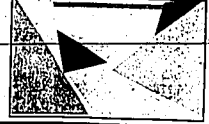


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Northern Alliance takes Kunduz

U.S. airstrikes crush uprising of prisoners

The Associated Press

MAZAR-E-SHARIF, Afghanistan - Hundreds of Osama bin Laden's foreign legion were killed after staging an uprising with smuggled arms in a northern alliance prison Sunday, officials said. U.S. airstrikes helped crush the daylong insurrection.
A U.S. special forces soldier inside the fortress was taped by a German television crew saying an American may have been killed, but the Pentagon said later that all U.S. forces in Afghanistan had



A Northern Alliance soldier adjusts his ammunition belt outside Khanabad, Afghanistan, Sunday, before leading a convoy of tanks toward Kunduz.

Taliban city falls without a fight

The Associated Press

BANGI, Afghanistan - The northern alliance claimed to have seized the Taliban's last northern stronghold Sunday after a two-week siege, and hundreds of foreign fighters who had been captured in the area died in a chaotic prison uprising put down in part by U.S. airstrikes.
The fall of Kunduz, which came two days before talks are to begin in Germany on forming a broad-based government, leaves the Islamic militia with only a small slice of Afghanistan still under its control, mostly around the southern city of Kandahar.
Thousands of Taliban troops as well as Arab, Chechen, Pakistani and other foreign fighters linked to Osama bin Laden had been

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homed up in Kunduz, which the alliance said fell almost without a fight.
"All of Kunduz is in our control," commander Daoud Khan told The Associated Press after nightfall.
The northern alliance's acting foreign minister, Abdullah, said there were still some pockets of

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR



Twin Falls School District Superintendent Terrell Donicht shares a laugh with school principals during a meeting. Donicht has been named superintendent of the year by his peers.

School chief seeks 'what's best for kids'

By Julia Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - He says he's not a warm and fuzzy kind of guy. "I'm seen as somewhat reserved and aloof," said Twin Falls School District Superintendent Terrell Donicht.
But though he says those who don't know him well might consider him stand-offish, those who work closely with him have compliments aplenty for the district's chief of a dozen years.
And the fact that Twin Falls standardized test scores have risen in recent years from mediocre to some of the top in the state reflects positively of the district's top man. That fact, coupled with other district successes, convinced his peers from around the state to recently choose Donicht as Idaho's new "Superintendent of the Year."
"The only negative thing I can think of is that the communi-

Twin Falls superintendent defends spending

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has recommended 2.5 percent cutbacks for state public schools. In addition, some legislators are indicating that the \$8 billion schools received to implement state-mandated standards is all schools will get for the initiative.
But the Legislature will make final decisions in the upcoming session about the cutbacks and funding the standards initiative.
Twin Falls Superintendent Terrell Donicht has some thoughts he intends to speak to at the Legislature this winter.
"I suppose it depends if the

the dog, and I have the condo," Donicht said.
They married in 1986.
For several years prior, Donicht had been a divorced father raising two sons.
"My wife called us bears sitting around on furniture," Donicht said, in reference to three men surviving without the domesticating influence women are said to have on a household.
Linda Baird, district spokeswoman, said Donicht's experience in bringing up children on his own gives him an empathy for working mothers that most bosses don't have.
"If you have a sick child, he wants to know why you're at work," she said. "He'll almost force you to go home."
When Terrell and Candis Donicht married, they knew they would have to exercise flexibility so that each could do the jobs they felt called to do.

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Sen. Leahy: Anthrax could have killed 100,000

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Sen. Patrick Leahy says there was enough anthrax in the letter sent to his office to kill more than 100,000 people.
The letter to the Vermont Democrat was discovered Nov. 16 in a batch of unopened mail sent to Capitol Hill and quarantined since the discovery of an anthrax-contaminated letter to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., on Oct. 15.

"We still haven't got the letter open," Leahy said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press." "It is so powerful that they're having difficulty figuring out how best to open it and preserve the evidence."
An FBI microbiologist said last week that there were billions of spores inside the letter, which was taped around the edges. "You could feel the powder inside," the microbiologist told reporters.
Daschle, speaking a day after a memorial service for a 94-year-old

Connecticut woman who died from inhalation anthrax, said Americans should be careful opening the mail.
"I would be very skeptical about opening envelopes that aren't recognizable, that look suspicious," Daschle said on "Fox News Sunday." "And we can't possibly protect every single one of our citizens from the possibility of another attack."
Leahy said he would leave it to the FBI to determine whether the anthrax came from a domestic or foreign source.

Report: Firm clones embryo

The Associated Press

BOSTON - A research company reported Sunday it had cloned the first human embryo, a development it said was aimed at producing genetically matched replacement cells for patients with a wide range of diseases.
But the news from Advanced Cell Technology of Worcester, Mass., drew swift protests from religious and political leaders who saw it as a step toward cloning human beings.
Several states, including California, have banned human cloning, and Congress is considering such a ban. But company officials insisted their work is the first step in providing hope for people with spinal injuries, heart disease and other ailments.
"These are exciting preliminary results," said Dr. Robert P. Lanza, one of the researchers at Advanced Cell Technology. "This work sets the stage for human therapeutic cloning as a potentially limitless source of immune-compatible cells for tissue engineering and transplantation medicine."
Lanza and the company's top executive Michael West said they had no interest in transplanting such early embryos into a woman's womb to give birth to a cloned human being, nor was it clear that their embryo would be capable of that.
But the Washington D.C.-based National Right to Life Committee wasted little time Sunday denouncing the announcement.
"This corporation is creating human embryos for the sole purpose of killing them and harvesting their cells," said the group's legislative director Douglas Johnson. "Unless Congress acts quickly, this corporation and others will be opening human embryo farms."
And a critic of the company who

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Genetics researcher Dr. Robert Lanza, of Advanced Cell Technology, in Worcester, Mass., announced that ACT had successfully cloned a human embryo.

FORECAST FOR MAGIC VALLEY

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Idaho Extremes Yesterday:
 High 45
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Temperature
 High/Low: 39/22
 Normal high/low: 42/22
 High/Low last year: 37/18
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 Record low: -3 in 1993

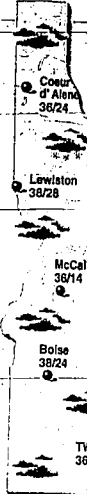
Precipitation
 24 hrs ending 6 p.m. yest.: trace
 Month to date: 0.78
 Water year to date (Oct. 1): 1.02
 Normal year to date (Oct. 1): 1.75

Humidity
 Yesterday at noon: 64%

Barometric Pressure
 Yesterday at 9 a.m.: 29.94 in

Pollen yesterday in Twin Falls
 Grass: N.A. Weeds: N.A.
 Trees: N.A. Mold: N.A.

Source: Asthma and Allergy of Idaho



FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR TWIN FALLS

TODAY	TONIGHT	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
A flurry this morning; remaining chilly.	Partly cloudy and cold.	Partly sunny.	Break and chilly with a low flurry.	Partly sunny.	Mostly cloudy; perhaps some rain or snow.
▲ 36°	▼ 22°	▲ 36° ▼ 20°	▲ 38° ▼ 24°	▲ 38° ▼ 24°	▲ 40° ▼ 26°

CANADIAN CITIES

City	Today	Tue	W	Th	F
Calgary	16	10	11	29	14
Edmonton	20	12	11	24	9
Kelowna	42	22	21	23	13
Lethbridge	26	12	11	29	5
Regina	12	11	10	14	4
Saskatoon	12	11	10	14	4
Toronto	49	37	36	51	39
Vancouver	44	30	32	44	34
Victoria	42	32	31	41	31
Winnipeg	18	1	1	14	4

REGIONAL WEATHER

Southern Idaho: Some clouds and even a stray flurry in the east this morning. However, there will also be some sunshine today. Highs 34-42. Partly cloudy and cold tonight. Lows 16-32.

Boise: Clouds, some fog and a flurry or two this morning, then some sunshine for the rest of today. Highs 36. Partly cloudy and cold tonight. Low near 24.

Northern Nevada: Cold today with any sun this morning fading behind increasing clouds. Highs 32 in the mountains, and 44 in a few valley locations. Mostly cloudy tonight with a low snow showers in the west. Lows 12-26.

Northern Utah: A snow shower in the mountains this morning; otherwise, cloudy to partly sunny today. Highs 24 in the highest terrain, but closer to 36 in the valleys. Partly to mostly cloudy tonight. Lows 14-28.

Northern Idaho: Clouds and a flurry this morning; otherwise, some sun for the balance of today. Highs 34-39. Partly cloudy and cold tonight. Lows 18-26. There will be some sunshine tomorrow.

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today: 7:42 a.m.
 Sunset tonight: 5:08 p.m.
 Moonset tonight: 3:19 p.m.
 Moonset tonight: 3:07 a.m.

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WORLD CITIES

City	Today	Tue	W	Th	F
Acapulco	88	83	86	90	74
Albany	54	42	39	59	54
Auckland	64	52	51	62	53
Bangkok	85	83	83	87	87
Beijing	32	15	14	31	21
Berlin	41	34	34	36	29
Buenos Aires	78	56	56	57	50
Cairo	72	53	53	76	57
Hong Kong	74	60	59	73	64
Jerusalem	60	47	47	51	47
Johannesburg	74	68	67	73	59
London	43	34	34	39	33
Los Angeles	67	50	50	70	44
Moscow	34	20	20	30	24
Paris	41	27	27	35	30
Sao Paulo	80	68	68	80	69
Sydney	63	49	49	63	57
Tokyo	54	38	38	50	43
Warsaw	30	28	28	27	21
Zurich	43	37	37	39	30

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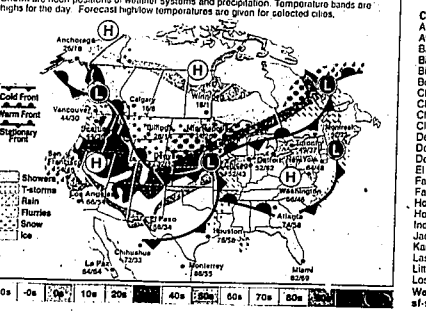
City	Today	Tue	W	Th	F
Boise	38	24	23	31	24
Donners Ferry	36	24	23	31	24
Burley	36	24	23	31	24
Coeur d'Alene	36	24	23	31	24
Elko	32	11	11	15	8
Eugene, OR	46	36	36	48	38
Hagerman	36	24	23	31	24
Idaho Falls	34	16	16	20	13
Lawton	30	18	18	24	16
Kaysville, MT	38	24	23	31	24
Lewiston	38	24	23	31	24
Malden	32	10	10	15	8
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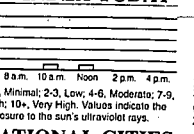
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High 85° in Tampa, FL Low 12° in Fraser, CO

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NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Tue	W	Th	F
Atlanta	74	58	57	70	57
Baltimore	65	39	39	50	50
Birmingham	58	24	24	20	12
Boston	64	44	44	56	44
Charlotte, SC	79	58	58	78	58
Chicago	52	31	31	42	31
Cleveland	50	33	33	42	31
Dallas	58	34	34	42	31
Detroit	52	32	32	42	31
Fort Worth	58	34	34	42	31
Houston	71	49	49	62	48
Indianapolis	61	39	39	56	38
Kansas City	57	37	37	42	31
Las Vegas	53	37	37	42	31
Los Angeles	63	46	46	56	38
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At first they each found administrative jobs in nearby districts, but eventually they wound up in Salmon, and he moved from Pocatello to Twin Falls.

Terrell Donich is almost always the commuter, dodging deer, cattle and sheep on the winding mountain roads that lead to Salmon. Until last year, the couple spent weekends following Candis's son, Brian, around to his various sports endeavors, Donich said. These days, Brian is a sophomore at the University of Idaho.

"And he's doing very well, I might add," Donich bragged with beaming eyes and a grin.

The other five days a week, Donich is all business with meetings, finances and strategic planning from the local to the state level. Most evenings he reads a couple of professional journals - after he has made the rounds to various school activities in the district's seven elementary schools, two junior high schools and high school.

"He just lives and breathes this job," Farnsworth said. "I've been in the education business for 30-plus years and met a lot of good people, but I've never met a man who has commitment like he does."

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leave Afghanistan. As a surrenderer of Kunduz was being brokered last week, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said he hoped the foreign fighters would be killed or captured, not allowed to go free.

The head of the northern alliance, former president Burhanuddin Rabbani, said earlier Sunday there would be no slaughter of foreign troops.

"We will discuss their fate as far as international law is concerned... They should have no concern for their safety," he told journalists in Kabul.

The capture of Kunduz was reported hours after alliance troops gained a small foothold inside the besieged city, then overran a town on its eastern flank.

Near the town of Khanabad, about 10 miles east of Kunduz, alliance troops spread across ridgetops held by the Taliban a day earlier and fanned out across fields to check mud buildings for

Uprising

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been accounted for and that none had died.

The U.S. Central Command, which oversees the war in Afghanistan, declined to say whether U.S. forces were inside the Kunduz fortress when the fighting began.

The fighters, about 300 Chechens, Pakistanis and Arabs who surrendered Saturday from the besieged city of Kunduz, had smuggled weapons under their tunics into the fortress and tried to fight their way out, Pentagon spokesman Lt. Col. Dan Stenking said.

The alliance said most of the prisoners were killed.

The uprising began about 11 a.m., witnesses said. Alliance spokesman Zahir Wahadat said

Cloning

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used to sit on ACT's ethics board said Advanced Cell's announcement was premature and would serve only to encourage such lunch reactions against cloning.

Glenn McGee, a bioethicist who resigned from Advanced Cell Technology's ethics advisory board, called the announcement "nothing but hype." He said the report lacks any significant details, including what cells company scientists actually grew from the cloned embryo.

The paper doesn't say if Advanced Cell was able to derive any human embryonic stem cells from its cloning effort.

"They are doing science by

Work in Twin Falls

Hired as Twin Falls school chief in 1989, one of Donich's first goals was to develop a 10-year plan for the district. He gathered together his employees from all levels to make the plans. The group decided to increase opportunities for students, move to a results-based system and improve community relations and facilities.

A decade later, the district

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A 'checked youth'

Donich said his commitment to education and his job has its roots in what he calls a "checked youth."

"I did well enough in school, but I was never that serious about it," he said.

Crawling up in Pocatello, he said there were two groups to follow out with - the hounds and the socials.

emerged last summer as one of four across the nation of the same size with relatively low socio-economic bases that had found ways to dramatically boost student achievement. He lists as successful a new elementary school, a new auditorium and various remodeling projects during his time in Twin Falls. And Donich also said the district's relationship with the community has improved since hiring a spokeswoman who works with the media.

School Board Chairwoman Vera Redman noted that the district has consistently run in the black under Donich's leadership.

"And it's getting harder and harder to do with the cutbacks," she said.

Kent Just, executive director of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce, said the side of Donich that he sees shows the man to be especially capable in money matters.

"He really understands education funding, and he lays it on the line to the business community so that we can understand what's going on," Just said.

And it's not just local people Donich works at informing.

"He's simply been in a leadership role not only locally, but also throughout the state," Just said. "He is looked upon as a person who can get his arms around the issues that face schools. People trust what he has to say."

Trust - a word keeps coming up in conversations about Donich. Those who know him stress his scrupulous honesty. They gave examples of his paying for personal long-distance phone calls on school telephones and paying for copies made on district copiers.

"He's the most honest man I've ever worked for," District Clerk Rose Stephens said. "He asks nothing of us he won't do himself."

Some of his loyalists pointed out that Donich - who will make \$91,886 this year - always insists that pay raises are distributed equally throughout the district.

"If he gets three percent, then we all get three percent," Farnsworth said.

Consistent in every discussion about the man was that Donich never makes any decision without considering "what's best for the kids."

"We've come a long ways in this district, but it's because we've had such a good leader," Redman said. "And what directs his decisions is always what's best for the kids."

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Brawling judges face high court

NEW ORLEANS - It started with a disagreement on whether a state court should hire a congressman's sister-in-law, but in the meantime, members of the state 4th Circuit Court of Appeals are enduring snickers about something they find not at all amusing: the Jan. 31 brawl between Judges Charles R. Brown and Steve Plotkin.

"People laugh... You know, people send you boxing gloves in the mail," Chief Judge William Byrnes told the Louisiana Judiciary Commission, which recommended that the Jones, the alleged aggressor, be suspended for 90 days without pay.

The Supreme Court could follow that recommendation or take more drastic steps, including kicking the judges off the bench, or the justices could just let the whole thing go.

The dispute centered on Jones' recommendation that his colleagues hire attorney Vanessa Green for a staff position without advertising the job opening or interviewing anyone else. Plotkin was among other judges who insisted the job be advertised and a court committee interview candidates.

Survivors search for items left by killer tornadoes

MADISON, Miss. - David Dykes found his wedding ring in a pile of debris in his neighbor's yard Sunday as he and other residents searched for their belongings amid the destruction caused by a killer tornado.

"There's been some spoofing between all of us that we've got 72 hours to clean up our properties before we start charging storage fees," Dykes said.

"Yesterday was pretty emotional. Today you've got to see the humor in it," he said. "The fact of the matter is, if we'd been home we'd be dead."

A tornado with wind estimated at 200 mph tore through his neighborhood Saturday, part of a system of thunderstorms and tornadoes that killed five people and injured 112 in Mississippi. The state's big storm system was blamed for four deaths each in Alabama and Arkansas.

Madison County Sheriff Troy Trowbridge said lives were saved by a tornado siren just a mile from Dykes' upper-middle class neighborhood and by the Thanksgiving weekend.

"A lot of people just weren't home, thankfully," Trowbridge said.

Shoppers pack malls; sales disappoint some retailers

NEW YORK - Lured by big discounts and fears that must-have holiday items will be in short supply, consumers crowded malls and shopping centers over the Thanksgiving weekend, snapping up video games, DVDs and anything to do with Harry Potter.

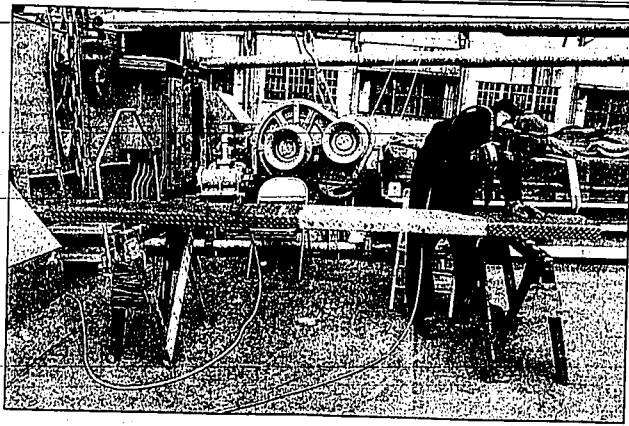
However, the weekend's receipts won't be the bonanza some merchants hoped for.

Early-bird specials and other bargains from big chains like Wal-Mart Stores Inc. attracted consumers who were already frugal before the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks prompted them to further curtail their spending. The commons worked, giving the value-priced retailers satisfactory sales.

But other merchants, particularly department stores and specialty stores that have been languishing for months, barely met their modest expectations for the weekend, the start of the holiday buying rush.

"Retailers pushed real hard. Traffic was strong, but sales were less strong," said Jeffrey Feiner, managing director of Lehman Brothers Inc., who estimated sales at the 22 retailers he follows were at best unchanged from last year's Thanksgiving weekend.

- compiled from wire reports



World War II veteran Richard Anderson, a volunteer, removes rust and paint from a steam line guard aboard the S.S. John Brown Nov. 17 in Baltimore.

