."



SPORTS IN BRIEF

**Gooding announces Match Play winners**

**GOODING** — Harold Lacroix won the Men's Net Match Play Championship at Gooding Country Club on Sunday. Ty Jones placed second with Jim Hollifield in third and K.J. Coates in fourth. Consolationist was Marc Ferron.

**Idaho Falls couple takes ICGA Burley event**

**BURLEY** — The team of Richard and Kathie Rice of Idaho Falls won the latest Idaho Couples Golf Association win at Burley Municipal Golf Course Aug. 25-26. Nick and Babe Hansen of Jerome finished second. Another Idaho Falls tandem, Larry and Val Kubicek won the first-flight over Lowell and Terrie Taylor of Jerome.

**Other winners:** Dick and Norva McIntyre of Rupert (third flight), Don and Marilyn McBride of Eden (fourth flight) and Wayne and Dee Egan of American Falls (fifth flight).  
The next ICGA event will be held Sept. 8-9 at Highland Golf Course in Pocatello. For more information, call 237-9922.

**Burley Boosters sponsors annual scramble**

**BURLEY** — The Burley High Booster Club is holding its annual four-person golf scramble at the Burley Municipal Golf Course on Sept. 15. The cost is \$140 per team and includes green fees, cart and lunch. There will be a raffle, silent auction and lots of prizes.

**Rahman, Lewis wrestle during TV interview**

**ANAHEIM, Calif.** — Call it the "Mickey Mouse Maul." Hasim Rahman and Lennox Lewis exchanged words, chest bumps, then wrestled on the floor during an interview Thursday at ESPN Zone at Disneyland in Anaheim, Calif.

"The only injury was to a table. No punches were thrown. The scuffle broke out while they were being interviewed by Gary Miller on "Up Close" on ESPN.

"Lewis obviously was upset by a comment Rahman made earlier on a radio show."

"Why did you say I was gay? I'm not gay," said Lewis, who will try to regain the titles he lost to Rahman on a 10-round knockout in South Africa.

"I said you were acting gay, taking it to the court," said Rahman, referring to Lewis filing suit to force Rahman into a rematch before he made a championship defense against anyone else.

Lewis then made a remark about Rahman's sister.

"Don't say anything about my family," the champion said.

The two men then stood up, bumping chests as they exchanged words. Lewis shoved Rahman, and they wrestled one another to the floor, with Rahman on top before he was pulled off. They then briefly scuffled again.

**Crowton suspends player over bar fight role**

**PROVO, Utah** — BYU guard Teag Whiting won't suit up for Saturday's game against Nevada, a penalty for his alleged role in a fight last summer outside a Salt Lake City bar, coach Gary Crowton said.

Whiting faces a Nov. 27 trial date on assault and disorderly conduct charges, and Crowton had said he wanted to wait for a resolution before announcing the punishment.

"Although Whiting might reach a plea agreement before trial, Crowton said Wednesday he would rather 'move on'."

Whiting, who the coaches will move starting right guard Aaron McCubbins to the left side and promote backup right guard Isaac Herring. Ryan Keele, a transfer from Ricks Junior College, also will play.

**NCAA penalizes 14 Marshall athletes**

**CHARLESTON, W.Va.** — The NCAA has suspended 14 Marshall athletes for improperly receiving extra work benefits, the school said Thursday night.

The announcement, which involves 12 football players and two men's basketball players, was made Thursday by the school, two days before the Herald opens the season at No. 1 Florida.

According to the NCAA, two football players must sit out one game, 10 football players will miss three games, and the basketball players must miss 30 percent of the upcoming season. The players' names were not immediately released.

Neither the school nor the NCAA said what the extra benefits were. A statement issued by the school said the benefits were given prior to February 2000.

**Engram signs contract with Seahawks**

**KIRKLAND, Wash.** — Bobby Engram wasn't out of work for long. Two days after being released by the Chicago Bears, the veteran, wide receiver signed a one-year contract with the Seattle Seahawks on Thursday.

Engram, 28, caught a career-best 88 passes for the Bears two years ago.

Scheduled to earn \$1 million in Chicago, Engram will get the NFL veteran's salary, \$477,000, this season. With incentives, the deal could be worth between \$800,000 and \$900,000.

**Parents allege sexual exploitation at UAB**

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala.** — The parents of a former UAB student are suing the school's football coach and at least 26 current or former athletes, claiming she was sexually exploited.

The girl enrolled at UAB in spring 2000 shortly before her 15th birthday, said lawyer John Whitaker. Identified only as Jane Doe because of her age, the suit said she was recruited to attend UAB by President W. Ann Reynolds and other top administrators.

The suit, seeking \$20 million in damages, names football coach Watson Brown, assistant Larry Crowe, the current and former players, five administrators, the school's police chief and trustees.

The suit said the coaches told players to stay away from the girl, but did not do enough to stop them from having sex with her.

The suit claims officials knew the girl was sexually active and involved in drugs and alcohol but didn't intervene despite promising her special protection because of her age.

Whitaker said she was supposed to live in a dormitory with a group of other women, escorted to her residence, but wound up in another dorm occupied mainly by athletes.

**Williams goes home on 83rd birthday**

**GAINESVILLE, Fla.** — Ted Williams celebrated his 83rd birthday Thursday by returning home after a 10-week stay in a hospital.

Recovering from open-heart surgery in January, the Hall of Famer was moved from Shands Hospital at the University of Florida to his house in Hernando, about 50 miles away. Neither Williams nor family members gave interviews.

**Little League ruling pushed back to today**

**SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic** — An empty desk delayed the official word on whether pitching star Danny Almonte is too old for Little League.

Fast speeds expected at U.S. Nationals

**CLERMONT, Ind. (AP)** — Six seconds used to be the quarter-mile benchmark in drag racing. Then five seconds. Now, who knows?

As the National Hot Rod Association U.S. Nationals begin today at Indianapolis Raceway Park, a resurfaced drag strip has a renewed speculating just how fast the dragsters can go.

"I turned a 4.81 in practice and that's the best I've ever done in Indy," said John Force, closing in on his ninth straight Funny Car title. "The old track, when it would get hot, everybody would spin their wheels and then anybody could win."