WWII ship docks in Baltimore

BALTIMORE (AP) - On the S.S. John W. Brown, there are no beach chairs or swimming pools on deck, no Broadway shows below, no white-uniformed crew members to wait on passengers.

But when the ship leaves its Baltimore berth for all-day cruises down the Chesapeake Bay four times a year, hundreds of \$125 tickets sell out three months in advance.

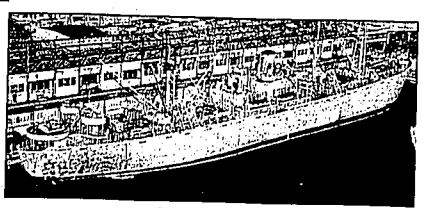
It's history, not luxury, that draws passengers from all over the world to the Brown, the first World War II Liberty Ship built that carried troops - and the last remaining.

Earlier this month on Veterans Day, about 400 military and merchant marine veterans, with another 100-friends-and-family, boarded the gunmetal gray ship for a short cruise from the Dundalk Marine Terminal to Baltimore's Inner Harbor and back.

"You can see the turnout," said Tom Cooper, 82, a Navy veteran from McLean, Va., as he returned to a deck crowded with his counterparts. "It means a lot to these men. They were boys."

During World War II, more than 2,700 Liberty Ships were quickly built to carry cargo across the ocean in support of the Allied war effort. The 411-foot, steam engine-powered Brown was constructed during the summer of 1942 in Baltimore's Bethlehem Fairfield Shipyard.

In May 1943, the Brown became the first of 220 Liberty Ships to be converted for carrying troops.



This is an elevated view of the S.S. John Brown docked in an unused cargo pier in Baltimore's outer harbor Wednesday. The Brown is the first built and last remaining World War II Liberty Ship that carried troops.

Over the course of the conflict, the Brown and her crew of merchant marine seamen and U.S. Navy Armed Guards would transport nearly 10,000 troops, including a shipload that participated in the invasion of Normandy in 1944.

After the war, the ship was loaned to New York City for use as a nautical high school. In the ensuing decades, as other Liberty Ships deteriorated and were scrapped, the Brown was faithfully maintained by teachers and students.

In 1978, a seminar on Liberty Ships held aboard the Brown prompted the formation of Project Liberty Ship, an organization dedicated to preservation of the Brown.

The ship's stint as a floating high school ended, and she was towed in 1983 to the James River Fleet in Virginia.

Capt. Brian Hope, a Chesapeake Bay ship's pilot and

current chairman of Project Liberty Ship, persuaded the Maryland Port Administration to let the Brown dock rent-free at an unused cargo pier in the city's outer harbor.

After a stop in dry dock for repairs and painting, the Brown was rededicated in September 1988 as a museum ship and memorial.

In the 13 years since, Project Liberty Ship has restored the Brown with \$9 million in contributions and another \$8 million worth of donated equipment and free labor from volunteers.

"We've never paid a penny of wages to anybody," said Hope, 57, who estimates he puts about 30 hours a week into the ship. "It's certainly a labor of love."

Now that the restoration of the Brown is all but complete, Project Liberty Ship hopes to move the vessel to a more prominent location in Baltimore's Inner Harbor.

Security tightens for next shuttle launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - When mission commander Dominic Gorie and his crew rocket into orbit this week, it will be amid unprecedented security during unprecedented times.

Fighter jets, helicopter patrols, SWAT teams, military guards, closed roads, tourist bans, media crackdowns and possibly even anti-aircraft artillery are some of the safeguards expected to be in place for NASA's first wartime space shuttle launch.

"We're probably going to be some of the most well-protected people in the world," says Gorie, a Navy captain and former combat pilot.

Gorie has told no one, not even his wife and two children, what types of security measures will be in place for the countdown to Thursday's launch. No one at NASA, in fact, is divulging any details.

All seven astronauts say they're satisfied with what the space agency and the Air Force are doing to protect Endeavour - and themselves - from terrorist attack.

"When this first happened on Sept. 11, one of my first thoughts was, 'A shuttle on the launch pad is a target,'" says astronaut Linda Godwin, who has a 1.5-year-old daughter.

But she is comforted by the precautions. "I just don't see how they could be doing anything else," she says. NASA went so far as to consider keeping Endeavour's 7:41 p.m. launch time a secret until minutes before liftoff. But because

the launch time had already been publicized, officials concluded it would be "not only inappropriate but ineffective" to classify the countdown and other mission events, says flight director Wayne Hale.

Endeavour will deliver a fresh three-man crew to the international space station and bring back the one astronaut and two cosmonauts who have been living up there since August.

For the first time in 20 years of space shuttle flight, only a select few will be on hand to watch the astronauts depart for the launch pad; journalists and most Kennedy Space Center employees will be barred. Space center roads typically reserved for launch spectators will also be closed, even to the astronauts' guests.

Gorie and his crew expect a smaller crowd than usual to see them off, not just because of space center restrictions. Some of their friends and relatives are afraid to fly to Florida and do not have time to drive.

Impressed with the extra security, former astronaut Frederick Hauck is far less worried about Thursday's launch than he was for the first takeoff after the 1986 Challenger accident. He commanded NASA's return to flight in 1988 and, for his courage and dedication, was among the first shuttle pilots inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame earlier this month.

"It would be very difficult for anyone to do anything dangerous to the space shuttle," Hauck says.

Bush aides criticize Dems over stimulus package

WASHINGTON (AP) - With Congress returning this week, top Bush administration officials prodded the Democrat-controlled Senate on Sunday to act on a stimulus proposal, and defended the president's emphasis on corporate tax cuts as a cure for the limping economy.

The Senate's top Democrat said he was troubled by the idea of corporate tax cuts at a time when companies are laying off workers.

"We're letting people off in numbers that we've got to be concerned about," Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said on "Fox News Sunday." "I think it would be a tragedy if we left this session of Congress without helping the unemployed at all."

But White House economic adviser Larry Lindsey said "We have to start creating paychecks instead of unemployment checks." He warned again that President Bush will veto spending proposals he views as excessive.

"What we have to do is target tax relief to the sectors of the economy that need it most, that can use it most, put more money in consumers' pockets and avoid this excessive spending binge that some people in the Senate seem to be on," Lindsey said.

The exchanges on the Sunday news shows, and gaping differences between Republicans and Democrats on how to revive the economy, preview a fierce struggle as Congress rushes to adjourn before the December holidays.

As Gore ponders future, key players keep options open

WASHINGTON (AP) - The political team that helped Al Gore come within a few disputed ballots of the presidency cannot be counted on to help him again, a troubling omen for a former vice president contemplating another run for the White House in 2004.

Some supporters were angry or frustrated over the loss of a close election many think they should have won, say veteran Democrats. Several close advisers have long-standing ties to potential Democratic candidates other than Gore and a few may not get involved in any campaign for personal reasons. Others lost favor with Gore, who unsuccessfully sought his party's nomination in 1988 and won it in 2000.

For whatever reasons, he may not have the help of some of the party's leading strategists in 2004 - a benefit Gore enjoyed as a sitting vice president. He still has the support of a core of loyalists.

"It's significant that many in the Gore team are not signed up with him," political analyst Stuart Rothenberg said. "It reflects some uncertainty about his future prospects."

While Gore cautiously explores his options, his loyalists include:

close friend and adviser Peter Knight, veteran Democratic consultant Kiki McLean, press spokeswoman Ann Dwyer, Democratic strategists Carter Eskew and Mike Feldman; Reed Hundt, former chairman of the Federal Communications Commission; Katie McGinty, former head of the Council on Environmental Quality; advisers Philip Dufours, Lisa Berg and Janice Griffin.



Al Gore

Fund-raiser Lon Johnson and consultant Brian Hardwick have been helping with Gore's Leadership '02 political action committee, formed in early October. They said recently they are leaving at the end of the year

to manage congressional campaigns, though Gore associates say they hope to lure them back after 2002.

Johnson will return home to Michigan to run the re-election campaign of Rep. John Dingell. Hardwick is going to Colorado to manage the campaign of Democrat Tom Strickland in his try for the U.S. Senate.

Some high-profile consultants on the fence:

• Michael Whoutley, a senior adviser to the campaign with longtime ties to Gore and Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, who is already organizing for a possible bid to Boston and probably will be courted heavily by both camps.

• Tad Devine and Bob Shrum, two top advertising consultants in the Gore campaign, have longstanding relationships with North Carolina Sen. John Edwards as well as Gore and many other vet-

eran Democratic politicians. Many Democrats say their firm has a very close link to Edwards, but they indicate they have kept their options open.

• Donna Brazile, Gore's campaign manager, says she plans to remain uncommitted for now for the 2004 campaign. Brazile, a prominent black Democratic consultant, will be heavily courted for her get-out-the-vote abilities and strong connections in the black community.

• Ron Klain, a Washington attorney, was a top adviser in the Gore campaign and managed the

legal operation in the Florida recount. Democrats say Klain also has ties with Sens. Joseph Biden of Delaware and Tom Daschle of South Dakota.

"There's a lot of maneuvering, but not a lot of signing up," Democratic consultant James Carville said. "In sum, there's a lot of people saying, 'Keep your powder dry, don't do anything until you talk to me.'"

It is too early for any of the 2000 campaign operatives to sign on formally with a candidate. Still, plenty of signals are sent - just in case.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Wreck near Burley claims two lives

BURLEY - A chain reaction wreck early Sunday on Interstate 84 in Minidoka County east of Burley claimed the lives of a Bountiful, Utah, man and a 3-year-old boy from Colorado, according to the Idaho State Police.

Eric W. Saitman, 32, of Bountiful, apparently lost control of his 1994 Ford Explorer near exit 211 at about 7:58 a.m., and the vehicle struck a guardrail before hitting a light pole, according to an ISP release.

Saitman had gotten out of the Explorer and was walking around the area when a Adriana Castro, 33, of Aurora, Colo., came upon the scene in her 2000 Pontiac van. Castro apparently lost control of the van, which struck and killed Saitman, rolled, and hit the power pole, according to the ISP. The pole then fell onto the van and the impact killed Castro's son, Marco, who had been riding in the van with her, according to the ISP.

The crash was still being investigated late Sunday.

Commissioners deal with vacant seat today

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls County commissioners will meet with Darren Belin today about the vacant seat on the county's planning and zoning commission.

The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. in commissioners' chambers on the fourth floor of the courthouse.

Today's agenda also includes a meeting with Jean-Hansson at 11 a.m. and a meeting to discuss protective holds at 2 p.m.

Twin Falls Republican women get together

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls County Republican Women will hold the last meeting of the year from 1:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. today in the Oak Room of West Court Hotel.

The program will focus on "Caring for America" and speakers will include Marty Buss of the American Red Cross, Maj. Ed Patterson of the Salvation Army and Capt. David Neal of the Idaho State Police.

Those attending are asked to bring canned goods, items for the women's shelter or school supplies. For reservations, call Joyce Grundstaff at 543-5755.

Free child ID kits offer inkless fingerprinting

TWIN FALLS - State Farm Insurance and Fred Meyer will offer free child identification kits from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Fred Meyer store located at 705 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

A kit includes a child's description, photograph and fingerprint to aid authorities in the event of a child's disappearance. Kits are easily updated to keep up with a child's changing appearance, and parents will appreciate the no-mess, inkless fingerprinting system.

The event also features free safety literature and a drawing for many safety-related items and a children's bicycle.

State Farm has worked with police and child safety advocates with providing identification kits for children throughout Idaho. Law enforcement officials encourage parents to keep a current record of every child's vital statistics.

Open house honors Flier mayor for years of service

FILIER - The public is invited to an open house to honor longtime Mayor Russell Sheridan Jr., who is completing his final term as mayor this year.

The open house will be from 2:5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 30, at the Flier City Hall, located at 300 Main St.

The event is in recognition of 18 years of service to the city of Flier, a press release said.

Burley City Council sets special meeting for noon

BURLEY - A special meeting of the City Council is set for noon today.

Council members will tour a vacant city lot, next to the baseball field, near Burley High School.

Cassia County School District officials have asked the city for that parcel of land, which would be used for a storage building.

The tour is open to the public.

Compiled from staff reports

Guns under the grinder

Seized firearms sit in storage for now

By Mark Helz Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It could be years before the gun vault in the Twin Falls Police Department's evidence storage area is again fully loaded, but the potential for controversy might still linger.

When the Twin Falls City Council in 1999 opted to have 174 seized firearms and air rifles destroyed by chopping them up at the city's shop, the decision triggered protests from some local gun shop owners and others.

During election time the fol-

lowing year, bumper stickers reading "Chop a council member, not our guns" popped up around Twin Falls.

Magic Valley Pawn and Loan owner Randy Ostrom in 1999 presented the council with a petition he said had been signed by more than 600 Magic Valley residents opposed to destroying the guns. Ostrom and others said it would have been better to auction the weapons off or offer them up for sale to the highest bidder.

The police department has

"People are willing to hire an attorney to take our side if the chopping starts up again."

- Randy Ostrom, owner, Magic Valley Pawn and Loan

since seized only a few more weapons, Chief Lee DeVore said. Though a recent letter to the editor warned that another round of gun chopping might be imminent, gun disposal isn't on the city's agenda.

"We don't have enough to bother with right now, so we're going to keep on storing them," he said.

What becomes of seized weapons hinges on the decision of whatever mayor and city council happen to be in office when

the police gun vault gets full, said Twin Falls City Manager Tom Courtney.

The chief of police or other city officials will let the council and mayor know the vault needs clearing out, and the council can then choose among several options, Courtney said.

Those might include destroying the weapons, selling them to individuals, selling them to licensed dealers or putting them up for auction, he said.

Many of the guns destroyed in 1999 were either useless or illegal, DeVore said.

"Many were old BB guns, sawed-offs, broken ones," he said.

Police confiscate guns under a variety of circumstances. Please see GUNS, Page A6

Council weighs recycling

Proposal would involve hike in garbage bills

By Mark Helz Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The City Council today will consider a curbside recycling program that would be funded by a \$3 to \$5 increase in residents' garbage collection bills.

That money would be needed to cover labor and transportation costs associated with the recycling plan, according to information prepared by boosters of the idea.

The council's next regular meeting starts at 5 p.m. in the council chamber at City Hall. Stephanie Serrano will present the recycling plan and related information to the council during the meeting.

According to the plan's backers, PSI Waste Systems Inc. would be willing to run the program, providing a truck and curbside recycling bins. Three new employees would be needed.

Magic Valley residents now produce about 230 tons of garbage a day, according to PSI's estimates. Nearly half of that includes things that could be recycled, such as paper, aluminum, tin and glass, according to backers of the recycling plan.

The council will also hear about a proposed drinking water protection plan from representatives of the Idaho Association Soil Conservation District and Division of Environmental Quality. The proposal was drawn up in accordance with the 1996 tin in accordance with the 1996 federal Safe Drinking Water Act. The proposal would include developing a written water protection plan and the appointment of a citizens' planning team.

In other business, the council will

• Hear from representatives of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce about a proposal to build a convention and interpretive center in Twin Falls.

• Consider picking Mark Koffer to replace Cathy Walworth on the city's tree commission. Walworth resigned in September.

• Hear from Harold Gerber about possibly remodeling the city's annex building.

• Consider a lease with Alice L. Sanderson to take over the restaurant at Joslin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport.

• Hold a public hearing starting at 6 p.m. regarding possible green fee and season pass cost hikes at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

Groups plan AIDS/HIV awareness activities

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - World AIDS Day 2001 and National HIV/AIDS Awareness Week will be observed around the world and in southern Idaho today through Dec. 1 with activities and services at several locations.

This year's World AIDS Day theme is "Care ... Do You? Youth and AIDS in the 21st Century."

An HIV/AIDS awareness panel will begin at noon Wednesday in Room 109 of the Shields Building at the College of Southern Idaho. Paula Edmonds-Hofffield will facilitate the panel, which will consist of people with AIDS and those close to them. The event is sponsored by the CSI Diversity Club and South Central Idaho AIDS Coalition. The public is invited.

Local World AIDS Day activities include a program Saturday at the First United Methodist

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SNOW IS WHERE YOU FIND IT



Michael and Max Brennan of Sun Valley take advantage of a snow mound left by the ice rink's Zamboni in Sun Valley recently.

Small towns address infrastructure needs

By Lorraine Cavener Times-News correspondent

MINIDOKA - Residents of the 38-household town of Minidoka are excited about their new \$643,500 water system.

While the new 125,000-gallon system has enough capacity to fight a fire for four hours, at the same time Carmen Rodriguez will be able to get all the shampoo out of her hair.

"The water pressure was always cutting off," said Rodriguez, who is a member of the City Council. "It was always when I was taking my shower."

While Minidoka residents tease Rodriguez about her shower problem, Mayor Maxine Homer said water issues had become a serious problem for everyone in town.

Water lines in Minidoka were heavily corroded, Homer said. Water pressure was so poor residents could not water their lawns. A couple of governments required water quality tests showed unacceptable levels of contaminants.

Two years ago the town applied for state and federal grants, which resulted in a \$130,000 match from Minidoka. The city, with only \$5,000 it



Bernie Judge of Intermountain Power fine-tunes an emergency generator for a new water system in Minidoka. Minidoka is one of many communities which has received grant funds for public projects.

could contribute, held a town meeting after which residents decided to hold a bond election.

"We had a 100 percent turnout," Homer said. The measure passed by a wide margin. The town will pay off the \$125,000 during the next 30 years.

The remaining \$513,500 was provided by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban

Development, the Idaho Department of Commerce and U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development.

The system includes water lines that are within five feet of each home in Minidoka.

The grant took into consideration the high number of low to moderate-income families living in Minidoka.

"People can't afford to do it

themselves," said Char Irish, grant administrator for Region 4 Development, an agency which helps communities obtain grants.

"When they give these grants, they look at these needs,"

Minidoka is one of several small communities in Magic Valley and throughout Idaho to receive or ask for assistance in relieving the high cost of bringing infrastructure up to date.

Federal requirements would make it impossible for communities with low- and moderate-income residents to pay for these improvements without assistance.

Region 4 Economic Development Division Manager, Carleen Herring said. Towns such as Minidoka have to meet the same standards as other towns, but have fewer residents to share the costs.

"Federal and state standards (dealing with health and safety and other issues) make it quite a bit more expensive," Herring said. "Having access to these dollars is incredibly important to these small towns."

Paul is a good example of a town with health and safety issues - infrastructure issues which need to be dealt with.

Without assistance from gov-

ernment, Paul would not be able to do it.

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HealthNet urges community effort for youth

Organization boosts assets in Mini-Cassia

By Shari Chaney Times-News writer

RUPERT - There are 40 assets that allow young people to grow up to be healthy, caring and responsible. HealthNet is working to make sure every child has as many as possible.

HealthNet promotes "asset building," which Tammy Hanks said is not a program, but a way

of thinking. Hanks is the HealthNet coordinator for the Mini-Cassia coalition.

HealthNet latched on to the idea of asset building in 1998, said Joel Rogers of Minidoka Memorial Hospital. In 1999, students in sixth through 12th grade took a survey to see which assets they have and which they don't.

HealthNet officials saw a lot of work to be done.

Rupert native joins staff - A6

The survey will be given again next spring, and expected major changes, there will be some change.

"We are making a difference," Rogers said.

In 1999, only 21 percent of students in Minidoka County said they spent three or more hours per week in lessons or practice in music, theater or other arts. That's asset No. 17, and it was low among students in Cassia

County as well, with only 23 percent reporting they spent three or more hours a week in these activities.

Other assets reported by only small percentages of students included: feeling that adults in the community value youth; reading for pleasure three hours or more per week; and having positive adult role models. Each of those assets were reported by 30 percent or less of the students surveyed.

The survey asked questions

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Volunteer Idaho couple returns from helping N.Y. attack victims

NAMPA (AP) — As American Red Cross volunteers, they have seen what a natural disaster can do to a town. They have handed out hot meals to people who have survived hurricanes, floods and fires. But nothing prepared the Lewiston couple for what was waiting for them in New York City in September. "You can't imagine the suffering, even if you've seen the people on television," said Bill Stevens. "I am not sure our eyes will ever be able to take in the fullness of our loss."

Floods usually require shelter, food and clothing. This time, the needs ranged from covering some resident's water bills to paying student loans for people who have lost jobs because of the attacks. The Lewiston couple worked from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day at a service center set up north of Ground Zero. They dealt only with people who are without homes or employment. They did not see the people who lost loved ones. "I don't know if I could've handled that," said Bill, a retired optician. "We all heard some really sad stories and sat with sobbing clients," says Colleen. "Some of those people are so traumatized they just don't want to go out anymore."

plexes because they had survived and many of their friends did not, Bill said. Some of them had traded days off with coworkers. They felt guilty because the people who worked that day were dead and they were alive. Dealing with the grief, guilt and loss is part of the job for those trained in disaster relief. Colleen has been active in the Red Cross since 1993. After being trained to help at national disasters, she was on the scene in 1998 where floods wreaked havoc from Georgia to Texas. She returned home hooked on helping others in times of crisis. "I love it. After three trips in one year, I told Bill he wasn't going to like me leaving for three weeks at a time, so he got trained and now we go together."

- Today: CSI Golden Eagle Booster Club luncheon, noon, Taylor 277. Student Support Group (free and open to all students), 4 p.m., Center for New Directions, Idaho Department of Agriculture public hearing on temporary rules for field burning, 7 p.m., Shields 118. Tuesday: Parliametary debate training for Twin Falls School District gifted and talented students, 9:15 a.m., Taylor 256/258. CSI Foundation full board meeting, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Taylor 276. CSI Ski Club weekly meeting, 1 p.m., Shields 207. CSI Student Disability Support Group, 1 p.m., Shields 104. "Sustained Chord" art show, Herrett Center's Jean B. King gallery until Jan. 26. Herrett Center closes at 5 p.m. for private function. CSI Student Senate Diversity Committee presents Native American dancers, 7 p.m., Aspen 108. Student Bible study group, 7 p.m., Shields 103. Wednesday: Dairy Herd Improvement Association and University of Idaho annual meeting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Taylor 277. Thursday: Arctic Circle Basketball Tournament, 6 p.m. Golden Eagle men play Foothill College, 8 p.m., gym. Friday: National Association of Social Workers legislative education workshop, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Taylor 276/277. Papermaking class for Twin Falls School District gifted and talented students, 9:30 a.m., CSI Art Room. Latinos Unidos weekly meeting, noon, Shields 113. Fourth annual CSI High School Debate Tournament, 2 to 10 p.m., all campus. Arctic Circle Basketball Tournament, 6 p.m. Golden Eagle men play New Mexico Junior College, 8 p.m., gym. Narcotics Anonymous weekly meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 112. Saturday: Fourth annual CSI High School Debate Tournament, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., all campus. WSKY: Radio Station of the Stars, 2 and 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. Arctic Circle Basketball Tournament, 6 p.m. Golden Eagle men play Howard Community College, 8 p.m., gym. "Season of Light," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. "Steamrolling Through the Holidays," 8 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium. Magic Valley Choral presents "The Messiah," 8 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium. General admission is \$5. Sunday: Magic Valley Bible Church, 9 a.m. to noon, Shields 117 and 118. Magic Valley Choral presents "The Messiah," 3 p.m., Fine Arts Auditorium. General admission is \$5.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

Utah budget cuts pressure parole system

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah's probation and parole officers are keeping track of more parolees and sending fewer back to prison for violating terms of their release. It means heavier caseloads for the officers, who have had to resort to more creative sanctions than prison. Their mission changed in June, when budget cuts shut down Promonitory Correctional Facility in Draper, forcing the early release of 400 inmates. Central Utah Correctional Facility also was shut down, sending 160 inmates to the new Goshute prison. Plans to keep the old prison going were dropped. Now, Adult Probation and Parole meets out lesser forms of punishment when parolees miss appointments, skip work or dabble in alcohol or drugs. Parole officers assigned to Brown and Craig Greenberg visited about 30

parolees on a recent night. At an early stop, they found a bottle of vodka in the living room of a convicted drunk driver. The officers searched the house for more liquor, found none and let the parolee off with a warning to avoid alcohol. Brown found his second parole violator minutes later — a burglary parolee with a girlfriend the officers recognized as a methamphetamine addict. The parolee is banned from associating with known drug users, and he admits having smoked meth two days before. Brown decides the parolee will submit to drug testing and pay for it every Monday and Friday. "I could send him back to prison and he'd be out of my hair," Brown said. "Is that what we want to do with our limited resources?" Sending a parole violator back

to prison is "the last resort," said Mike Chabries, executive director of the Department of Corrections. Corrections officials are trying to keep prison populations from increasing. Administrators hired 10 additional parole officers, funded by the savings from prison closures, Chabries said. Each of Utah's 185 parole officers on average keeps track of 78 parolees and probationers. Utah's parole officers already had heavy caseloads. In the past decade, Utah's parole population grew 112 percent, according to a U.S. Department of Justice report released in October. The report did not include the June releases from Fremont. The report said inmates in Utah served 36 percent of their maximum sentences, on average, in 1999. The national figure is 56 percent.

ON THE AGENDA

- Today: Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse. Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse. Elmore County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse. Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse. Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse. Jerome County Planning and Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., courthouse. Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall. Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse. Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse. Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., City Hall. Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse. Tuesday: Camas County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse. Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall. Gooding County Memorial Hospital Board, 7:30 a.m., conference room. Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., district administration office. Hailey Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Hailey Town Center. Shoshone Planning and Zoning Commission, 7:30 p.m., City Hall. Sun Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 9 a.m., council chambers, City Hall. Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse. Wednesday: Heyburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall. Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse. Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall. Thursday: Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse. Friday: Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

sioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse. This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

Ada County to issue property tax credits

BOISE (AP) — Ada County Commissioners have decided to credit \$6 million back to property owners. The credits will be about \$33 for every \$100,000 of taxable value. County officials say the credit will be listed as a payment on property owner's bill. The credit comes at a time when many government entities are seeing huge shortfalls in tax revenue. Ada County is flush with cash from budget savings, growth, and increased assessments on properties enacted earlier this year. County officials were also helped by larger than expected receipts from sales, liquor, and estate taxes. The savings and increased revenue swelled county coffers by \$20 million. Other projects, such as the county jail, are also sharing in the extra revenue. Commissioner Sharon Ullman, the newest member of the three-person board, and one who is often at odds with Commissioners Roger Simmons and Grant Kingsford, said the credit should have been higher. Ullman said the surplus proves the county has been overtaxing its residents.

Appointment surprises Dems

POCATELLO (AP) — The appointment of Elmer Martinez to the House of Representatives came as a surprise to Bannock County Democrats, and even to Martinez himself. But as the new state representative for District 33, Elmer Martinez says he will keep an open mind and listen to the people. "I want to know what peoples concerns are and I want them to know who I am and how to contact me. But I'm still setting up some of that," Martinez said. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne announced this past week that Martinez would fill the vacancy in the House left by Democrat Rep. Bert Martini of McCammon, who was appointed to fill the Senate seat vacated by former Sen. Lin Whitworth of Inkom. Martinez was the second choice in a list of three nominees sent to the governor. Bessie Katsimetes and David Maguire were the other two nominees. Both Martinez and Bannock County Democratic Chairman Bill Mikesell thought Kempthorne would choose Katsimetes. "I guess I thought that they would go with our first choice, but he's certainly a good choice," Mikesell said. "Elmer's a great guy, a longtime party worker, a union member and a really nice person. I'm sure he'll do a good job."



Jim Gossett BA-HS

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SERVICES

- Dale E. Aslett of Twin Falls, memorial service at 10 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Rd., Twin Falls; burial will be held following the service at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Marvel Irene Higley Wagstaff of Gooding, service at 10 a.m. today at Demaray's Gooding Chapel. Regge Lee Linch of Eagle and formerly of Shonone, service at 1 p.m. today at Lighthouse Assembly of God, 25 E. 100 S., Jerome; visitation will be held one hour before the service at the church; burial will follow at the Jerome Cemetery (Farnsworth Mortuary, Jerome). Edward Leo Rothe of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Rd., Twin Falls. Treva L. Bannister of Kimberly, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls). Edmund B. Herbert of Burley, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Burley First Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave.; burial with military rites will follow at the Declo Cemetery (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley). Charlotte Louise Harding of Gooding, service at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Demaray's Gooding Chapel; visitation will be held from 1-7 p.m. today at the funeral chapel. Jerry Kremlin of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Buhl West End Cemetery (White Mortuary). Isabel Espinosa of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St., Burley; burial will be at Gem Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Burley; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral on Tuesday at Payne Mortuary. Shaylyn Denaughel, infant daughter of Danny and Melissa Denaughel of Heyburn, service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Hanson Mortuary Burley Chapel; viewing will be held from 6-8 p.m. today and one hour before the service at the funeral chapel. Ruby Ann Givens of Buhl, graveside service at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Buhl West End Cemetery; visitation will be from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 N. Ninth, Buhl. Marcia Dorris (Sherrill) Cunningham of Twin Falls, service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Rd., Twin Falls; viewing will be held from 5-8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Opal Mae Zenke Rasmussen of Rupert, service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the United Methodist Church in Rupert; burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery; family and friends may call one hour before the service at the church. Charlyn R. McCastlin of Hazelton, memorial service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Valley Assembly of God Church in Hazelton (White Mortuary, Twin Falls). Viola Grandter Wall of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church, 308 First Ave. E., Jerome; no viewing is planned; burial will be at Glen Haven Memorial Park, San Fernando, Calif. (Farnsworth Mortuary, Jerome). Agnes Lillian Brady of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; burial will follow at Gem Memorial Gardens; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday and 10:10-4 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

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GOODING Dennis A. Summers 63, of Gooding died November 24, 2001 at Gooding County Memorial Hospital. Dennis was born April 16, 1938 in Bothwell Utah, the son of James and Lois Allen Summers. He was raised in the Bothwell area until moving to Gooding as a teenager, and then graduated from Gooding High School.

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Branton Hessel looks over the choice of crayons as classmates Morgan Schenk, Bitana Son and Jerok Bateman work on letters to their pencil pals.

Rupert elementary school reaches out

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Nothing beats a handwritten letter, said Peggy Gulbranson, a teacher at Memorial Elementary School in Rupert.

Her class of first-graders is becoming "pencil pals" with members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Paul by exchanging letters and pictures. Students worked on letters sending Thanksgiving wishes to their pals Wednesday.

The project will help the first-graders earn T-shirts from the HAPPY program.

Terri Bruns and Juleane Hunsaker, also first-grade teachers at Memorial Elementary, earned a \$10,000 grant to organize the HAPPY program, which stands for Having a Positive and Productive Year. Each class has a

project to complete that will earn them T-shirts and other prizes.

The grant is a creative and innovative grant through the Idaho Department of Education.

Earlier Bruns said organizers hope the program will succeed in involving the community.

Gulbranson's students will write letters twice a month to their "pencil pals," named by Morgan Schenk because first-graders do not use pens.

With e-mail, people don't get regular letters anymore, Gulbranson said, and it's a great way for the students to learn writing skills.

Right now they are using inventive spelling, or spelling a word as it sounds. It makes more of a challenge to read their letters, but by the end of the project, the pencil pals will see growth in the children's skills, Gulbranson said. It is hoped the pencil pals will come to

class if they can and read to the class or visit.

Students sent pictures and short biographies about themselves earlier.

Most of the students agreed it was fun to write letters and wait for responses. Each student wrote his message carefully, then colored the pictures to paste on the front. As they colored, they talked about their favorite parts of Thanksgiving dinner, including turkey, green beans and blueberry pie.

Writing letters to their pencil pals makes the kids excited, Gulbranson said — sometimes too excited, she added with a smile as the students began to sing their "happy" song about smiling instead of frowning.

The project allows them to see school can be more than math and reading; it can be fun as well, Gulbranson said. Writing letters

helps the students, and the school, connect with the community as well.

At this point, letters are hand-delivered by Gulbranson. But as students learn more about how to write a letter, including how to address it, they will go through the mail.

The HAPPY program is great, Gulbranson said. It is real character building.

Other classes are working on other projects, including singing at the senior citizens center and visiting or mailing cards to people in the hospital. A second-grade class recently put on a patriotic program for grandparents.

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Minico grad joins HealthNet staff

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT — HealthNet recently added someone new to the staff to promote asset building. Sara Bott, a Rupert native, is the new asset builder for the Mini-Cassia HealthNet coalition.

Bott was born and raised in Rupert. She graduated from Minico High School in 2001 and is now attending the College of Southern Idaho. Bott said she used to work in the hospital kitchen and when Hanks came to her about this job, she thought, "This stuff sounds cool."

Although, she was not as asset building, she said, "I'm up for the job."

Bott will visit the Juvenile Detention Center in Rupert once a week to discuss asset building and she will also oversee the Lunch Buddy program.

She said she will also give presentations about HealthNet and asset building to the community and be a part of recruiting the schools about the number of assets found in students.

Bott attended training Oct. 24-27 in Boise. It was great to meet people who are doing the same thing she is, Bott said. She also took her first course in the training. Her sister is now becoming more involved in HealthNet.

"It reached out and grabbed her," Bott said.

Bott is excited for her new responsibilities. After visiting the



Sara Bott

Juvenile Detention Center, Bott said, "They want the same things I did. I get to go in and tell them they do matter."

Bott said her goal is to help at least one person. Then that person tells another, and that person tells another, Bott said.

She said she wants to "tell the youth they are important."

A full-time asset builder was made possible with a grant from the Association of Idaho Cities. The AIC pays \$3,000 for a living allowance and insurance expenses each condition makes a cash match of \$3,000. Cassia Regional Medical Center made the match in Mini-Cassia.

Thirty-six communities in Idaho have asset builders like Bott, said Deb Crum, asset developer coordinator for the AIC.

Almost 100 communities are asset building. The AIC is working to reach more communities with asset building, Crum said, because it is something everyone can participate in.

"Everyone can build assets," Crum said.

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HealthNet

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about each asset multiple ways in order to ensure accuracy. One question that even made Rogers think was how many times a family sits down together for dinner, which is something young people did every night "back in the olden days," Rogers said. Now, parents and children don't have that chance to talk.

HealthNet does numerous things to boost the number of assets in the community, Hanks said. The recent addition of the Lunch Buddy program is one way to boost assets. HealthNet also sends people to spend time one night a week at the Juvenile Detention Center in Rupert to talk about asset building.

Motivating the community to work on asset building is sometimes the challenge, Hanks said. Educating people and getting right out there to work with them are ways to do that.

Rogers said many people promote the assets and don't even realize it.

"Asset building is relationships and we all need relationships," Hanks said.

Asset building is not in response to a problem that's been identified in the community, Rogers said. It involves school officials, law enforcement officials, those from the field of health care, city officials and the media.

There is no pointing fingers, Rogers said, but everyone needs

to step up to the plate.

"It's a community effort," Rogers said. "It built down to the community taking responsibility for our youth."

Parents can't do all that is needed to raise a child, Rogers said. This is not a new philosophy. Every house used to have a front yard and porch, now everyone has a fence, Rogers said. People have moved away from a sense of neighborhood.

The 40 assets are common sense, Rogers said.

Just saying it to people, especially young people, is a way to build assets, Rogers said. Young people are looking for recognition.

"We as adults need to recognize our young people," Rogers said.

Sarah Bott, an asset builder, said she remembers when she was young she wanted people to listen to her. Adults need to take the time to listen and tell young people they are valued, she said.

If you give a young person an opportunity, "They will amaze you," Hanks said.

The community is invited to be a part of the HealthNet coalition, which works to reach all youth. Its next meeting is Dec. 27 at Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

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Neighbors petition to stop Hayden project

HAYDEN (AP) — Residents have started a petition against a \$3.2 million community work-release center they fear will bring a higher number of criminals and escaped convicts to Kootenai County.

More than 90 people have signed the petition, against the center planned by the Idaho Department of Corrections. Organizers are gearing up for a meeting with Hayden's Planning and Zoning Commission.

At that meeting, correction officials will present their case in support of a special-use permit.

Correction officials have made an offer on a 4.5-acre parcel near the Coeur d'Alene Airport in Hayden where they plan to build the 100-bed facility.

The center would house various inmates — including those sentenced for violent crimes — who are nearing parole.

The facility would be the sixth in the state and the first in north-

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But opponents said there are too few jobs for even those who live in the area.

"We've got a small community. Bringing in another hundred people won't work," Charley Melkonian, who owns a home

less than a half mile from the proposed center site, said. "I think we need to do in a community that can absorb some of these expenses."

Melkonian worries about prisoners escaping or walking off from the lower-security center.

Since 1990, there have been 47 escapes from state work-release centers, averaging about 4.7 per year. In 2000, there were 13 escapes from work-release centers and nine from prisons, according to correction statistics.

"They've earned our trust, but sometimes they take advantage of it," department spokesman Mark Carnopis said.

Carnopis said the department has caught all but one or two escaped convicts.

Correction officials have already held two town hall meetings in Hayden to discuss their plans with the community. They expect much opposition at the Dec. 11 public meeting, Carnopis said.

Commissioners will hear about historical group

The Times-News

RUPERT — The Minidoka County commissioners are scheduled to meet today at the county courthouse in Rupert.

A department head meeting is slated for 10 a.m. Gary Schorzman is scheduled to give a presentation about the historical society at 11:30 a.m.

The commissioners will meet through lunch to discuss employee health insurance proposals. The Wendell Croft subdivision is set for final approval at 2 p.m.

Also on the agenda are commissioner reports, alcoholic beverage renewals and a discussion about re-subdividing the Minidoka County Fire Protection District.

The meeting is open to the public.

just four years ago. However, several town meetings made it clear that extensive work to Paul's sewer system is necessary. Residents were shown portions of a video where they could see the roots and plants growing in the 70-year-old sewers. Cracks in pipes and places where no pipe was left were revealed. Groundwater is getting into the sewer in the summer, Rau said.

"This sector is troubling to us because we can't repair it," he said, referring to parts of the line that are under large buildings. While Paul struggles to update

its water and sewer systems, Oakley just finished a water project, and at a recent town meeting a new sewer system was discussed, said Georgia Dimick, Oakley City Council member.

Acquia is also considering asking government agencies for help with infrastructure, said Jeff McEwen, Acquia City Council member. McEwen would like to see more value-added agricultural-related businesses come to Acquia. To do that the city would have to improve services such as water and sewer, McEwen said.

"We have to recognize the fact

that we are a city and provide services," he said.

Declo City Council member Andy Anderson said Declo has also seen some recent infrastructure improvements, which have prepared the town for growth.

"We've seen some growth in the city," Anderson said.

Some new additions have been annexed over the years. "I look for our little town to grow quite a bit," he said.

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ernment agencies, it would probably be impossible for the city to pay for necessary projects.

Earlier this week, the city submitted a block grant application for \$500,000 to the state and a federal grant application of nearly \$1 million.