"Now we were running 4.86 in the heat of the day, and I'm giving the fans a better show," Force said.

And the Top Fuel cars are

On TV	
NHRA Mac Tools U.S. Nationals	Saturday
Qualifying, 10 a.m., ESPN2	Sunday
Eliminations, 11 a.m., ESPN2	Monday
Final rounds, 9 a.m. ESPN2	
Early rounds, 2 p.m. ESPN2	

anniversary as drag racing's major sanctioning body.

Among the participants will be 69-year-old "Big Daddy" Don Garlits, an eight-time U.S. Nationals winner who is returning to competition for the first time since 1992.

The best run for Garlits, who was the first Top Fuel driver to reach 200 and 250 mph, was 5.072 seconds at 287.71 mph. Last year, Tony Schumacher won the Top Fuel title at Raceway Park with a quarter-mile run at 4.569 seconds and 321.77 mph.

Also part of the program this year will be Sunday's Budweiser Shootout, with the top eight Funny Cars in a one-day, single-elimination competition. The winner will get \$100,000, plus another \$50,000 if he also wins

the U.S. Nationals on Monday.

But Force, the top seed, figures there's more to it than money.

"The money's nice, but it's more about flexing your muscles against those younger guys," the 52-year-old driver said.

The others entered in the shootout are Tony Pedregon, Bruce Sarver, Ron Capps, Whit Bazemore, Frank Pedregon, Dean Skuza and Del Worsham. "The shootout is the second-most prestigious race for Funny Cars," said Bazemore. "We haven't had much luck here but we're hoping this will be our year."

A similar shootout on Saturday is the Holley Dominator Duel for the Pro Stock Bikes, with \$15,000 to the winner and \$10,000 more for also winning on Monday.

U.S. weightlifter Haworth sets two records

**BRISBANE, Australia (AP)** — Olympic medalist Cheryl Haworth set two U.S. records Thursday night while winning three weightlifting golds at the Goodwill Games.

Haworth, an 18-year-old from Savannah, Ga., who weighs about 300 pounds, lifted 280.5 pounds in the snatch and 341 in the clean and jerk for a total of 621.5 pounds. The clean and jerk and total weight were American marks, while the snatch was a personal best.

"I've never attempted that snatch before, ever," Haworth said.

She took the bronze in the over-165-pound weight class at the Sydney Games last year. Meanwhile, Australia and the United States engaged in an exciting women's swimming duel that ended with the host team winning its second round-robin in a row, 79.5 points to 69.5.

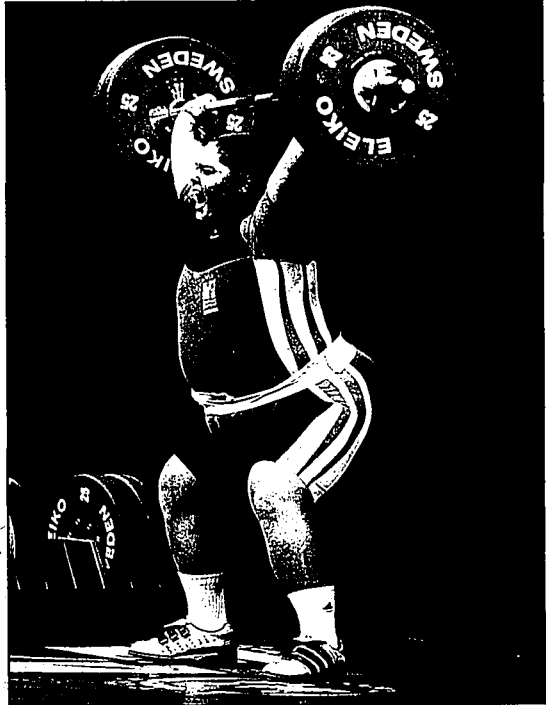
After a two-hour battle in 17 races that saw the Americans pull close — but never surpass — the Australians, it was fitting that the encounter finished with a rare dead heat in the 400-meter freestyle relay. "A fantastic end to a fantastic night," Australian anchor Glean Rooney said.

After Australia took an early 20-14 points lead, the gap closed to just 27-25 after six of 17 races when Tammie Stone of the United States won the 50-meter freestyle.

Australians Leisel Jones and Brooke Hanson finished 1-2 in the 100 breaststroke, and Perrin Thomas, the 200 butterfly world champion, added another Australian victory. After a 10-minute break for television, Australia finished 1-2 in the 100 freestyle to make it 48-31.

But Americans won the next two races — Kirsten Caverly in the 200 breaststroke, then Ashley Chandler in the 400 free — to close the gap to 56-50.

Thomas won her second of the night in 11:00 butterfly and Dyanra Calub finished first in the 50 backstroke — adding to her earlier win in the 100 backstroke — before Hanson and Leisel Jones



American weightlifter Cheryl Haworth yells as she lifts 341 pounds, the gold medal weight in the women's 47.5 kg clean and jerk event at the Goodwill Games in Brisbane, Australia, Thursday. Haworth also won gold in the snatch and another for the best in her weight division.

clinched the contest by finishing 1-2 in the 50 breaststroke.  
Hanson clocked a Games-record 32.01, breaking her own meet record set Wednesday.  
The United States is 1-1 after

beating Europe on Wednesday.  
The women race their final round-robin today when Australia goes up against Europe and the U.S. team faces the World.  
The men were idle Thursday,

but return for their second round-robin today when Australia goes up against Europe and the United States, which lost to Australia on Wednesday, takes on the World team.

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gesture toward himself.  
"I'm like this. I can't change," Sam said. "It's difficult to play the other way — to be quiet on the court and nice to everybody. I'm getting angry with me, my coach, my father, everybody."

He smiled and noted: "I'm doing better. I didn't break any rackets today."

After losing the first set, Agassi was in danger of losing the second. He struggled to hold serve for a 5-4 lead, then took the set when Massu hit only his second double fault.

With that one errant shot, momentum immediately shifted to Agassi. Massu, 10 years younger at 21, was nonetheless weary from doing most of the running and began spraying his shots.