In addition, a bond issue, which will be put to voters in February, must pass or the project will stop, said Richard Rau, Paul's maintenance supervisor.

He is not sure how voters will vote, because they passed a bond issue for a water system update

DeVore said. "If you have guns, keep them locked up and keep a record of all the serial numbers," he said.

It is a crime to possess a firearm that has had the serial number removed from it, he said.

Ostrom said he thinks it's also against the law for the city to destroy guns or any seized property of value.

Idaho law mandates that if seized property is legal and holds monetary value, then the city is obligated to auction it off or sell it to put more money into the city budget, Ostrom said.

City officials in 1999 disagreed with that contention, but if the issue comes up again, Ostrom said he and others are ready to oppose the destruction of any

legal and functional firearms.

"There's been really strong support in the community, and people are willing to hire an attorney to take our side if the chopping starts up again," he said.

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Albertson College of Idaho gets high honors in survey of students

BOISE (AP) — A new survey ranks Albertson College of Idaho in the top 20 percent of all colleges and universities for outstanding teaching and a campus environment that helps students learn.

The Caldwell liberal arts college scored well above the national average on the 2001 National Survey of Student Engagement's Center for Post-secondary Research and Planning.

The survey measures benchmarks of academic quality in five areas: academic challenge, active and collaborative learning, student interactions with faculty members,

enriching educational experiences, and supportive campus environment.

The study surveyed 105,000 randomly selected seniors and freshmen at 467 four-year colleges and universities. A total of 215 freshmen and seniors at Albertson College participated in the survey last spring.

Students were asked about the quality of contact with faculty, time required for class preparation, on-campus projects, participation in co-curricular activities, quality of relationships with administrative personnel and other issues.

Awareness

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Church, 360 Shoshone St. E. A candlelight march honoring the International event will begin at 5 p.m. Those interested in participating are asked to gather at 4:45 p.m. The program features a gubernatorial proclamation, inspirational speakers and singing by Suzanne Just. The SCAC is sponsoring the event; the public is invited.

"World AIDS Day was first observed in 1988, resulting from an international gathering of health ministers who called for a new spirit of social tolerance and exchange of information on

HIV and AIDS," said Kent Thibault, AIDS advocate for South Central District Health.

"This year's campaign focuses on youth and AIDS in the 21st century. Currently, there are 10 million people ages 15-24 living with HIV/AIDS, five young people are infected with HIV."

"We all have a responsibility to help stop the HIV/AIDS epidemic. We must work together at every level, including safe sex, and promoting HIV risk-reduction and tolerance toward those infected with HIV/AIDS."

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

66 They had 12 people on the line of scrimmage. They had grandma, a couple of uncles, everybody.

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—Seattle running back Shaun Alexander after being held to 43 yards rushing by Kansas City

TRIVIA QUESTION

Who holds the NFL record for most interceptions in a season?

...answer below

IN BRIEF

Montana earns top seed in playoffs

INDIANAPOLIS - Montana was seeded first in the 16-team NCAA Division I-AA football playoffs Sunday, and will play at home against Northwestern State on Dec. 1.

The Grizzlies (11-1) are making their ninth straight playoff appearance, the longest current streak in Division I-AA. They captured the Big Sky Conference's automatic berth after winning 10 straight games.

Defending champion Georgia Southern (10-1), the No. 2 seed, will face Florida A&M (7-3). Third-seeded Furman (9-2), which joins Georgia Southern and Appalachian State in the playoffs from the Southern Conference, will play host to Western Kentucky (8-3).

Dragila, El Guerrouj named Athletes of the Year

MONTE CARLO, Monaco - Hicham El Guerrouj, the 1,500-meter world record-holder, and American pole-vault champion Stacy Dragila were honored Sunday as the IAAF's Athletes of the Year.

El Guerrouj won the 1,500 at the world championships in Edmonton, Alberta, in August.

Dragila also holds the world record and in August captured her second straight world championship title. She set her world record of 15 feet, 9.25 inches in June at Palo Alto, Calif. She won the Olympic gold medal last year.

Last year's winners were Czech javelin thrower Jan Zeleny and American sprinter Marion Jones.

Ditka exits show with back pain

A problem with a nerve in his lower back forced Mike Ditka to take an early exit from his regular duties on CBS' "NFL Today" Sunday.

According to a CBS spokesman, Ditka was hurting going into the pregame show. With 10 minutes left and an audience watching, he couldn't take the pain any longer and had to be helped over to the side by Deion Sanders and some technicians.

Calgary claims Grey Cup with 27-19 win

MONTREAL - Marcus Crandell, who started this year in the CFL, threw two touchdown passes and the Calgary Stampeders upset the Winnipeg Blue Bombers 27-19 Sunday to win the Grey Cup.

The Stampeders, who went 8-10 in the regular season, won their fifth Canadian Football League championship. They last won it in 1998.

Compiled from wire reports

TRIVIA ANSWER

Dick "Night Train" Lane, Los Angeles Rams, 14, in 1952.

Million dollar man

Norman takes home biggest purse ever at Skins Game

The Associated Press

INDIO, Calif. - With one big birdie putt and one routine par, Greg Norman managed to recapture a bit of his old magic in the Skins Game. He played well, entertained fans and earned a cool \$1 million.

Perhaps more importantly, he beat Tiger Woods.

Sure, it may have been a made-for-television event and only lasted 18 holes. But it brought back memories of times when the 46-year-old Norman dominated.

"It's not that you want Tiger's scalp on the mantel," Norman said. "It's just that he's the best player in the world and you want to beat the best player in the world. I know that feeling well."

Norman's birdie putt on the 17th hole put him in position to be the big winner in the annual Thanksgiving weekend event, and he followed it with a two-putt par on the 18th hole to win his first \$800,000.

Two extra holes later, he pocketed another \$200,000, and sent Woods, Colin Montgomerie and Jesper

Parnevik home empty-handed.

"Any win is a great win, whether it's a Skins Game or a regular tournament," said Norman, whose last win came in the 1998 Greg Norman Holden International in Australia. "It's very satisfying to do it. Whenever you beat the caliber of players like that, it's good."

Norman took \$730,000 out of Parnevik's pocket with his 10-footer for birdie on 17, and added a birdie on the second playoff hole to sweep all the money.

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AP Photo
Greg Norman of Australia puts some body English on his approach shot to the 16th green at the Skins Game Sunday. Norman won \$1 million at the tournament.

Looking up in Washington

Redskins run winning streak to five games

By Phil Sheridan
Knight Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA - It was a home loss.

It was a division loss. It was, by any measure, a very bad loss.

The Eagles (6-4) remained in first place after their 13-3 loss to Washington on Sunday at Veterans Stadium, yet they gave up the right to call themselves the best team in the NFC East. With its fifth consecutive win, Washington (5-5) seized that distinction.

"This is going to kill us tonight," Eagles wide receiver James Thrash said. "I know I'm not going to sleep tonight."

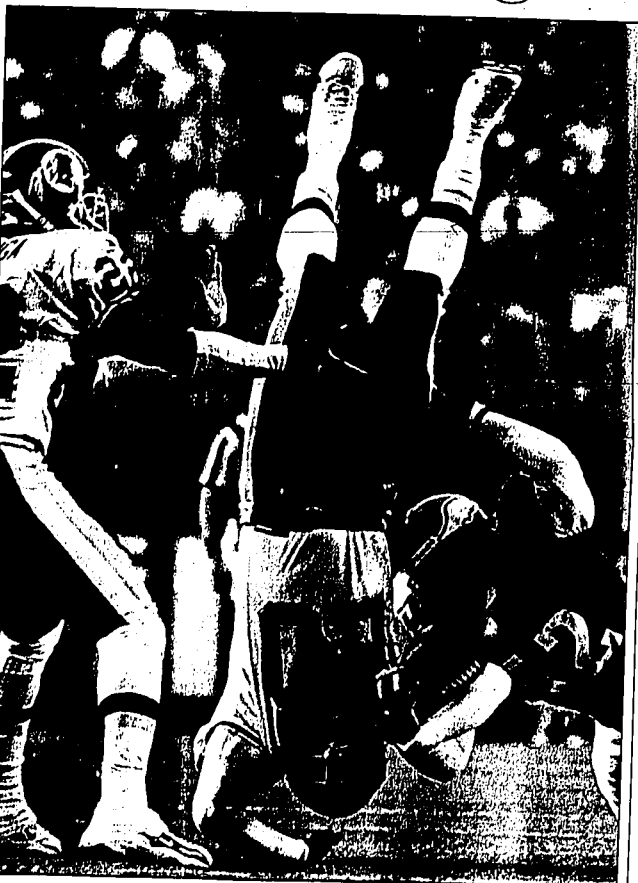
The Redskins rattled the Eagles, knocking them off their postseason path and forcing them to answer questions they hoped had been answered by consecutive blowout wins against Minnesota and Dallas.

Washington's offense couldn't have been more basic or predictable, but it worked. Stephen Davis opened the game with a 23-yard run around right end. The Redskins kept running, and when Davis left for a while with a sore back, former Penn State star Ki-Jana Carter came in and ran just as well.

"We've got to grow up, man," middle linebacker Jeremiah Trotter said. "We have got to grow up. You have to play with a certain attitude. Super Bowl-bound teams have that attitude, and we didn't have it today. Evidently, if they could come out and pound us like that, we weren't ready."

Trotter's words had the intensity and emotion the Eagles had lacked all day on the field.

"We waited too long to start our fire, and you can't do that against a good team," defensive tackle Corey Simon said.



AP Photo
Washington's Michael Bates (20) is upended by Philadelphia linebacker Barry Oardner as the Redskins' Kato Serwango (22) watches during the third quarter in Philadelphia Sunday. The Redskins won 13-3 to even their record at 5-5 after losing their first five games. The win also moved Washington to within a game of the NFC East-leading Eagles.

Warriors, Jamison rebound against Nets

The Associated Press

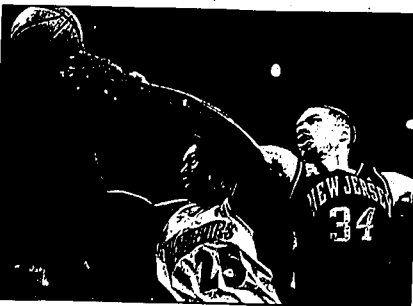
OAKLAND, Calif. - Antawn Jamison scored 15 of his 22 points in the second half, and Erick Dampier had 11 points and 14 rebounds as the Golden State Warriors beat the road-weary New Jersey Nets 101-85 on Sunday night.

Rookie Jason Richardson had 12 points and two electrifying dunks as Golden State prevailed in a matchup of two teams with drastically changed fortunes from last season, when they were among the NBA's worst.

Jason Kidd had 16 points, eight rebounds and eight assists and Kenyon Martin had 19 points for the Nets.

Raptors 107, 76ers 88

TORONTO - Vince Carter scored 30 points, and Dell Curry added 18 as the Toronto Raptors snapped the Philadelphia 76ers' seven-game winning streak Sunday with a 107-88 victory. The 76ers lost for the first time



AP Photo
New Jersey forward Aaron Williams battles for a rebound against Golden State center Erick Dampier during the first quarter of their game Sunday.

Clippers 90, Rockets 83

LOS ANGELES - Elton Brand scored 21 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, and the Los Angeles Clippers beat Houston.

Brand reached the 20-point plateau for his 10th consecutive game, and Lamar Odom added 16 points to send Houston to its sixth loss in eight games.

SuperSonics 99, Pacers 88

SEATTLE - Vin Baker returned to the lineup after missing seven games and scored 19 points Sunday night as the Seattle SuperSonics built a two-game winning streak for the first time this season with a 99-88 victory over the Indiana Pacers.

Rashard Lewis scored 24 points as Seattle's sixth man.

Lakers 105, Nuggets 98

LOS ANGELES - Shaquille O'Neal scored 22 points and made a pair of key free throws in the closing seconds Sunday night as the Los Angeles Lakers ran their NBA-best record to 12-1.

Kobe Bryant scored 25 points, including a driving layup and free throw with 26 seconds left. He also had seven rebounds and seven assists.

Bobcats, Minico reap postseason rewards

The Times-News

Burley High football and soccer players dominated the 4A all-conference selections, with five Bobcats earning first team honors in soccer and four players earning second team recognition in football. Burley's Jono Barker was named soccer player of the year.

Three Minico athletes earned first-team honors for their gridiron performances. Jerome placed two football players on the All-Great Basin second team while two Tigers earned first team honors in soccer.

Burley's Amber Aston was the lone Magic Valley volleyball player to earn first or second team honors.

Here are the All-Great Basin all-conference selections:

All-Conference Soccer

Barker was named soccer player of the year and was joined by four fellow Bobcats on the boys' all-conference team.

Luke Edwards, Andrew McMurray, Brennan Sanders and Matt Hope were also first team for Burley.

Blackfoot's Jerry Nielson was selected as coach of the year.

Jerome's Daniel Casterjon and Christian Cappa were the other Magic Valley players selected to the first team.

Burley's Steven Murdock and Dallas Bristol were both named second team along with Jerome's Chris Edwards.

Bonneville and Blackfoot each placed two on the first team.

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Raft River dominates all-conference selections

The Times-News

Several Raft River High athletes came away with top honors in the All-Magic Valley and the Southside Conference voting this year, with seniors Tami Lee and Chase Erickson leading the way.

Lee was named Most Valuable Player for volleyball in the Southside Conference while Erickson took defensive most valuable players honors in football.

Here are the All-Magic Valley Conference and All-Southside Conference performers:

All-Southside Conference Volleyball

Lee was named the Most Valuable Player of the Southside Conference and was joined by a pair of teammates on the first team.

Stacy Loock and Karl Ward were also named to the first team, while Trojans Laci Thomas, Tara Hutchison and Melissa Oman were second team picks.

Murthug placed Annie Adolphsen and Lacey Perkins on the first team, with Tanyl Perkins, Stevie Tolman and Lany Andersen making the second team.

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American Conference standings

Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, Pct, PF, PA, Home, Away, AFC, NFC, Div. Rows include Miami, N.Y. Jets, New England, Indianapolis, Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Cleveland, Tennessee, Jacksonville, Oakland, Denver, Seattle, San Diego, Kansas City.

Sunday's NFL leaders

Passing: Kordell Stewart, Steelers - 19 of 31 for 254 yards... Rushing: Priest Holmes, Chiefs - rushed for 120 yards on 26 carries... Receiving: Marvin Harrison, Colts - eight receptions for 128 yards.

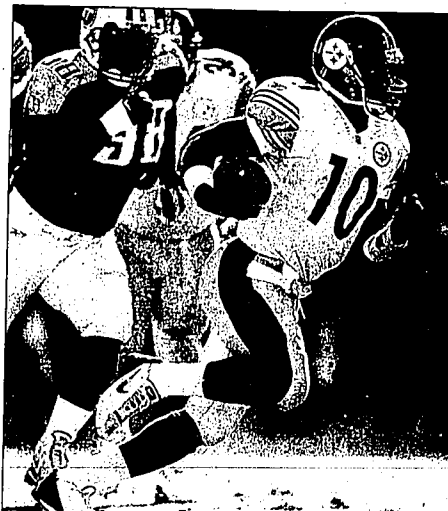


National Conference standings

Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, Pct, PF, PA, Home, Away, NFC, AFC, Div. Rows include Philadelphia, Washington, N.Y. Giants, Arizona, Dallas, Chicago, Green Bay, Tampa Bay, Minnesota, Detroit, St. Louis, San Francisco, Atlanta, New Orleans.

Steelers topple Tennessee

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - Kordell Stewart threw for two touchdowns and ran 48 yards for another score as Pittsburgh won for the first time in five trips in Tennessee, downing the Titans 34-24.



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Raiders 28, Giants 10. EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - Oakland's Rich Gannon threw two of his three touchdown passes to Tim Brown and set up another TD with a 20-yard pass to Jerry Rice.

The loss was the second straight and fifth in seven games for the Giants (5-0).

Zack Cocklett had a 1-yard touchdown run, Charlie Garner scored on a 21-yard screen pass, and Brown scored on catches of 46 and 19 yards as the Raiders (8-2) opened a three-game lead in the AFC West.

Gannon, the NFL's top-rated quarterback, was 14-of-20 for 221 yards in a game played in heavy rain during the second half.

49ers 40, Colts 21. INDIANAPOLIS - San Francisco scored 23 points off turnovers, Garrison Hearst ran for 106 yards and two touchdowns, and Jeff Garcia threw for two scores to lead the 49ers.

It was the third consecutive loss for the Colts (4-6) - their fourth straight at home - and this one was for the only making.

The 49ers (8-2) took advantage repeatedly to turn a 21-20 deficit into a rout. At one juncture, San Francisco's offense had run 35 plays and scored 27 points.

Ravens 24, Jaguars 21. JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - Elvis Grbac drove Baltimore 74 yards in the final 90 seconds, and Shannon Sharpe made a beautiful, foot-dragging catch in the back of the end zone for the winning points.

Grbac threw for 253 yards, helping the Ravens (7-4) stay 1.5 games behind AFC Central-leading Pittsburgh.

It ruined quite a comeback by the Jaguars (3-7), who used the no-huddle offense to rally from 17-0 down for a 21-17 lead on Steve Mack's 3-yard run with 1:32 remaining.

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From Jay Feely, and more than enough defense to improve to 4-1 on the road.

Browns 18, Bengals 0. CLEVELAND - Phil Dawson kicked four field goals and Cleveland got its first shutout since returning to the league.

The Browns (6-4) forced seven turnovers, five on interceptions, and got just enough offense to handle the Bengals (4-6).

Chiefs 19, Seahawks 7. KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Trent Green, who came in with the most interceptions (16) and lowest quarterback rating (62.6) in the league, was 16-of-26 for 256 yards and did not get picked off.

Seattle (5-5), which had won two in a row, lost in Kansas City for the 10th time in 12 games. The Chiefs (3-7) won for just the first time in five outings in Arrowhead Stadium.

Bears 13, Vikings 6. MINNEAPOLIS - Buddy Ryan and his "46" defense are long gone, but the Chicago Bears are back to their old ways: not budging when they don't have the ball.

Chicago's defense held the Minnesota Vikings' often-potent offense without a touchdown Sunday night in a 13-6 victory. It was the first in 98 regular-season games the Vikings did not get into the end zone.

The last time the Vikings went without a TD was last January - a 41-0 defeat to the New York Giants in the NFC championship.

Continued from A7. It was both the biggest single-hole payout and the biggest overall win in the 19-year history of the Skins Game. Norman, after making a

birdie on the 17th hole to win all the previous skins, needed only to par the 18th to become the big winner. That was because a new rule forced a player to at least tie for low score on the next hole after winning a skin. He did it with a conservative sand shot and two putts that allowed him to cash in 17 skins worth \$800,000.

Basin

Continued from A7. Nick Barker, Thayne Hurst and John Clayton were joined by Jose Pacheco and Elizar Hernandez of Jerome on the honor-able mention team.

All-Great Basin Football. Century Century football Jordan Coffin has been named the Great Basin offensive player of the year and Blackfoot defensive back Riley Price has been tabbed as the defensive player of the year.

Coffin's father, Layne, is the pick as the coach of the year. The Diamondbacks led all teams with eight team selections. Coffin was also named to the team as both a safety and quarterback.

Burley's Jed Thomas was selected to the first team as a running back and a return specialist and made the second team as a linebacker. Bobcats Jason VanBuskirk, Matt Michel and Cole Jones were all second-team picks.

honor-able mention for the Tigers. All-Great Basin Volleyball. Bonville's Jennifer Maestas and Century's Lindsay Lewis shared the Great Basin most valuable player award as well as the Bees landed top players on the first team and the Diamondbacks placed two to round out the squad.