"Over the course of a match, that's an important ingredient for me — that an opponent is having to work hard," Agassi said.

Despite the marathon, the Open remained largely upset-free. Jennifer Capriati advanced to the third round by beating Evie Dominikovic 6-2, 6-0, defending champion Venus Williams beat Ellen Tu 6-2, and French Open runner-up Kim Clijsters beat American Allison Bradshaw 6-3, 6-2.

Capriati and her brother, Steven, were eliminated in the opening round of mixed doubles.

On the men's side, a recurrent shoulder injury forced American Jan-Michael Gambill to retire, trailing Mikhail Yuzhnyh 6-4, 4-1.

Another American, Andy Rodick, celebrated his 19th birthday with a practice session

U.S. Open

**H**ighlights Thursday of the \$15.76 million U.S. Open tennis championships:  
Weather: Cloudy, breezy and mild with a high of 90.  
Attendance: Day session: 31,444.  
Results: Men- No. 2 Andre Agassi, No. 3 Marat Safin, No. 9 Tim Henman and No. 13 Roger Federer won their second-round matches. No. 20 Jan-Michael Gambill was forced to retire against Mikhail Yuzhnyh with a right shoulder injury. Women- No. 2 Jennifer Capriati, No. 5 Kim Clijsters,

and passed on a piece of birthday cake.  
"I've got to stick to the U.S. Open diet," Rodick said. He plays countryman Jack Brasington in the third round today.

There was a new development in the Open's spitting spat. Michel Tabara, who spat at Justin Gimelstob approaching the net to shake hands after losing their five-set match Wednesday, was fined \$1,000 by the International Tennis Federation for sportsmanlike conduct.

With a day off Thursday, Gimelstob threw out the first pitch at the New York Mets' game.

"A spitball, of course," he quipped.  
Agassi-Massu was an unlikely candidate for the best match so far this week. Massu came into the tournament ranked 86th with a 17-20 record this year, and he lost to Agassi in straight-sets at Wimbledon two months ago.

He did, gradually wearing down Massu by running him from corner to corner.

The Chilean caught his breath to make one last charge in the fourth set, coming back from a 3-1 deficit and erasing three match points in the 10th game. But he committed four unforced errors in the tiebreaker, allowing Agassi to close out the 3-hour, 20-minute victory.

"I've got to be even more consistent than I have been," Agassi said. "I just felt like if I stayed with it, I would eventually consolidate those opportunities."

But in the first two sets the speedy baseliner seemed to chase down every shot, and he came up with a series of improbable, sharply angled winners that often landed on a line. A frustrated Agassi committed 18 unforced errors in the opening set, including four in the tiebreaker, he failed to convert his first seven break-point chances in the second set.  
"I had the chances," Agassi said. "I just felt like if I stayed with it, I would eventually consolidate those opportunities."

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## Utility faces opposition to energy exports

The Associated Press

BOISE — Idaho Power Co. told state regulators last year it needs the electricity generated by a proposed natural-gas turbine near Middleton, but it also was preparing to sell power to Mexico.

The Garnet Energy power plant proposed near Middleton is supposed to meet a shortfall in Idaho Power's supply in mid-2004. The Canyon County Planning and Zoning Commission is considering the project this week.

But at the same time that Idaho Power's corporate sibling, Ida-West Energy Co., prepared its permit application for Garnet, Idaho Power was applying for and receiving federal permission to sell electricity to Mexico.

Idaho Power got a permit in March to do so. It already can sell energy to Canada. The export permits are being transferred to IdaCorp Energy, another corporate partner of Idaho Power, which specializes in power marketing.

Idaho Power, Ida-West Energy and IdaCorp Energy are all subsidiaries of IDACORP.

Once the transfer is completed, Idaho Power cannot-export power, IdaCorp Energy spokeswoman Myra Bourk said.

The Garnet output is pledged to Idaho Power for four months a year, and it will have the right of first refusal in other months, Ida-West said. If Idaho Power does not want Garnet's output, the plant can sell it on the open market.

The various arms of IDACORP work in concert and may soon have more electricity than Idaho Power customers can use, said Jonna Weber of the Middleton opposition group, Citizens for Responsible Land Use.

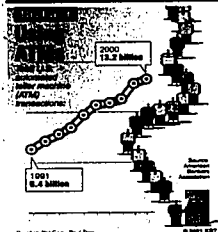
Its members contend the power will be shipped out of state, but residents will bear the brunt of living next to a humming gas generator.

All international power sales must be approved by the Department of Energy, which considers if it deprives domestic customers.

The Mexican permit would allow Idaho Power to export energy from its facilities only if it is surplus to the local needs.

Many utilities get permission for exports but never transfer power, Bourk said. IDACORP has not sent power to Mexico and may never do so.

"We wanted to make sure that the permit was written so that if it was ever beneficial, we would be able to do so," she said.



### BRIEFLY IN MONEY

#### Williams files Idaho expansion project

BURLEY — A unit of Williams on Thursday announced it has filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to construct and operate the Rockies Expansion Project in portions of Wyoming and southeastern Idaho.

The proposed \$154 million project would increase capacity for transportation of existing customers' domestic gas supplies to markets in Idaho, Oregon and Washington, the company said.

"The additional physical capacity created by this expansion will help shippers on the Northwest Pipeline system maintain reliable and flexible access to economically priced domestic gas supplies," said John Davis, manager of business development.

The Rockies Expansion Project will add six sections of new pipeline loops, totaling 91 miles. The new pipeline segments will be parallel to or near Northwest's existing system.

Williams also plans modifications to existing compressor stations that will include 25,000 additional horsepower, as well as modifications to compressor stations in seven locations including Lava Hot Springs, Pocatello, Burley and Hoot. Construction is set for spring 2002 with an in-service date of October 2003.

With a system that spans the continental United States, Williams' gas pipeline unit is one of the nation's largest-volume transporters of natural gas, Williams said.

The Houston-based company has offices in Salt Lake City. Northwest Pipeline operates a 3,964-mile system delivering Rocky Mountain and Canadian natural gas to markets in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming and Colorado.

#### Council asks federal regulators to adjust prices

PORTLAND, Ore. — The Northwest Power Planning Council will ask federal regulators to revise price caps on electricity because the controls could diminish power supplies in the region this winter.

The four-state council joins a growing number of utilities, power marketers and government agencies that oppose price controls imposed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on June 15.

Although commission's order applies to 11 Western states, it links the price-cap formula exclusively to California generators. The calculation could keep electricity prices artificially low and discourage generators from selling this winter when electricity demand recedes in California and peaks in the Northwest.

"It is important to rein in runaway electricity prices in California during hot weather, when California's demand for power is highest, it is equally important to us to rein in potential high prices during the winter, when demand for power is highest in our region," council Chairman Larry Cassidy said in a statement.

The council, which monitors the Northwest's electric power supplies, recommended six changes to the cap, including a link to regional operating costs; an exemption for small, temporary generators; and a requirement that California generators offer power to other states when possible. Those members are appointed by the governors of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, voted 6-2 to submit the recommendations to FERC for consideration at a September meeting. The two members opposing the action were from Montana, where Gov. Judy Martz has objected to price caps of any kind.

## Hailey's herald

### Chamber's ex-director recalls business group's big jumps forward

By Karen Bossick  
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — When Sallie Hanson agreed to head up Hailey's chamber of commerce five years ago, she thought she would spend her time answering questions about Hailey's climate, recreational pursuits and business opportunities.

Instead, nearly half the questions she fielded involved Bruce Willis and Demi Moore. Where do they live? Where's Demi's doll house? What are we doing there?

That's in the past now. So is coming home at 2 in the morning after 18 hours at the office. And hopefully her blood pressure will return to normal now that she is Sallie Hanson, private citizen.

As chamber director, Hanson was asked to do what some might have thought impossible, such as locating a truck driver passing through town to have him call his wife. And winning over businessmen who were skeptical the chamber could do anything for them.

Early on she decided she didn't need to recruit businesses to Hailey — the Wood River Valley's quality of life would do that.

So she concentrated on making the businesses that were already here happy. Under her tenure, Hailey's special events jumped from two to 12.

Hanson created Springfest, for instance, to grab tourists who would otherwise drive right through Hailey en route to Memorial Day weekend camps. She took over the state's largest Fourth of July fireworks display after Willis stopped underwriting it. She organized an annual holiday giveaway at Christmas. And she made Hailey the site of the state fiddlers' championship and home to the annual Trailing of the Sheep festival.

She also helped Hailey secure a Gem community designation, which involved business, elected and civic leaders together assessing the town's economic health and quality of life and brainstorming goals.

In the process, she increased the chamber's business membership from 100 to 225.

"Sallie's done a lot of things for Hailey and its business community," said Elbie Bellon, of Elbie's Tire and Automotive. "She's been a sounding board for businessmen, taking our concerns to the city. And she's brought in more tourists, some of whom are going to have car trouble and need my services."

"She's done an outstanding job," echoed Realtor Bud Holan. "The past couple of years she's been very effective about promoting local businesses."

Of course, it didn't hurt to have Bruce and Demi as unofficial ambassadors. Inquirers

invariably replied they had read about Hailey in a magazine article on Willis or Moore when Hanson asked how they had heard about Hailey. And Willis' stage production of "True West" during July brought in record-setting business at such establishments as the Red Elephant restaurant.

"What Bruce did for the community was to

help us be proud of our town," said Hanson, who lives in a historic 1880s home in the heart of Hailey.

But there was a downside to the free publicity generated by the actor and actress. Reporters wanted to know more about the couple's personal lives than about Hailey's small town.

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"I'm amazed at diversity we have here. We have everything from Power Engineers to headhunters. And I can't see us going anywhere but forward."

— Sallie Hanson, former Hailey Chamber of Commerce director



Sallie Hanson talks about her career as chamber leader in front of the Basque sheep wagon that has come to symbolize the Hailey Chamber of Commerce.

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## Designers find their Target

### Discount retailer makes a trendy turn

Knight Ridder News Service

It almost sounds like a celebrity game of "Clue."

Architect Michael Graves is in the kitchen with the knives. Designer Mossimo Giannulli is in the bedroom with a rack of clothes. And makeup artist Sonia Kashuk is in the bathroom with foundation and powder.

But this wasn't a board game, and there's no mystery about the point the Minneapolis-based discount chain was making when it recently showed off its fall holiday offerings in a 20-room townhouse in New York's trendy Tribeca neighborhood. Target, which has a store in north Tarrytown, has everything the modern American family needs — from trendy treats to bedspreads to toilet bowl brushes.

What's more mysterious is how Target was able to sign big names like Graves, whose expensive line of household accessories has grown to 1,000 items.

Such designer partnerships have been the Holy Grail for moderate-price merchants such as Sears, Roebuck and Co. and J.C. Penney Co. for years. But even after Sears remodeled its stores and made a big push to get more brand names, it ran into a wall. Most designers are afraid of hurting their reputations and alienating upscale customers by selling goods anywhere except high-end specialty or department stores.

There's a simple answer as to how Target was able to partner with Graves. They asked him, and he said yes. After all, Graves reflects, "It's every designer's dream to do what Modernism and Bauhaus set out to do: bring good design to the masses."

But the real explanation of how Target has become the "upscale discounter" is far more complex and has been evolving for almost 30 years. Nobody is arguing about the result: Target has found a way to transcend low-price retailers and become a trendy retailer.

Cynthia Cohen, president of retail consulting firm Strategic Mindshare, believes Target was able to develop "the cool factor" through clever image advertising.

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## Fair-trade co-op growers appeal to Starbucks taste buds

Knight Ridder News Service

SEATTLE — Juan Guerrero doesn't often rub shoulders with high-powered American coffee executives.

So when Guerrero, a quality technician for the Prodecoop cooperative in Nicaragua, and three colleagues visited Starbucks headquarters in Seattle this week, he tried to pick the brains behind the world's most visible specialty-coffee company.

Starbucks has a coffee store in Ketchikan.