Missis Larsen, Linsey Nelson, Laura Asper and Robyn Blawie all earned the first team spot for Bonville, while high jumper Sayer and Dana Charlton of Century both made the first team.

SPORTS

Rose Bowl could be a Florida affair

By Richard Rosenblatt The Associated Press

All the national championship controversy is behind No. 1 Miami - for a change. A win over No. 14 Virginia Tech on Saturday...

handful of other one-loss teams in the BCS standings and end up in Pasadena. How does Miami vs. Florida for the national title sound? "That's what the people want to see..."

were left out of the national title game in favor of one-loss Florida State. The Seminoles' lone loss? Miami. Fans of the HuskerNation, then the Soonerton got a dose of title turmoil over the weekend.

Enter Florida. And Tennessee (9-1), Texas (10-1), and Oregon (9-1). Afterthoughts before the weekend, the Gators, Vols, Longhorns and Ducks are back in the race.

Lightning snags losing skid against Carolina

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) - Pavel Kubina and Tim Taylor scored short-handed goals 57 seconds apart, and Nikoli Khabibulin earned his 25th career shutout as the Tampa Bay Lightning beat the Carolina Hurricanes 4-0 Sunday.

period power-play goals as Chicago recovered from a three-goal deficit to tie Detroit. Alex Zhamnov and Kyle Calder also scored for Chicago, which is tied with Dallas for the most ties in the league with six.

Duke pounds Portland in first home game

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) - Carlos Boozer scored 20 points and Ben O Duke forced 27 turnovers to beat Portland 104-62 Sunday night. Boozer shot 8-of-14 and grabbed 13 rebounds as Duke (4) had six players score in double figures and won its 20th straight home opener.

College basketball Denver. With 36 seconds remaining, Denver pulled within three on Nikki Weddle's 3-pointer, but Lambrt had time to seal the victory for Baylor (4-0).

No. 21 Arizona State 76, Kansas State 58. ST. THOMAS, Virgin Islands - Amanda Levens scored 29 points and Arizona State beat Kansas State in the Paradise Jam tournament.

No. 23 Wisconsin 61, No. 12 Florida 49. ST. THOMAS, Virgin Islands - Jess Smucki had 17 points and Emily Ashbaugh added 10 as Wisconsin beat Florida in the Paradise Jam tournament.

Red Wings 4, Blackhawks 4

DETROIT - Eric Daze scored two third-period goals and Chicago recovered from a three-goal deficit to tie Detroit. Alex Zhamnov and Kyle Calder also scored for Chicago, which is tied with Dallas for the most ties in the league with six.

Stars 4, Wild 3

ST. PAUL, Minn. - Sergei Zubov scored two goals in less than a minute, and Joe Nieuwendyk also scored twice as Dallas beat Minnesota.

No. 19 St. Joseph's 81, Colorado 75

PHILADELPHIA - Marvin O'Connor scored 29 points, shooting 5-of-8 from 3-point range in the second half, to lead St. Joseph's past Colorado.

No. 11 Purdue 80, S. Mississippi 40

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. - Beth Jones scored 22 points, and Purdue made 11 3-pointers in a victory over Southern Mississippi.

No. 19 Michigan 84, Syracuse 76

SYRACUSE, N.Y. - Alynne Ingram scored 25 points in Michigan's victory over Syracuse.

No. 23 Wisconsin 61, No. 12 Florida 49

ST. THOMAS, Virgin Islands - Jess Smucki had 17 points and Emily Ashbaugh added 10 as Wisconsin beat Florida in the Paradise Jam tournament.

Blue Jackets 4, Flames 3

COLUMBUS, Ohio - Robert Kron had a goal and an assist, leading Columbus over Calgary.

Canucks 4, Flyers 1

PHILADELPHIA - Markus Naslund scored two goals to lead Vancouver over Philadelphia.

Women's Top 25

South Carolina 87, No. 9 Duke 81. DURHAM, N.C. - Reserve Kelly Monroe scored a career-high 27 points.

No. 13 Baylor 65, Denver 60

WACO, Texas - Sheila Lambert scored 19 points, and Danielle Brockham had 17 points and 11 rebounds to lead Baylor over Denver.

No. 4 Vanderbilt 98, Dartmouth 62

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Chantelle Anderson scored 23 points as Vanderbilt beat Dartmouth in the championship game of the First Tennessee Classic.

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Mighty Ducks 3, Rangers 2

NEW YORK - Mary Melnick and Paul Kariya scored second-

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OTHER VIEWS

High pump prices are still perplexing in Idaho

The Idaho Statesman

Last week, there were predictions that gas prices in some areas of the country could fall below 80 cents a gallon before the Thanksgiving Day weekend.

But Idahoans shouldn't be too quick to celebrate. While some parts of the nation will see gas prices at or slightly below \$1, others won't, said Dave Carlson, a spokesman for Idaho AAA.

It's one more reminder that Idaho needs to ferret out the answers behind its high pump prices.

By all rights, prices should be dropping everywhere.

Last week, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said it would cut production to boost prices, but only if non-OPEC producers, did, also. Non-OPEC producers declined, causing oil prices to drop. Essentially, OPEC caved.

Some places - including Atlanta, St. Antonio, St. Louis and Nashville - have seen the benefits. But Idaho motorists will pay higher prices, as usual. Barring a weekend gas war, motorists here will pay somewhere around \$1.40 a gallon. Why? According to Carlson, we're

basically without competition and are at the mercy of a single gas supplier. Through their driving and consumption habits, Idahoans have shown a willingness to pay higher prices, and the supplier has been more than willing to charge at the higher levels.

That's about all anybody knows about gas prices. Former Attorney General Jim Jones headed a commission two years ago that included Idaho AAA and tried to find out more. But Jones found he did not have the time or resources to conduct a more thorough investigation.

So ... we're still paying higher gas prices than many other areas. Attorney General Alan Lance shouldn't take this lying down. He could do as Jones did, and speak up about high gas prices and his concerns.

Just about every time Jones brought up the issue, gas prices would suddenly drop. As Idaho's attorney, Lance also would do well to put his resources and the weight of his office to use and find out more about why Idahoans are paying so much at the pump.

We'd rather see him finding answers to the gas-price mystery than coming up with creative ways to lock up state records.

This editorial, reprinted from the Idaho Statesman in Boise, says the state of Idaho should still look into the problem of Idaho's high gasoline prices.



Convert nuke material to electricity

No amount of effort to eliminate terrorism will succeed unless action is taken to prevent nuclear weapons materials in Russia from getting into the wrong hands.

Yet, despite the urgency of counter terrorism in the wake of the September attacks on New York and Washington, anti-nuclear groups object to the idea of producing nuclear-generated electricity with fuel derived from weapons-grade plutonium in dismantled Russian warheads.

Russia's huge stockpile of nuclear weapons materials includes an estimated 170 metric tons of plutonium. Disposing of this plutonium is critically important. Security at nuclear storage sites in the former Soviet Union ranges downward from barely acceptable to deplorable. On six occasions, surplus plutonium or highly enriched uranium has been illegally shipped outside their borders.

In other instances, the same bomb ingredients were intercepted in Russia before they crossed the frontier. Unfortunately, we have no way of knowing how many successful black-market operations have gone undetected. If nothing is done to safeguard these materials, it's only a matter of time until a smuggler cuts a deal with a rogue nation like Iraq or a cult-blooded terrorist group like al Qaeda.

Experts say just a few kilograms of plutonium would be enough to make a crude nuclear weapon. In the words of a

READER COMMENT

John S. Bennion

National Academy of Sciences panel: "The existence of large excess stocks of these materials poses a clear and present danger to national and international security."

For security reasons alone, the United States should press ahead with a contract to buy highly enriched uranium from Russia. According to the United States Enrichment Corporation, a firm that buys surplus uranium and sells it to U.S. utilities for use in nuclear power plants, the equivalent of 5,000 Russian warheads has been converted into power plant fuel. Since the contract with the Russians was signed seven years ago, 125 metric tons of highly enriched uranium have been converted into the very dilute fuel used in nuclear plants. Converted into electricity, this uranium cannot be used again to make new weapons. The Russians are getting hard currency in return.

Simply put, the megatons-to-megawatts program is working as intended. Millions of Americans are lighting their homes with reactor fuel derived from the very stuff that, for decades, was the explosive core of Soviet and U.S. warheads. Under terms of the contract, about 375 metric tons of uranium will be delivered to the

U.S. through 2013. From an environmental standpoint, converting highly enriched uranium into reactor fuel has the added advantage of reducing the amount of radioactive material that might otherwise pose a target for terrorists. At the same time, the full use of nuclear power plants contributes to clean air in the U.S. and helps avoid the emission of greenhouse gases.

Surely there is still more than enough bomb-grade uranium and plutonium in Russia to worry about. Serious consideration should be given to amending the contract so that uranium purchases can be speeded up and plutonium included in the agreement.

The real question is how to make this happen. The Russians say they are willing to blend some of their surplus plutonium with uranium to produce what is known as mixed-oxide fuel, or MOX, if the U.S. will do the same. Other countries with nuclear power programs - France and Japan, for example - are using MOX for reactor fuel. Disabling weapons plutonium is not dangerous; the very real possibility that terrorists or rogue governments might be able to obtain it from Russia's stockpiles is.

Why not convert more megatons into megawatts? A number of U.S. nuclear plants are producing electricity from Russian highly-enriched uranium. The same can be done with plutonium.

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LETTERS

Thank you, Governor Kempthorne

To Gov. Kempthorne: Thank you for following our state Constitution by reducing spending to matched reduced revenues. The direction of America's economy is heading well call for much greater reductions. We must learn to tighten our belts. I believe that you need to use your influence to strike at the heart of uncontrolled spending and eliminate a major cancer - unionization of government. Never should the restriction of unionization of government be abandoned. There is nothing out there to oppose sensible practices. Politicians choose many wrong directions in order to obtain or retain jobs and popularity. It is so difficult to oppose for others, your benefits when we also are receiving the same.

One of the wrong directions in our system is bypassing Social Security retirement programs for judges, bureaucrats and politicians. These people, under the union direction, have highly rewarding retirement programs. For example, the legislators, both state and federal, spend approximately five years in office and enjoy for the rest of their lives, plus retirement income. The cost of court is greatly increased to support fancy retirement programs for our judges.

Much of the public money formerly used to do public works is now diverted to government employee benefits. Nearly all requests for approval for anything from the government requires the applicant to pay for the cost of the project even though the finished project will be public use.

So many public employees, including the military, retire at young ages, receive their retirement pay, work for another government agency a few years and get the second retirement benefit. Often, they are young enough to work in the private sector and obtain Social Security in addition.

Most people who are responsible for paying the public bills generally have only Social Security for retirement. If this is good enough for the taxpayers of

America, it is good enough for judges, good enough for bureaucrats and politicians. Remove the benefits of all these people, and you will find term limits unnecessary.

For every government job with this retirement scam, we could have three people on the payroll for that job. One currently working and two drawing retirement benefits from it. How can we afford such nonsense? Why should we tolerate it?

Thanks for taking a stand against these abuses of public spending.
NOJAN VICTOR
Twin Falls

Get rid of Daylight Saving Time

DST (Daylight Saving Time) - why? Because it saves electric energy? Because it saves lives (less traffic accidents)?

Would someone please explain how we save electric energy by going to DST. Maybe someday I will see these savings on my electric bill. I haven't seen it yet. I must be doing something wrong. Am I supposed to go to bed an hour earlier? Why should I do that? I Cleaver. Oh no, now I'm using more electric energy. This theory of saving electric energy holds about as much water as a wet napkin.

Now we can drive home more safely because there is more daylight to drive home in. At this time of the year, we have more daylight anyway, without changing the clock. The only thing that has changed is we have less daylight in the morning.

Now the accidents can occur before we get to work. Fact is, the Monday following the time change, accidents are increased by 8 percent. Lives can be saved by not changing the clock.

Why are millions of clocks being changed twice a year? Until a better reason is produced, I support eliminating DST. More information can be found on-line at www.standdtime.com.

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Bush is heir apparent to the Teflon empire

KATHLEEN PARKER

When Ronald Reagan was in office, they called him the Teflon president. He was so smooth, nothing stuck to him. When Bill Clinton was in office, they said, no, he's the Teflon president. He was so smooth, he was slick.

With George W. Bush, they're going to have to invent a new fluoropolymer. Almost a year into his first term in office, he's got a 90 percent approval rating, the highest for the longest period of any president in history. You just know that George Senior and Barbie lie in bed at night and speak the unspeakable: "Hon, are you believin' this?"

Of course, it's warlike, and good Americans support their president no matter what. Of course, Bush Jr. has incredibly good people working with him. Of course, of course, in a horse, but this is beyond any optimist's expectations.

When Bush's un-fan, Rosie O'Donnell, showed up at the third game of the World Series with her kid in tow to see the president's first pitch, we knew that something was different in America. And just when we began to think, nah, this can't continue: George is bound to flub, stab himself in the eye with a Popsicle, invite a rabbi to a pig-pickin' - something.

He does just the right thing. Again. Somewhere in the bowels of the West Wing is a wizard of public relations who

deserves a Nobel Prize in, oh, Patriotism. It's not Dick Cheney. It's definitely not Donald Rumsfeld. Karen Hughes, maybe? Or is it, perhaps, the never-seen or heard but always-there Mary Malin?

Whoever it is, this genius of timing has just the right moment: She looks at the 90 percent approval rating and thinks, 90, huh? A few skeptical Muslims out there, you say? Still a few Democrats holding back? A few homeless 'n' hungry belying our compassionate conservatism? Watch this. And suddenly there's George, dining with Muslim clerics to celebrate Ramadan. Never mind that pre-election, George wouldn't have known a Ramadan from a Rubadub. These days, he's practically a muezzin. Muslims, check.

Then there's George retaining in the Justice Department's headquarters for Robert F. Kennedy, kissing Ethel and snuggling up to all those Kennedy offspring. Except for Kerry Kennedy Cuomo, who earlier in the day said his father never would have favored Bush's policies. Who would have favored dabbled in a little wire-tapping here and there, but who's trying to be historically accurate? That was then; now is now.

Even Attorney General Ashcroft was looking more breathlessly born-again than usual as he praised his predecessor, who, if alive today, would have swum in the Bay of Pigs to keep Ashcroft out of his former office. Never mind; mine is now. Ashcroft said he felt that he could do a better job under the influence of Kennedy's intense patriotism. Check, liberal Democrats.

And then, to leave absolutely NO one behind, including the bag lady who perchance might have faded Gore's Lieberman sticker still clinging to her grate box, there's George throwing money at the homeless. Hey, wait a minute - isn't that what the Dems do? Instead of feeding fish to the unfortunate, aren't conservatives supposed to hand these people fishing poles? Check, all the rest of you.

I don't know about you, but I haven't felt this excited about the future of mankind since Toto escaped the Wicked Witch's monkey hair. Next thing you know, George will be blessing a new Palestinian state, emancipating Iraq from the nefarious Saddam Hussein and applying his Parker pen - ahem - to a lasting Middle East peace treaty. Stranger things already have happened.

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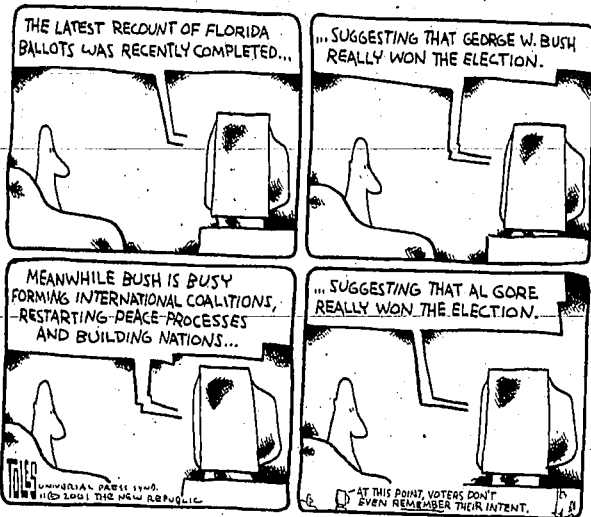


By Garry Trudeau

Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



Ask right questions for a bipolar nation

E.J. DIONNE JR.

The headline question after the attacks of Sept. 11 was "Why Do They Hate Us?" After the popular response in Afghanistan to the defeats suffered by the Taliban, perhaps we can conclude it was the wrong question.

It seems many people in the Muslim world, and in the Third World generally, don't hate us at all. Much, it turns out, hangs on what the meaning of "they" is.

Sure, we can become too self-congratulatory about the women who are overjoyed to be able to go back to work and school and the men who are happy to shave off their government-imposed beards. And yes, the United States, like all powerful countries throughout history, can become arrogant in its might and self-deluding when it assumes everyone wants to be like us.

But the real danger lies in what might be seen as a national bipolar syndrome — a tendency to ignore our virtues entirely at some moments, and to see ourselves as the only virtuous nation on Earth at others. Oscillating wildly between self-doubt and hubris is a bad idea for nations, as for individuals.

"Why Do They Hate Us?" isn't necessarily a bad question if its purpose is to seek a genuine understanding of what others believe about us and to examine where the United States has, indeed, failed as a global leader and neighbor.

We should ask ourselves about our relative indifference to the world's poor — an indifference measured by our paltry foreign aid budgets. We should admit that we've allied ourselves with unsavory regimes, sometimes out of necessity, and not be surprised when we find their enemies of those repressive governments. We can examine honestly how our global economic policies affect others, and how go-it-alone foreign policy moves can turn even friends into critics.

But this shouldn't mean exaggerating the size of the "they" out there, or ignoring the fact that our core national values — democracy, freedom of speech, press and religion; pluralism; an entrepreneurial spirit; a basic civic equality — are fundamentally sound and worth fighting for. America's mistakes usually grow from a failure to live up to our values, not from an effort to practice them.

The truth is that the Osama bin Laden of the world do not speak for the Third World or the Muslim world. Of course, movements and people opposed to particular aspects of American foreign policy will speak out for bin Laden or the Taliban on the theory that the enemy of their enemy is their friend. That doesn't mean they agree with the bin Laden-Taliban view of the world. And, as Benjamin Barber writes in his prescient book "Jihad vs. McWorld," when people are faced with a pure choice between "the secular universalism of the cosmopolitan market and the everyday particularism of the fractious tribe," many will find more meaning in tribalism. If the choices are so narrowed, the options come down to "a bloody

politics of identity" or "a bloodless economics of profit." But American values cannot be reduced to economics. As Barber notes, we are also committed to democracy, which allows us to celebrate but also mediate our various identities and to subject the market to values such as justice and fairness. And if we can learn one thing from the reaction of many Afghans to liberation from the Taliban, it's that the freedoms democracy underwrites come as a relief to all who have been subjected to radical forms of oppression.

Can a nation, especially a powerful one, be confident in its values but humble enough to acknowledge its failings? Can we avoid the self-defeating view that assumes nations must either be on the right side of history always, or never be worthy enough to participate in its making?

One politician grappled rather thoughtfully with this question. "I don't think they should look at us with envy," this politician said of the rest of the world. "It really depends upon how our nation conducts itself in foreign policy. If we're an arrogant nation, they'll resent us. If we're a humble nation, but strong, they'll welcome us. And our nation stands alone right now in the world in terms of power. And that's why we've got to be humble and yet project strength in a way that promotes freedom."