During an afternoon coffee tasting, Guerrero and Mary Williams, Starbucks' senior vice president for coffee, to compare the acidity of three cups of coffee made from the co-op's beans.

"It's a little different from the others, but not much," she said. "Un poco difference."

The Nicaraguan coffee produc-

ers were in town as part of a visit organized by TransFair USA, a nonprofit organization that certifies that farmers from foreign markets are paid fair prices for the beans they sell to U.S. roasters.

Starbucks executives, including President and Chief Executive Officer Orin Smith, tasted a variety of coffees made from the co-op's beans, critiquing the body, acidity and consistency of each blend and commenting on the size and color of dry and roasted beans.

After the tasting, members of the Prodecoop contingent said they came away with a better idea of what America's premier coffee retailer was looking for.

"We really want to understand and contribute to quality, all the way from the farm to the cup of coffee consumers are going to

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## Land O'Lakes triple merger would mean 25 percent increase in milk production

Knight Ridder News Service

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The proposed merger of three Eastern and Southern dairy cooperatives with Land O'Lakes would restore the Arden Hills, Minn.-based dairy foods company to second place among the nation's largest milk suppliers — a position experts say is necessary to cope with rapidly consolidating dairy markets.

Merger plans announced in August would bring Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers Cooperative into the Land O'Lakes family of dairies along with two smaller companies: Lone Star Milk Producers of Winderhorst, Texas, and Arkansas Dairy Cooperative of Damascus, Ark.

Combined, the three new members account for 4 billion pounds of annual milk produc-

tion and would increase Land O'Lakes' total milk volume by 25 percent to an estimated 16.4 billion pounds of milk per year.

This will give Land O'Lakes — which has operations in Gooding and Twin Falls — more geographical reach to better serve its own existing dairy food manufacturing plants. In addition, it will increase the milk supply Land O'Lakes needs to serve other food-processing customers, said Don Ault, an industry analyst with Sparks Commodities.

"With the concentration going on in the industry, with fewer milk processors and retail chains getting bigger, this positions Land O'Lakes to be one of the 'big boys' with the strength to supply the other big boys," said Ault.

It also positions Land O'Lakes in more regions of the country as the dairy foods and agribusiness

company struggles with the unique regional politics of milk he noted.

Congress is again debating legislation to allow regional milk compact to set prices to protect local dairy interests.

The politics of milk share a popular concept of partitioning in America. Milk producers, such as Jesse Wells and Mark DeLong and Wisconsin Sens. Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold have led the charge for open, free markets. Meanwhile, some of the Senate's staunchest conservatives, such as Sen. Jesse Helms of North Carolina, are pushing for more government milk marketing intervention.

No matter if change is delayed by political maneuvering, the dairy markets are changing," Ault said.

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MONEY

Target

ocused on its own ubiquitous red-and-white bull's-eye logo. After it achieved a hip image in consumers' minds by quickly adopting stylish designs, it was able to sign up real designers to create affordable versions of their products, she said. "If you're a designer, it's a question of matching your image with what you think about the store you're lending your brand to. Target said, 'We stand for creative design,'" she said. "But, she adds, Graves was still taking a big risk when he decided to create a \$35 teapot for Target. With a similar design and same weight of stainless steel used in a \$120 teapot he created more than a decade ago for upscale Italian glassware maker Alessi. "Graves' odyssey with Target started five years ago when he was visiting Target's headquarters to discuss the renovation of the Washington Monument. Target had pledged \$1 million toward the fix-up effort, and Graves was the architect chosen to design the scaffolding. After the meeting, Target's then-vice president of home decor, Ron Johnson, said, "We've been knocking you off for 15 years. It's about time we came to the source," Graves recalled. Then Graves made a little confession of his own: He had never been in a Target store. When Johnson invited him to take a tour, Graves said he wanted to put a "little yellow sticky" on anything he found that was ugly. Johnson's reply: "There are not enough Post-it's in the world to do that." Indeed, Target has a lot less ugly stuff since it began selling Graves' toasters, clocks and kitchen gadgets in 1999, even though designer stuff still represents only a fraction of its overall offerings. The designer gamble is paying off for Target, which posted a revenue increase of 12 percent and same-store sales gain of 3.4 percent in 2000, despite a late-year slowdown in the economy. That's a much better showing than the 2 percent revenue decline and 4 percent falloff in same-store sales at Target Corp.'s Marshall Field's department store division. The dichotomy was just as great in 1999 when the economy was humming. Target's sales rose 6.7 percent, while Marshall Field's sales were flat. Field's certainly isn't alone in its struggles. Other major chains such as Federated Department Stores Inc. and Macy Department Stores

Co. have suffered, too, leading retail experts to bid the entire department store industry a "dinosaur." Graves, who abandoned his department store apparel business to sell exclusively to Target in 2000, is even more blunt about department stores. "They're antiquated and tired, and it's stifling. It is a sick business, and I want out," he said. Furthermore, he said he doesn't even think of Target as a discount store. "I think they're the premier retailer in the country right now," Giannulli said. Near bankruptcy before the deal, Giannulli is now in the black again, on track to exceed Target's guarantee of selling more than \$1 billion of his casual clothes over three years. "I think it's the best decision I've ever made in my life." The best decision Target executives ever made, retail consultants agree, was to differentiate themselves from other discount chains by having "cool" stuff. "They've positioned themselves very carefully," Doolittle said. "They are a replacement for the Ward's, Penneys and Sears of the old days. And they're the only mass merchant that has real clout with good vendors." Target's designers say they were never nervous about having

their products in a discount chain. Graves said his only concern was about whether the partnership could make things in a way I would be proud of," he said. That hasn't turned out to be a problem. Graves does sketches and computer models of the items. Then Target's manufacturers make prototypes of the objects and send them to Graves for review and corrections. He then travels to factories to make sure the quality is up to snuff. Likewise, Kashuk said Target executives never blinked when she said she wanted her makeup-artist line of cosmetics developed by a top-quality Italian laboratory. "To me it was about maintaining the integrity of the product. Target said 'Go where you need to go.' A few times, Graves said she designed something that Target decided was too expensive. Usually, the product was saved by using less expensive materials, although a few have gone by the wayside. His early best sellers included a teapot and toaster. Currently, the hottest sellers are a recently introduced line of cleaning products, including buckets, brooms and toilet bowl brushes. "It's that beneath me? No," Graves insisted. Target's drive to get well-

known names into its store hasn't always gone smoothly — or quickly. Target struck a deal to carry a less expensive line of Stiffel lamps, an upscale brand made in Chicago and carried in department stores. But Stiffel went out of business not long after, leaving Target high and dry. Then Target persuaded Philippe Starck, another famous architect, to sell a chair from his existing furniture collection in a test in late 1999. The chair, dubbed "Cheap Chic," sold like gangbusters but there haven't been any new Starck-designed products for Target in a year and a half because Starck isn't quite satisfied with them yet. "He really is intent on making it right, as we are. It's good creative friction," said John Remington, Target's vice president of special events and publicity. When it arrives next spring, Starck's line will run the gamut from furniture to accessories to personal items such as toothbrushes, Remington said. Target said its exclusive lines will become a bigger part of its mix over time. Graves is working on a bedding collection. Kashuk is developing skin-care items such as eye creams and toners. Why can't other mass mer-

chants do the same thing? It's a bit of a culture clash, for example. Wal-Mart Stores Inc., for example, is price-focused and design-driven. Many Wal-Mart designs may not connect with its customers. Kmart Corp. got into a deal years ago with decorating doyenne Martha Stewart but hasn't brought other big names on board. "I peek into the memoirs of former Sears Chief Executive Officer Arthur Martinez reveals the difficulties of doing such deals. He said he approached casual apparel-makers such as L.L. Bean, Lane and Endless Inc. Crew about teaming with Sears but got the cold shoulder. Believing he had to do something, Martinez struck a licensing deal with Benetton, the European sportswear maker known for its titillating advertising. Shortly after the line arrived in Sears' stores, Benetton launched an ad campaign featuring U.S. death-row inmates. Advertising executives pulled it, forcing Sears to take a \$20 million bath." Target's partnership with Graves has obviously turned out much better. Would Graves have considered designing for Sears? Sure, he said, but they never asked

Starbucks

Continued drink," Guerrero said through an interpreter. Starbucks, Tully's Coffee and Seattle's Best Coffee all have ramped up their marketing of fair-trade certified coffee in the past year as activists have drawn increasing attention to the plight of indigenous farmers hit hard by fluctuating world coffee prices. This week's tasting with the fair-trade co-op was a first for Starbucks, which sells fair-trade-certified coffee in its U.S.

stores and on college campuses, in hotels and at trade shows, but not in processing. Fair-trade-certified coffee accounts for less than 1 percent of all the coffee Starbucks buys, but the company says it hopes to increase that number and is committed to increasing awareness of the issue. "We're going to learn together," Starbucks spokeswoman Audrey Lincoff said. "We want more fair-trade coffee to be available to consumers. It benefits everybody." Coffee prices have plunged in recent

years, in large part because of the sudden emergence of Vietnam as a major industry player. Vietnam is now the world's second-largest coffee producer, after Brazil, which has increased its exports significantly. Those countries' successes have sent prices plummeting, once-profitable coffee farms began to fail. Especially hard hit has been Nicaragua, where coffee beans that sold for as much as \$3 per pound five years ago now go for 50 to 60

cents per pound. The drop in prices has caused Nicaraguan coffee plantations to cut their work force, sending hundreds of workers and their families on arduous treks to cities in search of food. Fair-trade coffee, on the other hand, guarantees that co-op farmers are paid a set price for their coffee, regardless of the market price. The price preferred by specialty retailers. TransFair's "Fair Trade Certified" label "is the consumers' guarantee that the farmers got paid a fair price," said Kimberly Easson, the

organization's marketing director. Producers of 45 co-ops and 2,300 member farms in Nicaragua — sold about 3.1 million pounds of coffee last year. About 45 percent of that was fair-trade certified, said Merling Fern, co-op general manager. With only half of the co-op's crop immune from the day-to-day fluctuations of world coffee prices, Fern said employees have more predictable incomes, nicer homes and better access to schools.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Div, Last, Chg, NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ. Lists various stocks and their performance.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ. Includes columns for Name, Vol, Last, Chg, and various market indices.

INDEXES

Table showing market indices: S&P 500, Dow Jones Industrial, NYSE Composite, etc.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table listing local stocks: Albertson, AmeriCorp, Boise Cascade, etc.

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Large table listing NASDAQ national market stocks: AMD, AIG, Alltel, etc.

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Explanatory text for the market report tables, detailing symbols and abbreviations.

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Table with columns for Commodity, High, Low, Change, and Date. Lists various commodities like Soybean, Corn, Wheat, etc.

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LIVESTOCK

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At times, Hanson admits, it was... At times, Hanson admits, it was...

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# NASCAR this week

## COMING UP ON THE CIRCUIT

### Wagon Valley SCHEDULE

(through racing Aug. 25)  
(Rookie Driver) Pts.

Top 5 Modified	Pts.
1. Bruce Gable	1,179
2. Steve Jones	1,111
3. Rob Coffey	1,093
4. Rob Van Dyke	1,008
5. Dana Pugh	920

Grand National

1. Ron Van Halbeek (R)	876
2. M. LeBlond	826
3. Randy Price	782
4. Earl Hammett (R)	660
5. Dale Miles	626

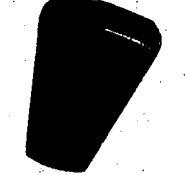
Pony Stocks

1. Alan Larson	91
2. M. Price	81
3. Shawn Nee	71
4. Kevin Cunningham (R)	61
5. Mike Green (R)	51

Thunder Stocks

1. Jack Leeper (R)	703
2. Troy Chandler	720
3. Jim Shufy	711
4. Curt Lancaster	692
5. Ryan Larson	674

### On TV



**All Time's Mountain**  
**■ Busch Series, South Carolina 200**  
 11 a.m. - Saturday - TNT  
**■ Winston Cup, Southern 500**  
 10:30 a.m. - Sunday - TNT  
**■ Craftsman Truck, Kroger 200**  
 6 p.m. - Sept. 6 - ESPN2

### CREW OF THE WEEK

As long as the action was rough and rowdy, and yellow flags waved every few laps, the Sharpie 500 was dominated by Jeff Gordon and Rusty Wallace. But Greg Zipetelli and his crew made Tony Stewart's Tony Stewart's loss a bit of a green flag victory, and when the end of the race came, that was the strategy that paid off. Stewart won for the third time this season at what he calls his "favorite track."