The politician in question spoke those words during the 2000 presidential debates. His name is George W. Bush.

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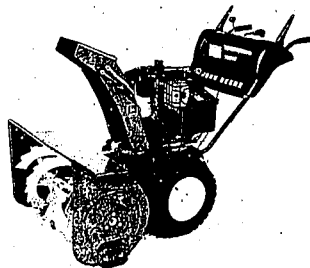
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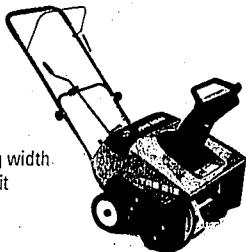
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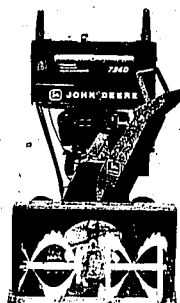
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There's no denying nature's wake-up call

A man - we'll call him "Harvey" - went to see a doctor, complaining of tiredness, bruises all over his body, shooting pains, and quotation marks around his name.

The doctor immediately recognized these symptoms: "Harvey" had a snoring problem. At night, he was being jabbed repeatedly by his wife, trying to make him shut up. Also, somebody had apparently been sleeping in his bed.

Yes, snoring is a serious health problem, one that affects more Americans than shark attacks and Rep. Gary Condit combined. Yet many people - and here I am in no way referring to my wife - refuse to admit that they snore.

Even if they routinely emit nocturnal noises that cause shingles to fly off the roof, they will be outraged that you would leap to the conclusion that they are the source of the snoring, without considering other explanations, such as that a third party, unknown to either of you, is sleeping in your bed.

Women - and once again I am not referring to my wife - tend to be the worst snoring-deniers, because women are taught from an early age that it is not feminine to emit any noise or aroma that would indicate that they are biological organisms.

Men, on the other hand, consider bodily functions to be a highly masculine form of manliness. That's why men are not afraid to haul off and let go of a hearty burp, often as a way to emphasize a rhetorical point (*Four score and seven BWOOOOOOOOOORP years ago...*).

Men also take pride in another, even more basic, bodily emission, which, because this is a family newspaper, I will refer to by its technical name, "making a toilet."

Medical science tells us that, one way or another, the average man releases 6,000 metric quarts of gas per day, and significantly more if he is in an elevator.

As for women, the average woman, striving to be feminine, is keeping all that gas bottled up inside her body. This is precisely why one well-known woman - who, out of respect for her privacy, I will refer to here only as "The Queen of England" - is accompanied at all times by men with bagpipes.

At this point, it might be a good idea for all of us to go back to the beginning of this column to see what our topic is. OK, there it is, snoring. As I was saying, most of us snore, even though I am still not in any way referring to my wife - we refuse to admit it.

But what is snoring? Medically, it is when air has trouble getting past the uvula, which is a part of your body that sounds like a dirty word, but is actually not. You are free to say I'm polite company, in sentences such as "I hear Todd has a huge uvula."

How serious is snoring? To answer that question, I consulted my colleague Gene Weingarten, who happens to be one of the nation's most respected hypochondriacs. Gene is the author of an excellent book, "The Hypochondriac's Guide to Life and Death," which has a chapter entitled "Hiccups Can Mean Cancer."

Needless to say, Gene's opinion is that snoring can, and probably does, indicate a seriously fatal problem. The good news, he told me, is that snoring can be cured by a surgical procedure "that basically slings an entire back of your throat." Gene adds, "It doesn't always solve the problem."

But what do you care? You don't snore.

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HEALTH & FASHION

Anatomy of a SORE THROAT

Time, Tylenol and a little vigilance are your best allies

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Let's see: Two sore throats a year, on average, for every kid in the Magic Valley. That's a lot of tongue depressors.

"It's the season for it," said Dr. Bart Adrian, a Twin Falls pediatrician. "Children tend to get more serious upper respiratory infections than adults, and that's the case with sore throats."

Adults come down with pharyngitis - the 50-cent term - all the time too, but if you think back upon the memorable sore throats of your lifetime, chances are you had a grown-up hovering over you during most of them.

"Children haven't developed the immunity (to viruses and bacteria) that adults have," Adrian said.

Despite the nasty reputation that strep throat carries, most sore throats - 95 percent of them - are caused by viruses, and for those there's little that helps except TLC and time.

"Antibiotics aren't going to do you any good if your sore throat is caused by a virus," Adrian said. "Not unless you develop a secondary bacterial infection."

But there's no doubt that throat-loving bacteria can be nasty.

Meet Group A Beta-hemolytic streptococci, a commonplace bug spread by direct person-to-person contact and specializing in kids aged 5-10. This brand of strep can colonize the throats of people without producing symptoms.

But odds are that nobody in your household will develop strep throat unless someone else in your family has it. The incidence is five out of every 1,000 people, according to the HealthCentral General Encyclopedia, and just 10 percent of the sore throats seen by doctors actually turn out to be strep, according to the National Center for Emergency Medicine Informatics.

"Unless there's an airway blockage, our biggest concern about strep throat is that it can lead to rheumatic fever, which is a very serious disease," Adrian said.

Before the widespread use of antibiotics to treat strep infections, rheumatic fever used to shorten the lives of millions of people by damaging their hearts. Typically affecting kids 6-8, it's caused by the body's immune system overreacting to strep bacteria in the bloodstream.

Some components of those bacteria are genetically similar to certain toxins in the body. The immune system produces antibodies to fight a strep infection, and these antibodies attack the connective tissues in the heart. A few years - or sometimes decades - later, the heart's valves become damaged or deformed.

Rheumatic fever isn't a big threat anymore, but it's dangerous enough for parents to pay attention when a child develops a sore throat. "If it hangs on for more than 24 hours, and a child has a fever, it's a good idea to get a throat culture," Adrian said.

The hallmarks of strep throat are a fever of 101 degrees or higher in a child for more than three days, a very red throat with bright red spots on the back of the palate and white spots on the tonsils, and swollen neck glands.

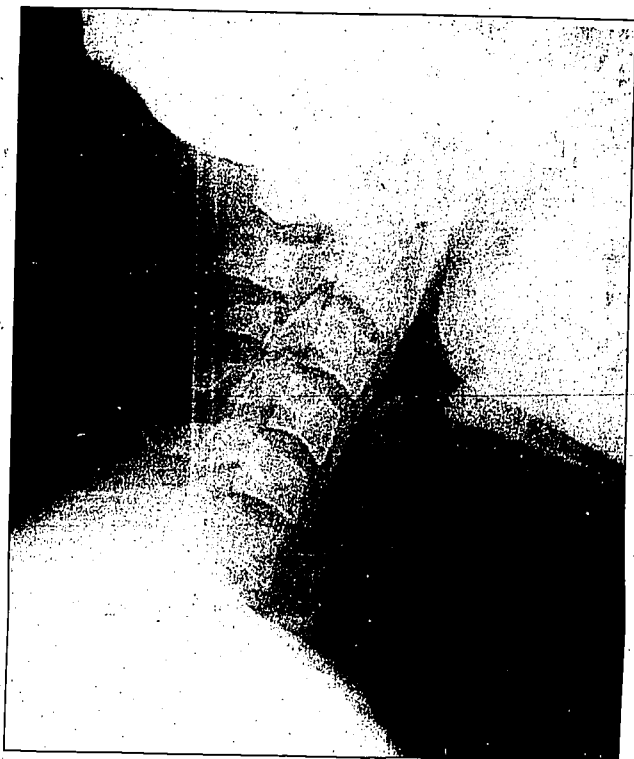


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Sore throats are more common than you think, and usually take care of themselves. But in a few cases, they're dangerous.

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- Dr. Bart Adrian, TF pediatrician

A throat culture - or sometimes a rapid strep test - is often the first thing a doctor does when he or she sees an adult or a child complaining of a sore throat, but if the cause is viral the medical community mostly lets nature take its course.

With one notable exception: Sore throat can be a symptom of mononucleosis, a serious viral disease that happens most commonly to teenagers and young adults. Mono is potentially life-threatening, so it's treated aggressively by physicians.

Tonsillectomies used to be the treatment of choice for kids with repeated sore throats, but a consensus began to emerge a quarter century ago that the risks of surgery usually outweigh the risks of the infection.

"It's unusual to see a tonsillectomy done anymore unless an airway is compromised," Adrian said.

For parents, Adrian recommends sensible vigilance - tem-

The A-B-C's of lozenges

Weak topical anesthetic
As the lozenges dissolve, they will sometimes numb everything in your mouth, especially your tongue. Examples of include Cepacol-Sore Throat Lozenges, Cepacol-Anesthetic Lozenges and Screts.

Menthol
Menthol provides a cooling sensation to aid in symptomatic relief of minor throat irritations, but it doesn't numb other parts of your mouth like the topical anesthetics. Menthol provides relief mainly through the cooling sensation. Examples include Cepacol-Dry Throat Lozenges, N'ice-Medicated Sore Throat and Cough Lozenges and Hall's Mono-Lyptus Cough Suppressant Tablets.

Unmedicated
Unmedicated lozenges, such as Hall's Vitamin C Drops, don't contain medication. The bitter flavor causes your mouth to produce more saliva and thus, keeps your throat moist. This helps if you have a dry cough, but doesn't always have the same effects as a lozenge with menthol or benzocaine. The effects of unmedicated lozenges can also be achieved by drinking large amounts of water.

- Source: University of Rochester

pered with the knowledge that a kid is going to get a lot of sore throats in his or her day.

And for adults? "Adults get sore throats too, but they're usually milder and they usually go away in a few days," Adrian said.

For anyone with a sore throat, doctors' marching orders are short: Use a pain reliever - but never aspirin in children or teenagers because of the risk of Reye's Syndrome. Acetaminophen - that's Tylenol - is the drug of choice, combined with gargling with warm salt water three times a day.

There's an entire industry devoted to making your throat hurt less, but essentially only a handful of products. Phenol or benzocaine - found in Cepacol or Cepacol Lozenges, or Chlorbutol Sore Throat Spray and Gargle - numb throat tissues temporarily and reduces discomfort. There are three basic types of throat lozenges: Those with a weak topical anesthetic, lozenges with menthol and those which will cure your sore throat. But it's only a matter of time.

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Quick-drying shampoos don't last

DEAR PAULA: I have had problems with both hair and skin for some time. I do have a few questions:

You've mentioned that volumizing shampoos lock some moisture in the hair. If someone has a problem with their hair being dry and frizing in the humidity, is this kind of shampoo to avoid?

Since the quick-drying shampoos and conditioners repel water when drying the hair, are they also helpful in repelling humidity once the hair is dry?

-JOHN, VIA E-MAIL

DEAR JOHN: Hair is normally about 30 percent water. If the level drops below that (depending on the humidity in the air) it can feel dry and look lifeless or "flakky." Hair-care products that "lock in moisture" are just helping to make sure the normal water content of hair stays normal. When the humidity in the air goes over 30 percent, then hair can swell and look frizzy. (Remember: Hair can absorb lots of moisture; just think of how it looks when your hair is soaking wet and has absorbed a



COSMETICS Q&A
Paula Begoun

lot of water). Hair-care styling products can, to some extent, help lock out excess moisture, but keeping it out entirely when the air is exceptionally humid is impossible.

Quick-drying shampoos and conditioners would help keep moisture in the air from having an effect on your tresses if they had any longevity on the hair, but the ingredients that help hair dry more quickly are gone once your hair has dried.

DEAR PAULA: A co-worker has even thinner hair than mine. I told her you recommended Rogaine. I haven't started using the products I recently purchased yet.) She heard that once you use Rogaine and it works,

then you just needs to always use it or your hair just falls out. Is that true?

-CLAUDIA, SEATTLE

DEAR CLAUDIA: When you stop using Rogaine (or any product containing minoxidil, the active ingredient in Rogaine), new hair growth or any hair growth on your head absolutely does not start falling out. What does happen is that over a period of time any new regrowth generated from the use of Rogaine will revert back to the way it was when you began.

For hair regrowth there is simply nothing on the market as effective as minoxidil and should be a consideration for both men and women, but especially women, who are starting to see thinning areas on their scalp.

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Study: Boost of radiation can reduce cancer relapse risk

A boost of radiation after surgery can reduce the likelihood of a relapse of breast cancer, according to a study published in the New England Journal of Medicine. The study examined the effects of 16 extra units of radiation. After surgery, patients were randomly divided into two groups that received either the standard 50 units of radiation or 50 units plus an additional 16 units over a period of several weeks. During the next five years, 73 percent of the patients who got the standard treatment had a relapse, compared with 43 percent of those who got additional radiation. Women under the age of 40 benefited most from the extra radiation. Among the patients in this group, those who got additional radiation reduced their risk of relapse by almost half compared with those who got standard treatment.

Health notes

lished earlier this month in the New England Journal of Medicine. High blood sugar levels can predispose a patient to other complications, such as severe infection and multiple organ failure during critical illness, yet insulin is not routinely prescribed to bring down these levels unless they become extremely high. This study examined whether strict regulation of blood sugar levels in critically ill non-diabetic patients would improve their outcome. The researchers randomly assigned 1,548 intensive-care patients who were on ventilators after surgery into two groups: one used insulin to maintain normal blood glucose; the other used insulin only when blood glucose was over 215 milligrams. The more aggressive insulin therapy reduced death rates to 4.6 percent, compared with 8 percent in the conventional treatment group.

Insulin boost

Critically ill patients benefit from controlled blood sugar after surgery, according to a study pub-

- compiled from wire service reports

HEALTH & FASHION

Outerwear Q&A

A coat is about more than staying warm. It can create glamour with a long sweep of fur or give attitude with unexpected color, detail and companionship (think leather biker jacket over satin sheath).

Q. How do I acquire a timeless, functional coat wardrobe without breaking the bank?

A. A careful selection of well-chosen coats is an investment to be built and enjoyed over time.

Start with a practical raincoat, a leather or suede weekend jacket and a wool coat that can double for work and evening. The latter should be a long black wool, cashmere or alpaca Chesterfield.

Later, add something more luxurious - a fur or an evening wrap in velvet, brocade or satin. After that, branch out with a sporty vest, a retro swing coat

and swirling cape.

Q. Can I wear my new leather coat in the snow?

A. The cow did. The sheep, too. But then, their hides weren't dyed, tanned, distressed, buffed, polished and stitched. Wearing suede and leather in wet weather isn't a terrific idea. It most likely will lose its supple feel, maybe even its color. Leather should be dried promptly with a soft cloth. The same for suede.

Q. What the heck is shearing?

A. Before slaughter, the skin of sheep or lambs is sheared and tanned without removing all the wool. Once upon a time - back in the Word Cleaver days - shearing was synonymous with dad's dusty bedroom slippers. Once upon another time - the cozy '70s - it was regarded as the street fur of European youth (hardly a compliment). Today,

beautiful dyes and fashionable designs have elevated shearing jackets, coats and vests to hot-trend status.

Q. Speaking of elevating, how can I elevate my everyday cloth coat to evening status?

A. A slim, dark-colored cloth coat can go from the office to a New Year's Eve bash in a jiffy. Wad a bearded scarf or brightly colored satin shawl loosely around the shoulders. Add a large, glittering brooch to the lapel. Exchange your sensible pumps for strappy high-heeled sandals. Replace thick mittens with slim leather gloves. Top it all off with a sparkly barrette or romantic fur hat.

Q. What's a reefer?

A. A reefer is a single- or double-breasted coat for women. It is of slim fit, tailored and made of sturdy cloth.

Q. What's a Chesterfield?

A. Originally, outerwear called Chesterfields were single-breasted coats with a plain back, notched lapel and collar. Often they were velvet. They were first worn in the 18th century by Philip Dormer Stanhope, 4th Earl of Chesterfield, for whom they are named.

Q. How about the origins of the pea coat?

A. Sailors who had to endure pea-soup weather often don pea coats, but the name isn't derived from the weather. The dark blue topcoat of seafaring men was once tailored from pilot cloth - pilot meaning a ship's navigator. Pilot cloth is a heavy, coarse, stout twill with the nap on one side, sometimes called P-cloth for the first letter of "pilot." Since 1723, the term "pea coat" has denoted coats made from that cloth.

Corduroy comes out of fields, into fashion focus

The Dallas Morning News

Forget the stiff stuff. If your last fling with corduroy - that lusty, hard-wearing fabric with the supposedly royal roots - left you a little roughed up, we've got news for you. Corduroy is back, and this time it's soft and sleek. Soxy, even.

The signals? Everyone from Gap to Gaultier is doing it, in cuts and colors that take a guy from conference with the boss to coffee with the buds. There are ribbed shirts, jackets, the ubiquitous cord pants, and suits. That's right, suits. Corduroy's return comes with a newfound respect.

Not bad for a fabric whose lineage is quite debatable.

"Corde du roi - the cord of the kings," proclaim most history books and dictionaries, with citations about everyone from Louis XIV to Germans to imperial hunting parties wearing the fabric.

But further digging suggests that it might not have hailed from France, but rather from the "corded duroy" of 1700s England. The first duroy was a hardy fabric, all wild and woolen. It was later ribbed ("corded")

and spun of cotton for laborers and field workers who needed the toughness of the cording but the lighter weight of cotton.

There's even a rumor that the whole "king's cloth" brouhaha was the concoction of a British textile merchant who had a lot of corded duroy to sell. That's right: ye olde marketing play.

But no matter which country lays claim to the cloth, modern corduroy is, in a word, cool. It's not the thin, scratchy stuff of the 1970s (the last time cord had its cord), but instead a smooth, sophisticated alternative to denim, cashmere, and wool. It comes in "wales" (the number of grooves per inch) from fine to wide, and is even out there as outerwear: trench coats, car coats, safari jackets, and more. Prices run the range from Lucky Brand's \$72 low-rise trousers to Fendi's \$1,500 suit, complete with one-button jacket.

Indeed, corduroy really will take you places. It not only is the movies, the office, diners, or dancing. And, hey, if you want to tell people you're a descendant of Louis XIV, go ahead. When you look this good, who'll argue?

Buy winter coat with these tips

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

During our long-winded winters, we make each new introduction and every lingering goodbyee in an interval.

So it had better be decent. From fall's first cold snap to spring's last dingy snowstorm, it's possible to be both warm and chic. The season's new crop of coats includes shearing parkas and slim Chesterfields, sporty pea coats and Old Hollywood swing coats.

Each one will work wonders - inside and out - for the woman who wears it.

"In the worst weather, coats embrace us and give us comfort," says Arlene Goldstein, fashion director for Saks Inc. "We need that. We absolutely need it."

A new winter coat is a big investment. Here are a few pointers to help find a look you'll love all winter - and next winter, too:

- **Material:** Choose fabric that will stand up to several years' worth of wear and tear - camel hair, lambswool, insulated microfiber, shearing, leather or fur.

- **Workmanship:** Look for signs of quality and durability. Winter coats should be fully lined in fabric that allows the garment to slide on and off easily. The lining should be pleated in back so sewing doesn't pull. Zippers should zip up and down smoothly. Buttons should be sewed securely, but not so tight that they will pop off or tear the fabric.

- **Style:** You'll probably wear the coat more than one season, so select a style that will outlast the blink of a fad. Luckily, this season's fashion standouts are the classics.

- **Function:** Choose a coat that fits your lifestyle. If you get in and out of a car frequently, opt for a knee length or shorter coat. If you need a versatile coat, one that looks great with jeans as well as business attire, consider a



A shearing is a high-quality leather or suede coat lined with thick lambswool.

long wool reefer. For an unstructured topcoat to toss on and off quickly, try a cape.