**WINSTON CUP**  
**What:** Southern 500  
**Where:** Darlington (S.C.)  
 Raceway (1.366-mile track), 367 laps/501.322 miles  
**When:** Green flag drops at 11 a.m., Sunday  
**Defending champion:** Bobby Labonte  
**Track qualifying record:** Ward Burton, Pontiac, 173,797 mph, March 22, 1996  
**Race record:** Dale Earnhardt, Chevrolet,

139,958 mph, March 28, 1993  
**Notable:** Darlington is NASCAR's oldest superspeedway. The first Southern 500 was in 1950.

**BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL**  
**What:** South Carolina 200  
**Where:** Darlington (S.C.)  
 Raceway (1.366-mile track), 147 laps/200.802 miles  
**When:** 11 a.m., Saturday  
**Defending champion:** Mark Martin

**Race qualifying record:** Ward Burton, Pontiac, 167,676 mph, Sept. 3, 1999  
**Race record:** Michael Waltrip, Pontiac, 138,140 mph, Sept. 5, 1992  
**Notable:** Martin, who no longer competes in the Busch Series, won a record seven races here. He had 40 total BGN wins.

**CRAFTSMAN TRUCK**  
**What:** Kroger 200  
**Where:** Richmond (Va.)

International Raceway (.75-mile track), 250 laps/187.5 miles  
**When:** 6 p.m., Sept. 6  
**Defending champion:** Rick Cassill  
**Track qualifying record:** Ron Hornaday, Chevrolet, 121,726 mph, Sept. 4, 1997  
**Race record:** Bob Keselowski, Dodge, 104,167 mph, Sept. 4, 1997  
**Notable:** No driver has won here more than once, but Chevrolets have won three of the previous six races.

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## PROFILE Mark Martin



Mark Martin (right) talks to Jeff Burton (left) before the race. In the background, the No. 14 Mobil 1 Ford Taurus owned by Dale Earnhardt is visible. Photo by [unreadable]

**AROUND THE GARAGE**

Investigation into Dale Earnhardt's death? There were no real surprises in the report. The impact of the accident was much greater than it could be, because I've been involved in a number of accidents. I know how violent they can be. I know how quickly they can take your life. I know how quickly they can take your life. I know how quickly they can take your life.

## Racing at Bristol can bring out the worst in everybody

By Monte Dutton  
 NASCAR This Week

Maybe Bristol Motor Speedway is a guilty pleasure. Maybe it's just too much of a good thing.

"Not one lap goes by that is boring at this place," said Bobby Labonte, who finished eighth in Saturday night's Sharpie 500. "With the amount of banking here, even if a wreck happens up high, it eventually has to come to the bottom, and you just hope you're clear of it when it does. I have seen a lot of ups and downs at this place, and as fast as everything happens, it puts a major strain on everyone's emotions."

So much happens at Bristol that it's difficult for drivers to keep their cool.

"I guess that's just a human emotion we all have," Labonte said. "None of us would ever go after someone intentionally, but let's just say we might not back off in a corner like we would have before. At a place like Bristol, everything just seems to be exaggerated. It's such a tight place that everyone is hitting each other and bouncing off one another every lap."

"I guess it would be like covering yourself in honey and jumping into a beehive."

**HUMPY SPEAKS:** Lowe's Motor Speedway president H.A. "Humpty" Wheeler was generally complimentary of NASCAR's investigation into Dale Earnhardt's death, but he did admit to some disappointment.

"I think the conversation about head restraints, seat belts and seats was good," Wheeler said. "But there is room for improvement in the area of energy absorption. I've said before, it is going to take four things working together: the six-point seat belts, the head restraints, better seats, and I'm strongly pushing this energy-absorbing bumper for the front of the car."

The so-called "Humpy Bumper" is a result of Wheeler's own initiatives. "I think the results we have seen in testing of the bumper have been very favorable, and we will crash-test a Winston Cup car out here at Lowe's Motor Speedway next Tuesday (Aug. 28) to conclude the extensive testing we have done," Wheeler said.

**NOT NECESSARILY A DOCTOR:** NASCAR announced the ruling body would hire a "medical liaison" to work with track medical staffs.

But driver Jeff Burton said the new hire will not necessarily be a doctor.

"I think you ought to be careful in saying that we're going to have a traveling physician who goes with us," Burton said.

"I don't think that's what Mike (Helton) said. I think what he said was that we would have a liaison from the drivers to the medical staff. I'm not sure he said it would be a medical doctor. It may very well be a person who understands both sides of the picture but is not a doctor."

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By Charles M. Schulz



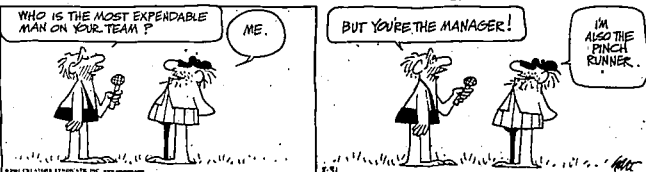
Dilbert

By Scott Adams



B.C.