- **Fit:** "A coat should not fit like a bathing suit," says Monroe Milstein, president of the New York-based Burlington Coat Factory stores. A slightly roomy fit through the shoulders allows for a full range of arm movement. When closed, a coat should fall smoothly from shoulder to hem and button cleanly at the hip. If you intend to wear it over a suit,

blazer or thick sweater, make sure it slips over these layers easily.

Some seasons, coat trends are all about color. Or fabrication. Or length. This fall's eclectic styles range from elegant to zany.

- **Shearing:** Revisit the easygoing '70s with a look that mixes casual texture with low-key style. Shearing is just as cozy as the down parka, but more tactile and the versatile. Shearing looks range from hip jean-jacket silhouettes

that are perfect for day-trekking to sweeping dusters for a night of clubbing.

- **Leather:** Continues. Strong. When has it not?

- **Cloth:** Slim or swingy, Chesterfield, reefer or princess-lined, cloth coats are ultra-feminine and always correct. Sleek, belted styles that hit just above the knee look all '90s-flashback and cross to go. Big-but-not-busted vintage styles in funky colors radiate '40s-era Hollywood heat. Even basic wool coats go all spiffy with skinnny belts or detachable fur collars.

- **Pea coats:** The tailored sailor jacket is a bit longer, a bit leaner and more shaped through the waist than previously. And a range of colors well beyond navy blue means basic never looked so current.

- **Variation:** Paddington-Bear stadium coats with toggle buttons.

- **Duster:** This long, flowing style looks great with tall boots, micro-skirts and long shoulder-strap purses. But it also mixes easily with cow-neck sweaters and dress slacks. Even hot pants, should you be so inclined.

- **Trench:** It's not your dad's rumpled raincoat. Today's women have reclaimed the peppy's staple. They've kept the epaulettes and belt but nipped it at the waist - and experimented with colors beyond khaki, khaki, khaki.

- **Cape town:** Swingy shapes take on big fitle, belted or not.

- **Short Fitted:** Jackets with peplum waists, aviator-style bombers and furry vests are great alternatives to blazers.

- **Puffy:** Like mama says, a thick winter coat is the best way to stay warm. Down jackets and vests in sporty microfiber look great tailgating outside the stadium, slaloming the slopes or power-walking the 'burbs.

Study finds old age is not reason to skip treatment

The Hartford Courant

Got an ache, pain or condition that's not being addressed by your doctor? Don't take "aging" for an answer. Contrary to conventional wisdom, two new studies show that older adults, even those with a number of health problems, can benefit from aggressive treatment.

The very group of patients that doctors are often reluctant to treat for high blood pressure - older adults with multiple risk factors for cardiovascular disease - have the most to gain from treatment, reported researchers from Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in the October issue of *Circulation*, the medical journal of the American Heart Association.

An international team of researchers reviewed medical records of more than 4,000 patients age 60 and older with high blood pressure. They found that treating these high-risk older adults with anti-hypertension drugs was four times more effective at preventing heart attacks, strokes and heart failure than treating those with lower levels of risk.

This is a real breakthrough in geriatric medicine, because high blood pressure is one of the most prevalent and least adequately treated cardiovascular conditions in older people," said Dr. Marco Pahor, professor of geriatrics at Wake Forest. "It is estimated that 18.5 million Americans age 65 years or older have hypertension, of which 15 million are inadequately diagnosed or treated."

Doctors may have several reasons for not aggressively treating hypertension in older adults who have multiple risk factors for heart disease, including smoking, diabetes and high cholesterol, said Pahor. They may be concerned about possible drug interactions, believe there is little that can be done to alter the natural progression of blood vessel disease or worry that lowering blood pressure could be more risky than beneficial.

"Most of the time, doctors think treating systolic hypertension is

useless in older patients if they have additional risk factors," said Dr. Luigi Ferrucci, the study's lead researcher from the National Institute for Research and Care for the Elderly in Florence, Italy, in a statement when study results were released. "We have demonstrated very clearly that this is not true. The patients who often aren't treated are exactly the ones who should be treated."

In another study led by the North Central Cancer Treatment Group, a clinical trials group based at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., scientists found that older patients diagnosed with mid-stage colon cancer benefit as much from chemotherapy after surgery as younger patients with the disease. The study results, based on data from more than 3,000 patients and published in the Oct. 11 issue of *New England Journal of Medicine*, led researchers to conclude that age alone should not determine whether an older patient is offered chemotherapy after surgery for treatment of stage II or III colon cancer. Lead researcher Dr. Daniel J. Sargent says questions often arise whether elderly patients can physically withstand chemotherapy treatments.

"We found that patients age 70 and older, who were judged by their physicians to be fit enough to undergo chemotherapy, had the resiliency to successfully withstand the side effects," Sargent said.

A lack of geriatrics education in medical school is to blame for much of the underdiagnosis and undertreatment of older patients, says James Nyberg, director of government relations at the International Longevity Center, a New York City think tank on aging issues. Better training of physicians and the public and research such as these studies, he says, can help alleviate misconceptions and ensure that older adults receive appropriate medical care. Also, older adults should advocate for themselves by questioning their doctors or seeking second opinions if they feel treatment is being determined simply on the basis of age.

Advances help patients manage diabetes

Los Angeles Times

A generation ago, diabetes likely would have prevented 65-year-old Madison Hummer from playing sports, spending the day at a friend's home or even eating her own birthday cake. It might have been expected to end her life before adulthood.

With her blood sugar fluctuating widely, it would have been all too easy for the level to fall precipitously, possibly sending her into a coma, or shoot up, which could also lead to a coma - or death.

But the Manhattan Beach, Calif., kindergarten and her family have benefited from advances in diabetes testing, monitoring and treatment, including newer and more convenient formulations of insulin, the hormone that governs sugar levels. As a result, Madison swims, plays soccer and has just begun going off to play dates, albeit with instructions to call home so her mother can check her blood sugar needs tweaking. Although her blood sugar may be checked 12 times a day, even in her sleep, her doctors and parents expect her to live a long, happy life.

"Thirty years ago, she would have had a significant decrease in her life expectancy and her ability to have children," said Dr. Francine Kaufman, head of endocrinology and metabolism at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. "Now she's got a pretty good chance of being fine."

For children and adults with

diabetes, controlling blood sugar is the key to averting complications such as blindness, kidney failure, nerve damage and heart disease. And with that easier to do than ever before, patients are living longer, more active lives.

"I can look at my patients and say, if they have access to health care and care for themselves, diabetes may have some effect on their eyes, but they won't go blind; it may have an effect on their kidneys, but they won't have end-stage renal failure," Kaufman said. They may have some nerve damage, but they're unlikely to suffer the unrelenting infections that lead to amputation. "Those things are pretty much gone."

Yet, despite improvements in managing the incurable disorder, the number of patients continues to rise - and 200,000 of them die each year. Further, of the approximately 15 million Americans with diabetes, 6 million are unaware of it.

In Type 1 diabetes, usually found in children like Madison,

the pancreas stops releasing the insulin the body needs to be able to burn sugar for energy. Thought to stem from the body's misguided attack on its own cells, it requires that patients be given the insulin their pancreas stopped making.

In Type 2 diabetes, formerly called adult onset diabetes, the body makes too little insulin and responds poorly to the little it does make. This form accounts for up to 95 percent of all diabetes and is associated with genetics, down parks, but more tactile and the versatile. Shearing looks range from hip jean-jacket silhouettes

Doctors are also troubled by a rise in a prediabetic condition called impaired glucose tolerance. Although recent studies showed it can be reversed with diet, weight loss and exercise, unchecked it eventually progresses to Type 2 diabetes.

And, despite all the tools available to keep sugar levels in check, diabetes are still dying in disproportionate numbers from cardiac

complications. Heart attacks and strokes kill 75 percent of all diabetics.

Men with diabetes have not benefited from the reduction in heart disease deaths nearly as much as nondiabetics over the last 30 years, said Dr. Michael Bush, clinical chief of endocrinology at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. According to the National Institutes of Health, cardiovascular deaths among diabetic men fell just 13 percent, compared with a 36 percent drop among men without the disease.

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Cancer support group meets today

Breast Cancer Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. today in the reception area of the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center, 650 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls. The ongoing group is open to women diagnosed with breast cancer and their families and friends.

Exercise for moms-to-be
"Step Ahead," an exercise class for expectant mothers, will be held at 7 p.m. today and Tuesday at Magic Valley Regional Medical Centers Rehabilitation Services Department, 560 Shoup Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The four-week program is taught by MVRMC physical therapists and recognizes the safety, balance and physical needs of expectant mothers.

C-section classes
Cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday in the Sage Room of the Education Center at MVRMC in Twin Falls.

The class will include information on cesarean techniques, postpartum care, hospital procedures and non-comforting labors.

Learn about breast-feeding
Breast-feeding classes will be

To do for you
Offered from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday in the board room at Cassia Regional-Medical Center in Burley.

The class will include the advantages of breast-feeding, the physiology of breast-feeding and common problems and solutions. Classes will be taught by a certified lactation educator. Bring a doll or stuffed animal.

Teen pregnancy
A teen pregnancy class will be offered from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

The class will address teen parents and will discuss the features of being a teen parent, developing self-esteem, and continuing to pursue career goals.

'Baby and Me'
St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer the series "Baby and Me" from 10-11 a.m. Tuesday at the Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The classes are for parents of children from infancy through toddler years. Topics will include story telling, speech development, infant massage, safety in the home and pediatric

dentistry. For more information, call Anita Bartels at 324-1122, Ext. 3361.

Childbirth class
Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 7-9 p.m. Thursdays, beginning Thursday through Dec. 27, in the Sage Room of the Education Center at MVRMC in Twin Falls.

The class will include classroom instruction on wellness of the mother, labor and delivery process with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the postpartum mother and care of the newborn including breast and bottle feeding.

Learn CPR
Cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 6-10 p.m. Thursday in the doctors' meeting room at MVRMC in Twin Falls.

The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice. Cost is \$25. Preregistration is required, call 737-2900.

Big Kids Klub
Big Kids Klub will meet from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday in the Sage Room of the Education Center at MVRMC in Twin Falls.

The class is designed to help prepare siblings for the new baby. Cost is \$7.50 per family with one child or \$10 per family with two or more children. To register, call 737-2900.

Infant CPR class
Infant CPR and safety class will be offered from 7-9:30 p.m. Dec. 6 at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The class will include the basics of infant CPR, child safety and car-seat instructions. To register, call St. Benedict's Family Medical Center at 324-4301.

Breast screening
A breast screening education program will be offered through Women's Health and Imaging Services in Twin Falls.

Breast examinations will be done by a nurse specialist, and will include information on early detection of breast cancer and self-breast exam techniques.

To schedule a free appointment or for more information, call 737-2192.

Saturn, moon will rendezvous this week



SKYWATCH
Chris Anderson
Sky calendar
(through Saturday)

Some years ago, I saw truly dramatic photo of Saturn looming above the edge of the moon. It gave an instant perspective on just how much further away than the moon Saturn is, given that the ringed planet is 35 times wider than our natural satellite, and yet seemed dwarfed by even the smallest lunar craters.

This week offers a similar close brush between the moon and Saturn, as the two come within 0.3 degrees of one another (measured center to center) at 6:10 p.m. Friday. As the full moon rises in the east-northeast, Saturn will seem to be perched only five-hundredths of a degree, or 3 1/2 ring diameters, away, from the 11 o'clock position of the moon's limb.

In the eastern and southern U.S., the conjunction won't just be two celestial ships passing in the night - the moon will actually cross in front of Saturn, an event known as lunar occultation. But don't feel bad that we'll be in the wrong place for this event - southern Idaho gets its chance late next month (more on that in an upcoming column).

although the latter will appear flat and washed-out due to the lack of shadows during the full phase. (Actually, full moon will have occurred at 1:49 p.m., so if you're really sharp-eyed, through a telescope you might be able to see a razor-thin dark sliver along the moon's upper right or western limb.)

Next week: Choosing a first telescope.
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ANNIVERSARY

THE CHENEYS

HEYBURN - Mr. and Mrs. Cleo K. Cheney of Heyburn will be honored at an open house Saturday for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to call from 7-9 p.m. at the Heyburn 1st and 2nd Ward, 530 Villa Drive, Heyburn. The couple requests no gifts.

Cheney and Pat (Patsy) Lauridsen were married Dec. 23, 1951, in the Burley LDS 1st Ward. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

The couple met at Burley High School and, after graduation, he joined the Army and she went to college in Pocatello and Boise. They were married when he came home on furlough. After a five-day honeymoon, they each returned to their Army and school obligations. She eventually joined him in Lompoc, Calif., where they spent one year together. He received overseas orders and left by ship for Okinawa, while she stayed with her parents in Burley. Upon his return, the couple settled in



Burley and later bought a home in the country south of Rupert, where they raised their family. While in Burley, he worked for KBAR. Soon they purchased the Mobil Oil Distributorship, serving many farmers in the area, and also running the Mobil stations. At the time, she worked for Dr. A. Paul Brown and later Dr. R. P. Sutton. When Mobil decided to leave the area, the couple moved to Rock Springs, Wyo., where their sons were living. He worked

for Coastal Oil & Gas, east of Rock Springs, operating a gas plant. After seven years, the company relocated them to Vernal, Utah, where he was measurement supervisor and she worked for two doctors. In 1991, they retired from the oil field and returned home helping to care for aging parents. After being retired for a short time, he went to work for the Blinidska School District in the transportation department. Two years ago he was elected to the office of mayor of Heyburn, the position that he holds today.

Before becoming mayor, they served at the Boise Temple for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is currently serving on the high council of the Paul Stake. They have served in many positions in the church. (Cindy) Cheney was born in Texas, Susan (Bren) Mendenhall of Rexburg, Cleo Kevin (Marcy) Cheney of Asheville, N.C., and Tami (Eric) Erickson of Rexburg. The couple has 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

New drugs give heart patients hope

Los Angeles Times

Artificial hearts and new surgical techniques may be the glamorous arm of cardiac care, but medications are the backbone. A broad spectrum of drugs developed in the past two decades has dramatically improved heart care, keeping large numbers of patients alive much longer than previously possible.

Though many niches remain unfill, research presented this month at the meeting of the American Heart Association in Anaheim, Calif., suggests that progress is being made. In some cases, old drugs are finding new applications. In others, new classes of drugs are being developed.

And researchers are rethinking how they treat existing drugs. One good example is ACE inhibitors - blood pressure drugs long thought not to be effective in blacks. New results presented in Anaheim show that they are actually the most effective way to control blood pressure and prevent kidney damage in black people. Calcium-channel blockers, in contrast, were found to actually

be dangerous to blacks.

Hypertension is a particular problem in blacks, who suffer unusually high rates of kidney damage as a result. Although blacks make up only 12 percent of the U.S. population, they account for more than 30 percent of all cases of advanced kidney disease requiring dialysis.

In the recent study of the condition, sponsored by the National Institutes of Health, Dr. Janice Douglas of Case Western Reserve University and her colleagues enrolled 1,094 hypertensive blacks with mild to moderate kidney damage. Patients were randomly assigned to receive either an ACE (angiotensin-converting enzyme) inhibitor, a calcium-channel blocker or a beta-blocker. Beta-blockers control hypertension by reducing heart rate. Calcium-channel blockers relax blood vessels. ACE-inhibitors help affect retention of water and salt and relax blood vessels. Patients were also given diuretics and other drugs as needed.

The calcium-channel blocker arm of the trial was halted prematurely because patients taking

the drug were more likely to develop kidney disease, Douglas said. Overall, patients taking the ACE inhibitor (Altace) were 41 percent less likely to develop end-stage kidney disease or to die than patients taking the calcium-channel blocker (Norvasc). The rate of decline in kidney function was 25 percent lower in patients taking the ACE inhibitor than in those taking the beta-blocker (Toprol).

There was some good news for angina sufferers as well, with one drug found to improve life expectancy and another showing promise for pain relief.

In the first study, a drug used to treat angina in Europe but not in the United States significantly reduced deaths and nonfatal heart attacks from the condition. Angina, a crippling pain in the chest and arm caused by clogged blood vessels, affects more than 6 million Americans, sharply limiting daily activities.

Three existing classes of drugs are used to treat the condition but have limited efficacy and cause several side effects, including incontinence.

Fat chance: Maintain your weight throughout the holidays with hints from experts

The Washington Post

The goal is simple: Maintain your current weight throughout the holidays, so that when New Year's Day rolls around - up to six of them - that many people put on during the holiday revelry. Whatever your health goals for 2002, you'll be well served facing them without a holiday paunch.

With the mouth-watering aroma of you wifey, stuffing and pecan pie just around the corner, here's what experts advise:

- Cut back to set aside a little wiggle room. "Think of it like cash-and-carry,"

says George Blackburn, director of the Center for the Study of Nutrition at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. "Knowing that Thanksgiving will be a big dinner, where you will probably eat twice what you can, get some of those calories in the bank now."

• Budget about 1,000 calories for the holiday meal. That's enough to keep you satisfied and able to enjoy the meal, but not overdo it. What does 1,000 calories get you? The works - about four ounces of turkey, half a cup of stuffing, salad, green beans, half a cup of sweet potatoes, a roll, a glass of wine and a slice of pumpkin pie. (Check out the caloric content of your holiday meal at www.nal.usda.gov/nic/cgi-bin/nut-search.pl)

• Don't skimp on your regular exercise regimen. Physical activity will help control appetite and burn those extra holiday calories. Sneak in other activities as much as possible. "Watch less of the growth-and-obesity unit at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. "Get up every half-hour from your desk job and walk for five minutes. Choose to stand at the back of the room during a meeting." In other words, move it.

• Be sure to eat breakfast on the holiday. Whether you're spending most of the day in the kitchen or not, don't skip meals. Pace yourself, because if you arrive famished and weak from hunger, odds increase that you'll eat everything in sight. So go ahead, have a balanced breakfast. And if your meal is in the evening, have a light lunch too, a few hours after breakfast. Consider high-fiber foods - high-fiber cereals or breads, smoothies, fruits and vegetables, soups or a sandwich piled high with lettuce and tomatoes.

• Researchers at Pennsylvania State University show that such foods increase satiety with fewer calories.

• Drink alcohol only with the meal. Imbibing before the meal only works to

stoke the appetite and reduce the resolve to stick with a reasonable plan for eating. Drinking alcoholic beverages with food slows the absorption of alcohol and makes it less likely that you'll overeat or drink too much. Stick with the U.S. Dietary Guidelines, which advise limiting consumption to one drink per day for women and two per day for men. (A drink equals 12 ounces of beer, 5 ounces of wine or 1.5 ounces of distilled spirits.)

• Taste everything you want but watch the portion sizes. Remember to spend calories on the holiday foods, rather than the stuff that you can eat year-round.

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In most cases this procedure works out satisfactorily. Alternatively, your uncle could include you in the safe deposit signature card. This would allow you direct access to the box.

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Saturday's Puzzle Solver grid with clues for Across and Down sections.

Mom recoils from idea son is mentally ill

DEAR ABBY: Last summer, we visited my husband's out-of-state relatives, including his "Uncle Pete." Five years ago, Uncle Pete was diagnosed with schizophrenia and I don't know what else. He is receiving therapy and taking medication. To me, his behavior is still very strange...



DEAR ABBY: I need your help. I am being married next summer. I am 23 and have been with my fiancée since high school. She is very possessive and insecure...