By Johnny Hart



Garfield

By Jim Davis



Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



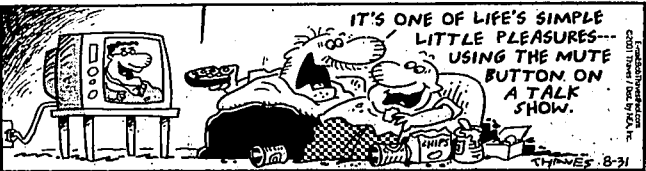
Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



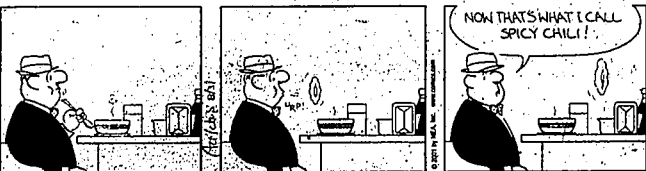
Frank and Ernest

By Bob Thaves



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



For Better or For Worse

By Lynn Johnston



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



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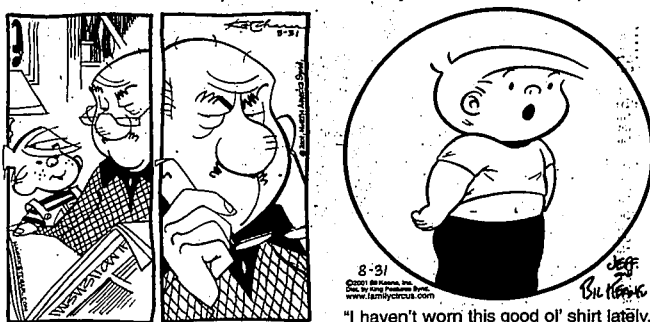


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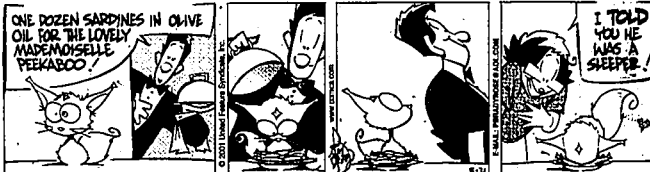
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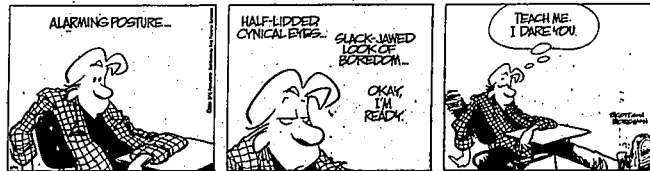
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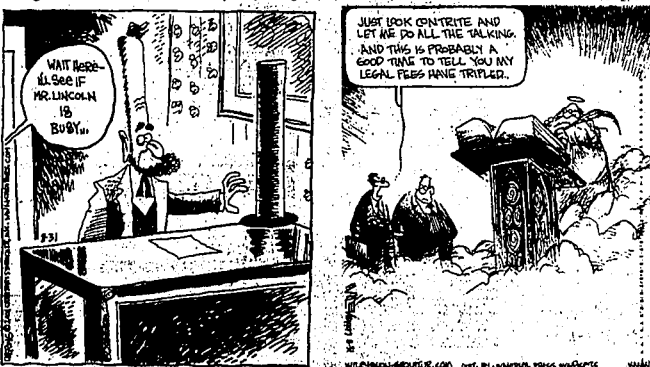


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# THE ACES ON BRIDGE

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Duplicate players are notorious for fighting for the right to play the hand. In their trump suit, (Inusual distribution, coupled with favorable vulnerability, intensifies the competition, often ending only when someone says, "double."

The nonvulnerable opponents quickly capitulated to four hearts, "pushing" South to a spade game he intended to bid anyway. Visualizing four-card trump support, West continued to five hearts. On the bidding, it rated to be a good save or a possible make.

Bravely, despite the vulnerability, South pushed to five spades. However, he had to justify his decision with excellent play. West led the diamond king, and South ruffed with his 10. (Ruffing small would be fatal.) South led his trump king to West's ace, and West shifted to hearts, dummy's ace winning. South then cashed his trump queen and led low to dummy's ace to run dummy's club. (Holding three spades, West rated to be short in clubs.) When it held, another finesse brought in the suit, and South claimed his doubled game. He won five clubs, four spades, the heart ace and a heart ruff.

Is a heart opening lead more troublesome? No, instead good play. South ducks the first heart, and East returns a trump. (No other return is better.) West takes an honor and tries diamonds. South ruffs high, cashes a high trump, and leads low to dummy's trump nine. After he runs dummy's club to 10, another finesse picks up the suit. A trump re-

mains in dummy to ruff South's heart loser, and South claims 11 winners.

<b>NORTH</b>		3-1 A
♠	A 7 4	
♥	10 9 8 3	
♦	10 8 4	
<b>WEST</b>		
♠	A 5	
♥	10 9 6 4	
♦	K Q 5 2	
♣	9	
<b>EAST</b>		
♠	K 7 5	
♥	A J 8 7 4	
♦	Q 7 6 5	
<b>SOUTH</b>		
♠	K Q J 10 3	
♥	J 3 2	
♦	A K J 3 2	

Vulnerable: North-South Dealer: East

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	1♠	2♥	2♠
4♥	4♠	5♥	5♠
Pass	5♣	Dbl.	All pass

Opening lead: Diamond King

## BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:

♠	6
♥	A 7 5
♦	A J 8 7 4
♣	Q 7 6 5

North South  
1♠ 1♥  
1♥ 1♥

ANSWER: Three clubs. A jump preference. It is highly invitational, but not forcing.

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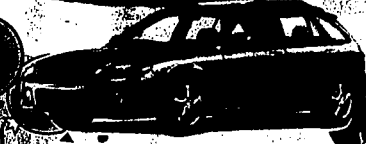
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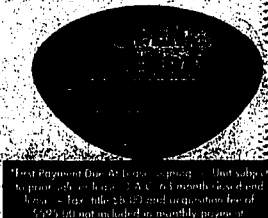
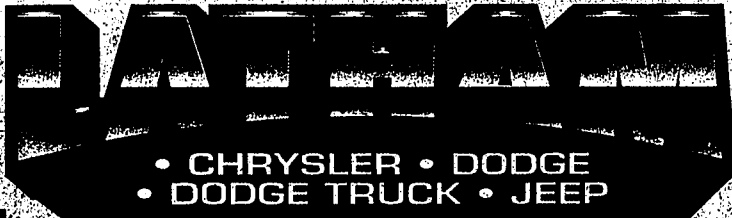


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