DEAR ANGRY MOTHER: Your husband is half right. Keep the book, but do read it. And think Uncle-Pete for being so concerned and caring, because that's the place he is coming from.

ated, just in case Uncle Pete has spotted something that needs to be treated. If your son passes the exam with flying colors, you can then assure Uncle Pete that the experts say there's nothing to be concerned about. End of story.

because hers is so messed up. She has very few friends. I know this wedding is a mistake, but I don't have the guts to call it off. We were both lonely people, but now I am always miserable. If the wedding goes through, I know we're doomed. Please tell me what to do.

Actor questions honor of being 'sexiest funnyman'

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Ben Stiller isn't sure if being named "sexiest funnyman" by People magazine is really an honor. It might be more of a backhanded compliment.

and Bill Murray. He lives in Los Angeles with his wife, actress Christine Taylor.

TomatoFest founder unveils tomato named after chef CARMEL, Calif. — Julia Child now has a certified-organic, heirloom tomato to call her own. Gury Ibsen, founder of Carmel's annual TomatoFest, has announced the naming of his "Julia Child" tomato.



Ben Stiller

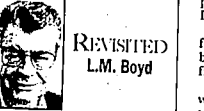
JUST DESSERTS



Seven Oaks Elementary School second-grade student Eric Mooers enjoys some pumpkin during a Thanksgiving Day celebration at the Lacey, Wash., school Wednesday.

Security firms look for female bodyguards

Young lady, how would you like to be a female bodyguard? Security firms report they're looking for such. Some clients, they say, can best be served by bodyguards who don't look like bodyguards. These clients should be accompanied by women who seem to be their mothers or wives or sisters and girlfriends. Also, they point out, female bodyguards can get into places male bodyguards can't.



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not breaking this mirror." In 1776, only 20 percent of the newborn babies in this country lived to age 60. Now only 20 percent don't live that long. Overweight men tend to be fastidious about their feet, for reasons unclear. Their shoes usually have better soles than those of thin men.

publisher named Francis Bailey, in 1778. Q. How do you account for the fact that children seem to learn better from old textbooks than from new textbooks? A. Each of the old texts was written by one teacher. Most of the new texts are written by committees. That's one theory, anyhow.

modeled from the hands of museum staffers. In the headquarters buildings of corporations, the girls calendar in desk drawers far outnumber the girls calendars on office walls, unsurprisingly. But the surveytakers who learned this say they were somewhat surprised to discover the large number of the desk-drawer calendars. Men who receive such calendars aren't willing to hang them up, evidently, and aren't willing to throw them away, either.

Scorpio: Go easy on 'adult beverages'

IF NOVEMBER 26TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you can drive a hard business deal. However, you are "soft" when it comes to feelings, romance. People lean on you, and some take advantage. Capricorn, Cancer natives play major roles in your life, could have these letters, initials in names: H, Q, Z. During early part of month, you made arrangements with family concerning budget. During December you will be more concerned with the "other half" than with finances.

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right way. Relationship "smoother." You could be in love, but there are doubts, suspicions. Leo is represented. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Issues on marriage and when it is time to say "I do." Cancer natives play dynamic roles. Create your own tradition - don't wait for others to "tell you." Check directions. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Go easy on "adult beverages." Maintain moderation during celebration. One who loves you makes suggestion; listen and learn. Sagittarius will play amazing role. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your services will be called upon. Do what you can, but know when to say "Enough." Review. Be positive concerning working tools. Taurus, Scorpio figure in scenario. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You could find yourself rushing to be here, there, everywhere! Be careful of your car. Do not attempt to please everyone. Please yourself and that will be quite enough! AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Domestic adjustment dominates and could include where you live, marital status. You will be ultra-sensitive to sin or in out of show-off. PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Emphasis on payments, collections and special invoices. You get money's worth as result of charm, confidence. Don't settle for second best. Another Pisces will be involved.

Pop star tours with classical album

WASHINGTON - Billy Joel likes to think of his latest tour as a series of master classes. He's been visiting universities to answer questions and play selections from his new classical album, "Fantasies & Delusions."

no body to ask." Joel, whose pop hits include "Piano Man" and "Uptown Girl" says he also likes technical questions "because I don't have the answer in my index-card file. I've really got to think."

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NATION

Afghan tribal leaders take over key road

CHAMAN, Pakistan (AP) - Anti-Taliban tribal fighters in southern Afghanistan cut a key road leading to the Islamic militia's stronghold of Kandahar...

five Arabs, possibly pro-Taliban fighters who were affiliated with terror suspect Osama bin Laden and his Al-Qaida network...



In Pakistan on Sunday, a meeting of Pashtun tribal chiefs urged the Taliban to surrender Kandahar.

There were conflicting reports of the number of dead, with one tribal official saying as many as 80 Taliban died.

The reports could not be independently confirmed because the Taliban have not allowed journalists to travel to Kandahar...

Most fighting in Afghanistan has been in the northern half of the country, with the northern alliance inflicting defeats on the Taliban...

In Pakistan on Sunday, a meeting of Pashtun tribal chiefs urged the Taliban to surrender Kandahar...

Hamid Karzai, said as many as 80 Taliban bodies had been brought to Taliban-controlled Spinboldak.

The 70-mile road from Spinboldak to Kandahar had served as a Taliban supply route, and is a key route for traders from Pakistan.

Many residents have fled Kandahar, which has been under fire since President Bush launched a military campaign Oct. 7 against the Taliban and bin Laden...

"There are some talks and negotiations going on there (in Kandahar) with the Taliban to bring them back to the table..."



An unidentified worker fixes letters in a news conference room in Winterberg, Germany, near Bonn, Sunday, in preparation for the upcoming U.N. talks on Afghanistan. The talks are scheduled to start Tuesday.

Afghanistan gets a chance to end strife

U.N. talks hold prospect of peace for shattered nation

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) - As civil war raged in the mid-1990s, Afghans complained bitterly that the world ignored them...

But starting Tuesday, the major powers will be peering over the shoulders of leading Afghan factions as they begin talks at a German hotel...

The United Nations has sponsored the conference outside Bonn as a matter of urgency. The United States and Britain, each with troops inside Afghanistan...

"We are grateful that the United States helped bring down the Taliban," said Aziz Ahmed Rahmandad, a history professor at Kabul University...

The pressure will be on the Afghans to make the most of an opportunity they haven't had before and may not see again...

most notably the Taliban, who still hold several southern provinces. The four parties at Bonn say that the Taliban won't be part of a future government...

The northern alliance's leader, former Afghan president Burhanuddin Rabbani, will remain in Kabul, but said Sunday that he was prepared to hand over power...

"Today Kabul is quiet. But I'm not very confident about the security in the city," said Francis Calas, a longtime aid worker in Afghanistan...

"But from the other side, I also believe that it will be a significant step toward a political settlement, and we hope that we would reach a tangible agreement...



Burhanuddin Rabbani



Mohammad Zaher Shah

U.S. works on strategy to stop Afghans from growing opium

WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. officials are exploring ways to prevent a surge in opium cultivation in Afghanistan, once the world's leading producer...

States, most of which is from Latin America. After Sept. 11, Afghan opium was seen in a new light...

The challenge is persuading the farmers likely to grow to fight opium production and trafficking...

U.S. counternarcotics officials want to make drug-fighting a condition for receiving international humanitarian aid...

Regulatory agencies of U.S. anti-drug agencies have begun developing a counterdrug plan...

The Taliban's rivals have not tried to ban opium and some are believed to have profited from the drug trade...

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Afghan leaders pull strings for surrender

Taliban foes use Pashtun tribal connections

By Knight Ridder News Service

QUETTA, Pakistan — The U.S. military may be dropping tons of bombs on Afghanistan, but Pashtun tribal leaders say they will topple the Taliban with their own secret weapon: They know the Taliban's moths.

In Pashtun society, shared hometowns, clan and tribal ties and family trees that interlock like thick hedges are the foundations for any sort of sensitive business — from arranging marriages to surrendering an army.

But such things run on tribal time, meaning that the U.S.-led campaign to topple the Taliban and destroy Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network may take longer in Pashtun-dominated southern Afghanistan than in the north.

Sheer U.S. military air power was decisive in forcing the week-end surrender of thousands of Taliban in Kanduz in the north. And U.S. ground troops were able to capture and kill bin Laden, the Taliban ally and alleged mastermind of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on America who is now believed to be hiding somewhere in Afghanistan.

But in southern Afghanistan, where Pashtuns make up the vast majority of the population and the Taliban ranks, opposition Pashtuns say they prefer to make peace, not war, in their own unique tribal ways.

Their stand may be partly due to their military weakness in the face of an estimated 10,000-15,000 troops defending the Taliban's spiritual capital, the southeastern city of Kandahar in the province by the same name.

The two Pashtun groups known have taken up arms against the Taliban, headed by Hamid Karzai and Gul Agha Shirzai, have only about 2,000 fighters and few if any tanks or other heavy weaponry, aides acknowledge.

About 100 of Agha Shirzai's fighters Sunday controlled an eight-mile stretch of highway around Takht Pol, on the main highway connecting Kandahar with Pakistan, aides told reporters in the Pakistani border city of Quetta.

Karzai, patriarch of a vast and powerful family from the Pashtun Populzai tribe, holds another pocket of land in his

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native Oruzgan province north of Kandahar.

But anti-Taliban Pashtuns say such threats, and even weeks of devastating U.S. air strikes around Kandahar, will not decide the campaign to force the Taliban to surrender power.

That, they say, will be eventually arranged in the old-fashioned way — secret contacts between a Taliban official's cousins and cousins of cousins, messages delivered and answers returned by trusted clansmen.

"We know what is the name of his mother, his tribe, his real state of mind," said Azizullah Karzai, former Afghan ambassador to Poland, uncle of Hamid Karzai and the family's expert on tribal maneuverings.

Two Taliban cabinet ministers have already contacted Hamid Karzai — the last one Saturday through mutual friends in the Pakistani city of Karachi — to make a personal peace, said Karzai's brother and spokesman, Shawali.

Also contacting Karzai were two Taliban provincial governors and about six other top government officials, Shawali Karzai told Knight Ridder.

There was no way to independently confirm his assertion.

"The message is, we want to surrender if our life is safe," said Shawali Karzai. "It's not an issue of how many tanks Hamid Karzai may have. They want to surrender. They want to save their lives."

Surrender negotiations with the Taliban will be "difficult and complicated" and will take time, Azizullah Karzai predicted, but will be preferable to having to fight the embattled Taliban in Kandahar.

That would pit Pashtuns against Pashtuns, perhaps unleashing tribal feuding and vendettas and poisoning efforts to form a post-Taliban coalition government in the region.

"It's necessary to fight someone in Kandahar we all can live with," Azizullah Karzai said. "But the situation of the tribes in Kandahar is such that it has to be handled carefully so no one is hurt."

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Violence marks start of U.S. Mideast peace effort

JERUSALEM (AP) — A spike in Mideast violence Sunday dampened prospects for a new U.S. mediation effort, as a Palestinian teen-ager died in a clash with Israeli soldiers and Israeli helicopters blasted buildings in Gaza after a mortar shell killed an Israeli soldier.

The violence came a day before Assistant Secretary of State William Burns and new envoy Anthony Zinni, a retired Marine Corps general, were to begin their peace mission here. The Americans hope to quash Israeli-Palestinian fighting before it undermines the U.S.-led coalition against international terrorism.

The mediators arriving Monday were to meet with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres. Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat was on a trip to Arab countries

and was not expected back until Wednesday. In Cairo on Sunday, he charged Israel with "continuous aggression."

A spate of violence began with Israel's killing of leading Hamas militant Mahmud (Abu Hanoud) on Friday, and continued Sunday.

A 14-year-old Palestinian boy was killed when Israeli soldiers opened fire on a demonstration near the West Bank town of Bethlehem, as Palestinians protested the killing of Abu Hanoud, Palestinian security officials said. The Israeli military said soldiers were forced to open fire during a violent confrontation.

Hamas has vowed to avenge the death of Abu Hanoud, the latest of dozens of militants suspected of attacks on Israelis to be killed in targeted strikes by Israel. The Palestinians have criticized what they call a policy of

assassination, while Israel says it is defending itself against terrorism.

Since fighting erupted in September 2000, 769 people have been killed on the Palestinian side and 198 people on the Israeli side.

Earlier Sunday, Israeli helicopters blasted Palestinian buildings in three parts of the Gaza Strip after an Israeli soldier was killed in a mortar attack on an Israeli outpost next to a Jewish settlement.

In Khan Younis, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip, two Palestinians were wounded when Israeli helicopters fired missiles at a Palestinian security forces building, witnesses said. In Dir al-Balah in central Gaza, helicopter gunships struck an office of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in a fresh onslaught. In Suddaniyeh in northern Gaza,

helicopters fired missiles at a naval police post.

Palestinian Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo charged that Israel is trying to sabotage U.S. peace efforts. He said that the U.S. reaction to the Israeli operations was not strong enough, and "this will allow criminals to continue their terror," a reference to Israel.

Sharon said the U.S. mission would put Arafat's intentions to the test and insisted that Israel would try to reach a cease-fire. Peres said in a statement that after 14 months of fighting that "achieved nothing, the time has come for both sides to try to stop it."

Burns and Zinni were expected to press both sides to implement terms of a cease-fire that was negotiated five months ago by CIA director George Tenet but never took hold.

Investigators find human remains in Macedonia

TETOVO, Macedonia — Forensic experts have found human remains at a site where Macedonian officials suspect ethnic Albanian rebels buried several people they killed during a six-month insurgency this year, a government official said Sunday.

Investigators recovered "parts of human bodies and bones" at the site between the villages of Trebos and Dopsite in the ethnically tense northwest, said Aleksandra Zafirovska, a Macedonia investigative judge. She did not say how many bodies were found.

Macedonian forensic started digging Wednesday at the site, 22 miles west of the capital, Skopje, and not far from Tetovo, Macedonia's second largest city. The government contends that 13 Macedonian civilians missing since April are buried somewhere near Trebos.

Experts from the Netherlands-based U.N. war crimes tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and European Union representatives have been observing the excavation, with NATO troops providing security.

Carla Del Ponte, the U.N. court's chief prosecutor, visited Skopje last week to announce two investigations — one into crimes allegedly committed by Macedonian soldiers against ethnic Albanian civilians, and the second related to crimes allegedly committed by the militants.

The rebels began fighting Macedonian government forces in February, demanding more rights for the country's large ethnic Albanian minority.

A peace deal was reached in August, rebels have handed in thousands of weapons to a NATO force, and parliament last week passed constitutional amendments meant to improve the status of ethnic Albanians, but ten-

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sion remains and there has been sporadic violence.

Quebec changes passport rules two years after arrest

TORONTO — Quebec's provincial government is changing identification requirements in an effort to make it harder for terrorists and others to obtain Canadian passports.

The move comes two years after Ahmed Ressaam, who held a passport he obtained with a phony Quebec baptismal certificate, was arrested at the U.S. border with a trunkload of explosives apparently intended for a terror plot during millennium celebrations.

There has been repeated criticism since his arrest that Quebec baptismal certificates are easy to falsify. Quebec was the only province in Canada where such certificates were a common form of identification.

Starting Monday, the province will no longer accept baptismal or birth certificates issued before 1994 as proof of identity to obtain a passport.

Under the new rules, any Quebec native who wishes to obtain an Alcan passport must present either a birth certificate issued by the province after 1993 or a certificate of citizenship.

Ressaam, an Algerian who said he trained in terrorist camps financed by Osama bin Laden in Afghanistan, pleaded guilty to U.S. conspiracy charges and agreed to testify against other terror suspects in hopes of reducing a potential 130-year sentence. Quebec's new identification requirements are the latest in a series of security changes in the province since the Sept. 11 ter-

Zimbabwe's ruling party tries to stall local elections

HARARE, Zimbabwe — Zimbabwe's government argued in an extraordinary Sunday Supreme Court session that it does not have enough time to prepare for local elections in the capital — an opposition stronghold — and that the vote should be delayed.

Zimbabwe's newly appointed Chief Justice Godfrey Chidyausiku convened the session — from which the media were barred — to hear the government request.

The opposition Movement for Democratic Change is extremely popular in Harare, and victory by the mayoral and council vote set for Dec. 28 would boost its campaign to oust President Robert Mugabe in presidential polls due before April.

Papers presented to the court, Tobin Madzire, a government official in charge of organizing elections, said he was unable to stage municipal polls with pres-

idential elections pending. Chidyausiku said he would announce his decision soon, but did not specify when.

A group fighting the government move questioned the validity of Chidyausiku's hearing.

"It appears he has already made up his mind without hearing argument or reading the papers for more than 15 minutes," said Edith Mushore, a lawyer for a group opposing the delay.

— compiled from wire reports

Report: Islamic militant leader from Uzbekistan dies of wounds

LANGI, Afghanistan (AP) — An Islamic militant leader from Uzbekistan who was a key ally of Osama bin Laden was killed in northern Afghanistan, an anti-Taliban general said Sunday.

Juma Namangani, 32, was wounded during fighting for the northern city of Mazar-e-Sharif, where the militant was killed in Nov. 9, and he died days later, northern alliance Gen. Daoud Khan said. It was not possible to verify the claim.

The rebel leader's real name was Jumaboi Khojiev, but he was known as Namangani for his hometown of Namangan in the former Soviet state of Uzbekistan.

Namangani came to Afghanistan late last year, about the same time an Uzbek court sentenced him to death for terrorist acts after trying to convict him in absentia. He was believed to have a home in Kabul, the Afghan capital.

By this spring, Namangani had become close to bin Laden, the chief suspect in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, and was appointed head of bin Laden's "foreign legion," according to Uzbek special services.

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THE ACES ON BRIDGE Bobby Wolff

"Whoever has no patience has no wisdom." - Sa'di

Today's declarer did well to duck West's club king at trick one. However, he gave back his advantage at trick three. Instead of patiently waiting to ruff his third club, he wasted a dummy entry prematurely. It was the play that cost the game.

South refused West's first club and won the second with his ace. The first-round duck was a good move. Had South won the first club, played his two high trumps, and conceded a club, he would not have enjoyed any club ruff. West would have won the club, cashed his high trump, and then cashed another club, leaving South with no chance to make the game.

Impatiently, South ruffed his third club at trick three and cashed his top trumps. Relying heavily on dummy's diamonds, South cashed dummy's top diamonds and ruffed a diamond, hoping to drop a doubleton queen or to find a 3-2 break. Had diamonds behaved, South would have conceded a trump and claimed an overtrick. When they didn't, South's game fell beyond reach.

To make the game, South should delay his club ruff at trick three. Instead, he cashes his two top trumps and dummy's top diamonds, and ruffs a diamond. (West gains nothing by overruffing the delayed club ruff to good use. South ruffs his club, giving him the crucial entry. Another diamond ruff establishes dummy's fifth diamond, and South crosses to dummy's heart ace to cash it. He discards a losing heart on dummy's fifth diamond, holding his losses to only one club, one heart and one trump.)

NORTH
♠ J 7 4
♥ A J 6
♦ A K J 8 5
♣ 8 3

EAST
♠ 10 9
♥ K 7 5 4
♦ 7 3
♣ K Q J 10 4

SOUTH
♠ A K 8 6 3
♥ 10 8 3
♦ 6 4
♣ A 9 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: North
The bidding:
North East South West
1♠ Pass 1♠ Pass
2♠ Pass 4♠ All pass

Opening lead: Club King
LEAD WITH THE ACES
South holds:
♠ A 8 7 4 2
♥ 8 5
♦ J 10 9
♣ A J 4

ANSWER: Club four. This is the suit to attack. The best chance for three tricks is to lead a low one (playing for East to have Q-x).

East South West North
1♥ Pass 2♦ Pass
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